



# Serving St. Elizabeth Church & Our Lady of Lourdes Church



## CATHOLIC PARISH CENTER

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### Father James Flach

#### PASTORAL STAFF

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Music Director: Chris Jansen, St. Elizabeth

#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Parish Office closed from 8:00 am~12:00 noon

Monday open from 1:00 pm~4:00 pm

Tuesday~Friday from 8:00 am~4:00 pm

Closed for lunch: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass at St. Elizabeth:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday~7:30 am

Tuesday~12:05 pm

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

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Parishioners who are seriously or critically ill or having surgery, please contact Father Flach.

#### BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Center for registration and reservation.

#### 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.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

If you are considering marriage, please contact Father Flach no later than 6 months prior to the proposed wedding date and the diocesan and parish guidelines will be explained.

#### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays at St. Elizabeth 3:45 pm or by appointment

Sun. Oct. 16, 2016  
29th Sun. in Ordinary Time



5th

Grade

On October 9, 2016 both 5th Grade Social and Ascend met in the Parish Center. Thirteen students were in attendance at 5th Grade Social and seventeen came to Ascend. Both groups played a version of Wheel of Fortune that focused on religious themed puzzles. A very special thank you to Father Flach for joining us for 5th Grade Social.



## Mass Intentions

Sat. Oct. 15	4:30 pm	Allen Osborne by Ginger Osborne
Sun. Oct. 16	7:30 am 9:00 am	For all parishioners by Fr. Flach Harold Harris by Fred & Ann Kirts
Mon. Oct. 17	10:30am	Don Rees by the Rees Family
Tues. Oct. 18	7:30 am 7:30 am	Mary Warren by C.C.W Jim Maloy by George & Jane Brown
Wed. Oct. 19	7:30 am	Gene & Barbara Dix by Steve & Janet Jenkins Family
Thurs. Oct. 20	7:30 am	Loretta Holscher by the Holscher Family Ray Halter by the Holscher Family
Fri. Oct. 21	4:30 pm	Kevin Murray by Larry Dix
Sat. Oct. 22	7:30 am	Arlene Schutte by Schutte Family
Sun. Oct. 23	9:00 am 10:30 am	Bill & Omar Wilson by Charlita Wilson Ira Inboden by Phyllis Inboden



## Ministry Schedule

Sat. Oct. 22 ~ Sun. Oct. 23, 2016

Sat. Oct. 22, 2016 4:30 pm St. Elizabeth

LECTOR: Terry Roche

USHERS: Mark Grimm, Dennis Carroll

COMMUNION MIN: Mike Dorn

Jack Stanley

SERVERS: Madalyn Myers, Abby Mullins

GIFTS: Ed & Linda Reis

Sun. Oct. 23, 2016 7:30 am St. Elizabeth

LECTOR: Shari Eckert

USHERS: Ken & Carol Bergbower

COMMUNION MIN: Mike & Jona Uptmor

SERVERS: Jacob Eckert, Matthew Jenkins

GIFTS: Steve Jenkins Family

Sun. Oct. 23, 2016 9:00 am Our Lady of Lourdes

LECTOR: Keith Wirey

USHERS: Jerry & Sarah Ping

COMMUNION MIN: Keith Matson, Nellie Schalasky

SERVERS: Kayla Matson

GIFTS: Wilmer Wilson

Sun. Oct. 23, 2016 10:30 am St. Elizabeth

LECTOR: Josh Quick

USHERS: Karen Free, Ken Deters

COMMUNION MIN: Carol Wong, Patti Buercklin

SERVERS: Lauren Staller, David Staller, Sarah Staller

GIFTS: Sean Sexton Family

Collection Counters: *October, 2016~Kaye Holscher, Janet Mitchell, Carol Wong*

**Please remember to attend weekly Mass**



## Prayer Requests

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

Lori Brown, Geri Ezell, Logan Inboden, Bill Meirink, Val Pescatore, Ian Quick, Vickie Wilson & all the men & women in the armed forces.



## No PSR

Wed. Oct. 19, 2016 due to Parent/Teacher Conferences.



## Youth Group Pumpkin Patch

Youth Group Trip to the Knepps Fun Festival.  
All permission slips must be returned by the 19th of October.

## Uprising (High School)

On Sun. Oct. 16th --Uprising 7-9 p.m. in the Parish Center; We are looking for a family to provide snacks for that meeting.



