

**Serving St. Elizabeth Church &
Our Lady of Lourdes Church
Sunday, May 10, 2026
Mother's Day, 6th Sunday of Easter**



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WEEKEND MASSES

St. Elizabeth

Saturday at 4:30pm and

Sunday at 7:15am & 10:45am

Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday Mass at 9:00am

Daily Mass: (St. Elizabeth)

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: Noon

Wednesday 11:00 am

Thursday & Friday: 12 Noon

(Except when noted:

Thursday Prison Mass)

Exposition of The Most Blessed
Sacrament is on Wednesdays from
11:45am to 1pm at St. Elizabeth.



(Please consult the parish FaceBook
page for up-to-date scheduling
changes, which **supersede bulletin
scheduling.**)

Anointing of the Sick

Parishioners who are seriously or
critically ill or having surgery, please
contact the parish office.

Baptisms

Please call the Parish Office.

O.C.I.A.

The Order of Christian Initiation of
Adults is an ongoing formation
process for adults who are
interested in becoming a Catholic
and would like to receive the
Sacraments of Baptism,
Confirmation and /or First
Eucharist. Call the Parish Office for
additional information.

Sacrament of Marriage

If you are considering marriage,
please contact the Parish Office no
later than 6 months prior to the
proposed wedding date, and the
diocesan and parish guidelines
will be explained.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturdays at St. Elizabeth
3:15pm to 4:00pm
or by appointment

"Look at the mothers who truly love their children: how many sacrifices they make for them. They are ready for everything, even to give their own blood so that their babies grow up good, healthy, and strong."

—St. Gianna Beretta Molla



Mass Intentions and Schedule

Sat. May 9	4:30pm	Linda Sparks and Wanda Parker by Robb Sparks
Sun. May 10 OLOL	7:15am	Favorable Weather
	9:00am	Ralph Worman by OLOL Ladies Group
	10:45am	Francis Medina by Maria and Rito Medina
Mon. May 11	Noon	NO Mass
Tue. May 12	11:00am	Rosemary Bergbower by Ken and Carol Bergbower
	Noon	Madonna Boehl by Eileen Hartrich
Wed. May 13	Noon	No Mass (Prison Mass)
Thur. May 14	Noon	JoAnn Shepherd by Mary Beth and Preston Reilly
Fri. May 15		
Sat. May 16	4:30pm	Howard Beagles by Clarence Schutte
Sun. May 17 OLOL	7:15am	Ellen Rees by Mike and Jona Uptmor
	9:00am	Barbara Hanson by Keith and Rita Wirey
	10:45am	Karen Sanders by Carol Ryan

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

May 17, 2026, 7th Sunday of Easter

Sat., May 16, 2026, 4:30pm

LECTORS: Mary Ann Ryan

USHERS: Richard Mullins Family

COMMUNION MINISTER: Celeste White

SERVER: Gavin and Dawson Tuel

GIFT BEARERS: Richard Mullins Family

Sun., May 17, 2026, 7:15am

LECTOR: Terry Roche

USHERS & GIFT BEARER : Eric Mosbey and Family

COMMUNION MINISTER: Shari Eckert

SERVERS: Lucy Mosbey and Ali Myers

Sun., May 17, 2026, 9:00am OLOL

LECTOR: Anita Kocher

USHERS & GIFT BEARER : Don Schmidt and Karmyn Coffman

COMMUNION MINISTER: Keith Wirey

SERVER: Abigail Davis

Sun., May 17, 2026, 10:45am

LECTOR: Eileen Hartrich

USHERS: Jeannie Veach and Patti Buercklin

COMMUNION MINISTER: Valerie Chapman

SERVER: Brady York

GIFT BEARERS: Jeannie Veach and Patti Buercklin

Month of May—Praying the Rosary

The month of May is dedicated to our Blessed Mother, The Virgin Mary. Therefore, **Our Lady of Lourdes Church** will pray at 8:30AM the Rosary before every Sunday 9AM Mass.

