



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

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.

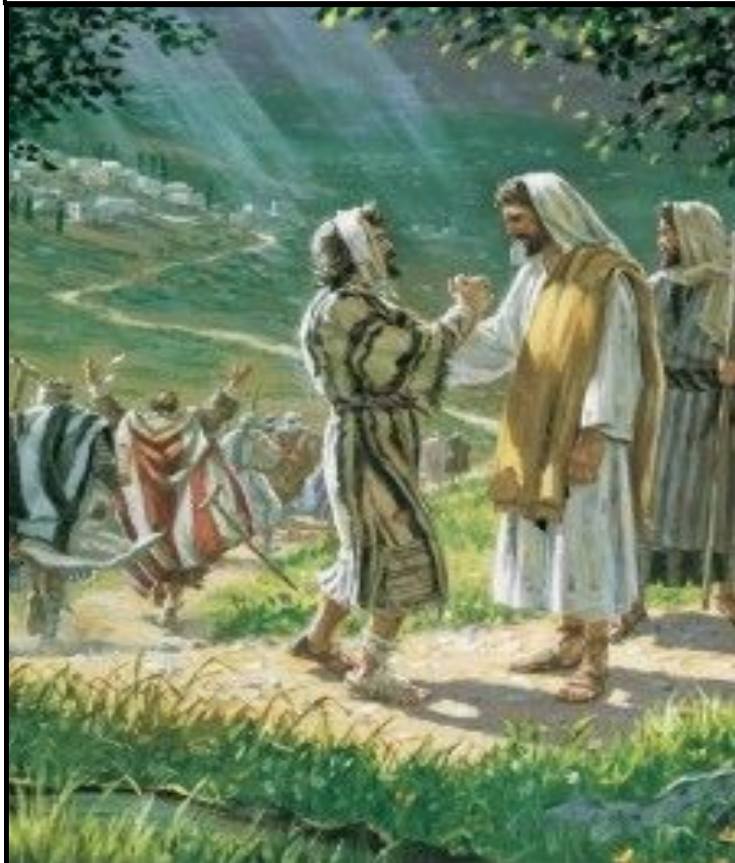
#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

# Sunday, October 9, 2016 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



**And he said unto him,  
“Arise, go thy way: thy  
faith hath made thee  
whole.” Luke 17:19**



## Mass Intentions

Sat. Oct. 8	4:30 pm	In Thanksgiving by Frank & Wanda Weber
Sun. Oct. 9	7:30 am 9:00 am	Favorable Weather Harold Harris by Dorla Shook & Bill & Omar Wilson by Charlita Wilson
	10:30am 7:30 am	Special Intentions Arlene Schutte by Dan & Marian Hatfield
Mon. Oct. 10	10:00 am	Harry Wong by the Holscher Family
Tues. Oct. 11	7:30 am	Greg Bohman by George & Jane Bohman
Wed. Oct. 12	7:30 am	Loretta Holscher by The Holscher Family
Thurs. Oct. 13	7:30 am 4:30 pm	Gladys & John Loy by Anne Loy Allen Osborne by Ginger Osborne
Fri. Oct. 14	7:30 am	For all parishioners by Fr. Flach
Sat. Oct. 15	9:00 am	Harold Harris by Fred & Ann Kirts
Sun. Oct. 16	10:30 am  10:30 am	Don Rees by the Rees Family

## Ministry Schedule

Sat. Oct. 15~ Sun. Oct. 16, 2016

Sat. Oct. 15, 2016 4:30 pm St. Elizabeth

LECTOR: Karen Sanders

USHERS: Mark Grimm, Dennis Carroll

COMMUNION MIN: Mike Dorn

Jack Stanley

SERVERS: Xavier Brown, Jared Hermann

GIFTS: Ed & Linda Reis

Sun. Oct. 16, 2016 7:30 am St. Elizabeth

LECTOR: Dave Holscher

USHERS: Mike & Jona Uptmor

COMMUNION MIN: Jim & Shari Eckert

SERVERS: Mallory Mosbey, Greyson Holscher

GIFTS: Steve Jenkins Family

Sun. Oct. 16, 2016 9:00 am Our Lady of Lourdes

LECTOR: Kourtney Cuffman

USHERS: Don & Sharon Fitzmaurice

COMMUNION MIN: Keith & Rita Wirey

SERVERS: Ethan Matson

GIFTS: Richard Kocher Family

Sun. Oct. 16, 2016 10:30 am St. Elizabeth

LECTOR: Josh Quick

USHERS: Ron & Janet Mitchell

COMMUNION MIN: Sean & April Sexton

SERVERS: Emily Heidorn, Isabel Heidorn, +Ella Jenkins+

GIFTS: Sean Sexton Family

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

## Prayer Requests



Please remember the following in your prayers:

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

## PSR



PSR~Wed. Oct. 12, 2016 from 6:30 pm ~ 7:30 pm.

