

March 9, 2025

First Sunday
of Lent

SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

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30 Crescent Drive
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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

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Tues. & Thurs.
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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

The devil said to him, "All this
will be yours, if you worship me."
Jesus said to him in reply, "It is
written:
You shall worship the Lord, your
God,
and him alone shall you serve."
- Lk 4:6a, 7-8

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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.

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TO OUR VISITORS

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THIS WEEK at Saint Elizabeth

SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

No Mass (Priest's Continuing Education)

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

No Mass (Priest's Continuing Education)

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

Daily Mass 12:00noon at the PC

Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

Confessions 2:30pm at the PC

Holy Rosary 3:30pm at the PC

Vigil Mass 4:00pm at the PC

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

Second Sunday of Lent 8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15;
Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19;
Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab,
2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a,
7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8;
Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9,
13-14; Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Camden Boardman— 3/8

May you have many more!

LOVE AND DEEDS

God doesn't want our deeds; God wants
the love that prompts them.

-St. Teresa of Avila



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Mass Ministers



SATURDAY, MARCH 15

4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Jerry Horning

EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: Richard Boyes, Janice Boyes

Altar Server:

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Rod McGuire

EMCs: Karen Finkeldei, Rod McGuire, Phyllis McGuire

Ushers: Mike Murphy, Bev Wright

Altar Server: Mike Lubbers



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 11

No Mass

Thursday, March 13

No Mass

Friday, March 14

For the Repose of the Soul of Don Mischo

Saturday, March 15

For the Intentions of Sharmila Dias

Sunday, March 16

For the Intentions of the Terry Boyle Family



Pray for us...



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THOSE WHO HAVE DIED - Letha Thiel



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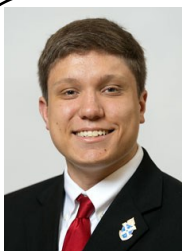
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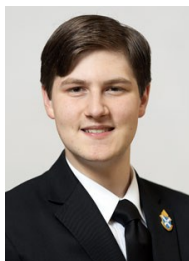
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*Our Seminarians
for the month of
March, 2025*



**Matthew
Lamb**



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GIFT SHOP



March Gift Shop Schedule

Sun., 3/9	9:30-4:00	Selleck
Mon., 3/10	10:00-1:00	D. Pickens
	1:00-4:00	Breaux
Tues., 3/11	1:00-4:00	Buttecali
Thurs., 3/13	1:00-4:00	Lubbers
Friday, 3/14	1:00-4:00	Reed
Sat., 3/15	10:00-1:00	Barnett
	1:00-4:00	S. McClung
Sun., 3/16	9:39-4:00	Godfrey



COMING ATTRACTIONS

Knights of Columbus

Fried Catfish Dinners

March 21, April 4

5:00pm-7:00pm

Parish Hall

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

One of the most fascinating moments in American history is when George Washington could have become the king of the newly liberated United States and didn't. At the height of his power and fame, on Dec. 23, 1783, he resigned his commission as Commander-in-Chief and went home. The astonished King of England remarked that in doing so, Washington was "the greatest man in the world." Greatness is often defined by what we could do but don't. Greatness is measured by the temptations we overcome.

Jesus' greatness is revealed in his victory over temptations, too. The three offered him by the devil contain, we might say, all potential possible temptations: food, power and fame. They correspond to the triple human needs of body, soul and spirit in overcoming these three, he says "no" in response to every and even the greatest temptation. We see that every desire of his humanity - body, soul and spirit - is perfectly united to God, to love. This is a power available to each member of his body. It is the path to true greatness. How can we, who so easily fall into even small temptations, find the power to overcome large ones? By entering into the great dynamics of Jesus' temptations.

Lenten challenge: This first week of Lent, list some concrete ways you can overcome temptations that correspond with your desires. For example, you may give up snacks between meals, choose not to participate in an activity of which you are an expert, and decide to reduce social media posting by 50%. It may not seem like much, but by saying "no" to the tyranny of food, power and fame (in this example), you'll discover true greatness.

