

March 23, 2025

3rd Sunday of
Lent

SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Contact Us...

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30 Crescent Drive
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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

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IT MAY BEAR
FRUIT IN THE
FUTURE.

LUKE 13:9

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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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Rev. Joseph Archibong

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Ted Meyer

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THIS WEEK at Saint Elizabeth

SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MARCH 25

Adoration 8:00am
Daily Mass 8:30am

THURSDAY, MARCH 27

Daily Mass 8:30am
Confessions 9:15am

FRIDAY, MARCH 28

Daily Mass 12:00noon at the PC
Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

Fourth Sunday of Lent 8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b;Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4;
Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10;Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11;
Heb 10:4-10;Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday: Dr 4:1, 5-9;Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;
Mt 5:17-19
Thursday Jer 7:23-28;Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9;Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10;Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab,
14 & 17;Mk 12:28-34
Saturday Hos 6:1-6;Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab;
Lk 18:9-14
Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12;Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a);
2 Cor 5:17-21;Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 *Scutiny:*
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a;Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4,
5, 6, (1);Eph 5:8-14;Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9,
13-17, 34-38

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Dennis Barnett - 3/22, Karen Finkeldei - 3/26,
Mickey Fontenot - 3/26, Michael Harter - 3/26

May you have many more!



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Mass Ministers

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Paula Perry

EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: The Simmons Family

Altar Server:

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Cassian Heath

EMCs: Karen Finkeldei, Mike Godfrey, Mindy Godfrey

Ushers: Mark Leggett, Ted Meyer

Altar Server: Misyy Leggett



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 25

For the Repose of the Soul of Phyllis Cooley

Thursday, March 27

For the Intentions of David & Anna

Friday, March 28

For the Intentions of David & Anna

Saturday, March 29

For the Repose of the Soul of Phyllis Cooley

Sunday, March 30

For the Intentions of David & Anna



Pray for



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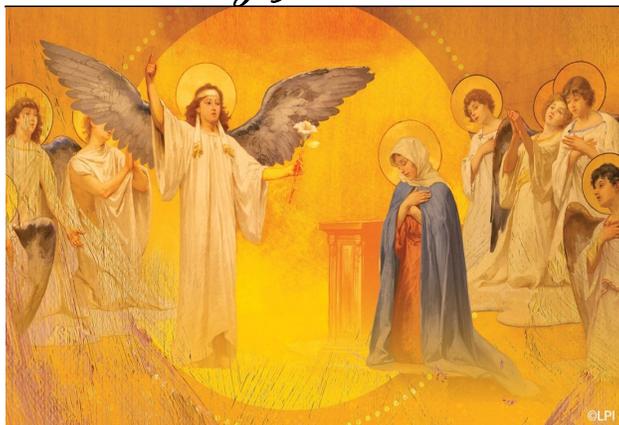
Connie Blazek, Sheila Fowler, Florence Giels, Helen Wright and Barbara Witkowski.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Mary Ann Dobrobnolny, Linda Gilmore, Pam Heinzel, Marci Krieger, Betty McClard, Joe McDaniel, Billy Metzger, Carol Morgan-Eagle, Gene Ochrymowich, Eric Pederson, Dale Putrino, Michael Ricciardi, Leslie Scroggins, Shari Soukup, Ed Terrill, Libbie Vesekla and Connie Woolheiser

OUR MILITARY - Tyler Horning and Nic Smith.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED - Letha Thiel



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 difficult 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



March Gift Shop Schedule

Sun., 3/23	9:30-4:00	Elworth
Mon., 3/24	10:00-1:00	D. Pickens
	1:00-4:00	Breaux
Tues., 3/25	10:00-4:00	Buttecali
Thurs., 3/27	10:00-1:00	Kees
	1:00-4:00	N. Barnett
Friday, 3/28	10:00-4:00	Meyer
Sat., 3/29	10:00-1:00	P. McGuire
	1:00-4:00	R. McGuire
Sun., 3/30	9:39-4:00	Godfrey

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Knights of Columbus
Fried Catfish Dinners

April 4

5:00pm-7:00pm

Parish Hall

\$15/\$18



THE CHOSEN, Season 4

Starting March 19 - 6:30pm, continuing March 26,

April 2, 9, and 16

Parish Hall

Free Popcorn, Candy & Pop

Come enhance your Lenten journey!

