

Sunday Bulletin

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish

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December 31, 2023

**Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary & Joseph**



Father's Message



Dear brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

This Sunday, the Church honors the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, providing a meaningful continuation from the celebration of Jesus' birth.

The Holy Family serves as an exemplary model, showing us how to love God and our neighbors. Yet, the readings chosen for this occasion, particularly the second reading from the Letter to the Colossians, often spark controversy in today's context, particularly in the way St. Paul addresses wives and husbands.

St. Paul's instruction, "wives, be subordinate to your husbands," can seem jarring at first, especially when taken out of context. Critics might stop there, asserting a skewed interpretation of the faith and the Church. But St. Paul's message extends further, advising "husbands, love your wives... fathers, do not provoke your children."

This suggests that God's moral expectations apply to both husbands and wives. At the foundation of marriage, and by extension the family, is love. It's about mutual respect and affection. Husbands and wives are to love each other and their children "as is proper in the Lord." This kind of familial bond can only be nurtured through heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, and genuine love.

Families are the primary teachers of God's love. This week, we focus on our own families, recognizing that while they may be broken or imperfect, they are still the channels through which the word of Christ can enrich our lives.

With the peace of Christ,

Father Arvion Rosales-Clantos
Parochial Vicar





1 *Calendar of Events*
JANUARY 1-7, 2024

1st - MONDAY

NEW YEAR'S DAY
(Parish Office Closed)

9:00 AM MASS

2nd - TUESDAY *(Parish Office Closed)*

7:00 AM MASS

3rd - WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM MASS

5:15 PM Zumba Fitness Class - Hall

6:00 PM 8am Choir Practice - Church

7:00 PM Dance Class - Hall

4th - THURSDAY

7:00 AM MASS / ADORATION

5:00 PM **FOOD PANTRY - Hall**

5th - FRIDAY

7:00 AM MASS

10:30 AM Funeral Mass (+*Gordon Comajis*)

6th - SATURDAY

7:00 AM MASS

8:30 AM RE Classes - Hall/School

9:00 AM Confessions - Church

5:00 PM MASS

7th - SUNDAY *(Regular Schedule)*

6am • 8am • 10am • 12pm • 5pm

9:30 AM OCIA - Conference Room 1-2

5:00 PM EDGE *(begins w/Mass)* - Room 1-2

5:00 PM Life Teen *(begins w/Mass)* - Room 8

Chuukese Mass 2 pm

Every 1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month

St. Elizabeth Church
www.stelizabethaiea.com

Visit our website,
click the link & join us for the live stream
of our 10am Mass every Sunday!



Christmas Celebrations

Our celebration began with our 5pm Saturday Family Mass which included a wonderful presentation by our school praise choir. With a full Church, Baby Jesus was brought forward to be placed in the manger. Father blessed the manger at each of the Eve Masses and offered prayers

before Baby Jesus. It was a beautiful evening with awesome decorations and lights shining inside and outside the church. Christmas day was equally as joyful at each Mass. May the coming year bring you joy, peace, and abundant blessings!



Father Sebastian and Father Arrion extend their thanks and appreciation for your very kind and generous gifts.



On Christmas day our Chuukese Community filled the church for Mass with Bishop Larry and Father Romple. The children from the community sang from their hearts for all to enjoy.



Happy New Year!



SUNDAY COLLECTION
December 23-25, 2023

Total Collection (4th Sun Adv)	\$ 16,879.50
Christmas Collection	\$ 18,921.50
Building Fund	\$ 1,200.00
Candles	\$ 449.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 180.00
Good Samaritan	\$ 325.00
Misa de Gallo	\$ 3,835.00
St. Damien	\$ 232.00
Total Other Revenue	\$ 6,221.00
Total Weekly Deposit	\$ 42,022.00

Donations to Other Organizations

Catholic Herald	\$ 25.00
Diocesan Priest Retirement	\$ 40.00
Retirement for Religious	\$ 140.00
SES Tuition Asst	\$ 80.00

Additional Offerings (December)

Baptisms	\$ 100.00
Blessings	\$ 300.00
Donations	\$ 597.00
Funeral	\$ 250.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 1,470.00
Total Additional Revenue for December 2023	\$ 2,717.00

Thank You for your Support!!

