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Serving St. Elizabeth & Our Lady of Lourdes

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PASTORAL STAFF

Secretary: Halena Estep
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Parish Outreach Volunteer: Eileen Hartrich
Custodial Care: Rita Wirey, Our Lady of Lourdes
Custodial Care: Katrena Burton, St. Elizabeth
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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.

April 5, 2015

Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of the Lord



“Christ, the Lord, Is
Risen Today!
Alleluia!”



Mass Intentions

Apr. 4	8:00 pm	Vigil Mass-St. Elizabeth RCIA Candidates
Apr. 5	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	Florence Huss by Tom Huss Friends & Family of Francis & Anne Schalasky by Anne Schalasky For All Parishioners by Fr. Aloy
Apr. 6		NO MASS
Apr. 7	12:05 pm	Gladys Rooney by Anne Loy
Apr. 8	7:30 am	Harry Wong by Karen Sanders
Apr. 9	7:30 am	Lillierose Myers by Katrena Myers
Apr. 10	7:30 am	Harry Wong by Ione Lopiccicolo
Apr. 11	4:30 pm	Harry Wong by Karen Sanders
Apr. 12	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	William Loy by Anne Loy For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy Ralph & Johanna Marshall by Chad & Chris Arkenberg



Ministry Schedule

April 11-12, 2015

<u>4:30 pm</u>	LECTOR:	Jack Stanley
	USHERS:	Carol & Ken Bergbower
	COMMUNION MIN:	Linda Reis, Celeste White, Ginger Osborne
	SERVERS:	Cody York, Xavier Brown
	GIFTS:	Baird Family
<u>7:30 am</u>	LECTOR:	Kathy Harris
	USHERS:	Carol Zellars, Stewart Schutte
	COMMUNION MIN:	Marylin & Jack Stanley, Mike Dorn
	SERVERS:	Samuel Eckert, Jacob Eckert
	GIFTS:	Laurie Jenkins Family
<u>9:00 am</u>	LECTOR:	Jim Ping
	USHERS:	Richard & Anita Kocher
	COMMUNION MIN:	Nellie Schalasky, Keith Matson
	SERVERS:	Kayla Matson
	GIFTS:	Wilson Family
<u>10:30 am</u>	LECTOR:	Katie Zdanowski
	USHERS:	Chris Weber, Ken Deters
	COMMUNION MIN:	Jane Bohman, Phyllis Inboden, Roselene Quick
	SERVERS:	David Staller, Sarah Staller
	GIFTS:	James & Maria Morris

St. Elizabeth Collection Counters

April: Rhonda Stone, Karen Reinoehl, Janet Mitchell

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, George Inboden, Ira Inboden, MaDonna Kirts, Kimberly Knapp, Emma Kocher, Donna McIntire, Rick McKinley, Bill Meirink, Danny Miller, Sherry Mitchell, Sherri Murray, Dr. John Newlin, Val Pescatore, Brice Reed & family, Angie Rhoten, Jason Richardville, Mary Rogers, Ellis Sanders, 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

PSR Wed. Apr. 8, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

First Communion Interviews April 9 and April 10

First Reconciliation April 15 6:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth

First Communion Banner Workshop April 19 2:00-3:00 p.m. in the Parish Center

Easter Egg Hunt Winners 2015



Winners from left to right are Kifer Stevens, Ella Mosbey, Jared Hermann, Evan Ferris, Alex Hermann and Abby Ferris.
Thanks to everyone who participated in the Easter Egg Hunt and to everyone who donated candy and prizes for the hunt.

Please attend weekly Mass

Shepherd News

Scriptural Reflections

On this Easter Sunday, we have an unlikely reading of the New Testament scriptural passage for both our first and second reading. In the first reading, Peter preaches for the first time to a gentile audience. God had prepared the apostle for this through visions. When Peter entered the house, Cornelius showed him great respect. But Peter declined any special honors, explaining that he, too, was only a mortal man and that God had given him the strength to move beyond boundaries that Jewish tradition would have set for him. Once again, the Spirit of God moves the early Church in new directions.

Peter begins, not with references to Scripture, but with a review of what was probably known of Jesus on a popular level. It started with the preaching of the Baptist about the one coming after him who would be greater because he would baptize, not with water, but with the Holy Spirit and power. John's words were fulfilled in Jesus of Nazareth. Peter mentions specifically that Jesus did good and healed those oppressed by the devil. Peter and others were witnesses to all of this. Then comes the shocking announcement that some in Jerusalem put Jesus to death by hanging him on a tree—the fate of criminals.

But death is not the end of Peter's message. He was also one of those God chose in advance to witness the Lord raised from the dead after the third day. His privileged mission now is to preach that Jesus is Lord and judge of the living and the dead. All who believe in Jesus receive forgiveness of sin through his name. This great gift of healing is now extended to the household

of Cornelius.