The Catholic Relief Services Collection

Next week our Parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food for the hungry, support displaced refugees and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

St. Elizabeth's Seasonal Choir

An open call for parishioners who love to sing or love to make music instrumentally to consider joining the St. Elizabeth Seasonal Choir for Palm Sunday (Saturday Mass, Holy Thursday and Easter Sunday Mass at the Church. Singers may choose to sing at either one or all of these masses. Rehearsals begin on Thursday, March 13th at 4:30pm in the Parish Hall. There are 3 ways to contact me for more information: after mass, by email: Songbird1960@outlook.com, or by calling 479-981-0870.

Our Seminararians for the month of March, 2025



Parker Vail

Contact address:

House of Formation,

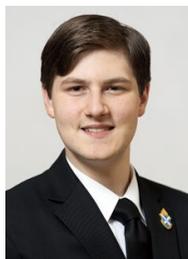
1201 S. Van Buren

Little Rock, AR 72204

For more information

on our seminararians, go to

www.dolr.org/seminarians



Matthew
Lamb

Third Sunday of Lent

March 23, 2025

GOSPEL MEDITATION

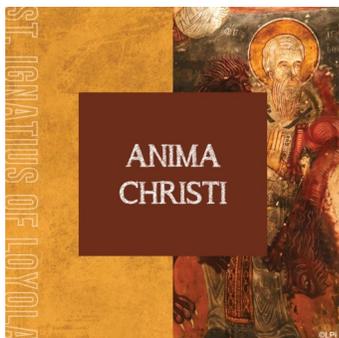
Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

My childhood best friend was Xander Price. He was the fastest runner in school, an excellent baseball player and Jewish. Though his family wasn't intensely religious, I felt totally at home with them despite our religious differences. Everything about their Judaism seemed to undergird and strengthen my own experience of being a Catholic. I knew they didn't believe in Jesus like my family did, but I intuited somehow that Jesus was "hiding" in their religion. Like a car moving under a blanket, ready to emerge at any moment, the Lord was hidden there in a special way.

In the Gospel for this third Sunday of Lent, Jesus says, **"For if you had believed Moses, you would have believed me, for he wrote of me"** (John 5:46). Stunning words, those Moses wrote about Jesus. The way therefore that we came to know and believe in Jesus is to discover him lurking in Moses' writings. The Hebrew Scripture is the wonderful womb in which Jesus gestates within a host of images: Adam, Isaac, David, Melchizedek, the Temple, sacrificed lambs, prophets and so on. Right now, in your parish's OCIA program, soon-to-be baptized people are carefully studying where Jesus is in the writings of Moses, so that they may believe in him. This works for all of us, too, who wish to deepen our knowledge and love of Jesus.

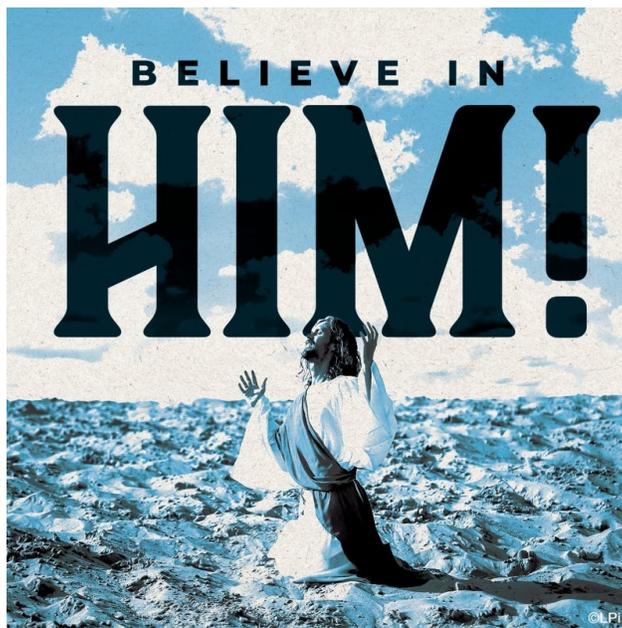
Lenten challenge: Take some time to prayerfully study one of the images of Jesus listed above in the Old Testament. Identify which one you find compelling and consider why this is so. If you don't know where to start, begin with the prophet Jeremiah as an image of Jesus.

