



Serving St. Elizabeth Church & Our Lady of Lourdes Church



CATHOLIC PARISH CENTER

207 E. Walnut, Robinson, IL 62454

Phone Number: (618) 544-7526

Fax Number: (618) 544-9327

E-mail: crawford_catholics@rocketmail.com

Web Site: www.crawfordcountycatholics.com

Join us on Facebook! Search for "Crawford County Catholics"

Reverend Father James A. Flach, Pastor

PASTORAL STAFF

Office Manager: Halena Estep

Director of Religious Education: Courtney Ferris

Custodial Care: Lori Davis,

Our Lady of Lourdes

Music Director: Chris Jansen, St. Elizabeth

OFFICE HOURS

Monday Thursday from 8:00 am-5:00 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-12:00 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 Fr. Flach for registration and information.

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.

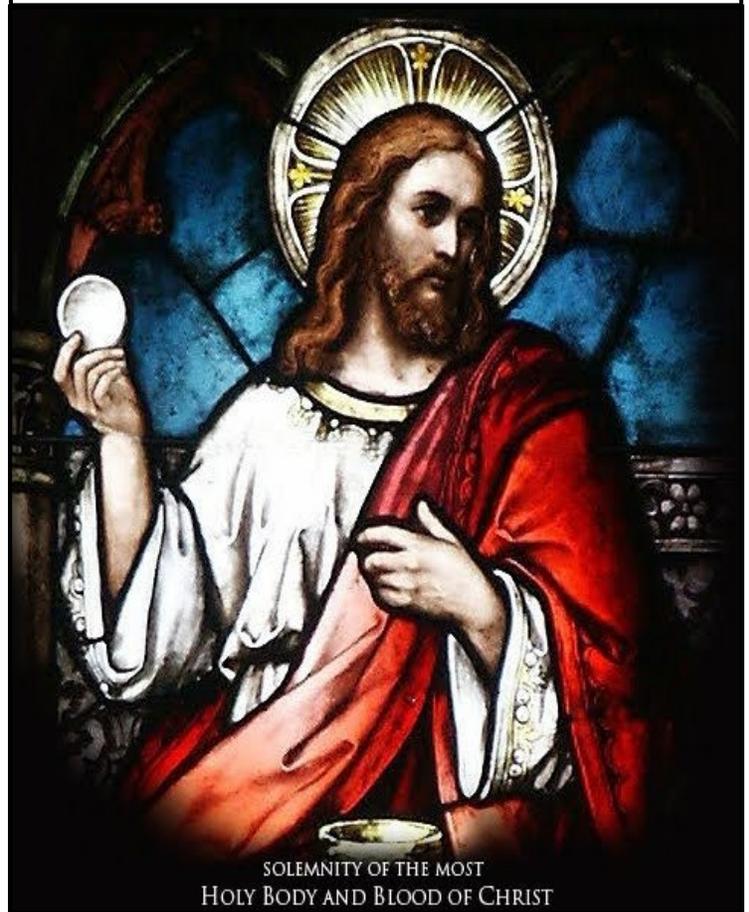
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm or by appointment.

Sunday, June 23, 2019 The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ



The crowds, meanwhile, learned of this & followed Him. He received them & spoke to them about the kingdom of God, & He healed those who needed to be cured. Luke 9:11



Mass Intentions

June 22	4:30 pm	Repose of the soul of Mark Stone by Mardi Gras
June 23	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	For all parishioners by Fr. Flach Special Intentions Francis Medina by Rito & Maria Medina
June 24	7:30 am	Special Intentions
June 25	12:00 pm	Special Intentions
June 26	7:30 am	Karlene Frese by Pete Frese
June 27	7:30 am	Marilu Fehrenbacher by Albert Fehrenbacher Family
June 28	7:30 am	Jane Brown by George Brown
June 29	4:30 pm	Jeanette Kraemer (Birth) by Anne Loy
June 30	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	For all parishioners by Fr. Flach Special Intentions Francis Medina by Rito & Maria Medina



Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 29~ Sunday, June 30, 2019

Sat. Jun. 29, 2019 4:30 pm St. Elizabeth

LECTOR: Celeste White

USHERS: Ken & Carol Bergbower

COMMUNION MIN: None

SERVERS: Abby Mullins

GIFTS: Terry Roche Family

Sun. Jun. 30, 2019 7:30 am St. Elizabeth

LECTOR: Eileen Hartrich

USHERS: Garrett Rich, Travis Rich

COMMUNION MIN: None

SERVERS: Nathaniel Arkenberg

GIFTS: Garrett Rich Family

Sun. Jun. 30, 2019 9:00 am Our Lady of Lourdes

LECTOR: Anita Kocher

USHERS: Jerry & Sarah Ping

COMMUNION MIN: None

SERVERS: Cameron Davis

GIFTS: Chris & Donna Keller

Sun. Jun. 30, 2019 10:30 am St. Elizabeth

LECTOR: Courtney Ferris

USHERS: John Birkofer, Jaime Escobedo

COMMUNION MIN: None

SERVERS: Joe Quick, Anthony Tran

GIFTS: John Grimm Family

June Collection Counters: Carol Bergbower, Janet Hill, Chris Tylka

Vacation Bible School



THE MARVELOUS MYSTERY

~ THE MASS COMES ALIVE~ We are very pleased to announce that this year's VBS "Marvelous Mystery: The Mass Comes Alive" will take place on Sunday, July 14~Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at St. Elizabeth from 6:00~8:00 pm. Children aged 4~10 are welcome to attend & there is no cost for this program.

During this week, your children will come to better understand the Catholic Mass & deepen their love & appreciation for Jesus in the Eucharist. We truly want this to be a "whole family" learning experience & so we invite you to attend any of our VBS evenings. To register, please call the Parish Center or email Courtney Ferris at courtkferris@yahoo.com.

Scriptural Reflections for The Sacred Feast of the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Saint John Paul II reminded us that the Church "does not only celebrate the Eucharist but solemnly bears it in procession, publicly proclaiming that the sacrifice of Christ is for the salvation of the whole world." We rejoice in this post-Easter expression of our Eucharistic faith and devotion in order to deepen our attachment to the unique and unending Event that transforms our lives: 'Out of the darkness of my life, so much frustrated, I put before you the one great thing to love on earth: the Blessed Sacrament.... There you will find romance, glory, honor, fidelity, and the true way of all your loves on earth" (J.R.R. Tolkien). As the Sequence for Corpus Christi begs: "Jesus, of your love befriend us. You refresh us, you defend us,/ Your eternal goodness send us/ In the land of life to see."

Spiritual Reading for Sacred Feast of The Solemnity of The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

The Humanity of Jesus has remained with us in the Holy Eucharist; in that mystery of love Jesus accomplishes his unparalleled marvels in souls, and all operations of grace through the other sacraments are irradiations of that mystery, which in the Church is the center not only of her worship, but of her life and sanctity. The Holy Spirit and the Eucharist have divine connections; both mysteries are fountains of purity and of life, but not two separated fountains; united by an inexpressible harmony, they form but one and the same fountain. Therefore, although the Sacrament of Love was instituted on the eve of the Passion, it was not dispensed in the Church until Pentecost. On that day the heavenly fountain, united with that of earth, would pour throughout the world the holy inundation of purity; when the Holy Spirit, the eternal Perfecter, would complete all that Jesus had established, which, like holy seeds, needed to be watered by power from on high in order to germinate. The Church, having a profound sense of divine things, celebrates the feast of the Eucharist soon after the solemnity of Pentecost, intertwining in the liturgy the mysteries that are intertwined in the designs of God. Someone has said that a single surge of either love or of suffering can save the world; the Holy Spirit and the Eucharist envelop the world in those two waves because the Holy Spirit and the Eucharist both come from Calvary and they extend upon the earth the empire of the cross formed with love and suffering.

Please remember to attend weekly Mass

Sunday, June 23, 2019 ~ The Sacred Feast of the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

While God's word is food, Jesus' arrival as the incarnate Son of God gives believers added assurance. Receiving Eucharist, followers know they are heading for the right destiny. Adam and Eve told God he was not enough, and they were going to go another way. After this declaration, God banished them from the Garden. The feast of the Body and Blood of Christ proclaims clearly for all Jesus' followers that the true way to heaven is through nourishment from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer. This truth begins at a child's first Communion, continuing as often as the child takes Eucharist throughout his or her journey, concluding with his or her final Eucharist, which may be intermingled with the prayers of the anointing of the sick. This is the same for believers everywhere. The identical incarnate Son of God is received by all believers. The same words herald his presence, "The Body of Christ," and with bowed heads every recipient answers, men." It doesn't matter where we live or in what language Eucharist comes, Jesus' body and blood makes sisters and brothers of us all. The place may be a peace filled country or a war-torn island. Each receives the same loving and compassionate Prince of Peace, the same Son of God and the same savior of the world. Worshippers kneeling before the altar gaze upon the separated bread and wine that is the offering. This separation reminds believers of the heavy price Jesus paid for their salvation. Although a Eucharistic banquet is set before them, so is its enduring cost. These words make them known: "Behold the lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world, blessed are those called to the supper of the lamb." Again, the spoken "Amen" at reception reminds Christians to accept sacrifice and suffering as a part of living as Jesus did. Judy, a 10th-grader, asked her religion teacher this question: "At Mass, when Father holds up the Eucharist and says, Do this in memory of me,' what is the 'this' he means?" The teacher replied: "He means what we are doing right now. It can be a joyous event or a difficult moment, but we do it because it's what life is asking us to do right now." Then she continued: "Jesus did what was asked of him, and he will help us do what is asked of us. That's why we receive Eucharist, to be like Jesus." That says it all for every follower of Jesus!

