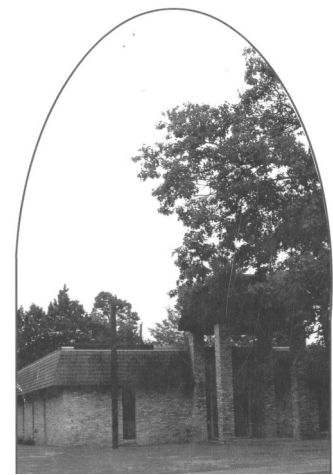
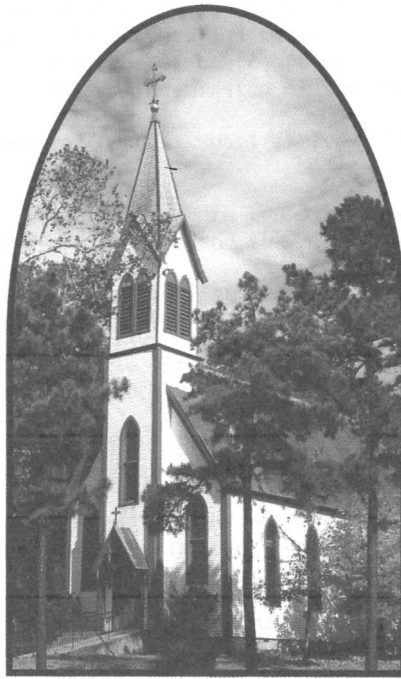
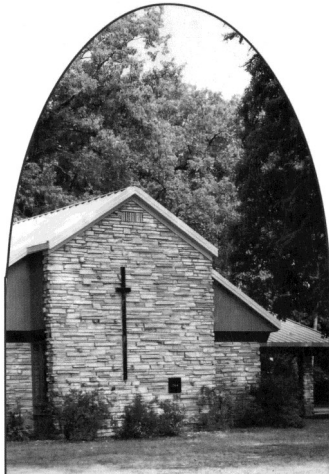


# St. Boniface Catholic Church

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February 17—Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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*Mission Community of  
St. Elizabeth Catholic Church  
St. Elizabeth Road  
Oppelo, Arkansas*

*Mission Community of  
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church  
33223 Hwy 300  
Little Italy, Arkansas*

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## MASSES

Saturday—5:00 p.m.      St. Francis  
Sunday—8:00 a.m.      St. Boniface  
Sunday—10:30 a.m.      St. Elizabeth

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday—4 p.m.      St. Francis  
Sunday—7:30 a.m.      St. Boniface  
First Saturdays—10:30 a.m.      St. Elizabeth

## MARRIAGE

Canon law requires all Catholics planning to marry to contact a priest for the necessary preparation, dispensations (if needed), and formal permission. Diocesan law requires *at least* six months' notice be given to the pastor of the Church in which you are a member. Please do not set a date or make plans until you have met with the Pastor.

## ROSARY

St. Boniface— before weekday and Sunday Masses  
St. Elizabeth—before Sunday Mass

## RCIA

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the church office.

## BAPTISMS

By appointment

## OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday & Friday 9 a.m. - Noon

## MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please contact the parish office if you or a family member are ill or in the hospital and would like to be placed on the prayer list and to arrange for a visit from a Eucharistic Minister.

## BULLETIN

Bulletin articles must be submitted by Noon on Tuesday. Please call Shelley 816-678-6724 or email articles to: [threeparishbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:threeparishbulletin@gmail.com)

## AROUND THE DIOCESE AND COMMUNITY

**POST-ABORTION SUPPORT GROUP**—Do you feel alone, hurting or unforgiven from a past abortion? The Respect Life Office, through Project Rachel, is starting support groups, beginning in **March**. The spiritual journey lasts 8 weeks, with small groups meeting once per week. Groups will be formed in **different locations throughout Arkansas**. All names and meeting places are strictly confidential. For details call 501-663-0996 or email: [hevans@dolr.org](mailto:hevans@dolr.org). Please inquire soon—groups are forming now.

