

November 9, 2025

32nd Sunday

in

Ordinary Time

SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Contact Us...

CHURCH

30 Crescent Drive
Eureka Springs, AR
72632

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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

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10:00am-4:00pm

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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 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, NOVEMBER 11

Adoration 8:00am
Daily Mass 8:30am

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Daily Mass 8:30am
Confessions 9:15am

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Daily Mass 8:30am

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10;
Lk 16:1-6
Tuesday: Wis 2:23-39; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19;
Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b-81; Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135,
175; Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18;
Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37,
42-43; Lk 18:1-8
Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 (see 9);
2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Joe McClung, Jr. - 11/12, David Lehren - 11/14,
Annette Schultz - 11/14

May you have many more!

THE GAP

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

-Anonymous



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Mass Ministers



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

4:00pm Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Jerry Horning

EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: Richard Boyes, Janice Boyes

Altar Server:

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Cassian Heath

EMCs: Rod McGuire, Sandy McClung, Mindy Godfrey

Ushers: Mark Leggett, Gary Finkeldei

Altar Server: Missy Leggett



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 11

For the Intentions of Joann Trial

Thursday, November 13

For the Repose of the Soul of Gregg Laabs

Friday, November 14

For the Repose of the Soul of Kathy Tromburg

Saturday, November 15

For the Repose of the Soul of Gene Witkowski

Sunday, November 16

For the Repose of the Soul of Gregg Laabs



OUR PARISHIONERS -

Connie Blazek, Florence Giels, Joe Ricciardi, Fran Ricciardi
and Barbara Witkowski.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Regina Booth, Bradshaw Cate, Sam Donelson, Carol Dvo-
rah, Marsha Havens, Pam Heinzl, Kathleen Horosinski,
Marc Krieger, Betty McClard, Joe McDaniel, Billy Metzger,
Carol Morgan-Eagle, Gene Ochrymowich, Eric Pederson,
David Reuter, Connie Stielow, Ed Terrill, Libbie Vesekla
and Betty Wallace.

OUR MILITARY - Nic Smith.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -



Military Services

In recognition of Veterans Day and of our military service members, there will be a second collection this weekend to support pastoral services for service members and their families. Your donation will ensure that service members, veterans and their families will have access to preparation for and can receive all sacraments as they defend our country and our freedom.

The Parish Life Committee is announcing upcoming events. Save the dates on your calendar!

November 17...St. Elizabeth Feast Day

Mass at the Church...8:30am

Country Breakfast (*by reservation*) at the Parish Center...9:30am Reservation sign-up will start on weekend of October 27

Gift of Giving Name Drawings

Weekend of November 15-16, 22-23 and 29-30 or until all names are drawn

Friday, December 12...St. Elizabeth Church Christmas Party (*Gift of Giving Gifts are due).

Feast of Christmas Dinner...turkey and ham entre, with pot luck sides, dessert provided.

Bingo with Hobby Lobby Christmas Décor as prizes

Reservation Sign-Up will begin on weekend of Nov. 22



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 October 25 & 26 was **\$2,126.00**. For the Fiscal year (7/25-6/26) is **\$57,989.35**.

Our **Project Revive Campaign** Update as of 10/23/25:

	<u>Pledges</u>	<u>Payments</u>
Parishioners	\$826,253	\$520,083
Non-Parishioners	\$113,380	\$ 56,043
Donations	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 72,423</u>
	\$939,633	\$648,549



GIFT SHOP

November Gift Shop Schedule

Sun., 11/9	9:30-4:00	Selleck
Mon., 11/10	10:00-1:00	D. Pickens
	1:00-4:00	Breaux
Tues., 11/11	10:00-4:00	Buttecali
Thurs., 11/13	10:00-4:00	Lubbers
Friday, 11/14	10:00-4:00	Reed
Sat., 11/15	10:00-1:00	N. Barnett
	1:00-4:00	S. McClung
Sun., 11/16	9:39-4:00	Godfrey



Please remember to bring in pictures of your deceased to put in front of the Altar for the whole month of November. You may drop them off at the Parish Center or the Church.



