

June 29, 2025

*The Solemnity of  
Saints Peter &  
Paul*

# SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Eureka Springs, Arkansas*

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30am  
Tuesday 8:30am  
Thursday 8:30am  
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(except 1st Fri. of  
month-12noon at PC)  
Saturday 4pm at PC

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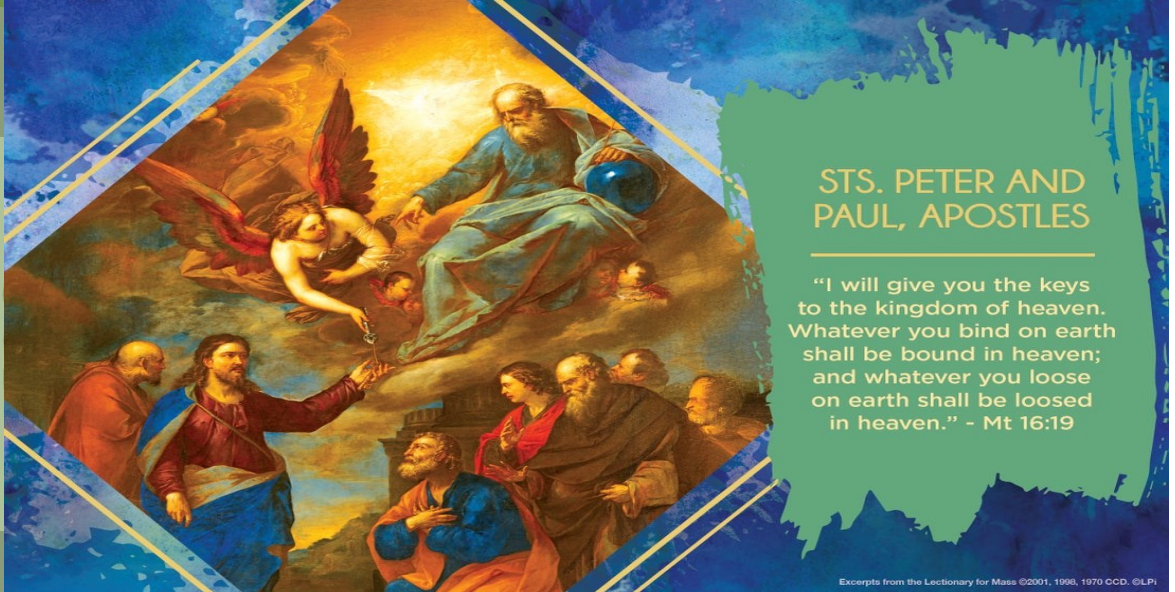
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"I will give you the keys  
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shall be bound in heaven;  
and whatever you loose  
on earth shall be loosed  
in heaven." - Mt 16:19

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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

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Parish Secretary & Bookkeeper

Nancy Elfter

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# THIS WEEK at Saint Elizabeth

## SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### TUESDAY, JULY 1

Adoration 8:00am  
Daily Mass 8:30am

### THURSDAY, JULY 3

Daily Mass 8:30am  
Confessions 9:15am

### FRIDAY, JULY 4

Daily Mass 12:00noon at the PC

### SATURDAY, JULY 5

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

### SUNDAY, JULY 6

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am

### Readings for the Week

Monday: Gn 18:16-33;Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11;  
Mt 8:13-22  
Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29;Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12;  
Mt 8:23-27  
Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a;Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13;  
Mt 8:28-34  
Thursday: Eph 2:19-22;Ps 117:1bc, 2;Jn 20:24-29  
Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67;Ps 106:1b-2,  
3-4a, 4b-5;Mt 9:9-13  
Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29;Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6;  
Mt 9:14-17  
Sunday: Is 66:10-14c;Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20  
(1);Gal 6:14-18;Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

### God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

James Antonio – 6/30, Nathan Vitt - 7/1,  
Mark Orrick - 7/2, Jackson Diggs - 7/3

