

July 16, 2023
15th 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
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)
Saturday 4pm at PC

OFFICE HOURS

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

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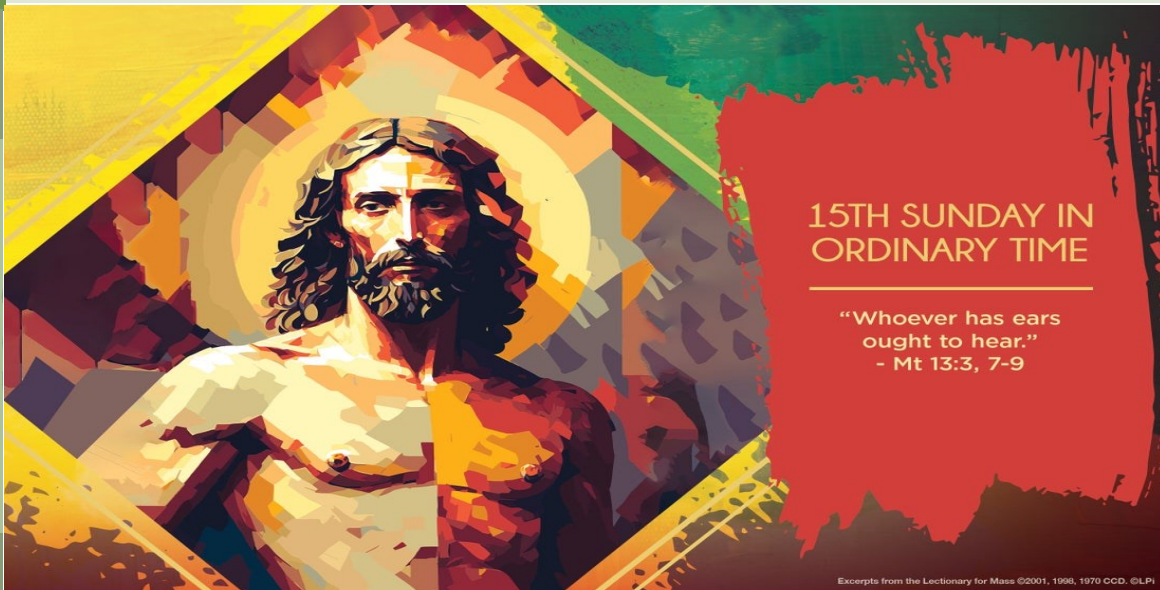
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All visitors to our beautiful town of Eureka Springs are welcome to visit our historic Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Church, and to pray and worship with us. If you are Catholic, and have recently received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, you are also 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

Pastor

Rev. Joseph Archibong

Parish Secretary & Bookkeeper

Nancy Elfter

Director of Music

Sharon Parker

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THIS WEEK at Saint Elizabeth

SPECIAL EVENTS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, JULY 18

Adoration 8:00am
Daily Mass 8:30am

THURSDAY, JULY 20

Daily Mass 8:30am
Confessions 9:15am

FRIDAY, JULY 21

Daily Mass 8:30am

SATURDAY, JULY 22

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

SUNDAY, JULY 23

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am

Readings for the Week

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8;
Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 13, 30-31, 33-34;
Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7;
Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27;
Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:19-12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15,
16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17;
Ps 126:1, 23-24, 10-15; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10,
15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43
(24-30)

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Barb Shie - 7/15, Ginger Lehren - 7/16

May you have many more!

LISTEN

Listen and attend with the ear of your heart.

-St. Benedict



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Mass Ministers



SATURDAY, JULY 22

4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: Barb McClung

EMCs: see sign-up sheet

Ushers: Mark Elworth, Jo Elworth

Altar Server: Robby Bartos

SUNDAY, JULY 23

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: Cassian Heath

EMCs: Mary Szafranski

Mindy Godfrey

Phyllis McGuire

Ushers: Michael Murphy, Mike Godfrey

Altar Server: Leva Murphy



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 18

For the Intentions of Renoto

Thursday, July 20

For the Intentions of William Ian Wallace

Friday, July 21

For the Intentions of the Swieter Family

Saturday, July 22

For the Repose of the Soul of Lindsey Langlois

Sunday, July 23

For the Intentions of Prayer for the Clarity, Under-
standing & Wisdom of all Humanity

Pray for us...



