



The Nuncio



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: Lori Davis, Our Lady of Lourdes
Custodial Care: Katrena Burton, St. Elizabeth
Custodial Care Volunteer: Marylin Stanley, 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, July 12, 2015 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



On left : Fr. Aloy presenting Award to Geri Ezell ~ St. Elizabeth.

On right: Fr. Aloy presenting Award to Sarah Ping ~ Our Lady of Lourdes.

Congratulations to Geri Ezell, St. Elizabeth, Robinson, Illinois & Sarah Ping, Our Lady of Lourdes, Oblong, Illinois on receiving the

“Our Lady of Good Counsel, Women of Distinction” Award. The Council of Catholic Women Award was presented to them to validate the value they bring to each Parish and the Diocese.



Mass Intentions

July 11	4:30 pm	Benjamin & Emily Rardin by the Jenkins Family
July 12	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy Mildred & Leslie Matson by Keith & Stacie Matson Marie Bohman by George & Jane Bohman
July 13	11:15 am	Harry Wong by Anonymous
July 14	11:15 am	Annette Barszcz by Patricia Janezich, Dennis, Talbot
July 15	11:15 am	Don Rees by Ellen Rees
July 16	11:15 am	Harry Wong by Ruth & Tom Coppedge
July 17	11:15 am	Annette Barszcz by Patrician Janezich, Dennis & Talbot
July 18	4:30 pm	Samuel Lopiccolo by lone Lopiccolo
July 19	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	Henry Maloy by George & Jane Bohman For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy Charles Loren Myers, Sr. & Charles Loren Myers, Jr. by Katrena Burton



Ministry Schedule

July 18-19, 2015

<u>4:30 pm</u>	LECTOR: Karen Sanders USHERS: Gene & Theresa Gower COMMUNION MIN: Celeste White, Linda Reis, Jack Stanley SERVERS: Ty Mullins, Jeff Hermann GIFTS: Gene & Theresa Gower
<u>7:30 am</u>	LECTOR: Linda Sikorski USHERS: Carol Zellars, Stewart Schutte COMMUNION MIN: Jim & Shari Eckert, Mike Dorn SERVERS: Jacob Eckert, Matthew Jenkins GIFTS: Jim & Shari Eckert
<u>9:00 am</u>	LECTOR: Stacie Matson USHERS: Keith & Ethan Matson COMMUNION MIN: Keith & Rita Wirey SERVERS: George Schalasky GIFTS: Matson Family
<u>10:30 am</u>	LECTOR: Patti Buercklin USHERS: Ken Deters, Karen Free COMMUNION MIN: Matt Hartrich, Carol Wong, Roselene Quick SERVERS: Evan Ferris, Xavier Brown GIFTS: Buerckin Family

Collection Counters July: Carol Zellars, Kaye Holscher, Kaye Pescatore

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, Amie Cornwell, Ben Curtis, Pastor Sheila Ducommon, 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, 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, Arlene Schutte, Marian Scott, Billy Skaggs, John Skaggs, Sharon 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.

Totus Tuus

Totus Tuus will be held **July 12-17, 2015**. The elementary program is for students entering 1st-5th grade and is from 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The Jr./Sr. High program is for students entering 6th-12th grade and is from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost is \$10.00 per student. Contact Courtney Ferris with any questions. We are in need of volunteers to house the two young men from our Totus Tuus team. If you are available to volunteer, please contact Courtney Ferris ASAP.

Totus Tuus Potluck Dinner

There will be a Totus Tuus Potluck Dinner "Meet the Team" on **Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 5:30 pm** at the Parish Hall.

Youth Pilgrimage Update

On September 19, 2015, Bishop Paprocki will travel to Robinson to celebrate the 4:30 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 Monday, September 28, 2015.

Shepherd News

Scriptural Reflections

Amos lived in an age of rebellion. Solomon's misguided policies led to a split within the kingdom, north and south. God gave every advantage to the first king of the north to survive as a faithful servant. But Jeroboam rebelled against God by refusing to allow his subjects to worship in the Jerusalem temple. Instead, Jeroboam established a rival sanctuary in Bethel. This was not God's plan. So God sent Amos north to awaken the king to his mistaken ways.

Amos serves God faithfully. He is like a plumb-line placed against a crooked wall. His very presence in Bethel makes it clear how off-the-mark the city is from God's ways. Amaziah serves as priest in Jeroboam's false place of worship. Out of loyalty to the wayward king Jeroboam, Amaziah rejects the prophet's message. He regards Amos as nothing more than a court prophet seeking to make a living by presuming to speak for God. Court prophets were notorious for speaking only what their royal benefactors wanted to hear.

Amos is not intimidated by Amaziah's rebuff. He makes it clear he is not prophesying for personal reasons. He had a livelihood in Judah. He tended sheep and cultivated fruit trees. But God gave his work new meaning by sending him as a prophet to God's people in Israel. Now he tends God's flock. Thus, Amos'

response to Amaziah is that he is, in fact, a true prophet representing the court of heaven. He is not serving a mere earthly king as Amaziah assumes.

