



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 & 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 May 1, 2016 Sixth Sunday of Easter



“Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him.” John 14:23



Mass Intentions

Apr.30 May 1	4:30 pm 7:30 am 9:00 am	Ruth Coppedge by Carol Wong For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy Lloyd Shook by LOLO Ladies Group
May 2 May 3	10:30am 12:05 pm	Harry & Marie Bohman by George & Jane Bohman NO MASS Calberta Goda by George & Jane Bohman
May 4	7:30 am	Earl Mullins by June Mullins
May 5	7:30 am	Madonna Klrts by Jeff & Linda Rich
May 6	7:30 am	William Loy by Anne Loy
May 7 May 8	4:30 pm 7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30am	Sonny Mann & Kevin Murray By Nick & Lenzi Ippolito For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy Mildred Hinterscher by John & Norma Weidner Michael Ndeaneafu by Fr. Aloy



Ministry Schedule

Sat. May 7-Sun. May 8, 2016

Sat. May 7th 4:30 pm **St. Elizabeth**

LECTOR: Karen Sanders

USHERS: Gene & Teresa Gower

COMMUNION MIN: Jack & Marylin Stanley,
Ginger Osborne

SERVERS: Owen Schmidt, Emily Ferris

GIFTS: Joel York Family

Sun. May 8th 7:30 am **St. Elizabeth**

LECTOR: Dave Holscher

USHERS: Kathy Harris, Jim Eckert

COMMUNION MIN: Mike & Jona Uptmor,
Jack Stanley

SERVERS: Samuel Eckert, Jacob Eckert

GIFTS: Carol & Joe Hepner

Sun. May 8th 9:00 am **Our Lady of Lourdes**

LECTOR: Keith Wirey

USHERS: Richard & Anita Kocher

COMMUNION MIN: Bob & Kourtney Coffman

SERVERS: J. Hermann

GIFTS: Keith Matson Family

Sun. May 8th 10:30 am **St. Elizabeth**

LECTOR: Geri Ezell

USHERS: Karen Free, Ken Deters

COMMUNION MIN: Phyllis Inboden, Carol Wong,
Patti Buercklin

SERVERS: David Staller, Sarah Staller, +Lauren Staller+

GIFTS: Ron & Janet Mitchell

Collection Counters: *May, 2016 Alan Maddox, Rhonda Stone,
Carol Zellars*



Prayer Requests

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Patti Ackerman, Theresa Bowen, Kevin Boyd, Jane Brown, Lori Brown, Bobbie Cheesman, Ben Curtis, Ron Dhom, Linda Dudine, Rita Elder, Charles Ferguson, Daniel Ferguson, Jason Genta, Debbie Goodwin, Jeanie H., Pat Hanson, Judy Hester, Betty Boyd Hippler, Jared Holmes, Charlie Hryniewicz, Kimberly Knapp, Jordyn Koester, Donna McIntire, Rick McKinley, Grover Michl, 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

May 1-First Communion during 10:30 am Mass

May 4-PSR at 6:30 pm

There will be a PSR Parent Meeting on Wed. May 4, 2016 at 6:45 pm at St. Elizabeth

May 11-Closing PSR Mass 6:45 pm

May 15-PSR Bash at LTC Pool 4-6 p.m.

Parents with High School/College Grads

Parents, if you have a 2016 high school or college graduate, please call the Parish Center with the student's name and school. Thank you in advance for your help!

Heroes Needed

HEROES NEEDED!!! - I am looking for young adults to spend the summer serving youth of the diocese as teachers for Totus Tuus. Latin for "Totally Yours," Totus Tuus team members are asked to be "totally yours" for young people by helping them come closer to Christ through personal witness, Christian presence and catechetical instruction. The summer season is **June 2 through July 23** with a break over the Independence Day holiday. Training is provided as well as a summer stipend. Teams of four teachers travel throughout the diocese staying with host families in local parishes to present the Totus Tuus program and being witnesses of our Catholic faith. For more information, go to www.dio.org/youthministry/staff-information.html or call Kyle Holtgrave at (217) 698-8500, ext. 154.