*May you have many more!*

### HOPE

Never deprive someone of  
hope - it may be all they  
have. *-Anonymous*



## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

### Mass Ministers



### SATURDAY, JULY 5

4:00pm Mass at the Parish Center

**Lector:** Joe Ricciardi, Fran Ricciardi

**EMCs:** see sign-up sheet

**Ushers:** Robert Bartos, Sophie

**Altar Server:**

### SUNDAY, JULY 6

8:30am Mass at the Church

**Lector:** Rod McGuire

**EMCs:** Karen Finkeldei, Phyllis McGuire, Mindy Godfrey

**Ushers:** Gary Finkeldei, Bev Wright

**Altar Server:** Dan Kees



### Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 1

For the Repose of the Soul of Mary Ann Dobrobnly

Thursday, July 3

For the Repose of the Soul of Lillian Antonio

Friday, July 4

For the Repose of the Soul of Don Mischo

Saturday, July 5

For the Repose of the Soul of William Bezjian

Sunday, July 6

For the Repose of the Soul of Lois Niles



### OUR PARISHIONERS -

Connie Blazek, Florence Giels, Larry Handley, Joe Ricciardi, Fran Ricciardi, Mary Szafranski, Helen Wright and Barbara Witkowski.

### OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Carol Dvorah, Linda Gilmore, Pam Heinzl, Kathleen Horosinski, Marci Krieger, Betty McClard, Joe McDaniel, Billy Metzger, Carol Morgan-Eagle, Gene Ochrymowich, Eric Pederson, Dale Putrino, Michael Ricciardi, Connie Stielow, Ed Terrill and Libbie Vesekla.

**OUR MILITARY** - Nic Smith.

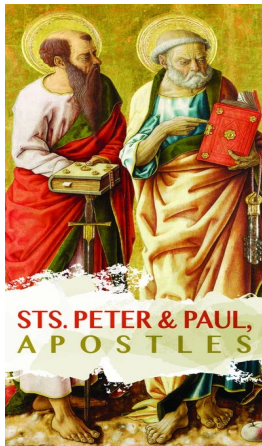
**THOSE WHO HAVE DIED** - Sally Fernandez





### Our Friends and Family Members

There are folks who have been on this list for a very long time. Please let the office know if there is someone who no longer needs to be there.



**Jesus Tovar**

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](http://www.dolr.org/seminarians)



**Parker Vail**

*Our Seminarians  
for the month of  
June, 2025*

## 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. 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 June 14 & 15 is **\$2,558.00**. For the Fiscal year (7/24-6/25) is **\$179,560.96**.

Our **Project Revive Campaign** Update as of 6/17/25:

	<u>Pledges</u>	<u>Payments</u>
Parishioners	\$807,303	\$378,975
Non-Parishioners	\$108,380	\$ 11,224
Donations	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 24,547</u>
	\$915,683	\$414,476

## GIFT SHOP

*June / July Gift Shop Schedule*

Sun., 6/29	9:30-4:00	Lubbers
Mon., 6/30	10:00-1:00	D. Pickens
	1:00-4:00	Breaux
Tues., 7/1	10:00-4:00	Buttecali
Thurs., 7/3	10:00-1:00	Elworth
	1:00-4:00	Ricciardi
Friday, 7/4	10:00-1:00	Pickens
	1:00-4:00	Elfter
Sat., 7/5	10:00-1:00	Szafranski
	1:00-4:00	Elfter
Sun., 7/6	9:39-4:00	



### FROM THE PRAYER GROUP:

**Adoration** - There will be Adoration on the last Tuesday of every month following the daily Mass. It will last until 11:00am. The first Adoration will be on June 24th.

**In Home Rosary** - In Home Rosary will be held on Wednesday's at 5:00pm at Lou & Robert DaRosa's home. Please email them to find out their address and more information. Their email address is:  
[rldarosa@yahoo.com](mailto:rldarosa@yahoo.com).

