Ordinary Time

96. 12, 2023 SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY 32nd Sunday CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, *G*irkansas

Contact Us..

CHURCH

30 Crescent Drive Eureka Springs, AR 72632

PARISH CENTER

232 Passion Play Road Eureka Springs, AR 72632

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30am Tuesday 8:30am Thursday 8:30am Friday 8:30am (except 1st Fri. of

month-12noon at PC)

4pm at PC Saturday

OFFICE HOURS

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32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'" - Mt 25:11-12

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 seven days a week (March - Oct.) 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.

Setting 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

Pastor

Rev. Joseph Archibong Parish Secretary & Bookkeeper

Nancy Elfter

Director of Music

Sharon Parker

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Mark Elworth svdpberryville.weebly.com PAGE TWO Sovember 12, 2023



SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Adoration 8:00am
Daily Mass 8:30am

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Daily Mass 8:30am
Confessions 9:15am

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

St. Elizabeth Day Mass 8:30am
St. Elizabeth Day Breakfast 9:30am at the PC

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6 Tuesday: Wis 2:23-3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19;

Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19 Thursday: Wis 7:22b-8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135,

175; Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37 Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37,

42-43; Lk 18:1-8 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31;

Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-23

igcup God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Jean Hren - 11/12, Joe McClung, Jr.– 11/12, Charlotte Nowlin - 11/12, David Lehren - 11/14, Annette Schultz - 11/14, Martin Piasecki - 11/15, Mary Prehoden - 11/15, Sandy Stamps - 11/15, Kari Vitt - 11/15, Barb Witkowski - 11/15

May you have many more!





SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Jerry Horning
EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: Richard Boyes, Janice Boyes
Altar Server: Jim Witkowski
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

8:30am Mass at the Church Lector: Phyllis McGuire

EMCs: Karen Finkeldei, Phyllis McGuire, Mary Szafranski

Ushers: Bev Wright, Ted Meyer

Altar Server: Dan Kees



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 14

For the Intentions of Dennis Hatches & the Kraft Family

Thursday, November 16

For the Intentions of <u>Jerry Cross & the Cross Family</u>

Friday, November 17

For the Intentions of Anne Obersteadt & Family

Saturday, November 18

For the Repose of the Soul of Bobby Elworth

Sunday, November 19

For the Repose of the Souls of John & Catherine Friscia





OUR PARISHIONERS -

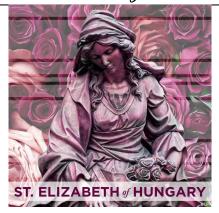
Connie Blazek, Connie Breaux, Richard & Sheila Fowler, Florence Giels, Charlotte Nowlin, Ernie & Helen Wright and Barbara Witkowski.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Patsy Crawford, Marci Krieger, Chuck Maxwell, Joe McDaniel, Eric Pederson, Dale Putrino, David & Becky Sisco and Debra Reid

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED - Bobby Elworth

OUR MILITARY - Tyler Horning, George Schwender, and Nic Smith.



Don't forget that Friday is the St. Elizabeth Breakfast at the Parish Center following Mass at the Church. This weekend is your final chance to sign up for what will surely be a great meal and fellowship with your fellow parishioners.

Mass - 8:30am, Breakfast following.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd.



Our Seminarians for the month of November, 2023

Elijah Bailey
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Little Rock, AR 72204
For more information

on our seminarians, go to

www.dolr.org/seminarians



Jesus Tovar

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 difficulties 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



November Gift Shop Schedule

Sun. 11/12	9:30-4:00	Selleck
Mon. 11/13	10:00-4:00	Closed
Thurs. 11/16	10:00-4:00	Boardman
Fri. 11/17	10:00-1:00	L. Murphy
	1:00-4:00	Finkeldei
Sat. 11/18	10:00-1:00	N. Barnett
	1:00-4:00	S. McClung
Sun. 11/19	9:30-4:00	Godfrey







SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Rose-Philippine Duchesne was a French Roman Catholic religious sister and missionary who served France during the French Revolution before immigrating to the USA. She established the First Sacred Heart Convent in North America and dedicated her life in service to the poor.

