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, May 30

Sunday, May 31

Monday, June 1

7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

8:00 AM For The People

Tuesday. June 2

7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

8:00 AM + Dorothy Paar

by Patty

Thursday, June 4

7:00 PM + Jimmy Quinlan

by Patty

First Friday

Friday, June 5

11:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
12:10 PM In Reparation for The Sins Committed

Against Sacred Heart of Jesus

First Saturday

Saturday, June 6

8:00 AM In Reparation for The Offensive

Blasphemies Committed Against

Immaculate Heart of Mary

3:30-4:45 PM Confessions

5:00 PM +Aileen & Jack Murphy

by Denise Balon

Sunday, June 7

9:30 AM For The People

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, May. 31

Sunday, June 7

8:00 AM + William Sluga

by Dot Sluga & Family

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. ELIZABETH For the week of , 2020

Weekly Collection: \$

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. JOSEPH For the week of , 2020

Weekly Collection:

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

<u>Peter's Pence Collection</u> 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 June 2020 SANCTUARY LIGHT is In Loving Memory of The Napolitan & Segulin Families by Margaret Segulin

INFANT OF PRAGUE is In Loving Memory of Jackie Walker Cartwright, Connie Walker & Carson Walker by Jim Walker

Families Always Matter in the Diocese of Erie
Get resources and suggestions for your family at the
Diocese of Erie's family website, www.eriercd.org/familiesmatter. Feel supported, encouraged, and
blessed whether your family is a traditional, single-parent, blended, military, or an adoptive/foster family. Go
Families!

Parish Office: The Parish Office will be open on Mondays through Friday from 9:00 AM—1:00 PM.

Face Covering must be worn in both Church buildings

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.

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

 $\underline{\textbf{Second Harvest}} \text{ is in need of bags and boxes. You may drop them off at the Parish Hall. }.$



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 preregistration 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.

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,"

Sunday, May 31, 2020

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

The Spirit is still at work

The traditional Pentecost hymn is "Veni Sancte Spiritus" ("Come, Holy Spirit"). It's called the Golden Sequence—a sequence being a prayer that precedes the gospel reading. It became part of the Pentecost liturgy in the 16th century but was written earlier, probably by Cardinal Stephen Langton of Canterbury around the year 1200. It's tempting to treat the Mass as something that fell from heaven as is. Liturgy is a collaborative effort, woven across centuries—and evolving still. Put your unique stamp on it.

TODAY'S READINGS: Day: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23 (63). "Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'

Monday, Jun 01, 2020 MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH Sing of Mary

Today's celebration of the Blessed Virgin Mary is still new for the Catholic Church, having been decreed by Pope Francis in 2018. But Mary's tender loving care has been sung throughout the ages. Yes, we experience her maternal protection for each and every one of us. But it's another thing to honor her universally as protectress of the Mystical Body of Christ. That's why this memorial comes when it does: the day after Pentecost Sunday—the birthday of the church. Let us honor Mary in the manner of the decree, as "Mother of the Redeemer and Mother of the Redeemed"-namely, Christ's mother and ours.

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; John 19:25-34 (572A). "Behold, your mother."

Tuesday, Jun 02, 2020 MEMORIAL OF MARCELLINUS AND PETER, MARTYRS

Today's rather obscure saints from the early church are included in the Roman Martyrology, a catalog of saints who suffered martyrdom during the era of persecution of early Christians. While some claim Catholicism places too much emphasis on suffering and death, recent events suggest there is a deeper wisdom at work in the Martyrology. In times of crisis, heroic witness often involves willingness to suffer or perhaps even die for a worthy cause. Honor martyrs past and present for their witness.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Peter 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mark 12:13-17 (354). "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

Wednesday, Jun 03, 2020

MEMORIAL OF CHARLES LWANGA AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

And the youth shall lead us

The world today is blessed with many young people willing to take a stand on major issues of our time. They work to end violence in schools and on our streets, protect lives, and ensure that future generations and the earth will thrive. Today in the church we honor a group of teens and 20-somethings who stood up for one another amid the threat of violence and death. Charles Lwanga and his 21 companions were martyred in Uganda in 1886 because their Catholic faith opposed the ruling king's violent

ways. In light of your faith, when and where are you called to take a stand?

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12; Mark 12:18-27 (355). "I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that you have."

Thursday, Jun 04, 2020

Not worth fighting about

Timothy was a peacemaker in the early church. He urged members of newly formed congregations to work out their differences rather than foster needless division. Sadly church life (Catholic and otherwise) still involves far too many stories of division—sometimes over the smallest things. Whatever your community's issue might be, be a voice for reasonable compromise.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Mark 12:28-34 (356). "Tell them in the name of God that there must be no wrangling about words: all that this ever achieves is the destruction of those who are listening.'

Friday, Jun 05, 2020

MEMORIAL OF BONIFACE, BISHOP, MARTYR

Aging can bring strengths

The COVID-19 crisis highlights the health risks older folks face. At the same time, it has led occasionally to examples of ageismthe tendency to see someone as weak or infirm simply because of their age. Saint Boniface would have none of that. Traversing the rugged terrain of what is now Germany during the wild and untamed Middle Ages, he continued his tireless evangelization efforts well into his 70s. In fact, only martyrdom could bring his ministry to a close. "Respect your elders" means respecting their ability to continue making meaningful contributions.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 3:10-17; Mark 12:35-37 (357). "From all these things the Lord delivered me."

