

March 29, 2026

*Palm
Sunday*

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Contact Us

Church

30 Crescent Dr.
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.
10:00am - 4:00pm
Phone 479.253.2222
Fax 479.253.6616

Gift Shop

479.253.8045

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Vincent de Paul
870-423-3572



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

Pastor

Rev. Joseph Archibong

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Regina Morris

Director of Music
Sharon Parker

**Parish Council, Parish Life,
Gift Shop Manager**
Rod McGuire

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This week At Saint Elizabeth

Special Events, Liturgical Schedule

Tuesday, March 31 - Church

Adoration 8:00am
Mass 8:30am
Extended Adoration - 9:00am - 11:00am
Mass Intention for Tyler Wood

Holy Thursday, April 2 - Parish Center

Mass 4:00pm Church
Mass Intention for Joni Kennedy

Good Friday, April 3 - Church

Stations of the Cross & Good Friday Service
- 12:15pm

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 4 - St. Anne Church, Berryville, AR

Vigil Mass - 8:00pm

Easter Sunday, April 5 - Church

Holy Rosary - 8:00am
Mass - 8:30am
Mass Intention is for our Parishioners

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

- **Thursday, April 2 - Collections for Seminarians**
This special collection to support seminarian education is taken up in all parishes in AR on Holy Thursday. All donations pay for the immediate education and housing expenses of our 20 seminarians.
- **Friday, April 3 - Holy Land Collection**
The Pontifical Good Friday Collection is an annual collection taken up in all parishes worldwide. It provides funding for the upkeep of holy sites and supports the pastoral, charitable, educational and social works of Christians in the Holy Land.

Liturgical Ministries

Mass Ministers

Holy Thursday, April 2, 2026

4:00pm Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Larry Stamps

EMCs: Sign up at arrival

Ushers: Mark & Jo Elworth

Altar Server:

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Cassian Heath

EMCs: Rod McGuire, Phyllis McGuire, Karen Finkeldei

Ushers: Bev Wright, Mike Godfrey

Altar Server: Dan Kees

Gift Shop

Monday, March 30 - Morning - Deb Pickens

Afternoon - Deb Pickens

Tuesday, March 31 - Morning - Donna Buttecali

Afternoon - Donna Buttecali

Wednesday, April 1 - Closed

Thursday, April 2 - Morning - Deb Pickens

Afternoon - Joe & Fran Ricciardi

Friday, April 3 - Morning - Jo Elworth

Afternoon - Rod & Phyllis McGuire

Saturday, April 4 - Morning - Mary Szafranski

Afternoon - Rod & Phyllis McGuire

Sunday, April, 5 - Morning - Larry & Sandy
Stamps

Afternoon - Larry & Sandy Stamps

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



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Please consider donating your gently used furniture or making a monetary gift to the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Berryville. Your generosity helps bring hope and healing to individuals and families facing poverty and hardship in our community.

Every donation makes a difference and allows us to continue supporting those in need.

We also invite you to consider joining our wonderful team of volunteers. Our mission is to serve and support people throughout Carroll County, and even a few hours of your time each month can have a meaningful impact on the lives of those we serve.

If you're interested in volunteering, please call 870-423-3572 and ask to be connected with a Board Member to learn how you can get involved.

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 21-22 was \$2,669.05.

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 |

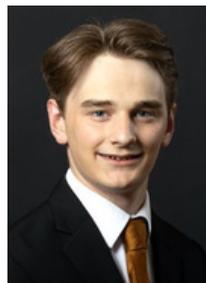
A Reminder: Extended Adoration
Is the last Tuesday of every month
from 9am - 11am at the Church.