**JOB OPENING**—St. Edward Catholic School in the heart of downtown Little Rock is seeking applications for a principal. The PK-8 grade school was established in 1885 and has an enrollment of 143 students.

An applicant must be able to demonstrate leadership ability in past or present educational assignments and be a practicing Catholic actively committed to developing their faith community. Qualifications include five years teaching or administrative experience in a Catholic school system and a MSE or its equivalent in Educational Leadership. Compensation includes a salary commensurate with experience and excellent benefits.

To apply, please send cover letter, complete resume, and copy of licensure or transcript to: Theresa Hall, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207 or [thall@dolr.org](mailto:thall@dolr.org). Deadline for applications is March 1.



The *Beacon of Hope Ministry* of St. Joseph Church in Conway is starting a new program called **Surviving Divorce**. This 12 week DVD series is designed for participants who are separated or divorced. The support group will meet weekly from 6 to 7:30 pm **beginning Thursday February 28<sup>th</sup>** in Room 205 of the Spiritan Center. **Confidentiality will be strictly maintained within the group**. There is a \$10 fee to cover the cost of materials and childcare will be provided. The video presentations cover topics such as anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, an annulment, and remarriage. Participants will receive wisdom and comfort from experts and from personal testimonies consistent with Catholic Church teachings. For more information or to register, call Kathy Kordsmeier at 501-269-1998 or send email to [kkordsmeier@outlook.com](mailto:kkordsmeier@outlook.com).

**SUMMER CAMP AT SUBIACO ABBEY**—For boys ages 9-13 inclusive, is an active all boys camp with fishing, archery, riflery, go-carts, boating & tubing, climbing wall and more. Camp Subiaco is operated by the Subiaco Alumni Association and the Benedictine Monks of Subiaco Abbey. Camp is June 16-22 or June 23-29. Check us out on YouTube! Sign up at [www.CampSubiaco.org](http://www.CampSubiaco.org) or call 479-934-1001 for more info.

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent years, there has been remarkable progress in drawing persons with disabilities into full celebration. Now it is generally accepted that worship places need accommodations such as ramps or elevators, large-print materials for those who are sight-impaired, and perhaps even an assisted hearing system or signing in American Sign Language. American Sign Language is not merely English translated into movement, but a distinct language with its own grammar, syntax (word order), and vocabulary. For this reason, the American Catholic bishops have approved American Sign Language (ASL) as an official language of the liturgy.

Celebrating liturgy in our own language (the vernacular) means that liturgy must be accessible to all languages and cultures. The fact that Mass is celebrated this weekend in some places in total silence, but with the full participation of deaf people praising God in the movements of their hands, and sometimes even with a priest who is deaf, is nothing less than the Church being faithful to the image of Jesus, who made the deaf hear and the mute speak. Remember too that deafness is an invisible disability, and that there may well be people in your parish who are quietly yearning for Mass to be signed for them in ASL.

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### Question of the Week...

In what way are you serving the poor, as Jesus did?

## BLESSED

When we think of the word “Beatitude” we think of today’s discourse from Luke’s Gospel, or the more familiar one from Matthew (which begins “Blessed are the poor in spirit . . .”). Actually, beatitudes occur throughout the prophets and Gospels. Today in Jeremiah (with an echo in the psalm) we hear, “Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord” (Jeremiah 17:7). Following his resurrection in John’s Gospel, Christ proclaims, “Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed” (John 20:29). The evangelists placed these sayings throughout the Gospels as short reminders about the characteristics that one will find in a follower of Christ, characteristics that will help spread the Good News in this life and lead to eternal blessings in the next. In Latin, the saints are called the *Beati*, the “Blessed,” for they are the ones who lived the “blessed” life as described by Jesus throughout the Gospels. How blest are we, when we also strive to make our own days a living beatitude!

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### Second Collection Results

	<u>St. Boniface</u>	<u>St. Elizabeth</u>	<u>St. Francis</u>
Black & Indian Missions	\$490	\$142	\$31

Please contact the parish office, 501-759-2371, to register as a new member or if you have moved, changed your telephone number, moved from your parents’ home or graduated from college.

