

Nov. 19, 2023

33rd Sunday

in

Ordinary Time

# SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

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### CHURCH

30 Crescent Drive  
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### PARISH CENTER

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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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“Well done, my good  
and faithful servant.”  
– Mt 25:21

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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.

### 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.

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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

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Nancy Elfter

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# THIS WEEK at Saint Elizabeth

## SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Adoration 8:00am  
Daily Mass 8:30am

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Daily Mass 8:30am  
Confessions 9:15am

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Daily Mass 8:30am St.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

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

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 8:30am

### *Readings for the Week*

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;  
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158;  
Lk 18:35-43  
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10  
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15;  
Lk 19:11-28  
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15;  
Lk 19:41-44 Thanksgiving Day, Suggest  
ed: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1  
Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19  
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52—59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd,  
11-12; Lk 19:45-48  
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19;

### *God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:*

Robert DaRosa - 11/18, Margaret Bartell— 11/21

*May you have many more!*

### A THANKFUL HEART

A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues.

-Cicero

*Happy Thanksgiving*

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center

**Lector:** Barb McClung

**EMCs:** see sign-up sheet

**Ushers:** Mark Elworth, Jo Elworth

**Altar Server:** Jim Witkowski

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

8:30am Mass at the Church

**Lector:** Rod McGuire

**EMCs:** Mary Szafranski, Rod McGuire, Karen Finkeldei

**Ushers:** Gary Finkeldei, Ted Meyer

**Altar Server:** Mike Lubbers



### *Mass Intentions*

Tuesday, November 21

For the Intentions of Ryan Yarham

Thursday, November 23

For the Intentions of the Parishioners

Friday, November 24

For the Intentions of Stephanie Goodwin and the Repose  
of the Soul of Susan Sutherland

Saturday, November 25

For the Repose of the Soul of Bobby Elworth

Sunday, November 26

For the Intentions of Emily & Adam Ringuard

## *Pray for us...*



### 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.



**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 you have any questions, please call Rod or Phyllis at 253-4503.



*Catholic Campaign for Human Development*

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the U.S., more than 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and support those working on the margins. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd).



*Our Seminarians  
for the month of  
November, 2023*

**Elijah Bailey**

Contact address:

**House of Formation,  
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For more information  
on our seminarians, go to  
[www.dolr.org/seminarians](http://www.dolr.org/seminarians)



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**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. 11/19	9:30-4:00	Godfrey
Thurs. 11/23	10:00-4:00	Closed
Fri. 11/24	10:00-4:00	Meyer
Sat. 11/25	10:00-1:00	S. McClung
	1:00-4:00	Meyer
Sun. 11/26	9:30-4:00	N. Barnett



**SAINT OF THE WEEK**

**Blessed Carlos Manuel** or, **Blessed Charlie**, was a Puerto Rican layman who dedicated his life to serving the Church. He worked and studied diligently to spread his love of the Catholic faith, especially the liturgy and sacred music to all those he touched.

**PRAYER**

O God, Father of Goodness, who inspired Blessed Carlos Manuel with an ardent devotion to the Paschal Mystery and moved by the generosity of Your grace, led him to the joyful celebration of the mysteries celebrated in the Liturgy. You also filled your servant with apostolic zeal and love for those in need.

Grant us, through his intercession, that celebrating with faith the holy mysteries of the Death and Resurrection of Your Son, we may live what we celebrate in the Liturgy. Grant us, too, the special grace that we now ask of you. Through Jesus Christ your Son and our Lord. Amen

## *Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*November 19, 2023*

### **WHICH SERVANT AM I?**

“Which servant am I?” Imagine being one of the servants in the parable we hear today from the Gospel of Matthew. We can feel the pride of the first two servants, who wisely used the talents given to them. We imagine the fear and shame of the third, who did not. The servants were given different sums of money, according to their ability. None was given more than what he was capable of handling. Yet only two made the talents they were given fruitful. As a result, these two heard, “Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master’s joy.” As we hear the parable, we must wonder, “Which servant am I?”

