

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal Parish

May 17, 2026

Seventh Sunday of Easter



Parish Office:

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The Reverend Jean Paul Khoury,
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HISTORY

St. Elizabeth of Portugal Parish was established by Bishop Thomas Grace in 1909 as a Portuguese National Parish and named in honor of St. Elizabeth, Queen of Portugal. The church was dedicated in 1913.

Succession of Pastors

<i>Rev. Msgr. Joao V. Azevedo 1909 – 1955</i>	<i>Rev. Msgr. Valdemiro M. Fagundes 1955 – 1985</i>
<i>Rev. Jose F. Ribeiro, SJ 1985 – 1991</i>	<i>Rev. Eduino T. Silveira 1991 – 2005</i>
<i>Rev. Giancarlo Mittempergher, CSS 2005 – 2013</i>	<i>Rev. Jacobo Caceres 2013 – 2014</i>
<i>Rev. Efren F. Garcia-Flores 2014 - 2015</i>	<i>Rev. Francisco Velasquez 2015 – 2016</i>
<i>Rev. Mark R. Richards 2016 – 2022</i>	<i>Rev. Michael O'Reilly 2022 - 2024</i>

Mass Schedule

Penance & Reconciliation: 4:30 p.m. Saturday & 9:30 a.m. on Sunday or by appointment
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. (English) **Sunday Eucharist:** 10:00 a.m. (Portuguese/English)
Weekday Mass: 7:00 a.m. – Monday-Friday (English)
Holy Days: 7:00 a.m. (English) 12:00 p.m. (English/Portuguese)

Baptism, Matrimony, Catechesis for Adults and Children

(Confirmation & First Communion)

Please Contact the Parish Office (**Be advised that weddings required a minimum of six months advance notice**)

Mass Intentions



- Saturday, May 16 – 5:00 p.m.** – Joseph – Requested by Theresa Vu
 Patricia Garner – Requested by Peg Esteves
 Ronald Mills – Requested by Kathleen Mills
 For the Good Intention of Ignatius Anyanwu
- Sunday, May 17 – 10:00 a.m.** – People of the Parish
- Tuesday, May 19 – 7:00 a.m.** – Joao Barandas – Requested by the Eufrazia Family
- Thursday, May 21 – 7:00 a.m.** – Msgr. Valdemiro M. Fagundes – Requested by Joe and Amelia Vargas
- Saturday, May 23 – 5:00 p.m.** – People of the Parish
- Sunday, May 24 – 10:00 a.m.** – Maria Alice Azevedo – Requested by Margarida Martins
 Anibal DaCosta – Requested by Anna Da Costa
- Tuesday, May 26 – 7:00 a.m.** – Beverly Parada – Requested by Steve and Margie Parada
- Thursday, May 28 – 7:00 a.m.** – Deceased Members of the Irmandade da Nossa Senhora de Fatima No. 1
- Friday, May 29 – 7:00 a.m.** – Joseph and Ann – Requested by Theresa Vu
- Saturday, May 30 – 5:00 p.m.** – People of the Parish
- Sunday, May 31 – 10:00 a.m.** – Manuel Neves – Requested by Mary Neves
 Adalina Mendes – Requested by Alice Silveira



Prayer List



Please keep in your prayers our parishioners and friends who are ill, that they may receive healing hope and tender love and care.

**Victor Silveira Yolanda Rodriguez Sarah Parker Teresa Valim Manuel Correia Michael DeMello
Shayla Suarez Azevedo Family Mary Dias Manuel Valim T.J. Rapazo Tony Budmark Judy Allen**

If you wish to place or remove a name from the prayer list, please call the Parish Office (916) 442-2333. Names will remain on the Prayer list for one month unless we are notified by family to remove sooner or keep on list.



