



December 28, 2025

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church

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THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
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ST. ELIZABETH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of St. Elizabeth of the Hill Country Catholic Church and Church of the Epiphany, give glory to God by living the message of Christ. We commit ourselves to nurture the spiritual and educational development of God’s people. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit we strive to be a worthy Parish family and grow in our Catholic faith.

STAFF

<i>Fr. Brendan Buckler</i>	<i>Pastor</i> frbuckler@gmail.com Sacramental Emergencies - (828) 865-0311 (This number is for Sacramental Emergencies <u>Only</u>)
<i>Vanessa Carson</i>	<i>Director of Religious Education</i> Stehc.formation@gmail.com
<i>Matt Mellon</i>	<i>Interim Music Director</i>
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday –Thursday
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY TO ASU

232 Faculty Street
Boone, North Carolina 28607
Web site: www.ccm.appstate.edu
Email: AppStateCatholic@gmail.com
Erin Kotlowski, ASU Campus Minister
Register: www.sainteccc.org/university-student-online-registration

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Grand Knight – Matthew Mellon
To contact Mr. Mellon, please
call the parish office.
www.kofc.org/join
www.kofc.org/intothebreach
General Meeting – 3rd Wednesday
of each month at 7:00 PM

ST ELIZABETH GIFT SHOP

Located downstairs to the left of
the entrance.
Open during office hours and by
request after Masses

ONLINE GIVING

Our parish offers online giving.
For information or to sign up,
please visit their website:
<https://osvhub.com/sainteccc/funds>

myParish App

Scan the QR code to download
St. Elizabeth’s myParish app to your
Apple or Android device.
Or go to myParishapp.com



LEAGUE OF ST. MARTIN

The League of St. Martin, also
known as the Holy Face Devotion,
Meets every third Tuesday of the
month in the Youth Room. For
more information, please visit
our website.

December 28th
The Fourth Sunday of Advent / Christmas Week

Schedule of Masses

Intention

Saturday, December 27	
4:15 PM	Rosie Taylor
Sunday, December 28	
9:00 AM	Maria Clarke
11:30 AM (Spanish)	Holy Souls in Purgatory No One Prays For
Tuesday, December 30	
6:00 PM	† Milton Munera
Wednesday, December 31 – Vigil – Solemnity of Mary -Day of Obligation	
6:00 PM	Our Parish Community
Thursday, January 1 – Solemnity of Mary – Day of Obligation	
12:00 Noon	Nicholas Ghent

Happy New Year!

Sacrament of Confession
(Only on Fri & Sat this week)

Wednesday	11:45 – 12:00
	5:00 – 6:00
Thursday	9:00 – 9:15
Friday*	9:00 – 9:15
Saturday	3:00 – 4:00

*At Church of the Epiphany
in Blowing Rock

Eucharistic Adoration
(No Adoration this week)

Wednesday	5:00 – 6:00 PM
Thursday	10:00 AM – 7:00 PM

There are currently two hours open for Thursday Adoration at 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM. If you would like to spend one of these hours each week with Our Lord, please call the parish office.

Remember in Your Prayers

Mary Cuerdo, Sue Taylor, Pat DeCrosta, Bruce Hobe, Michele Polan, Ed Rossi, Jennifer Forbing, Ruth & Tom Drohan, Matthew Peak, Samantha Lewis, Mark Riso, JoAnn Delucia, Julie Trueman, Elisabeth W., Lynn White, Darren Lingard, Mike Taylor, Rosie Taylor, Robert Wilson, Shirley Snyder, Todd Lee

If someone has been removed that is in fact still needing our prayers, please call the parish office to request they be placed back on. Those wishing to have their family members or friends on the list please call the parish office. They will remain on the list for three months unless there is a special request.

Please pray for the men and women in service from our parish community -
Our military men and women will stay on the prayer list as long as they are active duty:

Christopher Lawrence, Adam Pinkerton, Bob Mahoney, Scott MacDonald, Nathan Summers, Genia Bodie, Braxton Marcela, Ryan McGuire, Brian Clevenger, Fernando Rangel Ramos, Tanner Dieppa, Patrick Mellon

Please pray for our Seminarians Dcn Robert Bowman, Dcn Michael Camilleri, Dcn John Cuppett, Dcn Maximilian Frei, Dcn Bryan Ilagor, Dcn Michael Lugo, Dcn Peter Townsend, Dcn Daniel Chaves Pena, Dcn Juan Gonzalez Hernandez, Dcn James Tweed, James Johnson IV, Bradley Loftin, Patrick Martin, Connor White, Clement Ackerblom, Mark Becker, Matthew Stanley, Mateo Perez, John Harrison, Gabriel Lugo, Ronan Ostendorf, Elijah Buerkle, Peter Andress, Anthony Briones-Tristan, Micah Burgess, John Paul Felder, Walter Frei, Patrick Gallagher, Matthew Hennessy, Michael Herman, Theodore Holthe, Charles McCormick, Andrew Scott, James Sides, Matthew Sie, Jeremy Smith, Maximillian Torres, Pierre Westoff, William Adderley, Milo Bannash, David Billings, Patrick Byrnes, Kyle Felder, Liam Scott, James Yellico



Happy Birthday!!