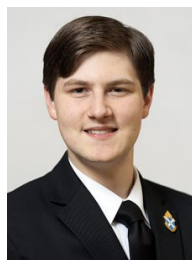
*Our Seminarians
for the month of
November, 2025*

Pedro Cervantes

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



**Matthew
Lamb**

POPE'S INTENTIONS

The Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer his request and to join with people worldwide in praying for this intention.

November: For the prevention of suicide: Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

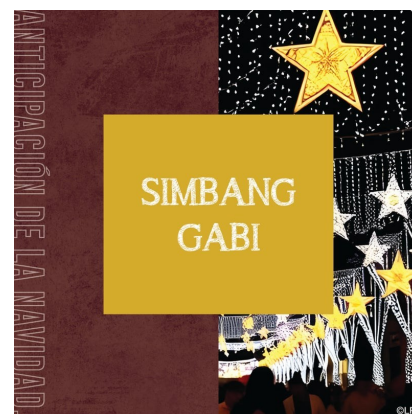
Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was 22, I entered St. Peter's Basilica for the first time. It floored me. I could hardly take it in, its grandeur majestic arches, vibrant colors, and the light that danced through its high windows. Somehow, amidst such splendor, I felt an overwhelming sense of belonging, as if I had finally come home.

Jesus reorients how we Catholics see sacred buildings. In today's Gospel he says, **"Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."** John 2:13-22). His riddle implies, shockingly, that his own body is now the fundamental dwelling place of God and humanity. The temple in Jerusalem has been superseded.

In our churches today - whether they mirror the basilica's grandeur or embrace humble simplicity - we experience architectural symbols of Christ's risen body. It is no accident we call them "churches.": they make visible in brick-and-mortar Christ's body which is made up of the living stories we call Christians. Each church building, like St. John Lateran in Rome, or St. Peter's, or any other, is meant to be a vibrant sign of Christ's resurrected body. We should cherish and protect our churches as places where heaven touches earth, where we, as a community, are raised to the fullness of life in Christ.

-Father John Muir



DEVOTIONS, *Explained!*

Simbang Gabi is a Filipino tradition of nine early-morning votive Masses offered in anticipation of Christmas Celebrations follow Mass, where delicacies like baked rice cakes and breakfast rolls are enjoyed.

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration of the Week

"You are the temple of God," Paul tells us. But in today's Gospel we see how easily even temple areas become corrupted. Jesus, purge the greed and selfishness from our hearts. Make them fit dwellings for Your Holy Spirit.

PRAYER OF MISSIONARY ZEAL

Dear Lord,
Give us eyes to see the depth of grace. You provide to Your Church. May that goodness ignite in us fire to share the truth of Your mercy with every soul we encounter. Amen.



St. Frances Xavier Cabrini (1850 -1917) dreamed of being a missionary. She first served Italian immigrant populations, from New York to Chicago, and across the U.S. She is the first United States citizen to be canonized and is the Universal Patron of Immigrants.

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ASU St. John Newman University Parish in Jonesboro AR seeks a Full Time, 40 hours per week, Catholic Campus Minister to lead, coordinate and promote campus Ministry for students attending Arkansas State University. Must be a practicing Catholic. Bachelor's degree in education, theology, pastoral ministry or related field and/or strong background and experience in Catholic youth ministry is preferred. To apply, email a cover letter and resume to Josh Salman, *Director of Youth & Campus Ministry*, at jsalman@dolr.org.



