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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: 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 March 27, 2016 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



The Youth Group at the Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 20, 2016.



Mass Intentions

Mar.26	8:00 pm	Jerry Pugh by Easter
Mar. 27	7:30 am	Josh & Roselene Quick Gene & Barbara Dix by Larry & Debbie Dix
Mar. 28	9:00 am	Martha Mills by Betty Boyd Hippler
	10:30am	For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy NO MASS
Mar.29	12:05 pm	Joe Stein by George & Jane Bohman
Mar.30	7:30am	Jerry Pugh by Josh & Roselene Quick
Mar.31	7:30 am	Florence Huss by Tom Huss
Apr. 1 <small>First Friday of the Month Mass OLOL</small>	7:30 am	Madonna Kirts by Jeff & Linda Rich
	5:30 pm	Francis & Stephen Begley By Francis & Anne Schalasky
Apr. 2	4:30 pm	Mike & Judy Smolinski by Karen Sanders
Apr. 3	7:30 am	For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy
	9:00 am	Francis & Annie Begley by Francis & Anne Schalasky
	10:30am	Ira Inboden by Karen Sanders



Ministry Schedule

April 2-3, 2016

4:30 pm	LECTOR: Karen Sanders USHERS: Ken & Carol Bergbower COMMUNION MIN: Jack & Marilyn Stanley, Mike Dorn SERVERS: Owen Schmidt, +Abby Mullins+ GIFTS: Mullins Family
7:30 am	LECTOR: Dave Holscher USHERS: Stewart Schutte, Carol Zellars COMMUNION MIN: Kathy Harris, Mike & Jona Uptmor SERVERS: Matthew Jenkins, David Jenkins GIFTS: Jenkins Family
9:00 am	LECTOR: Anita Kocher USHERS: Ron & Ethel Dhom COMMUNION MIN: James & Nancy Ping SERVERS: George Schalasky GIFTS: Dan Schalasky Family
10:30 am	LECTOR: Patti Buercklin USHERS: Ron & Janet Mitchell COMMUNION MIN: Matthew Hartrich, Eileen Hartrich, Carol Wong SERVERS: Evan Ferris, Emily Ferris, +Kifer Stevens+ GIFTS: Steve & Geri Ezell

Collection Counters: *March, 2016 Kay Pescatore, Ellen Rees, Karen Reinhoehl*

Please remember to attend weekly Mass



Prayer Requests

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Patti Ackerman, 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, Kimberly Knapp, Jordyn Koester, Donna McIntire, Rick McKinley, Grover Michl, Sonny Mann, Danny Miller, Sam Mitchell, Debbie Nichols, Val Pescatore, Brice Reed & family, 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, Shari Weber, Bill Wilson and all the men & women in the armed forces.



PSR

PSR Wed. Mar. 30, 2016 at 6:30 pm



Confirmation Interviews

Confirmation Interviews will be held on Sunday, April 3, 2016 at 6:00 pm in the Parish Center. Each student needs a parent in attendance. Confirmation practice will be on **Sunday, April 10, 2016 at 7:00 pm** at St. Elizabeth.

Happy Easter



Happy Easter 2016 to everyone From Fr. Aloy & staff. May God bless you all.

First Friday of the Month Mass at OLOL

There will be the First Friday of the Month Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes, on Friday, April 1, 2016. 5:30 pm Francis & Stephen Begley by Frances & Anne Schalasky

Shepherd News

Scriptural Reflections

The Holy Spirit sets the pace for the expansion of the Church. Already in this book, the Holy Spirit guided Philip to preach to a minister from Ethiopia (8:29), came down upon Paul who once persecuted the Church (9:17), and prepared Peter to preach for the first time to the household of a gentile (10:19). Further evidence of the Spirit's influence comes after this reading. For even as Peter preaches to the centurion Cornelius and all in his house, the Holy Spirit falls upon them (Acts 10:44).

Peter begins his testimony by first reviewing key elements of the gospel message. Peter assumes Cornelius knows about events in Judea over the previous years. He may be thinking the Holy Spirit revealed such things to the centurion to prepare him for this moment. He may also be thinking staff members would have kept a Roman officer informed about such matters in the province of Judea. Peter wants the centurion to understand all the good Jesus did. Peter speaks specifically of Jesus healing the oppressed. Healing will likewise be the outcome of Peter's visit to this household of Cornelius. In the end, some people had Jesus put to death. But this sad note does bring to a conclusion all Peter witnessed.

God raised Jesus from the dead on the third day. Peter declares that he and others are witnesses of the risen Lord. Furthermore—and more significantly for Cornelius and his household—this risen Lord has commissioned Peter and others

to preach and offer everyone who believes in Jesus forgiveness of sins and salvation.

In John's account of the finding of the empty tomb, Mary of Magdala comes to the place unaccompanied by other women. Upon arrival, she sees that the stone has been removed from the tomb. She does not actually look inside the tomb nor does she enter it. Based on the evidence of the stone being rolled away, Mary herself concludes that the body of Jesus has been stolen. With that conviction, she immediately runs to Simon Peter and the beloved disciple and tells them her conclusion.

