

May 11, 2025

4th Sunday of

Easter

SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Contact Us...

CHURCH

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

OFFICE HOURS

Tues. & Thurs.
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4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"My sheep hear my voice;
I know them, and they
follow me." - Jn 10:27

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.

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THIS WEEK at Saint Elizabeth

SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MAY 13

Adoration 8:00am
Daily Mass 8:30am

THURSDAY, MAY 15

Daily Mass 8:30am
Confessions 9:15am

FRIDAY, MAY 16

Daily Mass 8:30am

SATURDAY, MAY 17

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

SUNDAY, MAY 18

Fifth Sunday of Easter 8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7;
Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 1:15-17, 2-26; Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6,
7-8; Jn 15:9-17
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 & 27;
Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab;
Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4;
Jn 14:7-14
Sunday: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13(see
1); Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Kyle Bishop – 5/12, Sophie Bartos – 5/16,
Robin Simmons – 5/16

May you have many more!

STOP COUNTING SHEEP

When at night you cannot sleep, talk to the Sheperd and stop counting sheep.

-Anonymous



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Mass Ministers



SATURDAY, MAY 17

4:00pm Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Jerry Horning

EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: Richard Boyes, Janice Boyes

Altar Server:

SUNDAY, MAY 18

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Cassian Heath

EMCs: Mike Godfrey, Mindy Godfrey, Karen Finkeldei

Ushers: Mike Murphy, Gary Finkeldei

Altar Server: Dan Kees



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 13

For the Intentions of the Parishioners

Thursday, May 15

For the Repose of the Soul of Joe Schneese

Friday, May 16

For the Repose of the Soul of Lois Nilles

Saturday, May 17

For the Intentions of the Parishioners

Sunday, May 18

For the Repose of the Soul of Lois Nilles

Pray for



OUR PARISHIONERS -

Connie Blazek, Sally Fernandez, Sheila Fowler, Florence Giels, Larry Handley, Mary Szafranski, Helen Wright and Barbara Witkowski.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Mary Ann Dobrobnolny, 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, Leslie Scroggins, Shari Soukup, Ed Terrill, Libbie Vesekla and Connie Woolheiser

OUR MILITARY - Tyler Horning and Nic Smith.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -



A Tribute to Mothers on Mother's Day

This Mother's Day, we express our heartfelt thanks to our mothers for their unconditional love and guidance.

President Theodore Roosevelt once said, "The mother is the one supreme asset of national life; she is more important by far than the successful statesman, or business man, or artist, or scientist." Today, mothers continue to play a vital part of our national character. On Mother's Day, we honor the women whose steadfast love and wisdom have made America a great nation.

Motherhood is a rewarding and often difficult job.

A mother is a child's first teacher and affects a child's life like few others can. Loving and selfless mothers can inspire their children to love themselves and others, work hard, make healthy choices, serve causes greater than self, and achieve their dreams. Mothers who protect, teach, and nurture their children with all their hearts strengthen their families and help build a better future for our country.



Our Seminarrians for the month of May, 2025

Samuel Stengel

Contact address:

St. Meinrad Seminary,
200 Hill Drive

St. Meinrad, IN 47577

For more information

on our seminarrians, go to
www.dolr.org/seminarians



**Quinton
Thomas**



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 May 3 & 4 is **\$2,229.00**. For the Fiscal year (7/24-5/25) is **\$201,158.87**



GIFT SHOP

May Gift Shop Schedule

Sun., 5/11	9:30-4:00	Selleck
Mon., 5/12	10:00-1:00	D. Pickens
	1:00-4:00	Breaux
Tues., 5/13	10:00-4:00	Buttecali
Thurs., 5/15	10:00-4:00	Boardman
Friday, 5/16	10:00-1:00	L. Murphy
	1:00-4:00	Elfter
Sat., 5/17	10:00-1:00	N. Barnett
	1:00-4:00	S. McClung
Sun., 5/18	9:39-4:00	Godfrey

Bridge of Love Mother's Day Living Arts Installation

Main Street Pedestrian Bridge

~Mother's Day Living Art Installation

~Main Street Pedestrian Bridge, Eureka Springs, AR

(Basin Bath House Bridge)

~Show the Ladies in your Life some

Love! The Bridge of Love returns to Eureka Springs this year **Friday, May 9 to Sunday, May 11, 2025** as families (local and tourists) come to Downtown Eureka Springs to celebrate Mother's Day Weekend. It is a heartwarming time on the Bridge,

often mixed with tearful moments, as children, parents, grandparents, and friends tie flowers to the Bridge. Many place flowers in memory of loved ones, while others celebrate life and love. We hope everyone can take some time to enjoy the Bridge of Love, share stories of the women in their lives. Show the Ladies in your Life some Love! If you love women, bring fresh flowers (only) to fasten to the Bridge of Love! The Bridge of Love is the pedestrian/air bridge crossing over Spring and Main Streets in Downtown Eureka Springs.



Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 24, 2025

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A few years back, I felt as if I couldn't hear God's voice the way I used to. The words in the Bible seemed like cold ink on a page. Prayer felt like sitting anxiously in a lonely room. I was worried - how could I, a priest preach or help others if I couldn't hear God's voice? It went on for months.

Then a friend encouraged me to go on a retreat and spend as much time as possible in silence. After a day or two of quiet prayer, I noticed gentle but clear thoughts of repentance in two specific areas of my life. I asked God for the grace to change, and I went to confession. Suddenly the divine silence that haunted me was filled with a sense of God's closeness and goodness. I realized gratefully, that God had been speaking to me in the quiet voice of my conscience.

This week we hear Jesus say, **"My sheep hear my voice. I know them and they follow me"** (John 10:27). Jesus links the hearing of his voice to following him. He speaks to us in our conscience in an intimate, personal way, when we most need to hear him. When you feel deaf to God's voice, perhaps it is time to listen in silence for his voice in your conscience calling you to hear and follow the Good Shepherd of your soul.

-Father John Muir



DEVOTIONS, *Explained!*

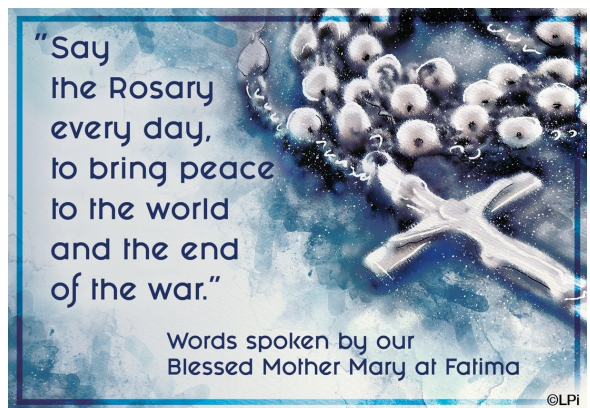
Spiritual retreats are an act of removing oneself from daily life for a period of prayer and reflection, with the intent of returning transformed. There are many kinds of retreats, but all share a common purpose: communion with God.



LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration of the Week

Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me." To follow him, we must know him. This week, how can we know Jesus better?



PRAYER FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Beloved Shepherd,
You guide in a way often
beyond my understanding.
You lead to paths yet
undiscovered.
Keep me in Your care, as
together we seek green
pastures and still waters.
Amen.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: I don't have all the answers to the questions I would love to ask Christ. "Why is this happening? Where are you taking me? What comes next?" But the beautiful thing is, I don't actually need those answers. I know him. He's got my hand. Wherever we're going is where I want to be.

We Don't Follow Strangers

I get a little crazy when it comes to my kids' safety. We've probably had a few too many conversations that could be entitled "What to Do If Mommy Loses You At the State Fair" or "Don't Trust People Just Because They Smile At You." Am I making them paranoid? Possibly. But that's something they can sort out later with their therapists.

Because here's the bottom line of it all — I don't want to instill a fear of strangers into my kids, but I do want them to understand that you can't always trust people you don't know (heck, you can't always trust the people you *do* know, but that's another therapy-provoking conversation we can have when they're older).

If someone says, "Hey, follow me," and we don't know them, it's not always a great idea to comply. First, we have to ask questions. "Where are you taking me? Why are we going? Who else will be there?"

But if someone we know and love and trust says, "Hey, follow me," we don't even think twice, and we don't need to ask any questions. We know wherever we're going is a safe place for us because we have a relationship with the person doing the leading. We feel comfortable putting ourselves in their care.

That's why it's so important to Christ that we know him. That we have a relationship with him. That we trust him.

Because we don't follow strangers, do we?

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— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why do Catholics genuflect?

Answer:

Genuflection is an act of devotion that literally means "to bend the knee." For many Catholics, it's an almost automatic gesture that we perform before entering our pew or row of seats at Mass. But, like many of the symbols and gestures of our faith tradition, genuflecting can also be an invitation for deeper reflection.

The practice of "bending the knee" is an ancient way of recognizing the presence of someone greater than we are. It has been said that the practice dates back to the time of Alexander the Great, but it became a common part of etiquette in the royal courts of the Middle Ages. From throne rooms and palaces, it was a small step to genuflecting becoming part of the devotional lives of Christians, who used this secular gesture as a way of recognizing the presence of the One who is King of Kings, especially in the Eucharist.

Today, Catholics are asked to genuflect in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament (whether in the tabernacle or exposed on the altar during eucharistic adoration). So, while it has become second nature to genuflect before entering your seat in church, we should pay attention to where the Blessed Sacrament is kept in each church or chapel that we visit, and genuflect in the direction of the tabernacle where the Blessed Sacrament is kept. In churches or chapels in which the tabernacle is in a separate space, we are invited to simply bow toward the altar.

