

Serving St. Elizabeth Church & Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sunday, October 13, 2024 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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
11:30 am to 1 pm at St. Elizabeth.)

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

R.C.I.A.

The rite 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

Indeed, the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart.

No creature is concealed from him, but everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to whom we must render an account.
(Hebrews 4: 12-13)



Mass Intentions and Schedule

Sat. Oct. 12	4:30pm	Greg Bohman by George and Jane Bohman
Sun. Oct. 13 LOL	7:15am 9:00am 10:45am	Linda Sikorski Margaret and George Schalasky by Frank and Anne Schalasky Francis Medina by Maria and Rito Medina
Mon. Oct. 14		No Mass
Tues. Oct. 15	Noon	Communion Service
Weds. Oct. 16	11:00am	Mass & Adoration/Benediction
Thur. Oct. 17	Noon	Communion Service. Father away for out-of-town funeral (Msgr. Jim O'Shea)
Fri. Oct. 18	Noon	No Mass. Father away (funeral)
Sat. Oct. 19	4:30pm	For All Our Parishioners (No Prior-Mass Confessions)
Sun. Oct. 20 LOL	7:15am 9:00am 10:45am	Melinda Adams Hunt by Steve and Janet Jenkins Father Malley by Ethel Dhom Randy Hatten by Carol Conner

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat., October 19, 2024, 4:30pm

LECTOR: Mary Ann Ryan

USHERS : Steve Ezell and Keith Buercklin

COMMUNION MINISTER: Janet Hill

GIFT BEARERS: Richard Mullins family

Sun., October 20, 2024, 7:15am

LECTOR: Janet Jenkins

USHERS : Dave Holscher and Jim Jaeger

COMMUNION MINISTER: Shari Eckert

ALTAR SERVERS: Nathaniel and Naomi Arkenberg

GIFT BEARERS: Jim Eckert Family

Sun., October 20, 2024, 9:00am, LOL

LECTOR: Anita Kocher

USHERS & GIFTS: Jerry and Sarah Ping

COMMUNION MINISTER: Keith Wirey

ALTAR SERVER: Abigail Davis

Sun., October 20, 2024, 10:45am

LECTOR: Roselene Quick

USHERS: David and Jeannie Veach

COMMUNION MINISTER: Valerie Chapman

ALTAR SERVERS: Brady York

GIFT BEARERS: Stewart Schutte Family

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The dates for the 2024-2025 RCIA classes have been set for the following Tuesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 in the Parish Hall: **October 15 & 22, November 5 & 19, December 3 & 10, January 7 & 14, February 4 & 18, and March 4 & 18.** If you, or someone you know, are interested in becoming Catholic, or if you just want to learn more about the faith, please contact the Parish Office to sign up.

PSR - Parish School of Religion

PSR classes for all Catholic youth in grades K-8 are held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30pm in the Parish Center. Please remember that your child's faith formation is among your **most important jobs as a parent.** Our limited time in the PSR classroom is just a part of your child's Catholic education; **please reinforce the faith at home** through regular Mass attendance, reception of the sacraments, family discussion, and family prayer. Our next PSR class is Wednesday, October 16.

3rd Grade PSR

On **Wednesday, October 16**, at 6:30pm, parents of all 3rd graders are asked to meet in the 3rd grade classroom to review the requirements for receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. Please contact Kathy Staller if you are unable to attend the meeting.

PSR Parade of Saints, October 30th

Parade of Saints, Wednesday October 30: PSR students are asked to dress up as one of their favorite saints for class on Wednesday, October 30. This doesn't have to be fancy! A folded sheet and belt make a nice cloak or robe. A pillowcase makes a good head covering. Saints have come from all walks of life, so costumes can also be made from regular clothes. (Please no costumes other than saint costumes.) We will have all of our "saints" join in a candlelight procession to the church, where we will have a special message from Father David, and then sing the beautiful Litany of the Saints. We will return to the Parish Hall for some fun "saintly" treats and comradery. Parents are invited to join us in the church and also in the Parish Hall for the party. At that time, we will also announce the results of our SOCK-TOBER sock drive at the party, and have a special prize or treat if our parish reaches our goal of 300 pairs of socks! **If any parishioners have saint costumes they would like to donate, please contact Kathy Staller at 618-562-9252. Thank you in advance! This should be a fun and memorable evening!**

Stewardship Reflection

"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (Mark 10:25)

Jesus sometimes uses tough language that we may not want to hear. However, we are all called to be generous with the gifts we've been given. —Not just the ones we pick and choose to share, but with all our gifts, and especially the ones that mean the most to us! We must be intentional about our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries, and our treasure in supporting our local parish and other charities.

SOCKtober SOCK DRIVE

SOCKTOBER is a charitable giving opportunity held in October to supply warm socks for our neighbors in need this fall and winter.

Socks are the most requested, but least donated, item of clothing. Having new socks provides warmth in winter, decreases the likelihood of foot ailments including infections and frostbite, and, in a small way, restores the dignity of recipients.

Your sock donations will be sent to Robinson Clothing Center, Lydia's Closet in Oblong, and other social agencies.

Step # 1 - Purchase a Multi-Pair Package of New Socks—Any size, any style, any color, any brand.

Step # 2 - Bring the unopened package (for size sorting) and place in the box at the back of church through October 20th. Or you can make a donation in an envelope marked "SOCKS" and we'll do the shopping for you!

May God richly bless you for helping those in need!

Prayers for Monsignor Jim O'Shea

Please pray for the soul of Monsignor Jim O'Shea, a beloved priest of our diocese, and former deaconate retreat master for Fr. David. Monsignor was universally respected in the presbyterate—a man of holy contemplation and deep prayer. Note: Fr. David will be away for Monsignor's funeral services, which impacts the daily Mass schedule. Check the parish webpage for daily scheduling updates/changes which supersede bulletin ones.

