

The Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

*307 Franklin St.
Smethport, PA 16749*

*20 Division St.
Mount Jewett, Pa 16740*



Sacramental Information

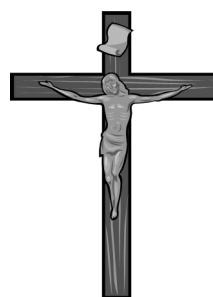
Baptism: Parents & Godparents are asked to participate in a Preparation Program prior to scheduling a Baptism.

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

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SAINT ELIZABETH, SMETHPORT, PA

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK AT ST. ELIZABETH

Saturday, Oct. 19
 5:00 PM For The People

Sunday, Oct. 20
8:45 AM Reciting of The Rosary
 9:30 AM Deceased Members of The
 Murphy Family
 by A. Denise Balon

Monday, Oct. 21
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM + Raymond Deegan
 by The Family

Tuesday, Oct. 22
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM + William E. Good
 by Shirley Good

Thursday, Oct. 24
 2:30 PM Mass at Lakeview
 For The People

Friday, Oct. 25
 11:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 12:10 PM For The Souls of those who have
 committed Suicide
 by The Meyer Family

Saturday, Oct. 26
 3:30-4:45 PM Confession
 5:00 PM For The People

Sunday, Oct. 27
8:45 AM Reciting of The Rosary
 9:30 AM + Robert Tronetti
 by The McAnallen Family

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, Oct. 20
 7:45 AM **Reciting of The Rosary**
 8:00 AM + Vicki & Kari Carrow
 by Bill & Dot Sluga

Sunday, Oct. 27
 7:45 AM **Reciting of The Rosary**
 8:00 AM + Edward Shall
 by St. Joseph Rosary

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. ELIZABETH

For the week of Oct. 13, 2019

Weekly Collection: \$2,257.00

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. JOSEPH

For the week of Oct. 13, 2019

Weekly Collection: \$ 289.00

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR OCT. 27, 2019
 FOR ST. JOSEPH**

Lector: Brittany Bizzak

Ministers:

Mary Smith
 Mary Ann Schafer
 Lois Housler

Server:

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 OCT. 26-27, 2019

St. Elizabeth	Sat. 5:00 PM	Sunday 9:30 AM
Eucharistic Ministers	Heather Costa Vicki Bickford	Joan Washburn Denise Balon Margaret Vandermark
Lectors:	Josh Costa	Tom Kreiner
Altar Servers:	Lila Vinnie	Elizabeth Zach

Eucharistic Ministers- Homebound: Margaret Vandermark
 Sena Kean Visits: Rose Campbell, Bev Mulauski
 Lakeview: Vicki Bickford

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, Carmela Hamilton.

Pray for Priests of The Erie Diocese

Oct. 20 Rev. Msgr. Robert L. Brugger
 Oct. 21 Rev. Jason A. Glover
 Oct. 22 Rev. Robert Horgas
 Oct. 23 Rev. James T. O'Hara
 Oct. 24 Rev. David Carter
 Oct. 25 Rev. Robert A. Manning
 Oct. 26 Rev. Peter Pierjok, OSB



St. Joseph's for the month of October

SANCTUARY LIGHT is In Loving Memory of
Elle Rose Batista by Norma Batista



INFANT OF PRAGUE is In Loving Memory of
Regina Krietzner by A Friend



CATHOLIC OR NON-CATHOLIC, THAT IS THE QUESTION.

We interrupt our regularly scheduled *Marriage Matters* to bring you the long-lost 23rd Issue. Thank you to those who pointed out that it was missing, because I forgot to send it to the Communications Office in July. Sorry!

MS

While it may seem like it should be obvious, the question of whether someone is Catholic may not always be so simple. The issue becomes especially important when dealing with marriage and annulments because canon law generally only applies to Catholics. So, for example, in marriage, canon law requires Catholics to observe canonical form – to marry before a duly authorized Catholic minister and two witnesses. Non-Catholics are not bound by this requirement.

How does canon law define what it means to be Catholic? According to canon law, anyone who has been baptized in or, after baptism in another Christian tradition, has been received into the Catholic Church by a profession of

faith is considered Catholic. For canonical purposes, this is irrevocable: once a person is Catholic, he or she is always Catholic, regardless of any later choices or behavior.

So, for example, a man who was baptized Catholic could join a Protestant church, fall in love with a Catholic woman, and they could marry in the Catholic Church without permission for mixed marriage because, canonically, they are both Catholic.

