Saint Elizabeth Roman Catholic Church

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Saint Elizabeth Parish Butterfly Pollinator Garden

The newly-established *Parish Creation Care Team*, in partnership with the Parish Interfaith Action Committee and the Parish Youth Ministry Program, is planning a *Butterfly Garden* around the outdoor cross and benches at the corner of Route 100 and Fellowship Road. The butterfly garden will be an attractive addition to the space where people often sit, pray and walk.

The planting of the butterfly garden is associated with the May 24 celebration of the fifth anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical letter, *Laudato Si' - On Care for our Common Home*. In the words of Pope Francis "every person is called to action to be protectors of God's gifts." We hope that the garden will be a visible sign of hope that our parish is committed to moving forward in planning for the future well-being of all God's creation. Be sure to watch as the butterfly garden is planted and grows in the weeks ahead.





The butterfly garden planning team is committed to adding plants such as milkweed, purple coneflowers and lilies which attract butterflies, butterfly larvae and hummingbirds, but are not known to attract bees. The team will begin planting the garden starting this weekend. Due to the COVID-19, we are naturally taking all required precautions during the planting itself.

"Gracious and loving God, we know that it is from your hand that we receive all that we have and all that we are. We believe that you call us to be stewards of the gifts you have entrusted to us." Parish Stewardship Prayer

If you are interested in learning more about, and possibly joining the parish *Creation Care Team*, please contact Amy Laughlin (amylaughlin28@gmail.com) or 484-949-5228).