

January 19, 2025 SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY 2nd Qunday in Ordinary Time CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas



CHURCH

30 Crescent Drive Eureka Springs, AR 72632

PARISH CENTER

232 Passion Play Road Eureka Springs, AR 72632

MASS SCHEDULE

8:30am Sunday 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 PHONE 479.253.2222

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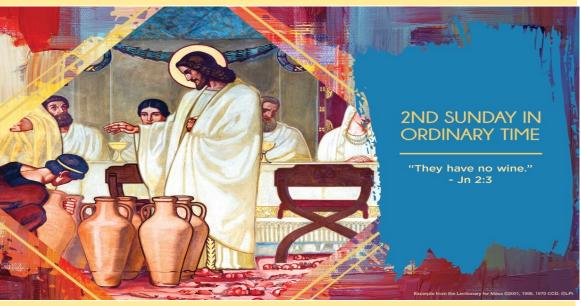
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All visitors to our beautiful town of Eureka Springs are welcome to visit our historic Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Church, and to pray and worship with us. If you are Catholic, and have recently received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, you are also 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 five days a week (March - Nov.) 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 Finance Council Chair

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

No Mass

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 No Mass

Friday, January 24 No Mass

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 & 10c;
	Mk 2L23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4;
	Mk 3:1-6
Thursday	Heb 7:25-8:6; Ps 40: 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17;
	Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8 & 10, 11-12, 13-14;
	Mk 3:13-19
Saturday	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;
	Mk 16-15-18
Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19-8: 9, 10, 15
	(see Jn 6:63c); 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14,

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

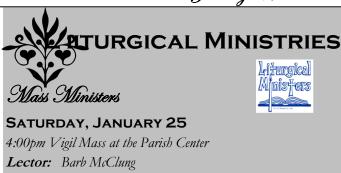
Mike Boardman - 1/24

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*





Ushers: The Simmons Family Altar Server: Robbie Bartos SUNDAY, JANUARY 26 8:30am Mass at the Church Lector: Phyllis McGuire EMCs: Rod McGuire, Mindy Godfrey, Karen Finkeldei Ushers: Ted Meyer, Gary Finkeldei Altar Server: Dan Kees Mass Intentions

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EMCs: see sign-up sheet

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OUR PARISHIONERS -

Connie Blazek, Sheila Fowler, Florence Giels, Helen Wright and Barbara Witkowski.

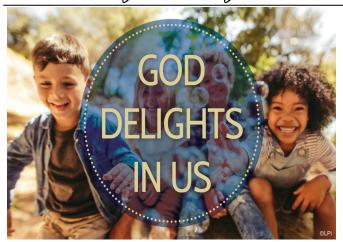
OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Mary Ann Dobrobolny, Linda Gilmore, Pam Heinzel, Marci Krieger, Joe McDaniel, Gene Ochrymowich, Eric Pederson, Dale Putrino, Leslie Scroggins, Becky Sisco, Shari Soukup, Ed Terrill, Libbie Vesekla and Connie Woolheiser

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -

OUR MILITARY - Tyler Horning, Mathew McClung and Nic Smith.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Black and Indian Missions

The Black and Indian Mission Collection was established in 1884, bringing 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. This Collection is taken up on the final weekend of January, which is January 25th and 26th.





Our Semínaríans® for the month of January, 2025

Jack Smith 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.



GIFT SHOP

December Gift Shop Schedule

The Gift Shop will be closed until March 6, 2025.

A Big Thank You to all the elves who took down Christmas at the Church in record time. You are appreciated!

