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Serving St. Elizabeth & Our Lady of Lourdes

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PASTORAL STAFF

Secretary: Halena Estep
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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.

Sun. Aug. 30, 2015
22nd Sunday in
Ordinary Time



All good giving and every perfect
gift is from above, coming down
from the Father of lights, with whom
there is no alteration or shadow
caused by change.

James 1:17



Mass Intentions

Aug. 29	4:30 pm	Harry Wong by Charles & Judy Eckert
Aug. 30	7:30 am	Samuel Lopiccolo by Ione Lopiccolo
	9:00 am	For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy
Aug. 31	10:30 am	Ralph Wagner by Carol Wong NO MASS
Sept. 1	12:05 pm	Michael Ndeaneafu by Fr. Aloy
Sept. 2	7:30 am	Harry Wong by the Murray Family
Sept. 3	7:30 am	Ed Halter by the Murray Family
Sept. 4	7:30 am	Kevin Murray by the Murray Family
First Friday of the Month Mass OLOL	5:30 pm	Jeanne Brietweiser by Leona Kocher
Sept. 5	4:30 pm	Joetta & Patrick Goda by George & Jane Bohman
Sept. 6	7:30 am	Harry Wong by Clarence & Arlene Schutte
	9:00 am	For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy
	10:30 am	Patrick Goda by George & Jane Bohman



Ministry Schedule

September 5-6, 2015

<u>4:30 pm</u>	LECTOR: Karen Sanders
	USHERS: Karen Sanders, Dennis Carroll
	COMMUNION MIN: Linda Reis, Celeste White, Ginger Osborne
	SERVERS: Lukas Baird, Logan Baird
	GIFTS: Ed & Linda Reis
<u>7:30 am</u>	LECTOR: Dave Jenkins
	USHERS: Marylin & Jack Stanley
	COMMUNION MIN: Joe Hepner, Jona Uptmor, Jim Eckert
	SERVERS: Samuel Eckert, Matthew Jenkins
	GIFTS: Mosbey Family
<u>9:00 am</u>	LECTOR: Val Pescatore
	USHERS: Richard & Anita Kocher
	COMMUNION MIN: Keith Matson, Nellie Schalasky
	SERVERS: Ethan Matson
	GIFTS: Matson Family
<u>10:30 am</u>	LECTOR: Eileen Hartrich
	USHERS: Ron & Janet Mitchell
	COMMUNION MIN: Jack Stanley, Phyllis Inboden Roselene Quick
	SERVERS: Ian Quick, Sam Quick
	GIFTS: Knoblett Family

Collection Counters: *September, 2015*

Rhonda Stone, Ellen Rees, Alan Maddox

Prayer Requests

Please remember the following in your prayers:
Patti Ackerman, Karla Birkofer, Theresa Bowen, Kevin Boyd, Jane Brown, Lori Brown, Roger Burton, Bobbie Cheesman, Ben Curtis, Pastor Sheila Ducommon, Linda Dudine, Daniel Ferguson, Jason Genta, Jeanie H., Pat Hanson, Judy Hester, Mildred Hinterscher, Jared Holmes, Nancy Huber, Charlie Hryniewicz, George Inboden, Kevin Kirk, MaDonna Kirts, Kimberly Knapp, Rev. Dennis Kollross, Emma Kocher, Cindy Lewis, Donna McIntire, Rick McKinley, Bill Meirink, Danny Miller, Sam Mitchell, Val Pescatore, Brice Reed & family, Chuck Reinoehl, Angie Rhoten, Mary Rogers, Pete Rosenski, Arlene Schutte, Marian Scott, Billy Skaggs, John Skaggs, Sharon Skaggs, Judy Smolinski, 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.

PSR

PSR Registration forms need to be completed and payment needs to be made by **Aug. 31, 2015**. Forms are also available in the Parish Center during regular business hours.