Having said that, not all Catholics are the same. The Catholic “Church” is something of a misnomer because it is actually composed of numerous Churches, commonly, though mistakenly, referred to as rites. While all these Churches are united by our shared communion with the Roman Pontiff, each Church *sui iuris* is governed by its own law. This means that the Code of Canon Law of the Latin Church does not apply to Byzantine or other Eastern Catholics.

How does canon law determine to which Catholic Church a Catholic person belongs? Once again, it normally depends on which Church *sui iuris* a person is baptized in or received into by a profession of faith. There are some nuances to this, but that goes beyond the scope of

this issue of the newsletter. If, in your pastoral work, you find yourself ministering to an Eastern Catholic and you have questions, please feel free to contact us at the tribunal.

The canonical distinction between different Catholic Churches is important when dealing with marriage because the minister required for canonical form must be authorized to assist the couple at the celebration of marriage. Pastoral ministers are typically only authorized to assist at the marriages of Catholics of the same Church *sui iuris*. Therefore, if a Latin pastor is approached by a Catholic couple, one party being Latin and one Eastern, the pastor can celebrate the wedding due to the presence of the Latin party. However, if the same pastor is approached by two Eastern Catholics, or by an Eastern Catholic and a non-Catholic, the pastor cannot celebrate the wedding unless he first receives authorization (delegation) from the Eastern Catholics’ ordinary, which is requested through our tribunal office.

That’s it for this month. Until next time, keep the faith, love God’s people, and always honor the code!



Sunday, Oct 20, 2019

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We're stronger together

Most things are easier when shared. We stick to the diet if our spouse commits to it. We exercise with more discipline if a friend meets us at the gym. Working late is less lonely if others in the office agree to put in the extra hours. Is it any wonder Moses can raise his hands in prayer longer if he has company in his exhausting vigil? As the church observes World Mission Sunday, we recall the great commission we share to bring good news to all the earth. Together, we can bring light to all the dark places.

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 17:8-13; 2 Timothy 3:14—4:2; Luke 18:1-8 (147). "Aaron and Hur supported [Moses'] hands, one on one side and one on the other."

Monday, Oct 21, 2019

Let's care about those who care for

This is Pastoral Care Week, first held in 1985 by the National Association of Catholic Chaplains to honor all spiritual caregivers. The celebration is an opportunity for everyone to recognize the ministry caregivers provide—in hospitals, prisons, businesses, military settings, healthcare settings, schools, and more throughout the world. This week is also a chance for chaplains and pastoral care counselors, educators, and providers to share their stories. Express your appreciation to the spiritual caregivers in your life, and visit spiritualcareweek.org for more resources on how to participate.

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 4:20-25; Luke 12:13-21 (473). "This night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?"

Tuesday, Oct 22, 2019

People, get ready

If the Lord came today, would you be ready to meet him? Or would you want more time to align your life with his? Take these questions seriously because you never know what the day holds. If you feel out of whack with the Lord and too focused on things of this world, consider this prayer of Saint Ignatius Loyola as a way to get ready: "Take Lord and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding and my entire will . . . whatever I have you have given me; I restore it all to you and surrender it wholly . . . give me only your love and your grace."

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 5:12,15b,17-19,20b-21; Luke 12:35-38 (474). "Be ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks."

Wednesday, Oct 23, 2019

MEMORIAL OF JOHN OF CAPISTRANO, PRIEST

To heal the past we acknowledge it

John of Capistrano (1386-1456), preacher, theologian, and Franciscan reformer, was also a leading proponent of the antisemitism that sadly has infected much of church history. During his era, Jews faced restrictions on where they could live and what they could own, were required to dress in a way that signaled they were Jews, and at times faced violent pogroms incited by fiery preachers such as John. As we acknowledge past shortcomings, let us remain vigilant to contemporary resurgences

of intolerance in any form. The reform we need begins here and now, in our hearts.

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 6:12-18; Luke 12:39-48 (475). "You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

Thursday, Oct 24, 2019

Light your fire

In scripture, fire often signals God's presence, notably the burning bush Moses encounters and the tongues of fire that appear above the disciples at Pentecost. Fire also signifies a disciple's zeal for the faith. "An apostolic missionary must have both a heart and tongue ablaze with charity," said Saint Anthony Claret, founder of the Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary order, better known as the Claretians. For the past 170 years, Claretian missionaries have spread the gospel message around the world, primarily through preaching and parish work, social justice advocacy, education, and publishing. The Claretian logo carries a flame to remind all Christians of their call to unceasingly expend themselves "to light the fire of divine love in the world." Take steps to flame the passion of your faith today.

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 6:19-23; Luke 12:49-53 (476). "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!"

