

# *The Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary*

*307 Franklin St.  
Smethport, PA 16749*

*20 Division St.  
Mount Jewett, Pa 16740*



## **Sacramental Information**

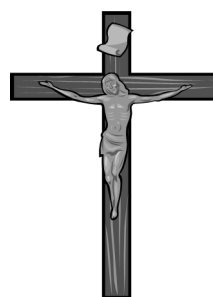
**Baptism:** Parents & Godparents are asked to participate in a Preparation Program prior to scheduling a Baptism.

**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**

**St. Elizabeth Church** is open from 9 AM to 6 PM every day of the week.

**Adoration and Exposition** (in Smethport)

**Monday, Tuesday 7-8 AM,**

**Thursday 7-8 PM**

**Friday 11-12 noon**

**Private Confessions:**

**Saturday 4-5 PM**

(Not using the Confessional)

**Mass Intentions for May 23-May 31**

For The People  
Deceased Members of The Placer Family  
James Higley  
Everyone Who Has Died From Covid-19  
For The People  
For The People  
For The Salvation of The Dying Of Today And For  
The Welfare Of Holy Mother Church  
Baby Weekley  
Deborah I. Vossler  
Family of Irvin and Mary Caldwell  
Edward and Emily Sokoloski

**Parish Office:** The Parish Office will be open on **Mondays and Tuesdays** from **9:00 AM—1:00 PM.**

**Second Harvest** is in need of bags. You may drop them off at the Parish Hall. We will be holding distribution in June.

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

**Face Covering must be worn in both Church buildings**

**International Needs Collection** will not be taken up this year.

**Peter's Pence Collection** has been moved to from June 27-28 to the week-end of October 3-4, 2020 by Pope Francis

**St. Joseph's for the month of May 2020**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT** is In Loving Memory of Members & Deceased Members of the Rosary Society by the Rosary Society



**INFANT OF PRAGUE** is In Loving Memory of Donna Truden by Kathy Schrecengost

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

**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](http://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!

**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,

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

As Jesus appointed apostles, he also appoints parents to represent Him in the family; "make disciples of your children, baptizing and teaching them all I have taught you. Don't worry, I am with you always."

**MARRIAGE MOMENTS**

Does your marriage sometimes feel like the Tower of Babel - each of you speaking but not understanding each other? Gary Chapman identified 5 Love Languages that couples often use: words of affirmation, acts of service, giving gifts, quality time, and physical touch. Which is your strongest?



## Sunday, May 24, 2020

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Right where you belong

We each have a need to belong that doesn't start with the playground or end with the work shift. Psychologist Abraham Maslow categorized the need to belong as number three on a hierarchy of essentials: right behind physical needs (food, clothing, and shelter) and safety. Catalog the people who are essential to your happiness and the social groups that include you as a member. Then consider this: God has chosen you to be one of God's people. And Jesus counts you as one who belongs especially to him.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 1:12-14; 1 Peter 4:13-16; John 17:1-11a (59). *"They belonged to you, and you gave them to me."*

## Monday, May 25, 2020

MEMORIAL OF GREGORY VII, POPE

### Cherish your freedoms

Pope Gregory VII fought hard for the separation of church and state because he lived in a time (11th century) when the church was subject to civil authorities, and abuses of power were rampant. In the face of enormous opposition, this great reformer extricated the church from the control of external rulers and strengthened the unity of the whole church under the centrality of the papacy. On this Memorial Day, remember that religious freedom is one of the founding principles of our country, worthy of the sacrifice of many. And one that our faith demands that we respect for all.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33 (297). *"In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world."*

## Tuesday, May 26, 2020

MEMORIAL OF PHILIP NERI, PRIEST

### God provides

It's fitting Philip Neri was canonized in 1622 with Ignatius of Loyola, Francis Xavier, and Teresa of Ávila. Ignatius was a friend, Francis was an influence, and Philip took to heart Teresa's quip: "From . . . sour-faced saints, good Lord, deliver us!" The affable Philip won over so many different kinds of people for Christ in 1500s Rome—using humor, humbleness, and holiness—that he's called, with Peter and Paul, an apostle of Rome. "Cast yourself into the arms of God," he said, "and be very sure that if he wants anything of you, he will fit you for the work and give you strength." That is comforting at a time when many of us feel stretched to the limit.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 20:17-27; John 17:1-11a (298). *"I revealed your name to those whom you gave me."*

## Wednesday, May 27, 2020

MEMORIAL OF AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP

### Look for God in unexpected places

Lest Saint Augustine of Canterbury be confused with Saint Augustine of Hippo: the two are not the same. Augustine of Hippo was a fourth-century doctor of the church. Augustine of Canterbury was a sixth-century Benedictine missionary sent by Pope Gregory the Great to Christianize the British Isles. He is known as the "Apostle to the English," and his legacy includes an approach to evangelization and conversion that shows a respect for indigenous practices. Rather than condemning, he consecrated

and incorporated popular Anglo-Saxon rites into Christianity. What practices from popular culture today might we consecrate into contemporary Christian practice?

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19 (299). *"As you sent me into the world, so I sent them into the world."*

## Thursday, May 28, 2020

EASTER WEEKDAY

### Celebrate our finest gifts

Shavuot, or the Feast of Weeks, which our Jewish friends observe today, has a connection to the Catholic Solemnity of Pentecost. Just as Pentecost this Sunday comes seven weeks after Easter, Shavuot is celebrated seven weeks after Passover. In the biblical era, important dates for planting and harvesting were marked by religious holidays. Shavuot celebrated the wheat harvest seven weeks after Passover. Christians thank God for the abundant gift of the Holy Spirit.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; John 17:20-26 (300). *"I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word."*

## Friday, May 29, 2020

EASTER WEEKDAY

### Keeping the peace

In 1972, Pope Saint Paul VI declared, "If you want peace, work for justice." Today we observe the International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers. The U.N. deploys peacekeepers around the world to provide "a unique and dynamic instrument . . . to help countries torn by conflict to create the conditions for lasting peace." The work of Catholic social justice organizations like Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Worker, and Cross Catholic Outreach go a step further by "tending the sheep" of the poor, the oppressed, the refugee, the dispossessed. Do your part today to support the social outreach of your church.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 25:13b-21; John 21:15-19 (301). *"Tend my sheep."*

## Saturday, May 30, 2020

EASTER WEEKDAY

### Just do it!

Some argue that "believing the right things" is enough of a response to the call to discipleship. But Jesus emphasized *doing*. *Orthopraxy* (right practice) goes hand in hand with *orthodoxy* (right belief). In this time of global suffering, our faith response is required. It flows out of our faith *assent*, but we can't stop with professions of faith. Take your faith out to meet the great need you find around you today.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; John 21:20-25 (302).

*"There are also many other things that Jesus did, but if these were to be described individually, I do not think the whole world would contain the books that would be written."*

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



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A mobile food bank sponsored by St. Elizabeth Church and the Second Harvest Food Bank of Erie will be held on Tuesday, June 9th 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 **Monday,**

**June 1st** 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. Volunteers are needed from **12:30- 4:00 PM**, Tuesday, June 9th when the truck arrives to box the food and load the cars. **Distribution begins at 2:00. 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. **This is drive-thru only.**



### **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.*

### **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,” writes Matt Stewart, SJ. “But also let your faith in Jesus help you heal your soul and the souls of others as well.”