Youth Pilgrimage Update

On September 19, 2015, Bishop Paprocki will travel to Robinson to celebrate the 4:30 pm Mass at St. Elizabeth and to bless the "Welcoming Jesus" statue. He will also be blessing the pilgrims who are going to see Pope Francis in Philadelphia. The Youth and pilgrims will be departing from Robinson in the early evening on Thursday, September 24, 2015 and arriving in New York City on Friday, September 25, 2014. On Friday, they will see historic landmarks such as St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ground Zero and Ellis Island. They will continue sight seeing on Saturday, September 26 and travel to Philadelphia on Sunday for the Mass with Pope Francis. This mass will be held on Benjamin Franklin Parkway. Following the mass, the Youth and pilgrims will return to Robinson and will arrive early in the morning on Mon. Sept. 28, 2015.

Youth Group Pilgrimage Meeting

There will be a Youth Group Pilgrimage meeting **Sun. Aug. 30th at 2 pm** at the Parish Center.

Mom's Group

Mom's Group meets at 9:00 am–10:30 am on Fridays during the school year.

Fellowship Dinner

There will be a Fellowship Dinner on **Wed. Sept. 30, 2015 at 5:30 pm** at the Parish Center—"Breakfast for Supper".

Please remember to attend weekly Mass

Shepherd News

Scriptural Reflections

After nearly 40 years of wandering in the wilderness, the day for entering the Promised Land draws near for the people of Israel. Because Moses himself is barred from entering Canaan because of his sin, Joshua will be the one to lead the people across the Jordan River. But before he steps aside, Moses addresses the people this one last time. He is determined to give the people every advantage to remain loyal to God in the land of their patriarchs.

God's expectations for Israel as a covenant partner are clearly delineated in this book. Their detail removes any fear that the people might inadvertently offend God and jeopardize their covenant bond. Moses wants them to appreciate the fact that God's laws are given, not for God's benefit, but for their own. God's laws are ideal for promoting a long life in the Promised Land.

There is no need to add or subtract from them. For other nations, wisdom and intelligence might be associated with the achievements of mortals. But in Israel, wisdom is measured by one's degree of service to God. When other nations observe the blessings enjoyed by God's people, those nations will admire them all the more for what they have. They may also

observe the intimacy of God's bond with Israel. God's people have no need to seek God out in some distant place. God is present in their midst always, nourishing them to life, and blessing them in countless ways.

Two things are going on at the same time in this Gospel passage. First, there is a controversy between Jesus and the Pharisees over issues of ritual purity. Second, there is the internal conflict between Jewish Christians and gentile Christians in the community for which Mk is writing. The overall teaching of the entire passage is that Jesus is the authoritative interpreter of the Old Testament Law.

The main issue seems to be eating meals without washing one's hands. While the text claims that all Jews faithfully observe this "tradition of the elders," the historical facts indicate otherwise. The practice was actually aimed at the priests who later attempted to impose the practice on lay people as well. This was never part of the actual Torah teaching. In Mk's community, this represents a dispute between the Jewish Christians who apparently observe these traditions and the gentile Christians who do not.

Welcoming Jesus Statue Update

There have been a total of \$18,869.00 of donations for the "Welcoming Jesus Statue" to date. There is a balance of \$17,431.00 that will totally pay off the statue project. Thank you to all who have donated on this project.. If anyone wants to help us in paying off the balance, we will appreciate your help. If your name is listed on the base and is not to your liking, please advise the Parish Office and let us know so that we can resolve this. If you have recently purchased a brick spot or granite spot, please check your name on the sheet for statue donations and sign beside same if your inscription listed is exactly like you want.

Second Collections

There will be a Second Collections for the Youth Pilgrimage on **Saturday, August 29–Sunday, August 30, 2015.**

"Retreat in Daily Life"

You are invited to take part in a "Retreat in Daily Life," with the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana. The retreat is an eight-month focus on everyday prayer for people of all faith traditions. The retreat is facilitated by Sister Mary Moloney. It will begin in October. Cost to participate is \$60.00 per month, plus a one-time \$40.00 supply fee. **August 31st** is the deadline for registration.

For more information or to register, call Jeanne Frost at 1-812-535-2952 or email jfrost@spsmw.org.

