

The Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

*307 Franklin St.
Smethport, PA 16749*

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Mount Jewett, Pa 16740*



Sacramental Information

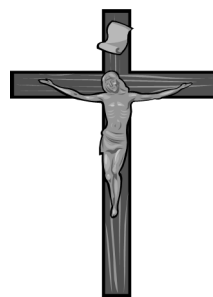
Baptism: Parents & Godparents are asked to participate in a Preparation Program prior to scheduling a Baptism.

Matrimony: An appointment with the parish priest, needs to be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding date, before the wedding can be scheduled. PreCana, Engagement Encounter, or NOVA is required.

Sick Calls, Anointing, Communion: Please call the parish office to arrange visits for those sick or homebound.

New Members are always welcome. Contact the parish office to register or use the form on back of bulletin. Moving? Please let us know.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): Any individual seeking information on becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith should call the parish office.



Liturgy & Reconciliation

- Daily & weekend Mass times for this week are inside bulletin
- Reconciliation held Saturdays at Saint Elizabeth 3:30-4:15 pm, after Mass at St. Joseph, or by appointment at either parish
- Holy Days: Call parish for times
- Nursing Home Masses at Sena Kean and Lakeview Homes held the first and third Thursday each month

PASTORAL STAFF

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Prayer Requests: 814-778-5520

SAINT ELIZABETH, SMETHPORT, PA

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK AT ST. ELIZABETH

Saturday, Aug. 3
 5:00 PM For The People

Sunday, Aug. 4
8:45 AM Reciting of The Rosary
 9:30 AM In Honor of The Father of all Mankind

Monday, Aug. 5
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM + Winnie Roesch
 by Sarah & Patty

Tuesday, Aug. 6
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM + Thelma Brooder

Thursday, Aug. 8
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 PM For The People

Friday, Aug. 9
 11:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 12:10 PM Souls in Purgatory
 by Mary Ann Schafer

Saturday, Aug. 10
 3:30-4:15 PM Confessions
 5:00 PM Deceased Members of The Mullane Family
 by A. Denise Balon

Sunday, Aug. 11
8:45 AM Reciting of The Rosary
 9:30 AM For The People

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, Aug. 4
 8:00 AM + Patrick Eaton
 by Stephanie Kost

Sunday, Aug. 11
 8:00 AM + Helen Peters
 by Robert Barber & Family
 Karen Barber

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. ELIZABETH

For the week of July 28, 2019
Weekly Collection: \$1,699.00

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. JOSEPH

For the week of July 28, 2019
Weekly Collection: \$ 498.00

Week day Masses are available at St. Elizabeth for intention.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: A Special Intention, Pat Peterson, Special Intention, Rita Bidwell, Shelly Maybury, Jack & Janine Sokoloski, Dylan Lunder, John Crowley, A Special Intention, Patti Price, Caitlyn Bankovich, Elijah Waite, Penny Duncan, Malvina Weakland, Louise DeSio, Bob Yancosek, Special Intention.

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors Needed

St. Elizabeth and St. Joseph are in need of Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. Training is provided for both. If this is something you might be interested in, please contact the parish office or Fr. Vince for additional information .



A mobile food bank sponsored by St. Elizabeth Church and the Second Harvest Food Bank of Erie will be held on August 13th at St. Elizabeth Church in Smethport for McKean county residents who fall within the financial guidelines. Only one registration per dwelling will be accepted and pre-registration by phone is required. Those wishing to register should contact the St. Elizabeth R.C, Church mobile phone at **366-3186** on August 5th from 6 PM to 8 PM. The caller must speak with a person. No message should be left on the voice mail as that is not monitored. There is a high volume of calls during this time, so please be patient. For safety reasons, those who have registered need to come at their designated registration times. No early birds. Registered applicants must bring a photo ID as well as at least 2 boxes to carry their food in.

Dear Friends at Saint Elizabeth, Every bottle has been emptied, every penny accounted for, and you would not believe what a little change can do! We thank you for your willingness to participate in The Baby Bottle Campaign this year. YOU as a church family brought in \$152.35. Can you believe it? Our grand total so far is \$20,143.81! What a blessing these funds are to the ministry. Coins remind me of the church body. Each coin has a value and although they aren't very big and the face value varies when each one does what it is supposed to it makes a difference. Just like in our baby bottles when those coins all come together they can make a huge impact. Thank you for your faithful support to Bright Alternatives and thank you for being a vital part in the bigger picture of reaching our world, together, for Christ. Star Andres, Baby Bottle Coordinator

Religious Education: It's that time of year again. School will be starting soon and so will our Religious Education Program. We need 2 Catechists this year. If this is something your interested in or would like more information about, please contact Fr. Vince or Jan Adamoski, R.E. coordinator (887-4992).

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel Jesus teaches us: "One's life does not consist of possessions." We spend so much time working to obtain more stuff; we don't have time for the people in our lives. What is enough? Are the words of Jesus, "You fool", meant for us?