-Father John Muir



St. Patrick's Day Parade

Saturday Mar 15, 2025

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM CDT

The route goes past the Post Office, down to Basin Park and continues past city hall.

All are welcome to this FREE family friendly event!



Parade kicks off from the Library at 2pm on Saturday March 15th. The route goes past the Post Office, down to Basin Park and continues past city hall.

Please visit our website www.Kaptains.org for more information and parade Sign up 30 days before event.



(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: The devil knows that Jesus is human, so he uses all the best tricks he has for getting humans to break. The devil will try these things with us, too — this Lent, and throughout our lives. But how can we resist? We're only human. What do we have that the devil doesn't have?

What the Devil Doesn't Have

The devil knows all the rules. The devil knows all the Bible verses. He probably knows them better than you do (certainly better than I do).

He knows them so well that here, in today's Gospel, he thinks he can outsmart the Son of God. He thinks he can out-argue him.

See, the thing you need to know about the devil is that he could have a master's degree in theology. Maybe even a doctorate. But have you ever met a master's student, or even a doctoral one, who doesn't have a particular passion for what they're studying? I sure have.

The devil didn't rebel against God because he didn't understand God's will. He rebelled because he understood God's will perfectly — and he didn't like it.

The devil knows that Jesus is human, and so in today's Gospel he employs all the very best tricks he has for getting humans to break. Physical hunger. Insecurity and a desire for power. The yearning to appear learned and wise.

The devil will try these things with us, too — this Lent, and throughout our lives.

It doesn't work with Jesus, because, of course, Jesus is not just human. He can feel temptation, but he will not submit to it. But how are we supposed to do the same? We're not divine. We're just human.

Well, here's the thing. We may be only human, but as Christians, we have a secret weapon. (No, it's not a master's degree in theology. Some of you may have that, but it probably doesn't make you holier.)

We have a love of what the devil has renounced — those things belonging solely to God. Truth. Joy. Humility. Sanctifying sacrifice.

Let the love of those things carry you through this Lent, and beyond.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

After attending our parish retreat and feeling much better and stronger about my faith, I want to make this Lent worthwhile. What can I do to keep the spirit and practice of Lent?

Answer:

You've already taken the first step by going on the parish retreat. It is important for us to "tune up" our faith, taking some time to renew ourselves through prayer, meditation and education. By deepening our knowledge and understanding of faith, we are often better attuned to its richness and meaning for our life.

Lent is an intense retreat, a forty-day period of reflection and penance that prepares us to celebrate the passion, death and resurrection of Christ. Our communication with God and our awareness of him is the purpose of prayer. Setting aside extra time each day helps intensify the season. Prayer includes daily Mass, Stations of the Cross, communal penance services and private confession. Making restitution for sin as well as disciplining our hearts and minds to focus on God is the purpose of penance. It helps us restore a sense of balance to our souls, thrown off kilter by sin. Penance includes personal sacrifice, self-denial, fasting, almsgiving and charitable works.

Finally, spiritual practices help us sharpen our understanding and insight into the meaning and understanding of our faith. When you take your faith seriously, you do what is necessary to follow Jesus more closely, to integrate your life and your faith more carefully.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread."

- Lk 4:1-3

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Moses taught the Israelites the importance of remembering the story of their release from Egyptian slavery. This event defined them as a people loved by God. What is a story from your family that has helped define you?

Second Reading:

Paul encouraged the Christians in Rome to have a genuine faith in Jesus in both heart and mind. As the season of Lent begins, how might you show others the sincerity of your faith?

Gospel:

We hear how Jesus was tempted by the devil as he was preparing to begin his public ministry. What temptation can you confront this Lent?