## Trunk or Treat

Wed. Oct. 26th-Trunk or Treat 5:30-6:30 p.m. in parking lot.



## Protecting God's Children

There will be a Protecting God's Children Class on **Thurs. Oct. 27, 2016 at St. Elizabeth Parish Hall at 7:00 pm.** Please contact Courtney Ferris to schedule. Thank You.



## All Saints Day Parade

The All Saints Day Parade will be on **Sat. Oct. 29, 2016 before the 4:30 pm Mass at St. Elizabeth.**

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

I thought it would be helpful to you if I made you aware of some changes pertaining to how you receive the necessary information about your liturgical ministries. First of all, I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks & appreciation to each of you for your devoted & faithful service to your particular ministry. Your service is deeply appreciated & valued. May God bless you for your reverence & participation in the Sacred Eucharist. Secondly, I wanted to inform you that the process of ministry information has changed. From now on, you will receive the schedules that pertain only to your chosen ministries with dates & times. The schedules will be folded in half with your name on the front cover or they can be emailed to you. They will be in a plastic container on the counter in alphabetical order at the entrance of the Church. It is my hope that this procedure will be more helpful to you & easier for you to record & follow. If you are unable to fulfill your ministry, please be so kind as to secure a replacement & if possible, please let Fr. Flach know. I will be happy to make necessary adjustments. Again, thank you & God bless you! Fr. Flach

## New Baby



Congratulations to Matthew & Lisa Hartrich on the birth of their new daughter~Arrieta Rose Hartrich. She was born on Tues. Oct. 11, 2016. She has two siblings~Kifer & Ave.

# Fr. Flach Scriptural Reflections for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the book Luke: Interpretation: A Bible Commentary for Teaching & Preaching, Rev. Fred B. Craddock, a renowned professor of homiletics, wrote on today's Gospel. Rev. Craddock scoffed at those who speak far too flippantly about prayer, saying that too many of the overly pious speak of prayer like "someone drawing answers from a hat." What Rev. Craddock wants to emphasize is that prayer takes work, discipline & perseverance. To emphasize his point, he tells of a large gathering of people who were concerned about unfair & oppressive conditions in our society. At the gathering, an elderly black minister read today's passage & gave a one-sentence interpretation: "until you have stood for ten years knocking at a locked door, your knuckles bleeding, you do not really know what prayer is." Luke's Gospel is filled with accounts of Jesus in prayer. Along with today's passage, Luke tells us that Jesus sometimes prayed all night. In His Passion account, Luke describes Jesus as "in such agony" & praying so fervently that His sweat became like drops of blood falling on the ground."

For some weeks, we have been reading from Paul's Second Letter to Timothy. Timothy grew up with a deep knowledge of the Hebrew Scriptures; but it seems that he became a convert of Paul in Lystra after hearing Paul speak about Jesus using the Hebrew Scriptures to teach. Paul took Timothy on some of his missionary journeys, & while they were together, Paul ordained Timothy for ministry by the laying on of hands.

Eventually Nero came to power & began persecuting Christians. Paul already had been accused of not upholding Caesar &, instead, preaching Christ. By the time he wrote to Timothy, Paul had been thrown into prison, chained, & was soon to be executed. Timothy had, by that time, become a pastor in Ephesus. In Paul's letters, Timothy seems to have been sickly, timid, & young, but he was also a gifted teacher.

Under persecution, Peter & most of the Apostles were dead, & Paul would soon be dead. Christianity was being passed to a new generation. Would it survive? Would Christians stay faithful to the teaching of Jesus Christ? Would persecution, or worse, infighting, destroy all that had been handed on by Jesus through His Apostles? Would people remember what they had been taught? Paul's advice, Paul's pleading, was for Timothy "to remain faithful to what you have learned & believed."

Paul reminded Timothy that the Sacred Scriptures are capable of giving wisdom for salvation. He especially reminded Timothy that "all Scripture is inspired by God." Literally, the phrase means "all scripture is breathed by God." (The word inspiration comes from the same word we use for respiration.) Paul reminded Timothy that there are only two ways to know God. One is through the Scriptures; the other is through prayer.

Can we say that we talk to God with the same regularity & intensity that a couple in love would talk?