OUR PARISHIONERS -

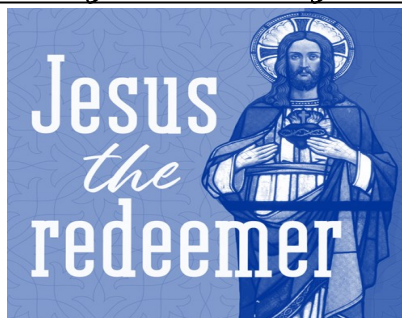
Connie Blazek, Richard & Sheila Fowler, Florence Giels,
Charlotte Nowlin, Sandra Stamps and Barbara Witkowski.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -

Patsy Crawford, Robert Elworth, Marci Krieger, Chuck
Maxwell, Joe McDaniel, Eric Pederson, Dale Putrino,

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -

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



Arkansas Catholic Charismatic Conference July 21 - 23

That All May Come to Know His Glory

*For the Lord will be your everlasting light and your days of
mourning shall be ended. -Isaiah 60:19b, 20b*

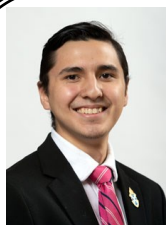
Speakers: Lloyd & Nancy Greenhaw, Grace Ministries

Conference Opening Mass: Bishop Anthony Taylor,
Diocese of Little Rock

Charismatic Renewal Services: Fr. Norbert Rappold,
Spiritual Director & Diocesan Liaison

Where: Wyndham Riverfront Hotel, 2 Riverfront Place,
North Little Rock

Cost: Conference Rate: \$109 Single or Double,
501-371-9000. For Conference Information, leave a mes-
sage at 479-692-1937.



Our Seminararians for the month of July, 2023

Pedro Alvarez

Contact address:

House of Formation,
1201 S. Van Buren,
Little Rock, AR 72204

For more information
on our seminararians, go to
www.dolr.org/seminarians



**Andrew
Schaefer**



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



July Gift Shop Schedule

Sun. 7/16	9:30-4:00	Godfrey
Mon. 7/17	10:00-4:00	Breaux
Thurs. 7/20	10:00-4:00	Boardman
Fri. 7/21	10:00-1:00	L. Murphy
	1:00-4:00	Finkeldei
Sat. 7/22	10:00-1:00	S. McClung
	1:00-4:00	Meyer
Sun. 7/23	9:30-4:00	Horning

Peter's Pence Collection

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our contributions will join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Jose' Luis Sanchez del Rio was a 14-year-old boy when he was put to death by Mexican government officials trying to eliminate religious freedom locally. Despite continuous public torture and his eventual murder, he refused to ever renounce his Catholic faith.

PRAYER



Dear Lord,
Help me be courageous and steadfast in my devotion to You. Help me to identify causes and injustices in my day that are worth defending and standing up for. Give me perseverance and a desire to help others at any cost. Help me to revere Christ as the King of my life. Saint Jose' Sanchez del Rio, pray for us.
Amen

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THE LIFE CYCLE OF THE SEED

Here in the middle of summer, many people grow vegetable and flower gardens, or appreciate the work of others by buying produce from roadside stands and farmer's markets. All our readings today embrace one of God's smallest but most common miracles as a metaphor: the seed and its cycle, and all that it stands for. Isaiah reminds us that just as God waters the earth and cares for it so that seeds may grow, so the Word of God will come and not return to God until it has borne fruit. Psalm 65 describes the cycle of growth and personifies fields that "shout for joy." Romans has "creation groaning in labor pains" as it waits for its seed to come to fruition, redemption of the body. Similarly, Jesus teaches the crowds by using the parable of the sower and the seed.



TOWARD HEAVEN

Think well. Speak well. Do well. These 3 things, through the mercy of God, will make a person go to heaven.

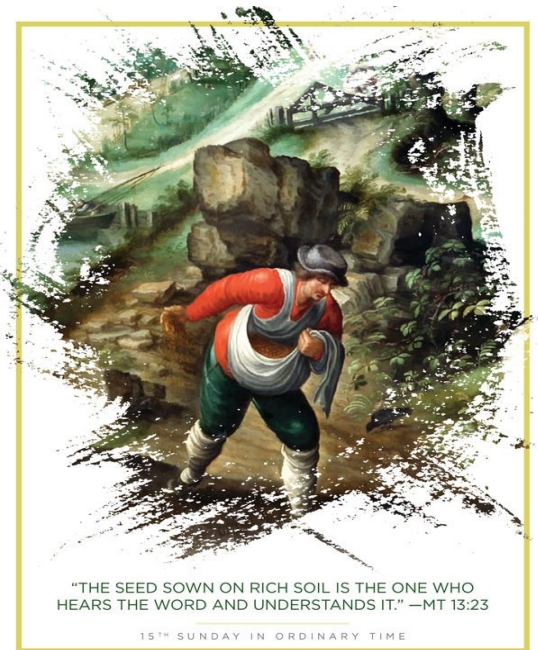
-St. Camillus de Lellis

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

The Second Vatican Council—By Whose Authority?