Letter from the Bishop—World Mission Sunday

October, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On October 20, as we observe World Mission Sunday, we stand in solidarity with the Missions of the Church, to proclaim the salvation of Christ to all nations. Pope Francis reflected on this year's theme: "Go and Invite Everyone to the Banquet" Matthew 22:9. The invitation to the banquet is linked to the Eucharistic table, where believers share the Body and Blood of Christ, anticipating the final Banquet.

Participating in World Mission Sunday is a tangible way for Catholics to live out the Great Commission, bringing the message of Christ to every corner of the earth. It's an expression of solidarity with missionaries and a means to share Christ's love universally.

Founded by French laywoman Blessed Pauline Jaricot in 1822, the Society for the Propagation of the Faith is an essential source of aid for the Church's missionary work. In The United States, we benefited from these donations: up until 1908, we received close to 7 million dollars, the equivalent of over 250 million today. Those dioceses in our country, considered mission territories, continued to receive subsidies. Fairbanks, Alaska, was the last of those dioceses and received its final subsidy payment just last year!

The World Mission Sunday collection assists the Holy Father to meet his Petrine obligation to build up the Church in over 1,100 dioceses and territories that are too young and/or too poor to sustain themselves. Offerings support the formation of seminarians and religious men and women, assist in the construction of schools and orphanages, and enables missionaries to build churches in remote and resource-limited areas, and to meet essential works to proclaim the Gospel and celebrate the Sacraments.

Embodying this year's theme of World Mission Sunday, I urge you to keep your hearts aflame with the word of God, open the eyes of others to Jesus in the Eucharist, and your feet moving inviting everyone to walk together on the path of peace and salvation. Your prayers are invaluable, and your financial support provides life-giving aid to our brothers and sisters in the world's most vulnerable communities.

Gratefully in the Lord,

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, October 14, 2024,

Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1

Gospel, Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Galatians 5:1-6 / Gospel, Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

Galatians 5:18-25 / Gospel, Luke 11:42-46

Thursday, October 17, 2024

Ephesians 1:1-10 / Gospel, Luke 11:47-54

Friday, October 18, 2024

(St. Luke, Evangelist)

Timothy 4:10-17 / Gospel, Luke 10:1-9

Saturday, October 19, 2024

Ephesians 1:15-23 / Gospel Luke 12:8-12

Sunday, October 20, 2024,

29nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I - Isaiah 53:10-11

Reading II - Hebrews 4:14-16

Gospel - Mark 10:35-45

Soup Supper at Our Lady of Lourdes

This weekend Our Lady of Lourdes is hosting a Soup Supper on **Sunday afternoon starting at 4:00 pm** in the OLOL parish hall. Parishioners and friends from Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Elizabeth are warmly invited to enjoy an afternoon of fellowship and homemade soup varieties. Hotdogs will be available. A carry-in of sides or dessert is welcome. We hope to see you there for this special afternoon! Please consider joining us.

Upcoming Meetings

The **St. Elizabeth Finance Council** will be meeting on October 22nd at 6:00 pm. Please try to attend if you are a finance council member.

The next **Men's Prayer Group** meeting is Thursday, October 24th at 6:00pm at the St. Elizabeth parish hall. Please kindly call the office (RSVP) before Tuesday October 22 if you plan to attend, for food-planning purposes.

Thank you.

Cry Room Availability

Again, this is a gentle reminder that occasionally folks sit in St. Elizabeth's Cry Room at weekend Mass who do not have young children with them. Since we have only a limited number of seats there, please keep its seating available for families with little ones—both for their comfort, and for sound-control. Ushers, thank you for doing your part to reserve The Cry Room for its intended purpose, and also for making sure the basement stairwell-guard there is kept secured.

Weekly Offerings

St. Elizabeth

(Week ending Sunday, October 6, 2024)

Envelopes: \$ 2705.00 / Loose: \$ 491.00

Give Central weekly: \$ 615.00

All souls Day: \$ 25.00 / Building Fund: \$ 50.00

Total Deposit: \$ 3886.00

Our Lady of Lourdes

(Week ending Sunday, October 6, 2024)

Envelopes: \$ 720.00 / Loose: \$ 108.00

Building Fund: \$ 120.00

Total Deposit: \$ 948.00

Prayer List

Chuck Adams Jessica Andruch
Anne Batzloff Howard Beagles
Joe Bierman Paul Berger
Megan Burton Randy Butcher
Ryan Calvert Annie Calvert
Sara Casburn Scott Chapman
Nancy Conrad Angela Day
Helen Decker Kristen Eagleson
Eileen Fabris Albert Fehrenbacher
Bishop Garland Edward K. Hartrich
Sue Higginbothan Tim Hinterscher
Reba Holtsman (Genie) Huss-White
Marcia Lawhead Huong Que Le
Jeff Maroney Carol Marshall
Larry Mette Kathleen Myers
Michell's Dad Debbie Nichols
Henry Miles Jocelyn Ramsey
Chuck Reinoehl Margo Riker
Fr. Suresh & his family
Raja Sambaturu Karen Sanders
Judy Schiller Linda Sikorski
Amy Slover Raymond Smith
Rodney Smith Linda Stewart
Tori Thurman Jeremy Warren
Nina Watts Chary Wilson
Ralph Worman

All in the Armed Forces, and all our First Responders.

Spiritual Reflection

"A soul which does not practice the exercise of prayer is very like a paralyzed body which, though possessing feet and hands, makes no use of them."

— St. Alphonsus Liguori —