As Moses grew weary, the battle of life & death with the Amalekites began to go against the Israelites. Only with assistance could Moses hold up his staff, the standard of God. To whom do we turn when we grow weary? Do we rely on our community of faith? Do we support our community of faith as Aaron & Hur supported Moses while he prayed for Joshua? Is our prayer only solitary, or do we make time to pray with our community of faith & help hold it up as Aaron & Hur held up the arms of Moses? When we falter in our faith life, do we seek assistance, or do we let our relationship with God slowly slip from our grasp?

If God does not respond right away to our prayers, do we give up? Do we love our faithfulness? According to Luke, Jesus prayed constantly & fervently. Jesus actually prayed that "this cup," His Passion, would be taken away. Did Jesus give up when that did not happen? Jesus teaches us that a widow, the most defenseless in society, got her way with the most powerful man in the community, & this man was unjust as well. God is not the Unjust Judge. God is just & compassionate, yet do we go to Him often enough? When Jesus comes, when He examines our life of prayer, will He find faith?

## Finance /Pastoral Council Church Meeting

There will be a Finance Council Meeting at **Our Lady of Lourdes** on **Tues. Oct. 18, 2016 at 6:00 pm**. There will be a Pastoral Coun. Mtg. at St. Elizabeth Parish Hall on **Tues. Nov. 1, 2016 at 6:30 pm**.

## Card Shower

Ethan Knoblett, nephew of Jim & Shari Eckert, is currently on a nine month deployment to Iraq. He will celebrate his birthday on November 6, 2016. If you would like to send Ethan well wishes for his birthday or for the upcoming holidays, cards will reach him at the following address: **ETHAN KNOBLETT, C/1-320FA, 2BCT, 101ST ABN DIV, KARA SOAR, APO AE 09316**. Please continue to keep Ethan & his fellow service men & women in your prayers. Thank you. Shari Eckert

## Oblong Christian Community Food Pantry



The Oblong Christian Community Food Pantry will have its Annual Bake Sale at the Fall Follies on **Sat. Oct. 29, 2016** in front of the Tracy Insurance Building on Main Street. Donations of baked goods & other

flood items including sugar free items, will be accepted beginning at 9:00 am. Our Lady of Lourdes is being asked to work from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.

Please call Nancy Ping at 618-592-4895 if you would like to volunteer.



## First Friday of the Month Mass

There will be the First Friday of the Month Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes on **Fri. Nov. 4, 2016 at 5:30 pm**.

## St. Elizabeth Mass & Our Lady of Lourdes Memorial Mass

Each year, we remember in a special way those loved ones who have entered into eternal life from either St. Elizabeth or Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.

As a symbol of our prayer, support, & love, the MEMORIAL MASS for St. Elizabeth Parish will be celebrated on **Sun. Nov. 6th at 10:30 am in St. Elizabeth Church & for Our Lady of Lourdes will be at the 9:00 am Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes Church.**

As always, we extend to those in grief & sorrow over the death of a loved one our sincere love, prayers & hope that God will comfort each of you with His everlasting & enriching comfort, grace & peace. **The following will be honored at St. Elizabeth:**

**Lorna "Jane" Brown, Don Calvert, Charles Ferguson, Raymond Halter, Madonna Kirts, Lillie Ireland, Clarence E. "Sonny" Mann,**

**Arlene Schutte, Michael & Judith Smolinski & Mary Warren.**

**The following will be honored at Our Lady of Lourdes**  
**Vera Kirts**  
**Lloyd Shook**



## Daily Mass Readings

Daily Readings for Mon. Oct. 17~Fri. Oct. 21, 2016

Mon. Oct. 17, 2016 Reading 1 Eph. 2:1-10 Gospel Luke 12:13-21

Tues. Oct. 18, 2016 Reading 1 2 Tim. 4:10-17B Gospel Luke 10:1-9

Wed. Oct. 19, 2016 Reading 1 Eph. 3:2-12 Gospel Luke 12:39-48

Thurs. Oct. 20, 2016 Reading 1 Eph. 3:14-21 Gospel Phil. 3:8-9

Fri. Oct. 21, 2016 Eph. 4:1-6 Gospel Luke 12:54-59

## PRAYER FOR OUR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE

Grant, O Lord, that my own heart may be touched, as Yours is, at the passing of all souls into eternal life. You experienced deep & loving relationships while on earth & wept at the death of your friend, Lazarus. In great confidence, I pray for all my friends & loved ones who are no longer here on this journey of faith. I pray also for those who are facing at this moment their own last agony. How wonderful it is to know that I can support & comfort them in their final moments. When I am sad at the death of those who were close to me, may my sadness be firmly supported by my faith that life is merely changed, not ended, that those I love are still with me though unseen. O Lord, increase my faith in the great mystery of eternal life. Teach me to live each day knowing that all here passes & that when we leave we will travel very lightly. May You, Lord Jesus Christ, welcome me & those for whom I pray into eternal life at the moment pleasing to You. Glory be to You One God, Father, Son & Holy Spirit, now & forever. Mary Mother of the living, pray for us. Amen. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls & all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
Amen

