



# Serving St. Elizabeth Church & Our Lady of Lourdes Church Sunday, January 19, 2025 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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**Office Hours:**

Monday and Friday: 8:00am to Noon

Tuesday — Thursday:  
8:00am to noon ~ 1:00pm to 4:00pm

**WEEKEND MASSES**

**St. Elizabeth**

Saturday at 4:30pm and  
Sunday at 7:15am & 10:45am

**Our Lady of Lourdes**

Sunday Mass at 9:00am

**Daily Mass: (St. Elizabeth)**

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: Noon

Wednesday 11:00 am

Thursday & Friday: 12 Noon

(Except when noted:

Thursday Prison Mass)



(Exposition of The Most Blessed  
Sacrament is on Wednesdays from  
11:30 am to 1 pm at St. Elizabeth.)

Please consult parish webpage for up-  
to-date scheduling changes, which  
**supersede bulletin scheduling.**

**Anointing of the Sick**

Parishioners who are seriously or critically ill  
or having surgery, please contact  
the parish office.

**Baptisms**

Please call the Parish office.

**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 Office for additional information.

**Sacrament of Marriage**

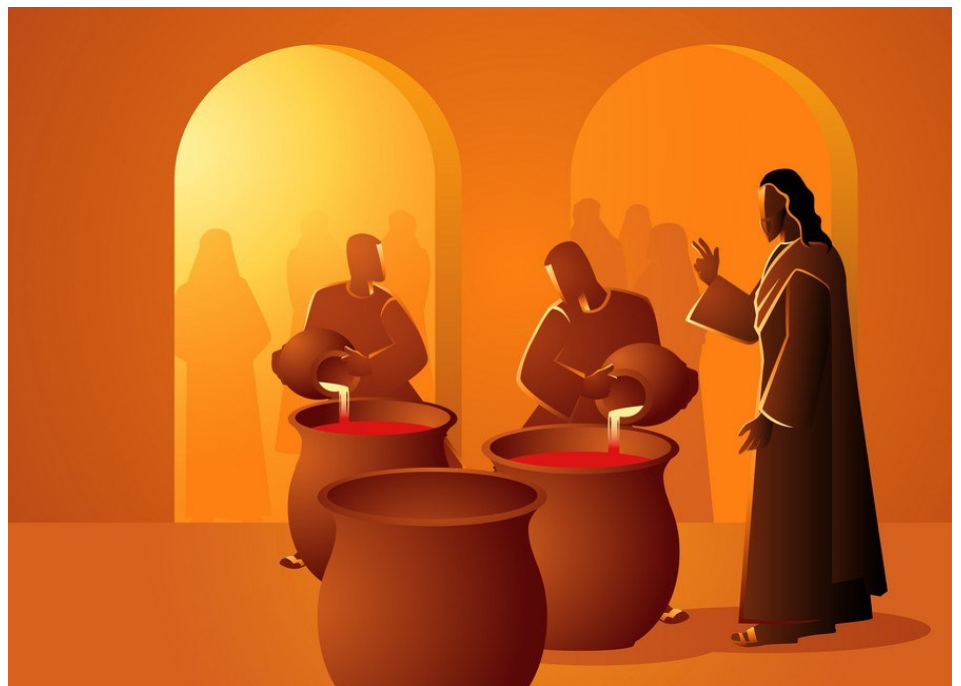
If you are considering marriage,  
please contact the Parish Office no  
later than 6 months prior to the proposed  
wedding date, and the  
diocesan and parish guidelines  
will be explained.

**Sacrament of Penance**

Saturdays at St. Elizabeth  
3:15pm to 4:00pm  
or by appointment

Jesus did this as the  
beginning of His signs at Cana  
in Galilee and so revealed  
His glory, and His disciples  
began to believe in Him.

