

March 15, 2020



Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Contact Us

Church

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Eureka Springs, AR
72632
479.253.2222

Parish Center

232 Passion Play Rd.
Eureka Springs, AR
72632

Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:30am
Tuesday 8:30am
Thursday 8:30am
Friday 12:00pm
During Lent the Friday
mass is held at the PC
Saturday 4pm at PC

Office Hours

Tues. & Thurs.
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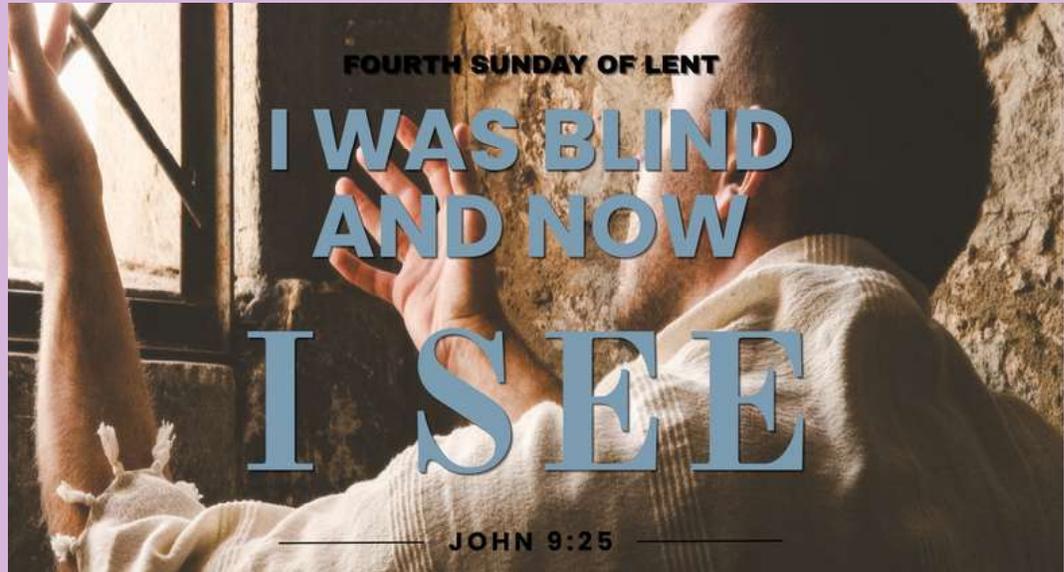
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All visitors to our beautiful town of Eureka Springs are welcome to visit our historic Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Church, and to pray and worship with us. If you are a Catholic, and have recently received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, you are also 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.

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 call the Parish Office.

Gift Shop

St. Elizabeth Gift Shop is located behind the Church. It is generally open six days a week (Mar - Nov) and weekends through the Holiday season. We carry a large selection of medals, holy cards, rosaries, crucifixes, statuary and religious art. Stop in and see us!

To Our Visitors

Welcome to the Parish! If you wish to join our Parish family, please call the Parish office TU & THUR at 479-253-2222. Registration forms are also available in the narthex at both locations or you can register online at <https://stelizabethureka.com/new-parish/join-parish>

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 at 479-253-2222.

Parish Staff & Ministry Leaders

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This week *At Saint Elizabeth*

Special Events, Liturgical Schedule

Tuesday, March 17 - Church

Adoration 8:00am

Mass 8:30am

Mass Intention is for Our Country, Culture & Prosperity of Americans

Thursday, March 19 - Mass 8:30am Church

Confessions - 9:15am

Mass Intention is for the Repose of the Soul of Ann Casavechia

Friday, March 20 - Parish Center

Mass 12:00pm

Stations of the Cross 12:30pm

Mass Intention is for the Repose of the Soul of Drenda Higgins

Saturday, March 21 - Parish Center

Confessions - 2:30 - 3:30pm

Holy Rosary - 3:30pm

Vigil Mass - 4:00pm

Mass Intention is for Clay Appell

Sunday, March 22 - Church

Holy Rosary - 8:00am

Mass - 8:30am

Mass Intention is for Andrew Appell



St. Elizabeth Catfish Fry
Hosted by Knights of Columbus

Friday, March 27

5pm - 7pm
Parish Hall - \$15/\$18



Liturgical Ministries

Mass Ministers

Saturday, March 21, 2026

4:00pm Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Joe and Fran Ricciardi