## Ascend

Ascend (Junior High Youth) 7-8:30 p.m. at the Parish Center on Sun. Oct. 9, 2016.

## 5th Grade Social

On Oct. 9, 2016 the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Social from 5:00 pm~6:30.

## Youth Ministry—Co-workers in the



Mon. Oct. 10, 2016—Coworkers in the Vineyard 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Center; This

is a program from the diocese which is open to all that work with the Youth Groups in our Parish. If you are interested in coming, please let Courtney Ferris know .

## Youth Group Pumpkin Patch



The Youth Group will be going to the Pumpkin Patch on Fri. Oct. 21, 2016. Everyone needs to be at St. Elizabeth by 3:00 pm.

All permission slips must be returned by the 18th of October. Thank you.

## Mass Schedule Change



There is a Priest's Deanery Meeting on **Tuesday, October 11, 2016 beginning at 12:30 pm.** To enable Fr. Flach to attend this meeting, **the TUES. OCT. 11TH MASS will be at 10:00 am.** Thank you for understanding. Please be so kind as to let others know about the change of Mass time on Tues. Oct. 11. God bless you.

## 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. Thank you for your help in this matter.

# Fr. Flach Scriptural Reflections for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are no longer a people who are quick to show gratitude. We have spoken so long about entitlements that it rarely occurs to people to express gratitude.

Witnessing this, most seminarians today have to bring in speakers to help seminarians learn about what used to be called the social graces. Why should this have to be done? Do not parents teach their children such things? A study from a few years ago revealed that, in fact, very few parents do teach children about such things as "the social graces."

The study also revealed that children are rarely taught to write thank-you notes for gifts or for kindnesses. The expression of gratitude is one of the most fundamental signs of respect for another person.

Counting today, Thanksgiving is 47 days away. As we begin our preparations for the day, we ask, "Do our Thanksgiving celebrations reflect and accomplish the purpose of the day, that is gratitude?" Our Thanksgiving holiday began as an occasion for the Pilgrims to thank God for His grace, for the gift of food in a new world, and for the survival of a hard winter. The first Thanksgiving also included the Pilgrims' gratitude to the Wampanoag Indians, without whose assistance they never could have survived.

At our festive meal, will we put our gratitude for God first? Will we authentically acknowledge how many things we could never have accomplished or survived without the help of others? Will we be able to recognize humbly our dependence on others and offer true gratitude?

What do our two stories of gratitude today share? Among the common themes, the most important is that those who received healing were willing to humble themselves enough to acknowledge that they needed someone else to help them.

Naaman was a great commander in the Syrian army. Despite his reputation, he was shunned by his people because he had leprosy. (We are not certain what skin ailment he or the Ten Lepers had. While true leprosy Hansen's Disease, was known in the Middle East at the time, the Hebrew word used in the Bible was also used for other skin diseases.) Naaman's wife had an Israelite servant girl who had been taken captive by thy Syrian army. The girl suggested that the prophet Elisha in Samaria could heal the terrible disease. Naaman told his king what the girl had said, and the king sent Naaman to seek a cure.

Being a commander, Naaman was used to being treated with respect, and being a member of the royal court, protocol would have been important to

him, So when, instead of going himself, Elisha sent a messenger to Naaman with instructions to wash in the Jordan River seven times, Naaman felt insulted and went away angry. Protocol demanded the prophet deal with Naaman directly. It was no surprise that the commander's pride and demand for protocol led him to refuse to follow the prophet's instructions.

Fortunately for Naaman, his desire to be cured led him to listen to his servants and humbly agree to participate in the prescribed ritual.

The affliction of the lepers who approached Jesus was worse than mere sickness. Their affliction was thought to be a consequence of sin. For this reason, to keep citizens away from sinners and to protect against disease, the Law demanded that lepers live outside the community.

What about their gratitude? We too often focus on the failure of the nine to return; however, this was not a surprise to Jesus. The protocol of the day was that social equals were not required to give thanks to each other. People offered thanks only to those who were socially higher than themselves that the person being thanked was more important than the recipient of a gift or a kindness.

What else did Naaman and the thankful Samaritan leper have in common? They recognized that ultimately God was responsible for their cures. They gave thanks for God's gifts, thus acknowledging His greatness. The people Jesus was teaching were failing in their expression of gratitude of God's gifts. Worse, it was only foreigners who recognized the compassion and generosity of the God of the Jews!

