



“Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” Again Jesus bent down and wrote on the ground. *John 8:7-8*

**APPLE VALLEY CATHOLIC COLLABORATIVE – TWO PARISHES ONE MISSION**

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## Clergy Health and Retirement Trust Special Easter Collection

My brothers & sister in Christ;

Our priests in good standing, especially our senior priests, have always answered our call. Like us, they are troubled by the current events taking place in the Church, yet they are still there for us. For decades our senior priests have baptized our children, celebrated our marriages and blessed our loved ones as they were called home to God. They have been available for us. **Help us care for the health and well-being of our senior priests in good standing by graciously supporting them in our annual Easter collection.**

**Boston priests answer the call. Thank you in advance for your prayers and support.**

*Funds from this special collection are managed by the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust – an independently managed trust with a majority lay board of trustees. The funds are used for the sole benefit of active and senior priests in good standing.*

Peace,  
In Christ,  
Fr. Jeff



### Living Lent

Lenten Breakfast and Prayer  
Friday Mornings - April 12 from  
7:00—7:45 a.m., St. Elizabeth Parish Center

Lenten Breakfast and Prayer  
Wednesday Mornings –  
April 10 from 6:30 – 7:15 a.m., St. Isidore

Lenten Retreat - “Who Do You Say that I Am:  
The Great Story of Jesus”  
Saturday, April 13 - preregistration required  
9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., St. Elizabeth



Holy Thursday—April 18, **St. Elizabeth**  
Holy Thursday Mass, 7:30 p.m.  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
**\*11:00 p.m.** Night Prayer, Parish Center

Good Friday—April 19, **St. Isidore**  
Liturgy of the Hours, 9:00 a.m.,  
Stations of the Cross, 3:00 p.m.  
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion 7:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday—April 20, **St. Elizabeth**  
Liturgy of the Hours, 9:00 a.m.  
(No confessions today)  
**\*Easter Vigil, 8:00 p.m.**

Easter Masses—April 21  
8:45 a.m.—**St. Isidore**  
10:15 a.m.—**St. Elizabeth**  
Noon—**St. Elizabeth**

**\*Please note the time change in:  
Night Prayer & The Easter Vigil**

### Lenten Retreat

**“Who do you say that I am:  
The Great Story of Jesus”**

Saturday, April 13, 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
St. Elizabeth Parish Center

Take a sacred pause in your Lenten journey to reflect on the Great Story of Jesus: why he came, how he came, his life, his death, his resurrection and ascension, and his invitation for each and every man and woman to encounter him in order to make the choice to follow him in the midst of his Church. Please register with [judy@applevalleycatholic.org](mailto:judy@applevalleycatholic.org) no later than April 8. Cost is \$25. Registration is limited to 35 participants and will close after the max is reached or April 8, whichever comes first. Please see Diahne Goodwin with other questions.

*“Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new direction and a decisive direction.”*

ENCOUNTER  
J E S U S





## Apple Valley Catholic Community Celebrated this year at St. Isidore on

Wednesdays: April 10<sup>th</sup>, April 17<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

### Holy Week and Collaborative Triduum

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED! We need at least 150 persons to help prepare the church and participate as ministers during our Palm Sunday and Triduum liturgies.

- To prepare the Church environment for Palm Sunday: On Saturday, April 13 at 9:30 a.m.
- To prepare the Church environment for the Easter Vigil: On Saturday, April 20 at 9:45 a.m. after Morning Prayer.
- To serve as gift bearer, usher, or greeter on Holy Thursday, at the Easter Vigil, and/or at Easter Sunday 10:15 a.m and 12:00 p.m. Masses.

Preparing the environment involves tasks such as light housekeeping and preparing plant pots. St. Elizabeth and St. Isidore parishioners are encouraged to sign up to help for Holy Thursday and at the Easter Vigil ... or at any time listed above. If you can help at any of the times listed above, at the foot washing on Holy Thursday, or by taking home towels to launder after the Mass ... please sign up in the Ministry Sign-Up book in the gathering space at the back of St. Elizabeth church after Mass or contact Mary Ryan: [mgr@applevalleycatholic.org](mailto:mgr@applevalleycatholic.org) or 978-263-4305 x35.