Rod

Holy Family Parish Council of Catholic Women Invite the Ladies of St. Elizabeth to Our Annual Valentine's Tea

Thursday, February 13, 2025 Holy Family Church in Shell Knob Registration: 11:00am, Lunch: 11:30am

RSVP by January 31, 2025 to: Janet 913-526-0180 or *jmurph2@aol.com*

We ask each guest to bring a monetary donation for the Alliance of Churches' Food Pantry

Women of Hope

All women are invited to attend Women of Hope, a Day of Retreat to be held on Saturday February 1, 2025, at Christ the King Church in Little Rock. This diocesan event is an opportunity for women to set aside the outside world and enter into a personal experience with Jesus. {insert personal invitation/experience here} For registration and retreat details including the Bonus night of Reflection, visit our website at WomenofhopeAR.org

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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GOSPEL MEDITATION Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A friend invited me to an invitation-only wine-tasting event. There were over two hundred varieties of wine. Having no idea how to approach such a massive selection, I wandered aimlessly among the tables, sipping this and that. At the end of the evening my friend asked if I had tried some of the exceptionally expensive wines. I hadn't. "The really good stuff disappears first," he said. "My man, you missed out on some amazing vino." I was so disappointed. I wasted my chance for amazing once-in-a-lifetime wine. The wine I tasted was, well, *blab.*

Don't we often feel a similar disappointment in life? I missed this or that opportunity. If only I had known. Optimism sputters and fades. The glory days are gone. The chances, it seems, for the really great things in life come and go so quickly. Then they are gone forever. The good stuff goes first. Then life is just blah.

Not so with the Lord Jesus. In Jesus' miracle at the wedding at Cana, the steward of the feast says, **"Everyone serves good wine first, and then...an inferior one" (John 2:10).** That's the natural downward progression of life. The good stuff disappears quickly. But he says of the groom (who symbolizes Jesus), **"But you have kept the good wine until now."** This is the ever-improving trajectory of the realm of God's grace. With Jesus, the "good wine" of divine love, hope and peace gets better as our journey of faith progresses. Where are your greatest disappointments? Don't give in to the lie that the really good stuff is gone. Tell Jesus you've run out. Then learn how to taste *that* amazingly good wine, because he saves the best until now.

-Father John Muir



DEVOTIONS, Explained!

The Angelus is an ancient devotion whose practice developed over the course of several centuries. It is composed of three antiphons that tell the story of the annunciation, each followed by a Hail Mary. It is usually said daily at noon.



Jubilee Year Pilgrimage

Arkansas Catholic is traveling to Italy October 28-November 8 for the Holy Year and we want you to join us. Father Brian Cundall, pastor of Christ the King Church in Fort Smith, will be the spiritual director for this tour. You can experience Florence and Siena on All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, plus stops in Milan, Turin, Orvieto and Montecassino. Pilgrims will have four days in Rome and walk through the Holy Doors.

An informational meeting will be held **Sunday**, **February 16 at 3 p.m. at Christ the King Church Parish Hall in Fort Smith.** RSVP at *bit.ly/ ACpilgrimage202*. If you have any questions, contact Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations at *kathy@suesmithvacation* or 501-771-0987.

Prayer for the Miraculous

Oh God, Oh God beyond my understanding. Bring Your soul-stirring power into my life today. In the places where people are saying, "It can't be done" or "There's no solution," act in such a way that responds: "There is a way, and there is a God, and He loves me." Amen.

CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: Sometimes we forget, or even refuse, to bring small concerns and inconveniences to God because we think we should be able to handle them on our own. What a ridiculous attitude that is — as if we could handle anything on our own.

Do Whatever He Tells You

I once ran out of pizza at my kid's birthday party.

Everyone told me it wasn't a big deal but come on. It was a disaster. I had invited all these people over. They showed up with presents and sang "Happy Birthday" and stood around patiently while my kid ripped through his cache of gifts. The very least they were expecting was to be fed sufficiently.

I'll tell you what, I sure could have used the Blessed Mother that night.

I love the story of the wedding at Cana because it's such a silly little miracle. I don't mean to be disrespectful — of course it's an incredibly important moment in Christ's public life. But it's not healing a leper. It's not raising the dead. It's not even walking on water. It's saving a young couple from embarrassment.

I think sometimes we forget, or even refuse, to bring small concerns and inconveniences to God because we think we should be able to handle them on our own. What a ridiculous attitude that is — as if we could handle anything on our own. It's so fitting that Mary, ever the observant Mother, is the one to bring the matter to Jesus' attention. He asks her what this problem has to do with him. She doesn't answer him, because, between you and me, I don't think he's asking her. I think he's asking us. All she does is tell the waiters what I consider to be the best piece of advice in all of Scripture: "Do whatever he tells you."

