Ordinary Time

# SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY 33rd 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 8:30am Tuesday Thursday 8:30am Friday 8:30am

(except 1st Fri. of month-12noon at PC) Saturday 4pm at PC

#### OFFICE HOURS

Tues. & Thurs. 10:00am-4:00pm

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"Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels only the Father." - Mk 13:30-32

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.

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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.

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#### SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Adoration 8:00am Daily Mass 8:30am

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21** 

8:30am Daily Mass Confessions 9:15am

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Daily Mass 8:30am

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ 8:30am

### Readings for the Week

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Monday:

Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5;

Lk 19:1-10

Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Wednesday:

Lk 19:11-28

Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Thursday

Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111,

131; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday Rv 11:4-12;Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;Lk 20:27-40

# God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Paul LaBlanc - 11/16, Keith Frey - 11/17, Robert DaRosa - 11/18, David Buttecali - 11/19, 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



#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center

**Lector:** Barb McClung EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: Mark Elworth, Jo Elworth

Altar Server: Robbie Bartos SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

8:30am Mass at the Church **Lector:** Rod McGuire

EMCs: Mindy Godfrey, Phyllis McGuire, Karen Finkeldei

**Ushers:** Ted Meyer, Mike Godfrey

Altar Server: Dan Kees

#### Mass . Intentions



Tuesday, November 19

For the Repose of the Souls of Vernon & Lucy Myers

Thursday, November 21

For the Repose of the Souls of <u>Vernon & Lucy Myers</u>

Friday, November 22

For the Repose of the Souls of Mr. & Mrs. Peter, Lucy

Ma & Mei Ching Wong

Saturday, November 23

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Sunday, November 24

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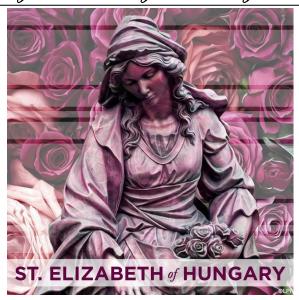
Connie Blazek, Sheila Fowler, Florence Giels, Helen Wright and Barbara Witkowski.

#### **OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -**

Patsy Crawford, Mary Ann Dobrobolny, Linda Gilmore, Pam Heinzel, Marci Krieger, Chuck Maxwell, Joe McDaniel, Eric Pederson, Dale Putrino, Leslie Scroggins, Shari Soukup, Libbie Vesekla and Connie Woolheiser

**THOSE WHO HAVE DIED** - Kathy Tromburg, Ernie Wright, Richard Fowler

**OUR MILITARY** - Tyler Horning and Nic Smith.



## Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the *Catholic Campaign for Human Development*. In the United States, over 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 antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working on the margins. More information about the *Catholic Campaign for Human Development* can be found at *www.usccb.org/cchd*.



Our Seminarians for the month of November, 2024

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Benjamin Keating

# 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., 11/17	9:30-4:00	Godfrey
Mon., 11/18	10:00-4:00	Breaux
Tues., 11/19	10:00-4:00	D. Buttecali
Thurs., 11/21	10:00-4:00	Boardman
Fri., 11/22	10:00-4:00	Meyer
Sat., 11/23	10:00-1:00	S. McClung
	1:00-4:00	Meyer
Sun., 11/24	9:30-4:00	N. Barnett
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#### ST. ELIZABETH COMING EVENTS

#### **NOVEMBER:**

- 16 Parish Center Drawing for Gift of Giving
- 17 Coffee & Donuts with St. Elizabeth
- 17 Church Drawing for Gift of Giving
- 23 Parish Center Drawing for Gift of Giving
- 25 Missal Switch-out for Church and Parish Center; Decorate Parish Center for Christmas

#### **DECEMBER:**

- 4 Decorate Church for Christmas
- 11 Church Christmas Dinner & Bingo
- 14 Deliver Gift of Giving Items.

The St. Elizabeth Music Ministry announces OPEN REGISTRATION for all parishioners that love singing Christmas music or play a musical instrument to join the Christmas Choir! Rehearsals begin Wed., Nov. 13th from 4:30pm to 6:00pm, in the Parish Center Hall. The Christmas Choir provides music for Christmas Eve mass and provides music and folders, free of charge. Invite your friends and anyone who may be interested to participate! Require more information? Visit with me following mass, call 479-981-0870 or email *Songbird1960@outlook.com*.

Sharon Parker, Director of Music

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#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

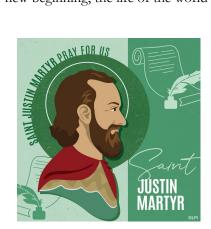
#### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

I recently moved into a new neighborhood. On my first evening I went grocery shopping and could not find my usual favorite Greek yogurt. Strangely, my heart started to race. All the losses of my previous life hit me. So many of my old friends, habits, comforts and predictable experiences had fallen away. There I stood, a grown man, crying like a little baby whose world was falling apart in the dairy aisle.