*Our Seminarians
for the month of
April, 2026*

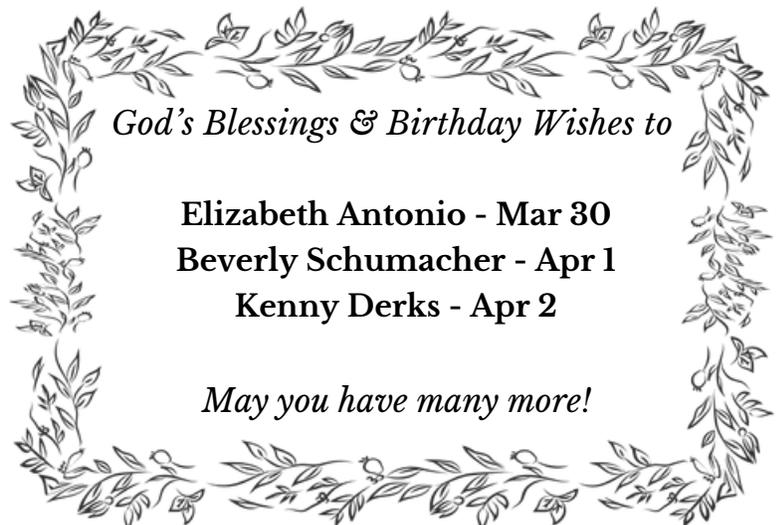
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**Phillip
Zawislak**

www.dolr.org/seminarians



God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to

Elizabeth Antonio - Mar 30
Beverly Schumacher - Apr 1
Kenny Derks - Apr 2

May you have many more!

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

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I gave my back to those who beat me,
my cheeks to those who plucked my beard;
my face I did not shield
from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:6)

Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Ps 22)

Second Reading:

He humbled himself,
becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him. (Phil 2:8-9)

Gospel:

The centurion and the men with him who were keeping watch
over Jesus
feared greatly when they saw the earthquake
and all that was happening, and they said,
"Truly, this was the Son of God!" (Mt 26:54)

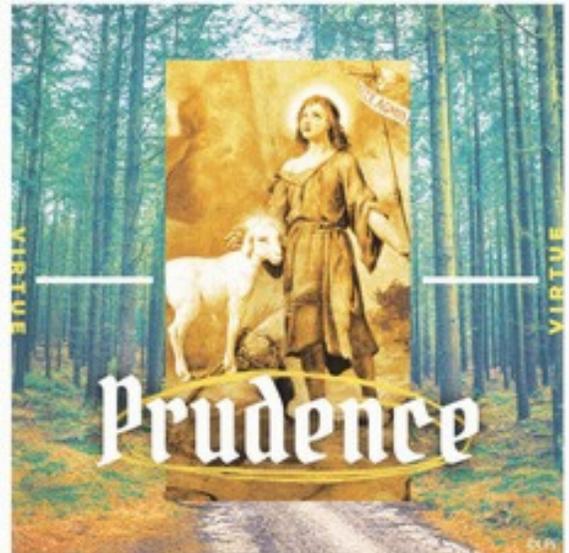
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

This week, we see things that break our heart —
God betrayed. This week, we see things that shake
our faith — God bleeding on a cross. This week,
this Holy Week, with all its difficult moments, can
change us, if we let it. Are we ready?

Observances for the week of March 29, 2026

- Sunday:** Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord;
Holy Week begins
- Wednesday:** April Fools' Day
- Thursday:** Holy Thursday
- Friday:** Good Friday
- Saturday:** Holy Saturday
- Next Sunday:** Easter Sunday



Virtues, Explained!

The virtue of prudence is
like glasses for a soul made
nearsighted by original sin.
Prudence disposes our practical
reason to not only discern what is
good, but to choose the right way
of achieving that good.

Blessing for Holy Week

Be with us this week, Lord,
journeying closer and closer to
Your pierced and Sacred Heart.
Immerse us in Your intense and
undying love.
Help us to encounter Your passion
in new ways that inform, surprise,
and inspire us.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of March 29, 2026

Sunday:

Mt 21:1-11 (37)/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday:

Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday:

Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday:

Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday:

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday:

Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2 and 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17 and 25/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday:

Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15-15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 Or Lk 24:13-35

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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Just prior to this week's Passion narrative in St. Matthew's Gospel, there is a small, striking story describing a woman's scandalous action toward Jesus: **"A woman came up to him with an alabaster jar of costly perfumed oil, and poured it on his head" (Matthew 26:7)**. The ointment was pure nard, worth more than 300 denarii. A year's wages. Maybe a dowry, maybe a family inheritance. In any case, she breaks it. She does not measure or ration. She pours it all out, irreversibly, over Jesus. Why does this image begin Holy Week?