First Friday of the Month Mass OLOL

The first Friday of the month Mass will be at Our Lady of Lourdes at **5:30 pm on Friday, September 4, 2015.**

Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on **Mon. Sept. 7th** for the Labor Day Holiday. Will re-open **Tues. Sept. 8th.**

Crawford County Catholic Moms Group

On **Tues. Sept. 8, 2015** the Crawford County Catholic Moms Group will begin a book study of Matthew-Kelly's "Rediscover Jesus." We will meet at 7 pm in the Parish Center. All parishioners are invited to attend.

Catholic Camporee

Scouts & their families are invited to our fall Camporee celebrating "duty to God" for all scouts on **Sept. 11-13, 2015** at Camp Illinek in Springfield. Details are available on the Catholic Committee on Scouting website at <http://scouts.dio.org>. Kyle Holtgrave at 217-698-8500, ext. 154.

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities will be having a Spaghetti Dinner on **Sun. Sept. 13 from 10:30 am–2:30 pm at the Effingham Knights of Columbus.** See back of Church bulletin board for more information.

Annual Catholic Service Appeal

The Annual Catholic Service Appeal will be the weekend of **Saturday, September 19– Sunday, September 20, 2015.**

Choir Practice for Welcoming Jesus Statue

There will be choir for the Mass to bless the welcoming Jesus statue on **September 19**. New choir members are welcome. There will be two practices which will be **Sunday, September 13 at 9:00 AM and Sat. Sept. 19th 3:00 PM.**

26th Annual Family Camp/Renewal

Families are invited to come & share the fun of the 26th Annual Family Camp/Renewal Days for family & friends of persons with special needs. **Sept. 26-27, 2015** at Lake Williamson Christian Center, Carlinville, Illinois. Information & registration forms are available at the (dio website) dio.org. Early registration is due by August 1st. Some financial assistance or sponsorship monies are available upon request. For more info. contact: Elaine Vonderheide

Taizé at St. Mary-of-the-Woods

Persons of all faith traditions are invited to join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, for an ecumenical Taizé Prayer gathering from **7-8 p.m., on the second Tuesday of each month.** The prayer gatherings will take place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception. The 2015 theme is "For the life of the World: The many virtues of Saint Mother Theodore Guerin." The focus for September, October and November are: **Sept. 8 – acceptance; October 13 – prayerfulness and faith; and Nov. 10 – gratitude.**

Retrouvaille for Marriage Challenges

Retrouvaille is 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. The Retrouvaille program starts with a Friday-night thru-Sunday "Weekend" & includes six follow-up meetings over the next three months. The next program begins the weekend of **Sept. 18-20, 2015.** For more information, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Catholic Charities Fall Fun Run

On **Sat. Sept. 26th at 8:00 am** at the Teutopolis, IL. Community Park Pavilion will be the Catholic Charities Fall Fun Run. See bulletin insert for more information.

2015 National Catholic Youth Conference

Plan now to be a part of the 2015 National Catholic Youth Conference! Thousands of teens from all over the country will be coming to Indianapolis on **November 19-21** for this year's event. Details on how to get involved with NCYC are available through the Office of the Catechesis, Ministry to Youth & Young Adults.

Annual Catholic Services Appeal

The 2015 ACSA Parish Goals for **St. Elizabeth**

The goal for St. Elizabeth is \$19,666.00

Our Lady of Lourdes

The goal for Our Lady of Lourdes is \$2,873.00
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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, August 23, 2015

Envelopes \$3,064.00 Loose \$367.38

Caritas \$70.00 Youth Pilgrimage \$150.00

Online thru Give Central \$50.00

Assumption of Mary \$20.00

Total Deposit \$3,721.38

Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sunday, August 23, 2015

Envelopes \$540.00 Loose \$120.25

Youth Pilgrimage \$32.00 Caritas \$25.00

Catholic Relief \$20.00

Total Deposit \$737.25

Thank you. May God bless you.

Give Central

To make a donation to St. Elizabeth, you can go to the Church Website www.crawfordcountycatholics.com and click on **Donate.**

All monies go directly to St. Elizabeth.

In Sympathy

Our sympathies go out to the Family of Joan Rasico, who passed away recently. Joan is the Mother of Mary Clark.

May she rest in peace. Amen.