The beloved disciple entered the tomb after Peter. He had already seen the burial clothes when he first arrived. Unlike with Peter, we are told how the beloved disciple responded after being in the tomb and seeing what he saw. "He saw and believed." Eventually, Peter will also believe but, at this point, he and the others have not fully understood the Scriptures. The beloved disciple, however, has already responded with faith. He is portrayed as the ideal disciple. He believes that the body is gone because Jesus has left death behind. Only the clothes remain.

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Easter Sunday-March 27, 2016

Standing with the Dead and Risen Christ. After hearing during the holy night the Old Testament stories of faith, the priest prays on our behalf: "...stir up in your Church a spirit of adoption, / so that, renewed in body & mind / we may render you undivided service."

Not just lip service, we pray. Not just any service. Undivided service! We have spent the 40 Days, the Lenten Days peering across the baptismal waters to rediscover what it means to be a disciple, to be Christian, to be workers steeped in mercy, overflowing with mercy – because the Risen Christ & his Father & the good Spirit filled us and continues to fill us with mercy, with covenant-love.

Our Sympathies

Our sympathies to Kourtney Coffman at the loss of her grandmother-Mildred Schmidt. Mildred passed away on Saturday, March 5, 2016. She was 96 years young.

Also, our sympathies to Mike Emmerich at the passing of his father-Oliver Emmerich who passed away on Sunday, March 20, 2016. He was 99.

Please keep these families in your prayers at the loss of their loved ones.

Easter Egg Hunt News



Karmyn Coffman & Morgan Fiscus found Golden eggs & won a Chocolate bunny.



Joe Quick, Layne Lathrop, Logan Sexton and Kayla Matson were prize winners from the Youth Group. They won chocolate bunnies and iTunes cards.



Meredith Berty and Krescene Holscher found two ten dollar eggs at the Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday.

Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, March 28, 2016 for Easter Monday**. We will re-open on **Tuesday, March 29, 2016**.

Parish Mission Announcement



MAKE TIME FOR CHRIST. As Christians, we are disciples of Jesus & apostles of the gospel. Yet our daily lives are so full that we sometimes forget "who we are & whose we are." A parish mission is a time of listening to God's Word, remembering what Christ has done & reenergizing our true selves. Set aside the dates of **Sat. Apr. 2-Wed. Apr. 6th "Face of the Father's Mercy"**, a renewal program conducted by Fr. George Knab, O.M.I. Make plans to be there!

A Photographic Journey

The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, will host "In the Light of Providence Retreat: A Photographic Journey," from **9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., on Saturday, April 9**, in the Providence Hall conference room. Persons attending will view photography of nature, take photos, hear from a National Geographic photo journalist and more. Cost is \$40, which includes lunch. Register online at Events.SistersofProvidence.org or by calling 812-535-2952 or emailing jfrost@spsmw.org.

"Sunday With A Saint"

The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, are inviting persons of all faith traditions to learn more about Saint Mother Theodore Guerin's unwavering trust in God during "Sunday with a Saint," **scheduled for 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Sunday, April 10**. Cost is \$25, which includes Sunday Brunch in the O'Shaughnessy Dining Room. The registration deadline is April 4. Register online at Events.SistersofProvidence.org or by calling 812-535-2952 or emailing



Life Line Screening

St. Elizabeth will not have Life Line Screening here this year at our facility but it will be at the Community Center in Robinson, Illinois on **Wed. Apr. 13, 2016** instead. Please watch the Robinson Daily Newspaper for times. Those that have registered will be receiving information in the mail at the new place and time.

If you are interested in quilting

Calling all quilters! Join us on **Wed. Apr. 20, 2016 from 1-3 pm in the Parish Ctr.** for "Sew and Chat." Bring whatever you are currently working on & a friend & enjoy sewing & fellowship.

Timothy Retreat

Timothy Retreat - A Timothy Retreat will take place at St. John Vianney Church in Sherman, Illinois on **Fri. Apr. 22 from 7 pm start to Sat. Apr. 23 at SJV's 5 pm Mass**.

Annual Catholic Services Appeal

The 2015 ACSA Parish Goals for St. Elizabeth
The goal for St. Elizabeth is \$19,666.00
\$18,785.00 paid out of \$20,095.00 pledged amount. Balance \$1,310.00 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
\$2,090.00 paid out of \$2,220.00 pledged amount.
\$130.00 balance of the pledged amt. Updated 03-16-2016

Annual Catholic Service Appeal Need

Balance of \$1310.00 St. Elizabeth. OLOL balance \$130.00

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, March 20, 2016

Envelopes \$1,533.00 Loose \$294.50

1@ \$55.00 Building Fund \$10.00

Caritas \$35.00 Youth Pilgrimage \$30.00 Rice Bowl

\$30.00 Palm Sunday \$398.00 Easter Flowers \$95.00

Seminarians \$10.00

Total Deposit \$2,490.50

Our Lady of Lourdes

Week ending Sunday, March 20, 2016

Envelopes \$756.00, Loose \$80.00, Caritas \$10.00, Palm

Sunday \$125.00, Easter Flowers \$20.00, Operation

Rice Bowl \$60.00

Total Deposit: \$1,051.00

Thank You. **God bless you.**



Give Central

Give Central is an on-line resource where you can make online donations to St. Elizabeth. You can choose to give to whatever donation you would like. You can go the Church website to donate.

Victim Assistance

If you or someone close to you have been a victim of abuse by 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 1-217-321-1155.