

The Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

*307 Franklin St.
Smethport, PA 16749*

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Mount Jewett, Pa 16740*



Sacramental Information

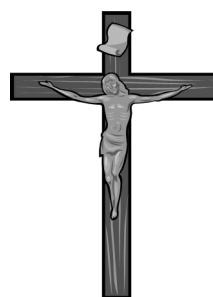
Baptism: Parents & Godparents are asked to participate in a Preparation Program prior to scheduling a Baptism.

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, July 18
 5:00 PM + Owen F. Meyer
 by The Meyer Family

Sunday, July 19
8:45 AM Recitation of The Rosary
 9:30 AM For The People

Monday, July 20
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM In Reparation For The Sins Of Our
 Country, The USA And For America's
 Moral and Spiritual Renewal

Tuesday, July 21
 7:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 8:00 AM + Fr. Michael Allison

Thursday, July 23
 7:00 PM Living and Deceased Members of
 The Sokoloski Family
 by Mary Ann Schafer

Friday, July 24
 11:00 AM Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament
 12:10 PM + William Good
 by Philip Griffin

Saturday, July 25
 3:30-4:15 PM Confessions
 5:00 PM For The People

Sunday, July 26
8:45 AM Recitation of The Rosary
 9:30 AM + Mary M. Eidson
 by The Family

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, July 19
 8:00 AM + Raymond Cole
 by His Daughters and Family

Sunday, July 26
 8:00 AM + James Kane, Sr.
 by James Kane, Jr.
 Connie Kane

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. ELIZABETH

For the week of July 12, 2020

Weekly Collection: \$2,959.00
 Peter's Pence: 205.00

WEEKLY OFFERING AT ST. JOSEPH

For the week of July 12, 2020

Weekly Collection: \$399.00

St. Joseph's for the month of July 2020

SANCTUARY LIGHT is In Loving Memory of
Betty & Raymond Allegretto by Dorothy
 Allegretto-Johnson



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

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

July 19 Rev. Thomas J. Whitman
 July 20 The Most Rev. Lawrence T. Persico
 July 21 Rev. Howard J. King
 July 22 Rev. Paul S. Siebert
 July 23 Rev. William E. Sutherland
 July 24 Rev. Mark A. O'Hern
 July 25 Rev. Robert L. Humenay



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: July
 Our Families**

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.



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, Chole Costa.

Sunday, Jul 19, 2020

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

With friends like this . . . we're blessed!

We tend to find what we're looking for. First Bishop of Boston John Cheverus, who died this day in 1836, always sought—and brought—friendship. Forced to flee France after his ordination because of the French Revolution, he arrived in the United States to become the trusted pastor of native peoples in Maine. Named Bishop of Boston, he drew resistance from Protestant leaders there, who later wept and protested when Cheverus was called back to France. His priests followed him, laypeople trusted him, poor families relied on him. However you lead, do it with love and friendship.

TODAY'S READINGS: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43 (106). *"The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed . . . until the whole batch was leavened."*

Monday, Jul 20, 2020

MEMORIAL OF APOLLINARIS, BISHOP, MARTYR

Stay the course

According to tradition, the Syrian Saint Apollinaris was made a bishop of Ravenna, Italy by Saint Peter himself. The miracles and preaching of Apollinaris won over many converts, and the Romans in charge tortured and drove him from his city multiple times, but nothing could stop him from returning to his flock, until he eventually died from his beatings. If you need help persevering in the face of great challenges, look to this early Christian leader and pray for a dose of the strength he found in staying unwaveringly true to his faith and his church.

TODAY'S READINGS: Micah 6:1-4, 6-8; Matthew 12:38-42 (395). *"There is something greater than Solomon here."*

Tuesday, Jul 21, 2020

MEMORIAL OF LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI, PRIEST, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Operate out of love

Lawrence of Brindisi, an Italian priest, surrendered everything he had to God's will. His offering consisted not only of the poverty, chastity, and obedience required of his Capuchin religious order, but also his compassion and considerable intellect. Lawrence's fluency in Latin, Hebrew, Greek, German, Bohemian, Spanish, and French meant he was tasked to translate the Bible as well as negotiate peace with other countries. None of these lofty pursuits kept him from showing love to everyone he met. May we all practice what he preached: "God is love and all his operations proceed from love."

TODAY'S READINGS: Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Matthew 12:46-50 (396). *"Whoever does the will of my heavenly Father is my brother, and sister, and mother."*

Wednesday, Jul 22, 2020

FEAST OF MARY MAGDALENE, APOSTLE OF EASTER

Be the bearer of Good News

Contrary to the mistaken legend that arose later, Mary Magdalene was not a prostitute. She was a friend and follower of Jesus who accompanied him during his ministry and remained with him through the agony of his death. Compelled by unbearable grief, she is the first person in all four gospels to witness the empty

tomb. In 2016, Pope Francis issued a decree that elevated this day from a memorial to a feast day as he called Mary Magdalene the Apostle to the Apostles. What good news of Jesus can you bring to others today?

