Ordinary Time

CHURCH

PARISH CENTER

MASS SCHEDULE

(except 1st Fri. of

OFFICE HOURS

Tues. & Thurs.

10:00am-4:00pm

month-12noon at PC)

4pm at PC

479.253.2222

479.253.6616

Sunday

Tuesday

Friday

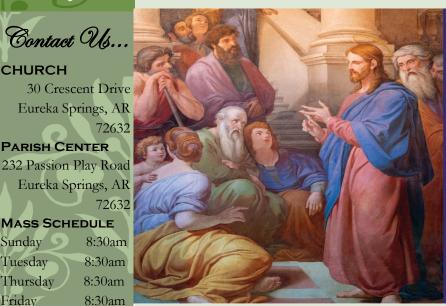
Thursday

Saturday

PHONE

FAX

November 5, 2023 SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY 31st Sunday in CATHOLIC CHURCH



Eureka Springs, Arkansas

31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant." - Mt 23:8-11

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.

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.

PARISH STAFF & MINISTRY LEADERS

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SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7	
Adoration	8:00am
Daily Mass	8:30am
Thursday, November 9	
Daily Mass	8:30am
Confessions	9:15am
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10	
Daily Mass	8:30am
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11	
Confessions	2:30pm at the PC
Holy Rosary	3:30pm at the PC
Vigil Mass	4:00pm at the PC
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12	
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30am
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Readings for the Week

Monday:	Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36;
	Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday:	Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3;
	Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday:	Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9;
	Lk 14:25-33
Thursday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;
	1Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Friday:	Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11;
	Lk 16:9-15



Veteran's Day is Saturday, November 11th



RIGHT AND WRONG

What is morally wrong can never be politically right. -Anthony Ashley Cooper



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center *Lector:* Robert Bartos EMCs: see sign-up sheet Ushers: Mark Elworth, Jo Elworth Altar Server: Jim Witkowski SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 8:30am Mass at the Church **Lector:** Cassian Heath **EMCs:** Rod McGuire Ushers: Mike Murphy, Gary Finkeldei Altar Server: Mike Lubbers



Mass. Intentions

Tuesday, November 7 For the Repose of the Soul of Alex Milonovich Thursday, November 9 For the Repose of the Soul of Jill Lewis Friday, November 10 For the Repose of the Soul of Alyce Fuller Saturday, November 11 For the Repose of the Soul of Bobby Elworth Sunday, November 12 For the Intentions of Sherry Tobin





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.



November 5, 2023



Pilgrimage to Ireland

Arkansas Catholic is hosting a 10-day pilgrimage to Ireland September 11-20, 2024, with vicar general John Connell. Immerse yourself in the saints, culture and faith of Ireland with visits to Dublin, Galway and Knock, one of the world's most well-known Marian apparition sites. The land portion costs \$3,788 per person, including eight nights' accommodations, breakfast and dinner daily, deluxe motorcoach transportation, a professional tour escort and entrance fees to scheduled sites. A \$500 deposit is due at the time of registration. A \$100 discount will be offered to those who register by December 15. To learn more, contact Kathy Primm of Sue Smith Vacations at (501) 771-0987 or Kathy@suesmithvacations.com.



Our Semínaríans for the month of November, 2023

Elijah Bailey Contact address: House of Formation, 1201 S. Van Buren Little Rock, AR 72204 For more information on our seminarians, go to www.dolr.org/seminarians



Jesus Tovar



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.



Sun. 11/5	9:30-4:00	N. Barnett
Mon. 11/6	10:00-4:00	Closed
Thurs. 11/9	10:00-4:00	Lubbers
Fri. 11/10	10:00-4:00	Reed
Sat. 11/11	10:00-1:00	Jankowski
	1:00-4:00	Szafranski
Sun. 11/12	9:30-4:00	Selleck



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Venerable Mother Henriette DeLille was a woman of faith, perseverance and service who dedicated her life to the people of New Orleans. Her courage, compassion and dedication to the oppressed was a shining example of what it means to life a life of service and love.

PRAYER

O good and gracious God, You called Henriette DeLille to give herself in service and in love to the slaves and the sick, to the orphan and the aged, to the forgotten and the despised.

Grant that inspired by her life, we might be renewed in heart and in mind. If it be Your will may she one day be raised to the honor of sainthood. By her prayers, may we live in harmony and peace, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

Amen

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time November 5, 2023

HUMBLE SERVICE

Do as they say, not as they do. This is what Jesus told the crowds about the scribes and the Pharisees. They sought honor and prestige. They exalted themselves by appearing to be righteous while placing burdens on those who wished to faithfully follow the law of Moses. Rather than striving to lead others to God, they lived to be seen and held in high esteem. Jesus wants his followers to live differently. Discipleship is not about seeking places of honor or titles of esteem. Rather, Jesus' followers are to focus on humble service. Disciples are to learn from their master and teacher, Jesus Christ, who came to serve rather than to be served. They are to be the living embodiment of Jesus' way of love.



