

The Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

*307 Franklin St.
Smethport, PA 16749*

*20 Division St.
Mount Jewett, Pa 16740*



Sacramental Information

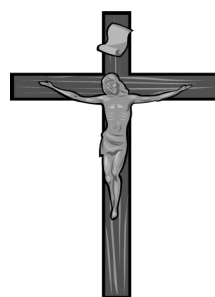
Baptism: Parents & Godparents are asked to participate in a Preparation Program prior to scheduling a Baptism.

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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LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK AT ST. ELIZABETH

Saturday, Aug. 8
 5:00 PM For The People

Sunday, Aug. 9
8:45 AM Recitation of The Rosary
 9:30 AM + Mary Margaret Eidson
 by Nancy Nick
 1:00 PM Confirmation

Monday, Aug. 10
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM + Lloyd Mulvihill
 by Michael Mulvihill

Tuesday, Aug. 11
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM For The People

Thursday, Aug. 13
 7:00 PM For The Salvation of The Dying
 Of Today and For The Welfare of
 Holy Mother Church

Friday, Aug. 14
 11:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 12:10 PM Deceased Members of The Mullane
 Family
 by A. Denise Balon

Saturday, Aug. 15
3:30-4:15 PM Confessions
 5:00 PM For The People

Sunday, Aug. 16
8:45 AM Recitation of The Rosary
 9:30 AM + Leon B. Griffin
 by Philip Griffin
 1:00 PM First Communion

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, Aug. 9
 8:00 AM + Helen Peters
 by Robert Barber & Family
 and Karen Barber

Sunday, Aug. 16
 8:00 AM Philip Frase, Bessie Worrell
 Patty Roesch

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. ELIZABETH

For the week of Aug. 2, 2020

Weekly Collection: \$1,885.00

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. JOSEPH

For the week of Aug. 2, 2020

Weekly Collection: \$580.00

St. Joseph's for the month of August 2020

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.

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, Special Intention, Carmela Hamilton, Mary
 Kay Peters, Anonymous.

Face Covering must be worn in both Parish Churches

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!

Pray for Priests of The Erie Diocese

Aug. 9 Rev. Jerry S. Priscaro
 Aug. 10 Rev. Msgr. Henry J. Schauerman
 Aug. 11 Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Riccardo, V.F.
 Aug. 12 **Pray For Vocations**
 Aug. 13 Rev. Paul A. Schill
 Aug. 14 Rev. Rocco A. Tito
 Aug. 15 Rev. Glenn R. Whitman



**Mass Intentions: You may still schedule Mass
 intentions for the week day Masses. There are many
 openings.**

**Wash your hands and fold them in prayer: A Catholic
 response to the coronavirus, "Get plenty of sleep and
 drink plenty of fluids, take your meds, wash your
 hands, use hand sanitizer"**

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention: August
 The Maritime World**

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea,
 among them sailors, fishermen and their families.



**Please keep in your prayers our
 Confirmation Students who will be
 confirmed on Sunday, August 9, 2020
 at 1:00 PM. Abbey McKeirnan, Bobby
 Rumcik, Jordan Pavlock, Chloe Costa.**

Sunday, Aug 09, 2020

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ghosts of the past, spirit of the present

Nagasaki was the second and last city to date to endure attack by atomic weapon. In the instant after the bomb's release, 35,000 people were killed, mostly factory workers. Those factories, which supported the Japanese war effort, were the targets of the attack. It all made sense in a war room at the time. After the mushroom cloud clears, however, we have to reckon with the ghosts of our choices. The animated drama, *In This Corner of the World*, offers a moving reflection on the personal cost of these attacks on ordinary Japanese citizens. Pray for all victims of war, and for lasting world peace.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33 (115). *"The disciples saw him walking on the sea. . . . 'It is a ghost,' they said, and they cried out in fear."*

Monday, Aug 10, 2020

FEAST OF LAWRENCE, DEACON, MARTYR

Be inspired by the martyrs among us

Lawrence, a Roman deacon who was martyred in 258, is one of the most venerated of saints, and there are many legends about his gruesome death, which prompted widespread conversions to Christianity in his city. Most Christians aren't called to such spectacular sacrifice, but there are other types of martyrs—ordinary folks in every generation who face adversity with total commitment to God and sow the seeds of faith all around them. They are martyrs at the hands of disease, hatred, bigotry, selfishness, and cruelty. They fight the good fight and leave us all the better for it. Pray for that level of faith and perseverance.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26 (618). *"Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life."*

Tuesday, Aug 11, 2020

MEMORIAL OF CLARE, VIRGIN

We are what we love

Those who enter consecrated life in the Catholic Church make at least three vows—of poverty, chastity, and obedience. Known as the Evangelical Counsels, the vows are meant to shield disciples from greed, lust, and pride. For most religious orders, poverty is simply a commitment to shared (rather than individual) ownership. But Clare of Assisi, among the first followers of Saint Francis and the first woman known to write a set of monastic guidelines, made sure her order of Poor Clares owned nothing at all. "We become what we love," she wrote. "If we love things, we become a thing." In honor of Clare, take some time to examine what you love and what you own to see whether anything is hampering your spiritual life.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 2:8-3:4; Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 (414). *"Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest."*

Wednesday, Aug 12, 2020

Get engaged

One of the seven themes of Catholic social teaching—Call to Family, Community, and Participation—asserts that we have a right and a responsibility to participate in society and to seek the common good, taking special care of the poor and vulnerable. Since 1999, the United Nations has set aside August 12 as

