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Serving St. Elizabeth & Our Lady of Lourdes

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Music Director : Chris Jansen, St. Elizabeth

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday: 8:00 am—4:00 pm

Parish Office

Closed for lunch: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass at St. Elizabeth:

Tuesday - 12:05 pm

Wednesday—Friday 7:30 am

Saturday Vigil at St. Elizabeth 4:30 pm

Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes 9:00 am

Sunday Mass at St. Elizabeth 7:30 and 10:30 am

PARISH REGISTRATION

New parishioners are always welcome!

You may register in person or by calling the Parish Center.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays at St. Elizabeth 3:45 pm

Or by appointment

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Center for registration and reservation.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Parishioners who are seriously or critically ill or having surgery, please contact Father Aloy.

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 Center for additional information.

Sunday, May 10, 2015 Sixth Sunday of Easter Happy Mother's Day



Pictured with Fr. Aloy from left to right: Chandler Childress, Cameron Davis, and Ava Patchett at Our Lady of Lourdes.



Pictured with Fr. Aloy from top left to right: Gerardo Kilgore, Kifer Stevens, Angel Avila, and Braden Hatfield. Bottom left to right: Lauren Staller, Taytum Beisner, and LilyAnn Mullins at St. Elizabeth. Josh Quick front left & Courtney Ferris back right.



Mass Intentions

May 9	4:30 pm	Kevin Murray by The Murray Family
May 10	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	Wilsie Roche by Terry & Lynne Roche Perry & Jamie Ping by the Ping Family For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy
May 11		NO MASS
May 12	12:05 pm	John Rooney by Anne Loy
May 13	7:30 am	Annette Barszcz by Patricia Janezich Dennis & Talbot
May 14	7:30 am	Mattie & Grady Hays by lone Lopiccola
May 15	7:30 am	Ed Halter by Jim & Shari Eckert & Family
May 16	4:30 pm	Annette Barszcz by Patricia Janezich Dennis & Talbot
May 17	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	Betty Uptmor by Mike & Jona Uptmor Ben & Evelyn Huber by Patricia Dunlap Marcella Butte by Chad & Chris Arkenberg



Ministry Schedule

May 16-17, 2015

<u>4:30 pm</u>	LECTOR:	Mary Jo Bonham
	USHERS:	Teresa & Gene Gower
	COMMUNION MIN:	Marylin & Jack Stanley, Ginger Osborne
	SERVERS:	Abby Mullins, Ty Mullins
	GIFTS:	Griffin Family
<u>7:30 am</u>	LECTOR:	Janet Jenkins
	USHERS:	Jona & Mike Uptmor
	COMMUNION MIN:	Joe Hepner, Jim & Shari Eckert
	SERVERS:	Melissa Jenkins, Sarah Rynke
	GIFTS:	Eckert Family
<u>9:00 am</u>	LECTOR:	Anita Kocher
	USHERS:	Keith & Rita Wirey
	COMMUNION MIN:	Keith & Stacie Matson
	SERVERS:	Kayla Matson
	GIFTS:	Dhom Family
<u>10:30 am</u>	LECTOR:	Gerie Ezell
	USHERS:	Roselene Quick, Sam Quick
	COMMUNION MIN:	Jane Bohman, Eileen Hartrich, Matthew Hartrich
	SERVERS:	Chase Knoblett, Cody York
	GIFTS:	Ken & Carol Bergbower
		St. Elizabeth Collection Counters
		May: Kay Pescatore, Kaye Holscher, Carol Zellars

Prayer Requests

Please remember the following in your prayers:
Patti Ackerman, Theresa Bowen, Kevin Boyd, Jane Brown, Lori Brown, Bobbie Cheesman, Amie Cornwell, Ben Curtis, Pastor Sheila Ducommon, Lon Estep, Daniel Ferguson, Jason Genta, Jeanie H., Pat Hanson, Daniel Hatfield, Judy Hester, Mildred Hinterscher, Jared Holmes, Nancy Huber, Charlie Hryniewicz, George Inboden, Ira Inboden, Kevin Kirk, MaDonna Kirts, Kimberly Knapp, Emma Kocher, Donna McIntire, Rick McKinley, Bill Meirink, Danny Miller, Sam Mitchell, Val Pescatore, Brice Reed & family, Chuck Reinoehl, Angie Rhoten, Mary Rogers, Arlene Schutte, Marian Scott, Billy Skaggs, John Skaggs, Judy Smolinski, Lorraine Snerecky, John Stedelin, Linda Wedge-Stephens, Mike & Isabella & Nolan Stephens, Pamela Stephenson, Nolan (Butch) Stewart, Linda Stewart, Cherie Stewart, Bertha Taylor, Mark Wagner, Becky VanSchoyck, Ginny Varner, Bill Wilson and all the men & women in the armed forces.