2023 Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal

The weekend of Nov. 11 & 12 will be the kickoff of the **2023** Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal. Thanks to your donations, the 2022 Arkansas Catholic Scholarship Appeal provided \$71,727 in scholarships for 78 students in Catholic schools throughout the state. This year the LEARNS ACT is a new development in our state. It provides funding for tuition and some fees through an Education Freedom Account for students who meet the criteria to qualify. However, most students in need of financial assistance to attend Catholic schools do not qualify for an EFA. The need for financial assistance remains an obstacle for many families. This year the calculated need is \$173,113. Please help by donating to the Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal. Every dollar received from donations will be used to aid those in need of financial assistance. Donations can be made through the Office of Catholic Schools online.

LOVE NEEDED HERE

No one needs love more than someone who doesn't deserve it.

-Anonymous



CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER - Vocation Prayer

Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd. You know each of us and you call us by name to serve you in faith. Help us respond generously to your voice. Give courage and guidance to those you call to the priesthood and the diaconate, to religious life and lay ministry, so they may respond wholeheartedly and serve devotedly. We ask this in your name. Amen.

THE BASILICA OF ST. JOHN LATERAN

The solemnity that we celebrate every November 9, the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, honors the Roman Catholic Church's "mother church," the pope's diocesan home church. No, not St. Peter's Basilica! Rather, on one of Rome's seven hills stands the cathedral church of the Diocese of Rome, the Basilica of Saint John Lateran. Since this church is the pope's diocesan cathedral, it is significant in the history of Catholicism, and the commemoration of its dedication is a solemnity observed in all the Roman Catholic churches around the world. The engraving over its east entrance reads, "Mother and Head of All Churches in the City and throughout the World." Attached to the basilica is a large baptistry, whose inscription reminds us of our universal call to holiness: "Think not your sins too many or too great: birth in this stream is birth to holiness." As we celebrate the commemoration of the dedication of this great church, let us be one with all who have been born to new life in the waters of Holy Baptism. The universal, celebration of this solemnity on this day reminds us that we are all members of the same Body of Christ.

(PRACTICING)

A Heavy Burden, Hard to Carry

"Mommy, you haven't been making any sacrifices."

My daughter was peering through the little opening in the plastic cover of the "sacrifice jar" we made for Lent this year. The repurposed oatmeal container, jazzed up with glitter glue and pictures of St. Therese of Lisieux, was more than half-filled with little slips of paper bearing descriptions of the various sacrifices family members had made for one another.

But she was right: every piece of paper bore the childlike scrawl of herself and her brother. I had not added anything to the sacrifice jar.

"If I wrote down every sacrifice I made for you in just a single day, the jar would explode," I retorted, and even though my daughter giggled, I instantly regretted the comment, sighing as I realized I did it again. I let a snide, self-pitying thought form on my lips and make its way into the world because for a brief moment I thought someone didn't appreciate my (imagine me sniffing injuredly here) hard work.

We sneer at the scribes and the Pharisees as Jesus describes them in the Gospel, lengthening their phylacteries and coveting the places of honor. But then I remember: nobody starts out *meaning* to be a jerk.

We want to do good things. We try to be holy. But it's hard, that burden weighs heavy on our back.

So, we murmur about it here and there. We stop to catch our breath. We glimpse other people looking at our burden with approval and admiration, and we breathe a little harder, groan a little deeper. And somewhere along the way the burden becomes an idol and our labor a performance. We dare not ask for help bearing it, for we prize too greatly the sweat of our own brow.

"The greatest among you must be your servant." — Matthew 23:11 Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why do some sacraments leave a character or mark on the soul? Don't all sacraments affect the soul?

Answer:

All sacraments mediate grace and connect us to Christ and to the Church. Some sustain us in our faith journey, while others help us heal from the effects of sin. Each one offers a share in God's life, giving us what we need to be faithful followers of Jesus. But some sacraments change us in ways that are irreversible. The three sacraments that leave a character are Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders. We are literally different people because of the effect of the grace of those sacraments. We are changed at the core of our being in such a fundamental way that we can not go back to what we once were.

In Baptism, we are freed from original sin, initiated into the Body of Christ as adopted sons and daughters. In Confirmation, we are given the fullness of God's Spirit, sealed in his grace and gifted with what we need to live a Christian life. In Holy Orders, a priest is marked as an 'alter Christus,' another Christ, and is once and forever a priest who offers sacrifice, forgives sin, and acts in the person of Christ. In these three sacraments, we are conformed more closely to Christ, reflecting his love and truth.



Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, saying, "The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice." - Mt 23:1-3

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EVERYTHING IS GAINED THROUGH HUMILITY.

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-ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

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