TODAY'S READINGS: Song of Songs 3:1-4b or 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; John 20:1-2, 11-18 (603). *"Jesus then said . . . 'Go to my brothers and tell them . . .'"*

Thursday, Jul 23, 2020

Your turn to keep the faith going

In today's gospel Jesus notes that the crowd hears him but doesn't understand. Misunderstanding the message of Jesus was a problem from the beginning, which is why we all can use help in understanding matters of faith, help that is available from the Christian community. Catholics do not isolate scripture alone as the sole basis of faith but also emphasize tradition as essential to our understanding; tradition handed on through the church. You are part of the living Body of Christ that carries on the tradition. Today recall that you help express and form the tradition through your actions—make them good ones!

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Matthew 13:10-17 (398). *"The disciples approached Jesus and said, 'Why do you speak to the crowd in parables?'"*

Friday, Jul 24, 2020

MEMORIAL OF SHARBEL MAKHLUF, PRIEST

Healing measures

Legend says healing might be gained by traveling to Lebanon and praying at the tomb of Sharbel Makhluf (1828-98), a Maronite monk known for his virtue and holiness. Closer to home, there's a mosaic shrine to Saint Sharbel located in New York City's St. Patrick Cathedral. Throughout the world, there are more than 3 million Maronite Christians, an Eastern Catholic Church established in the fifth century and in full communion with Rome. In a world with so much illness, today is a good day to ask Saint Sharbel to lend a healing hand. And we should all do the same.

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 3:14-17; Matthew 13:18-23 (399). *"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it."*

Saturday, Jul 25, 2020

FEAST OF JAMES, APOSTLE

Let the storm subside

The apostle James, along with his brother John, members of Jesus' inner circle, were nicknamed the "sons of thunder" perhaps because of their fiery personalities. At one point in the gospels they asked Jesus if they should call "fire down from heaven" on a village that does not welcome them. Fortunately for the villagers (and for us) Jesus had a different idea of how power should be used—not for vengeance but for healing. Pray that those who wield great power in our own nation and world might take their cue on this point from Jesus rather than James.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28 (605). *"Whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant."*

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



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2020 Anniversary Celebration Registration Form



Public health concerns have made it necessary to adapt the Diocese of Erie and the Marriage and Family Life Office celebration of milestone anniversaries. To maintain social distancing this year, the Family Life Office is eager to honor couples with prayer, certificates, online sharing, and packages sent to honorees. Please return this form to the Marriage and Family Life Office, Attn: Anniversary 429 E Grandview Blvd. Erie PA 16504 **by Friday, August 7, 2020.**

PRINT/TYPE NAMES **CLEARLY** AS THEY WILL APPEAR ON THE SCROLL:

Last Name:*

Husband's First Name:*

Wife's First Name:*

Address:*

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Phone Number: *

Email:

Month/Day Year of Your Wedding: * (mm/dd/yyyy)

Month

Day

Year

Which Anniversary are you celebrating? **CHOOSE ONE:** *

25th Anniversary

50th Anniversary

60th Anniversary

Enter exact number if **OVER 60** years:

Home Parish & City: *

Optional: I knew I loved you when... As part of this year's celebrations, we would like to share your stories and pictures online. If you would like to participate, please include a short story of a time your spouse showed how much he/she loved you. Stories can be from early in your marriage to just recently, funny or serious. Your participation includes your permission to share your story in print and online media. Thank you!

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Picture included

* Indicates you must fill in information.



At Saint Elizabeth's:



At Saint Joseph's:

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Parents plant values in their children anticipating the tiny seeds of honesty, respect, commitment and fidelity will grow with their child and one day become "a safe haven" to many.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

An elderly man had just lost his wife, when a 4-year-old neighbor child saw him crying. The little boy went to the man's yard, climbed on his lap, and just sat there. When the boy's mother asked him what he'd said to the neighbor, the boy answered, "Nothing, I just helped him cry." When was the last time one of you cried? (Leo Buscaglia)



A mobile food bank sponsored by St. Elizabeth Church and the Second Harvest Food Bank of Erie will be held on Tuesday, August 10th 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, August 3rd 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, August 10th 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



Important Notes for Summer Travelers

You can view the weekly bulletin on the Saint Elizabeth website:

<http://stelizabethsmethport.org>

Bookmark us on your smartphone, tablet, or laptop and take us on vacation with you! Also, you can set up your weekly contributions on myEoffering if you will be away. Easy to use, safe, and convenient. Set up one-time payments for times you cannot put your envelope in the basket, or regular weekly or monthly giving.

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

Building Fund Memorial

William Lerch

by Dave & Susie Lerch

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.

In this age when personal data can be misused by scam artists, please be aware that the Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, its clergy, and entities such as parishes and schools will never solicit your personal or business information by any method unless initiated by you. Should you receive an unsolicited request for such information – including a request for gift cards of any type – exercise extreme caution. Contact the person or entity by using official contact information only. Do not use contact information provided in the potential fraudulent request.



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.