

May 10, 2026

The
Sixth Sunday
of Easter

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Eureka Springs, Arkansas

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Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:30am

Tuesday 8:30am

Thursday 8:30am

Friday 8:30am

(except 1st Fri. of
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PC)

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— JOHN 14:16 —

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.

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.

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St. Elizabeth Gift Shop is located behind the Church. It is generally open six 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. Stop in and see us!

NEW TO OUR PARISH

Welcome to our Parish! If you wish to join our Parish family, please call the Parish Office, Tues. & Thurs., at 479-253-2222.

Registration forms are available in the narthex at both locations or you can register online at <https://stelizabethureka.com/new->

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, at 479-253-2222.

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THIS WEEK at Saint Elizabeth

SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MAY 12

Adoration 8:00am
Daily Mass 8:30am
Mass Intention is for Florence Giels

THURSDAY, MAY 14

Daily Mass 8:30am
Confessions 9:15am
Mass Intention is for the Repose of the Soul of Nana

FRIDAY, MAY 15

Daily Mass 8:30am
Mass Intention is for Macia Kemper

SATURDAY, MAY 16

Confessions 2:30pm at the PC
Holy Rosary 3:30pm at the PC
Vigil Mass 4:00pm at the PC
Mass Intention is for the Repose of the Soul of Linda Grubbs

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Holy Rosary 8:00am
The Ascension of the Lord 8:30am
Mass Intention is for the Repose of the Soul of Angie Sofer

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Mass Ministers

SATURDAY, MAY 16

4:00pm Mass at the Parish Center
Lector: Jerry Horning
EMCs: see sign-up sheet
Ushers: Richard and Janice Boyes
Altar Server:

SUNDAY, MAY 17

8:30am Mass at the Church
Lector: Cassian Heath
EMCs: Rod McGuire, Phyllis McGuire, Karen Finkeldei
Ushers: Gary Finkeldei
Altar Server: Dan Kees



A Reminder: Extended Adoration is the last Tuesday of every month from 9:00 - 11:00am at the Church.



Pray for



OUR PARISHIONERS -

Connie Blazek, Rob Breaux, Florence Giels, Joe Ricciardi, Fran Ricciardi and Barbara Witkowski.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Regina Booth, Cate Bradshaw, Carol Dvorah, Marsha Havens, Pam Heinzl, Kathleen Horosinski, Marci Krieger, Betty McClard, Joe McDaniel, Billy Metzger, Carol Morgan-Eagle, Gene Ochrymowich, Eric Pederson, David Reuter, Connie Stielow, Ed Terrill, Libbie Vesekla and Betty Wallace.

OUR MILITARY - Nic Smith, Robby Bartos

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED - Carol Greer, Alice Midden & Nancy Elfter



God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to: -

Gary Finkeldei - 5/9

May you have many more!



Catholic Communications Campaign Collection

Next weekend the Catholic Communication Campaign will be collected. Half of the collection stays in the Diocese of Little Rock to support the communications ministries, including the newspaper and two websites. Your donation makes it possible to send 16,000 free *Arkansas Catholic* **digital** subscriptions to readers. Please give generously. Thank you.



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*Our Seminarians
for the month of
May, 2026*



**Oscar
Burney**



STEWARDSHIP

As a parish, we are financially dependent on your generous weekly contributions to pay our bills, 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 May 2 & 3 is **TBD**.

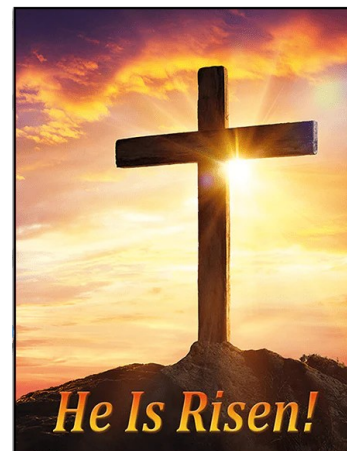
Our **Project Revive Campaign** Update as of 4/21/26:

	<u>Pledges</u>	<u>Payments</u>
Parishioners	\$831,323	\$618,138
Non-Parishioners	\$113,380	\$ 64,293
Donations	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>96,083</u>
	\$944,703	\$778,514



GIFT SHOP

Sun., 5/10	9:30-1:00	Sellecks
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Tues., 5/12	10:00-1:00	D. Buttecali
	1:00-4:00	D. Buttecali
Wed., 5/13	10:00-4:00	CLOSED
Thurs., 5/14	10:00-1:00	Lubbers
	1:00-4:00	Lubbers
Friday, 5/15	10:00-1:00	Leva Murphy
	1:00-4:00	Finkeldeis
Sat., 5/16	10:00-1:00	Nanette Barnett
	1:00-4:00	Sandy McClung
Sun., 5/17	9:30-1:00	Godfreys
	1:00-4:00	Godfreys