Sunday, Aug 04, 2019

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Free yourself

The longer we own something, the stickier it becomes—in terms of its reverse-possession, that is. We all have items under beds or in boxes that don't come out of hiding, carried through countless moves yet never utilized. It could be that college guitar that's no longer strummed, canning equipment we always meant to master, gifts we don't want but feel obliged to keep, books we faintly hope to read one day. The longer things take up space, the more they seem to have a right to do so. Take a risk this week. Liberate yourself from a "legacy" possession.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23; Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11; Luke 12:13-21 (114). *"And the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?"*

Monday, Aug 05, 2019

MEMORIAL OF THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF MARY MAJOR

Stay close to Mother

The fourth-century Basilica of Mary Major is one of four basilicas in Rome that are recognized as the first centers of the church. It is the oldest and largest church in the world dedicated to the Blessed Mother. In fact, around the time it was consecrated in 434, there was debate about the nature of Mary's motherhood of Jesus, as some objected to her title "Mother of God." But believers won out and even took to the streets of Constantinople chanting the Greek word for it, *Theotokos*. How do you affirm her role in your own life?

TODAY'S READINGS: Numbers 11:4b-15; Matthew 14:13-21 (407). *"Looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples."*

Tuesday, Aug 06, 2019

FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Be transformed

Jesus took Peter, James, and John up a mountain to pray. But it was not a typical prayer time for these friends as they watched Jesus' appearance change, saw him talk to the long-dead Moses and Elijah, and heard a voice from a cloud tell them to listen to the chosen Son. Whether this is a mystical experience, a symbolic story, or a misplaced Resurrection account is open to interpretation. It is clear that Jesus was unlike all others and they—and we—are to follow him. Today's memorial of Hiroshima provides the opportunity to "transfigure" our world through prayer and the practice of peace as we follow our Lord.

TODAY'S READINGS: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Luke 9:28b-36 (614). *"While he was praying his face changed in appearance."*

Wednesday, Aug 07, 2019

MEMORIAL OF SIXTUS II, POPE AND MARTYR

Where everyone belongs

Before his martyrdom in 258, Pope Sixtus II faced a leadership dilemma that Jesus had also faced during his public ministry. Who belonged in the fold of believers and who did not? For Sixtus, it wasn't a case of Canaanites versus Israel. It was a worldwide controversy over Baptism: whether those baptized by heretics could be welcomed as true Christians—or whether they needed to be re-baptized. The Asian and African church insisted on a do-over, while the Roman church said no. Sixtus upheld the Roman

view but mended fences with the other—allowing both. There's wisdom in the old hymn "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy." How wide is your own?

TODAY'S READINGS: Numbers 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Matthew 15:21-28 (409). *"O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish."*

Thursday, Aug 08, 2019

MEMORIAL OF DOMINIC, PRIEST

We all need guidance at some time

A sect of Christian leaders in the south of France in the 13th century stumbled into gnostic and dualist heresy. The Cathars, as they were called, argued that human beings were inherently evil. Therefore, Jesus, the Son of God, couldn't possibly have been fully human. Dominic de Guzman, a Spanish priest, preached convincingly against the error. Sadly, when his efforts failed, church leaders followed with brutal suppression. As for Dominic, he focused on building up the Order of Preachers, known as the Dominicans, dedicated to preaching and praying the Rosary. Renowned for his holiness and eloquence, he was elevated to sainthood a mere 13 years after his death in 1221. Guiding the misguided was full-time work for Saint Dominic. What's your saintly work?

TODAY'S READINGS: Numbers 20:1-13; Matthew 16:13-23 (410). *"Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"*

Friday, Aug 09, 2019

The good in group think

Today is International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples, the kind of new commemoration that tends to get overlooked. Catholics have a long and sometimes fraught history with native peoples, however, so we may want to give pause. Many aspects of indigenous culture fit snugly within a Christian worldview, particularly the emphasis on the group (Catholics call it the "common good") and on sharing available resources ("feed the hungry"). Learn one thing today about the native peoples from your corner of the world.

TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 4:32-40; Matthew 16:24-28 (411). *"What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?"*

Saturday, Aug 10, 2019

FEAST OF LAWRENCE, DEACON, MARTYR

Take nothing for granted

Often we take faith for granted, especially our ability to practice it freely. Today's feast reminds us that there have been times in our history when such was not the case. Lawrence, one of the most widely remembered martyrs of early Christian history, was killed on August 10, 258 when Emperor Valerian decreed all clerics be put to death. Lawrence lived a long time ago, and the stories about him—his care for the poor and his manner of death—come from an oral tradition that has inspired the faithful for generations. Say a prayer of thanks for the ability to practice your faith free of persecution.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26 (618). *"Unless a grain of wheat fall to the ground."*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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Share YOUR Faith

Support the Collection for the
Church in Latin America

**“Dear young people,
do not allow the spark of youth to be
extinguished in the darkness of a
closed room in which the only window
to the outside world is a computer and
smartphone,” Pope Francis said in his
message to open the registrations
for the 2019 World Youth Day (WYD) in
Panama (February 11, 2018).**

Pope Francis echoed Jesus’ call for us to encounter one another and to experience the beauty of the Church. Young people are the future of our Church. We have a responsibility to support them as they grow in faith. Pope Francis concluded his message by saying: “WYD is for the courageous! Not for young people who are searching only for comfort and who withdraw whenever difficulties arise. Do you accept the challenge?”