In the Gospel of John, Mary of Magdala is the first one to discover that the tomb of Jesus is empty. What she sees is that the stone has been removed from the tomb. She does not look inside the tomb. Instead, she immediately runs to tell Peter and the other disciple. Her immediate conclusion is that someone has stolen Jesus' body from the tomb. She does not think that he has been raised from the dead.

Both Peter and the other disciple run to the tomb. It is interesting that there seems to be competition to see who arrives at the tomb first. The other disciple wins the race, but when he gets there, he only looks into the tomb. He does not go in. All he sees are the burial cloths, but no body. Even though he is not the first to arrive at the gravesite, Peter is the first to go into the tomb. He saw the same thing that the other disciple saw—with the added detail that the head covering was rolled up and put in a separate place. This indicates that whatever happened in that tomb was deliberate.

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Operation Rice Bowl

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) for Operation Rice Bowl will take up their collection on **Easter Sun. Apr. 5th.**

Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on Mon. Apr. 6, 2015 for Easter Monday. We will re-open on Tues. Apr. 7th.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who purchased the youth group "In the Footsteps of Francis Tour 2015" tee shirts. You will be notified of the date when the shirts may be picked up in the Parish center. Your purchase supports the youth pilgrimage.

A Special Thanks

A special thanks to Shari Eckert for her help to us in the Parish Office the past two weeks.

Special Thanks for Prayers

I would like to say "thanks" to all that prayed for Lon Estep over the past several weeks. He is home now recovering still from acute pancreatitis that sent him into renal failure. He is getting better daily and we know it is because of all the prayers for him. God bless you all for your prayers to our family. Halena Estep

Italy Pilgrimage

Hosted by Fr. Joe Carlos, O.F.M.

11 Days: November 2-12, 2015

Celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the

Catholic Church at Bishop Creek

\$3299 per person from Chicago

(Air/land tour price is \$2669 plus \$630 govt. taxes/airline fuel surcharges)

Visit Rome, Assisi, Florence, and Venice with Vatican City and a PAPAL AUDIENCE

TELEPHONE: 217-925-5788 OR

EMAIL: joecarlosld3@hotmail.com

Have a Happy and safe Easter.



Plight of Christian Communities in the Middle East and North Africa

Plight of Christian Communities in the Middle East and North Africa - The World Affairs Council of Illinois co-sponsored by the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois and the Jewish Federation of Springfield, Illinois presents the *Plight of Christian Communities in the Middle East and North Africa* on **April 13, 2015**. The dinner begins at 6:15 p.m., U of I Springfield PAC restaurant. The program begins at 7:30 p.m., U of I Springfield, Brookens Auditorium. Presenter is Dexter Van Zile. Reservations for dinner are required. Program is free and open to the public. For dinner reservations telephone Michael Plog, 217-793-2509 or email

Catholic Home Missions

There will be a Second Collections for the Catholic Home Missions on **Sunday, April 26, 2015**. Thank you in advance for your generosity to this collection.

Mid-Life Singles

Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s): register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at King's House Retreat Center, Belleville, IL (20 min from downtown St. Louis, MO), on **April 17-19, 2015**. Cost is just \$185 for meals and a single room. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Call (312) 532-8286, e-mail reflect.stlouis@gmail.com, or visit www.ReflectRetreat.com for details.

Up-coming Meetings

St. Elizabeth will be having the regular quarterly meeting-the **Pastoral Council Meeting** on **Thurs. Apr. 30, 2015 at 5:00 pm.** at Our Lady of Lourdes.

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.**

Mom's Group Friday's 9:00 am-10:30 a.m. at the Parish Hall.

Annual Catholic Services Appeal

2014 Parish Goals

St. Elizabeth

The goal for St. Elizabeth is \$22,520.00
Amount pledged to date: \$20,913.00
Amount paid to date: \$20,138.00
Pledge balance: \$775.00

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: \$1,995.00
Pledge balance: \$305.00

Updated 03-11-2015

This information current as of 03-09-2015 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, March 29, 2015

Envelopes ~ \$1,801.00
Loose Offering ~ \$386.93
Caritas ~ \$30.00
Youth Pilgrimage ~ \$230.00
Palm Sunday ~ \$805.00
Online ~ \$50.00
Total Offering ~ \$3302.93

Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sunday, March 29, 2015

Envelopes ~ \$450.00
Loose Offering ~ \$93.50
Building Fund ~ \$20.00
Operation Rice Bowl ~ \$35.00
Palm Sunday Offering ~ \$200.00
Youth Pilgrimage ~ \$60.00
Total Offering ~ \$858.50

**Thank you for your generous offering.
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.