Today's Gospel describes the third time Jesus has an encounter with his disciples. First, he simply calls Simon, Andrew, James, and John to leave their boats and follow him (Mk 1:16-20). Second, Jesus appoints 12 men to be his disciples, but at this time, he does not authorize them to do anything. In this third encounter, Jesus goes further in that he calls the Twelve, sends them out as official witnesses (two by two), and authorizes them to have power over unclean spirits (Mk 6:7-13). This third encounter completes the process wherein the disciples are commissioned to preach and cast out unclean spirits.

What is important here is that Jesus authorizes his disciples to do what he himself does: preach and heal. Their power is a shared power and depends on their staying close to Jesus, the source of their authority. Disciples of Jesus are to remain disciples their whole lives. They are never to become the master, and they are not authorized to go out on their own. By staying close to Jesus, the disciples are able to share in the very power that Jesus himself exercises.

New Mass Times for Week

The Mass Times will be at **11:15 am** each day from **Monday, July 13th to Fri. Jul. 17th** during Totus Tuus.

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference will be on **Saturday, July 25, 2015**. The Office of Catholic Charismatic Renewal has been working diligently to provide an inspiring experience for all who attend.

The theme this year is *"In His Will is Our Peace."* You may access information at www.ccr-cdop.org or call Angela Ham, Conference Administrator at (309) 210-2067.

Bluegrass in the Bend

Save the Date—The Bend Community Club will be hosting the annual Bluegrass in the Bend event in conjunction with a Bend Community Reunion on **Saturday, August 1st at St. Valentine's Hall, The Bend. A Reunion lunch will be held from Noon to 1:00 p.m.**

Pulled pork/chicken & sides will be offered. An Ice Cream social will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. with music by Richard Hippler & Friends.

Bring lawn chairs.

All freewill donations accepted.

Catholic Charities-Ramblin' Rose

Catholic Charities in Effingham will bring the Ramblin' Rose Bus to St. Elizabeth on **Fri. Aug. 14, 2015 from 4-6 p.m.** Ramblin' Rose will be assisting students from Kindergarten to 12th grade with free basic school supplies & clothing.

Prayer & Fasting for Religious Freedom

Prayer and Fasting for Religious Freedom - Your prayers and fasting for religious freedom don't have to end on the last day of Fortnight for Freedom. Go to the following link to sign up to receive weekly emails or text messages on prayer and fasting for religious liberty: <https://www.facebook.com/CallToPrayer>

You know Flat Stanley; now meet **Flat Francis**. Catholic Extension, committed to supporting and strengthening poor mission dioceses, was established as a "papal society" by St. Pius X in 1905 with the charge to build churches in America's rural regions. "Flat Francis" as a way to place the Holy Father (on paper, anyway) in other parts of the U.S.

Catholic Church. Here's how: visit the website FlatFrancis.com and print the image. Head to an interesting place, snap a selfie with the pope, and upload to social media #FlatFrancis. Catholic Extension is collecting the photos (even non-selfies) and posting them on Facebook (www.facebook.com/CatholicExtension). They'll be turned into a photo mosaic of the pope's likeness and given to him just before he arrives in Washington, DC. Get snapping.

Parish Picnic



The Annual Parish Picnic for St. Elizabeth & Our Lady of Lourdes will be held on

Sun. July 26, 2015 at the Parish Center from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm. We are having fried chicken. Last names beginning with A-M, please bring a side dish; N-Z-please bring a dessert. Drinks will be provided and table service.



We will play bingo and have door prizes. We are accepting donations for bingo & door prizes. Then, swimming from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm at the Robinson City Pool for a private Church swimming party.



Living in Love—Retreat Weekend

Living in love—Retreat weekend provides an opportunity for couples to reconnect. Designed to energize romance.

Aug.22-23, 2015 at the Villa Maria Catholic Life Retreat Center, Springfield, IL. The cost is \$150.00 per couple. Scholarships are available. The retreat includes Sunday Mass & an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday night. RSVP-Bsmith@dio.org or 217-321-1139

Life-Line Screening

Life-Line Screening will be here at the Parish Center on **Wednesday, August 26th, 2015 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.** Please see bulletin insert for more information.

Our Sympathy

Our sympathy to the Nancy Huber Family. Nancy passed away on Friday, July 3, 2015. Please keep Ron & Ethyl Dhom Family in your prayers at the loss of Ethyl's sister.

Annual Catholic Services Appeal

2014 Parish Goals

St. Elizabeth

The goal for St. Elizabeth is \$22,520.00
Amount pledged to date: \$23,963.00
Amount paid to date: \$21,063.00
Pledge balance: \$2,900.00

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: \$2,225.00
Pledge balance: \$75.00

Updated 05-21-2015

This information current as of 05-21-2015 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, July 5, 2015

Envelopes \$2,096.00 Loose \$316.00
Caritas \$10.00 Youth Pilgrimage \$120.00
Peter's Pence \$20.00 Building Fund \$70.00
Online thru Give Central \$50.00
Total Deposit \$2682.00

Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sunday, July 5, 2015

Envelopes \$710.00 Loose \$37.00
Youth Pilgrimage \$20.00
Building Fund \$50.00
Total Deposit \$817.00

Thank you.

May God bless each & everyone of you.

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

Give Central

To make a donation to St. Elizabeth, you can go to the Church Website and click on **Donate**. All monies go directly to St. Elizabeth.

Please remember to attend weekly Mass