

The Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

*307 Franklin St.
Smethport, PA 16749*

*20 Division St.
Mount Jewett, Pa 16740*



Sacramental Information

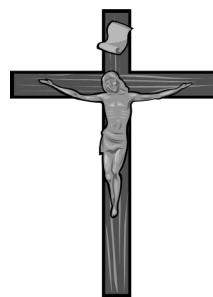
Baptism: Parents & Godparents are asked to participate in a Preparation Program prior to scheduling a Baptism.

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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SAINT ELIZABETH, SMETHPORT, PA

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK AT ST. ELIZABETH

Saturday, July 20
 5:00 PM Deceased Members of
 The Placer Family
 by Katie & Dave Rumsey

Sunday, July 21
8:45 AM Reciting of The Rosary
 9:30 AM For The People

Monday, July 22
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM For The People

Tuesday, July 23
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM Deceased Members of The Cole Family
 by The Family

Thursday, July 25
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM + Craig Frase
 by Patty

Friday, July 26
 11:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 12:10 PM In Reparation for Sins Committed
 Against Immaculate Heart of Mary

Saturday, July 27
 3:30-4:15 PM Confessions
 5:00 PM For The People

Sunday, July 28
8:45 AM Reciting of The Rosary
 9:30 AM + Mary M. Eidson
 by Steve Eidson

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, July 21
 8:00 AM + Raymond Cole
 by Cathy & Patty

Sunday, July 28
 8:00 AM + Cathryn Kaltenbach
 by St. Joseph Rosary

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. ELIZABETH

For the week of July 14, 2019
Weekly Collection: \$1,074.00

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. JOSEPH

For the week of July 14, 2019
Weekly Collection: \$ 402.00

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 .

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, Special Intention, Elijah Waite, Penny Duncan, Malvina Weakland, Louise DeSio, Bob Yancosek, Special Intention.

Mt. Jewett Hunger Project needs donations of non-perishable food items and paper products. Please place your donations in the container in the back of the Church.

Eucharistic Ministers: Any Eucharistic Ministers who go to Sena Kean must fill out a Volunteer Criminal Background Investigation Release. Sena Kean is paying for these. If you are a Catechist you already have your clearances on file with the Parish. All volunteers going to Sena Kean must have clearances from State Police and FBI (if a resident of PA for less than 2 years). This is not something you grandfather in under. Forms are available at the Parish Office. These forms are to be turned in to Sena Kean.

Building Fund Memorials

William Sluga	by Judy & Steve Tucker
William Sluga	by Craig & Ann Sluga
Robert Tronetti	by Anita Campbell
Robert Tronetti	by Debbie Defibaugh
Alphonse Billiter	by Debbie Defibaugh

Dear St. Elizabeth,

Thank you for opening your doors for our community health screening in your community. It is because of your generosity that Life Line Screening continues to be able to bring these health screenings into your area and for that, we are very appreciative. We look forward to working together again! We appreciate all your help and support with hosting this community outreach event.
 Jennifer Baptist, Life Line Screening

If any family would like to share with the parish, accomplishments, awards or other honors of family members, please let the office know so that it can be published in the bulletin.

National Needs: Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal Today! Right now, over 40% of diocese in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your donations support programs, such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training, to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States,. Please be generous. Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Finance Council Meeting on Tuesday, July 23rd at 6:30 PM in St. Elizabeth Parish Hall.

Sunday, Jul 21, 2019

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worriers have a captain

These days, who isn't a worrier? Climate change is predicted to be irreversible very soon unless drastic changes are made across the globe. Meanwhile, oceans are rising, coastal areas are flooding, weather is erratic, and food supplies are threatened one crop at a time. If Martha were among us today, she'd be the first to lodge a complaint. Let's marshal our inner Marthas and raise our voices about the need for radical lifestyle changes. And don't neglect your inner Mary: She needs to keep on listening to Jesus.