There have been 21 ecumenical (or "universal") councils in the history of the Catholic Church. The canons, constitutions, and decrees that they produce are to be recognized by all members of the Church. All the documents of the 2nd Vatican Council were passed by the Fathers of the Council and promulgated in the Pope's name. Thus they carry the authority of the Pope himself. Four of the Vatican II documents are "constitutions." They bear the highest degree of papal authority; this kind of document can define dogmas, create or change Church law, or establish Church structures. Nine of the conciliar documents are "decrees." They are authoritative pronouncements on specific areas of Church life, and derive their authority from the 4 constitutions. Three of the Council's documents are classified as "declarations." They can be seen as position statements on certain topics, urging the clergy and the faithful to action in those areas.

The 2nd Vatican Council has been called a "pastoral" council, in part to distinguish it from other councils whose work has been seen by some to be more theological or juridical. This does not in any way diminish the authority or theological weight of Vatican II's pronouncements, which are equal to those of any other ecumenical council in the history of the Church.



The Chosen

The Chosen premieres this Sunday, July 16th and will stream for free the next day on the CW, Amazon Prime, and Netflix. For those of you who haven't been fortunate enough to watch it, **The Chosen** is a "groundbreaking drama about the life of Jesus as seen through the eyes of his followers, set against the backdrop of Jewish oppression in the First Century in Israel."

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER, Act of Hope

Oh my God, relying on your almighty power and infinite mercy and promises, I hope to obtain pardon of my sins, and the help of your grace, and life everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Redeemer.



And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow...Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear."

- Mt 13:3, 7-9

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

The prophet Isaiah assured the Israelites who were exiled in Babylon that God's word is reliable and purposeful. How might you help friends or family trust more in God?

Second Reading

Paul sees creation itself sharing in the redemption and future glory that awaits all believers — "For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God." What do you imagine earth would look like filled with God's glory, absent any "corruption?"

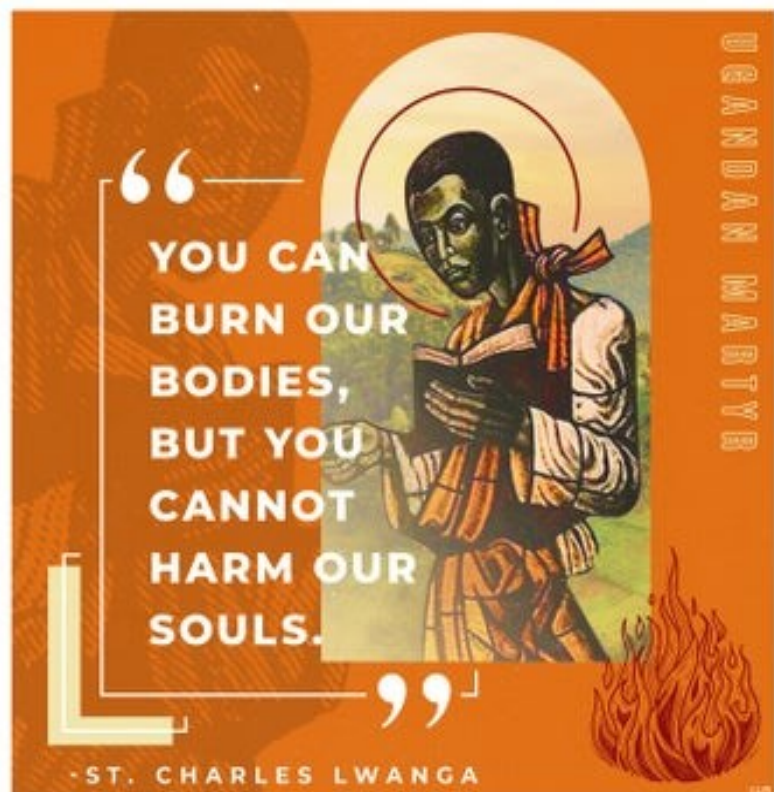
Gospel Reading

Over the next few Sundays, we will be hearing many parables from Jesus. Today's parable of the sower and the seeds speaks to how people react differently to the Good News of the kingdom of heaven. How would you describe your reaction to Jesus's parables of the kingdom?



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