Because what she does with the jar, Jesus will soon do with his life. The jar must be broken so the fragrance can be released. Jesus' body will be broken so his priceless divine and human love can be poured out. She gives everything, just as he is about to give everything. And He sees it: **"She has done a good thing for me" (Matthew 26:10)**. Her act is lavish, impractical, scandalous in its apparent wastefulness. And he loves it. It is what Holy Week is all about.

What jar are you still holding onto? Your time? Your comfort? Your plan for how life should go? Don't just wave palms today. Let yourself be broken open so your love, too, can be poured out.

Lenten Challenge: Offer something costly to Jesus this Holy Week — not out of guilt, but love. Your attention. Your forgiveness. Your time. Break the jar. Trust that nothing poured out for him is ever wasted.

— *Father John Muir*

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: The chasm between man and his Creator is an ancient one, and it is driven deep and wide. But this week — this Holy Week — a bridge is built across the chasm. And God reaches out His hand.

The Humanity of Holy Week

We have all sold Jesus out, at one point or another. Some of us have done it more than once, and we've done it for a lot less than 30 pieces of silver.

We have all denied Christ, and we have done it more than three times and under much less pressure than Peter, who feared for his life when he shouted, "I do not know the man!"

We have all struck the face of God — out of anger? Fear? Confusion? All of the above? — screaming, in agony, "Prophecy for me!"

At one point or another, we have all looked at our Lord beaten and betrayed, and we have all said, as Pilate did: "What shall I do with Jesus called Christ?"

And we have all hung on the cross chosen for us, crying out in bewilderment: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Holy Week is a week where we see humanity, in all its vulnerability and ignorance. We see it in the "villains" of the piece, like Judas, and in the morally neutral characters like Pilate and the Jews who have been misled about Jesus. We even see it in the "good guys" like Peter.

In this, the holiest week of the year, we see ourselves at our very worst. The chasm between man and his Creator is an ancient one, and it is driven deep and wide — by the pridefulness of Adam and Eve, yes, but also by every poor choice you and I have ever made.

Every "I don't know the man!"

Every "Prophecy!"

Every "What shall I do with Jesus?"

These cries echo forth from the depths of this chasm.

But this week — this Holy Week — a bridge is built across the chasm. And God reaches out His hand.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What is the difference between a chastisement and a punishment?

Answer:

The distinction between chastisement and punishment is, in many ways, a subtle one, but which is still relevant in our Catholic tradition.

First, chastisement is a concept that is grounded in Sacred Scripture. Here, we see chastisement as a response by God to people's actions that is intended to teach a lesson. As St. John Paul II observed, "chastisement appears to be ... a kind of divine pedagogy, in which the last word is reserved to mercy: He scourges and then shows mercy, casts down to the depths of the nether world, and he brings up from the great abyss" (Tobit 13:2). The idea here is that in order to capture our attention or to highlight how we have not lived out our covenant-relationship with God as we should, there are times when God uses events in life to draw us back to the quality of relationship or faith that we should have.

The concept of punishment, however, has a different sense. The Catechism of the Church observes that punishment is the consequence of a damaging action that "has the primary aim of redressing the disorder" and to protect the community and the common good from further damage or harm (see no. 2266). Although we always hope that someone who is being punished for a crime or some other harmful action will learn from their actions, punishment isn't necessarily intended to teach a lesson in the same way that a chastisement is.

Ultimately, how we make the distinction between chastisement and punishment is a matter of discernment. As with almost everything in life, our experiences can be an opportunity for grace — or for something less — depending on how open we are to recognizing the movement of God's Spirit within them.

*Say to daughter
Zion,
"Behold, your king
comes to you,
meek and riding on
an ass,
and on a colt, the
foal of a beast of
burden."
- Mt 21:5*

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Isaiah speaks of his obedient response to God's call despite his suffering. Have you ever suffered for your faith?

