



# The Nuncio



Serving St. Elizabeth & Our Lady of Lourdes

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Pastor: Reverend Aloysius Okey Ndeanaefo

#### PASTORAL STAFF

Secretary: Halena Estep

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Parish Outreach Volunteer: Eileen Hartrich

Custodial Care: Lori & Adam Davis, Our Lady of Lourdes

Custodial Care: Katrena Burton, St. Elizabeth

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

## February 7, 2016

## 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men."

Luke 5: 10



## Mass Intentions

Feb.6	4:30 pm	Charles Loren Myers, SR. & Charles Loren Myers, JR. by Katrena Burton
Feb.7	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30am	Missy Rees by Rees Family Darrell & Margaret Wilson by Wilmer, Jack & Rodney Wilson Keith & Kara Hartrich by Matt & Lisa Hartrich
Feb.8		NO MASS
Feb.9	7:30 am	Earl Mullins by Jerry Chapman
Ash Wed.	Ash W.ed.	<b>Ash Wednesday Services</b>
Feb.10	12:05pm 5:00 pm 6:45 pm	<b>St. Elizabeth-Ed Halter by Anonymous</b> <b>LOLO-Francis &amp; Annie Begley by Francis &amp; Anne Schalasky</b> <b>St. Elizabeth-Lorn &amp; Arlene Currie Family members living &amp; deceased by George &amp; Jane Brown</b>
Feb.11	7:30 am	Jim & Julie Maloy by George & Jane Bohman
Feb.12	7:30 am	Patrick Goda by George & Jane Bohman
Feb.13	4:30 pm	Earl Mullins by Ginger Osborne
Feb.14	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30am	Gene & Betty Uptmor by Mike & Jona Uptmor Mildred Hinterscher By Mr. & Mrs. Harold Deimer For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy



## Ministry Schedule

February 13-14, 2016

<u>4:30 pm</u>	LECTOR: Celeste White USHERS: Gene & Teresa Gower COMMUNION MIN: Jack & Marylin Stanley, Ginger Osborne SERVERS: Cody York, Xavier Brown GIFTS: Mullins Family
<u>7:30 am</u>	LECTOR: Mike Uptmor USHERS: Stewart Schutte, Mike Dorn COMMUNION MIN: James & Shari Eckert, Jona Uptmor SERVERS: Jacob Eckert, Samuel Eckert GIFTS: Eric Mosbey Family
<u>9:00 am</u>	LECTOR: Kourtney Coffman USHERS: Don & Sharon Fitzmaurice COMMUNION MIN: Keith & Rita Wirey SERVERS: Taylor Blank GIFTS: Bob Coffman Family
<u>10:30 am</u>	LECTOR: Josh Quick USHERS: Jessie Quick, Roselene Quick COMMUNION MIN: Phyllis Inboden, Jane Bohman, Patti Buercklin SERVERS: Sarah Staller, David Staller, Lauren Staller GIFTS: Quick Family

Collection Counters: February, 2016 Josh & Roselene Quick, Janet Mitchell



## Prayer Requests

**Please remember the following in your prayers:**

Patti Ackerman, Roberta Bohman, Susan Bills, Theresa Bowen, Kevin Boyd, Jane Brown, Lori Brown, Roger Burton, Bobbie Cheesman, Ben Curtis, Ron Dhom, Pastor Sheila Ducommon, Linda Dudine, Charles Ferguson, Daniel Ferguson, Jason Genta, Debbie Goodwin, Jeanie H., Pat Hanson, Debbie Henry, Judy Hester, Betty Boyd Hippler, Jared Holmes, Charlie Hryniewicz, MaDonna Kirts, Kimberly Knapp, Jordyn Koester, Donna McIntire, Rick McKinley, Grover Michl, Bill Meirink, Danny Miller, Sam Mitchell, Debbie Nichols, Val Pescatore, Brice Reed & family, Angie Rhoten, Pete Rosenski, Arlene Schutte, Marian Scott, Billy Skaggs, John Skaggs, Linda Sparks, John Stedelin, Linda Wedge-Stephens, Mike & Isabella & Nolan Stephens, Pamela Stephenson, Terry Stevens, Nolan (Butch) Stewart, Linda Stewart, Cherie Stewart, Bertha Taylor, James Tyler, Mark Wagner, Becky VanSchoyck, Ginny Varner, Zachariah Waxler, Shari Weber, Bill Wilson and all the men & women



## PSR

PSR Wed. Feb. 10, 2016 at 6:30 pm



## Souper Bowl of Caring

The Souper Bowl of Caring will continue until **Wed. Feb. 10, 2016**. Canned goods can be brought to the Parish Center during normal business hours 8:00 am-4:00 pm or during PSR.