Dec 24	Matthew Roy
Dec 27	Rosemary Taylor, Palmer Coffey
Dec 28	David Tribby, Pamela Smith, Matthew Ryan Marie McGurk
Dec 29	Michelle Muth
Dec 30	Amber Mellon
Dec 31	Jane Rex, Maggie Zrull

Collections Week of December 21st

Offering	\$ 3,582.50
Maintenance	\$ 0.00
Poor Box	\$ 104.00

Current Avg Monthly Operating Expense - \$23,500.00

We greatly appreciate those who support our Parish.

Donations can be mailed to the office at:

259 Pilgrims Way, Boone, NC 28607

or you can sign up for online giving.

Online Giving

Our parish offers Online Giving through OSV.

Please visit their website: <https://osvhub.com/sainteccc/funds>

Priests' Retirement Collection

So far, our parish has received \$7,365.00 in contributions to the Priests' Retirement Benefits Collection. We are grateful for the generosity of our parishioners. Our assessment is \$9,312.00. Those who have not been able to give may still put a contribution in the regular collection any time. There are additional envelopes available in the parish office/narthex for those who did not receive one in the mail. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this most important campaign.

Our Goal	\$9,312.00
Received	\$7,365.00
Still Needed	\$1,947.00

Upcoming Events at a Glance

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - Holy Day of Obligation

Wednesday, Dec 31st - 6:00 PM - Vigil

Thursday, January 1st - 12:00 Noon - English

St. Elizabeth's Christmas Party

Saturday, January 10 - 5:30 PM

Parish Life

The Parish Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, January 10th at 5:30 PM. Please see the insert in this bulletin for more information.

Our Parish Website Address has changed from Sainteccc.org to Stelizabethboone.org. The old address still works and will redirect to the new one.

Saint Quotes

“Since happiness is nothing else than the enjoyment of the supreme good, and the supreme good is above us, no one can enjoy happiness unless he rises above himself.”

- St. Bonaventure

Readings For the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

First Reading	Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Psalm	Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Second Reading	Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
Gospel	Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Readings For Solemnity of Mary

First Reading	Numbers 6:22-27
Psalm	Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
Second Reading	Galatians 4:4-7
Gospel	Luke 2:16-21

Pastor's Corner

Merry Christmastide!

I hope everyone has a great Christmas and receives many blessings from the Divine Infant. This Sunday we have another great feast day, and on Thursday is Mary the Mother of God. It is within the octave of Christmas each year that we also honor Mary. Dom Guéranger reflects on this great plan of God: “But it is today that we, the children of the Roman Church, must pour forth all the love of our hearts for the Virgin-Mother, and rejoice with her in the exceeding happiness she feels at having given birth to her and our Lord. During Advent we contemplated her as with child, the world’s salvation. We proclaimed the glory of that Ark of the New Covenant whose chaste womb was the earthly paradise chosen by the King of Ages for His dwelling-place. Now she has brought him forth, the Infant-God. She adores Him, Him who is her Son. She has the right to call Him her Child. And He, God as He is, calls her in strictest truth, His Mother.”

Sub Tuum Praesidium,

Fr. Buckler





St. Elizabeth's Christmas Party

Saturday, January 10th

5:30 PM

Pat Jones Hall

*Please join us for an evening of fun,
food, and fellowship.*

*It's a potluck, so please sign up and let us know
what you plan to bring in the comment space.*

Here's the link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DAEA729ABF4C70-61178035-stelizabeths>

See you there!



FAMILY Night Jan 7

SAINT ELIZABETH'S BOONE, NC

YOUTH GROUP *7TH GR AND UP
LITTLE SAINTS GROUP *1ST GR AND UP
PARENTS GROUP *STARTING SOON



Holy Hour and Confessions

Quiet Holy Hour *EVERY* Wednesday 5-6pm with Confessions offered. This is EVERY week and is a great opportunity for prayer.

Dinner is served



*6:00pm Bi- Weekly 2x a month our "Family Night Groups" with dinner served at 6:00pm. To start out, we will only be feeding children but hope to organize some great family meals for the near future. Dinners are planned to be kid friendly.

Group Information



6:30-7:30PM Bi- Weekly 2x a month

Youth Group - is for 7th grade through 12th grade. It is geared for fun and conversation.

Games, skits, prayer, and visiting speakers from our area. Don't forget our famous BONFIRES AND SMORES

Little Saints Group- is for 1st - 6th grade

This group is centered on a fun craft with a lesson of a Saint tied in, we also practice music for church and events.

Parents Group- coming soon!

RSVP TO:

VANESSA CARSON

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TEXT: (980) 549-0367

UPCOMING DATES FOR

DINNER/GROUPS:

JANUARY 7, 28

FEBRUARY 11, 25

MARCH 11