-Father John Muir



DEVOTIONS, *Explained!*

Traditionally said after or before receiving the Eucharist, the Anima Christi dates to the 14th century and was a favorite prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola.



FYI - Little Portion will be selling their delicious baked goods after Mass next Saturday, March 29th and next Sunday, March 30th.



LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration of the Week

Jesus Christ is the ever-vigilant gardener. He desires us to bloom, that we will do what we were created to do, that we will bear the fruit that God intended. Will we let him cultivate our ground and prune our imperfections? Will we let him save us?

PRAYER OF LENT

Dear God,

As I fast, may Your presence be my sustenance.

As I pray, continue to reveal yourself to me.

As I give to others, may I know You even more deeply.

Amen.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: What I love most about our Savior is that he didn't — doesn't — give up on us. "Give me more time," he says to the Master. "I can still fix this one."

The Patient Gardener

I have garden beds on the side of my house that I don't deserve.

When we bought the property, this was one of the features that was highlighted in the listing. "Professional landscaping! Tri-level garden beds that bask in the southern exposure!"

But I'm so terrible at weeding these garden beds — they become overgrown quickly, and I shudder to imagine what the previous owners would think of me if they drove by. I'm afraid they would write me off as lazy or disinterested, when really I'm just exhausted and busy. Every time I try to garden, one of my little assistant gardeners runs near the road and I must abandon the project to save them.

So, my husband, bless his heart, is the savior of these garden beds. He goes out there in the cool of the evening to pluck up the weeds that threaten to overtake this beautiful little garden. Patiently and tenderly, he restores it to a presentable state. Without him, they would be lost.

Perhaps I love these garden beds so much because I identify with them. If I were a garden, I would also be a mess, and people who have no time for messes would write me off as hopeless. We all need a savior to stick up for us, to come and quietly prune the unsightly growths that have taken root in our souls and turn the soil that has sat undisturbed for too long.

What I love most about our Savior is that he didn't — doesn't — give up on us. "Give me more time," he says to the Master. "I can still fix this one."

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What is the difference between mortal and venial sin?

Answer:

Sin is a deliberate thought, word, action, or omission contrary to God's law. Since the beginnings of the Church, sin has been distinguished by its gravity. "Grave matter" is traditionally defined by the Ten Commandments. If a person commits a grave sin with full knowledge of the action's evil and with the complete consent of their will, this is a mortal sin. The effects of mortal sin are grave — the loss of sanctifying grace, which can be restored by a fresh outpouring of God's mercy in the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Venial sin does not fit one or more of these conditions (for example, a less serious matter still freely chosen or grave matter committed while under force or ignorance of God's law). The effects of venial sin — while still damaging to the human heart and human society — are less severe. Even so, smaller sins build habits, which can obstruct our growth in virtue. When we are serious about following Jesus, we should do our best to avoid all sin, whether large or small!

And he told them this parable: "There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?'"

- Lk 13:6-7

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

God reveals to Moses that He has heard the cry of His people, and He is coming to rescue them from slavery in Egypt. What prayer do you need answered from God?

Second Reading:

Paul believed the mistakes of the Israelites in the desert serve as an example and a warning of what to avoid in our journey with God. How might you show gratitude to God this upcoming week of Lent?