EMCs: Sign up at arrival

Ushers: Richard and Janice Boyes

Altar Server:

Sunday, March 22, 2026

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Mike Godfrey

EMCs: Rod McGuire, Mindy Godfrey, Sandy McClung

Ushers: Ted Meyer, Gary Finkeldei

Altar Server: Missy Leggett

Gift Shop

Monday, March 16 - Morning - Deb Pickens

Afternoon - Rob & Connie Breaux

Tuesday, March 17 - Morning - Donna Buttecali

Afternoon - Donna Buttecali

Wednesday, March 18 - Closed

Thursday, March 19 - Morning - Jennifer Boardman

Afternoon - Jennifer Boardman

Friday, March 20 - Morning - Leva Murphy

Afternoon - Gary & Karen Finkeldei

Saturday, March 21 - Morning - Nannett Barnett

Afternoon - Sandy McClung

Sunday, March 22 - Morning - The Ricciardi's

Afternoon - The Ricciardi's

Pray for



Our Parishioners-

Connie Blazek, Rob Breaux, Florence Giels, Joe Ricciardi, Fran Ricciardi and Barbara Witkowski.

Our Friends and Family Members -

Regina Booth, Bradshaw Cate, Carol Dvorah, Marsha Havens, Pam Heinzl, Kathleen Horosinski, Marci Krieger, Betty McClard, Joe McDaniel, Billy Metzger, Carol Morgan-Eagle, Gene Ochrymowich, Eric Pederson, David Reuter, Connie Stielow, Ed Terrill, Libbie Vesekla and Betty Wallace.

Those who have died - Joe Shaughnessy, Sam Donelson, Carol Greer, and Nancy Elfter

Our Military-Nic Smith, Robby Bartos

March 15, 2026

Catholic Relief Services Collection March 14 - 15

This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to **reveal Christ's love** to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection makes grants to six Catholic agencies that provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.uscb.org/catholic-relief. iGiveCatholic also accepts funds for this collection if you prefer to donate online <https://www.igivecatholic.org/story/USCC-B-CRS>.



stewardship

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

The Sunday Collection for March 7-8 was \$9,372.10.

Our Project Revive Campaign Update as of 3/10/2026.

	Pledges	Payments
Parishioners	\$828,303	\$589,068
Non-Parishioners	\$113,380	\$ 62,693
Donations	\$0	\$ 92,520
Totals	\$941,683	\$744,281



The TV series 'The Chosen', Season 5 will be shown at the Parish Center on March 18 and 25 at 6:00pm. Join us!



*Our Seminarians
for the month of
March, 2026*

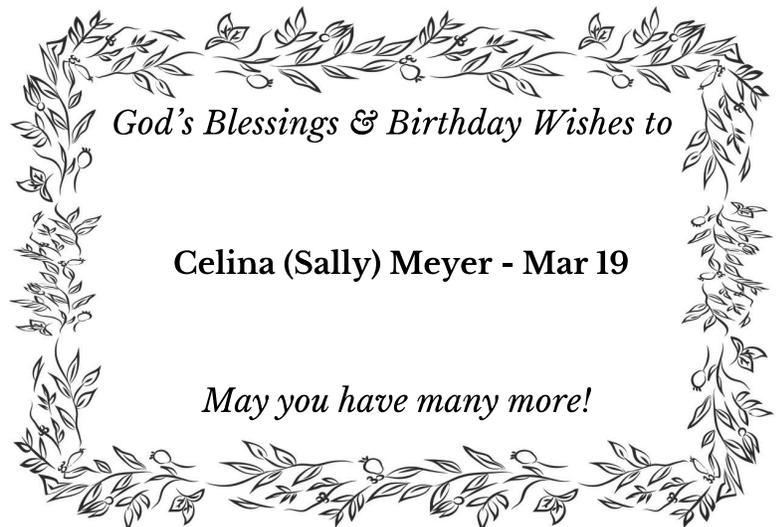
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God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to

Celina (Sally) Meyer - Mar 19

May you have many more!