The word "Eucharist" means "thanksgiving." Is our presence at the Eucharist a true expression of gratitude for God's gifts? Will our Thanksgiving this year have real meaning?

## ROSARY CRUSADE

"Finally, my Immaculate Heart will triumph!" (Our Lady of Fatima, July 13, 1917)

America is at a historical crossroad. Secularists are rejecting God's beneficial action upon society. But without God, where will our leaders get the wisdom to solve the great problems we face?

We must pray to God for help. He will hear us, if we pray through our intercession of His Blessed Mother, the Virgin Mary. It is for this reason that we are participating in the **ROSARY CRUSADE**.

In the Secret of Rosary, Saint Louis de Montfort said: "Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God & call down His mercy. Holy Mother Church, guided by the Holy Spirit, has always advocated public prayer in times of public tragedy & suffering.

To commemorate the importance of the **ROSARY CRUSADE**, you are invited to pray the Rosary on **Sat. Oct. 15, 2016 at 4:00 pm** in front of the Jesus Statue at St. Elizabeth Church. In case of rain, the Rosary will be prayed inside the Church.

Thank you for your attention to this matter & we encourage all of our parishioners to participate in the **Rosary Crusade**.

Thank you  
& God bless you.

## Praying with the Mystics of Assisi and Indiana

Join the Sisters of Providence of Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana, for "Praying with the Mystics of Assisi and Indiana," from **9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.**, on **Saturday, Oct. 15**, at Providence Spirituality & Conference Center. Spend time exploring the lives of Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi and Saint Mother Theodore Guerin. Participants will have time for personal reflection, quiet prayer, journaling and faith sharing. Cost is \$45, which includes lunch, and the registration deadline is Oct. 10. Register online at

Events.SistersofProvidence.org, or by calling 812-535-2952 or emailing [jfrost@spsmw.org](mailto:jfrost@spsmw.org).



## Church Meetings

There will be a Finance Council Meeting for **St. Elizabeth** at the Parish Hall on **Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 6:00 pm**. There will be a Finance Council Meeting at **Our Lady of Lourdes** on **Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 6:00 pm**.

## Adult Religion Class



The Adult Religion Class for OLOL's Parish & St. Elizabeth Parish will be held on **THURSDAY evenings from 6:30 pm** at OLOL Parish Hall. We will be studying A Pocket Guide to the Bible. We will cover a chapter of the book each evening.

All are welcome to attend. **Thurs. Oct. 13, 2016**, next class .



## Daily Mass Readings

### Daily Readings for Mon. Oct. 10~Fri. Oct. 14, 2016

**Mon. Oct. 10, 2016**

Reading 1 Gal. 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1 Gospel Luke 11:29-32

**Tues. Oct. 11, 2016** Reading 1 Gal. 5:1-6 Gospel Luke 11:37-41

**Wed. Oct. 12, 2016** Reading 1 Gal. 5:18-25 Gospel Luke 11:42-46

**Thurs. Oct. 13, 2016** Reading 1 Eph. 1:1-10 Gospel Luke 11:47-54

**Fri. Oct. 14, 2016** Reading 1 Eph. 1:11-14 Gospel Luke 12:1-7

## Thank You



To the Parish Families of Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Elizabeth. The family of Billy B. Skaggs would like to thank all of you who prayed for him during his 10 yr. battle with cancer, etc. He & the family greatly appreciate your care.  
Sincerely, Sharon Skaggs

## Life Line Screening



Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, is pleased to offer a preventive health event at Saint Elizabeth Catholic Church on **Wed. Oct. 26, 2016 from 9:30 am~5:00 pm.**

## 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 Monday, October 31, 2016 at 5:30 pm in Our Lady of Lourdes and on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 12:05 pm and 6:00 pm at St. Elizabeth.**

## 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. 2, 2016**

**Envelopes: \$ 2,757.00 Loose: \$ 335.00**

**Caritas \$60.00 Building Fund \$160.00**

**Online Thru Give Central \$80.00**

**Total Arlene Schutte Memorials to date \$7,435.00**

**Total Church Offerings Deposit \$ 3,392.00**

### Our Lady Of Lourdes Church

**Week Ending Sunday, Oct. 2, 2016**

**Envelopes \$855.00 Loose \$97.00**

**Building Fund \$55.00 Caritas \$5.00**

**Total Deposit \$1,012.00**

**Thank You. God Bless You.**

**Please remember to attend weekly Mass**



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