Similarly, before the St. Elizabeth Masses the rosary will be prayed at **4:00PM, Saturday, and 6:40AM, and 10:15AM** on Sunday. Please come out a little early to join us as we pray to Our Blessed Mother in the month of May—*her* month!



Catholic Communication Campaign Collection

Today we take up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps CCC fulfill its mission of love to share the Gospel message of hope with people in the United States using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Springfield Diocese to support local efforts. The other half support the communication activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops across the United States and abroad. Be part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message! Please support the collection today! Learn more at www.usccb.org/cc.



Masses for High School Graduates

Masses celebrating those graduating from high school from our parishes will be May 17th: 9:00am at Our Lady of Lourdes and 10:45am at St. Elizabeth. These Catholic graduates are asked to please dress in cap-and-gown as we commend their accomplishments, and their contributions to our parishes and communities.

We salute these graduates for their hard work, and for their love of their cherished faith! We ask that they please RSVP to our DREs very soon by email, and to include some of their high school accomplishments, and to mention their future college or other plans. **Thank you.**

From Father David

My knowledge has grown considerably in recent days—Not of theology, philosophy, scripture, and liturgy, much of which occupied my seminary studies—but of matters of the heart.

My dad's death taught me anew about the passing nature of this earthly life, and how united we are as human beings—all of us prone to loss, and the pain of having to say goodbye.

The loss of a beloved parent at any age is always significant. We can be hopeful of heavenly joys, while still hurting when a major loss is recent and raw.

After all, we each have only one set of parents, a familial bond like no other.

Loss truly hurts. Death leaves a wound. Such is especially true when the second or "surviving" parent dies. Such seems especially true in the case of my dad who retained his youthful joyful spirit—and cognitive health—right up to the end.

I have learned, therefore, how grateful I am for those who go "the extra mile" to extend support-cards, assurances of prayer, Mass offerings, food, hugs, warm handshakes, and other "gifts of self." **These gestures do make a big difference** when one is hurting.

A group of parish ladies, and Mike Uptmor, actually made the long trek to Springfield for the Cathedral funeral! I was floored to see them there before the Mass and to have the chance to hug them and to thank them. (We're talking a six-hour round trip, making for a long day, and yet there they were!)

Too often when brother priests have lost a parent I extended a standard kind of email or text. These communications practically write themselves: an expression of sorrow, an offering of prayer, general words of support. Yet some priests went even farther



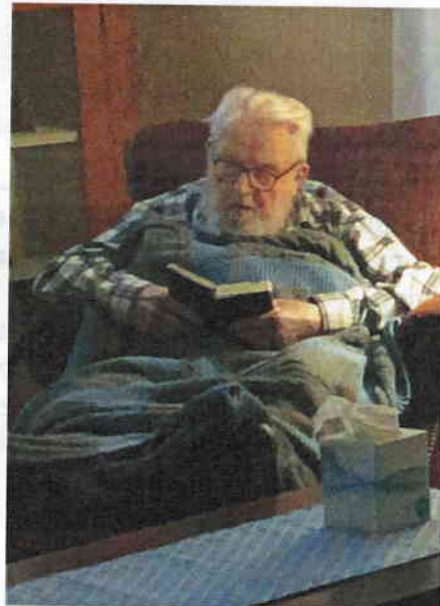
From Father David (Continued)

with me, sending emails with descriptions of my dad, and going out of their way to concelebrate his funeral. They also spoke with me supportively in the Cathedral sacristy before the liturgy's start. I can't tell you how much that all meant to me!

We had thirteen priests in attendance, and Bishop Paprocki gave The Final Farewell—incensing my dad's casket and saying prayers over his remains. Moments later the bishop added beautiful personal remarks, a source of comfort for us all.

