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**Worship Times**

**Saturday Vigil Mass**, 4:00p

**Sunday Mass 11:15a**; En español, 1:00p

**Daily Mass, Holy Days** Consult bulletin

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

**Sunday Mass** 9:00a

**Communion Service** Tuesdays, 12:15p

**Holy Days** 7:00p

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

By appointment

**Welcome, New Parishioners**

*We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.*

**Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony**

*For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.*

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

*For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.*

**Anointing of the Sick**

*For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis*

**5th Sunday of Easter**  
**May 7, 2023**



**St. Stephen là gia đình của bạn!**

**Chúng tôi rất may mắn bạn đang ở đây!**

**Cha Long sẽ ở St. Stephen**

**Ngày 7 tháng 5 năm 2023**

**để cử hành thánh lễ với bạn**

**bằng tiếng Việt.**

**Lên kế hoạch tham dự và mời gia đình  
gia đình và bạn bè của bạn đến tham dự!**

**Nếu bạn có câu hỏi nào,**

**nói chuyện với Hạnh.**



IT'S A GREAT TIME!! "SPRING CLEAN"!!  
SET ASIDE ITEMS YOU WISH TO DONATE  
ST. S YARD SALE ~ JULY 29, 2023

Donations do not include:

**Clothing**  
**Unframed glass**  
**Opened paint cans**  
**Large appliances**  
**Cribs or baby equipment**

**Books without covers**  
**Large or CRT televisions**  
**Building supplies**  
**Broken items**  
**Dirty items**

**Please do your part:  
donate items, come to the Yard Sale  
and buy something!**

*Yard sales proceeds will be directed towards  
a parish need or charity.  
Last year the proceeds went towards our new church roof.*

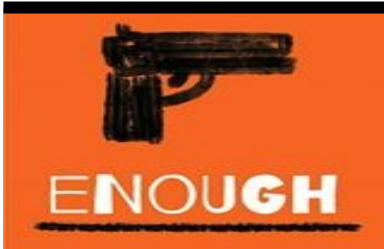
**Tri-C Almsgiving**  
Thank you so much !!


MAY	Dry pasta
JUN	Jelly

19 Mass shootings  
since January, 2023  
94 dead



Our Lady,  
Queen of Peace,  
pray for us!





*Fr. John David Hanic  
cordially invites you  
to join him in giving thanks to God  
as he celebrates his  
Fortieth Anniversary of Priesthood.*

*Sunday, June 4, 2023*

*St. Stephen Catholic Church*

*101 Hawthorne Road*

*Elkin NC 28621*

*9:00a Mass*

*10:30 Brunch*

*Family Life Center*

*R.S.V.P.*

*Sister Janis*

*St. Stephen Celebration*

*(336) 835-3007 by May 26*

*OR*

*St. John Baptiste de LaSalle Church*

*275 C.C. Wright School Road*

*North Wilkesboro NC 28659*

*11:15a Mass*

*12:30p Dinner*

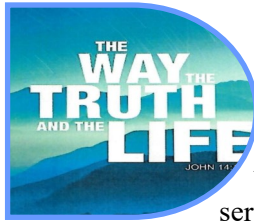
*Parish Hall*

*R.S.V.P.*

*Adam Welch*

*St. John Celebration*

*(336) 262-5869 by May 26*



### *Morning Church!*

The folks who used The Underground Railroad marked their way to freedom by singing old Spiritual hymns. They came to learn *where they were going* by the timing and length of these holy hymns. These Christian hymns faithed them and served as an true guage for this journey. Also, these hymns reminded them of God's presence and gave them strength and courage as they trekked on their northbound route to freedom and a new way of living.

Often times, you may find it difficult to *find* your way. The vestiges of COVID continue to leave some folks quite disoriented. Like those on The Underground Railroad, you face many obstacles and dangers that could block you from where you want to go and *why you want to go there*. These hindrances can thwart or threaten your true inner freedom and your ability to follow Christ. Hold fast to this gospel truth: Jesus is *The Way*. Jesus is The Road and The Route, who sets guides along The Way towards your holy destination: The Promised Land.

Like those who journeyed via The Underground Railroad, you encounter many temptations and many obstacles. Cultural attitudes and values obstruct your way, like materialism, self-centeredness, revenge, apathy, or unforgiveness, etc. Choosing these kinds of roads is an absolute detour to a dead end.