Path of the Apostles: Pilgrimage to Greece & Ephesus

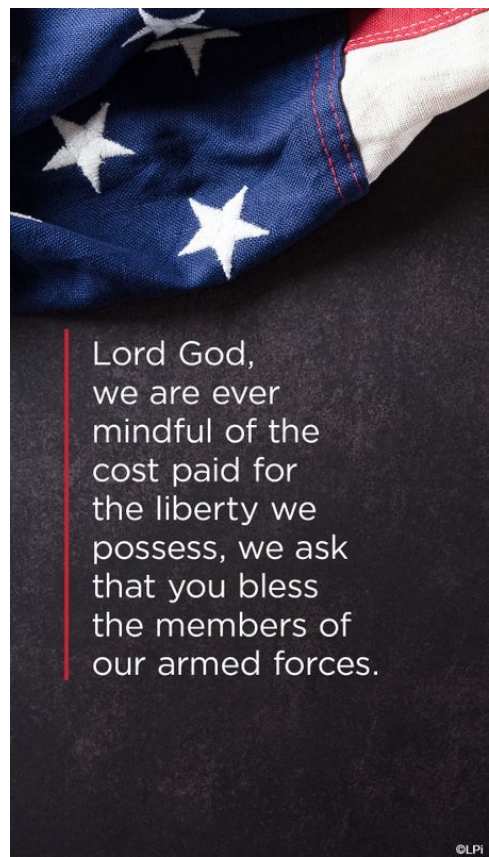
April 19-30, 2027

Only 10 seats are left for Arkansas Catholic's 12-day pilgrimage to walk in the footsteps of St. Paul, St. John and the Blessed Virgin Mary. Visit Philippi, Athens, Corinth and Ephesus, with daily Mass and Scripture reflections led by Father Mauricio Carrasco. A \$100 discount is available for those who book by October 30. A brochure is available at arkansas-catholic.org/pilgrimage. Contact Kathy Primm at (501) 771-0987 or kathy@suesmithvacation for more details.



Pilgrimage to Poland and Medjugorje

Father Samy Madhichettyirudayaraj, pastor of Our Lady of Fatima Church in Benton, and Kathy Primm, manager of Sue Smith Vacations in North Little Rock, are leading a Pilgrimage of Divine Mercy & Peace to Poland and Medjugorje April 6-17, 2026. The pilgrimage includes 10 nights of accommodation, breakfast and dinner daily and a private motorcoach. Download the brochure and registration form at bit.ly/pilgrimagetopol. For more information, contact Primm at [\(501\) 771-0987](tel:5017710987) or kathy@suesmithvacation.



(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: It matters why you do something, not just how you do it. Are we allowing our worship to transform us, or are we only concerned with transforming our worship?

Modern Money-Changers

The "liturgy wars" are something of a hot topic in contemporary Catholic circles.

Latin chant or guitar hymns? Communion on the tongue or in the hand? Chapel veils or bare heads? Surplice or alb? It's giving me a headache just writing it all out.

I don't mean to say that none of this matters. The worship of the Almighty God, especially in the context of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, is no trifling matter. It is good for people to be concerned about whether or not their worship is pleasing to God. I am happy that Catholics care enough about these things to have an opinion.

I'm not going to say where I fall on this spectrum of liturgical sensibility (the headache intensifies thinking of the emails I would get). And I won't pretend it's not something I feel passionate about, in my own way.

But too often I find myself sniffing dismissively at the "other camp," the folks who are drawn to a different style or tradition. Too often I see them sniffing dismissively back to me. We are, both groups, obsessed with the form of a thing — so much so that we risk forgetting the function of it.

And when I stop to think about it, I wonder if Jesus shouldn't crack the whip at us all, the modern money-changers of the temple, who have allowed worship to become a transaction (I offer *x* sacrifice, I am rewarded with *y* feeling of fulfillment and satisfaction).

I look at the Gospel today, and I can see the purpose of the money-changers. It could be argued that, in a way, they were facilitating the laws of Moses, making possible the temple sacrifices stipulated by God.

But it matters *why* you do something, not just *how* you do it.

What good is any act of worship, if at its conclusion we do not more closely resemble the One before whom we kneel?

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Can Catholics be cremated?