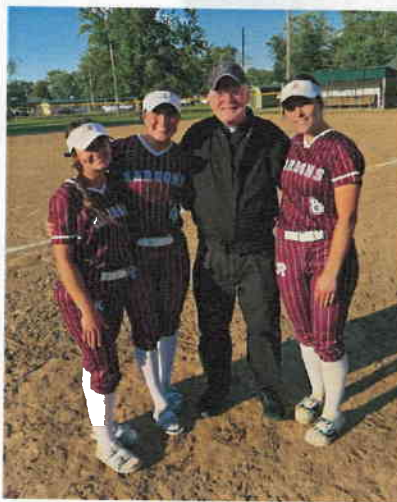
When the loss is your own you feel it so much more keenly, and every gesture of support is meaningful and appreciated.

Thank you to you all, and may God richly bless you, for your thoughtful ways. I am so grateful for your recent kindnesses on the passing of my father! As the expression goes, "We are all in this together."



Celebrating a Big Win

Our own seniors Ella Bunten, Mallory Mosbey, and Eva Hermann are all smiles after a big softball win Monday afternoon at City Park, having topped Mt. Carmel 6-1. The game featured stellar pitching and behind-the-plate big action, including aggressive catching! As the winning season soon comes to a close, we shall surely miss these talented parishioner seniors. May God bless them, and all of our wonderful athletes, who thank God for the gifts He gives them!



Daily Mass Scriptures

Monday, May 11, 2026

Acts 16:11-15 / John 15:26—16:4

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

Acts 16:22-34 / John 14:27-31

Wednesday, May 13 2026

(Our Lady of Fatima)

Isaiah 61:9-11 / Luke 27-28

Thursday, May 14, 2026

(St. Matthias, Apostle)

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 / John 15:9-17

Friday, May 15, 2026

Acts 18:9-18 / John 16:20-23

Saturday, May 16, 2026

Acts 18:23-28 / John 16:23-28

Sunday, May 17, 2026

(7th Sunday of Easter)

Reading I - Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Reading II - 1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel - John 14:15-21

Theresa B. Case

It is with deep sympathy we bid our goodbyes to Theresa B. Case, 91, of Flat Rock and Timber Creek Assisted Living. Theresa died on April 25, 2026. A longtime parishioner of St. Elizabeth, and a longtime local school bus driver, Theresa will be greatly missed by family, friends, and neighbors. May she rest in peace!



Weekly Offerings

St. Elizabeth—Week Ending May 3, 2026

Weekly Envelopes: \$1770.00 / Loose Cash: \$1572.00

Building Fund: \$165.00

PushPay weekly: \$510.44

Total: \$ 4017.44

Our Lady of Lourdes-Week ending May 3, 2026

Weekly Envelopes: \$930.00 / Loose Cash: \$ 123.00

Building Fund: \$ 100.00

Total: \$1153.00

Prayer List

Gerry Andert	Fr. Steve Arisman
Diane Baker	Ron Bangert
Anne Batzloff	Joel Beatty
Tony Bierman	Paul Berger
Kathy Blaha	Megan (Burton) Johnson
Annie Calvert	Glenna Camden
Sara Casburn	Scott Chapman
Dave Cooper	Rita Dallmier
Richard Day	Wayne Dix
Eileen Fabris	Harold Goeckner
Michelle Hall	Edward K. Hartrich
Elaine Hasty	Tim Hinterscher
Fred Hott	Jerry Houser
(Genie) Huss-White	Gregor Johnson
Marcia Lawhead	Ralph Mellecker
Jeff Monroney	Greg Mossman
Koert Mehler	Larry Mette
Geri McMillen	Janet Mueller
Mary Uptmor-ODell	Jocelyn Ramsey
Margo Riker	Camilo Rodriguez
Luis F. Rodriguez	Michelle Rollins
Barb Ross	Hailey Ryan
Jennifer Sadler	Fr. Suresh & his family
Fr. Carl Schrage	Perpetua Senglaub
Elijah Shick	Kathy Staller
Cindy Stanley	Linda Stewart
Mike Tracy	Otie Tuttle
Callum White	Ann Williams
Chary Wilson	Kathy Wojkovich
	Linnie York

All in the Armed Forces, and all our First Responders

Quote of the Week

“To the world you are a mother, but to your family you are the world.” — Unknown