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand,
anointed David in the presence of his brothers;
and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.
(1 Sm 16:13)

Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23)

Second Reading:

"Awake, O sleeper,
and arise from the dead,
and Christ will give you light." (Eph 5:14)

Gospel:

He spat on the ground
and made clay with the saliva,
and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him,
"Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" — which means Sent — .
So he went and washed, and came back able to see. (Jn 9:6-7)

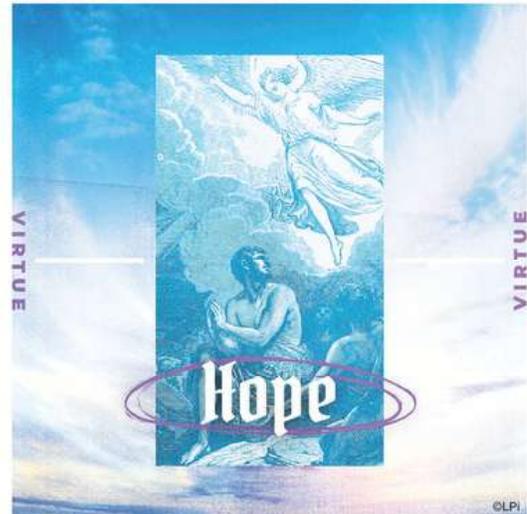
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Pharisees refused to see what was in front of them. Their blindness was stronger than that of the man born without sight, because it was a blindness they chose for themselves. So what will it be for us? Do we choose blindness, or do we choose sight?

Observances for the week of March 15, 2026

- Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Lent
Tuesday: St. Patrick, Bishop; St. Patrick's Day
Wednesday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Thursday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent



Virtues, Explained!

Christian hope "is the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness" (CCC 1817), even as we recognize that our own strength and merit can never achieve this. Hope, simply, is remembering that God keeps His promises.

Blessing to See

Bless us, Lord, to see as You see.
Remind us that heartbeats and hopes can outshine outward show.
That quiet witness can overcome violence and darkness.
That Your Light can break like the dawn.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of March 15, 2026

Sunday:

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday:

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday:

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday:

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/
Jn 5:17-30

Thursday:

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Friday:

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday:

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/
Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday:

Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/
Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

If you are like me, it's easy to fixate on our shadows: failures, guilt, shame. Especially when we suffer, it is easy to want to blame ourselves or others. In this week's Gospel, Jesus' disciples ask about the blind man, **"Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents?" (John 9:2)** They, like us, focus on blame. But Jesus sees the entire situation differently: **"Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him."** He does not deny sin, but he sees deeper — through the light of mercy, not the lens of judgment. The scene hinges on Jesus' strange claim: **"I am the light of the world" (John 9:5)**. He sees things differently than everyone. They see shadows and light. He is the light.

Thought experiment: imagine you are the sun looking at everything on the earth. What do you see? Everything. What do you *not* see? Shadows. Everything is illuminated. If you see it, it is illuminated. For the light, nothing is dark.

Because he is the light, Jesus sees us in the glow of his redemptive love. Even our sin becomes a place where his glory can shine. The man's healing is not just about sight — it is about seeing as Christ sees. Lent is not a season of staring into darkness. It is a time to step into the light — to let Christ's gaze reframe how we see ourselves and one another.

Lenten challenge: Spend 10 quiet minutes this week asking Jesus to show you how he sees you. Not through shame or fear, but through the light of his mercy.

