Contact Us..

PARISH CENTER

MASS SCHEDULE

(except 1st Fri. of

OFFICE HOURS

Tues. & Thurs.

10:00am-4:00pm

month-12noon at PC)

Sunday

Tuesday

Friday

Thursday

Saturday

232 Passion Play Road

Eureka Springs, AR

30 Crescent Drive Eureka Springs, AR

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8:30am

8:30am

8:30am

8:30am

4pm at PC

479.253.2222

CHURCH

Jun. 21, 2024 SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY 3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

Eureka Springs, *H*rkansas

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him. - Mk 1:19-20

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

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SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23 No Mass

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 No Mass

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

No Mass

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

Confessions Holy Rosary Vigil Mass 2:30pm at the PC3:30pm at the PC4:00pm at the PC

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday:	2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26;
	Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday:	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10;
	Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30;
	Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc,
	2; Mk 16:15-18
Friday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3,
	7-8a, 10; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15,
	16-17; Mk 4:35-41

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Mike Boardman - 1/23, Ricardo Fernandez - 1/26

May you have many more!

EFFORTLESS

The only thing that comes to a person without effort is old age.

-Anonymous





SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center Lector: Barb McClung EMCs: see sign-up sheet Ushers: Mark Elworth, Jo Elworth Altar Server: Jim Witkowski SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 8:30am Mass at the Church Lector: Larry Stamps

EMCs: Mike Godfrey, Mindy Godfrey, Mary Szafranski Ushers: Bev Wright, Mike Murphy Altar Server: Leva Murphy Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, January 23 - No Mass

Thursday, January 25 - No Mass

Friday, January 26 - No Mass

Saturday, January 27 For the Repose of the Souls of <u>Al & Steve Lobato</u> Sunday, January 28 For the Repose of the Soul of <u>Dixie Leggett</u>







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.



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Black & Indian Mission Collection

Next week is the Black & Indian Mission Collection. This Collection was established in 1884, bring Christ's light to the Black, American Indian, Eskimo and Aleute communities of the United States. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the country, supporting and helping to strengthen evangelization programs which otherwise would cease. The Diocese of Little Rock receives some of these grants each year which support certain ministries around the state who specialize in helping the Black and Indian communities.

Did you know that your **CASA** offerings are a source of funding for the education of our Seminarians? Your faithful support helps provide the best in intellectual, personal and spiritual training and education that all of our Seminarians deserve. They have given everything for us and the Church, do we owe them any less than the best that we can give? Become a Catholic Arkansas sharing Appeal supporter.



Our Semínaríans for the month of January, 2024

Nghiep Gia Hoang 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



Jesus' Tovar



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.



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/catholicscholarships.* 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. Juliana of Cornillon, also known as St. Juliana of Liege, is remembered for her steadfast devotion to the Eucharist and her instrumental role in establishing the Feast of Corpus Christi.

PRAYER OF DISCERNMENT

Dear Jesus,

When you call to me, help me to listen. Give me the courage to respond bravely and boldly to your invitation for my life.

Amen.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2024

GOSPEL MEDITATION Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

We start telling lies around the age of three, the experts tell us. It's understandable. Lying is a god-like power. Whatever I want, I need only say it, and the world rearranges itself accordingly. It's amazing at first. But soon reality snaps back and I'm faced with a dilemma. If I remain committed to my lie I start to fracture into pieces. My words and reality drift apart, and I find myself lost in a lonely world of further falsehoods and fear of being found out.

How marvelous, then, that Jesus begins his ministry by proclaiming: **"Repent!"** We tend to think it means "stop doing bad things" but it doesn't. It literally means "go beyond the mind you have." Think in a new way. It's painful to admit, but some portion of my mind is addicted to lie-telling, usually to protect my ego or make life easier. To repent means to admit this tendency, to say, "I'm done lying," and to move beyond my split mind into a complete commitment to the truth. Perhaps that's why at Mass we together proclaim, "I have sinned in my *thoughts*, and in my words..." Repentance and truthtelling work together.