## ST. BONIFACE

- Please keep our candidates for Confirmation in your prayers: Alyssa De La Paz, Wade Nutt, Lilly Schichtl, Caroline Snyder and Lauren Wijeratne. All are invited to celebrate with breakfast in the parish hall following Confirmation on Sunday, March 3.
- The 2019 Pastoral Council members are: Larry Brewer—President, Luke Schichtl—Vice President, Cindy Mann—Secretary, Laura Olles, Tommy Little, and Rick Egger. The next meeting will be April 9th.

## ST. ELIZABETH

- No Submissions

## ST. FRANCIS

- Most Reverend Anthony Taylor will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation to Allison Dorer today. A meal in honor of Bishop Taylor and Allison will be held in the parish hall following Mass. All are invited to attend.

# THIS WEEK...

Saturday, February 16

St. Boniface No Services  
 St. Francis 4:30 p.m. Adoration  
 St. Francis 5:00 p.m. Mass—Allison Dorer  
 Confirmation

Sunday, February 17—6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Boniface 7:30 a.m. Adoration & Confessions  
 St. Boniface 8:00 a.m. Mass—People of the Parishes  
 St. Boniface NO Breakfast or PRE  
 St. Elizabeth 10:30 a.m. Mass—Buddy Riedmueller  
 St. Boniface 1:30 p.m. Fr. Davis' Birthday Celebration  
 St. Boniface 7:00 p.m. NO RCIA Class

Monday, February 18—Fr. Richard's Day Off

Tuesday, February 19

St. Boniface 7:30 a.m. Adoration  
 St. Boniface 8:00 a.m. Mass—Connie Malchaski

Wednesday, February 20

St. Elizabeth 6:30 p.m. Adoration  
 St. Elizabeth 7:00 p.m. Mass—Helen Ward

Thursday, February 21—No Services

Friday, February 22—The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

St. Boniface 7:30 a.m. Adoration  
 St. Boniface 8:00 a.m. Mass—Special Intention

Saturday, February 23—St. Polycarp

St. Boniface 7:30 a.m. Adoration  
 St. Boniface 8:00 a.m. Mass—Vocations  
 St. Francis 4:30 p.m. Adoration  
 St. Francis 5:00 p.m. Mass—People of the Parishes

Sunday, February 24—7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Boniface 7:30 a.m. Adoration & Confessions  
 St. Boniface 8:00 a.m. Mass—Jerome Lipsmeyer  
 St. Boniface Breakfast & PRE  
 St. Elizabeth 10:30 a.m. Mass—Buddy Riedmueller  
 St. Boniface 7:00 p.m. RCIA Class

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

February 18-24

Monday Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-26;  
 Mk 8:11-13  
 Tuesday Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b,  
 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21  
 Wednesday Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19;  
 Mk 8:22-26  
 Thursday Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23;  
 Mk 8:27-33  
 Friday 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19  
 Saturday Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13  
 Sunday 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103:1-4, 8,  
 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

## LITURGICAL

### MINISTERS:

	<u>St. Francis</u> Feb 23 - 5pm	<u>St. Boniface</u> Feb 24 - 8am	<u>St. Elizabeth</u> Feb 24 - 10:30am
Altar Servers	Robin Stover Allison Dorer	Rose Gunther Grace Gunther	Madeline Bottoms Emily Zimmerman
Lector	Jeannette Adams	Keith Dixon	Casey Palmer
Offertory	Eda Segalla Pauline Ghidotti	Conrad De La Paz Family	John Widner Amie Widner
Communion Ministers	Jim Carroll Pat Carroll	Lee Nutt Connie White	Luke Zimmerman Matt Zimmerman Michelle Dixon
Ushers		Kenneth Rappold Ed Gunther	Frank Andrews Kyle Dixon
Greeters			Antonio Sifuentes
Altar Presentation	Pat Carroll Eda Segalla		