Saturday, Jun 06, 2020

MEMORIAL OF NORBERT, BISHOP

Humble pie belongs on every menu

Saint Norbert was a key figure in reforming the medieval church and monastic life. An ascetic at heart, he wore the simplest garb and walked barefoot even in winter. Having been appointed archbishop of Magdeburg in 1126 against his wishes, he arrived at the episcopal residence only to be met by a doorman who took him to be a beggar and turned him away! Church officials quickly explained the error to the doorman, but Norbert turned to him and said, "You were right the first time." A healthy sense of humility will take each of us far.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 4:1-8; Mark 12:38-44 (358). "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury.'





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DECREE

ESTABLISHING PROTOCOLS FOR THE RESUMPTION OF PUBLIC MASSES

- 1. For all gatherings inside churches, the maximum number of participants should be limited to 1/3 of the building capacity, **utilizing only every third pew**.
- 2. Dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and holy day Masses remains in place.
- 3. Dispensation from the Easter Duty (obligation to receive Holy Communion during the Easter Season) is granted.
- 4. Livestreaming of Masses (both daily and Sunday) should continue wherever feasible.
- 5. Spiritual communion should continue to be strongly encouraged.
- 6. Priests and deacons only (no lay ministers) may visit the home-bound for non-emergency sacramental visits but must wear masks when doing so.
- 7. Priests and deacons may resume regular pastoral visits to hospitals and nursing homes, but only when the hospital or nursing home permits such visits, and only following all hospital or nursing home protocols. It may be necessary in many parishes to adjust the Sunday Mass schedules to allow sufficient time to clean the church between Masses.
- 8. Even in parishes where public Masses have been resumed, pastors are encouraged to provide opportunities to distribute Holy Communion outside of Mass to those parishioners who cannot or should not attend Mass, in a manner suited to the local circumstances using the approved rites to be released by the Office of Worship.

GENERAL NORMS FOR ALL MASSES

- 1. The following actions remain suspended
- 2. Exchange of the sign of peace among parishioners

Distribution of the Precious Blood

Placing of holy water in fonts

Greeting of parishioners at the door before or after Mass

There are to be no entrance processions, no processions to present the gifts, and no closing processions. The priest and ministers should enter and exit directly from the sacristy, and the water, wine and hosts should be prepared beforehand on a table in the sanctuary.

- 3. Masses and other liturgies are to be kept very simple. There is to be no more than one lector, one server, one musician, one cantor. When there is music, it may be necessary limit the music to the sung Mass parts.
- 4. Everyone except the liturgical ministers in the sanctuary are to wear masks and practice social distancing.

PENTECOST SUNDAY MAY 31, 2020



At Saint Elizabeth's:

Mon. June 1 6:00-8:00 PM Call in for Second Harvest Tues. June 9 2:00-4:00 PM Second Harvest



At Saint Joseph's:

5. Pews, door handles, door plates, and other common surfaces are to wiped down between Masses.

Entering and leaving

- 6. Parishioners who are in high risk categories, as well as those who are not feeling well, are to stay home.
- 7. It is not the pastor's responsibility to police who is attending, but parishioners should be strongly urged to heed the protocols for participating in the Mass.
- 8. The doors to the church are to propped open before Mass and after Mass, so that no one needs to touch the doors entering or leaving. They may need to be closed during Mass due to noise or weather.
- 9. In order to protect the most vulnerable among us, signs should clearly indicate at each church entrance that wearing a mask is obligatory for all who wish to enter. At the end of Mass, parishioners should depart in an orderly manner maintaining social distance and should go directly to their vehicles. There is to be no gathering in the church, in the vestibule, in the gathering space, or in the parking lot.

Seating

- 10. Only every third pew may be used. Others are to be blocked off.
- 11. A household could consist of a single individual or of multiple persons. Members of the same household may sit together. Multiple households may share a pew, provided that there are at least six feet between households.
- 12. Parishioners must be prepared not to sit in their usual pew and must be flexible enough to sit wherever there is adequate room.
- 13. Choir lofts are to be closed. The organist, if necessary, can access the choir loft.
- 14. Nothing is to be in the pews. Hymnals and other similar items are not to be used and should be placed in storage.
- 15. Hand sanitizer is to be available at the church entrance for parishioners.
- 16. Collection baskets, with or without handles, are not to be used in the pews. Place a basket near the church entrance and ask parishioners to drop their envelope in the basket on the way in.

Communion Rite

- 17. Only priests or deacons should distribute Communion unless some need dictates otherwise. Masks must be worn by the priest and deacon while distributing Communion.
- 18. The Bishop strongly recommends Communion in the hand, but the right to receive on the tongue remains in place.
- 19. There is to be only a single-file approaching each person distributing the Holy Communion. If possible, communicants should approach one pew at a time, parishioners allowing those in front of them to finish prior to exiting the pew themselves. (With smaller groups, this will not unduly elongate the liturgy.)
- 20. Those approaching for Communion should sanitize their hands before entering the line to receive Communion. They are also are to continue to wear face masks as they approach. They are to remove the mask to consume the Eucharist and immediately replace the mask to return to their seat.