John 2:11



## Mass Intentions and Schedule

Sat. Jan. 18	4:30pm	Kathy Eden-Sheary by Cindy and Mark Grimm
Sun. Jan. 19 <b>LOLO</b>	7:15am <b>9:00am</b>	For all our Parishioners Mildred and Francis Schmidt by Bob and Kourtney Coffman
	10:45am	Albert Fehrenbacher by Patti and Keith Buercklin
Mon. Jan. 20		NO Mass
Tues. Jan.21	Noon	Deanery Meeting, (Communion Service)
Wed. Jan.22	11:00am	Legal Protection of All Right to Life
Thur. Jan.23	Noon	Mark Rees by Ellen Rees
Fri. Jan. 24	Noon	No Mass (Father Away)
Sat. Jan. 25	4:30pm	Frances (Franny) and Dennis Weber
Sun. Jan 26 <b>LOLO</b>	7:15am <b>9:00am</b>	Linda Sikorski Deceased Family Members of Anne and Frank Schalasky
	10:45am	Francis Medina by Rito and Maria Medina

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule

### January 26, 2025, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Sat., January 25, 2025, 4:30pm

LECTOR: Robb Sparks

USHERS: Rich Mullins Family

COMMUNION MINISTER: Bob Koester

ALTAR SERVERS: Dawson and Gavin Tuel

GIFT BEARERS: Jack Watts Family

#### Sun., January 26, 2025, 7:15am

LECTOR: Janet Jenkins

USHERS : Travis Rich Family

COMMUNION MINISTER: Janet Jenkins

ALTAR SERVERS: Naomi and Natalie Arkenberg

GIFT BEARERS: Travis Rich Family

#### Sun., January 26, 2025, 9:00am, OLOL

LECTOR: Bob Coffman

USHERS & GIFTS: Anita and Rich Kocher

COMMUNION MINISTER: Wilmer Wilson

ALTAR SERVER: Cameron Davis

#### Sun., January 26, 2025, 10:45am

LECTOR: Kristin East

USHERS: Jim and Maria Morris

COMMUNION MINISTER: Valerie Chapman

SERVER: Brady York

GIFT BEARERS: Jim and Maria Morris

## PSR and PSR Fellowship Dinner

We hope to see you all at the next PSR class on Wednesday, January 22nd. The next PSR fellowship dinner is Wednesday, February 5th, 5:45-6:30 pm.

## PSR—Second and Third Grades

This is a reminder of the upcoming Silver and Gold Book interviews. Second Grade Reconciliation interviews (Silver book) will be February 12, and Third Grade First Communion interviews (Gold Book) will be February 26. Please continue working on these and help your child be prepared for their interview. Parents, you soon will be contacted about interview times.

## Pro-Life Action and Prayer Needed

Our prayers continue to be needed in the fight against legalization of assisted suicide. A bill to legalize assisted suicide was just re-introduced in the Illinois Senate. Last year it was SB 3499, but it has been introduced this year as SB 9.

Watch for opportunities in the coming weeks to **contact your elected officials** and submit witness slips.

**Pray, pray, pray!** You are invited to join thousands of Catholics nationwide in prayer for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join today at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com).

OR ... January 22nd, **attend a Rosary and Pro-Life Mass** at St. Francis Church in Teutopolis at 6:30 pm and 7:00 pm respectively.

The U.S. Bishops ask that January 22nd be a **day of prayer** for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life, and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through abortion.



## Remember When?



Above: St. Elizabeth Portico and church extension being built, 2003

Left: St. Elizabeth Altar pre-2003 renovation



Above: Bare church nave floor during 2003 construction

Right: Our Lady of Lourdes Altar Date pre - 1988?



## *From Father David*

**“Well, our family is okay. That’s all that really matters.”** Lots of news reports from the recent horrific California fires quoted individuals saying this. Their homes were total losses, but they escaped with their lives, and their spouses and children survived. So much, so quickly, was put into perspective.

Life is foundational. Everything hinges on it. Material possessions come and go, and can often clutter one’s existence. Yet life is irreplaceable, and treasured by God.

In addition to assisting those impacted by the California fires with our monetary support and our prayers, we should learn from the victims’ experience.

What if WE lost our home and material possessions today? It could happen you know, in a gas explosion, a tornado or earthquake, or obviously some kind of conflagration, as we have so well seen on the recent news.

What is our takeaway from all this? What new insight or priorities-changing lesson do we carry from: “We, too, could lose everything!”

Hopefully we gain the insight of what really matters, and what is only part of a fleeting passing earthly existence.

Life is an unspeakably precious gift, and must always be honored and protected. Our system of justice and moral teachings should always center around the sacredness of this God-given gift.

As we pray with, and for, the California fire victims and their families, may we prayerfully pause to reflect on our own life and our families. Are we every day as appreciative of these gifts as we should be? Do we worship The God of Life as much as we should, including in our interactions with others? Is not each of us a Temple of His Spirit?