As of 02/03/2016, the Souper Bowl of Caring total is 412 canned goods/items the PSR students need 588 more items to reach their goal of 1000 and earn an ice cream social. Please help the kids out if you can. Thanks!

## February Fellowship Dinner



The February Fellowship Dinner will be on **Wed. Feb. 17, 2016 at 5:30 pm**. We will be having a taco night.

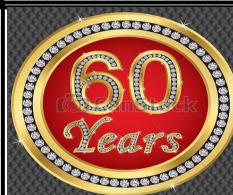


## Operation Rice Bowl



Operation Rice Bowl will begin on Ash Wednesday and continue through March.

## Belated Happy Anniversary 60 years



Happy Belated Anniversary to Clarence & Arlene Schutte. They were married 60 years on **Friday, January 29, 2016**. May God bless them both.

# Shepherd News

## Scriptural Reflections

Jeremiah was privileged to receive a call from God decades before the fall of Jerusalem. Had king and people heeded the prophet's message, they would have known blessings rather than the collapse of the kingdom and the exile to Babylon.

God knew Jeremiah even before he was formed in the womb. This opening statement from God anticipates a major theme within the book. Like a potter working with clay, God knew the prophet before the divine hands fashioned him in the world. In a similar way, God already knows the people of Israel and seeks to shape them into the beautiful nation they are supposed to be. Of course, if the clay does not respond to the hands of the potter, the potter must tear down the clay and begin all over again. In a similar way, if the people refuse to be shaped by the words of the prophet, God will tear them down and reshape them. Unfortunately, this is precisely what will happen soon.

God is clear about the challenges Jeremiah will have to face in God's service. God encourages the prophet to stand up to them and not be dispirited by them. With divine protection, the prophet will be able to withstand any attack, like a wall of the strongest metal. It comes as some surprise that the attack comes, not from an outside enemy, but from

Jeremiah's own people. So confident are they in their own schemes for security that they ignore the words of the prophet. Yet, Jeremiah offers them the only lasting and true security. As God's people, they must place themselves in God's hands to be truly safe from harm.

Jesus has proclaimed to the people of his hometown of Nazareth that he is the fulfillment of the messianic passage from Is 61. At first, the implication of what Jesus said does not register with the people. When it finally dawns on them what he has proclaimed, they are shocked. How can he be the Messiah? He is a local boy, the son of Joseph.

Jesus is prepared for a negative reaction from his hometown. He knows that they are upset that he has been preaching and healing in Capernaum and has not done such in Nazareth, his hometown. How can he spend all his time healing gentiles while there are many Jews of his own home town in need of healing? Jesus quotes an ancient proverb that says no prophet is accepted in his own native place. No doubt, this only served to increase the peoples' anger directed at him.

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### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Feb. 7

[ Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 07 February 2016 ] Lent is almost here. Forty special Days for extraordinary fasting, praying, giving. We will fast to sharpen our senses. We will pray to focus our attention on God in Christ. We will give up some things and give away more things, in order to give ourselves over to a Christian life of compassion and mercy.



This Lent, I want to...  
This Lent, I need to...  
This Lent. These days. This time.

### Happy Belated Anniversary



Happy Belated Anniversary to Steve & Geri Ezell. They were married 43 years on Feb. 3, 2016. May God bless them both.

### Office Closed



The Parish Office will be closed for the President's Day Holiday on **Monday, February 15, 2016**. We will re-open on Tuesday, February 16, 2016.



### Ash Wednesday Services



The Ash Wednesday Services will be: **Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 12:05 St. Elizabeth & 6:45 pm.**  
The Ash Wednesday Services will be: **Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 5:00 pm Our Lady of Lourdes.**



If someone you know suffers because of involvement with abortion, please encourage her or him to talk to a priest or contact a Project Rachel volunteer at 1-877-RACHEL-5. Pray that many will seek and receive the gift of God's infinite mercy.

### Free Services Available to Combat Vets

Free services available to combat vets for: Post War Adjustment/ Readjustment counseling, PTSD, Substance Abuse/Assessment, Suicide Prevention Referrals, Military Related Sexual Abuse Counseling, and Bereavement Counseling. Individual, couple, family and group counseling services are offered. Call the Vet Center at 1-877-WARVETS

### Aid To Church in Central & Eastern Europe

The collection for the aid to Central & Eastern Europe will be on Wed. Feb. 10, 2016-Ash Wednesday.

### Weather Policy

Please be sure to listen to WTAY-WYTE for Mass cancellations due to adverse weather.