This Holy Week and Easter, we invite you to take the opportunity to invite a friend! Is there someone you know who might be curious about these special Holy Days, or may want to come, but need a ride or may not know a lot of people and may not want to attend alone. Reach out and invite them! Share a ride, share your Faith. **Make a difference!**

### Holy Thursday Supper Tickets On Sale After All Masses

Join fellow parishioners for supper on Holy Thursday, April 18, 6:00-7:00 p.m., in St. Elizabeth Parish Center Hall, followed by the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 p.m. The full buffet meal will include ziti and meatballs, salad, bread, dessert and beverages. This evening provides an opportunity for all to come together to begin these most important days of the church's calendar year.

Tickets are \$8.00/person (adult or youth), with a family cap of \$32; children under 5 are free. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses through April 13/14.



#### *Encounter Ona*

We encounter Ona in Gaza, where despite lack of economic opportunity, people pursue their dreams by building businesses to better their lives. How do your daily choices impact others throughout the world? How can your choices support the dignity of workers? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more information.

### Thank You!

A great big congratulations and thank you to all of our donors, auction volunteers- both adult and youth, and the staff at both parishes. The Aloha Auction was an overwhelming success! We appreciate the hard work and dedication from everyone who made the event so festive and fun. All proceeds from the event will support our Apple Valley Catholic Youth Ministry activities including our mission trips, Confirmation preparation, and Teen Alpha, to name a few. These programs would not be possible without your generous support.

# Welcome!

## Young Family Ministries



**Thank You to Our Confirmation Teens** for Leading Ten CLOW Sessions This Year! On behalf of the young children and their families at both St. Elizabeth and St. Isidore Parishes, we are most grateful to all of the Confirmation teens who shared their faith, their time, and their creative talents at CLOW this year. We also want to acknowledge and thank their peer leaders, adult leaders, and Barbara Dane, who prepared them so beautifully.

If you would like to join our CLOW ministry volunteer team, please contact Joan Mattila at: 978-263-4305, ext. 17 or [joan@applevalleycatholic.org](mailto:joan@applevalleycatholic.org).

## Apple Valley Catholic Young Adult Group

Walk for Hunger—May 5, 9:00 a.m.

Join us on this historic 20 mile walk to raise money and awareness for the Walk for Hunger. This annual event supports Project Bread, which is committed to preventing and ending hunger in Massachusetts. Please RSVP to Allan Jussaume at [AllanPaulJussaume@gmail.com](mailto:AllanPaulJussaume@gmail.com).

Check out our Facebook for the latest details Regarding all events. Facebook: Apple Valley Catholic Young Adult Group. Email: [YoungAdults@AppleValleyCatholic.org](mailto:YoungAdults@AppleValleyCatholic.org)

## You can Understand the Bible! For High School Juniors and Seniors

Sunday Mornings 9:00—10:30 a.m.  
Youth Ministry Office  
Facilitators: Xavier Velasco-Suarez and Jim Flanagan

## We Did It!

Many thanks to everyone who helped to organize, donate, collect, and deliver over 200 bags of groceries to 3 area food pantries this Lent. This week we completed our sorting and shelving at the Stow Food Pantry and the Acton Food Pantry. This was truly an intergenerational, collaborative effort with kids and adults working together. We are so blessed to be part of such a giving and compassionate Christ-filled community!



Preparing food for the Acton Food Pantry

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Sorting and shelving at the Stow Food Pantry



## Mass Intentions

### St. Isidore:

Saturday, April 6, 5:00 p.m.  
Jim Murphy, Memorial Mass

Sunday, April 7, 8:45 a.m.  
Josephine Angelico, Memorial Mass

### St. Elizabeth:

Sunday, April 7, 10:45 a.m.  
Edwin Pandke, Memorial Mass

Sunday, April 7, 5:00 p.m.  
Victoria Demers, Memorial Mass

### St. Isidore Prayer Shawl Ministry

Please join us for our next prayer shawl meeting on Monday night, April 8, 7:00 p.m. upstairs in the rectory.

### St. Isidore Lost & Found Spring Clean-up

Please check our lost and found items upstairs (corner of vestibule/gathering area) and downstairs (by coat rack) for any items you may have lost. Any items remaining on Mon., April 15, will be donated. Thank you!