## Daily Scripture Readings

### Monday, January 20, 2025.

Hebrews 5:1-10 / Gospel Mark 2:18-22

### Tuesday, January 21, 2025

#### (St. Agnes)

Hebrews 6:10-20 / Gospel, Mark 2:23-28

### Wednesday, January 22, 2025

Hebrews 7:1-3 / Gospel, Mark 3:1-6

### Thursday, January 23, 2025

#### (St. Marianna Cope)

Hebrews 7:25— 8:6 / Gospel, Mark 3:7-12

### Friday, January 24, 2025

#### (St. Francis de Sales)

Hebrews 8:6-13 / Gospel, Mark 3:13-19

### Saturday, January 25, 2025

#### (Conversion of Paul)

Acts 9:1-22 / Gospel, Mark 16:15-18

### Sunday, January 26, 2025.

#### (3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading I - Nehemiah 8:2-4, 5-6, 8-10

Reading II - 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel - Luke 1:1-4;4:14-21

## St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Very little is known about this beautiful 12-to-13-year-old virgin and martyr who died in the last-half of the 3rd Century. We do not even know how she was martyred—beheaded, burned, or strangled. The story has it that many young men wanted to marry her, but Agnes was committed to virginity. One jilted suitor accused her of being Christian in those days of severe persecution. She was arrested and placed in a house of prostitution. It is there that men who lusted after her went blind, and would regain their sight only after she prayed for them. Agnes is a true symbol of the Church's teaching that holiness does not depend on length of years, but on conformity to God's teachings, including His moral laws. With prayer and repentance and His grace, we are all capable of becoming saints.

## Message Prompts on Phones

We still have an individual or two (in both churches) who allow "message prompts" to ding and ping during Sacred Liturgy. (They possibly don't even hear the prompts themselves, but their pew neighbors do.) Dinging phones have no place in Holy Mass, as we remember Christ's sacrifice on Calvary's cross. We excuse crying babies, the precious future of our Church (unless the infant is having a complete "meltdown," in which case the Cry Room should be used.) Dinging phones, however, are controllable. One need only adjust the message-prompt setting before Mass, and then readjust the setting later, an easy process. Please, let us maintain the dignity of Holy Mass!

## Weekly Offerings

### **St. Elizabeth**

#### **Week ending 1-12-25**

Weekly Envelopes: \$ 1555.00 / Loose: \$ 2223.90

Building Fund: \$ 30.00

First Offering: \$ 40.00

Catholic Times: \$ 115.00

Solemnity of Mary \$ 10.00

Pushpay Online: \$ 916.60

Total Deposit: \$ 4890.50

### **Our Lady of Lourdes**

#### **Week ending 1-12-24**

Weekly Envelopes: \$ 665.00 / Weekly Loose: \$ 228.00

Building Fund: \$ 11.00

Solemnity of Mary: \$ 20.00

Catholic Times: \$ 30.00

Total: \$ 954.00

## Prayer List

Jessica Andruch	Fr. Steve Arisman
Anne Batzloff	Howard Beagles
Tony Bierman	Joe Bierman
Paul Berger	Megan Burton
Ryan Calvert	Annie Calvert
Sara Casburn	Scott Chapman
Nancy Conrad	Angela Day
Linda Dillingham	Kristen Eagleson
Eileen Fabris	Edward K. Hartrich
Tim Hinterscher	(Genie) Huss-White
Marcia Lawhead	Huong Que Le
Jeff Monrone	Gregg Mossman
Carol Marshall	Larry Mette
Michell's Dad	Henry Miles
Jocelyn Ramsey	Ellen Rees
Chuck Reinoehl	Margo Riker
Jennifer Sadler	Fr. Suresh & his family
Karen Sanders	Fr. Carl Schrage
Judy Schiller	Amy Slover
Raymond Smith	Rodney Smith
Chelsey Steeno	Linda Stewart
Jeremy Warren	Nina Watts
Nicholas Williams	Chary Wilson
Kathy Wojkovich	Ralph Worman

*All in the Armed Forces, and all our First Responders.*

## Marian Quote

As mariners are guided into port by the shining of a star,  
so Christians are guided to Heaven by Mary.

— St. Thomas Aquinas