— *Father John Muir*

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: I wonder what it was that made the blind man feel he could trust Jesus. Was it something in his voice? In his touch? We'll never know. But we do know this: the blind man's sight wasn't restored until he made a decision. A decision to be sent.

Sent

I don't know about you. But if I was a blind person sitting by the side of the road, minding my own business, and a stranger came along and rubbed spit-mud in my eye, I'm just salty enough that I would ignore his words out of spite.

Even though he was, admittedly, super-nice about the whole thing.

Obviously I would wash the mud out, because ... spit. But I wouldn't go to the Pool of Siloam. I would go to a pool on the *whole other side of town*, just to be contrary. I would make frustrated, grossed-out noises while I splashed water on my eyes: "Ugh! I can't believe this! People are the worst!" I would feel satisfied that I wasn't tricked or conned or taken advantage of.

And I would stay blind the rest of my life.

When Jesus performs a miracle in the Gospel, we sometimes think of it like a fireworks show. Something people point at — "Ooh! Aah!" — and move on from. But a miracle of Jesus is not a party trick. It is a commissioning.

And each of us, in our own way, has the choice of accepting it or not.

Nowhere in the Gospel story does it say that Jesus promised the man sight if he washed in the pool. I wonder what it was that made the blind man feel he could trust Jesus. Was it something in his voice? Was it something in his touch? Was it the humanity with which he spoke of the blind man to his disciples — a gentleness missing from most other interactions of his life?

We'll never know. But we do know this: the blind man's sight wasn't restored until he made a decision. A decision to be sent.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

The Bible talks a lot about "testifying" or "giving testimony" to our faith. That makes me think of a courtroom. What does testifying to faith look like in everyday life?

Answer:

The courtroom image isn't too far off for some Christians. The Church has often been persecuted, and it was especially intense in the early days of the Church, when Acts and the various epistles were being written. For persecuted Christians, it did mean attesting publicly to their faith in Jesus Christ, sometimes before harsh judges. To testify is to bear witness, and this is something we are all called to do.

The call of Jesus is, first and foremost, a call to conversion of life. It is a repentance from sin, a casting off of old ways of seeing and moving in the world. The Christian life is one of transformation, becoming more and more like our God of love. In one sense, to testify to faith should happen naturally as we live like Jesus did. Our lives should bear witness in the respect we accord to others and the uncompromising dignity we honor in them. We bear witness in our gratitude, in our joy, in our hope in God's power and grace. This is where we start! Sometimes others might inquire, as St. Peter puts it, as to "a reason for your hope." Now you're on the stand! It's time to offer, "with gentleness and reverence," the Good News of the Gospel (c.f. 1 Peter 3:15-16).

They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." - Jn 9:13-15

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Samuel does not expect the Lord to anoint the young David as Israel's next king. When have you been surprised by God doing something unexpected in your life?

Second Reading:

Paul expects the believers in Ephesus to live as children of light and learn what is pleasing to the Lord. What could you do this week that is pleasing to the Lord?

Gospel:

Jesus' healing of the blind man causes confusion and even anger to those who do not see him as the Christ. Have you seen or felt God's presence in this season of Lent?



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When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him. - Jn 9:35-38

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SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday: April 2

