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Serving St. Elizabeth & Our Lady of Lourdes

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Secretary: Halena Estep
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Custodial Care: Marylin Stanley & Matthew Watson for St. Elizabeth
Custodial Care: Rita Wirey for Our Lady of Lourdes
Music Director : Chris Jansen, St. Elizabeth

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday: 8:00 am—4:00 pm
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.

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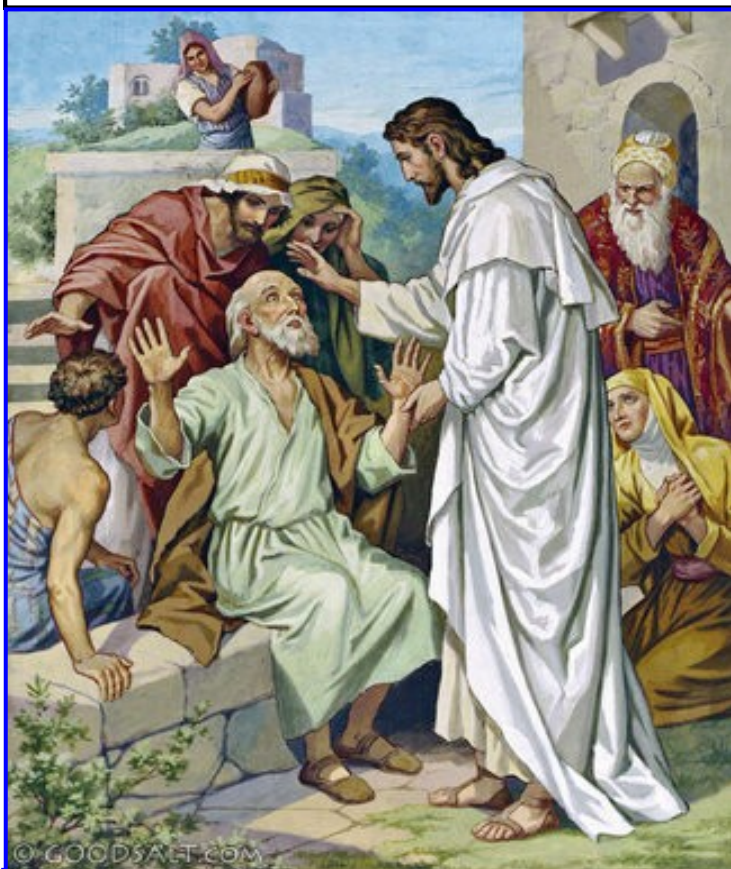
Parishioners who are seriously or critically ill or having surgery, please contact Father Aloy.

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.

February 1, 2015

Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time



Jesus casts demon out of dumb man

*He commands even the
unclean spirits and they obey him.*

Mark 1:27



Mass Intentions

Jan. 31	4:30 pm	Rich Halter Families by Anonymous
Feb. 1	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy Mildred Matson by Keith & Stacy Matson Earl Arkenberg by Chad & Chris Arkenberg
Feb. 2		NO MASS
Feb. 3	12:05pm	Harry Wong by George & Jane Bohman
Feb. 4	7:30 am	Ken & Kathy Watts by George & Jane Bohman
Feb. 5	7:30 am	Florence Huss by Jim & Shari Eckert
Feb. 6 First Friday of the mo. Mass OLOL	7:30 am 5:30 pm	Florence Huss by Nancy Truitt Francis & Stephen Begley by Anne Schlasky
Feb. 7	4:30 pm	Rich Halter families by Anonymous
Feb. 8	7:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	For all parishioners by Fr. Aloy Francis & Stephen Begley by Anne Scholasky Charles Scholasser by Chad & Chris Arkenberg



Ministry Schedule

February 7-8, 2015

<u>4:30 pm</u>	LECTOR: Patti Buercklin USHERS: Carol & Ken Bergbower COMMUNION MIN: Ginger Osborne, Mike Dorn, Jack Stanley SERVERS: Connor Griffin, Xavier Brown GIFTS: Mullins Family
<u>7:30 am</u>	LECTOR: Kathy Harris USHERS: Carol Zellars, Stewart Schutte COMMUNION MIN: Jona Uptmor, Joe Hepner, Jim Eckert SERVERS: David Jenkins, Matthew Jenkins GIFTS: Joe & Carol Hepner
<u>9:00 am</u>	LECTOR: Stacie Matson USHERS: Rod Wilson, Wilmer Wilson COMMUNION MIN: Mary Patchett, Keith Matson SERVERS: Kayla Matson GIFTS: Dhom Family
<u>10:30 am</u>	LECTOR: Geri Ezell USHERS: Roselene Quick, Sam Quick COMMUNION MIN: April & Sean Sexton, Matt Hartrich SERVERS: David Staller, Sarah Staller GIFTS: Justin & Rachelle Tuel

*St. Elizabeth Collection Counters for February
Janet Mitchell, Kay Pescatore, Ione Lopiccio*