A Spotlight on the Catholic Catechism of the Catholic Church

A SPOTLIGHT ON THE CATHOLIC CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

The CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH has four main parts commonly called pillars and are titled:

- PILLAR ONE - THE PROFESSION of FAITH**
- PILLAR TWO - THE CELEBRATION OF THE CHRISTIAN MYSTERY**
- PILLAR THREE - LIFE IN CHRIST**
- PILLAR FOUR - CHRISTIAN PRAYER**

Future articles in the bulletins under this title will seek to clarify the relationship of Sacred Scripture, Catholic Tradition, and the Catholic Church so we are able to more fully embrace and live our faith.

PART THREE ~ LIFE IN CHRIST

A Spotlight on the Catholic Catechism of the Catholic Church cont.

The final sacrament of initiation is Eucharist (Greek for "thanksgiving"): a special partaking in the very Body, Blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ himself (CCC 1322—1324, 1333, 1365, 1374-1377, 1413). Even more than baptism and confirmation, the biblical support for the reality and necessity of the Eucharist is overwhelming. Referenced in all four Gospels as well as Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, we have Jesus' command to memorialize his paschal sacrifice in the Eucharist and his warning that we will be lifeless if we don't (Matthew 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:14-20, John 6:26-69, 1 Corinthians 11:23-29, CCC 1337-1344, 1356, 1384-1385). While Jesus remains among us in a variety of ways—including as God's Word and when two or three are gathered in prayer in his name—our Lord leaves us this gift of himself in a special pledge of loving know from the Book of James that the anointing of the sick continues in the early Church (CCC 1511, 1526): Is anyone among you suffering? He should pray. Is anyone in good spirits? H e s h o u l d s i n g praise. Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint [him] with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven. JAMES 5:13-15 presence, an intimate self-giving of the Bridegroom to his Bride (Matthew 18:20, John 1:1, CCC 1323, 1373-1374). Astonishingly, Jesus truly enters his believers, a foretaste of the heavenly banquet when God will be 'all in all' (1 Corinthians 15:28, CCC 1326). His presence is so real and everlasting under the signs of consecrated bread and wine that we are invited to remain with Jesus and adore him in the Blessed Sacrament (CCC 1377—1381). While Eucharist does draw the faithful closer to God and to each other, the sacrament chiefly instituted to reconcile us to God, to one another and even to ourselves is reconciliation, one of the two sacraments of healing (CCC 1395, 1440, 1422, 1445, 1462, 1468-1470) we recall that Jesus promises his apostles the authority to "bind and loose" before he dies and empowers them to forgive sins after his resurrection (Matthew 16:17-19, Matthew 18:18, John 20:21-23, CCC 1441—1444). Through apostolic, succession, current bishops and their coworkers, the priests, exercise this healing ministry as servants of God's forgiveness (ccc 1461, 1466). The Catechism explains that when the priest absolves sin in God's name, he extends Christ's mercy and emulates many of the figures in Jesus' stories, including the Good Samaritan, the Good Shepherd, and the Forgiving Father (Matthew 18:12-14, Luke 10:29-37, Luke 15:4-7, Luke 15:20-32, CCC 1461). Known by a variety of titles, the sacrament has three main actions on the part of the penitent: to be contrite, to confess sins as completely as possible and to do penance, and avoid further sin (CCC 1450—1460, 1491). Leaving the confessional, the reconciled believer can often feel the effects of the sacrament i n a deep sense of serenity, consolation and gratitude as a child of God in restored relationship (CCC 1468-1469). The other sacrament of healing is the anointing of the sick. Jesus' numerous healings of believers in body and spirit abound in all four Gospels. He also empowers his apostles to heal when he sends them into the world to proclaim the kingdom (Mark 6:7-13, CCC 1503-1507). We know from the Book of James that the anointing of the sick continues in the early Church (CCC 1511,1526): Is anyone among you suffering? He should pray. Is anyone in good spirits? He should sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, & they should pray over him & anoint (him) will oil in the name of the Lord, & the prayer of faith will save the sick person, & the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven.