# *Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul*

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## **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

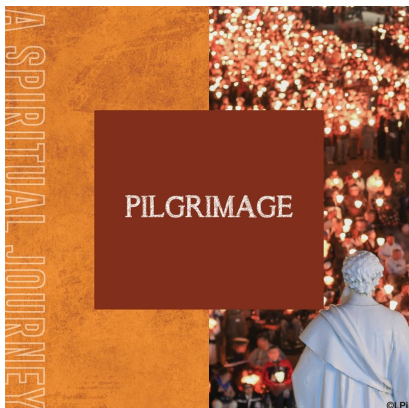
### **Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

What do you call brothers who are born on the same day? Twins, of course. That is what we celebrate today in the inestimable saints, Peter and Paul. Wait: twins? Yes. The early Church believed that Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome on the same day. Since the day of martyrdom is celebrated as a saints' birth into eternal life, the result is striking. Peter and Paul are twins in God's family, the Church.

Who should care about this? Well, anyone who longs to live in a world marked by love and peace. Remember, the Romans believed that twins, Romulus and Remus, founded their city though an act of fratricide, the former murdering the latter. Sadly, the structures of this fallen world emerge through violence between those who should love each other. But in the Church, a new city has been founded upon this new set of twins, embodying the non-violent power of Jesus' cross and resurrection.

That's why traditional icons represent Peter and Paul in a fraternal and warm embrace. Contrasted with the violence of Rome's founders, it challenges us with a bold claim: do we believe that structures of merciful love are more powerful and lasting than those based on power, violence and domination? Am I willing to see others in my life as my "twin" with whom I am called to give my life for Christ, or as my rival? Am I committed to living what is embodied in Romulus and Remus, or in Peter and Paul?

*-Father John Muir*



### **DEVOTIONS, *Explained!***

A pilgrimage is a journey to a place of spiritual significance undertaken by one who is seeking closeness to Heaven while still on Earth.



### **Arkansas' only Pro-Life Camp Joshua 2025 - July 25-27th!**

If you know a teen who has an interest in making a difference for life Camp Joshua is the place where they will spend a weekend learning how to be an advocate for the issues of abortion, euthanasia, infanticide and embryonic stem cell research while enjoying Cross Heirs Lodge, eating great food, and meeting new friends from around the state who share their love for life! Cost per student is \$100. Registration is now open. To register or for more information visit [www.campjoshuaar.com](http://www.campjoshuaar.com) **Scholarships are available.** Sponsored by Arkansas Right to Life 501-663-4237 [artl@artl.org](mailto:artl@artl.org)

## **LIVE THE LITURGY**

### **Inspiration of the Week**

Peter testified to a dangerous and unpopular truth - that Christ was the Messiah. That courage, that trust in God, is the cornerstone of all we believe. Like Peter, we must always bear witness to the truth.

## **PRAYER OF PASTORAL CARE**

O God,  
Bless the souls You have entrusted to our care. As You hear every one of their prayers, help us to hear them, too. Answer their prayer intentions and personal needs through us and our ministry, as we all seek to do Your will.  
Amen.



The Parishioners of St. Elizabeth do their share in helping our local Charities.



The Purple Flower sent us this certificate to show their appreciation for the \$500 that St. Elizabeth sent them. St. Elizabeth also donated \$500 each to Flint Street Fellowship, A Cup of Love, Loaves and Fishes Food Bank, Inc, The Cradle, and the Youth of St. Anne's.

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

**Mini Reflection:** People have a lot of opinions about God. But when the world asks, "Who do you say that Jesus is?" We know the answer. Will we speak up?

### Some Say

At first, the Apostles try to dodge the question.

When Jesus confronts them — and make no mistake, it is a confrontation — with the question "Who do you say that I am?" they act like a man whose wife has just asked him if she looks fat in these jeans.

The evasiveness of their answer puts politicians to shame: "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

*Some say:*

But Jesus doesn't let them off easy. He repeats himself. He wants an answer. "Who do you say that I am?"

