Ordinary Time

October 15, 2023 SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY 28h Sunday CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

CHURCH

30 Crescent Drive Eureka Springs, AR

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

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

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28[™] SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to the feast." - Mt 22:4bc

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

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.

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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.

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Mark Elworth svdpberryville.weebly.com PAGE TWO October 15, 2023



SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

No Mass

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

No Mass

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

No Mass

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32 Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41 Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;

Lk 10:1-9

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab;

Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7 Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43;

Lk 12:8-12

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Harry Hackenmueller - 10/16, Chris McClung - 10/17, Joe McClung - 10/17, Loretta Metzger - 10/17, Joe Ricciardi - 10/20

May you have many more!

GOD'S GOODNESS

Let us throw ourselves into the ocean of God's goodness, where every failing will be cancelled and anxiety turned into love.

-St. Paul of the Cross



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

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, OCTOBER 22

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

Ushers: Gary Finkeldei, Bev Wright

Altar Server: Mike Lubbers



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, October 17

No Mass

Thursday, October 19

No Mass

Friday, October 20

No Mass

Saturday, October 21

For the Intentions of Jean & Jerry Horning, for their 60th

Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, October 22

For the Repose of the Soul of Portia Morton





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 - Robert Elworth

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



St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Program

Low income Carroll County families with children ages 1-16 years are eligible

Call 423-3572 to schedule your appointment for a <u>Wednesday</u> interview in the month of <u>October</u> with a caseworker.

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We would appreciate any volunteers to help shop for the children. Call or drop by the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store at 1844 Hwy 62 west Berryville, AR. 72616. Also donations of non-perishable food items for the food baskets and goodies for the stockings. Monetary donations are appreciated....please send to the above address.





Our Seminarians for the month of October, 2023

Quinton Thomas
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St. Meinrad, IN 47577
For more information
on our seminarians, go to

www.dolr.org/seminarians



Steven Wilson

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.



	Sun. 10/15	9:30-4:00	Godfrey
	Mon. 10/16	10:00-4:00	Closed
	Thurs. 10/19	10:00-4:00	Boardman
	Fri. 10/20	10:00-1:00	L. Murphy
		1:00-4:00	Finkeldei
	Sat. 10/21	10:00-1:00	Barnett
		1:00-4:00	S. McClung
	Sun. 10/22	9:30-1:00	P. McGuire
		1:00-4:00	Szafranski

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Bingo, Brats & Beer Friday, October 27th at 6:00pm



SAINT OF THE WEEK



Saint Rafael Guizar y Valencia was a Catholic bishop who cared for the poor in Mexico. He bravely continued his mission while in exile, in the face of constant lifethreatening conflicts with the Mexican government.

PRAYER

Our Lord and God, in Saint Rafael Guizar You have given us a model of a shepherd for the children, the poor, the sick, and those far from You. Grant us through his intercession that we may live united in our families; that the Mexican nation may have peace and harmony; that the sick who live in our homes be lovingly cared for and receive healing from their diseases; that marriages that have been broken find a reason to fight and overcome the evil that stalks them. Attend to our supplications and hear our needs so that one day, like Saint Rafael Guizar, we can all contemplate the beauty of Your glory in eternity. We ask you through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit and God the father, for ever and ever. Amen.

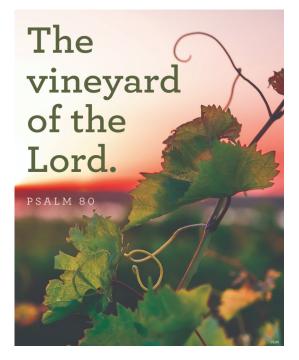
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THE SECRET TO HAPPINESS

Today's readings do nothing less than reveal the secret to happiness. To whet our appetite, Isaiah describes what paradise feels like: "a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich foods, and pure, choice wines." In this paradise, says Isaiah, God dries our tears and puts an end to death. The psalm response lures us with its own descriptive words for paradise: restful, refreshing, fearless, overflowing. Just when all of these extravagant images seem too good to be true, Saint Paul's letter brings us down to earth. Paul is confident that he will one day be in heaven, but he knows just as certainly that he is not there yet. His "secret" to happiness is to trust in God's providence under every earthly circumstance. Echoing Isaiah's images of paradise, the Gospel promises that the Lord has invited us all to the heavenly feast. Like Paul, may we respond with trusting hearts.

Universal Prayers for peace in the Middle East

- * For an end to the tensions escalating in the Middle East, may they be transformed by the peace that comes from God; the peace that surpasses all human understanding, let us pray to the Lord.
- * For those who have died in the violence in the Middle East, may they find perpetual peace and rest in the comforting arms of the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.
- * For those who are mourning the deaths of friends or family members, and those whose loved ones are missing, may God console them in their pain and grief and grant them strength, let us pray to the Lord.



Bingo, Brats & Beer

When: Friday, October 27th at 6:00pm Where: St. Elizabeth Parish Center

What to Eat: Brats, hot dogs, potato salad,

baked beans, cole slaw, and desserts **What to Drink:** Beer, coffee and tea

This is NOT a potluck. Some of our best Parish cooks are preparing this food for us and the Knights of Columbus wives are preparing the desserts. The Cost is \$10/person and you must sign up in advance so enough food is made. The prizes for Bingo are outstanding! See you there!