I'm so quick to throw up my hands and feel sorry for myself when I encounter a barrier in my life. What I should be doing is taking the matter to God, and then doing whatever He tells me.

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why do some dioceses move holy days, or not even celebrate them at all. Doesn't everyone do the same thing?

Answer:

The short answer is no, not everyone does the same thing. Although the Church is universal, there are many local customs and saints that each country, sometimes just a region, will honor. For example, feast days and patronal days may not be major feast days on the Church's universal calendar, but are celebrated as such in one place. Holy days of obligation are the same way. The US Conference of Catholic Bishops has a certain amount of discretion in choosing days which best reflect the local church's experience and history.

Another reason certain feasts are moved is a practical one. With limited clergy, or a great difficulty for people to get to Mass, the feast day may be transferred to a Sunday. The rationale is that if a significant feast should be part of the Church's celebration, then better to do so on a Sunday when people and clergy are available, rather than try to fit it on a day when one or both cannot be there.

Christmas and the Immaculate Conception are always observed as days of obligation. In the USA we celebrate six holy days of obligation. There are also other special days and they are ranked, in order of importance as solemnity, feast, memorial and optional memorial.

Liturgical Life

When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." - Jn 2:3-5

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Isaiah spoke of God's delight in Jerusalem and desire to see Israel as His spouse. What married couples do you know who genuinely take delight in each other?

Second Reading:

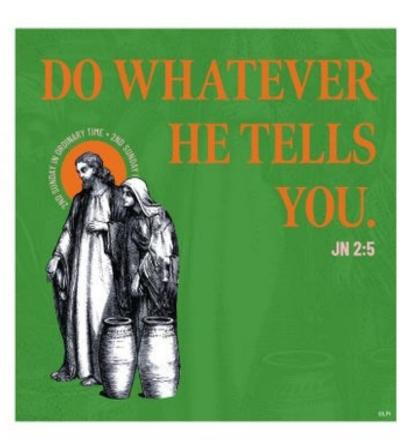
Paul taught the Corinthians that the gifts of the Holy Spirit to individuals are meant to benefit and unify the community. What gifts do you have that you think benefit others?

Gospel:

After all the wine was consumed, Jesus turned water into wine for the bride and groom at the wedding. When have you received an unexpected gift from someone?



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Tomorrow, Catholics in Arkansas and throughout the nation begin a novena, the annual 9 Days for Life initiative, to pray for an end to abortion.

Please join the Arkansas Knights of Columbus via our diocesan <u>YouTube channel</u> or <u>Facebook</u> page or <u>Instagram</u> as they pray daily, January 16-24, for the protection of human life.

Each day, a Knight leads prayer, gives a short reflection, and suggests actions to build a culture of life. See State Life Director Dale Flamand introduce the 9 Days for Life Novena and find daily videos here: <u>Novena playlist</u>

You can also download the Novena and get text or email reminders from the national <u>9 Days for</u> <u>Life</u> website.

And don't forget: This Sunday January 19 at noon, Bishop Anthony B. Taylor will preside at the <u>Mass for Life</u> at the Cathedral of St. Andrew in Little Rock. Arkansas Right to Life's <u>March for Life</u> begins at 2:00 p.m.

For more information, please contact the Respect Life Office <u>respectlife@dolr.org</u> or 501-664-0340 ext. 326.

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball

Friday Feb 28, 2025 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM CST

Inn of the Ozarks 207 W. Van Buren Eureka Springs, AR 72632



Description

Step into a night of mystery and allure at the Eureka Springs Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball, where enchantment awaits around every corner.

Join us for a true Mardi Gras PARTY as you don your themed roman costume, or traditional masquerade attire.

The venue will set the stage for a energetic and magical experience, featuring live music, opulent decor, and a dance floor that beckons all in attendance. Indulge in premium libations, surrounded by the mystique of Mardi Gras. Dance the night away in an atmosphere where every moment is a celebration of extravagance.

Secure your tickets for an unforgettable evening at the Eureka Springs Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball, where the magic of the season comes to life.

