

July 30, 2023

17th Sunday

in

Ordinary Time

SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Contact Us...

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30 Crescent Drive
Eureka Springs, AR
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PARISH CENTER

232 Passion Play Road
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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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like a treasure buried in a
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and hides again, and out of
joy goes and sells all that
he has and buys that field."
- Mt 13:44

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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

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Sharon Parker

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SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

Adoration 8:00am
Daily Mass 8:30am

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3

Daily Mass 8:30am
Confessions 9:15am

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

Daily Mass 12:00noon at the PC

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

The Transfiguration of the Lord 8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:10-23;
Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13;
Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11;
Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;
Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8;
Mt 14:1-12
Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2
Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Missy Leggett - 8/3

May you have many more!

EFFORTLESS

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

-Anonymous



SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Joe Ricciardi, Fran Ricciardi

EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: Robert Bartos, Sophie Bartos

Altar Server: Robby Bartos

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Rod McGuire

EMCs: Mindy Godfrey

Phyllis McGuire

Karen Finkeldei

Ushers: Mike Godfrey, Ted Meyer

Altar Server: Dan Kees



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, August 1

For the Repose of the Soul of James Nolan

Thursday, August 3

For the Repose of the Souls of Peter & Mary

Friday, August 4

For the Repose of the Soul of Joyce Steinman

Saturday, August 5

For the Repose of the Soul of June Bruner

Sunday, August 6

For the Intentions of Rhea Vegas



Pray for us...



OUR PARISHIONERS -

Connie Blazek, Richard & Sheila Fowler, Florence Giels, Charlotte Nowlin, Sandra Stamps and Barbara Witkowski.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Patsy Crawford, Robert Elworth, Marci Krieger, Chuck Maxwell, Joe McDaniel, Eric Pederson, Dale Putrino, Debra Reid

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -

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



**YOUTH MINISTRY &
FAMILY LIFE COORDINATOR**

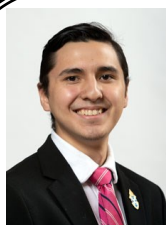
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We are in need of a director for youth ministry and family life at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Tontitown, Northwest Arkansas. This will be a full-time position.

Experience with Catholic Youth and/or other Catholic ministries and consistency is necessary.

For more information or to apply, send cover letter, resume and reference from a pastor to:

mwhinnery@stjoctontitown.org.



**Our Seminararians
for the month of
July, 2023**

Pedro Alvarez

Contact address:

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For more information
on our seminararians, go to
www.dolr.org/seminarians



**Andrew
Schaefer**



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.



GIFT SHOP

July Gift Shop Schedule

Sun. 7/30	9:30-4:00	Lubbers
Mon. 7/31	10:00-4:00	Breaux
Thurs. 8/3	10:00-1:00	L. Murphy
	1:00-4:00	Ricciardi
Fri. 8/4	10:00-1:00	M. Leggett
	1:00-4:00	Elfter
Sat. 8/5	10:00-4:00	M. Leggett
Sun. 8/6	9:30-4:00	Stamps



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Blessed Fr. Solanus Casey would have up to 200 people a day visit him for prayer and counseling while he worked as a doorkeeper at his various postings. He also co-founded the Capuchin Soup Kitchen during the Great Depression. It still serves people in Detroit to this day.

PRAYER



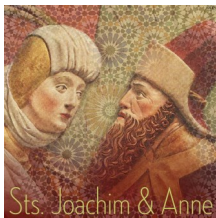
"Let us, therefore, not weaken. Let us hope when darkness seems to surround us. Let us thank Him at all times and under whatever circumstances. Thank Him for our creation and our existence. Thank Him for everything - for His plans in the past, that by our sins and our want of appreciation, have so often frustrated - and that He so often found necessary to change. Let us thank Him for all His plans for the future - for trials and humiliations as well as great joy and consolations; for sickness and whatever death He may deign to plan; and with the inspired Psalmist let us call all the creatures of the universe to help us praise and adore Him Who is the Divine. Beginning and the everlasting Good - the Alpha and the Omega."

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MAKING WISE CHOICES

An old expression admonishes, “Be careful what you wish for.” Another one warns about money “burning a hole in your pocket” as you try and determine all the possibilities about how you will spend it. If God were to grant you a wish, what would it be? Our readings are about making wise choices and following God’s ways. When Solomon is given this opportunity, he does not make a rash or selfish decision but requests an “understanding heart” so that he might better govern the people with justice. The responsorial psalm is part of a long acrostic poem about the beauty of following God’s law. Saint Paul speaks to the Romans about God’s master plan, in which we each have a special calling and purpose. The Gospel provides several parables about the kingdom of heaven, and how we might take right action and necessary steps in order to obtain it.



CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER The Suscipe Prayer

Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding and my entire will, all I have and call my own. You have given all to me. To you Lord, I return it. Everything is yours; do with it what you will. Give me only your love and your grace, that is enough for me.

-Saint Ignatius of Loyola

THE DOCUMENTS OF VATICAN II - The Sacred Liturgy

The Constitution on the Sacred Living (Sacrosanctum Concilium) is the first document approved by the Council - by a vote of 2,147 to 4 on December 4, 1963. Built on a foundation of strong liturgical and biblical scholarship, Sacrosanctum Concilium proclaims the primary place of the liturgy (the “source and summit”) in the life of the Church. In insisting on the central role of the faithful in the celebration of liturgy, the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy set the tone for the rest of the Council, which would continue to address the baptismal dignity and mission of the laity in future documents. The goals of the Constitution were to reinvigorate the Christian life of the faithful, to adapt - where possible - to the needs of today, to encourage the union of all Christian believers, and to promote the mission of the Church to all people. The reforms proposed by Sacrosanctum Concilium would touch the life of every Catholic in profound ways: by emphasizing the importance of sacred scriptures, by opening the door to inculturation of the liturgy - especially by its celebration in the native tongue of the people - and by stressing the participation of all believers in the Paschal Mystery (the passion, death and resurrection of Christ) here and now. The Council could not have started with a stronger message to the Church and the world that the winds of change were blowing through the windows opened by Pope John XXIII.



“Thus it will be at the end of the age. The angels will go out and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Do you understand all these things?” They answered, “Yes.” - Mt 13:49-51
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FALL RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND

Are you facing difficult challenges in your marriage relationship? Retrouvaille is a program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Primarily, it is a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages and help couples reconnect. It is a Christian marriage program, Catholic in origin, where couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend. The next Weekend will be **September 22 - 24, 2023** at **St. John’s Center** in Little Rock. To register: www.helpourmarriage.org. For more information, call 800-470-2230 or contact the Family Life Office at 501-664-0340.

PRAY

If you pray you are sure of saving your soul. If you do not pray, you are just as sure to lose your soul.

-St. Alphonsus Ligouri

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

The young King Solomon asked the Lord in prayer for a wise and discerning heart, and it was granted to him. What gift would you ask from the Lord?

Second Reading

Paul teaches the believers in Rome that God calls us “according to his purpose.” Do you have a sense your purpose in life? If so, what is it?

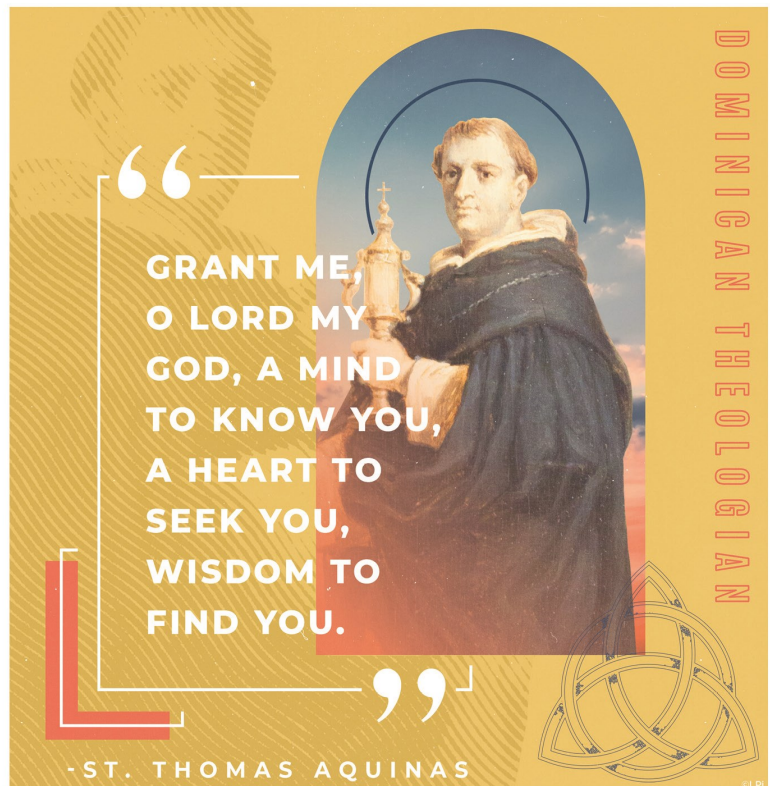
Gospel Reading

Jesus offers several kingdom of heaven parables to the disciples: buried treasure and fine pearls (a priceless discovery) and the large catch of fish (an invitation to all). With these parables, what do you think Jesus is teaching us about the kingdom of heaven?



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in a field.”

MATTHEW 13:44

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