## The Sacred Feast Of All Saints

### Holy Day of Obligation~November 1, 2016

As an important part of our desire to love, obey and follow God, we are blessed to be able to gather in the Sacred Eucharist to celebrate the FEAST OF ALL SAINTS, the first day of the month of November. This special feast is provided for by the Holy Mother Church as a beautiful opportunity to examine our spiritual lives. In this review, we are able to determine if we are progressing toward a greater degree of SANCTITY and HOLINESS. As we recall, and honor all of the SAINTS who have gone before us, we are able to recognize that their holiness is revealed in their strong and intense willingness to open their hearts and their souls to God's Will and His Presence as lived out in their ordinary and everyday lives in the Spirit of God's Grace and Trust. Every single one of the hundreds and hundreds of SAINTS in the Roman Catholic faith has a strong willingness to center their hearts and souls to GOD ALONE. As we celebrate this Eucharist, we pray to God asking for His help and guidance to follow the example of the SAINTS who continually imitated their LOVE FOR GOD and who are constant in their prayers and intercessions for each of us. **In honor of the Holy Day of ALL SAINTS, the Sacred Eucharist will be celebrated on Mon. Oct. 31, 2016 at 5:30 pm in OLOL & on Tues. Nov. 1, 2016 at 12:05 pm and 6:00 pm at St. Elizabeth.**

### World Mission Sunday, 2016

Next week, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Its theme this year is "Mercy Changes The World". Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America & Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve some of the poorest of the poor. Please keep the Missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

## Annual Catholic Services Appeal

The programs, services, & ministries supported by the Annual Catholic Services Appeal meet the larger Diocesan needs of Catholics & others in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. The theme this year for the **ANNUAL CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL** is "CONTINUING THE MISSION OF CHARITY." You will soon receive a letter to each registered Catholic household in the Diocese asking for your support. The Diocese serves each of us & our financial support is needed to continue God's work in the Diocese.

### The 2016-2017 ACSA Parish Goals for St. Elizabeth

The goal for St. Elizabeth is \$26,747.00

### The 2016-2017 ACSA Parish Goals for

Our Lady of Lourdes The goal for Our Lady of Lourdes is \$6,656.00  
Updated 06-30-2016

## Liturgical Ministry Contacts



### St. Elizabeth Parish

Readers: Eileen Hartrich 544-8251

Servers: Father Flach 544-7526

Art & Environment: Robb Sparks 546-5606

Ushers: Ron Mitchell

### Our Lady of Lourdes

Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers: Keith Wirey 592-4179

Music & Liturgy: Dorla Shook 592-3893



## Weekly Collection

### St. Elizabeth Church

Week Ending Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016

Envelopes: \$ 3,427.00 Loose: \$ 270.25 Caritas \$50.00

Building Fund \$40.00

Online Thru Give Central \$80.00 CCW \$50.00 Arlene Schutte

Harry Wong Memorial Food Pantry \$5.00

Total Church Offerings Deposit \$ 3,922.25

Total to date Arlene Schutte CCW Memorial \$7,485.00

### Our Lady Of Lourdes Church

Week Ending Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016

Envelopes \$625.00 Loose \$62.00

Building Fund \$15.00 Caritas \$20.00

Total Deposit \$722.00 Thank You. God Bless You.

## Adult Religion Class

The next class for the Adult Religion Class for OLOL's Parish & St. Elizabeth Parish will be held on **Thurs. Oct. 20, 2016.**



## Give Central Online Donations

To give online, go to the Church website & click on DONATE. You can give to what donation you choose. All monies go directly to St. Elizabeth.

## Keys, Keys, Keys



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish would like to secure an accurate list of all those who have a key to OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH. If you do have a key, please call WILMER WILSON at 592-3614 and let him know.