Weekly Collection

Saturday and Sunday Giving:

May 9, & May 10, 2026

Offertory Collection:	\$ 1,108.00
Mail In Donations:	\$ 75.00
Maintenance:	\$ 430.00

Second Collection today for the Catholic Communication Campaign

Online Donations

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PASTOR ST. ELIZABETH PARISH, SACRAMENTO



<i>Barbara Paiva</i>	<i>Judy Pettigrew</i>
<i>Fred Mowrey</i>	<i>Maria White</i>
<i>Mark Bowen</i>	<i>Victor Acosta</i>
<i>John Simas</i>	<i>Elva O'Neil</i>
<i>Manuel H. Azevedo</i>	<i>Mary Rodrigues</i>
<i>Bill Nevis</i>	<i>Anthony Souza</i>



Larry & Judy Allen
Antonio & Leontina Ferreira
Jim & Jackie Thaxton
Thomas & Melissa Tharp
David & Sandra Gallardo

Reflection of the Gospel on the Seventh Sunday of Easter

Today we experience Jesus in His risen body ascending into the fullness of God's kingdom. The mystery of the Ascension astounds us. If we understand the Ascension, the most abundant treasure of Jesus' gifts will be given to us. His body, no longer physical but spiritual, penetrates the heavens and is present in the Eucharist. He gives Himself to all those who wish to receive and embrace Him. In a hidden way, He is transforming all. God's love is continually divinizing our humanity. Our life of divine love places an obligation on us to love our bodies properly. They constitute part of us as a human person, and will share in eternal happiness. We as Christians must love our bodies as living images of our incarnate Savior. We must also love this divine image in each other. When we begin to live a life "hidden in God with Jesus Christ," we live out of our true interior self. We live a new life of divine love. Our selfish loves are in the service of divine love. How did we achieve this? Strong sunlight causes the light of the stars to disappear. Similarly, when we set up a stronger affection for imperishable, eternal things, we extinguish our inordinate love of ephemeral things. The stronger more powerful fire of God's love extinguishes our excessive love of lesser things. Jesus' Resurrection-Ascension empowers us to live this new life of holy love that is contrary to all the opinions and rules of our materialistically oriented culture. Christ's love is the wellspring of our love. Nothing urges on a person's heart so much as love. Let us walk joyously among the difficulties of this passing life, since all is perfected and brought to perfection in the eternal beatitude of Heaven. Then Our Savior will glorify us with His splendor, for we loved all things, not for ourselves, but for the glory of God.

Let us pray for all those in our community who have passed away.



Robert Nevis



Mass: Thursday, May 21, 2026

St. Elizabeth of Portugal Church at 7:00 p.m.

250 hours of Adoration + Works of mercy for the 250th Anniversary of America

As the United States of America commemorates the 250th Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 2026, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) will consecrate the country to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. All Catholics are encouraged to join the Bishops in praying in unity and healing the country by praying the rosary at home or with others, or offer a holy hour of devotion leading up to July 4, 2026.

Due to our many fundraisers such as festivals the St. Elizabeth Church Sodality events and the contributions from our parishioners each month we would like to share a list of upgrades, maintenance and repairs that have taken place since January, 2026 and future repairs and upgrades that will take place during the summer months.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY & YOUR DEDICATION TO ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH

- Deep Cleaning of the Stove Hood in the Hall Kitchen
- Magnolia Trees on 12th Street and S Street were all trimmed
- Base Boards in the Hall are currently being replace
- The Church Hall, Bathrooms and Hall Kitchen Floor have all been Washed, Stripped and Waxed.
- All Dispensers have been replaced and upgraded in the Hall and Church. This includes Paper Towels, Toilet Tissue and Soap.
- Concrete that is lifting has been ground down

Summer Projects:

- Repairs to the Church Roof and Gutters
- The Parish Sign will be getting a Facelift
- Carpet in the Church is scheduled to be cleaned
- We are currently looking into repairs for the Church sprinkler system
- A new Freezer for the hall will be purchased in June
- A Handicap Bar will be installed in the Ladies Restroom in the Hall

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PRESENTS



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DATES
FRIDAY MAY 22ND 11AM TO 11PM
SATURDAY MAY 23RD 11AM TO 11PM
SUNDAY MAY 24TH 11AM TO 5PM