Quilters & Sewing Class



The Quilters class will be on Thurs. May 5, 2016 at 1:00 pm instead of Wed. May 4th for this week only. You do not have to be a quilter to come to this class. Just bring whatever you are working on, sewing, knitting or whatever and come sew & chat. Kitty Platt 618-

Please remember to attend weekly Mass

Shepherd News

Scriptural Reflections

The apostles and elders lead the whole Jerusalem Church to an agreement. Paul and Barnabas are sent back to the community at Antioch. In company with Judas and Silas, they return with a letter announcing that no burden will be placed upon gentile converts to the faith. They assert that those who demanded they be circumcised did not represent the Jerusalem Church. That Church requires only what is strictly necessary for table fellowship between gentiles and Jews. They are advised to avoid food sacrificed to other gods as well as food not prepared according to Jewish tradition.

They are also not to engage in the illicit sexual practices tolerated by the pagan culture around them. The apostles and elders affirm the role of the Holy Spirit in all this. So once again the Spirit has led the Church across another threshold in the advancement of the Gospel.

In our Gospel pericope, Jesus said, whoever loves Jesus lives with both Jesus and his Father. This is the establishment of a new relationship that has the dynamic of coming home ("make our dwelling with him"). Failure to love Jesus is characterized as not keeping his words. These words are not simply Jesus' words; they are the words of the Father.

After he returns to the Father, Jesus promises to send his disciples the Advocate. This Advocate is also called the Holy Spirit, but that should not be taken in the full sense of later Trinitarian doctrine. Technically, the concept of advocate is taken from the legal profession. An advocate is someone

who supports and defends a client in legal matters. The purpose here of the Advocate is not to proclaim new teaching.

He is to assist the disciples in remembering past teaching and applying it to new post resurrection situations. Here peace is a gift Jesus offers to his disciples. This is the first time that the word has appeared in the Gospel of Jn. It implies a gift of salvation. Much more is referred to here than the absence of strife and conflict. That understanding would describe the world's peace, which must be maintained by force. The peace that Jesus gives is bestowed in and through love. It infers a wholeness and completeness that cannot be obtained in the world. This is captured in the Hebrew word shalom. It is this gift of peace that will allow the disciples to continue working in the world without being taken up in it or conquered by it.

All that Jesus has promised his disciples requires that he depart from this world and return to the Father. Before the actual events of the death and resurrection of Jesus, this information would have been very troubling. Now, however, in the aftermath, Jesus' return to the Father is good news.

They can rejoice because of what it will bring to the disciple still working in the world. Jesus originally told the disciples all this before it happened. Now that it has indeed happened, the disciples' response should be that of belief. While Jesus has returned to the Father, he has also returned to his disciples in some new and greater ways.



Upcoming Church Meetings

There will be a Finance Meeting for St. Elizabeth on Tues. May 3 at 6:00 pm at the Parish Hall. There will be a Finance Meeting for OLOL on Thurs. May 5, at 6:00 pm at the OLOL Parish Hall.

Healing Service

The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, will host "A Healing Service," at 7 p.m., on Wednesday, May 4, at Providence Spirituality and Conference Center. The service will reflect the belief that God's purpose for everyone is a life of wholeness, as expressed in the life and teaching of Jesus. The service is open to persons of all faith traditions. There is no cost, but freewill offerings will be accepted. For more information, call 812-535-2952 or email jfrost@spsmw.org.

Welcome Home Dinner for Tyler Jenkins



There will be a dinner for Tyler Jenkins on Sat. May 7, 2016 at 3:00 pm at the Forest Reserve.

All parishioners from both Parishes are invited to attend to welcome Tyler home from the Army. He was in South Korea recently. His family has asked that his Church family come out and have dinner with him on this day. Last names beginning with A-M, please bring a side dish. N-Z, please bring a dessert. The meat will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Schalasky at: 618-592-4744. Thank you.