In his Last Discourse, John 14-19, Jesus encouraged his followers (and us), *Do not let your hearts be troubled. Have faith in God, have faith in me..for I am going...where I am going you know the way*. Like Thomas, you may reply, *I do not know where you are going. How can I know the way?*

Yet, Thomas and the First Followers *did* know The Way, they *did* know Christ, who *is* The Way. They *did* know *why* and *how* to follow in his footsteps. They knew *exactly* what it meant to travel in true freedom with him. Following Jesus, gave them first-hand experience of his lifestyle, teachings, and deep desire to bring the good news of God's loving compassion to all Creation.

The First Followers of the Christian Communities had no spiritual GPS, no electronic data base full of answers to help guide them. They didn't even have the Bible as their essential reference, like you do!!

All of us are constantly striving and struggling to find and stay on The Way.

Like the First Followers, rely on the leading of Christ's Holy Spirit for strength and inspiration. Following The Way graces you to become Living Stones, "...*chosen and precious in God's sight... who build yourself up into a spiritual house...a royal priesthood...*"

This Way has always been God's dream for you.

God's blessings

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 **Reflecting and Acting on The Word**

~ Read John 14:1-12 again

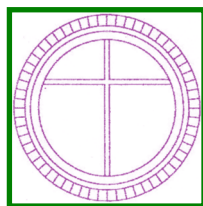
Ask yourself, "Where am I on The Way?"

How am I living The Truth of The Way, The Life of The Way?

Readings <https://bible.usccb.org/>

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M A Y	
01	Feast of St. Joseph the Worker
02	Communion Service, 12:15p
06	Baptism prep for parents, St. J, 9a
 07	5th Sun Easter FFF after Mass
08	Ladies Guild, 5p 
09	Communion Service, 12:15p
 14	6th Sun Easter No Family Faith Formation Vietnamese Community Celebration, FLC <i>Happy Mother's Day</i>
15	Give blood Elkin Rescue Squad 1:30-6p 
16	Communion Service, 12:15p Ministerial Association, 12N
17	RCIA, 6:45p
 18	Wise Ones TBA Wedding: Army Captain Michael Dimeo & Sophia Fioretino 
 20	Men's Breakfast, Cracker Barrel, 8:30a
 21	<i>Feast: Ascension</i> Family Faith Formation Breakfast
23	Communion Service, 12:15p
28	<i>Feast: Pentecost</i>
30	Communion Service, 12:15p



**NEW**  
**PARISH DIRECTORY**  
**PLEASE SIGN UP**  
**HOUSEHOLD PHOTOS**  
 May 7, 14

🌿 Mass Intentions	
07	Deceased members of Langlois & Watson families +Bob Gochnauer
14	All Mothers living and deceased
21	+Tom Lux
28	St. Stephen Parishioners' Intentions

### Parish Celebrations

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|---|---|---|
| 08 Matt Norman<br>11 Antonio Crispin<br>Maddox LaCashio<br>15 Ron Berryman<br>Luis Angel Lopez<br>19 Miguel Nava<br>Lizette Hernandez<br>21 Luz Hernandez |  | 23 Aymes Davis<br>Jonathan Ramirez<br>25 Crystal Mejia<br>26 Lila Keller<br>28 Diego Carreon<br>30 Alex Lara<br>Brian Lopez<br>31 Hilda Lopez |
| 15 Jennifer & Jason LaCashio<br>16 Rebekah & Ryan Treannie<br>22 Rosa & Juan Islas  |  | 21 Lupe & Ray Hernandez<br>28 Theresa & Phil Martin<br>30 Joyce & Aaron Kelly   |



*S. Ignatia Maria Smith, S.S.J. (101)*  
 born to eternal life April 28, 2023  
 in the 83rd year of her religious life



*S. Mary Denise Clifford, S.S.J.*  
 born to eternal life May 2, 2023  
 in the 61st year of her religious life

# The Kids' Bulletin

Fifth Sunday of Easter  
May 7th, 2023

## Jesus Christ

The word Jesus means *Savior*.  
The word Christ means *Anointed One*.

Jesus is our Savior. In the Bible, the Anointed were chosen by God for leadership and service. Jesus came among us to show us The Way, The Truth, and The Life of the Gospel. You, too, were anointed on the day of your Baptism to lead and serve in Jesus' Name.

## The Way

The Way of Jesus is the way of loving, forgiving, serving, hoping, believing, trusting, trying, and choosing good.

## The Truth

The Truth of Jesus is: he is God who became human just like you so he could experience your hopes, struggles, dreams, regrets, rifts, concerns, work, misunderstanding, and wonder.

## The Life

The Life of Jesus is one of service, especially among those who struggle, hurt, worry, are betrayed, poor, or broken in mind, body, or spirit. Jesus wants all of us to have a heart free to love.