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

For unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice,
came out of many possessed people,
and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured.
There was great joy in that city. (Acts 8:7-8)

Psalm:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. (Ps 66)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

For Christ also suffered for sins once,
the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous,
that he might lead you to God. (1 Pt 3:18)

Gospel:

"Whoever has my commandments and observes them
is the one who loves me.
And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father,
and I will love him and reveal myself to him." (Jn 14:21)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

When we want to see Christ's face, we must look to the Sacraments. "The world will no longer see me," Christ tells his disciples, "but you will see me." This ability to see Jesus is a gift of the Holy Spirit, one made again and again — even today.

Observances for the week of May 10, 2026

- Sunday:** 6th Sunday of Easter; *Mother's Day*
Tuesday: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs;
St. Pancras, Martyr
Wednesday: Our Lady of Fatima
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord (holy day of obligation in some U.S. dioceses);
St. Matthias, Apostle
Friday: St. Isidore
Saturday: *Armed Forces Day*
Next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter;
World Communications Day



Virtues, Explained!

The virtue of courage is intimately linked with that of fortitude — roughly understood as courage in action — and is shown by the person who makes a choice to place his trust in God, not in circumstance.

Blessing for Mother's Day

Dear Lord,
Pour your goodness and grace upon the women of our community today in a special way. For mothers: fill them with joy and blessing.
For those who have lost children: hold them in their sorrow.
For those who have hoped for children: surround them with Your love.
For those who have lost a mother: may they know Your comfort.
For those carrying difficulty on this day: bring them consolation.
Bless all women this day. Thank you for the love they bring to this world, no matter their circumstances or story.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of May 10, 2026

Sunday:

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16
and 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Monday:

Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and
9b/Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday:

Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138: 1-2ab, 2cde-3,
7c-8/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday:

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148: 1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/
Jn 16:12-15

Thursday:

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6,
7-8/Jn 15:9-17

Friday:

Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/
Jn 16:20-23

Saturday:

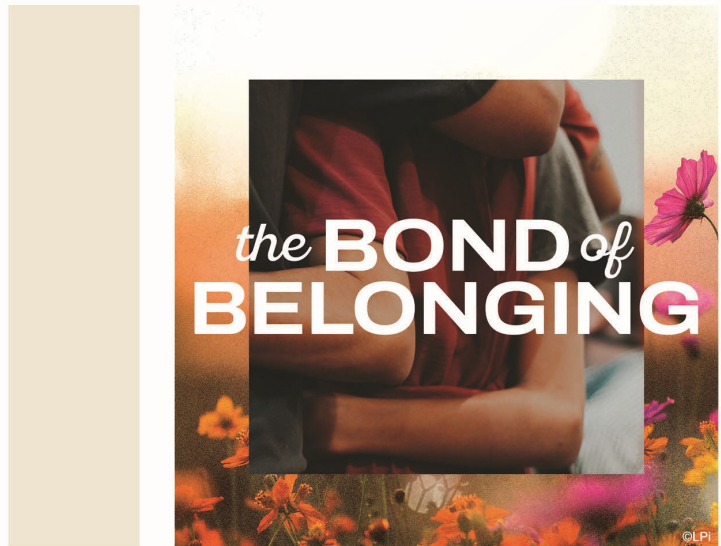
Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47: 2-3, 8-9, 10/
Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday:

Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9/Eph 1:17-
23/Mt 28:16-20



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

In my family, we can hardly speak about orphans without tears. My father was adopted as a baby. He frequently told us stories of how his parents welcomed him not just into their home but into their hearts. It was never merely a relocation or a legal transaction. It was the joy of being chosen, of receiving a family, a name, and a place where he belonged forever. Even in his later years, recalling that gift still moves him to tears of tender gratitude.

That is the kind of tenderness behind Jesus' words in today's Gospel: **"I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you."** (John 14:18) He is going away, but not abandoning us. Instead, he sends us the Advocate, the Holy Spirit — his own Spirit, shared with the Father — who dwells in us. Through the Spirit, Christ is present in us, and we are present in him. His Spirit gives us a home and a family.

We deepen this knowledge in the sacraments, in prayer, and in the daily life of the Church. The Spirit is the bond of belonging, the power that makes us God's sons and daughters, not spiritual orphans. And this is not a one-time event. There is always a deeper outpouring of the Spirit available to us, a fresh appropriation of the promise that we are never abandoned.

