

Serving St. Elizabeth Church & Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sunday, March 9, 2025 First Sunday in Lent



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Office Hours:

Monday and Friday: 8:00am to Noon

Tuesday — Thursday:
8:00am to noon ~ 1:00pm to 4:00pm

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.)

Please consult parish webpage 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

1st Sunday of Lent

*"I have now brought you the first fruits
of the products of the soil which you, O
Lord, have given to me."*

- Deuteronomy 26:10

This line from The Old Testament offers
two challenges. First, do you give to God
from your "first fruits" – the first and best
that you have to offer? Or do you give
from what you have left over?

Second, do you realize that everything
you have and that everything you are has
been given to you by God? We aren't
owners of anything. We are merely



Mass Intentions and Schedule

Sat. Mar.8	4:30pm 7:15am	Favorable Weather JoAnn Shepherd by Mary Beth and Preston Reilly
Sun. Mar.9 LOLO	9:00am 10:45am	In Memory of Sylvia Skaggs Jacob Foster by Abigail Foster
Mon.Mar.10		NO Mass
Tue. Mar. 11	Noon	Nick Spencer by Patti and Keith Buercklin
Wed.Mar12	11:00am	Delores Gonzack by Abigail and Jacob Foster
Thur.Mar13	Noon	No Mass (Prison Mass)
Fri. Mar. 14	Noon	Brendan Grimm by Barb Grimm
Sat. Mar. 15	4:30pm	Cynthia Kincaid by Carol Ryan
Sun. Mar. 16 LOLO	7:15am 9:00am 10:45am	Favorable Weather Sharon Sayles by Stacia and Keith Matson Patrick Goda by George and Jane Bohman

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

March 16, 2025, 1st Sunday of Lent

Sat., March 15, 2025, 4:30pm

LECTOR: Mary Anne Ryan

USHERS: Rich Mullins Family

COMMUNION MINISTER: Bob Koester

ALTAR SERVERS: Gavin and Dawson Tuel

GIFT BEARERS: Jack Watts Family

Sun., March 16, 2025, 7:15am

LECTOR: Janet Jenkins

USHERS: Travis Rich Family

COMMUNION MINISTER: Shari Eckert

ALTAR SERVERS: Naomi and Natalie Arkenberg

GIFT BEARERS: Travis Rich Family

Sun., March 16, 2025, 9:00am, OLOL

LECTOR: Anita Kocher

USHERS & GIFTS: Chris and Donna Keller

COMMUNION MINISTER: Bob Coffman

ALTAR SERVER: Emma Davis

Sun., March 16, 2025, 10:45am

LECTOR: Kristin East

USHERS: Jim and Maria Morris

COMMUNION MINISTER: Valerie Chapman

SERVER: Brady York and Ali Myers

GIFT BEARERS: Jim and Maria Morris

PSR and PSR Fellowship Dinner

Our next **PSR class** is Wednesday, March 12. The next **PSR fellowship dinner** is that same evening, 5:45-6:30 pm. The menu is chicken and noodles, green beans, and rolls. Families are welcome to bring desserts or side dishes to share. This is about fellowship and fun as much as the food!

Stations of the Cross, (PSR and Weekly)

Praying with the Stations of the Cross is spiritually powerful! Please consider adding this devotion, especially during Lent. Great blessings and graces can flow from it. We have scheduled Stations for the **PSR** classes (4th Grade—8th) for Wednesday April 9th.

St. Elizabeth has Stations set for 11:15 on Fridays, except on Good Friday.

Our Lady of Lourdes has Stations set for 5:00 pm on every Friday of Lent.

Our Lord suffered and died for us. Praying the Stations is a great way to remember His supreme sacrifice.



Lenten Penance Service

Reconciliation is a great way to prepare for Easter, and of course the Church requires Catholics to attend the sacrament at least once a year. We will host a **Lenten Penance Service on Thursday, March 13 at 5:30pm at St. Elizabeth**. We hope a trio of priests will be available for confessions. We hope to be finished within a time-frame so we can host the visiting priests to a meal before their return commute. To facilitate the timing, we may share a group "Act of Contrition" at the start while folks are still in their pews, before the priests go to their separate stations within the church. Might you please consider joining us?

Diocesan Mandatory

"Annual Meeting" Gathering of Priests

I must be away soon, starting Tuesday, March 18. I plan to be back by the fish fry on the 21st. The gathering includes The Corporate Meeting of all the priests with the bishop. There is a lot of diocesan business, prayer, and fellowship in the Lord we all strive to serve. Thank you for safe-travel prayers, and that all goes well at this important gathering in Collinsville. The parishes will certainly be remembered in my humble prayers in my brief time away.

Fr. David

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, March 10, 2025,

Leviticus 19:1-2 / Gospel, Matthew 25:31-46

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

Isaiah 55:10-11 / Gospel, Matthew 6:7-15

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

Jonah 3:1-10 / Gospel, Luke 11:29-32

Thursday, March 13, 2025

Esther Chap C:12,14-16,23-25 / Gospel, Matt 7:7-12

Friday, March 14, 2025

Ezekiel 18:21-28 / Gospel, Matthew 5:20-26

Saturday, March 15, 2025

Deut. 26:16-19 / Gospel, Matthew 5:43-48

Sunday, March 16, 2025,

(2nd Sunday of Lent)

