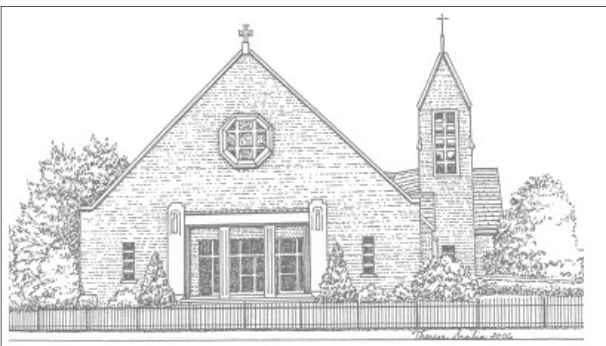


# Saint Elizabeth Parish

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## Pastoral Staff

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## Parish Mission Statement

The mission of the Parish of Saint Elizabeth is to give witness to the Kingdom of God on earth, to support one another, and to strive for a deeper relationship with God. As a community of faith, we welcome all to participate in living out the Gospel message of Our Lord, Jesus Christ. We pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit to serve better the Lord and one another.

## Schedule of Masses

**Saturday: 4:00 pm**  
**Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 am**  
**Daily Mass: Monday—Friday, 9:00 am**

## Telephone Numbers

**Rectory (617) 696-6688**  
**Religious Education (617) 698-5763**  
**Fax (617) 698-4864**

## Parish Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**  
**Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

## Sacraments

### Baptisms:

**First Sunday of the month, 1:00 pm**  
**Parental instruction required.**

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

**Saturday: 3:00—3:45 pm**  
**Anytime by appointment**

### Eucharist Ministry to the Sick:

**Please call the Parish Office to receive the Eucharist at home.**

**R.C.I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**  
**Sister Mary K. Walsh, C.S.J., 617-698-5763**

### Marriage:

**Please call the rectory at least 6 months before the wedding date.**

## Second Sunday of Lent, March 20, 2011

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Prayers** are requested for the people of our parish, for those who are hospitalized, for our deceased relatives and friends, and for the following intentions:

Saturday, March 19

4:00 pm Mary E. Shaughnessy  
3rd Anniversary Mass

Sunday, March 20

8:00 am Ernest Smith, Jr. and Mary Spindler  
Memorial Mass

9:30 am Viola Berry—Memorial Mass

11:30 am Thomas J. Foley  
2nd Anniversary Mass

Monday, March 21

9:00 am Mass of Thanksgiving

Tuesday, March 22

9:00 am Patrick McDonagh  
Birthday Memorial Mass

Wednesday, March 23

9:00 am John J. Hill, III  
Birthday Memorial Mass

Thursday, March 24

9:00 am Rev. Edward F. Sherry  
Memorial Mass

Friday, March 25

9:00 am James McDonough  
Month's Mind Mass

7:00 pm CONFIRMATION

Saturday, March 26

4:00 pm Barbara Ferrera—Anniversary Mass

Sunday, March 27

8:00 am Parishioners of St. Elizabeth

9:30 am Margaret and Joseph Indelicato  
Memorial Mass

11:30 am Walter F. Whelan—Memorial Mass

*Please pray for our recently deceased*

*Sr. Dorothy Fitzpatrick, C.S.J.  
Bernadine McInnis*

### FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

I am sure everyone has been watching the tragedy in Japan unfold as news of the earthquake, tsunami and the nuclear power plant explosions are shown on our televisions. It is hard to imagine such devastation as we view this in the comfort of our homes. It seems so surreal.

The faces of these people, however, tell a different story. I was very moved last night watching a mother holding her beautiful little baby as a rescue worker checked him for radiation. Others are frantically searching for their loved ones. Disasters such as this can shake us to the core. Why does God permit such tragedies to happen, is a mystery. Why do bad things happen to good people? Mother Nature is not to be reckoned with in any way.

I experience our God as a loving, compassionate God. When terrible things like this happen I often think of God witnessing with tears in His eyes, feeling the pain that we are also feeling; not just in national or worldwide disasters but when we ourselves are going through tough times. Never be afraid to talk with Him, ask Him for His help. There may be times when no one else is there for you, but remember God is always there.

Let us take time this second week of Lent to pray for the Japanese people as well as our parishioners who may be facing difficult times, illness or unemployment.

May God continue to bless us all.

*Prayers and best wishes, Fr. Aidan*



**Catholics Come Home** is an outreach initiative of the Archdiocese of Boston. There will be television commercials with a positive message about living as a Catholic and welcoming friends, families and neighbors to establish or re-establish their relationship with the Catholic Church. Our hope is to reach out and bring as many people as we can back "**home**". The commercial will continue **until April 24th** on all major networks.

Second Sunday of Lent, March 20, 2011

**Parish Stewardship**

Offertory for March 12/13 —\$5485  
Monthly Maintenance—\$2126

If you are interested in the **Electronic Giving Program**, please take a form at the entrance of the church or go onto our website. You may also call the parish office. We will be happy to mail one to you.

**Annual Catholic Appeal** — Cardinal Sean sends his thanks to those from St. Elizabeth Parish who have already made a pledge to the 2011 Catholic Appeal. The Appeal funds the ministries and support services of our Archdiocese that we and other parishes depend upon. If you have not yet made a pledge, consider making one this week. Pledge packets with information about the Appeal can be found at the doors of the church. Please do your part every gift matters. For more information please visit [www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com](http://www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com). Thank you!

Please come and celebrate **Mass Sunday, March 27th at 11:30 am**. You will have the pleasure of listening to the **Youth Choir** sing.



