

Sept. 24, 2023

25th Sunday

in

Ordinary Time

SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Contact Us...

CHURCH

30 Crescent Drive
Eureka Springs, AR
72632

PARISH CENTER

232 Passion Play Road
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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

OFFICE HOURS

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

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“Are you envious
because I am
generous?”
Thus, the last will
be first, and the
first will be last.”
- Mt 20:15-16

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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.

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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Rev. Joseph Archibong

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Gift Shop Manager

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Finance Council Chair

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SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Adoration 8:00am
Daily Mass 8:30am

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Daily Mass 8:30am
Confessions 9:15am

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Daily Mass 8:30am

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5;
Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13-2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8;
Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Dn 7:9-19, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13;
Lk 9:43b-45

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Bev Wright - 9/24, Linda Maiella - 9/27,
Preston Mitchell - 9/27, Roger Schultz - 9/28

May you have many more!

EDUCATION

Education is a better safeguard of liberty
than a standing army.

-Edward Everett



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Jo Elworth

EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: Mark Elworth, Jo Elworth

Altar Server: Jim Witkowski

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Mike Godfrey

EMCs: Karen Finkeldei

Ushers: Gary Finkeldei, Mike Murphy

Altar Server: Leva Murphy



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 26

For the Intentions of Anita Lang

Thursday, September 28

For the Intentions of Michelle & Melanie Weaver

Friday, September 29

For the Repose of the Soul of Austin Lobato

Saturday, September 30

For the Intentions of the Henry Family

Sunday, September 24

For the Intentions of Michelle & Melanie Weaver



Pray for us...



OUR PARISHIONERS -

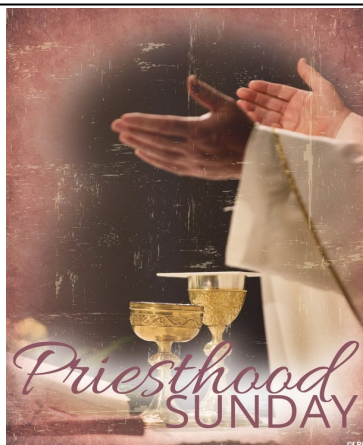
Connie Blazek, Connie Breaux, Richard & Sheila Fowler,
Florence Giels, Charlotte Nowlin, Sharon Parker, Ernie &
Helen Wright and Barbara Witkowski.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Patsy Crawford, Robert Elworth, Marci Krieger, Chuck
Maxwell, Joe McDaniel, Eric Pederson, Dale Putrino,
David & Becky Sisco and Debra Reid

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -

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



**THE SAINT THOMAS MORE SOCIETY
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Annual Red Mass

Please join Bishop Anthony B. Taylor and the Saint Thomas Moore Society in the celebration of the 29th Annual Red Mass of the Holy Spirit on Friday, Oct. 6, 2023, 12:00noon at Christ the King Church, 4000 North Rodney Parham Rd., Little Rock. The Red Mass is open to all to pray for our judicial system, bench, bar, law professors and all civic and public officials. Lunch will follow in the CTK Family Life Center for \$25. Register for lunch by Sept. 29 at St. Thomas Moore Society, P.O. Box 1426, North Little Rock, AR 72115-1426, or via PayPal at <https://tinyurl.com/Red-Mass-2023>. For more information, contact Connie Brown Phillips, Red Mass Chairperson, 501-680-6919 or cbphillips-law@gmail.com.



Robby Bartos

Contact address:

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Little Rock, AR 72204

For more information
on our seminarians, go to

www.dolr.org/seminarians

***Our Seminarians
for the month of
September, 2023***



Jack Smith



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

Sept. / Oct. Gift Shop Schedule

Sun. 9/24	9:30-4:00	Ricciardi
Mon. 9/25	10:00-4:00	Breaux
Thurs. 9/28	10:00-4:00	T. Kees
	1:00-4:00	N. Barnett
Fri. 9/29	10:00-1:00	Elfter
	1:00-4:00	Finkeldei
Sat. 9/30	10:00-1:00	P. McGuire
	1:00-4:00	R. McGuire
Sun. 10/1	9:30-4:00	Stamps



SAINT OF THE WEEK

In Tlaxcala, Mexico, in the early 1500's three indigenous boys embraced Catholicism after encountering Spanish Franciscan friars. Their names were **Cristobal, Antonio and Juan**. Each was martyred for their faith, making them the first Catholic martyrs on the continent.



