

Jan. 14, 2024

2nd Sunday

In

Ordinary Time

SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Contact Us...

CHURCH

30 Crescent Drive
Eureka Springs, AR
72632

PARISH CENTER

232 Passion Play Road
Eureka Springs, AR
72632

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30am
Tuesday 8:30am
Thursday 8:30am
Friday 8:30am

(except 1st Fri. of
month-12noon at PC)
Saturday 4pm at PC

OFFICE HOURS

Tues. & Thurs.
10:00am-4:00pm

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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,

Gift Shop Manager Rod McGuire

Finance Council Chair

Ted Meyer

Knights of Columbus

Mike Godfrey

Liturgical Ministers & Ministry of Care

Leva Murphy

Religious Education for Youth

Contact St. Anne in Berryville

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THIS WEEK at Saint Elizabeth

SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

No Mass

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

No Mass

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

No Mass

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

Confessions 2:30pm at the PC
Holy Rosary 3:30pm at the PC
Vigil Mass 4:00pm at the PC

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Jim Muth - 1/13, Jerry Horning - 1/17,
Joe Lehman - 1/17

May you have many more!

VISION

Some people see more in a walk around the block than others see in a trip around the world.



-Anonymous

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Mass Ministers



SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Jerry Horning

EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: Richard Boyes, Janice Boyes

Altar Server: Jim Witkowski

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Rod McGuire

EMCs: Mary Szafranski, Mindy Godfrey, Phyllis McGuire

Ushers: Mike Godfrey, Ted Meyer

Altar Server: Dan Kees



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, January 16 - No Mass

Thursday, January 18 - No Mass

Friday, January 19 - No Mass

Saturday, January 20

For the Repose of the Soul of Fr. Pauline Raj

Sunday, January 21

For the Repose of the Souls of Joanne & Roger Boskus

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. Day

is Monday, Jan. 15th



Pray for us...



OUR PARISHIONERS -

Connie Blazek, Connie Breaux, Richard & Sheila Fowler, Florence Giels, Charlotte Nowlin, Ernie & Helen Wright and Barbara Witkowski.

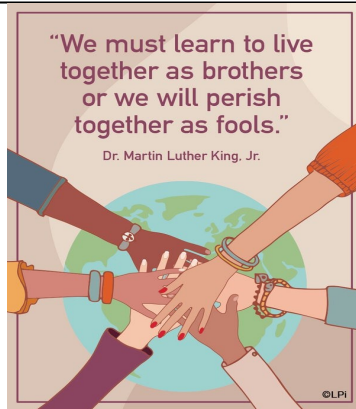
OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Patsy Crawford, Marci Krieger, Chuck Maxwell, Joe McDaniel, Eric Pederson, Dale Putrino, and Libbie Vesekla

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -

Gus Midden

OUR MILITARY - Tyler Horning, George Schwender, and Nic Smith.



BENEFITS OF FAMILY DINNERS

The American College of Pediatricians says:

1. Families with children under age 18 report having family dinners three to four times a week.
2. One third of families with 11 to 18-year olds only eat one or two meals a week together.
3. Only one fourth eat seven or more family meals a week.

According to the report, regular family dinners increase nutrition, decrease obesity and drug, alcohol and nicotine use and improve relationships and academics. Children in these families also are less likely to engage in sexual behaviors and have fewer behavioral problems.

The ACP said, "When families regularly share meals together, everyone benefits - the children, parents and even the community. Making the 'Family Table' a priority from an early age can serve as a 'vaccine' against many of the harms that come to children from a hurried lifestyle.



*Our Seminarians
for the month of
January, 2024*

Nghiep Gia Hoang

Contact address:

House of Formation,

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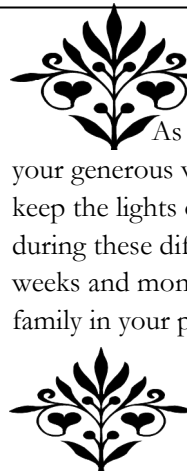
For more information

on our seminarians, go to

www.dolr.org/seminarians



Jesus' Tovar



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 difficulties times. So, as you plan for the weeks and months ahead, please remember your parish family in your prayer and in your financial planning.



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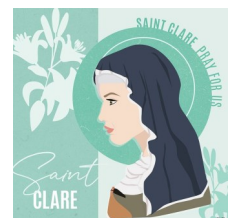


December Gift Shop Schedule

The Gift Shop will be closed until the middle of March.

INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF CATHOLIC CHILDREN

Cost is a challenge to hundreds of families who can't afford a Catholic education for their child. Parish subsidies, fundraising and foundations provide funds for financial assistance, but not enough. You can help by giving to the **Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Fund**. Make a secure gift at <https://bit.ly/catholic-scholarships>. To learn more, contact the Office of Catholic Schools at (501) 664-0340, or email molberts@dolr.org. **INVEST IN THE FUTURE... CONTINUE THE TRADITION**



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Clare of Assisi, a devoted follower and friend of St. Francis, centered her life around poverty, prayer and the Eucharist. As the founder of the Poor Clares, she promoted a ministry of simplicity, adoration and service to the poor.

PRAYER OF DISCERNMENT

Dear Lord,

Here I am! Help me to know the path You would have me walk, to speak the words You would have me speak, to love and serve those You put in my path. Amen.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

As a priest, I'm amazed how happily married couples remember the tiniest details of their earliest encounters. They effortlessly report things like: "He wore a blue shirt," "We ordered brussels sprouts," "Her hair was up in a bun," and "He spilled shrimp cocktail sauce at my family's open front door when it was ten degrees below zero," (that one's courtesy of my mom). We delight in remembering and speaking of when our new life of love began. The little details are glorious reminders that it's all real.

It's similar for John the Apostle. He tells us of the two disciples who followed Jesus into his house, **"...they stayed with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon."** Why does that tiny detail matter? Because *that's the time of day when they encountered the love of Jesus the Messiah in their lives.* Our religion is not primarily about abstract truths about God, no matter how true or sublime it is about God meeting and saving us in our human nature. It's about a *human* relationship. What was the time of day when you first recall encountering Christ and his Church? Who was there? What did you feel? How did things look and smell? What happened? Take some time to recall it in detail. For me, it was inside an old, rickety church on a hillside in Jerome, Arizona. It was about 9:00pm on a Saturday evening. I was with my friends Jenny, Brad and Laura. We were praying, singing and laughing. When was it for you? Remembering the details isn't empty nostalgia. It reminds us now that God's love for us in our humanity is real.

-Father John Muir



BLUE SPRINGS HERITAGE CENTER

Did you know that Blue Springs Heritage Center was named the second most stunning botanical garden in America? That's both amazing and impressive! If you haven't visited it you might want to plan a trip there....though probably not right now! For more information, visit ***BlueSpringHeritageCenter.com***.

THE GREAT PASSION PLAY

The Great Passion Play will host the 1st Annual Passion Play Trail Run on Saturday, April 6, 2024. This event will be one of many events going on at the Passion Play coinciding with the total solar eclipse occurring on Monday, April 8th.

The four distances are designed to have something for everyone - **Fun Run, 5k Trail Run, 5 Mile Trail Run and Half Marathon Trail Run** - all happening on the morning of Saturday, April 6th.

Registration Details & Prices: All Participants that register by March 20th will get an event t-shirt! (first-come, first serve for sign-ups after March 20th). All finishers will get a cast finishers medal when completing the run. Aid station(s) will be located on each course and refreshments and snacks at the finish line. Included for all participants will be a pair of eclipse glasses and a ticket to see The Great Passion Play (\$35 Value) that is redeemable any time in 2024. **Early Dove - Thanksgiving to January 21st.**

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Those Who Seek the Truth

In my work as a freelance writer, I have a regular column in the archdiocesan paper writing profiles of ordinary people in the local church. Laity, religious, and clergy alike — I hound them all to give me an interview, and when I do, the answer is almost always this: "You don't want to talk to me. There's nothing special about me."

I always try to convince them that there is something remarkable about everyone who is searching for the truth. It is easy to think we are not made for holiness because we are ordinary people with ordinary habits, ordinary abilities, and ordinary sins. It is easy (and very convenient) to designate holiness as something belonging to Better People. People like the saints. People like the Disciples.

The Bible gives us next to no personal information about the disciples. There is no archdiocesan newspaper profile on Andrew and Simon that can give us insight into who they were before they became St. Andrew, Inaugural Disciple and Announcer of the Messiah, and St. Peter, First Pope and the Rock-Upon-Which-Christ-Built-His-Church.

Yet I find myself insatiably curious about it. What was their childhood like? What games did they play with each other as the sun set, before their mother called them into bed? What did they think of as they fell asleep at night? What secret jokes did they share to make each other laugh? What were they afraid of? What did they hope for? Who did they want to be?

Before they were towering figures of salvation history, Simon and Andrew were just two men searching for the truth. When they looked at Christ, there was something that made it click. Perhaps they themselves could not identify what it was, but their hearts whispered it nonetheless: *There it is. We finally found it.*

Isn't that the best we can all hope for?

"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?'" — John 1:38

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why do we make changes in the Mass? Some seem so small and unimportant. Are they really necessary?