They all know the answer. They all believe the answer. And they all know the answer could get them thrown in prison or killed. Only Peter is brave enough to say it: "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

People have a lot of opinions about God. They always have. They have a lot of opinions about Jesus and the Bible, about the Catholic Church and the Pope. Some of these opinions are well-founded, well-researched. Some of them are based in ignorance. Many are born of painful misunderstandings. But they are all just that: opinions.

*Some say:*

We know who Jesus is. We know who the Eucharist is. We know what the truth is. Amid the chaos and the violence and the excruciating loudness of this fallen world and all the words it shouts into the void about God and Jesus and right and wrong, we know.

But will we answer?

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## Why do we do that?

### Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

January 25 is the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul and the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. What does one have to do with the other?

#### Answer:

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity consists of eight days beginning January 18 (at that time the feast of the Chair of Peter), and ending on January 25, the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, founded in the early twentieth century in Graymoor, NY, sought to promote unity among Anglicans and Roman Catholics. Paul James Wattson, a former Episcopalian priest, founded the community, which was formally accepted into the Catholic communion.

The idea for Christian unity soon began to catch on, and by the 1930s, more and more Christians welcomed such a focus. Suggestions for prayer and education are distributed each year, emphasizing a jointly chosen theme. The 1964 Vatican II document on ecumenism, *Unitatis Redintegratio*, gave a great boost to the octave, so that today many Christians worldwide promote and participate in the octave time of prayer.

The emphasis on both Peter and Paul aptly fits into the rationale of the octave. Peter is seen as the source of unity within the Christian tradition. Paul is highlighted due to his vision of bringing all to Christ. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an ideal opportunity to pray for and promote respect, understanding, and, hopefully, eventual unity among Christians. To learn more, visit [geii.org](http://geii.org).



"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."  
- Mt 16:18-19

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## Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

### First Reading:

In his miraculous escape from prison, Peter was convinced of God's saving work in his life. Where do you see God at work in your life?

### Second Reading:

As Paul was nearing the end of his life, he realized that God had rescued him from many dangers and threats. As you reflect on your life, can you see times when God's saving hand was present for you?

### Gospel:

Jesus commissioned Peter to be the foundation ("rock") of his Church. Are there any roles or responsibilities you feel called to do in your parish?



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For more information, call 479-579-7372 Email: [EurekaSpringsCemetery@gmail.com](mailto:EurekaSpringsCemetery@gmail.com) Address: 4127 E. Van Buren, Eureka Springs, AR 7263

Don't miss this memorable journey through the lives and legacies of Eureka Springs' early residents.





## Eureka Comedy House

2039 A E. Van Buren Eureka Springs AR 72632

(870) 345-7080

[Send Email](#)

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### **Hours:**

Thursdays: 18+ Show

Fridays: Family Show

Saturdays: 18+ Show

### **About Us**

Eureka Comedy House provides a unique and intimate comedy experience, offering just 40 seats per show for an up-close and interactive atmosphere. Each performance combines comedy, storytelling, audience participation, and original funny songs and parodies, ensuring an engaging and entertaining night. All shows are filmed, and attendance includes consent to be part of the recording for the venue's YouTube channel.

The venue features two distinct shows: an 18+ Show, where Randall George delivers edgy yet tasteful comedy with his signature parodies and original songs, and a Family-Friendly Show, suitable for all ages, featuring Randall and, on select nights, Leslie Wright. Both performers have extensive experience in the entertainment industry, having starred at the legendary Ozark Mountain Hoe-Down for over two decades before embarking on this new venture.

With limited general admission seating, early booking is recommended, as tickets are available exclusively online. Shows run from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, with doors opening at 6:30 PM. While the performances are solo or duo acts rather than full-band productions, guests are welcome to bring food from neighboring restaurants. Additionally, an "honor system kitchen" provides snacks and drinks, with various payment options available, including cash, PayPal, CashApp, and Venmo.

Eureka Comedy House invites audiences to laugh, connect, and create unforgettable memories in a setting where every show feels like a backstage pass



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