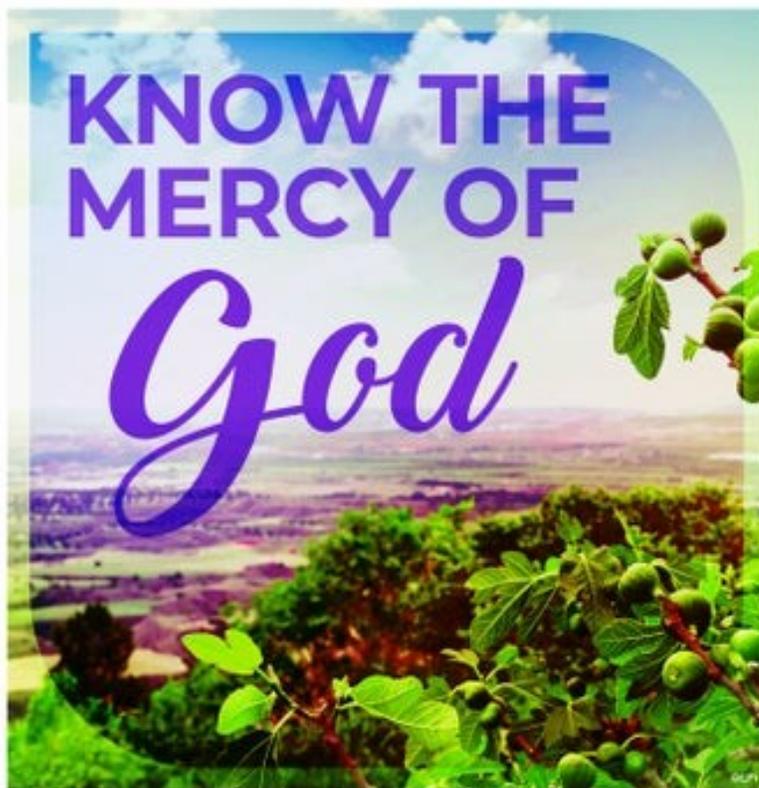
Gospel:

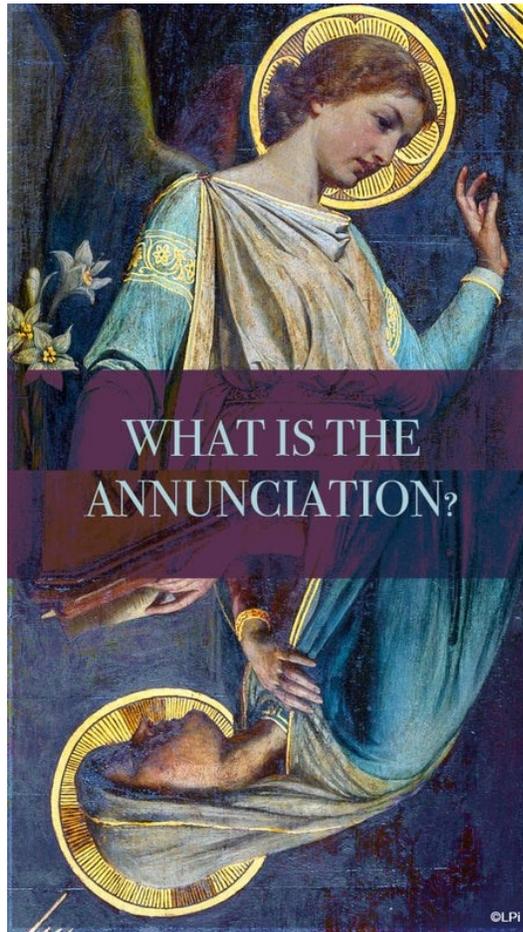
Jesus taught one must repent to bear good fruit in life. Can you think of some good fruit you have borne from repenting?



