

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal Parish

September 13, 2026



Parish Office:

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Hours: Tues: 10:00 – 12:00
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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.

St. Elizabeth of Portugal 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)

Our Lady of The Rosary Mass Schedule

Sunday Eucharist: 11:30 a.m. (English, Arabic & Syriac)

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, September 12 – 5:00 p.m. – People of the Parish

Sunday, September 13 – 10:00 a.m. – Maria Alice Azevedo – Requested by Frank and Maria Dutra
Mary Perry – Requested by Irmandade da Nossa Senhora de Fatima No. 1
Deceased Family Members of Joe and Amelia Vargas

Tuesday, September 15 – 7:00 a.m. – For the Good Intention of Michael Sommers – Requested by Tonoil Lipson

Thursday, September 17 – 7:00 a.m. – For the Good Intention of John Ray David – Requested by Rae Marie David

Saturday, September 19 – 5:00 p.m. – People of the Parish

Sunday, September 20 – 10:00 a.m. – Amelia & Maria Azevedo – Requested by Manuel and Maria Jora
Mary Dias – Requested by Susan Battimarco

Friday, September 25 – 7:00 a.m. – Deceased Members of the Irmandade da Nossa Senhora de Fatima No. 1

Saturday, September 26 – 5:00 p.m. – People of the Parish

Sunday, September 27 – 10:00 a.m. – Maria Alice Azevedo – Requested by Alice Silveira
Deceased Family Members of Manuel & Maria Jora



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 Manuel Perry
Shayla Suarez Azevedo Family Manuel Valim T.J. Rapozo Tony Budmark Judy Allen Jennifer Morse**

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:
September 5 & September 6, 2026

Sunday Offertory Collection: \$ 1,041.00
Mail-In Donations: \$ 205.00
Building Fund: \$ 1,013.00

Second Collection this Week
September 12 & 13, 2026

Annual Diocesan Collection for
Priests Retirement



Jackie Gonsalves
Donalda Vargas
Durvalina Avila
Mark Sheffield
John Pires
Sueli Caseiro



Leticia Ramirez
Maria Arruda
Jana Souza
Alyssa Goularte
Stephen Bucholtz



Manuel H & Rosemary Azevedo
David & Eileen Gonsalves
John & Claudette Pires

Reflection of the Gospel on the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings challenge us to forgive each other. Gathered here are some thoughts on forgiveness that reflect these teachings: Forgiveness is hard to do. While we desire to forgive, we still let our feelings of anger sway us. Yet, if we let anger reign in our heart it grows from a twig to a large branch. The greatest motive for not harboring anger in our heart is that it does not allow us to flourish as a healthy, lively human being. Forgiveness, on the other hand, leads to our wholeness in Christ, whose Spirit floods our hearts with eternal love. Yet, deep hurts that return again and again remind us that they can never be fully eliminated. Just when we think we've been victorious in forgiving, we find our anger stirred up again in our hearts. We've thrown it out the front door, but like a strong wind, anger comes again through a back window in need of repair. Nonetheless, we do not have to let our weaknesses control our lives. God does not order us to keep anger from coming into our heart, only that anger ought not to reign in our heart. Little by little we become forgiving as we very gently put our heart back into God's hands and ask God to heal it. Tell God how you desire to forgive as Jesus forgives. For it is in Jesus that we must place all our affections. By nurturing sacred love in our heart through prayer and the sacraments, we become open to the power of forgiveness. Forgiveness comes more fully when we allow our Savior to enter our hearts and explore the rooms that require repairing. We must not be disturbed but rather glory in our infirmities so that God's power may shine through us. Our deepest hurts remind us of our own weaknesses, and of our need to be more compassionate with others' weaknesses. In that lies the power of forgiveness.

Festival of Our Lady of Fatima 2026



Rosary – October 5,6,7 – 6:00 p.m.

Mass – October 8 & 9 – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday – October 10 – Mass & Candlelight Procession – 5:00 p.m.
(Presentation of Queens & Dinner at the SPHSS Hall)

Sunday – October 11 – Mass & Procession at 10:00 a.m. (Sopas and Auction to follow at the SPHSS Hall)

We appreciate any donation to the auction, the quermesse, and for the festival.

Join us for Coffee, Tea, Sweets & Fellowship Sundays in the Church Hall after the 10:00 a.m. Mass



If you would like to donate or volunteer to bring treats for Sunday Coffee Hour, please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the Church Hall

Sunday, September 13, 2026 – Tecca Wysk

St. Elizabeth of Portugal Church Sodality Annual Rummage Sale Fundraiser



Dates and **Friday, September 18, 2026**

Times: **Friday, September 25, 2026**

- 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 26, 2026

- 8:00 am – 12:00 p.m.

Where: 1817 12th Street, Sacramento, CA.
In the Church Hall

Volunteers needed to clean the Church

We are once again appealing for volunteers to clean our church. The church does not clean itself—it needs **YOU**. We have a number of Sodality Members that volunteer their time to clean the church every Friday, and they do a wonderful job, but we really need volunteers for the first Friday or Saturday of each month, so that we can ensure that the church is cleaned regularly and we do not rely too heavily on the same individuals. This would be just one Friday or Saturday per month! St. Elizabeth Church is a sanctuary where we gather to connect with our faith, find solace, and seek guidance. Regular church cleaning plays a vital role in preserving the sanctity of the church and ensuring a positive experience for parishioners. If you are able to help, please speak to Susan Battimarco, Kacey Battimarco or Jackie Thaxton.