Table Empty-Catholic Charities

The Catholic Charities Mobile Food Pantry will come to St. Elizabeth on Sat. May 7, 2016 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Please call the Parish Office at 618-544-7526 if you are in need of this service or please let someone that may be in need know of this service.

Baby Bottle Project

We will be participating in the baby bottle project again this year beginning on Mother's Day-Sun. May 8, 2016.

Diocesan Second Collections

The Catholic Communication Campaign Collection will be Sun. May 15, 2016 & the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection.

Adult Confirmation at Pentecost

Adult Confirmation at Pentecost - Are you're a practicing Catholic who has never received the sacrament of Confirmation? If so, you are invited to talk with your pastor about what you can do to be confirmed on **Pentecost Sunday, May 15, 2016, 2:00 pm**, at a special Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. More information can also be found at our website: <http://dio.org/catechesis/adult-confirmation.html>

“Monday with Mary”

The Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, are inviting persons of all faith traditions to join them for “Monday with Mary,” scheduled for **10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Mon. May 16**, at Providence Spirituality and Conference Center. The discussion will center on Mary, mother of Jesus, as seen through the eyes of contemporary Marian scholars. Cost to attend is \$25, which includes lunch, and the registration deadline is May 11. Register online at Events.SistersofProvidence.org, or by calling 812-535-2952 or emailing jfrost@spsmw.org.

Final Lunch & Lecture Series

Join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, for the final Lunch and Lecture Series from noon to **1:30 p.m., on Wed. May 18**, in Providence Spirituality and Conference Center. The series provides additional information on Saint Mother Theodore Guerin, foundress of the Sisters of Providence. Cost to attend is \$12, which includes lunch. Register online at Events.SistersofProvidence.org, or by calling 812-535-2952 or emailing jfrost@spsmw.org.

Song of My Heart Retreat

Persons of all faith traditions are invited to join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, for “The Song of My Heart Retreat: Love Cannot be Silenced,” scheduled for **7 p.m., Friday, May 20, to 1:30 p.m., Sunday, May 22**, at Providence Spirituality and Conference Center. The retreat will incorporate music, meditation, movement and shared prayer. Cost to attend is \$200, and the registration deadline is May 13. Register online at Events.SistersofProvidence.org, or by calling 812-535-2952 or emailing jfrost@spsmw.org.

CCW Garage Sale

Spring is here...Our Annual CCW Garage Sale is just around the corner. The garage sale is our major fundraising event that helps us purchase needed items for the Altar & provide funeral dinners for grieving families. We will accept donated items in clean & gently used condition on **Mon. May 9-Wed. May 25th**. We can no longer accept electronics (tv's, computers, printers, etc.) **The Garage Sale is Fri. May 27th from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm & Sat. May 28th from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm noon**. With your donated treasures, we can be of service to our Church & community. If you have any questions, please call Carol Wong at 618-544-8498 or Geri Ezell at 618-544-7910.

Thank you for your support.

Thank You



A big thank you to Debbie Dix for making the beautiful & delicious cake for Confirmation.

Memorial Day Office Closed



The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, May 30th, 2016** for the Memorial Day Holiday.

Annual Catholic Services Appeal

The 2015 ACSA Parish Goals for St. Elizabeth
The goal for St. Elizabeth is \$19,666.00
\$20,355.00 paid out of \$20,355.00 pledged amount. \$20.00 balance of pledged amount.

The 2015 ACSA Parish Goals for Our Lady of Lourdes
The goal for Our Lady of Lourdes is \$2,873.00
\$3,275.00 paid out of \$3,350.00 pledged amount.
\$75.00 balance of the pledged amt. Updated 04-07-2016

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, April 24, 2016
Envelopes \$1,968.00 Loose \$204.00
1@ \$55.00 Caritas \$20.00
Catholic Home Missions Appeal \$716.50
Total Deposit \$2,963.50

Our Lady of Lourdes

Week ending Sunday, April 24, 2016
Envelopes \$616.00 Loose \$76.00
Catholic Home Missions Appeal \$258.18
Total Deposit: \$950.18

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.