### **CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER**

#### **Prayer for God’s Continued Protection**

O Lord,  
support us all the day long of this troublous life  
until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes,  
and the busy world is hushed,  
and the fever of life is over,  
and our work is done.  
Then in your mercy  
grant us a safe lodging  
and a holy rest,  
and peace at the last.

*-John Henry Newman*



### **OUR FASCINATING FAITH The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Dec. 21st)**

This feast had its origins in the Eastern churches, and it is associated with an event recounted not in the New Testament, but in the Protoevangelium of James, a second-century work not contained in the Bible. In that account, Mary’s childless parents, Joachim and Anne, learned through a message from heaven that they were to have a child. In gratitude for the great gift of their daughter Mary, they brought her to the temple in Jerusalem when she was still a child in order to consecrate her to God. Various other accounts report her being brought to the Temple when she was three in fulfillment of her parent’s vow, and left there for schooling to prepare her there to be the Mother of God.

In A.D. 543 a church named for Saint Mary was built in Jerusalem near the site of the Temple, and this feast commemorates the dedication of that church. The Roman Catholic Church recalls this tradition together with our sisters and brothers in the East. Pope Saint Paul VI observed that the Presentation of Mary, although apocryphal in origin, nevertheless presents worthy values and carries on venerated traditions from the Eastern churches. This celebration concludes a cycle of three feasts of Mary, observed at various times in the year, surrounding her nativity.



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### **USING TALENTS**

If we use God’s talents, we shall find that they become multiplied in the use. We thought we had two; we find we have five.

*- Richard Meux Benson*

# Liturgical Life

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

### What Remains

When my grandfather died, my parents, siblings, and I were left with the question: what's to become of the house?

Anyone who has inherited property knows that it's not simply a matter of assuming ownership of a plot of land upon which sits four walls and a roof. Those four walls and a roof usually contain memories and objects — an enormous volume of both, in the case of my grandfather. When they're left to you, you have to sift through them, the memories and the objects, and with each one you have to think: *Is it worth it? Do I keep it? Will I need it?*

And slowly, painfully, you disassemble the physical existence of the person who lived here. You accept, with a pang, that most of it must be given away or discarded. You cry when you bag up the clothes to take to Goodwill. You can't even bear to look when they break the piano into a hundred pieces and throw it in a dumpster, realizing that no one wants or has a use for something that was once so precious.

But when you come upon a rosary that was used so many times it has begun to fall apart, you don't even think twice before keeping it, and not because you need the rosary. You need what it means. You need what it reminds you of.

When all is said and done, each of us will be called before our master to settle accounts, just as my grandfather was.

"Where are the gifts I gave you? What remains of the fortune to which I entrusted you?" he will ask us. "What have you done with the peace? What have you done with the love? What have you done with the mercy?"

*"You yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night."*

*1 Thessalonians 5:2*

*Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

## Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

### Question:

If it isn't only for people who are dying, when should someone receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick?

### Answer:

One of the unfortunate realities in the Church today is that so few people understand the meaning and value of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, largely because so many people still mistakenly think of this sacrament as "Last Rites" or "Extreme Unction."

In his life and ministry, Jesus healed the sick. In this sacrament, the Church continues the healing mission of Jesus and, in hope, prays that God will grant healing to the person who is suffering. But even if there is no physical healing, the sacrament offers spiritual healing through the Holy Spirit's gifts of peace and courage. And so, anyone who is living with serious illness (including emotional or psychological illness) and the elderly are encouraged to celebrate this sacrament when it is needed.

The ritual for Anointing of the Sick does also include special prayers and blessings for those who are facing death, including viaticum (communion given to the dying, trusting that the Lord Jesus will be their companion along the way, as they make their final journey).



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- Mt 25:20b-21

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## Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

### First Reading

Proverbs describes the ideal wife who runs her household with wisdom and grace. How would you describe your household growing up?

### Second Reading

Paul reminds the Thessalonians to stay alert and sober for the day when the Lord Jesus will return. Why do you think the date of this event is hidden from us?

### Gospel Reading

Jesus teaches about the importance of using our God-given gifts faithfully and prudently in the parable of the talents. What gifts have you used well in your life?



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