### CORI Sign-up at St. Isidore

CORI forms must be filled out annually for all persons who volunteer their services. Whether you are a first-time volunteer filling out a CORI or a volunteer who needs to re-new their CORI status, forms will be available after all masses from April 6 through May 5. Forms will be available in the work sacristy after Saturday masses or in the church hall after Sunday masses. If you have any questions please contact Robin in the office at [robin@applevalleycatholic.org](mailto:robin@applevalleycatholic.org) or 978-897-2710.

### Collaborative Music News

*Teen Ensemble* will rehearse on Monday from 6:30 – 7:45 p.m., St. Elizabeth Church  
*Children's Choir* will rehearse on Wednesday from 5:30-6:15 p.m., St. Isidore Church Hall  
*Adult Music Ministry* will rehearse on Wednesday from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., St. Isidore Church

### St. Elizabeth Easter Flower Fund

Your contribution helps decorate our church with flowers and plants for the entire Easter Season. If you wish to donate, please complete the form below and mail it to the parish office at 89 Arlington St. Acton MA 01720 Attn: Mary Ryan. You may also put it in an envelope marked 'SEoH Flower Fund' and place it in the collection basket at either parish. If your donation is made in memory of a deceased loved and you would like his/her name included in our bulletin on the Pentecost Sunday, the end of the Easter Season, please check off the appropriate box on the form below. Contact: Mary Ryan at [mgr@applevalleycatholic.org](mailto:mgr@applevalleycatholic.org); 978-263-4305 X35.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation amount: \_\_\_\_\_.

My donation is in memory of \_\_\_\_\_.

(please print clearly)

I would like the above name to be published in the bulletin on the Feast of Pentecost. Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Please check here if you would like your donation to be made anonymously. \_\_\_\_\_

### Upcoming Virtus Sessions

Child Abuse Protection Training is required for all volunteers who work with children, youth, or vulnerable adults. If you are plan to chaperoning a mission trip or help at Vacation Bible School, you must be Virtus-trained. The following sessions will be offered. Contact Barbara Dane to register.

- Wed. May 22, 7:00 p.m.~ St. Isidore Rectory
- Mon. June 3, 7:00 p.m.—St. Elizabeth Parish
- Mon. June 24, 7:00 p.m. - St. Elizabeth Parish

### Scripture for the week of April 7, 2019

7	SUN	Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11
8	Mon	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:12-20
9	Tue	Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30
10	Wed	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42
11	Thu	Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59
12	Fri	Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42
13	Sat	Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56
14	SUN	Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49



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**Collaborative Worship Schedule**

**Saturday**  
5:00 p.m.—St. Isidore

**Sunday**  
8:45 a.m.—St. Isidore  
10:45 a.m.—St. Elizabeth  
5:00 p.m.—St. Elizabeth

**Daily Eucharist**  
Mon., 9:00 a.m.—St. Isidore  
Tues., 9:00 a.m.—St. Isidore  
Wed., 9:00 a.m.—St. Elizabeth

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

St. Isidore  
Saturdays, 4:00—4:45 p.m.  
**During Lent, from 6:00—7:30 p.m. on  
April 10, and April 17**

St. Elizabeth  
Sundays, 4:00-4:45 p.m.



*Thank you*  
**FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH SUPPORT  
ST. ELIZABETH**

Total Offertory Sunday 3/31/19:	\$ 3,677
Mailbacks for Week Ending 3/31/19:	\$ 2,389
Total EFT for Week Ending 3/31/19:	\$ 753
Total Support for Week Ending 3/31/19:	\$ 6,819
Total Parish Support since 7/1/18:	\$ 540,254
Target Parish Support since 7/1/18:	\$ 565,044
Over (Under) Target since 7/1/18:	\$ (24,790)

**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH SUPPORT  
ST. ISIDORE**

Total Offertory Last Sunday: 3/31/19:	\$ 2,281
EFT for Week Ending 3/31/19:	\$ 2,033
Total Parish for Week Ending 3/31/19:	\$ 4,314
Actual Parish Support since 7/1/2018:	\$ 195,641
Target Parish Support since 7/1/2018:	\$ 195,520
Over (Under) Target since 7/1/2018:	\$ 121
Grand Annual	\$ 51,543
St. Vincent DePaul Collection	\$ 56