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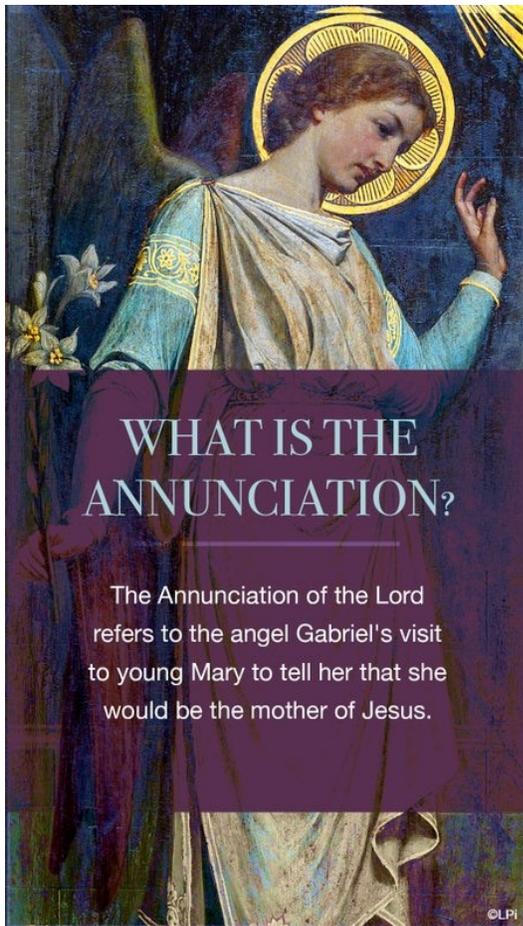
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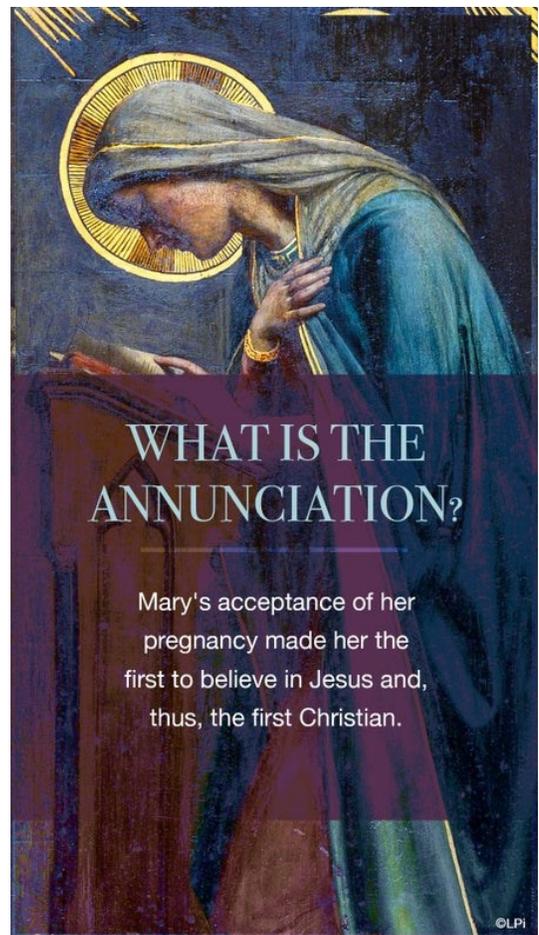
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WHAT IS THE ANNUNCIATION?

The Annunciation of the Lord refers to the angel Gabriel's visit to young Mary to tell her that she would be the mother of Jesus.

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WHAT IS THE ANNUNCIATION?

Mary's acceptance of her pregnancy made her the first to believe in Jesus and, thus, the first Christian.