Prayer Requests

Please remember the following people in your prayers:
Judy Smolinski, Harry Wong, Rosemary Halter, Daniel Hatfield, Nancy Huber, Jeff Rich, Billy Skaggs, Pastor Sheila Ducommon, Kirk Wirey, Mildred Hinterscher, Cherie Stewart, Mark Wagner, Arlene Schutte, Jane Brown, Patti Ackerman, Emma Kocher, Michelle & Kevin Boyd, Mary Rogers, Jason Genta, Sherry Mitchell, Lorraine Snerecky, Dr. John Newlin, John Skaggs, Sam Mitchell, Lori Brown, Jared Holmes, George Inboden, Theresa Bowen, Bobbie Cheesman, Amie Cornwell, Ben Curtis, Daniel Ferguson, Jeanie H., Pat Hanson, Hartrich Family, Judy Hester, Ira Inboden, MaDonna Kirts, Kimberly Knapp, Donna McIntire, Rick McKinley, Bill Meirink, Danny Miller, Val Pescatore, Kristi Rawlings, Brice Reed & family, Missy Rees, Levi Richardson, Jason Richardville, Ellis Sanders, Marian Scott, Mike & Judy Smolinski, John Stedelin, Isabella & Nolan Stephens, Pamela Stephenson, Linda Stewart, Nolan (Butch) Stewart, Bertha Taylor, Becky Van Schoyck, Ginny Varner, Linda Wedge-Stephens, Bill Wilson, & the men & women in armed forces.

Parish School of Religion (PSR) News

PSR Wed. Feb. 4, 2015 at 6:30 pm-7:30 pm

FCA's Annual "Souper Bowl of Caring"

Wed. Jan. 21, 2015-We will begin to collect food for the FCA's Annual "Souper Bowl of Caring." All canned and non-perishable foods can be brought to PSR classes on Wednesday nights. We need to stress to our students how important it is to support the local food pantry and help those who are in need. **Our goal this year is 400 cans.** The last collection date will be Feb. 11, 2015 and if the students reach their goal of 400, I will allow them to throw a "pie" in my face on Feb. 25, 2015. I am looking forward to the taste of pie & sweet success.



The PSR classes are doing a wonderful job supporting the FCA Souper Bowl of Caring! As of Jan. 28, 2015, they have collected 315 cans & are 85 away from their goal of 400. Once they reach that goal, one lucky student will get to "pie" DRE Courtney Ferris. Cans can be donated until Feb. 11, 2015.

Please attend weekly mass

Shepherd News

Scriptural Reflections

As the time for his death draws near, Moses prepares the people for their new life in the Promised Land. His concern is that, once surrounded by the abundance of the land, the people may become complacent and neglect their relationship with God. He warns that, if they take for granted all God's blessings, they risk losing those gifts and even the land itself. Moses also cautions Israel against imitating the practices of those around them who do not share their covenant bond with God.

Moses reminds the people how close God is to them. In fact, while sealing the covenant with God at Sinai years earlier, the people were concerned they might not survive having God so close. They wanted someone to stand as mediator between them and the Lord. God acknowledged their request and addressed them through Moses. Now Moses assures the people that this arrangement will still be in place after he is gone. God will raise up for them a prophet like himself to guide them. This will make it unnecessary for them to turn to the oracles and the mediums typically used by the nations around them.

For their part, the people must heed the words of the prophet. Refusal to do so will endanger their lives. A prophet serves as a life-agent in their

midst, steering them away from choices harmful to their spiritual welfare. God will continue to protect them. Anyone who falsely claims to be a prophet will be removed by God.

Jesus spent a good bit of time in and around Capernaum during his Galilean ministry. It was like his home away from home. As a traditional Jew, he attended regular Sabbath synagogue services. He is also depicted as teaching in the synagogue, but unlike the authoritative scribes of the law, Jesus taught on his own authority.

Within this synagogue service, emerged a person with an unclean spirit. This demon knew Jesus and also knew that this would be a battle of the power of God versus the power of evil. Jesus has, in fact, come to destroy the power of evil. The expelling of the demon is told in a pattern that would have been familiar to readers and hearers. First is the encounter with the possessed person. Second is the actual exorcism itself. Third is the departure of the demon usually with some commotion. Fourth is the impression all this made on the bystanders.

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Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is discord, union;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy;
O Divine Master, Grant that we may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.
Amen. ~~~~~

First Friday of the month Mass at OLOL

The first Friday of the month mass will be at Our Lady of Lourdes on **Fri. Feb. 6, 2015 at 5:30 pm.**

Fellowship Dinner

There will be a Fellowship Dinner at the Parish Hall on **Wed. Feb. 11th, 2015 from 5:30-7:00 pm.**

Valentine Breakfast

There will be a Valentine Breakfast on **Sun. Feb. 15, 2015** at the St. Valentine's Hall in The Bend at **9:00 am to 12:00 pm.**

Aid to Church in Central & Eastern Europe Collection

The collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe will be on **Feb. 18, 2015-Ash Wed.** Please see next week's bulletin insert for information on this collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Sister Gaynelle

Sister Gaynelle (Eva Gaynelle Mary Perkins) Barrett died at 12:45 a.m. on January 14, 2015 at Seton Residence in Evansville, Ind. Sister Gaynelle was born on March 29, 1914 in Troutdale, Va. She was one hundred years old at the time of her death. In 1974, Sister Gaynelle began her ministry as a parish visitor in Charleston, Miss., and continued in this service in Robinson, Ill., until 1985.