Friday, Oct 25, 2019

Paul gets it

Who has not felt the anguish of Paul in today's first reading, unable to overcome his own vices? He's so disgusted with himself, he wonders, "Who will deliver me from this mortal body?" Although Paul hints that he'd like to be pure spirit, over and over our faith ties body and soul closely together, resting on the foundation that Christ became flesh. Our bodies may fail us, but they "are temples of the Holy Spirit." If your body has let you down through illness or sin, know that you keep company with Paul, and perhaps ask Paul's intercession. He understands.

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 7:18-25a; Luke 12:54-59 (477). "I take delight in the law of God, in my inner self."

Saturday, Oct 26, 2019

Think about it

Catholics proclaim the Nicene Creed on most Sundays when we gather to celebrate the Mass. Spoken in one voice as individuals within a community, it is how we claim the core beliefs of our faith. With the final words, we profess belief in the holy, catholic, apostolic Church, and in one Baptism for the forgiveness of sin. The final sentence is: "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come." Here is the question: Do I really look forward to the life of the world to come?

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 8:1-11; Luke 13:1-9 (478). "Lord, this is the people who longs to see your face."

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



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At Saint Elizabeth's:

Sun. Oct. 20 1-5:00 PM Church Hall in Use
 Thurs. Oct. 24 6:30 PM Cemetery Board Mtg.
 Church Hall



At Saint Joseph's:

Sun. Oct. 27 8:45 AM Fellowship Sunday
 Church Hall



Pancake Breakfast: St. Joseph's annual fall pancake breakfast was held this past Sunday and the committee would like to thank everyone who helped out in any way. You are greatly appreciated. We served 103 adults and 4 children. The 50/50 winner was Anita Sluga and the Door Prize winner was Emily Housler.

Cemetery Board Meeting. There will be a St. Elizabeth Cemetery Board meeting on Thursday, October 24th at 6:30 PM in the church hall.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The widow in today's gospel is praised for her PERSEVERANCE. In our homes perseverance is a critical ingredient to resolving differences in marriage, and teaching lessons and skills to children. Perseverance is always an act of faith and trust in the goodness of the other person.



Mission Sunday

Be Baptized and Sent—on Mission in the World! Today, World Mission Sunday, in this Extraordinary Missionary Month, we are called to personal encounter with Jesus Christ alive in the Church, and to offer, through this Eucharistic celebration, our prayers and our generous financial support, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, to continue the mission of Jesus. Today we are "sent" out to witness to Mission in the world through our prayers and personal sacrifices for our brothers and sisters around the world. As little as... \$25 helps support a catechist for a month in remote Latin America -> \$75 provides for the work of religious Sisters caring for orphaned children in Africa -> \$100 assists poor children in boarding schools in Asia
 As always, your prayers are your most treasured gift to the Missions. Your prayers and financial help, offered today, WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, support mission priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who are Christ's witnesses to a world so in need of His healing, love, and peace.

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! Also Formed.org using our parish code **TRY7DX**.

Marriage Moments

Argument Tip #2: Don't get unduly "historical" in a marital argument. Counting and keeping track of all the past wrongs done you won't endear you to your beloved when looking for a mutually agreeable solution. Don't dwell on the past. Admit that each of you probably made mistakes and hurt each other. Focus on the future.



The Rosary will be recited every Sunday before Mass during the month of October at St. Joseph. Leaders will be: Mary Ann Schafer-Oct. 27.

St. Joseph Fellowship Sunday will be October 27th following the 8:00 AM Mass. Stay and join us for good treats and great fellowship.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments-Bullying Prevention Month: Relational bullying is unwarranted, persistent, unwelcome behavior in the form of criticism, isolation, or fabricated allegations that can damage relationships. Examples include social exclusion ("You can't be with us"), spreading rumors ("Did you hear...?"), and withholding friendship ("I won't be your friend if you..."). Though relational bullying can often seem ambiguous to outside observers and often garners less attention than physical bullying or verbal bullying, it should not be discounted simply as normal, adolescent behavior. In fact, several recent studies suggest relational bullying is more strongly related to emotional distress and teen depression than any other form of bullying. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/>

THINGS HAPPENING AROUND US

Liturgical Ministries and a Spirit of Giftedness music, scripture, reflection and inspiration followed by workshops for lectors, communion ministers, music ministers, and greeters. Presented by Matt Clark from the Office of Worship on November 10, 2019 at Our Lady Queen of the World, St. Marys. Presentation: 1:00-2:00 PM, Workshops: 2:00-3:00 PM. Q & A and reception to follow. RSVP to Marlene @ 814-787-4151 ext. 3 by Nov. 3rd.