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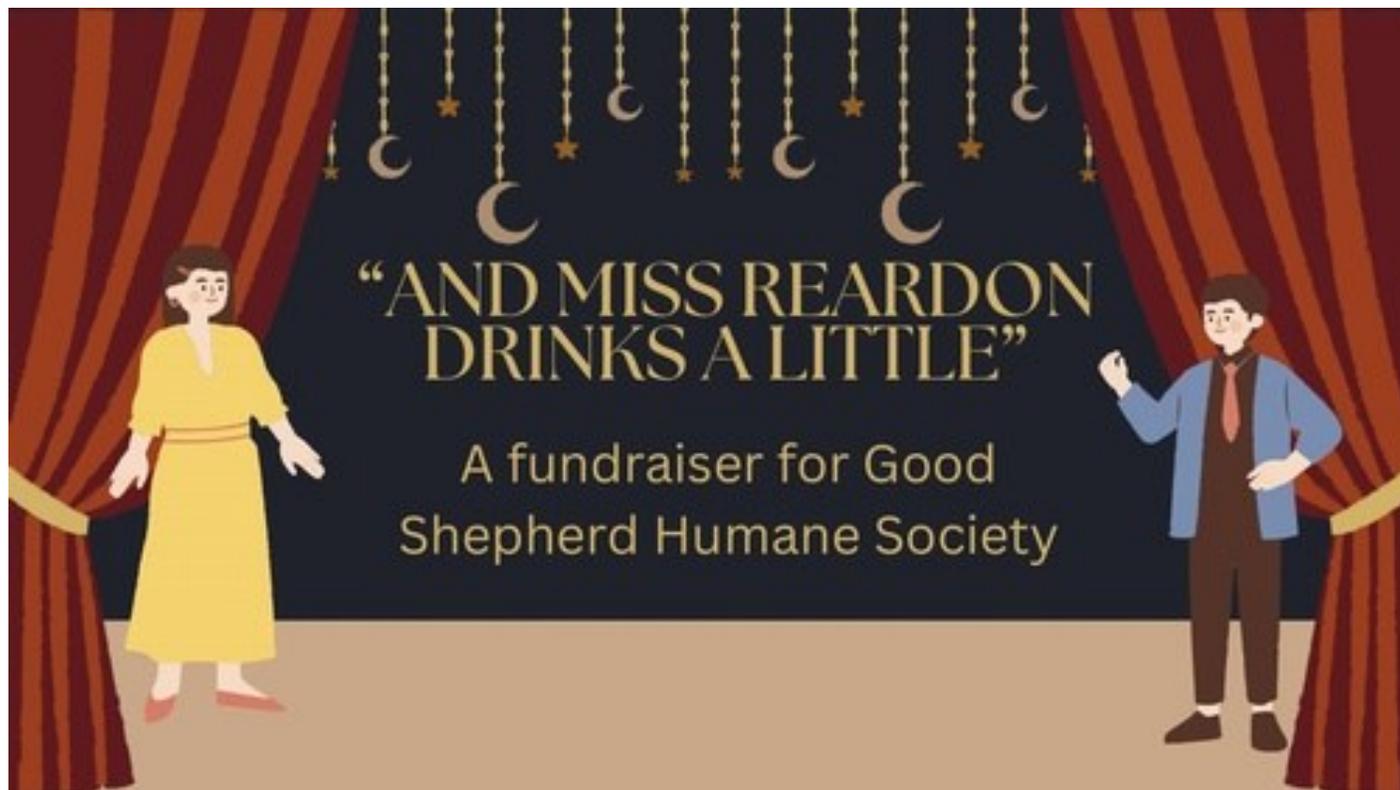
Dinner and Drama Fundraiser: And Miss Reardon Drinks A Little

Thursday Mar 27, 2025 Saturday Mar 29, 2025

Upstairs at Grotto
39 Spring Street
Historic Downtown Eureka Springs!

Fees/Admission

Buy tickets in advance or at the door
<https://linktr.ee/missreardon>



Join us for an unforgettable evening at the Good Shepherd Humane Society's fundraising event, "And Miss Reardon Drinks a Little," on March 27th, 28th, and 29th from 5:30 PM to 10:00 PM at UPSTAIRS at Grotto in beautiful Eureka Springs, AR.

Open for Dinner at 5:30, last seating for Dinner 6:30, Performance begins 7:30. Attendees will indulge in a delicious dinner while enjoying a captivating performance of Paul Zindel's poignant play, which delves into the complexities of family, addiction, and the search for normalcy through dark humor.