**HAVE YOU HEARD?**

*Beginning Advent of 2011, there will be changes to some of the prayers we pray at Mass. On Sunday evening, March 27, we invite you to join us for Evening Prayer at 7 pm in St Agatha's chapel followed by an informational session on these changes led by Fr Dennis Sheehan from the Archdiocesan Office of Divine Worship in Boston. All are welcome!*



**We would like to say a big thank you** to Rachel Phinney for organizing the Blood Pressure Clinic last Saturday. We would also like to thank Anna McAuliffe and June Zuroms for helping. The next **Blood Pressure Clinic** will be held following the 4:00 pm Mass on **Saturday, April 16th**.



*The Sanctuary Light is given this month in loving memory of George Englehart and Mario Susi from their family*

*Altar Bread and Wine is given this weekend in loving memory of Edwin J. Riley from his family*



*Daily Mass—9 am  
Monday — Friday*

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*Stations of the Cross  
Each Friday during Lent  
Following 9:00 am Mass*

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*“The Light is on for You”  
Each Wednesday during Lent  
6:30pm—8 pm*

*Please join us for Reconciliation  
Adoration, Sacrament of Reconciliation  
and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament*

**ABSTINENCE**—Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligation of abstinence. Abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday (March 9th) and on all Fridays of Lent. On days of abstinence, meat may not be used at all.

**FAST**—Catholics over 18 and up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday (March 9th) and Good Friday (April 22rd) are the days of fasting. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.

**Fasting** provides a concrete way of disciplining ourselves so we are not ruled by our desires and wants.

St. Mary's of the Hills School is accepting applications for the 2011 and 2012 school year. They are a Pre-kinder through 8th grade school. Please contact Mary Jane Campbell at 617-698-2464 for information on our tours to be held on March 30th. You may also call for a tour by appointment.



“Sing Your Own Song,” a mini-retreat led by Peggy Patenaude of *Taking Time Out* will be held Wednesday, April 13th at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham, MA from 10:00am to 12:30pm. Cost is \$20. Pre-registration is required. For a description of the entire Winter-Spring monthly series, please visit [www.timeoutretreats.com](http://www.timeoutretreats.com).

“A Lenten Retreat: The Journey to Easter” will be facilitated by Peggy Patenaude of *Taking Time Out* April 15-17, at La Salette Retreat Center in Attleboro, MA. For more contact Peggy at 508-548-9149 or [time-outretreats@comcast.net](mailto:time-outretreats@comcast.net). To register for either program, contact 508-222-8530 or [lasaletteretreats@hotmail.com](mailto:lasaletteretreats@hotmail.com).

**Second Annual Irish Hearts for Haiti Benefit Dance** will be held on Sunday, April 3, at the Marriott Hotel, Quincy, from 2:00-8:00 p.m. Entertainment by Erin's Melody, Andy Healy Band, Noel Henry's Irish Show Band, Kevin Doherty, Brendan Bulger & Friends with traditional set dancing & performances by the Harney School & the Quinn Academy of Irish Dance. In addition to a Silent Auction, there will be a Grand Raffle for 2 tickets for an All Star Irish Bermuda Cruise on May 22-29, 2011. Proceeds will benefit Friends of the Orphans & Saint Rock Haiti Foundation, a Global Outreach Mission of St. Agatha's Parish, Milton. For more information on this event please visit [www.irishheartsforhaiti.com](http://www.irishheartsforhaiti.com) or call Doc Walsh 617-298-8220 or Dan & Anna McAuliffe 617-696-6007. Suggested Donation: \$20.00 p.p.



St. Agatha, St. Elizabeth and St. Mary of the Hills have joined together to help people in need. Parishioners have started a 24 hour hotline called The Caring Circle. Residents who live in the Milton Catholic Collaborative area who need help may call the hot line at 617-337-3225. Assistance will be provided. Flyers explaining this ministry are located in the bulletin racks.

**The William T. Fidler School of Faith Formation**  
Sister Mary K. Walsh, C.S.J., Director  
Ms. Clare Joyce, Coordinator for Grades 7-10  
617-698-5763

### Important Dates:

**March 21st** Confirmation Practice for Confirmation Candidates, Sponsors, & Catechists in Fr. Curley Hall from 7:45—9:00 pm.

**March 25th** Mass of Confirmation at 7:00 pm.

**April 4th—30th 2011 –2012 Faith Formation Re-registration.** Families **currently** enrolled in our Faith Formation Program will receive a registration packet via their children during the week of April 4th. Families **new** to our program are able to pick up a registration packet after any weekday or weekend Mass outside the Faith Formation office beginning in May.

April 18th—**April Vacation** - There will be **NO** Faith Formation classes held for Grades 1 through 9.

**April 22nd** However, regularly scheduled classes will resume for these grades for a final week of classes.

If you are homebound and have little extra time to reflect, may we ask you to pray for our tenth graders as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Such help for our teenagers will be deeply appreciated

*Thank you*

**Attention Students in grade 10 –12.** Win a trip for two to the National Right to Life Convention where you will compete for cash prizes. Enter the Dr. Mildred F. Jefferson Oratory contest sponsored by Massachusetts Citizens for Life. The topic is “What does abortion mean to you and your peers?” Judging for the Massachusetts winners take place April 9th at the MCFL Convention and Youth Conference. Get your information at [www.masscitizensforlife.org](http://www.masscitizensforlife.org).

Fontbonne Academy will host the **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Evening of Stars** on Saturday, March 26th, at 6 p.m. at Lombardo's in Randolph. Tickets are \$100 per person and include dinner, auction and music. To purchase tickets or make a donation, please call 617-615-3003 or visit [www.fontbonneacademy.org](http://www.fontbonneacademy.org). For questions, please email [eveningofstars@fontbonneacademy.org](mailto:eveningofstars@fontbonneacademy.org)