

December 19, 2021
4th Sunday
of
Advent

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CHURCH

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Eureka Springs, AR
72632

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MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday 6:00pm
Saturday 8:30am
Sunday
(English)11:00am
(Spanish)1:00pm

SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas



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Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit,
cried out in a loud voice and said,
“Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.”

Luke 1:41-42

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All visitors to our beautiful town of Eureka Springs are welcome to visit our historic Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Church, and to pray and worship with us. If you are Catholic, and have recently received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, you are also invited to share in the Holy Eucharist. If you are not a practicing Catholic, we invite you to come forward with arms crossed over your chest to receive a sacramental blessing. Pray that we all continue to grow together into the body of Christ, to which the Lord calls us.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

For Baptism, First Communion or Confirmation, contact our Parish Office, and we will point you in the right direction.

MINISTRY TO SICK & HOMEBOUND

If someone in our community is at home or in the hospital, and in need of Sacramental Care, or to be placed on our prayer list, please let us know at the Parish Office.

GIFT SHOP

St. Elizabeth Gift Shop is located behind the Church in a small building. It is generally open seven days a week (March - Oct.) and weekends through the Holiday season. We carry a large selection of medals, holy cards, rosaries, crucifixes, statuary and religious art. Come on back and check us out!

TO OUR VISITORS

Welcome to our Parish! If you wish to join our Parish family, please call the Parish Office, T-Th, at 253.2222. Registration forms are available in the narthex at both locations.

Getting Married?

Saint Elizabeth welcomes couples from all over the world who want to receive the Catholic Sacrament of Matrimony in our beautiful and historic Church. For more information, please contact the Parish Office, 479.253.2222.

PARISH STAFF & MINISTRY LEADERS

Pastor

Rev. Joseph Archibong

Parish Secretary & Bookkeeper

Nancy Elfter

Director of Music

Sharon Parker

Parish Council Chair, Parish Life,

Rod McGuire

Gift Shop Manager

Ted Meyer

Finance Council Chair

Knights of Columbus

Mike Godfrey

Liturgical Ministers & Ministry of Care

Leva Murphy

Religious Education for Youth

Contact St. Anne in Berryville

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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Mike Lubbers

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Mark Elworth

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THIS WEEK at Saint Elizabeth

SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

Adoration	5:00pm
Daily Mass	5:30pm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23

Daily Mass	8:30am
Confessions	9:15am

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24

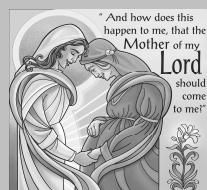
Christmas Eve Mass	5:00pm
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25

Christmas Mass	8:30am at the PC
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	8:30am
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Readings for the Week

Monday:	Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday:	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
Wednesday:	1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
Thursday:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66
Friday:	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79
Saturday:	Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25] Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]
Sunday:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24

5:00pm Christmas Eve Mass at the Church

Lector: Rod McGuire

EMCs: Phyllis McGuire

Ushers: Mike Murphy, Bev Wright

Altar Server: Leva Murphy

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25

8:30am Christmas Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Jerry Horning

EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: Mark Elworth, Jo Elworth

Altar Server: Robby Bartos

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Bev Wright

EMCs: Bev Wright

Ushers: Mike Murphy, Rod McGuire

Altar Server: Leva Murphy



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 21

For the Repose of the Souls of Andrew & Marie
Christoph

Thursday, December 22

For healing wisdom for Amy Pelina

Friday, December 24

For the Repose of the Soul of George Jankowski

Saturday, December 25

For the Intentions of the Parishioners

Sunday, December 26

For the Intentions of the Parishioners



Mary Mother of God, Friday, December 31st

St. Elizabeth (Vigil Mass) 5:30pm

Saturday, January 1st (Regular Vigil Mass)

St. Elizabeth Parish Center 4:00pm

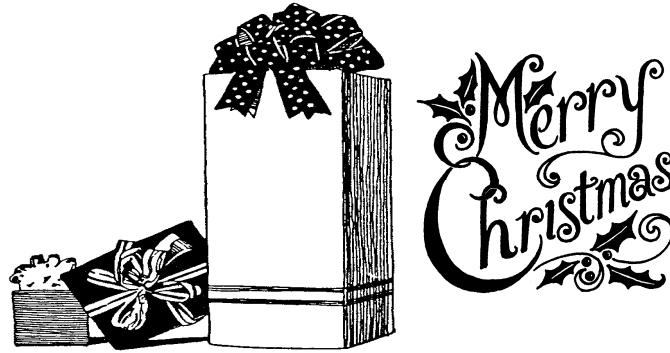


STEWARDSHIP

As a parish, we are financially dependent on your generous weekly contributions to pay our bills and keep the lights on and our doors open and even more so during these difficult times. So, as you plan for the weeks and months ahead, please remember your parish family in your prayer and in your financial planning.