February Stewardship Corner

Stewardship involves the conscientious, firm decision, carried out constantly in action, to conduct one's self as a follower of Jesus, regardless of the cost.

Mardi Gras

Sat. Feb. 14, 2015-The Crawford County Catholics annual Mardi Gras Party will be at Quail Creek Country Club. This event is open to the public and begins at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$20.00 at the door & you must be 21 years old to attend.

Up-coming Meetings

The Pastoral Council Meeting for St. Elizabeth is cancelled for **Tues. Feb. 24, 2015 at 5:30 pm**. We will be having our regularly quarterly meeting on **Thurs. Apr. 30, 2015 at 5:30 pm** at Our Lady of Lourdes. The Finance Council Meeting for St. Elizabeth will be on **Tues. Feb. 3, 2015 at 5:30 pm** at the Parish Hall. The Finance & Buildings & Ground meeting for OLOL is **Thurs. Feb. 5, 2015 at 5:30 pm**.

Lenten Stations of the Cross

The Lenten Stations of the Cross will be as follows:

<u>St. Elizabeth</u>	<u>Our Lady of Lourdes</u>
7:00 pm Fri. Feb. 20, 2015	5:30 pm Fri. Feb. 20, 2015
7:00 pm Fri. Feb. 27, 2015	5:30 pm Fri. Feb. 27, 2015
7:00 pm Fri. Mar. 6, 2015	5:30 pm Fri. Mar. 6, 2015
7:00 pm Fri. Mar. 13, 2015	5:30 pm Fri. Mar. 13, 2015
7:00 pm Fri. Mar. 20, 2015	5:30 pm Fri. Mar. 20, 2015
7:00 pm Fri. Mar. 27, 2015	5:30 pm Fri. Mar. 27, 2015
7:00 pm Fri. Apr. 3, 2015	5:30 pm Fri. Apr. 3, 2015

"24 Hours for the Lord"

After the 7:30 am morning mass on **Fri. Mar. 13, 2015**, at St. Elizabeth, there will be Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Elizabeth. The Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 6:30 pm.

Fish Fry Dates

The dates for the upcoming fish fries are as follows:
Fri. Mar. 6, Fri. Mar. 13 & Fri. Mar. 20, 2015 from 4 pm-7 pm.

Our Sympathies

Our sympathies to the **Edmond Halter** family. Ed passed away on Sat. Jan. 24, 2015. He was 80 years young. He was a long time parishioner of St. Elizabeth.

Our sympathies to the **Don Bogard** family. Don passed away on Thurs. Jan. 15, 2015. He was 78 years young. He was a parishioner of St. Elizabeth.

Roscoe Paul Kincaid passed away on Tues. Jan. 20, 2015. He was 68.

Please keep these families in your prayers.

Weather Policy

As the temperature turns colder, we remind you that in cases of severe weather, please listen to WTAY (101.7 FM) for Mass and parish activity cancellations. The decision to cancel Mass is never taken lightly, but the safety of our parishioners is very important.

Annual Catholic Services Appeal

2014 Parish Goals ~ St. Elizabeth

The goal for St. Elizabeth is \$22,520.00

Amount pledged to date: \$20,698.00

Amount paid to date: \$18,023.00

57 contributors have paid 80.03% of the pledged amount. A total of 91.90 (20%) of 285 parishioners have paid to date.

Our Lady of Lourdes

The goal for Our Lady of Lourdes is \$3,799.00

Amount pledged to date: \$2,200.00

Amount paid to date: \$1,740.00

46 contributors have paid 45.80% of the pledged amount. A total of 57.90 (26.08%) of 46 parishioners have paid to date.

Updated 01-06-2015

This information current as of 01-06-2015 Parish Master Report

Liturgical Ministry Contacts

St. Elizabeth Parish

Readers: Eileen Hartrich 544-8251

Servers: Father Aloy 544-7526

Art & Environment: Robb Sparks 546-5606

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 ~ Sunday, January 25, 2015

Envelopes-\$1,658.00~59=\$28.10 per envelope

Loose Offering~\$223.00

Caritas~\$45.00~3=\$15.00 per envelope

Online~1@\$50.00 Catholic Times \$30.00~2=\$15.00 per envelope Building Fund~1@\$50.00

Church in Latin America~\$441.00~27=\$16.33

Church in Latin America Loose Offering~\$277.98

TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$2,774.98

Give Central.org online collection for St. Elizabeth

Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sun. Jan. 25, 2015

Envelopes-\$400.00~16=\$25.00 per envelope

Loose Offering-\$139.00

Church in Latin America~\$143.00~11=\$13.00 ea. envelope

TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$682.00

Thank you and may God bless you

Give Central Online Donation Collection

www.GiveCentral.org

Or go to the Church Website and click on Donate

You can donate to whatever collection you would like to.

All monies donated go directly to St. Elizabeth