4pm: St. Elizabeth Parish Center

6pm: St. Anne

Good Friday/ April 3

12:15pm: St. Elizabeth Church

5pm: St. Anne

6pm: Live Stations of the Cross in Spanish

Easter Vigil: April 4

8pm: St. Anne

Easter Sunday/ April 5

Regular Sunday Mass Schedule



St. Elizabeth Events

Fish Fry



Gift Shop Volunteer Breakfast



St. Elizabeth's Church
**FRIED CATFISH
DINNER**

*Feb. 27
March 13 and
March 27
5:00 - 7:00pm*



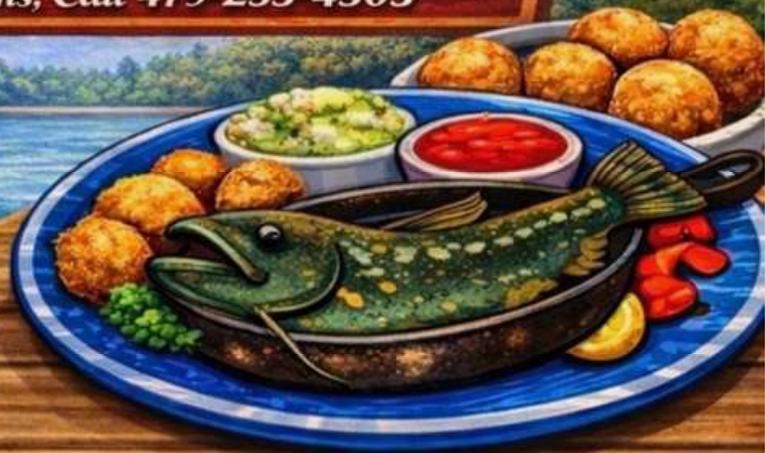
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A Morning of Prayer

for men & women

Saturday March 21, 2026

8:30am-11:30am

BLAZING THE TRAIL

*a Retreat with Four American Women of the Church
Elizabeth Ann Seton, Mother Frances Cabrini,
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HOLY WEEK

Retreat



with the

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Holy Thursday-Holy Saturday



April 2-4, 2026



- For single women age 19-35
- At Holy Angels Convent
- Scan for more information

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Available to join virtually, so that anyone, anywhere, can participate from the comfort of their own space, anonymously if desired.

Meetings are held the first Monday of each month from 6:30 pm- 7:30 pm

Next Meeting:

Monday, April 6, 2026

*Project Rachel is
a ministry of
the Diocese of Little Rock*



To register, call or text
CONFIDENTIALLY 501-663-0996,
or email: projectrachel@dolr.org

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

An Invitation

If you are a Catholic who has been away from the Church for a while, this invitation is for you. Our faith community misses you & is incomplete without you.

No matter how long you've been away, or for whatever reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with your fellow Catholics.

Please join us for informal listening sessions and an update of the Catholic faith facilitated by former non-practicing Catholics. The sessions are conducted in a support-group format. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. There is NO requirement to rejoin the Church.

Catholics Returning Home is a six-week series that **Starts Thursday, April 9, 2026 in Faith Hall, St. Raphael, Springdale, at 6:30pm.**

These sessions are for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about returning to the Church.

Week 1: 4/9 Welcome, Overview of Series, Faith Sharing

Week 2: 4/16 Sharing Stories of the Faith

Week 3: 4/23 The Church today: Changes since Vatican II

Week 4: 4/30 Explanation of the Mass

Week 5: 5/7 Explanation of the Sacraments

Week 6: 5/14 Explanation of the Nicene Creed

If you know of a Catholic who no longer attends Church, please talk to them about this program.

No reservation required

For more information contact St. Raphael Catholic Church parish office at 479-756-6711, rphillips@straphaelcc.org or visit WWW.CRH-NWA.ORG

Encounter with God's Promises of Love

Holy Fire Ministries April 25, 2025

St. Vincent de Paul in Rogers, AR 9am-4:30pm

A One Day Retreat to Encounter God's Promises, Love, and Healing

Presenters: Fr. Norbert Reinhold and Holy Fire Catholic Ministries Team

Topics:

- *The Promise Keeper*
- *Forgiveness*
- *Embracing Holiness*
- *Encounter with God*
- *Promises of God's Love*
- *Healing Father & Mother*
- *Wounds*
- *Blessings*

April 25, 2026

9:00am-5:00pm

Cost: \$25

Location:

1416 W. Poplar

JPII Room

(Enter via SVdP Plaza)

Includes:

Talks
Spiritual Exercises
Witnesses
Lunch
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Adoration



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