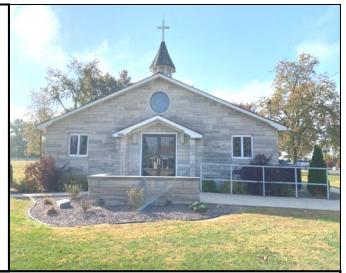




**Serving St. Elizabeth Church &  
Our Lady of Lourdes Church  
Sunday, April 28, 2024  
Fifth Sunday of Easter**



**Father David Beagles  
Pastor**

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*We most warmly welcome  
new parishioners to  
St. Elizabeth Parish:  
Caleb & Jessica Will,  
Daughter Analeigh,  
and their newly baptized  
son, **Cohen Michael Will**  
(April 20, 2024)*

## Mass Intentions and Schedule

Sat. April 27	4:30 pm	Jerrod Luigs by Hugh and Celeste White
Sun. April 28 OLOL	7:15 am 9:00 am 10:45 am	Todd Drake by Kaye Holscher Gary Doolen by Karin Smith Henrietta Stein by George and Jane Bohman
Mon. April 29		No Mass
Tues. April 30	Noon	Communion Service
Wed May 1	11:00am	No Mass — Fr. Funeral Obligation
Thur. May 2	Noon	Communion Service
Fri. May 3	Noon	No Mass—Fr. Gathering of Priests
Sat. May 4	4:30pm	Calberta Goda by George and Jane Bohman
Sun. May 5 OLOL	7:15am 9:00 am 10:45 am	Randy Hatten by Jeff and Linda Rich Juanita Jochim by Ann Kirts Maria Rodriguez by Theresa Zamora

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule

### Saturday, May 4, 4:30pm, 6th Sunday of Easter

LECTOR: Mary Ann Ryan

USHERS & GIFTS: Mark and Cindy Grimm

COMMUNION MINISTER: Bob Koester

ALTAR SERVERS: None

### Sunday, May 5, 2024, 7:15am, 6th Sunday of Easter

LECTOR: Keith Buercklin

USHERS AND GIFTS: Eric Mosbey Family

COMMUNION MINISTER: Jona Uptmor

ALTAR SERVER: Naomi and Natalie Arkenberg

### Sun. May 5, 2024, 9:00am, OLOL, 6th Sunday of Easter

LECTOR: Anita Kocher

USHERS & GIFTS: Don Schmidt and Taylor Blank

COMMUNION MINISTER: Donna Keller

ALTAR SERVER: Abigail Davis

### Sunday, May 5, 2024, 10:45am, 6th Sunday of Easter

LECTOR: Ken Brown

USHERS & GIFTS: Chris and Aimee Weber

COMMUNION MINISTER: Kristin East

ALTAR SERVER: Brady York

## Stewardship Reflection

*"Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth." – 1 JOHN 3:18*

Regarding our Catholic faith, do your actions reflect what it means to be a good disciple? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you **joyful** in parish-life and ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other charitable Church needs? If not, it's never too late to start!

## Parish School of Religion (PSR) News

PSR will meet this week on May 1st. Remaining PSR Class nights are May 1st, and May 8th with an end of year party for all that night.

## Graduating Seniors

Calling all 2024 graduating high school Catholic seniors! We would like to honor you at our yearly Graduation Mass, at the St. Elizabeth 10:45am Mass, on Sunday, May 19th. Please contact the parish office soon at 618-544-7526 and let us know about your attendance along with a short list of your High School Accomplishments. Thank you.



## Our Lady of Lourdes Rosary

For centuries, the Church has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, Mother of God. During this coming Month of May, on Sundays, Our Lady of Lourdes Church will pray at 8:30am the Rosary of Our Blessed Mother prior to 9:00am Mass. Come join us for this wonderful and powerful devotion.



## Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Please support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal this weekend! **Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities.** Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. May God bless you for your kindness. Thank you.

## Cohen Michael Will



## From Father David

My great thanks to those of you abiding by our Cry Room policy mentioned in a prior bulletin. That space is primarily reserved for families with young children. It is a highly limited space, so please, allow it to be reserved for its intended purpose. (Thank you.) Even if folks arriving for Mass see no such young families there, the Cry Room should be kept **available** for them (since some young families with active young children understandably run a bit late).