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 18:1-10a; Colossians 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42 (108). *"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things."*

Monday, Jul 22, 2019

FEAST OF MARY MAGDALENE

Call him teacher

She turned toward the risen Lord and called him "Teacher," marking a significant pivot for human history. Mary Magdalene is first to experience the Resurrection, moving from a fear that death meant the end to a trust in ongoing life. In that moment, history moved from Jesus confined to one physical body to the universal Christ alive in the mystical body; from "head" knowledge to trusting a voice that recognizes intimate presence; from confusion to conviction—the authority of direct experience announcing the best news ever to the other disciples. Why Mary? Perhaps because she bracketed Jesus' Passion with fragrant anointing or because she waited outside the tomb, weeping but hopeful.

TODAY'S READINGS: Song of Songs 3:1-4a or 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; John 20:1-2, 11-18 (603). *"I have seen the Lord."*

Tuesday, Jul 23, 2019

MEMORIAL OF BRIDGET, RELIGIOUS

Drama with a twist

Today's first reading on the parting of the sea is so important that the church includes it in the Easter Vigil during a series of readings that summarize salvation history. Our hearts leap for the Israelites who are saved. Yet some may also wonder about the Egyptian families who mourned for their loved ones "cast into the sea." The church teaches us that sin (such as enslavement of the Israelites) cuts in many directions, often hurting the innocent—even those Egyptian soldiers who were obliged by *their* masters to pursue the Israelites. Can you refrain today from a bad habit, a sin, so it cannot hurt anyone, guilty or innocent?

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 14:21—15:1; Matthew 12:46-50 (396). *"For whoever does the will of my heavenly Father is my brother, and sister, and mother."*

Wednesday, Jul 24, 2019

MEMORIAL OF SHARBEL MAKHLUF, PRIEST

Choose the reign of God

Who, you may ask, was Sharbel Makhluf? Saint Sharbel, (sometimes spelled "Charbel") was a 19th-century Maronite monk from Lebanon, the son of a mule driver. He lived a life of solitude, austerity, and prayer. After his death at the age of 70, miracles were attributed to his intercession. He was beatified in 1965 at the close of Vatican II by Pope Paul VI. In his remarks, the pope said: "May he make us understand, in a world largely

fascinated by wealth and comfort, the paramount value of poverty, penance, and asceticism, to liberate the soul in its ascent to God." Many times a day God invites us to divest from the passing world and invest in the coming reign of God. What choices will you make today?

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15; Matthew 13:1-9 (397).

"Would that we had died at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, as we sat by our fleshpots and ate our fill of bread!"

Thursday, Jul 25, 2019

FEAST OF JAMES, APOSTLE

Best friends forever

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, certainly stand out among the 12 apostles. Jesus nicknamed them the "Sons of Thunder," and from the stories of them in scripture, the two men clearly had big, bold, fiery personalities. Jesus had to put them in their place more than once. And yet, they are also described as being in Jesus' inner circle, an experience that changed them to the core—James became the first apostle to be martyred and John came to be known as the "apostle of love." If you made Jesus your best friend, what might happen to you too?

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28 (605).

"Whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant."

Friday, Jul 26, 2019

MEMORIAL OF JOACHIM AND ANNE, PARENTS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Treasure the stories of faith

Saints Anne and Joachim are known to Catholics as the parents of holy Mary. But if asked how we know that, we might be stumped. The truth is there is no mention of Anne and Joachim in the Bible. Their names come to us from a second-century document called the Gospel of James. The church does not recognize that document as a reliable source, but the document's story of an angel's promised child to an aging couple has become an accepted tradition in our Catholic heritage. Say a prayer today for those couples whose yearning for children goes unfulfilled.

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 20:1-17; Matthew 13:18-23 (399).

"Honor your father and your mother."

Saturday, Jul 27, 2019

The harvest is plentiful

Jesus talked a lot about farming in parables to teach his followers. So why don't Catholics have a harvest feast of some kind? Some folk traditions have popped up over the centuries: In Hungary, the Feast of the Assumption includes thanks for the harvest, and in Poland, harvest wreaths are blessed by priests. The Feast of Saint Martin of Tours on November 11 was celebrated in Europe in the Middle Ages much the same way Americans celebrate Thanksgiving Day today. But notwithstanding, the answer is, we don't need one. Every Mass is the offering of sacrifice to God. You're welcome to celebrate thanksgiving every day!

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 24:3-8; Matthew 13:24-30 (400).

"Collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn."

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



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June 28, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Without outside assistance, over 80 Catholic dioceses in the United States and its territories cannot offer their people basic pastoral care, provide priestly formation, or organize lay ministry training. These areas of our nation which struggle with severe poverty, lack of resources and often rugged terrain and sparse populations are known as our “home mission dioceses.” The Catholics who live in these places rely on your generous support in the annual National Needs Collection, to be taken up in our parishes this year on July 20 and 21.

This collection is a combination of two separate appeals:

- **The Catholic Home Mission Appeal** helps to provide essential pastoral outreach in home mission dioceses through grants. These grants support priestly and religious vocations, faith formation, and education for local leaders to equip them to meet the unique needs of their faith communities.
- **The Black and Indian Mission Collection**, established in 1884, helps to evangelize and support our African American and Indigenous communities with mission schools, religious education programs, the purchase of catechetical materials, and ministry training.

Thousands of the faithful living in home mission dioceses or in other mission circumstances struggle to receive basic pastoral care and catechesis. Scarce resources greatly limit the services which can be offered to them. As members of the Church in the United States, we are called to solidarity with our sisters and brothers who need our help to practice their faith right here at home. Please give generously to the National Needs Collection on the weekend of July 20 and 21. May you and your families enjoy a restful and refreshing summer.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie

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At Saint Elizabeth's:

July 23 6:30 PM Finance Council Mtg.
St. Elizabeth parish hall



At Saint Joseph's:

Pray for Priests

July 21 Rev. Jerome S. Simmons
July 22 Rev. Msgr. Bruce R. Allison
July 23 Rev. James Power
July 24 The Most Rev. Donald W. Trautman
July 25 Rev. John E. Santor
July 26 **Pray For Vocations**
July 27 Rev. Michael Polinek



**MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR JULY 28, 2019
FOR ST. JOSEPH**

Lector: Tony DeSio

Ministers:
Carole Walker
Mary Ann Schafer
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 JULY 27-28, 2019

St. Elizabeth	Sat. 5:00 PM	Sunday 9:30 AM
Eucharistic Ministers	Carolee Learn Denise Balon	Marian Bush Heather Murphy Patricia Green
Lectors:	Ray Learn	Tom Kreiner
Altar Servers:	Isabella Nick	John

St. Joseph's for the month of July



SANCTUARY LIGHT is In Loving Memory of Betty & Raymond Allegretto

INFANT OF PRAGUE is In Loving Memory of Mary Weston & Dee Sample

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Phone calls, emails, texts and tweets can reduce our lives to a continual series of interrupted moments. Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "You are anxious about many things" robbing us of the precious time needed to BE with others. Quality time is intentional time – free from distractions.

Marriage Moments

Being hospitable vs. being "present." Some people are like Martha (doing the cooking) others are like Mary (listening attentively to a guest) (Luke 10:38-42) Both are necessary. In your marriage, which of you are drawn to which role? Try switching one time to broaden your skill set.

THINGS HAPPENING AROUND US

Catholic Charities Counseling and Adoption Services:

Pregnancy and Parenting Support Program, staffed by Catholic Charities Counseling and Adoption Services, helps expecting families with newborn infants and parents of children under 1 year of age. We are a United Way member agency that provides assistance to individuals of all faiths in the form of free diapers, infant clothing, and hygiene products. Our ability to provide these items is largely determined by donations either material or monetary. This year's donations have increased, however, "need" in our area remains high and difficult to support. **Sunday, July 28th** is "Diaper Sunday" and for the entire month of July the agency is collecting: Disposable diapers (any size, any brand), gently used and new infant clothing up to size 24 months, baby shampoo, baby wash, diaper ointment, and wipes. Donations may be dropped off at the back of the Church in the designated area. Please help us touch and nurture the new lives that God has so richly blessed us with. Monetary donations should be made payable to Catholic Charities and sealed in an envelope marked "Catholic Charities-Diaper Drive".

Wedding Anniversary Celebrations 9

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.

Eucharistic Ministers- Homebound: Carolee Learn
Sena Kean Visits: Rose Campbell & Bev Mulauski
Lakeview: Penny Eddy