Second Reading:

Paul recounts how Jesus' life was characterized by humility and obedience. In what ways do you live by these virtues?

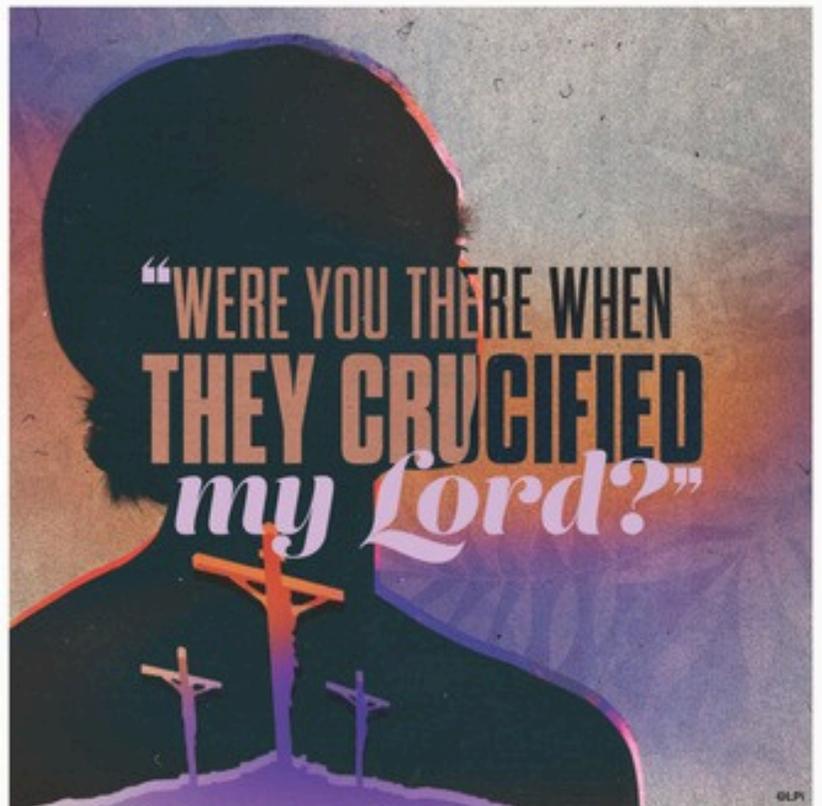
Gospel:

There are numerous unique features to Matthew's account of the passion of the Lord, including the details of Judas' suicide. What parts of the passion narrative do you find most engaging?