Reading I - Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

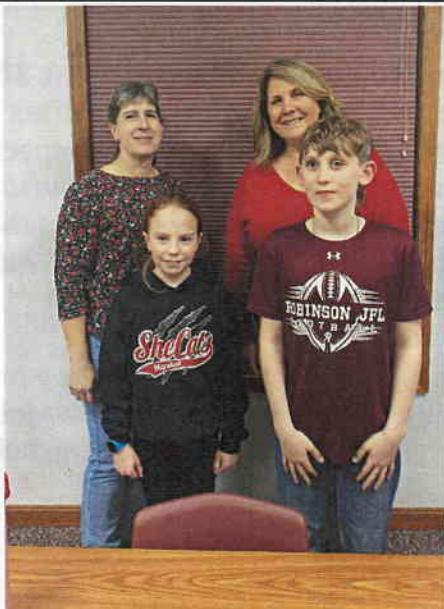
Reading II - Philippians 3:17—4:1

Gospel - Luke 9:28-36

N.O.W. Soup Supper

The NOW program (Nutrition On Weekends) is holding a fundraising Soup Supper on March 12th from 5:30—7:30 pm at the First United Methodist Church: 201 W. Walnut Street, Robinson. All Funds raised go to their Community Garden. Carry out is available.

Last PSR Picture in Our Series



5th Grade

Teachers: Valerie Hermann, Kathy Staller
Students: Naomi Arkenberg, Gavin Tuel

Weekly Offerings

St. Elizabeth

Week ending 3-2-25

Weekly Envelopes: \$3657.00 / Loose: \$ 427.00

Building Fund \$ 55.00/ Rice Bowl: \$ 55.00

Immaculate Conception: \$10.00

Church in Central/Eastern Europe: \$55.00

Votive Candles: \$ 1000.00

Pushpay Online: \$ 257.64 / Total Deposit: \$ 5516.64

Our Lady of Lourdes

Week ending 3-2-25

Weekly Envelopes: \$1290.00 / Loose: \$104.00

Central & Eastern Europe: \$ 10.00

Votive Candles: \$22.00 / Building Fund:\$140.00

Total: \$1566.00

Prayer List

Jessica Andruch	Fr. Steve Arisman
Anne Batzloff	Howard Beagles
Tony Bierman	Joe Bierman
Paul Berger	Megan Burton
Ryan Calvert	Annie Calvert
Sara Casburn	Bob Catt
Scott Chapman	Nancy Conrad
Angela Day	Linda Dillingham
Kristen Eagleson	Eileen Fabris
Joe Ferris	Edward K. Hartrich
Tim Hinterscher	(Genie) Huss-White
Gregor Johnson	Marcia Lawhead
Doug Lawson	Huong Que Le
Jeff Monroney	Gregg Mossman
Carol Marshall	Larry Mette
Michell's Dad	Henry Miles
Jocelyn Ramsey	Ellen Rees
Chuck Reinoehl	Margo Riker
Jennifer Sadler	Fr. Suresh & his family
Karen Sanders	Fr. Carl Schrage
Judy Schiller	Nick Spencer
Elijah Shick	Amy Slover
Chelsey Steeno	Linda Stewart
Jeremy Warren	Nina Watts
Nicholas Williams	Chary Wilson
Kathy Wojkovich	Ralph Worman

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

Marian Quote

She (Mary) is his mystic channel;
She is his aqueduct, through which he makes
his mercies flow gently and abundantly.

— St. Louis de Montfort

Fish Fries

Mark your Calendar for the Friday March 21, 28 and April 4 Fish Fries. Spread the word and get ready for helping, or just attending if you are unable to work. There's still time to sign-up and to work for various jobs and calendar dates (Call Rhonda Stone at 618-553-2335). Once again we will be having a drive-thru option on the east side of the hall (Webster Street). Or of course you can come on in to eat, relax, and meet up with friends in the parish hall!
Serving hours: 4:00 -7:00 pm.

Prices: \$15.00 adult, and \$7.50 kids (12 and under)

The menu is :

Fried Fish, Shrimp, or combo, coleslaw, baked potato, corn bread, Lenten baked beans, condiments and drinks (if eating in). There is also a kids' fish meal and a side option of a hot dog and chips.

Stay tuned for more information on these special Lenten Fish Fries, a vital fundraiser for us! Thank you so much!



Lenten Regulations

All the Christian Faithful are urged to develop and maintain a voluntary program of self-denial (in addition to the Lenten Regulations which follow): serious prayer and the performing of deeds of charity and mercy, including the giving of alms.

Abstinence — Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting — Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Good Friday. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.

To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is sinful. (Info from *Catholic Times*, used with permission.)

Letter from Bishop Paprocki

February, 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

Catholic Charities has a rich history of providing vital services and hope to God's people in need. In 2025, Catholic Charities will celebrate its 100-year anniversary of bringing relief and providing advocacy for the poor, sick, hungry, and weary every day throughout our diocese.

Every year, Catholic Charities serves thousands of our brothers and sisters in desperate situations throughout our 28-county diocese. This service comes in the form of meeting basic needs such as food, clothing, housing and medical/dental assistance as well as providing long term professional services in social work, counseling, guardianship and legal assistance. Everyone who is helped by Catholic Charities is treated with dignity and respect and provided a path to hope and healing.

Catholic Charities has been able to provide these services over the last century through the ongoing generosity of people like you—donors, staff, volunteers, board members, and organizations coming together to support the mission.

Thank you for your continued support of Catholic Charities to ensure God's love and mercy is extended to all of his children.

During the weekend of March 15/16, 2025, the annual collection for Catholic Charities will again be held throughout our diocese. This special centennial year, I challenge you to continue to support Catholic Charities as they carry out their mission to be the hands and feet of Jesus to our neighbors in need.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