PRAYER

Lord, You alone are the Center in which I find rest. Give me Your arm to support me, Your shoulders to carry me, Your breast to lean upon, Your Cross to uphold me, Your Body to nourish me. In You, Lord, I sleep and rest in peace.

Amen

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CONSEQUENCES

Actions have consequences. As children, we were often told that if we would do something, then we would receive a present or a reward. If we didn't, it might result in a punishment. Geometry also uses the "If - Then Statement." That is what our scriptures are like this Sunday. In each reading, there is a suggested action on our part, which will result in a desired outcome. There is a feminine personification of God as Wisdom, Psalm 63 and the intimate thirsting for God, the letter to the Thessalonians on believing in Christ, and Matthew's parable of the wise and foolish virgins. In the world of instant everything, we are not good about being patient, and our follow-through can be terrible. But each reading in its own way promises us that if we diligently seek God, we will be blessed and rewarded, and that it is worth the work and the wait!

THE GAP

It's interesting that there is such a huge gap between advice and help.

-Anonymous



THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Each Christmas the Society of St. Vincent de Paul helps provide a happy Christmas for children and families in need. Every child age 1-16 receives a toy (or item) of their request, a clothing outfit and a filled Christmas stocking. We also provide a box of food for the family. We rely heavily on donations for the food boxes and stocking stuffers.

If you are able to help in either of these ways, you can drop your donations off in the tubs at the back of either church (or the trunk in the foyer of the Parish Center.) You can also bring donations directly to the Thrift Store on Hwy. 62 between Eureka and Berryville. **Donations need to be made by Dec. 4th.** Thanks in advance for any help you can provide.

CHRISTMAS "GIFT OF GIVING"

St. Elizabeth will once again be hosting our annual *Gift of Giving* project.

Blossoms (formerly Brighten Ridge) and Prestige Nursing Homes are getting their people signed up and soon we will have their lists. Once we have their lists, you will be notified and name drawings will be held during weekend masses until all names are taken.

All gifts need to be gift wrapped with the person's name on a card along with the name of the Nursing Home. All gifts need to be at the Parish Center by Dec. 15th. You can bring them the night of our Church Christmas Party, which is Dec. 15th. If ou have any questions, please call Rod or Phyllis at 253-4503.

OUR FASCINATING FAITH Keeping Track of All the Saints

During this month of All Saints' Day, it is interesting to learn how the Church keeps track of all those who have been officially named (or "canonized") saints. There is a liturgical book, the Roman Martyrology, first published in 1584, in which canonized saints' names are listed by their feast day. This day is usually determined by their date of death (the day of their birth into eternal life), but in cases of conflict with the well-established feast day of another saint, a different day be chosen, such as a birthday or a significant date from the saint's life. With more than five thousand entries now in the Roman Martyrology, conflicts are bound to occur, and generally only the most prominent are listed on local religious calendars. All other things being equal, a saint from a particular region or country (or for whom there is a particularly strong tradition of veneration) tends to take precedence over a less local or less-familiar saint. Once listed in the Martyrology, a saint may be publicly venerated throughout the Church, and have church buildings named after them.

Deceased women and men are canonized when there is a strong degree of certainty that their souls are with God in heaven. Because the Church recognizes that there are many more saints than could possibly be canonized or even listed, we celebrate all the saints, known and unknown, on November 1, All Saints' Day.

Liturgical Life

CATHOLIC

Seeking Wisdom

I think if any of us were asked the question, "Do you love wisdom? Do you seek wisdom?" we would, at first, be a little taken aback. And then we would answer quickly "Of course!" with absolutely no doubt in our minds.

But a different way of asking the question is this: "Are you making wise choices?" That's a question that would put a fair few of us on the back foot.

The virgins who went out to meet the bridegroom were all the same. They had the exact same intentions. They had the exact same stamina, or lack of it. They had the exact same knowledge of the night being dark and lamps being necessary.