PRAYER

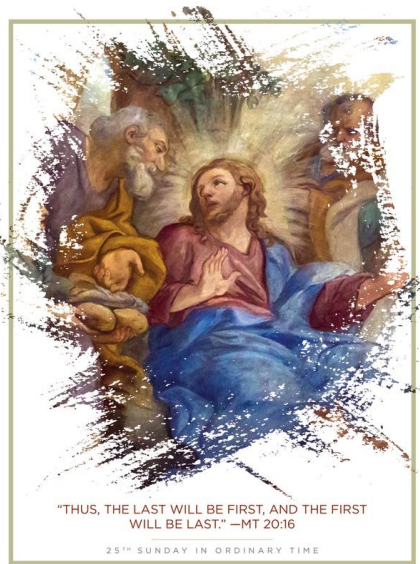
Holy Trinity, I deeply venerate your generosity and infinite majesty, for the firmness that you granted to three children Cristobal, Antonio and Juan, who, at the beginning of the evangelization of Mexico, and despite their young ages, were filled with immense love for carrying the word of your kingdom without stopping to think about the fear of suffering. With their verve and their martyrdom, we inherited an example of an unbreakable and sincere faith. For the preference you had these children, confer the special grace that, through their intercession, I ask of you. Amen.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 24, 2023

UNFAIR

Children are usually still quite young the first time they have occasion to shout, “That’s not fair!” At some point in our lives, we’ve probably all felt the bitterness of unfairness. Today’s readings agree that life isn’t always fair - yet, unexpectedly, invite us to rejoice! We rejoice because God’s mercy is totally unfair: God lavishes us with forgiveness and love even when we deserve less. Both the reading from Isaiah and the psalm praise the great mercy of God, mercy that forgives our sins over and over. In the Gospel parable, Jesus demonstrates that God longs to give good things to all of us, even to those who seem less worthy. When Saint Paul reflects on God’s goodness, embodied in Jesus Christ, he can hardly wait to enter his heavenly reward.



CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer to Saint Michael

Holy Michael the archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and snares
of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you,
O Prince of the heavenly host, by the divine power
thrust into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits
who wander through the world seeking the ruin of
souls.



HORRIFIED

People in general are equally horrified at hearing the
Christian religion doubted and at seeing it practiced.

-Samuel Butler

OUR FASCINATING FAITH - Archangels Michael, Gabriel & Raphael (Sept. 29)

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, angels exist to glorify and serve God and to help with God’s plan for salvation by cooperating with our good deeds. They can help us if we collaborate with them for the glory of God. Our Christian tradition has designated a hierarchy of nine categories among the celestial beings whom we call angels. The **seraphs** are the first and the nearest to God, and the **angels** are the last and the nearest to human beings. Between the seraphs and angels, in order of hierarchy, are the **cherubim** and **thrones**, who together with the seraphs are dedicated to praising and loving God. The **dominations**, **virtues** and **powers** are in charge of arranging the universe. Next are the **principals** and the **archangels**, who together with the angels care for and guide human beings. In this hierarchy of closeness to God, the archangels are next to last in power, although they are the most sought after because of their responsibility to care for the four cardinal points of creation. According to Hebraic tradition, there are seven archangels (Tobias 12:15) of which holy scripture mentions only three by name: **Michael** (“Who is like God?”), **Gabriel** (“strong one of God”), and **Raphael** (God heals”).