This week, Jesus describes what to do when one world ends, and another begins. Does it apply to the end of time? Yes. Does it apply to the end of our individual lives? Yes. It also applies to every "world" we inhabit throughout our lives, in school, family, friendships, work, play and so on. First, the sun, moon and stars fall. The old, familiar ways of running things suddenly stop working. Light fades. Things fall apart. It's awful. But second, Christ comes "in the clouds." Jesus, the Son of Man, replaces those old powers with himself as the prime governing principle. Third, he sends out his angels to "gather his elect from the four winds." He re-integrates the fragments into a new integrated whole. "Summer is near," he concludes. A new world begins.

Is your world crumbling? Are your sun, moon and stars falling from the sky? Learn to discern the pattern of the Cross and Resurrection at work in it. This is the power we touch in the Mass. Jesus is coming precisely in this transition from the old to the new world. It doesn't make our losses easy. But it does make it possible to glimpse the dawning of a summer, a new beginning, the life of the world to come.

-Father John Muir









#### **Basin Park Tree Lighting**

Saturday Nov 30, 2024 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM CST

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All are welcome to this FREE family-friendly event!



Join us in Basin Spring Park to light the Christmas Tree and officially kick off the holiday season in Eureka Springs!

#### PRAYER OF SEASONS

As the seasons change,

be with me.

As my life shifts and shapes,

be with me.

As I face what the future holds,

be with me.

As I seek the beauty to be found today, help me to find you there.

Amen.

#### SAVE THE DATE!!

## St. Elizabeth Christmas Dinner and Bingo

Wednesday, December 11th, 5:30pm

The Church will provide turkey, ham, rolls, wine
All sides will be potluck
Bingo after dinner

Sign up <u>number attending</u> and what <u>dish(es)</u> you will bring, on the poster in the rotunda/lobby



## **Liturgical** Life

# CATHOLIC

#### The End of the World

"It's not the end of the world."

If I had a brick for every time my mother said this to me growing up, I could have built a castle. One that comes complete with a moat whose bridge I could dramatically pull up so I could sulk, in the window of the highest turret, sighing loudly so every passerby would know how I suffered.

Because sometimes we act like it's the end of the world — whether we are a little kid angered by a playground snub, a teenage girl flipping out over an assignment for English class or a college student distraught that she got scheduled for four opening shifts in a row at the coffee house where she works (yes, these are all examples taken straight from my life, why do you ask?).

And sometimes, it really does seem like the end of the world. We lose someone we love to cancer. We miscarry a child before we even get to see his tiny face. The rent is due, and the bank account is overdrawn (also all examples taken straight from my life).

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that when the sun is darkened and the moon no longer gives light, we must look for him, because his time is near.

He's talking about *The End of the World*. The big one, the apocalypse. But why do I think he's also talking about the end of the world — those sufferings large and small, real and imagined, that make us feel like the sky is caving in?

In both instances, he draws near to us. So let us look for him.

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

#### Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

Why do Catholics pray to Mary and the saints?

#### Answer:

One of the statements of faith we make when we pray the Nicene Creed and the Apostles Creed is that we believe in "the communion of saints." The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that this communion (another word for community) includes all the faithful on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the blessed women, men, and children who are in heaven. This teaching is grounded in our belief that, through Baptism, we are united with Christ and to one another with bonds that are stronger even than death.

And so from the time of the early Church, Christians have turned to other believers for prayers and assistance, including those who have gone before us, confident that God hears the prayers of all of His children. While we ask the saints (and one another) for prayers and support, we remember that the saints join us in prayer. But it is God who blesses and sanctifies us.

When we think of Mary and the saints in heaven, we have to remember that we can turn to them for intercession and assistance because they were faulted, limited human beings, just like us. This means that they are able to understand our struggles, doubts, fears, joys, and hopes. But as we learn their stories, we can also begin to recognize that they stand out in the history of the Church because they persevered in their commitment to follow Christ. Whether they were ordained, vowed religious, martyrs, husbands, wives, or even children, they show us that holiness is possible. We can not only follow their example but also benefit from their prayerful support.

Our devotion to the saints and gratitude for their witness, prayers, and protection should also be an inspiration for us, especially when we become aware of the needs of others or when others ask us to pray for them. We are called to share the blessings we receive. This is also part of our own journey of growing in holiness.

"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky." - Mk 13:26-27

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#### Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading:

The prophet Daniel foresaw a time of great distress and ultimate judgment for the living and the dead. Who supports you when you are feeling anxious or are deeply worried?

#### Second Reading:

The author of Hebrews emphasizes Jesus's death as the final offering for the forgiveness of sins, making us "perfect forever" in eternal life. What do you find most curious about the idea of being perfect in eternal life?

#### Gospel:

Jesus speaks to his disciples about the signs that will accompany his Second Coming, even though only God the Father knows the exact time. How should one best prepare for this unknown future?



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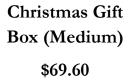
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