GIFT SHOP NEWS



National Retirement Fund for Religious

Religious give thanks. A sister writes, "Our prayers belong most of all to the generous benefactors whose donations have made this financial assistance possible." Thank you for supporting the Retirement Fund for Religious collection. Visit retiredreligious.org to learn how your gift supports elderly sisters, brothers and religious order priests.

The Gift Shop will be closed until the middle of March. If you would like to visit the Gift Shop, you may make an appointment with Rod McGuire, 253-4503.

Has anybody ever wondered how all of those coins disappear off of the roof of the Gift Shop from time to time? Well we are fortunate enough to have an agile little elf named **Jennifer Boardman** who actually gets up there and collects them for us. We thank you so much, Jennifer. Without you our Gift Shop roof would probably cave in from the weight of all of those coins. It is surprising how much they add up to.

THE CHOSEN

St. Elizabeth Presents THE CHOSEN

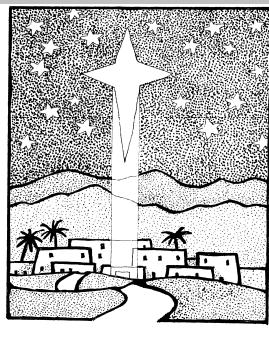
The Chosen is a television drama based on the life of Jesus of Nazareth seen through the eyes of the ordinary people who connected with him in everyday interactions that changed the world. It is the first multi-season series about the life of Jesus. Series creator's, Dallas Jenkins, intention was not only to dig deeper into the people who encountered Jesus and to see Jesus through the eyes of those who met him, but also to show him in a way that is more personal, intimate, immediate.

The first season introduces Jesus and the calling of his initial disciples. The second focuses on the beginning of his public ministry and what happens as word of his ministry begins to spread.

On Wed., Dec. 22nd, St. Elizabeth Parish Life committee, along with support from our Knights of Columbus, will host a premier showing of the pilot of The Chosen, (having to do with the Nativity) at the Parish Hall at 6. Then, starting Wed., Feb. 23rd, and every Wednesday following for 8 weeks, 2 episodes of The Chosen will be shown in the Hall. There is no charge and refreshments (movie type) will be available for a freewill offering. Showings will start at 6 and should be over before 7:30. The last showing will be April 13, and Easter is April 17. We hope to have a good crowd and know everyone will enjoy the showing of this amazing series. Season 3 is streaming now and we hope to show it when it becomes available. For more information, contact Rod or Phyllis McGuire.

AUDACITY

There is a spirit of audacity in our readings today. During a time of injustice and threat of invasion, the prophet Micah boldly announces that the God of insignificant Israel will raise up a leader from back-water Bethlehem, and this leader will bring justice and peace to the whole world. In the Gospel, Elizabeth and Mary, marginalized women, brazenly celebrate that their sons will be world-changing instruments of God. We further learn that this audacity is rooted in trust in God. The author of Hebrews describes the faithful obedience of Jesus. Mary is shown as the exemplar of faithful trust in God. This is the way God often seems to work, in the ordinary and marginalized in our world. Those who seem weak have learned to trust in God's strength. These have the audacity to become instruments of God's peace and justice.



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*Our Seminarians
for the month of
December, 2021*

Joel Brackett, 2025

Contact address:

House of Formation,

1201 S. Van Buren,

Little Rock, AR 72204

For more information
on our seminarians, go to

www.dolr.org/seminarians



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OUR PARISHIONERS—Connie Blazek, Judith Casterline, Janey Chapa, Rene' Chouinard, Richard & Sheila Fowler, Florence Giels, Charlotte Nowlin, Pat & Tony Siciliano, and Barbara Witkowski.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS—

Uwakmfon Archibong, Michael Bezjian, Patsy Crawford, Nick Elfter, Gerry Gloss, Don Gloss, Harold Klamm, Brent Lamar, Amelia Logan, Alex Shie, Becky Sisco, Benedict Wardein, Pam Weiss, Michelle Wheeler and Judy White.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -

OUR MILITARY - Tyler Horning, Gerald Kean, Zachary Lubbers, Mike Ricciardi, George Tom Schwender, Nic Smith and Brian Tromburg



God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Mary Lowe - 12/18, Jason Diggs - 12/21,
Sandy McClung - 12/22, Michell Frey - 12/24,
Karla Putts - 12/24

May you have many more!



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“O LORD of hosts, look down from heaven and see;
take care of this vine, and protect what your right hand
has planted.”

— *Psalm 80:15–16*

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

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Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord,
your grace into our hearts,
that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son
was made known by the message of an Angel,
may by his Passion and Cross
be brought to the glory of his Resurrection.
Who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How can I make known to others the Incarnation of Christ?

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St. Elizabeth of Hungary

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