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St. Elizabeth Coming Events

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Bingo, Brats and Beer

Friday, October 27th

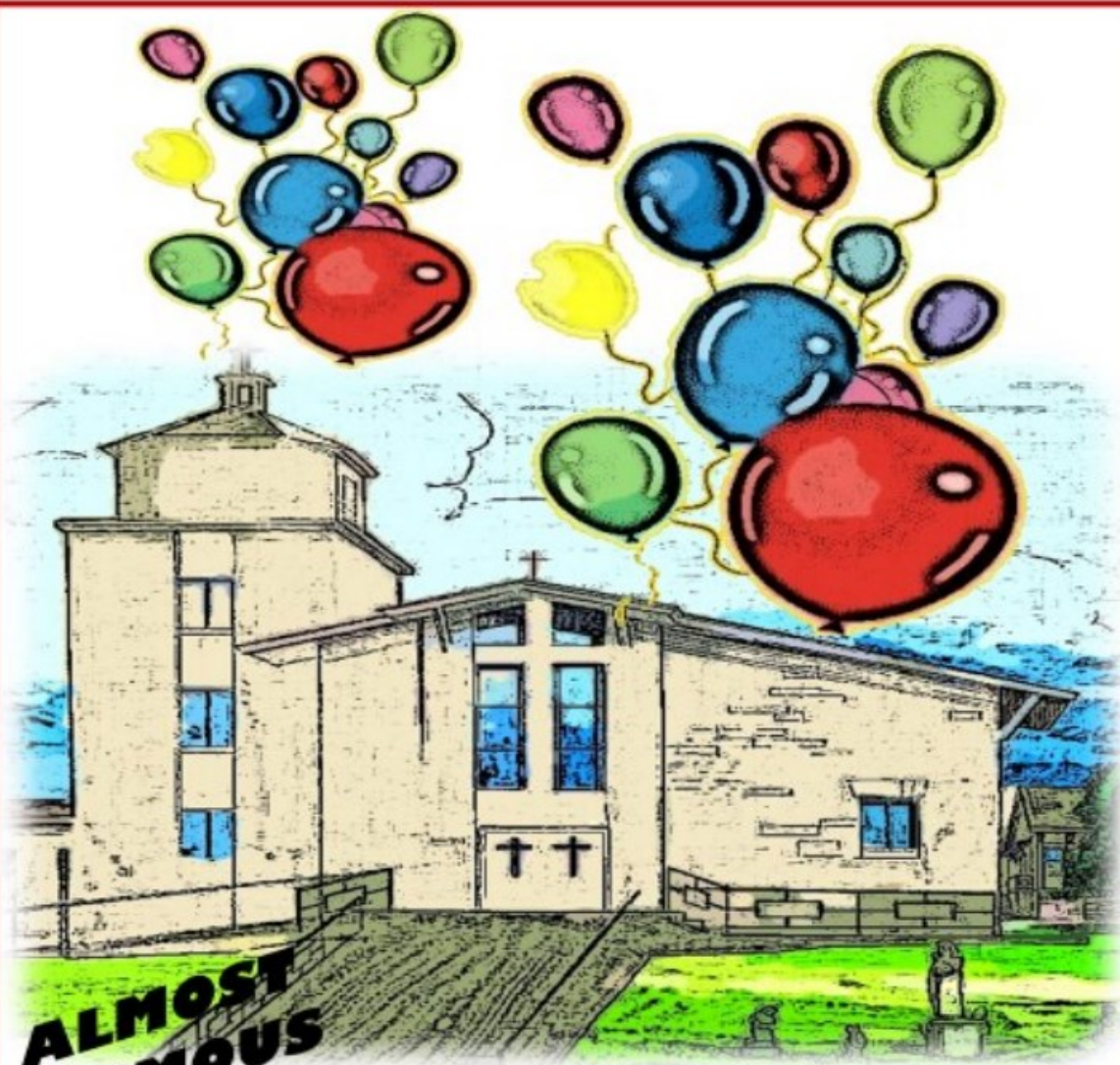
ST. ELIZABETH DAY MASS & BREAKFAST

Friday, November 17th

ST. ELIZABETH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Friday, December 15th

Details announced as the events get closer.



**ALMOST
FAMOUS**

International Food Festival of Saint Anne

**Saturday/sábado
October/octubre 7th
2-8pm**

St. Anne Catholic Church/Iglesia católica de Santa Ana—614 S. Main St., Berryville

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

The Invitation to the Vineyard

I have been working since I was 17, and in that time, I've encountered my fair share of bosses who don't like being, well, fair.

There was the retail gig that paid me less than the official minimum wage because I was a minor and scheduled me for long shifts because it meant cheaper labor. There was the restaurant manager who tried to convince me to leave seventh period early so I could waitress on a busy dinner shift (totally illegal, by the way). There was the unpaid internship with the editor who had no sense of work/life balance.

Our resumes are all full of these experiences — it's capitalism, after all. It conditions us to look out for ourselves, because we know no one else will. And it breeds an attitude of suspicion that often blooms into jealousy when we encounter the reckless mercy of God.

Most of us work hard for what we have in this life, and so we make the mistake of thinking we deserve the good things that come our way. That's all right and good when we're talking about a just wage. But sometimes we get our lines blurred and we begin to think we deserve, or have done something to earn, the salvation offered by Christ.

I am not the laborer who has borne the heat of long hours in the sun. I am the straggler, the lost one, the idler at the marketplace as the day draws to a close.

"As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways, and my thoughts above your thoughts." — Isaiah 55:9

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

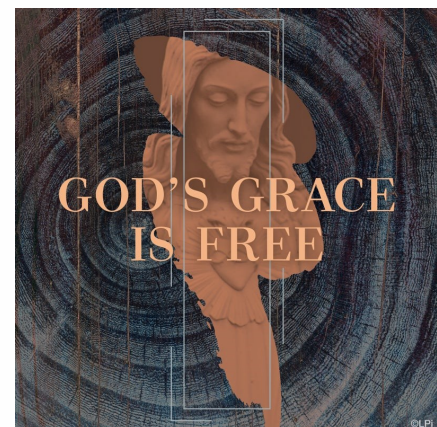
Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Why are Catholic and Protestant Bibles different?

Answer:

Since the earliest days of the Church, Christians used a Greek translation of the Old Testament known as the Septuagint. This collection of the texts of the Hebrew Scriptures included 46 books. At the time of the Protestant Reformation in the 1500s, the Protestant reformers began to create their own translations of the Bible (into local languages) and some began to question why the Jewish Scriptures would have included texts that were written in Greek, because, they assumed, the only valid Jewish Scriptures would have been written in Hebrew. And so, they decided to remove seven books from the Old Testament: Baruch, Sirach, 1 and 2 Maccabees, Tobit, Judith and Wisdom (as well as portions of the Books of Daniel and Esther). This means that the Protestant Old Testament only includes 39 books, while Catholic Bibles continue to include those original 46 books. Both Catholic and Protestant Bibles include 27 books and letters in the New Testament.



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"Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous? Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

- Mt 20:13c-16

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