OUR FASCINATING FAITH

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (Oct. 16) and the Sacred Heart

Time and again, when God's beloved people begin to lose their way, God raises up holy saints as beacons for them to find a path back. So it seems to have been with Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690). During an age of severe spirituality when many of the baptized felt unworthy to receive Holy Communion, Margaret Mary, a cloistered Visitation nun, was gifted with an intense experience of Jesus' personal love for her. In a vision she saw Jesus pointing to his own loving but wounded heart: "Behold the Heart that has loved people so much," she heard Jesus say, "yet is loved so little in return." In the Sacred Heart of Jesus image now so familiar to us we see the heart burning with a flame of love yet surrounded by a crown of thorns. Margaret Mary, herself familiar with harsh treatment at home and, sadly, even in religious life, was drawn to this loving yet suffering Christ. "Cling to God," said she, "and leave all the rest to him; he will not let you perish. Your soul is very dear to him; he wishes to save it." She dedicated her life to promoting devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, including frequent and loving communion, especially on First Fridays. In the years since, her loving devotion has warmed countless hearts with its message of Jesus' boundless love for all.

One week until Mission Sunday

Five weeks from today the Church will celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, and the kind of kingship we celebrate on this feast is radically different than the way our world normally understands power and authority. Christ was a king who came to serve - his throne was a cross, his crown made not of gold but of thorns, and his regal garments that of his very blood.

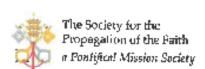
With this kind of kingship in mind, today's readings from the prophet Isaiah and St. Matthew each in their own way begin to describe the new way of being Jesus' kingship has inaugurated into the world. Unlike typical kingships in the world, in Christ's kingdom, all will be well provided for, or as Isaiah so beautifully phrases it, all will be fed with "juicy, rich food and pure choice wines." But Lo accept the Lord's invitation to become guests at this sumptuous feast at which he is the host, we must first recognize our hunger and a willingness to be fed and transformed, especially by how we choose to live our daily lives now rooted in him and his example of a self-sacrificing life of service.

Then amid this reflection on the kingdom Christ invites us to enter, St. Paul in his letter to the Philippians writes of the sustenance and strength he receives from his relationship with Christ, which enables him to meet the challenges he faces each day and cope with every circumstance, in feast or famine. This example of St. Paul can encourage us as we too strive to remain faithful to our commitment as Christians amidst the trials and misfortunes that yex us all.

For us here in the United States, invitations to this wedding banquet, invitations to find salvation in Christ by our baptism into the Church, and a full life as a committed Catholic have come to us thanks to the first missionaries who came to these lands centuries ago. This invitation has been then extended down the years by the lives and good example of countless Catholic men and women, including so many fine priests, Religious sisters and brothers, parents, and educators.

But just like the king in today's parable who extended his welcome to people who formerly were left off the invitation list, the Church continues the task of sending out and supporting missionaries to bring the Gospel to people who have yet to know of Christ and his Invitation to his divine banquet.

As we approach World Mission Sunday (October 22), may we both be inspired by the heroic example of the missionaries who brought the faith to us here in America, as well as be mindful of our obligation to spread the Gospel so that all know that they are invited to the heavenly banquet at which Christ is both the host and the food itself in the secrament of his Body and Blood.





Liturgical Life

CATHOLIC

The Wedding Garment

I like to think that any self-respecting doomsday prepper would find something to admire in my van's stores of extra clothes, snacks, boredom-busting toys, sunscreen, and seasonal outerwear. You never know when you're going to pass a free splash pad or a particularly amazing sledding hill. And you never know when one of the kids is going to find the world's most irresistible mud pile or fall into a river.

All this pre-planning for fun and disaster, and still, I usually devote a fraction of that effort to spiritual preparedness.

I swap out my traveling first-aid kit every season, imagining hypothetical emergencies — and I push confession off another week. "I haven't committed any mortal sins," I tell myself, "And I'm just so busy."

I shove extra outfits into my car's trunk on the off-chance my son decides to paint himself in Go-Gurt — and I shrug off the daily examinations of conscience that could help me overcome a persistent sin.

I stock my purse with bags of Cheerios to ward off sneaky attacks of kid hunger — and I fall asleep without saying the Rosary, murmuring to myself: "I'm so tired. Mary understands."

I am overwhelmed by the here-and-now, consumed by the minutiae of earthly life, that I forget there is only one eventuality I — or any of us — can expect with any certainty. We will all be invited to the feast.

Is my van stocked for that?

"The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?""

— Matthew 22:12

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Is it right to sue someone? Isn't it a way of getting revenge?

Answer:

Revenge is inflicting harm for harm's sake, the idea of an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, and then some. There is often a fine line between justice and mercy, between compensation and forgiveness. Unfortunately, things can happen to us that cause harm, suffering, and damage, regardless of people's intentions. When someone is hurt, especially in such a way that special care or treatment is required, the cost of that care needs to be paid.

In a perfect world, those with special needs, handicaps, or disabilities would find the help and care they need, including those who are injured or hurt. But justice is not always forthcoming, and people are not always fair. So, using the legal system to right a wrong is sometimes the only option.

In some cases, it is the only way that people can get the help they need and deserve. However, frivolous lawsuits, or 'fishing for money' is not only unfair, but immoral as well. The law is there to protect people and making use of it when necessary is a good thing.









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"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son... Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast.""

- Mt 22:2, 4bc

We are not asked merely to call ourselves Christians; we are asked to be Christians through our deeds.

St. Ignatius of Antioch

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