Visits to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

THROUGHOUT the course of the day we should strive to spend a few moments before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We should adore and thank Him for all the gifts that he has given us and for the gift of His Real Presence, then tell Him our needs and everything that is in our heart, so that we may receive comfort and strength. The tabernacle is the Font of grace and mercy from which Jesus dispenses the benefit of His superabundant life and continually repeats to all: "Come to Me, all you who are weary and overburdened; and I will give you rest" (Mt 11:28). The Eucharist is the sign of God's great love for us and fills us with happiness and gratitude. At the same time, it fills us with sorrow and pain because God's love is not returned by His people. The Heart which has so loved human beings remains neglected and even offended by them. Conscious of this sad situation, we should make reparation for ourselves and for others. To make reparation signifies being united to Christ, taking up our cross and carrying it out of love for Him in atonement. Then our human love will dimly resemble divine love, becoming an eternal, universal, and saving love.

Prayer to Bring Christ Into Our Day

LORD Jesus, present before me in the Sacrament of the Altar, help me to cast out from my mind all thoughts of which You do not approve and from my heart all emotions which You do not encourage. Enable me to spend my entire day as a co-worker with You, carrying out the tasks that You have entrusted to me. Be with me at every moment of this day: during the long hours of work, that I may never tire or slacken from Your service; during my conversations, that they may not become for me occasions for meanness toward others; during the moments of worry and stress, that I may remain patient and spiritually calm; during periods of fatigue and illness, that I may avoid self-pity and think of others; during times of temptation, that I may take refuge in Your grace. Help me to remain generous and loyal to You this day and so be able to offer it all up to You with its successes which I have achieved by Your help and its failures which have occurred through my own fault. Let me come to the wonderful realization that life is most real when it is lived with You as the Guest of my soul.

Weekly Offerings

St. Elizabeth Church

Week Ending Sunday, June 16, 2019

Envelopes \$2,500.00 Loose \$189.00

Building Fund \$25.00 Retired Priests \$55.00

3 online @ \$280.00

Deposit: \$3,049.00

Our Lady Of Lourdes Church

Week Ending Sunday, June 9, 2019

Envelopes \$972.00 Loose \$144.00 Retired Priests

\$205.00 Deposit: \$1,321.00



Give Central On-line Donations

Give Central can be accessed on the Church Website.

Prayer of Adoration & Petition

God and true Man, here present in the Holy Eucharist, as I humbly kneel before You and unite myself in spirit with all the faithful on earth and all the Saints in heaven. In heartfelt gratitude for so great a blessing, I love You, my Jesus, with my whole soul, for You are infinitely perfect and all worthy of my love. Give me the grace never more in any way to offend You. Grant that I may be renewed by Your Eucharistic presence here on earth and be found worthy to arrive with Mary at the enjoyment of Your eternal and blessed presence in heaven.

Daily Mass Readings

Mon. Jun. 24, 2019 ~ Solemnity of the Nativity of John the Baptist
Mass During the Day ~ Reading 1 ~ Is. 49:1~6, Reading 2 ~ Acts

13:22~26 Gospel ~ Lk. 1:57-66,80

Vigil Mass ~ Reading 1 ~ Jer. 1:4~10, Reading 2 ~ 1 Pt. 1:8~12

Gospel Lk. 1:5~17

Tues. Jun. 25, 2019 ~ Reading 1 ~ 13:2, 5~18 Gospel Mt. 7:6,
12~14

Wed. Jun. 26, 2019 ~ Gn. 15:1~12, 17~18 Gospel Mt. 7:15~20

Thurs. Jun. 27, 2019 ~ Gn. 16:1~12, 15~16 or Gn. 16:6B~12, 15~16
Gospel Mt. 7:21~29

Fri. Jun. 28, 2019 ~ Reading 1 ~ Ez. 34:11~16

Reading 2 ~ Rom. 5:5B~11 Gospel Lk. 15:3~7



Rest in Peace



Rest in peace, Nina Ruth Drummond, the Mother of Larry & Mary Ann Drummond. In God's Love we pray that He will grant Nina a place of eternal love in the kingdom of heaven & that her family will receive comfort & peace in their sorrow & loss.

Prayer Requests



Prayer Requests

Please remember the following in your prayers: Sara Casburn (Linda Allen), Scott Chapman, Eileen Fabris (Kathleen Pescatore), Anthony O'Dell (Jane Bohman), Charlita Wilson, & the men & women in the armed forces.

First Friday of the Month Mass



FIRST FRIDAY

The First Friday of the Month Mass will be on Friday, July 5, 2019 at 5:00 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Church.