Answer:

The celebration of the Eucharist is at the heart of our identity as Catholics. Our purpose as a Church community revolves around the Eucharist. Everything we are and everything we do is measured not only by how well we celebrate, but also by how well we live the sacrament. If that is so, then we as a community will always strive to celebrate the Mass as best we can. The reasons for some changes might seem more obvious than others, but there is a reason behind each one.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal is the introduction to the Missal that contains all the prayers for the celebration of the Mass. The Order of Mass we use now was issued in 1975 and, as often happens over the course of years, some questions have come up about the proper way of doing some things and whether or not other practices are acceptable. These changes clarify some things and make the celebration of the Mass more meaningful for everyone.

The opportunity is presented to us to better learn and understand each part of the Mass, which in turn should help us deepen our appreciation for its beauty and meaning. We will be a better Church if we have a clearer understanding and knowledge of Who and what we celebrate.

Mary Mother Of God

Women's Lenten Retreat

Finding the Joy In the Joyful Mysteries

Praying the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary
Through the Eyes of Mary This Lent

Saturday, February 17

9:30am-4:00pm

Mary Mother of God Parish Hall

1614 Maplewood Road

Harrison, AR

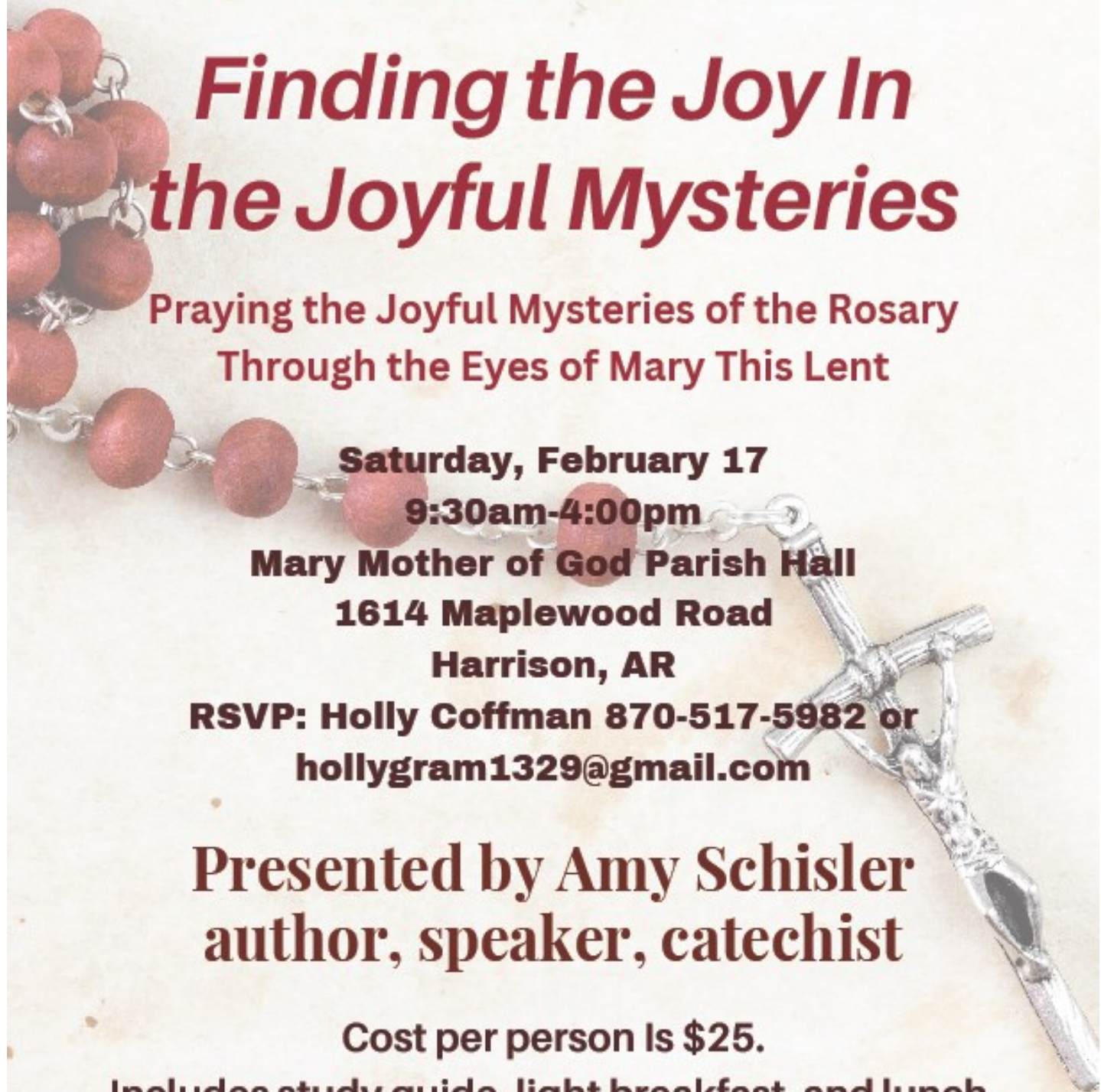
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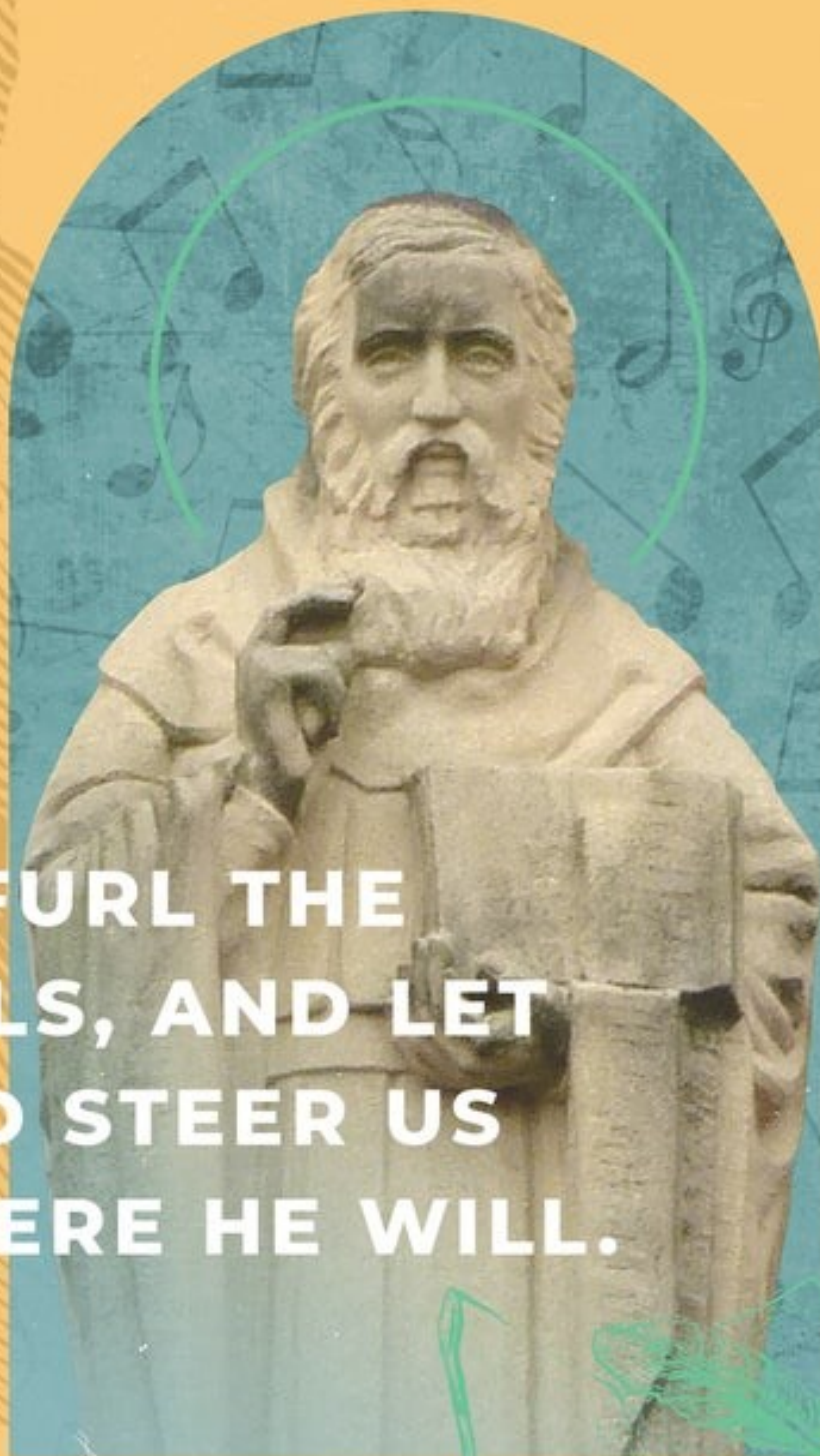
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BEHOLD,
THE LAMB
OF GOD.

JN 1:36

PATRON OF SCHOLARS



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SAILS, AND LET
GOD STEER US
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- ST. BEDE THE VENERABLE

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