Those who know the twelve-step process of addiction recovery know this process well. The fourth step requires radical truth-telling: listing our moral defects. This isn't being scrupulous. Rather it is freedom from falsehood and entrance into the real world. This week, I invite you to join me in this practice. Get your phone or piece of paper. Answer the question: what are your true moral defects? Write them down. Remember, the Lord knows them already and loves you. We have a sacrament where this truth-telling is celebrated: Confession. Perhaps it is finally time to go beyond our childish lies.





Pope Francis has declared the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 20-21, as Sunday of the Word of God in all Catholic parishes.

RETREATS AT COURY HOUSE

- Feb. 5-8: "On the Road to Jerusalem" with Fr. Jerome. Cost: Private room: \$310; shared room: \$250 per person for room, meals and confer ences. Commuter: \$140 for meals and confer ences.
- Feb. 12-14: "Sermon on the Mount" with Fr. Richard Cost: Private room: \$220; shared room: \$180 per person for room, meals and confer ences. Commuter: \$90 for meals and confer ences.

Call 479-934-1290 or email *couryhouse@subi.org* to register or for more information.

FREE MEN'S CONFERENCE

The Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference (ACMC), the annual men's conference held in the Diocese of Little Rock, will be held Saturday, Feb 10 at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock. It was founded in 2010 and has featured speakers who impact men's lives with their passion for Christ and His Church. To register for free, visit *arcatholicmen.com*.

CATHOLIC

A Good Time for Fulfillment

There are some things that always come at the worst time. I've never gotten a telemarketing call and thought, "This is a really convenient moment for me to listen to a sales pitch." I've never seen the compulsory software update notice flash on my computer screen when I *didn't* have a deadline I was struggling to meet. My kids never come down with the flu unless it's the weekend and the line at Urgent Care is stretching out the door.

And I never, ever feel the calm, persistent shouldertap of the Holy Spirit without thinking, "Now? Now is not a good time. Can you try again when I'm..."

But then I stop and think: when I am what? When I am stronger? When I am happier? When I am smarter? When I am a different person?

When God calls us, He calls the person He sees in front of Him. "Come on," He says, and He doesn't mean "When you're finished" or "When it's convenient" or "Think about it." He means now. This moment.

This is what Paul is saying when he writes that "the world in its present form is passing away." He is saying that your plans mean nothing, the kingdom of God is at hand. Abandon your nets, let your catch escape into the sea. You're not who you thought you were, and you don't need what you thought you needed.

Your sins do not define you. Your fears are not fate. Your inclinations do not govern you. Your life can be changed. We live in the time of fulfillment, and fulfillment is coming for you — ready or not.

"Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: 'This is the time of fulfillment.'" — Mark 1:14

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Can a person (the mother, father, or provider) ever be forgiven for an abortion?

Answer:

For people of faith, any conversation of human sinfulness should always lead us to reflect on God's loving mercy. Because God's mercy is greater than any sin, the Church is clear that even those involved in the sin of abortion can be reconciled with God and the Church. To help make this grace more available through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Pope Francis extended the permission to absolve someone of the sin of abortion to all priests in 2016.

Even with the grace and blessings of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the tragedy of abortion and the aftermath of abortion takes a toll on everyone involved. Ministries of outreach and support, such as Project Rachel, offer pastoral counseling, support groups, retreats, and other forms of care. As Christians, we are also called to help promote this healing and reconciliation in all its forms.

To learn more, visit www. hopeafterabortion.com.

St. Elizabeth Church FRIED CATFISH DINNER Feb. 23, March 8 & 22 5:00 - 7:00pm

Catfish, Fries, Hush Puppies, Slaw, Drinks, Dessert Dine-in/Carry-out/Walk-in Welcome! St. Elizabeth Parish Hall 232 Passion Play Rd. For Reservations, Call 479-253-4503

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

GOD CERTAINLY KNOWS WHAT IS BEST FOR MY SANCTIFICATION AND I GLADLY REPEAT: 'THY WILL BE DONE.'

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-ST. DAMIEN OF MOLOKAI