Answer:

As the practice of cremation becomes more and more common, it's important to know what the Church asks of families who have chosen this for a loved one who has died.

As the US Bishops observe on their website, "Ideally, if a family chooses cremation, the cremation would take place some time after the Funeral Mass, so that there can be an opportunity for the Vigil for the Deceased in the presence of the body." However, if cremation takes place before the Funeral Mass, the cremated remains can be present at the Funeral Mass and the appendix to the Order of Christian Funerals provides adaptations for the texts and rituals that are part of the Funeral Mass and the Committal.

The primary concern is that the cremated remains should be treated with the same respect given to any human remains. The Order of Christian Funerals instructs, "This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, and the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium. The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, or on the ground, or keeping cremated remains on the home of a relative or friend of the deceased are not the reverent disposition that the Church requires" (no. 417).

It is becoming more and more common for parishes or diocese-sponsored cemeteries to include columbaria to house cremated remains in a way that respects Church teaching, allowing family and friends the opportunity to honor the remains of the one they have lost with dignity, reverence, and care.

To those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, *Zeal for your house will consume me.*

- Jn 2:16-17

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

The prophet Ezekiel envisions a future of restoration and renewal for the exiled Israelites held captive in Babylon. What future do you hope for with your family?

Second Reading:

Paul tells us that as believers in Christ, the Spirit dwells in us, making us holy, the temple of God. Can you share a time when you felt the Holy Spirit active in your life?

Gospel:

The disciples understood the full meaning of Jesus' cleansing of the temple only after his resurrection from the dead. What has hindsight taught you about your life?



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Opera in the Ozarks Presents: Goodbye, Mr. Chips — Film Screening & Artist Talk

Sunday Nov 9, 2025

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM CST

Inspiration Point Center for the Arts

16311 US-62

Eureka Springs, AR 72632

Fees/Admission: **Tickets:** \$20 Available now at [opera.org](http://www.opera.org) or by calling (479) 253-8595. Website: <http://www.opera.org>



Opera in the Ozarks proudly launches a new year-round film series with the cinematic opera *Goodbye, Mr. Chips*, composed by **Gordon Getty** and directed by **Brian Staufenbiel**. This moving adaptation of James Hilton's beloved 1934 novella tells the story of a devoted schoolteacher whose lifetime of service becomes a touching testament to love, loss, and the enduring power of education.

The film stars Opera in the Ozarks alumnus **Nathan Granner** as Mr. Chips, alongside **Marnie Breckenridge** (Kathie), **Lester Lynch** (Merrivale), and **Kevin Short** (Ralston and Rivers). The **Young People's Chorus of New York City** brings youthful vibrancy to the story as the students of Brookfield, accompanied by a full orchestra conducted by **Nicole Paiement**. Following the screening, tenor **Nathan Granner** — now an internationally acclaimed artist — will appear live on stage for an intimate conversation about the making of the film and his artistic journey.

“Launching this new film series in our new theater — with one of our own alumni at its heart — feels like the perfect way to extend Opera in the Ozarks’ spirit into the year-round calendar,” said **Nancy Preis**, General Director of Opera in the Ozarks.

This event marks the first in an exciting new series of opera-related film presentations at Opera in the Ozarks’ brand-new multimillion-dollar theater, just west of historic Eureka Springs.

Santa Paws Bash

Saturday Nov 22, 2025

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM CST

Best Western Inn of the Ozarks

207 W. Van Buren

Eureka Springs, AR 72632

Fees/Admission: Individual Tickets - \$75 Table (8 tickets) - \$550 Buy tickets at onecau.se/santapaws25