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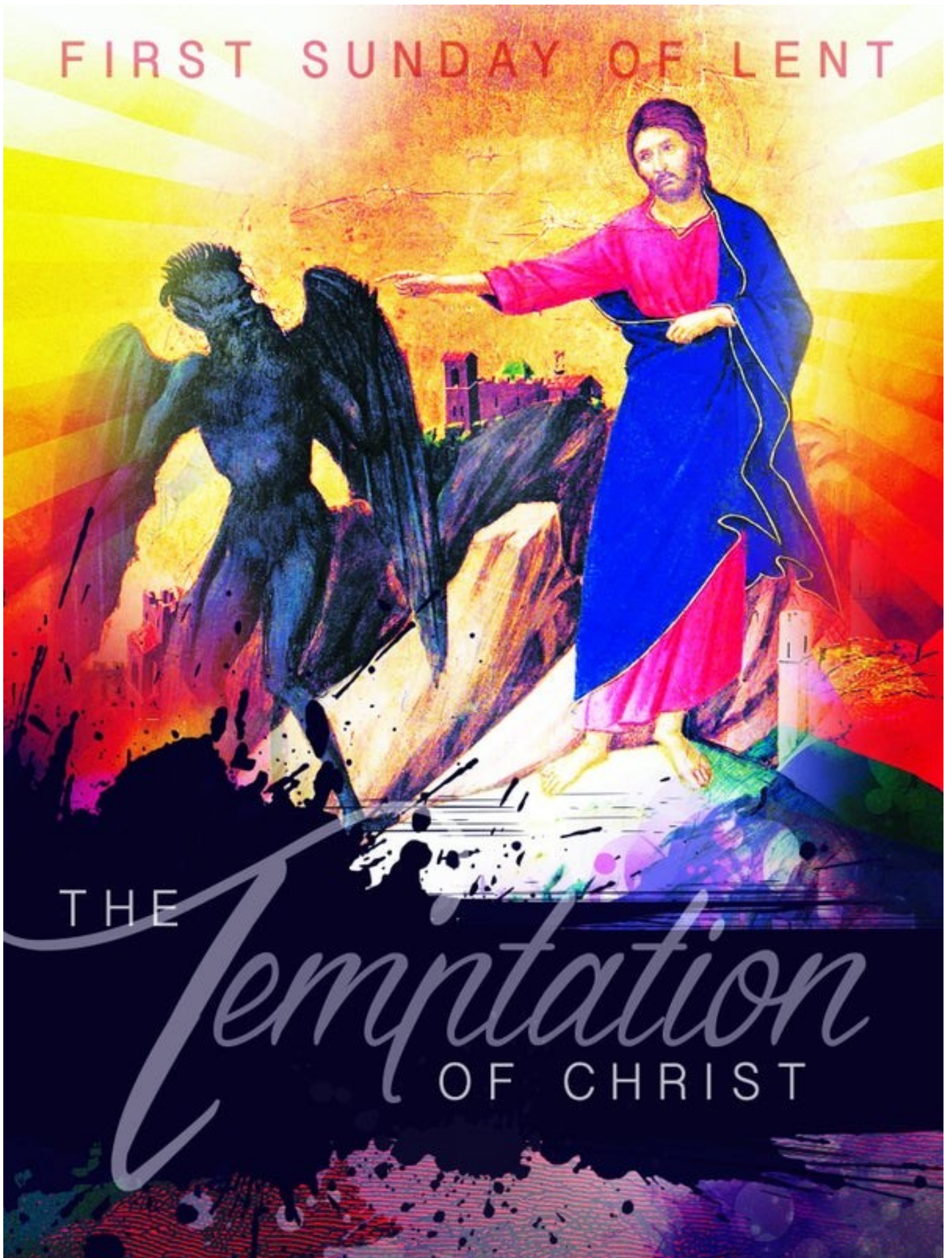


FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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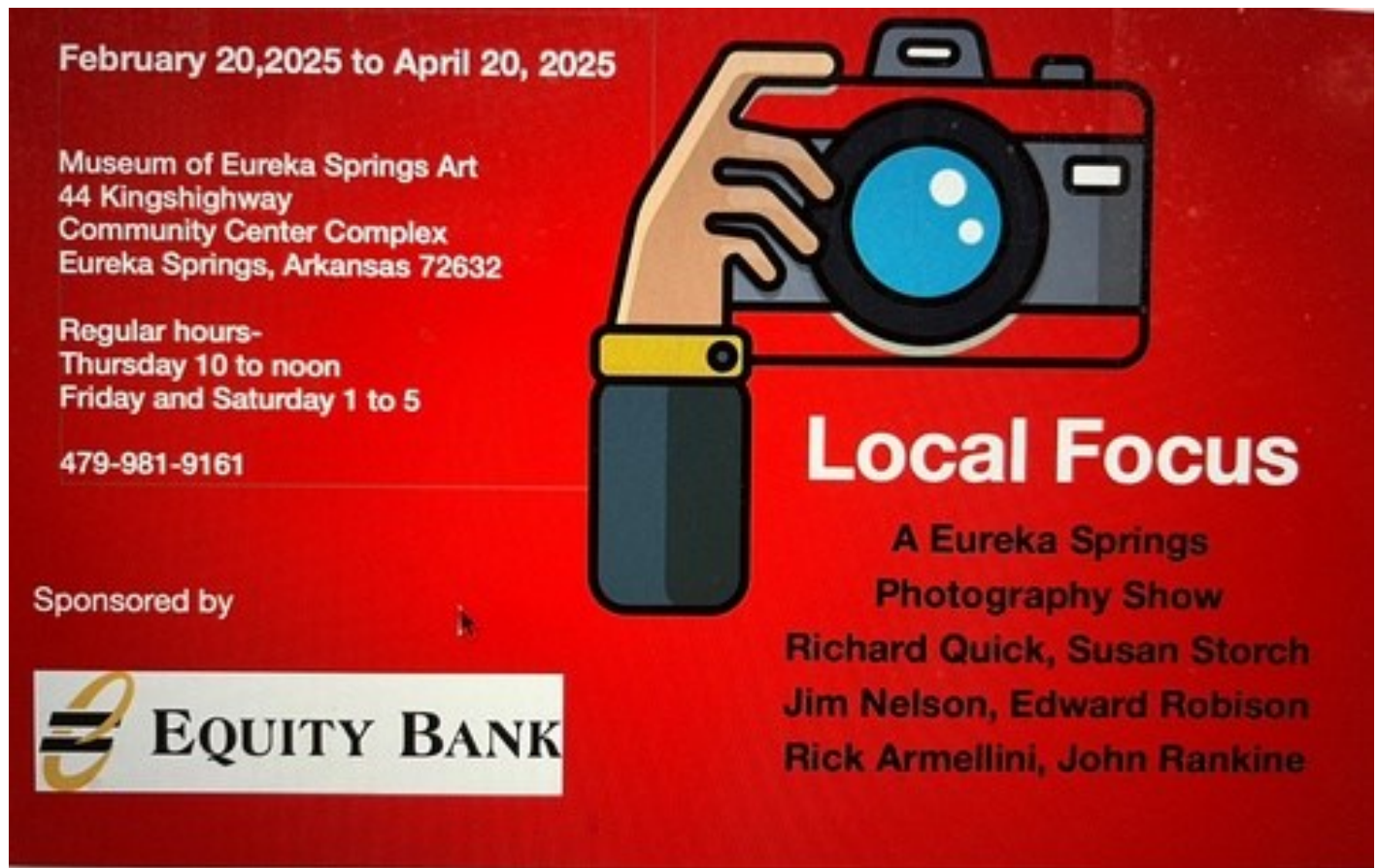
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Visit the museum at 44 Kingshighway, located in the Eureka Springs Community Center Complex. The exhibit is open Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Fridays and Saturdays from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. This is a by-donation show, and everyone is welcome to explore and enjoy the talent of local artists. Don't miss this celebration of community and creativity!

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