Please let me be clear. I am not at all suggesting that all young families with young children must sit in the Cry Room. I am only asking that this designated space option be reserved for them, as it was so designed with the window-views, glass noise-modifying doors, and separate sound-system speakers. (I appreciate that our kind ushers do their part in facilitating this policy.)

I also hope for the greater glory of God, that cell phones be carefully controlled in church. We periodically run a bulletin “blurb” about this, and the results and cooperation have been good. Not only should the phone’s ringer be silenced, but also any so-called message prompts and audible notifications. (While some who are slightly hearing-impaired may not notice these prompts, I can assure you other people do—because I hear about it from them!) Friends, nothing is more sacred than The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. We must all do our part to keep the atmosphere in church conducive to sacred worship and prayer.

Having said that, however, let me add that the cooing and laughing/chatty sounds of small children during Mass is **a blessing**, and the sign of real hope in our future as a vibrant parish. I think we all can agree on that, just as we can agree that a complete throwing-a-fit “meltdown” in a child should possibly involve a temporary move to the Cry Room, or even in nice weather briefly to the front portico until things calm.

We are a loving family, all of us united as branches to The Vine, that is Jesus Christ. We are patient with each other and kind, and try to adhere to in-church policies that are practical and loving and reasonable for all. May God continue to bless us in this effort.



## Daily Scripture Readings

### Monday April 29, 2024

Acts 14:5-18 / Gospel, John 14:21-26

### Tuesday April 30, 2024

Acts 14:19-28 / Gospel, John 14:27-31

### Wednesday April 1, 2024

Acts 15:1-6 / Gospel, John 15:1-8

### Thursday May 2, 2024

Acts 15:7-21 / Gospel, John 9-11

### Friday May 3, 2024

1 Corinth. 15:1-8 / Gospel, John 14:6-14

### Saturday May 4, 2024

Acts 16:1-10 / Gospel, John 15:18-21

### 6th Sunday of Easter May 5, 2024

Reading I – Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

Reading II - 1 John 4:7-10

Gospel, John 15:9-17

## Quote of the Week

*The Heavenly sacrifice, instituted by Christ, is the most gracious legacy of his new covenant. On the night he was delivered up to be crucified he left us this gift as a pledge of his abiding presence. This sacrifice is our substance on life's journey; by it we are nourished and supported along the road of life until we depart from this world and make our way to the Lord.*

— St. Gaudentius of Brescia —

## Online thru Give Central

**Give Central** is an online offering platform. Users can access this by the Church website: [www.crawfordcountycatholics.net](http://www.crawfordcountycatholics.net) One can easily choose the donation details wanted, and can always later easily revise their personal plan if desired.

*Thank you to all who consider using this convenient and efficient service.*

## A Buddhist Becomes Catholic

Buddhists make up 1% of the US population, but what about Buddhists who become Catholic? We know the number is relatively tiny, yet **Dive Deep** found one of these converts! Deena Bell of Springfield joins Dive Deep to share her fascinating conversion story from Buddhism to Catholicism. Go to [youtube.com/diospringfield](https://www.youtube.com/diospringfield) or search "Dive Deep" on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe. Dive Deep is the podcast of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.

## Weekly Offerings

### **St. Elizabeth (Week ending Sunday, April 21, 2024)**

Envelopes: \$ 3220.00

Loose: \$ 374.00

Give Central: \$ 185.00

Total Deposit: \$ 3779.00

### **Our Lady of Lourdes (Week ending April 21, 2024)**

(To be announced next week)

## Prayer List

Chuck Adams Anne Batzloff  
Joe Bayless Howard Beagles  
Paul Berger Megan Burton  
Randy Butcher Ryan Calvert  
Annie Calvert Scott Chapman  
Nancy Conrad Norman Dillingham  
Hong Do Kristen Eagleson  
Eileen Fabris Bishop Benjamin Garland  
Edward K. Hartrich Donna Henry  
Sue Higginbotham Tim Hinterscher  
(Genie) Huss-White Marcia Lawhead  
Huong Que Le Jeff Maroney  
Carol Marshall Larry Mette  
Kathleen Myers Mitchell's Dad  
Debbie Nichols Henry Miles  
Nancy Ping Jocelyn Ramsey  
Chuck Reinoehl Margo Riker  
Fr. Suresh & his family Karen Sanders  
Judy Schiller Linda Sikorski  
Carole Skaggs Amy Slover  
Rodney Smith Linda Stewart  
Jeremy Warren Nina Watts  
Chary Wilson Ralph Worman

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