Don't miss this chance to make a difference in the lives of our furry friends and enjoy a night of entertainment, laughter, and community spirit!

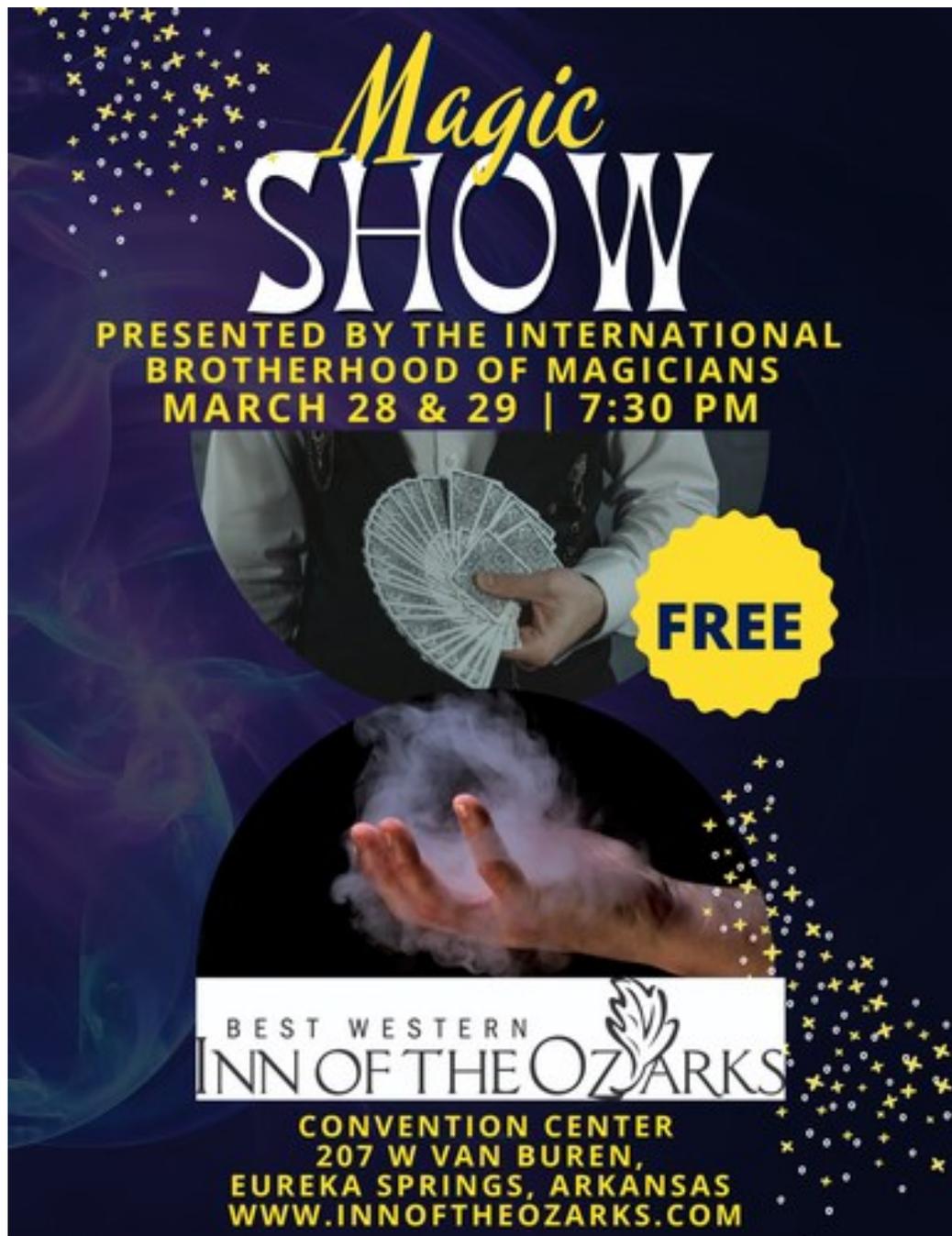
Free Magic Show

Friday Mar 28, 2025 Saturday Mar 29, 2025

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

Fees/Admission

All are welcome to this free family-friendly event!