Through your ongoing support for the Collection for the Church in Latin America, you have helped young people accept the challenge to grow in faith. Your generosity is helping the young people of the Archdiocese of Panama build relationships with one another, with their peers throughout Latin America, and with the rest of the



world as they prepare for World Youth Day 2019. This is a tremendous event in the life of the Church, and young people are now experiencing it to the fullest. You have given these young people the opportunity to grow as leaders and to develop missionary hearts.

Support the collection today, and help young people grow as leaders of our Church!

For more information about the Collection for the Church in Latin America, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.



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At Saint Elizabeth's:

Mon. Aug. 5 6-8:00 PM Second Harvest Call-in



At Saint Joseph's:

Sat. Aug. 10 All Day St. Joseph's Parking Lot in Use by Swedish Festival Committee

Pray for Priests

- Aug. 4 Very Rev. Zab Amar, V.F.
- Aug. 5 Rev. John A Walsh
- Aug. 6 Rev. Brian E. Vossler
- Aug. 7 Rev. John Detisch
- Aug. 8 Rev. Justin P. Pino
- Aug. 9 Rev. Msgr. Daniel K. Arnold
- Aug. 10 Rev. John P. Malthaner, V.R.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR AUG. 11, 2019 FOR ST. JOSEPH

Lector: Mary Smith

Ministers:
Patricia Marrero
Carole Walker
Kevin Housler

Server: Raychel

Families Always Matter in the Diocese of Erie

Get resources and suggestions for your family at the Diocese of Erie's family website, www.eriecd.org/familiesmatter. Feel supported, encouraged, and blessed whether your family is a traditional, single-parent, blended, military, or an adoptive/foster family. Go Families! Also Formed.org using our parish code **TRY7DX**.

Eucharistic Ministers: Please be sure to check before visiting for any changes or additions. Let us know of changes in the resident list at the nursing homes. Thank you.

All Ministries: Please remember to find a substitute if you cannot serve during the Mass scheduled.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR AUG. 10-11, 2019

St. Elizabeth	Sat. 5:00 PM	Sunday 9:30 AM
Eucharistic Ministers	Penny Eddy Heather Murphy	Joan Washburn Denise Balon Margaret Vandermark
Lectors:	Penny Eddy	Jeff Holcomb
Altar Servers:	Ruby	Sabrina

Eucharistic Ministers- Homebound: Lu Vandermark
Sena Kean Visits: Steve Eidson & Margaret Vandermark
Lakeview: Lu Vandermark

St. Joseph's for the month of



SANCTUARY LIGHT is In Loving Memory of Charles & Mary Kalinowski by Karen Barber & Robert Barber & Family

INFANT OF PRAGUE is In Loving Memory of Robert & Gloria Barber by Karen Barber & Robert Barber & Family

Marriage Moments

"Vanity of vanities...All things are vanity "(Eccl 1: 2) Let's face it, all of us are vain to some extent. We want to look good to others. Perhaps one of the few people who will give us honest feedback about our faults is your spouse. Share one weakness that you observe in your beloved today, but balance it with one thing that makes you proud of your beloved. Humbly accept both.

In this age when personal data can be misused by scam artists, please be aware that the Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, its clergy, and entities such as parishes and schools will never solicit your personal or business information by any method unless initiated by you. Should you receive an unsolicited request for such information – including a request for gift cards of any type – exercise extreme caution. Contact the person or entity by using official contact information only. Do not use contact information provided in the potential fraudulent request.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Documentation for Safety: All employees, volunteers and clergy in the Diocese of Erie who work with children must undergo criminal record checks. The diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth screening guidelines and abuse prevention training programs emphasize the importance of knowing the employees and volunteers who have access to children in our schools and parishes. Parents should remain vigilant in insisting that those with access to their children have gone through an application process and obtained the required clearances and trainings before being granted access to their children. To see what documentation and training is required in the diocese, visit <https://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/>

THINGS HAPPENING AROUND US

Wedding Anniversary Celebrations 11

The 2019 Diocesan Anniversary Celebration Liturgies for couples celebrating 25, 50, 60, or more years of marriage will be held at two locations in the diocese: Sunday, August 4, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Catherine of Siena in DuBois and Sunday, August 25, at 2:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart in Erie. To register, please go online to <https://www.eriecd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html> or contact your parish office or the Marriage and Family Life Office (814) 824-1265 or (800) 374-3723 ext. 265.

Mt. Jewett Swedish Festival starts on Friday, August 9th with opening ceremonies at St. Matthew's Church on Main St. at 6:00 PM. Many events planned for the 2 1/2 day festival along with many vendors along Main St.. Come on out and enjoy a little bit of Sweden.