If only we could be as grateful as my dad is for his adoption, realizing that we have been adopted by God Himself. In Christ, we are never left as orphans.

— *Father John Muir*

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: We are all in need of redemption. When we accept that redemption, however, we also accept a responsibility. Because now, we become what the world sees of Christ.

The Christ You See

“What if you are the only version of Christ someone sees today?” a friend once asked me.

My blood ran cold. *Jeez, I thought. That would be...really unfortunate.*

The world cannot accept the Holy Spirit, Christ tells us, because the world cannot see and know the Holy Spirit (John 14:17). But the world can see us. The world can know us. In this way, we accomplish the Great Commission: we go forth, and we make disciples of all nations. In all that we are and all that we do, we offer an explanation for our hope (1 Peter 3:15).

We face a unique situation, 2,000 years after the Resurrection, because our mission field is full of people who have already heard about Christ.

And they have zero interest, thanks-and-please-get-off-my-porch.

This Christ they’ve seen? He puts himself first. He’s suspicious of other people. He’s not interested in mixing with the wrong crowd. He’s been known to lie, to abuse trust, to protect himself.

Here’s the problem: they haven’t seen Christ at all. They’ve only seen Christians.

It’s easy to blame the obvious culprits: the priest consumed in public scandal, the parish trustee who stole from the coffers. But these are only larger versions of the same failure of which I am guilty each time I shiver at the thought of someone associating my behavior, my words, and my attitude with my Savior.

I am not Christ. I am nowhere close. But I am fortunate enough to be a member of his Body.

We all fail, of course. Every apostle, every saint, every bishop, every priest, every man and woman in the pews: we are all broken. We are all in need of redemption. When we accept that redemption, however, we also accept responsibility. Because now, we become what the world sees of Christ.

Am I ready to be the only version of Christ someone sees today?

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

One of my coworkers said that Catholics believe we kill Christ again when we celebrate the Mass, since it is his sacrifice. I know that is not right, but how do we explain it?

Answer:

We do indeed believe that the Mass is the unbloody sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, and we believe that the sacrifice is made present again on the altar—not to repeat it, but to join ourselves to it. We are joined to the saving work of Christ, not just simply remembering it.

The closest thing we might have in our culture is when a couple saves some wedding cake in the freezer, and on their first anniversary, they may watch their wedding video and eat the cake, all to recapture the moment. The Jews celebrate a Seder meal, not to remember the Passover, but to participate in it through the ritual foods, questions, and readings. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* describes the Mass as the “Holy Sacrifice, because it makes present the one sacrifice of Christ” (#1330). To think that we must sacrifice Christ over and over again would negate what he did on Calvary. To celebrate and renew it each day allows us to participate in it. That is the “source and summit” of Christian life (#1324).

“On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.”

- Jn 14:20-21

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

We hear how even the Samaritans came to believe in Jesus and received the gift of the Holy Spirit. When have you been surprised by God?

Second Reading:

Peter taught his community to learn how to explain their faith to others, even if they are hostile. Do you feel confident defending the faith?

Gospel:


Jesus assures his disciples that God gives us the Holy Spirit to serve as our Advocate. What might you pray for this week from the Holy Spirit?



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LET
THE EARTH
CRY OUT
TO GOD
WITH **JOY.**

PSALM 66

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you.” - Jn 14:15-17

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Path of the Apostles: Pilgrimage to Greece and Ephesus

Due to an overwhelming response, *Arkansas Catholic* is hosting a second pilgrimage to Greece and ancient Ephesus to walk in the footsteps of St. Paul, St. John the Evangelist and, according to tradition, the Blessed Virgin Mary. Join Father William Burmester, pastor of St. Edward Church in Texarkana, September 27–October 8, 2027.

We will visit:

- Philippi, where St. Paul baptized Lydia, Europe's first Christian
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- Corinth, where St. Paul lived and wrote
- Ephesus, where St. John wrote the Gospel and St. Mary spent her final years

Daily Mass, Scripture reflections and fellowship will enrich each step. If you've longed to grow closer to God through religious travel — this is your chance.

To learn more, an informational meeting will be held Sunday, May 31 at 3 p.m. in the parish hall at St. Edward Church in Texarkana. RSVP at <https://bit.ly/>

A\$50 discount is available for those who book by October 28, 2026. Register online or download the brochure at arkansas-catholic/pilgrimage. For more information, contact Kathy Primm of Sue Smith Vacations at (501) 771-0987 or kathy@suesmithvacations.com.

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