Magic
SHOW

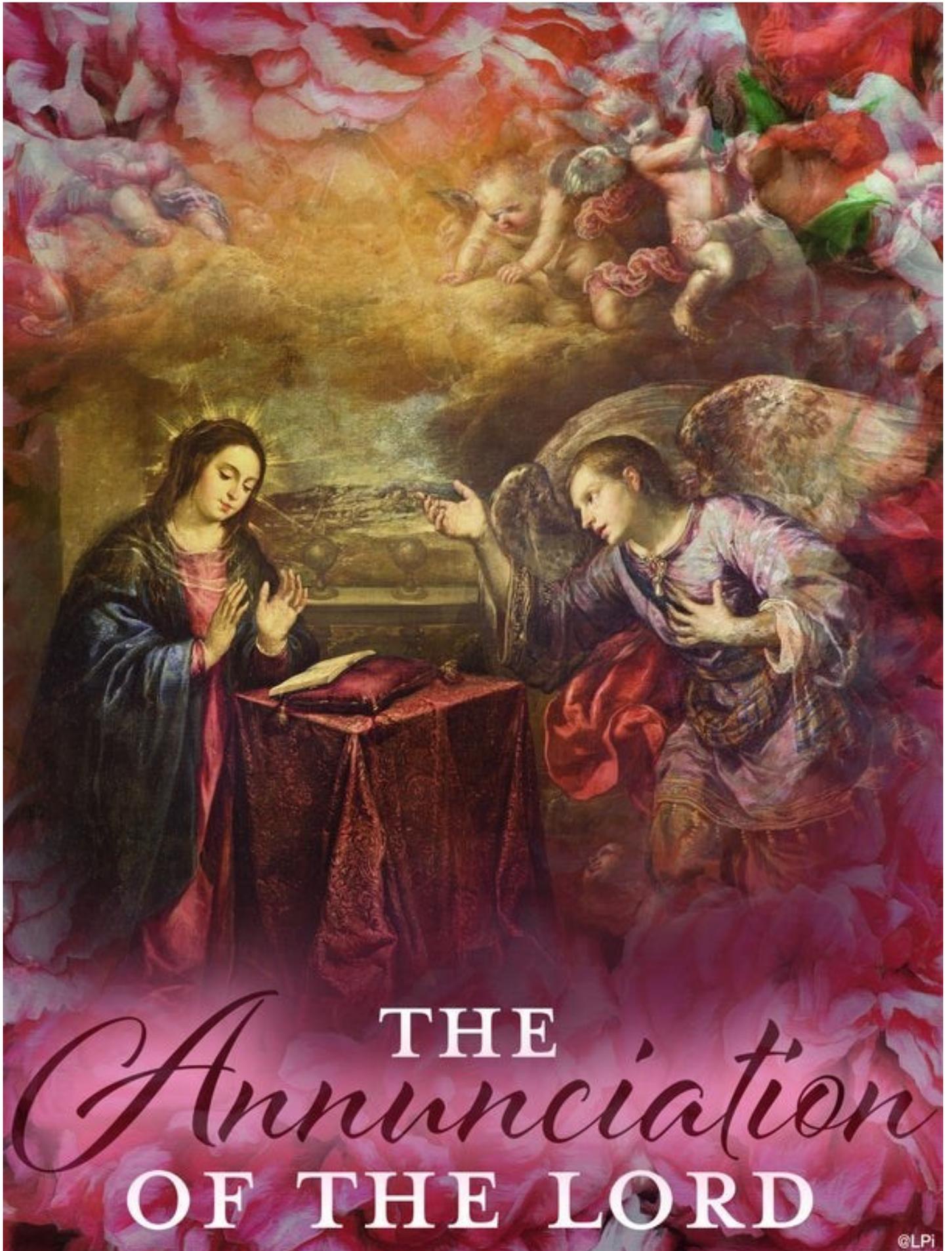
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