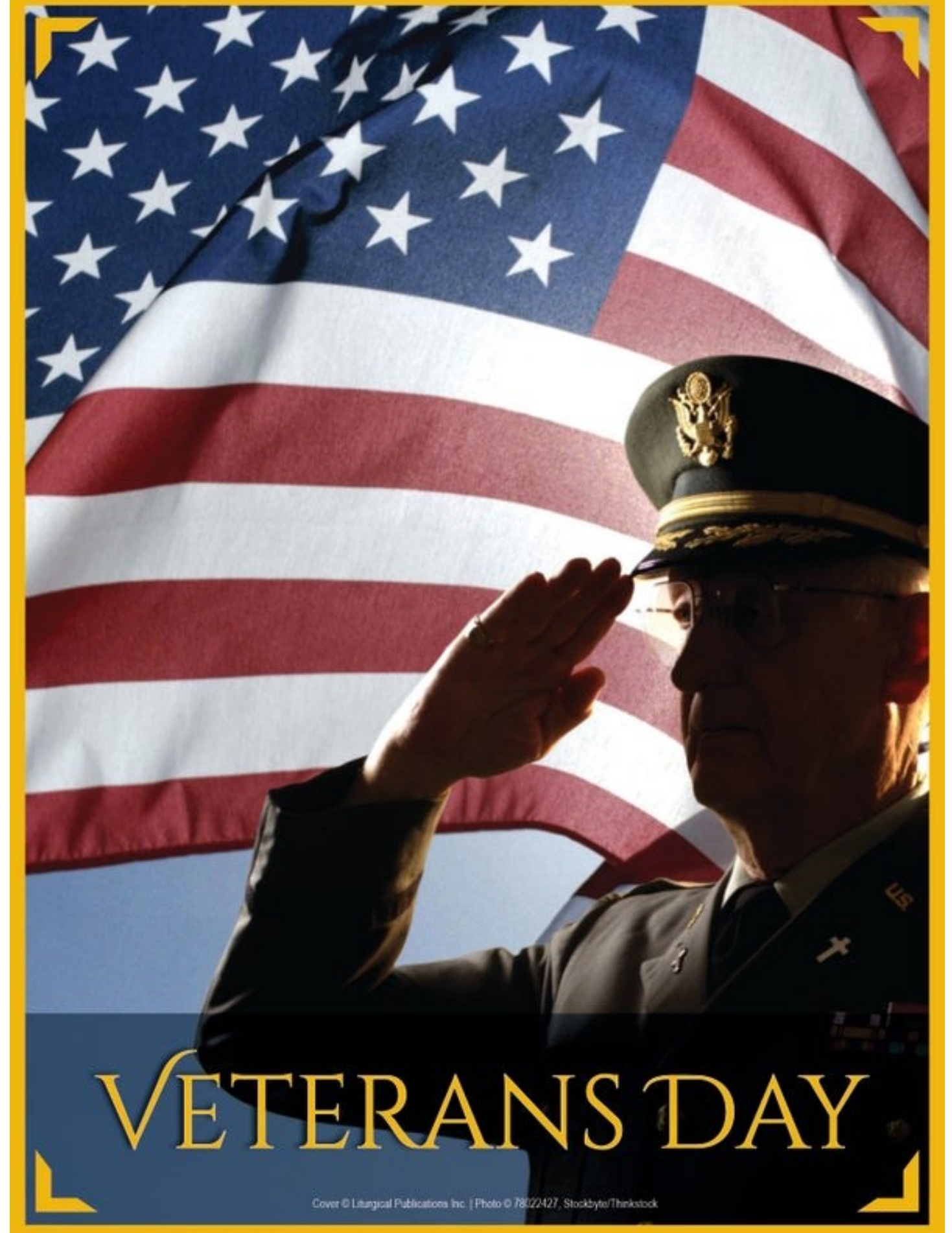
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Contact Information: Good Shepherd Humane Society 479-253-9188 shelter@goodshepherd-hs.org

[Send Email](#)



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A photograph of a man in a military uniform, likely a chaplain, saluting. He is wearing a dark uniform with a peaked cap featuring a gold eagle emblem. His right hand is raised in a salute. The background is a large American flag with its stars and stripes. The entire image is framed by a thick yellow border with decorative corner elements.

VETERANS DAY

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