SECOND COLLECTION

Jan 13/14	Church in Latin America & Black & Indian Missions
Jan 27/28	SES Tuition Assistance

On-line Giving Now Available
VANCO

Use the following hyperlink:
<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZK22>
Or the following QR Code



Religious Education

Classes resume on Saturday, January 6, at 8:30 a.m. We look forward to seeing you in the new year!

Good Samaritan Ministry



To our St. Elizabeth parishioners, staff, students & all who support the GSM....On behalf of the people we serve, I would like to thank you for your generous donations. Your support is essential in helping us serve the many individuals, families and senior citizens who come to us in need.

At the recent Christmas celebration dinner for our clients, St. Elizabeth provided ono Hawaiian food, delicious desserts, and other goodies. The clients enjoyed their meal while talking and playing games. They even had raffle tickets for backpacks and there was a Christmas gift for everyone. During the games our volunteers cheered, and rang bells whenever there was a raffle ticket winner. It was an event filled with the love and support of our ministry members and reciprocated with joy and gratitude from the clients.

As a community dedicated to serving those living in poverty in our neighborhood, and the surrounding areas, we welcome your support. A special thanks to ALL GSM volunteers that sacrifice their time, talent and treasure to God and those in need. We honor our past that started with a few committed volunteers; we celebrate our present with our young adult volunteers; and look forward to our future working together with the graceful seniors, vibrant young adults and others of all ages that contribute in ways that help the GSM fulfill their mission.





For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me. I was sick and you looked after me. I was in prison and you came to visit me.

(Matthew 25:35-37)

God bless all of you,

Sister Lucy



	<p><i>Thursday, January 18, 2024</i> 6pm, St. Theresa Co-Cathedral Mass & Adoration with Bishop Larry</p> <p>FRIDAY, January 19, 2024 3-6pm, State Capitol</p>	
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We are called to Love One Another, our prayers and presence in the public square can change hearts and minds to believe in the Culture of Life!

St. Elizabeth Catholic School

Now Open for Enrollment

"A Quality Catholic Education"




For More Information
 808-488-5322
 www.steliz-hi.org

Applications are being accepted for the 2024-2025 School Year.



Today was the Rite of Acceptance for our OCIA students. In this Rite those previously known as inquirers now become catechumans.

 <p>Hospital Ministry</p>	<p>This ministry serves Catholics hospitalized at Pali Momi and provides Communion along with words of encouragement and prayer for their physical, spiritual, or emotional healing. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Sr. Stella at umeristella@gmail.com.</p>
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 9am - 5pm
 Holidays: Closed

MEET OUR STAFF

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MASS: Sat Vigil: 5pm

Sun: 6am, 8am, 10am, 12pm, 5pm

Weekdays: 7am, (Mon-Sat)

RECONCILIATION (Subj to change)

Saturday: 9am or by appt.

ADORATION

All Thursdays - 7:30 am to 12 pm
 Healing Mass (anointing during Adoration) - 1st Thursday of each Month

BAPTISM (Schedule Subj to Change)

Sunday - January 14, 2024
Class: Fri., January 12, 2024
 Must register with the parish office.

WEDDINGS - Schedule with parish office six months ahead.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	Tuesday, January 2	First Friday, January 5
<p><i>Sunday, December 31</i> Holy Family Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 Colossians 3:12-21 Luke 2:22-40</p> <p><i>Monday, January 1, 2024</i> Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Numbers 6:22-27 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:16-21</p>	<p><i>St. Basil the Great, St. Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors</i> 1 John 2:22-28 John 1:19-28</p> <p><i>Wednesday, January 3</i> 1 John 2:29-3:6 John 1:2-34</p> <p><i>Thursday, January 4</i> St Elizabeth Ann Seton 1 John 3:7-10 John 1:35-42</p>	<p><i>St. John Neumann, Bishop</i> 1 John 3:11-21 John 1:43-51</p> <p><i>Saturday, January 6</i> Epiphany of the Lord (Vigil) 1 John 5:5-13 Mark 1:7-11 or Luke 3:23-38 or Luke 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38</p> <p><i>Sunday, January 7</i> Epiphany of the Lord Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12</p>