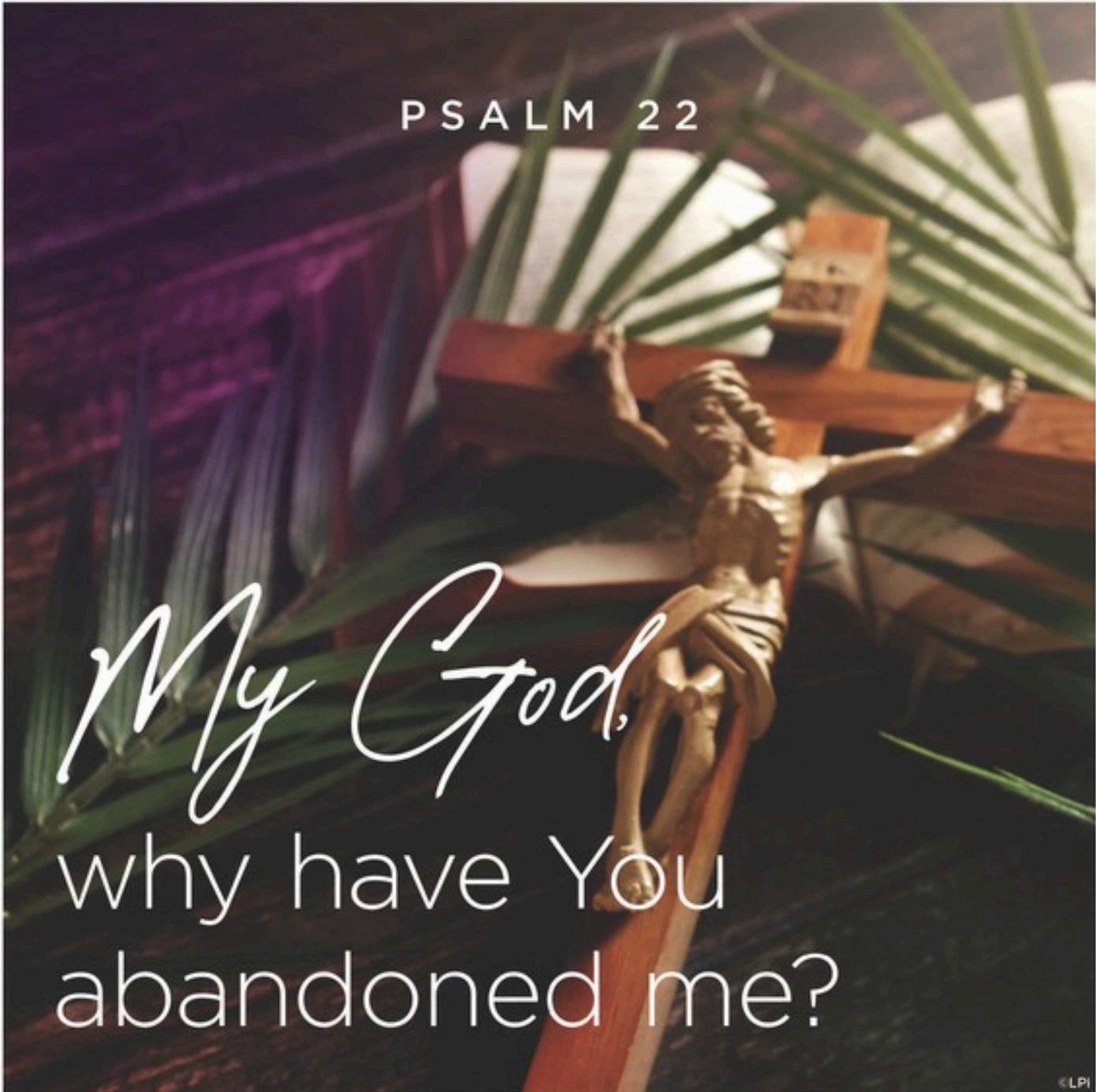


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PSALM 22



My God,
why have You
abandoned me?

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"Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest."

And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee." - Mt 21:9-11

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Path of the Apostles: Pilgrimage to Greece and Ephesus

Due to an overwhelming response, *Arkansas Catholic* is hosting a second pilgrimage to Greece and ancient Ephesus to walk in the footsteps of St. Paul, St. John the Evangelist and, according to tradition, the Blessed Virgin Mary. Join Father William Burmester, pastor of St. Edward Church in Texarkana, September 27–October 8, 2027.

We will visit:

- Philippi, where St. Paul baptized Lydia, Europe's first Christian
- Athens, where St. Paul preached at the Areopagus
- Corinth, where St. Paul lived and wrote
- Ephesus, where St. John wrote the Gospel and St. Mary spent her final years

Daily Mass, Scripture reflections and fellowship will enrich each step. If you've longed to grow closer to God through religious travel — this is your chance.

To learn more, an informational meeting will be held Sunday, May 31 at 3 p.m. in the parish hall at St. Edward Church in Texarkana. RSVP at <https://bit.ly/greecepilgrimage2027>.

A\$50 discount is available for those who book by October 28, 2026. Register online or download the brochure at arkansas-catholic/pilgrimage. For more information, contact Kathy Primm of Sue Smith Vacations at (501) 771-0987 or kathy@suesmithvacations.com.

Through May 24

HOLY WEEK

Retreat



with the
Olivetian Benedictine Sisters



Holy Thursday-Holy Saturday



April 2-4, 2026



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

Project Rachel Ministry Virtual Healing Resource (VHR)

This is a confidential, non-judgmental small group meeting for anyone who has been affected by the trauma of abortion.

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
Healing Service
Adoration



Register online at arkcc.org



For More Information Local Contact:

Patti @ 479-619-5284 [Leave a message]

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