What made five foolish, and five wise?

It was their choices. Only their choices set them apart.

We may rely upon the wisdom of another — the parent who reminds us to go to confession, the friend who demurs when we start speaking gossip, the priest who preaches boldly from the pulpit against an injustice we lack the courage to denounce ourselves. But even if we feel safeguarded by their good influence, their wisdom won't save us.

We may possess a little wisdom ourselves — we may know well that a dark night is hard to navigate, and that we need the assistance of a lamp. We may go to Mass once in a while, read the Bible when we have time and serve others when it's convenient.

But a lamp needs oil to burn in the darkness, just as wisdom requires action to be brought forth into the world.

We may love God just as much as we should — our flesh may pine, our soul may thirst. But a parched field never brought rain on itself just by being dry. We must make the choice.

"Thus will I bless you while I live; lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name." — Psalm 63:4 Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Where does the money go that is collected each week at Church?

Answer:

This is a good question! Every parish has financial obligations, including the basic operation of the buildings, salaries, maintenance, and improvements. In addition, there are schools to support, programs to run, charities to be funded, and operational expenses like hosts and wine for Mass, music books, vestments, and so on. In some cases, cemeteries and other buildings need attention. Finally, there is the diocesan assessment that each parish pays to help run the diocese and the support services provided to each parish.

Most parishes manage to get by with the collection, a few fundraisers and endowments. But contrary to popular opinion, cash flow is also a problem, and many parishes operate in the red. The Finance Committee is responsible for assisting the pastor in fiscal management, and good stewardship is the basis for successful programs.



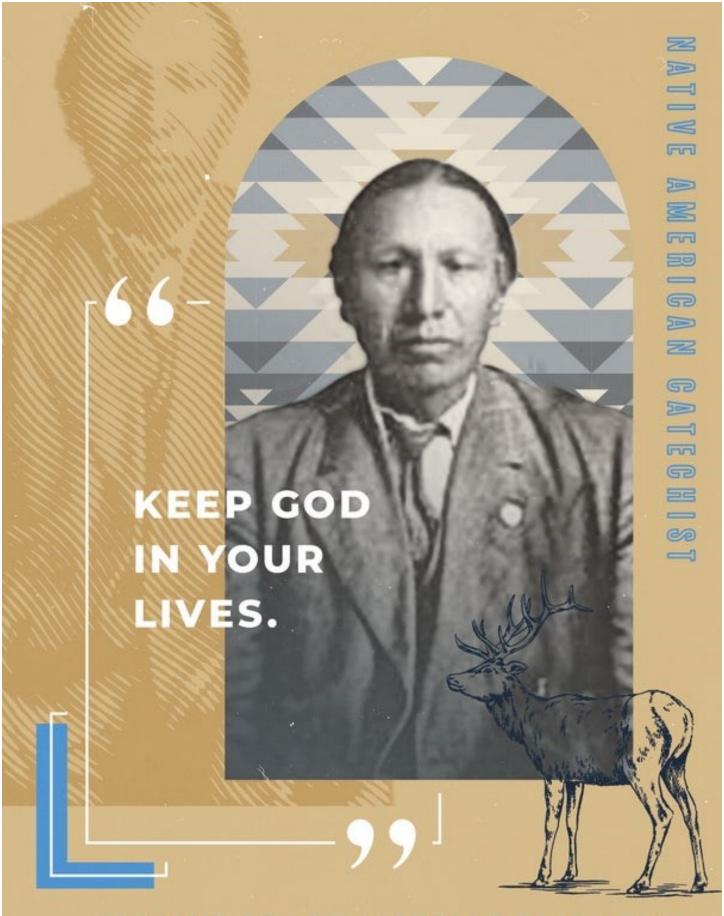


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"The bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you."

- Mt 25:10b-12

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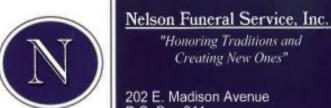
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