***In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the disciples  
the way to the Father in Heaven.  
Do you know which is the way?  
Follow the squiggly line to find out!***

ANSWER FOR CROSSWORD  
ACROSS: 3. Father 5. is 9. time 10. because 11. on 13. will  
15. and 17. whoever 18. who 20. than 22. speak  
DOWN: 1. of 2. Jesus 4. Amen 6. still 7. seen 8. believe  
11. own 12. know 14. you 16. doing 17. works 19. show 21. me

# Blessed Jane of Portugal

## May 12



BLESSED JANE WAS BORN IN 1451, A PORTUGUESE PRINCESS. SHE WANTED TO BECOME A DOMINICAN NUN, BUT HER FATHER WOULDN'T LET HER.



SHE AGREED TO NOT LEAVE UNTIL HER BROTHER HAD A CHILD, BUT STILL HER FATHER MADE IT HARD.



AFTER 12 YEARS SHE WAS FINALLY ALLOWED TO JOIN THE DOMINICAN NUNS.



BUT THE FAMILY STILL KEPT CALLING HER BACK TO THE ROYAL COURT.



JANE WAS SICKLY AND DID THE WORST JOBS IN THE CONVENT.



ONCE WHEN SHE HAD TO GO BACK TO THE COURT, SHE WAS POISONED BY A WOMAN THAT SHE HAD ONCE CORRECTED.



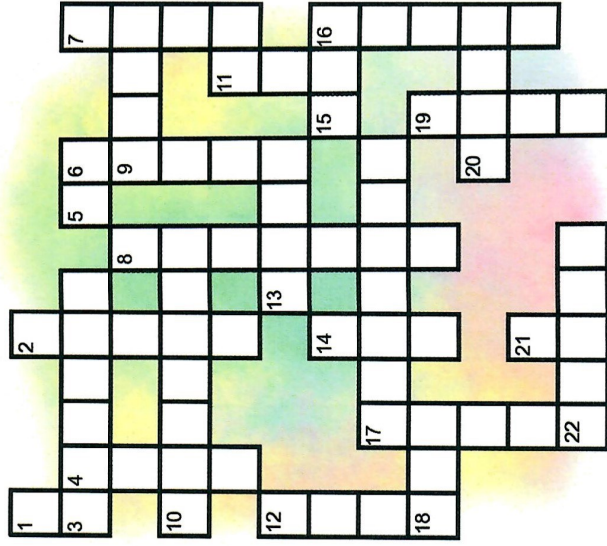
AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS OF SUFFERING, BLESSED JANE DIED AT THE AGE OF THIRTY-NINE.

BLESSED JANE COULD HAVE HAD A RICH EASY LIFE AND MARRIED AN IMPORTANT MAN, BUT INSTEAD SHE CHOSE TO FOLLOW HER HEART AND LIVE FOR GOD ONLY. SHE DIED BECAUSE THE WOMAN SHE HAD CORRECTED DID NOT LIKE TO HEAR THAT SHE HAD DONE WRONG. LIKE JANE, WE MUST BE READY TO SUFFER FOR THE TRUTH.

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# "Show us the Father" Cross-Word

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks and complete the puzzle.



IS WHOEVER  
OF BECAUSE  
ON BELIEVE  
ME FATHER  
YOU WORKS  
AND DOING  
WHO SPEAK  
WILL AMEN  
OWN JESUS  
TIME THAN  
SHOW STILL  
KNOW SEEN

\_\_\_\_\_ (2d) said to him, "Have I been with you for so long a \_\_\_\_\_ (9a) and you \_\_\_\_\_ (6d) do not \_\_\_\_\_ (12d) me, Philip? \_\_\_\_\_ (17a) has seen me has \_\_\_\_\_ (7d) the Father. How can you say, ' \_\_\_\_\_ (19d) us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in \_\_\_\_\_? (21d) The words that I \_\_\_\_\_ (22a) to you I do not speak \_\_\_\_\_ (11a) my \_\_\_\_\_ (11d). The Father \_\_\_\_\_ (18a) dwells in me is \_\_\_\_\_ (16d) his works. \_\_\_\_\_ (8d) me that I am in the \_\_\_\_\_ (3a) and the Father \_\_\_\_\_ (5a) in me, or else, believe \_\_\_\_\_ (10a) \_\_\_\_\_ (1d) the works themselves. \_\_\_\_\_, (4d) amen, I say to \_\_\_\_\_ (14d), whoever believes in me \_\_\_\_\_ (13a) do the \_\_\_\_\_ (17d) that I do, \_\_\_\_\_ (15a) will do greater ones \_\_\_\_\_ (20a) these, because I am going to the Father."