Parish School of Religion (PSR) News

Please don't forget to bring your child to Solomon's Island on **May 11, 2015** for the PSR Bash. **The Annual PSR Bash will be held at Solomon's Island Family Adventure on Mon. May 11, 2015 from 6:00 pm—8:00 pm.** Pizza & soft drinks will be provided. Students may bring money for additional concession snacks. Must be a Preschool through 7th grade student enrolled in PSR in order to attend. Parent must remain with your children during this time.

The annual "**Graduation Mass**" to honor all high school seniors will take place on **May 24, 2015** during the **10:30 am** Mass at St. Elizabeth. If you have a child that is graduating from high school this year, please contact the Parish Center to add his or her name to the list of those being honored.

Protecting God's Children Class

Protecting God's Children Class will be held on **Wednesday, May 13, 2015 from 6:00 pm—8:00 pm** in the Parish Center. All Parents are invited to attend and any Parent/Chaperone going on the Youth Pilgrimage will need to complete the training. All new Volunteers need to complete this course.

Happy Mother's Day 2015



Shepherd News

Scriptural Reflections

A closer examination of our reading from the Acts of the Apostles show that, Cornelius, an officer in the Roman army, was at prayer when a messenger from God appeared to him, directing him to invite Simon Peter into his home (Acts 10:1-8). Peter likewise received a vision, preparing him for the invitation he would receive from Cornelius (Acts 10:9-23). As soon as Peter enters the house, Cornelius honors him with a profound gesture of respect. Peter's response to Cornelius testifies to the profound change in him. Once hesitant to speak to gentiles, the apostle now understands there are no boundaries to God's grace. He regards Cornelius as a man just like himself, in need of God's saving grace. Peter explains that he now knows anyone on earth is acceptable to God if that person "fears God and acts uprightly."

Peter's words are confirmed even as he is speaking. The Holy Spirit comes down on all those in the household of Cornelius as they listen to the apostle. Jewish Christians in Peter's company are stunned at this. It seems they were still struggling to move beyond the boundary they assumed stood between them and gentiles. But now they hear this gentile household speaking in tongues and giving glory to God. Peter helps his companions progress in their thinking. He proposes that Cornelius and his household receive the waters of Baptism since God has already gifted them with the Holy Spirit.

Our Gospel reading today begins with a reaffirmation of the mutual love shared between the Father and the Son. The community shares and abides

in this love through its relationship with Jesus. This relationship is demonstrated by the community keeping the Father's commandments. Now Jesus specifies a precise commandment. In Jn 13:34, this commandment is designated as "new." It is also intimately connected with the act of foot washing that Jesus does for his disciples.

This commandment mandates that the followers of Jesus must love one another as Jesus has loved them. Just how he has loved them was demonstrated symbolically in the washing of the feet. There he became an equal to his disciples, serving them by washing their feet. His ultimate loving service will occur when he dies for them and all on the cross. Thus, the followers of Jesus are to love one another as loving friends, willing to serve one another with their lives. This mutual love will keep alive in the community the love Jesus has for his followers after his death.

Jesus further explains the love involved in laying down one's life for a friend. This new relationship with Jesus (friends) is a direct result of their mutual love imitating the love shared between the Father and the Son. This new relationship with Jesus also means that his followers know what Jesus knows about the Father. This is what it means to share friendship with Jesus. At this point, Jesus reminds his followers that all this has happened because of his own initiative. This is not something that the disciples merited on their own.

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Catholic Communication Campaign

May 17th will be the Catholic Communication Campaign Collection. We live in a world of new media & digital networks. Following the call to Jesus to spread the gospel in today's world requires the use of countless ways to deliver the message. The Catholic Communications Campaign is a worldwide effort to teach & preach the Good News. Thank you in advance for your generosity to this collection.

Vigil for Life

St. Aloysius, Bishop Creek, will host the **May 18th** prayer Vigil for Life. Father Joe Carlos, pastor will be celebrant of the 6:30 pm Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Praying the rosary will begin at 6:00 pm. The 7:30 pm business meeting will be conducted in the Parish Center. Everyone is urged to join us in prayer for an end to abortion.