In addition to genuflecting before the Blessed Sacrament, we are also instructed to genuflect before the cross used for veneration on Good Friday (during the solemn celebrations of the Lord's Passion) and any time a relic of the True Cross is displayed for veneration. This long-standing tradition is a way of honoring the cross as the great sign of our salvation and of showing devotion to the passion of Jesus.

Jesus said:
"My sheep hear
my voice; I know
them, and they
follow me. I give
them eternal life,
and they shall
never perish."
- Jn 10:27-28a

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Paul and Barnabas experienced resistance from some of the Jews and leaders of the city of Antioch. What sustains you in difficult and challenging experiences?

Second Reading:

John sees a vision in which those who have suffered and died for the faith are comforted by God and relieved of their distress. Is there a family member or friend you could comfort this week?

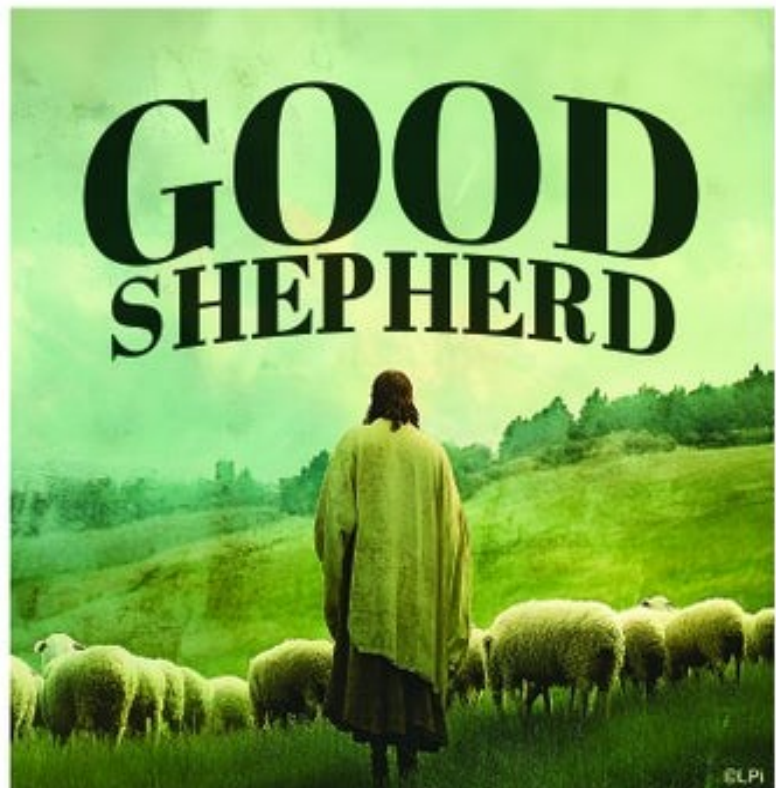
Gospel:

We hear how Jesus gives eternal life to all who follow him. How does following Jesus impact your work or family life?



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Living a single,
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allow a person
to love all of
humanity
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White Street Studio Walk

Friday May 16, 2025

4:00 PM - 10:00 PM CDT

White Street - Historic Loop

All are welcome to this FREE event!



**4-10 p.m.,
May 16th
White St
Upper Historic
Loop, Eureka
Springs, AR**

**Art Show
Free Event**

Description

Join us for the 34th Annual White Street Studio Walk on Friday, May 16, 2025, from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM on the historic loop in Eureka Springs. This cherished event transforms historic White Street into a vibrant open-air art district, where artists open their homes and studios to the public, showcasing a diverse array of artworks including paintings, jewelry, pottery, photography, and more.

As a highlight of the city's May Festival of the Arts, the White Street Walk offers visitors a unique opportunity to engage directly with over 40 local artists and guest creatives. Stroll through the Upper Historic Loop, where porches become galleries and yards turn into stages, all set against the backdrop of Eureka Springs' charming architecture.

This free, family-friendly event invites everyone to experience the rich artistic spirit of Eureka Springs. Whether you're an art enthusiast or simply looking for an evening of cultural immersion, the White Street Studio Walk promises an unforgettable experience.

For more information, visit the [White Street Studio Walk Facebook page](#).

Strings on the Kings

Thursday May 22, 2025 Sunday May 25, 2025

Kings River Outfitters

8190 Arkansas State Hwy 221

Eureka Springs, AR 72632

Get your tickets at <https://www.ticketleap.events/tickets/bear-morrison-productions/strings-on-the-kings-1877419482>



Description

Memorial Day weekend on the Kings River. 4 days of foot stomping, knee slapping, water splashing family fun. You won't want to miss it!

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

MARY IS
THE MOTHER
WHO WATCHES
OVER US,
HER CHILDREN,
ON OUR
JOURNEY
THROUGH LIFE,
OFTEN WEARY
AND IN NEED,
ANXIOUS THAT
THE LIGHT OF
HOPE NOT FAIL.

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