## Luke 18 Retreat

**ALWAYS PRAY**  
& never give up  
(Lk 18)

St. Jerome in Troy is hosting a Luke 18 Retreat. The dates are **Feb. 12-14, 2016**. The registration forms will be on St. Jerome's website ([stjeromeparish.org](http://stjeromeparish.org)) or you can email Brenda Neumann at [bneumann@stjeromeparish.org](mailto:bneumann@stjeromeparish.org) & she will send you the form(s). For more information about Luke 18, please contact Brenda Neumann, Pastoral Associate for Youth Ministry, St. Jerome Catholic Church, Troy, IL. at 618-975-9319.

## St. Valentine's At The Villa



**St. Valentine's At the Villa:** Why not celebrate the joy and humor of Christian married love with your sweetheart this St. Valentine's Day? **Sun. Feb. 14, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.** Dinner, Drinks and Entertainment \$50.00 per couple. Entertainment provided by comedian C.J. Harlow. Open to all married, engaged and dating couples. Villa Maria Retreat Center, 1903 East Lake Shore Drive, Springfield, IL 62712 - For registration visit- <http://www.dio.org/familylife/>



## A Healing Heart

Join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, for "A Healing Heart," from **6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.**, on **Friday, Feb. 19**, in the Chapel in the Shrine of Saint Mother Theodore Guerin. Join others for a time of quiet healing, and find out how important healing is in life. There is no cost to attend, but freewill donations will be accepted. For more information, call 812-535-2952 or email [jfrost@spsmw.org](mailto:jfrost@spsmw.org)



## Lenten Stations of the Cross

Fri. Feb. 12, 2016	OLOL 5:30 pm	7:00 pm	St. Elizabeth
Fri. Feb. 19, 2016	OLOL 5:30 pm	7:00 pm	St. Elizabeth
Fri. Feb. 26, 2016	OLOL 5:30 pm	7:00 pm	St. Elizabeth
Fr. Mar. 4, 2016	OLOL 5:30 pm	7:00 pm	St. Elizabeth
Fri. Mar. 11, 2016	OLOL 5:30 pm	7:00 pm	St. Elizabeth
Fri. Mar. 18, 2016	OLOL 5:30 pm	7:00 pm	St. Elizabeth
Fri. Mar. 25, 2016	OLOL 5:30 pm	7:00 pm	St. Elizabeth

## Fish Fry Dates



Fri. Feb. 19th from 4-7pm, Fri. Feb. 26th from 4-7 pm Fri. Mar. 4th from 4-7 pm at St. Elizabeth Parish Hall. If you would be interested in helping with the fish fry, please sign up to do so. Forms are available at the front of the Church and/or the Parish Hall.

## Dinner & A Movie



We will be having "Dinner & a Movie" at the Parish Center on **Sun. Feb. 21, 2016**. We will be watching the movie, "Little Boy". Be watching for an insert coming soon.



## Annual Catholic Services Appeal

**The 2015 ACSA Parish Goals for St. Elizabeth**  
The goal for St. Elizabeth is \$19,666.00  
\$17,815.00 paid out of \$19,245.00 pledged amount.  
Balance \$1,430.00 of the pledged amt.  
**The 2015 ACSA Parish Goals for Our Lady of Lourdes**  
The goal for Our Lady of Lourdes is \$2,873.00  
\$1,780.00 paid out of \$2,220.00 pledged amount.  
\$440.00 balance of the pledged amt.  
Updated 02-03-2016

## 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 Church**  
**Week ending Sunday, January 31, 2016**  
Envelopes \$1,815.00 Loose \$176.25  
Catholic Times \$ 50.00  
Caritas \$35.00 Building Fund \$15.00  
Church in Latin America \$120.00  
First Offering \$ 30.00 C.C.W. \$10.00  
**Total Deposit \$2,251.25**

**Our Lady of Lourdes**  
**Week ending Sunday, January, 31, 2016**  
Envelopes \$425.00  
Loose \$34.00 Caritas \$7.00  
**Total Deposit: \$466.00**  
Thank You. May God bless you.

Please remember to attend weekly Mass



## Give Central

To make an online donation to St. Elizabeth, you can go to Church website [www.crawfordcountycatholics.com](http://www.crawfordcountycatholics.com) and click on donate. All monies are donated to St. Elizabeth and you can click on what donation you wish to contribute to.

## Victim Assistance

If you or someone close to you have been a victim of abuse by a priest, deacon or individual representing the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois you or they are encouraged to contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator-Patricia Kornfeld at 217-321-1155.