Mom's Group

Mom's Group meets on Friday's 9:00 am — 10:30 am



CCW Garage Sale

The Annual C.C.W. Garage Sale will be held on **Friday, May 22nd, 2015 at 8:00 am—4:00 pm & Saturday, May 23rd from 8:00 am—12 noon** at the Parish Hall. This is our major fundraiser as well as service to our community. We will accept items for the sale beginning Thursday, May 7th. Items should be clean, in working condition or gently used. Clean your closets, basement and garage, your "stuff" could be

Confirmation of Catechized Catholics

Confirmation of Catechized Catholics, **May 24, 2015** - Following the directives established by Bishop Paprocki, adult Catholics who are catechized but not confirmed are invited to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield on **Pentecost Sunday, May 24, 2015, at 2:00 p.m.**

Retired Diocesan Priests Pentecost

Sun. May 24th, will be the collection for the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection. This collection is to meet the immediate retirement and health care needs of our priests. Please be generous in your gifts.

Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, May 25, 2015** for the Memorial Day Holiday. We will re-open on Tuesday, May 26, 2015.

Father Son Holiness Adventure & Pilgrimage

Father Son Holiness Adventure and Pilgrimage - Want to meet Fr. Barron, go canoeing, go-carting, play laser-tag, learn about WWII fighter planes and eat at a Brazilian steakhouse? How about visit an apparition site of Our Lady or a chapel where many prayers for healing have been answered? The registration deadline is **May 31, 2015**. Reserve your spot by going to: <http://dio.org/familylife/events.html> before all the seats are filled

Marriage Challenges? Retrouvaille

(a French word meaning rediscovery) is a program to help couples heal & renew their marriages that offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage relationship. It has helped thousands of couples with marital problems & crises, even couples who are separated and divorced. The next program begins with the weekend of **June 5-7, 2015**. For further information, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Fortnight for Freedom

Please mark your calendars and save the date to join Bishop Paprocki at the Springfield Capitol for a prayer service during the Fortnight for Freedom on **Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at 12:00 noon**

Year of Mercy~Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Year of Mercy – Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - Pope Francis has called for a year of mercy beginning on **December 8, 2015**. Our Holy Father suggests a pilgrimage as a way to live this holy year. A pilgrimage to the place where Jesus walked and preached and modeled the mercy of the Father is a beautiful beginning to a Year of Mercy. Details on a pilgrimage sponsored by our diocese can be found

May is Rosary Month

During the month of May at all masses at St. Elizabeth's & OLOL's, the Rosary will be prayed 25 min. before Mass.

Annual Catholic Services Appeal

2014 Parish Goals

St. Elizabeth

The goal for St. Elizabeth is \$22,520.00
Amount pledged to date: \$23,863.00
Amount paid to date: \$20,613.00
Pledge balance: \$3,250.00

Our Lady of Lourdes

The goal for Our Lady of Lourdes is \$3,799.00
Amount pledged to date: \$2,300.00
Amount paid to date: \$2,110.00
Pledge balance: \$190.00

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This information current as of 04-09-2015 Parish Master Report

Liturgical Ministry Contacts

St. Elizabeth Parish

Readers: Eileen Hartrich 544-8251
Servers: Father Aloy 544-7526
Art & Environment: Robb Sparks 546-5606
Usher: Ron Mitchell

Our Lady of Lourdes

Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers: Keith Wirey 592-4179
Music & Liturgy: Dorla Shook 592-3893
Servers: Father Aloy 544-7526

Weekly Collection

St. Elizabeth ~ Sunday, May 3, 2015

Envelopes ~ \$2,832.00
Loose Offering ~ \$365.10
Youth Pilgrimage ~ \$120.00 Online ~ \$50.00
Catholic Home Missions Appeal ~ \$15.00 envelopes
Retired Priests ~ \$100.00
Building Fund ~ \$80.00 Caritas ~ \$75.00
Total Offering ~ \$3,637.10

Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sunday, May 3, 2015

Envelopes ~ \$765.00
Loose Offering ~ \$105.00
Youth Pilgrimage ~ \$40.00
Building Fund ~ \$35.00
Total Offering ~ \$945.00

May God bless each and every one of you.

www.GiveCentral.org or go to the Church Website and click on **Donate**. You can donate to whatever collection you would like to. All monies donated go directly to St. Elizabeth.

Please attend weekly Mass