International Youth Day to celebrate and enhance the global efforts of youth to build a better world. This year's theme is "Youth Engagement for Global Action," and we've certainly seen evidence of that in recent street protests. What are you doing to engage youth? Offer young people you know a call to action—or better yet—respond to the call they offer you.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Matthew 18:15-20 (415). *"Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst."*

Thursday, Aug 13, 2020

MEMORIAL OF PONTIAN, POPE, AND HIPPOLYTUS, PRIEST, MARTYRS

Bring them out of exile

Today's saints—Pontian and Hippolytus—endured exile together. They were forced by third-century Roman emperor Maximinus to work in the mines of the island of Sardinia and eventually perished there. Formerly, they had been a pope (Pontian) and theologian (Hippolytus). The church advocates at many levels for migrants who have been exiled from their homeland by war, poverty, or persecution. In homage to exiles across the centuries, consider taking a step today to aid migrants in your region of the world.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 12:1-12; Matthew 18:21—19:1 (416). *"Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, 'I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.'"*

Friday, Aug 14, 2020

MEMORIAL OF MAXIMILIAN KOLBE, PRIEST, MARTYR

Witness to the world

Many young Catholics may have had the opportunity to read the comic book "Soldier of God," about the life of Saint Maximilian Kolbe, who was killed in the Auschwitz concentration camp. It begins: "This is a true story of a real flesh-and-blood hero of God." Young readers were captivated, and most could not forget the images of Maximilian volunteering to take the place of a man who was selected to be killed. "Would I do that?" is an instinctive question when faced with such powerful witness. Not all are called to martyrdom, but each Christian commits to being an example of God's deep love and care for people, especially the most vulnerable. "How can I be God's witness?" is a good question to ask yourself each day.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Matthew 19:3-12 (417). *"Live in your blood and grow like a plant in the field."*

Saturday, Aug 15, 2020

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Hidden glory revealed

Mary, now united totally with her son, with whom she suffered excruciating ordeals, shows us how suffering transforms to glory. She gathers all her human children close in this season of harvest, her bounteous fruits and flowers. Today's gospel shows Elizabeth affirming in Mary a vigor and holiness, mirroring God's, that she herself might not have recognized. This feast points to the same glory in each of us, perhaps hard to believe, but still hidden, vital, intact.


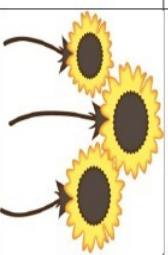
TODAY'S READINGS: Day: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56 (622). *"My spirit rejoices in God my Savior."*

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



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August 2020

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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|  | | | | | | |
| 2 Rev. Matthew J. Strickenberger | 3 The Most Rev. Lawrence T. Persico | 4 Rev. Msgr. John W. Swoger | 5 Rev. Thomas J. Whitman | 6 Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Smith | 7 Rev. Msgr. Gerald T. Ritchie | 8 Rev. Paul S. Siebert |
| 9 Rev. Jerry S. Priscaro | 10 Rev. Msgr. Henry J. Schauerman | 11 Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Riccardo, V.F. | 12 PRAY FOR VOCATIONS | 13 Rev. Paul A. Schill | 14 Rev. Rocco A. Tito | 15 Rev. Glenn R. Whitman |
| 16 Rev. Richard C. Tomasone | 17 Rev. Johnathan P. Schmolt | 18 Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Stack | 19 Rev. John J. Murphy | 20 Rev. John E. Santor | 21 Rev. Thomas N. Trocchio | 22 Rev. Marc A. Stockton |
| 23 Rev. William E. Sutherland | 24 Rev. Joseph V. Wardanski | 25 Rev. Howard J. King | 26 Rev. William J. O'Brien | 27 Rev. George E. Strohmeyer | 28 The Most Rev. Donald W. Trautman | 29 PRAY FOR VOCATIONS |
| 30 Rev. Nicholas J. Rouch | 31 Rev. Peter Pierjok, O.S.B. | | | | |  |



At Saint Elizabeth's:

Sun. Aug. 9th 1:00 PM Confirmation
 Tues. Aug. 11th 12:30-4:00 PM Second Harvest Pick-up



At Saint Joseph's:

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The demands of family can be so overwhelming we feel walking on water would be easier. When Jesus was pressured, He dismissed everyone, so he could be "by himself and pray." When overwhelmed and stressed, go to a quiet place and surrender your pressured feelings to the Lord using Peter's prayer in today's gospel: "Lord, save me."



Volunteers are needed from **12:30-4:00 PM**, Tuesday, **August 11th** when the truck arrives to box the food and load the cars.

Distribution begins at 2:00. This will be drive-thru again. Masks and gloves (gloves provided) are required for the volunteers. **Help for any amount of time is appreciated.** 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.



1st Communion Practice on Saturday, August 15th at 10:00 AM.

1st Communion on Sunday, August 16th at 1:00 PM



Offertory: You can still support your parish during this time by mailing or dropping your envelopes at the rectory in the mail basket.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Documentation for Safety: Working alongside the Bishop, the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth reinforces the ongoing implementation of policies and procedures that protect children. 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. Visit <https://www.erieecd.org/childprotection/> to see what documentation and training is required for those who work with children and youth in our parishes/schools/agencies.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

55 years ago on Aug. 6 & 9, the USA bombed Hiroshima and Nagasaki. It destroyed many lives. In any marriage there are times when we hurt each other, sometimes seriously. In your own marriage how do you heal? How do you forgive? It's not always easy because love is not easy.

THINGS HAPPENING AROUND US

FORMED: To learn more about our Catholic Faith sign-up to use Formed.org. Use the Parish code **TRY7DX**. This website has many movies, audio books and discussions about our Faith. Give it a try.



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot receive you at this moment sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.