Very Rev. Jeffery J. Noble, V.F., Pastor

Weekend Masses
Saturday Evening: 6:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 & 10:00 am

Confessions
Saturday: 4:30 pm
Thursday before First Friday: 4:00

Parish office hours: Monday thru Thursday - 9 am to 4 pm

Sacrament of Baptism
Arrangements are to be made in advance at the parish office. Parents and Godparents attend a Baptismal Preparation Session prior to the baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage
Couples planning to marry need to talk to a priest at least six months in advance of the wedding.

Sacrament of the Sick
Please call a priest immediately in case of illness. The homebound are urged to have their names placed on the Sunday and First Friday Communion lists.

Parish Care and Concern Prayer Chain
For those needing prayers, please call 781-3085 or 834-3844.

Music Ministry
Stephen Toney, Director / Organist - Phone: 389-4507
Peggy Hoffman, Assistant Director

Faith Formation
139 Church St.
Phone: 781-1042

Elk County Catholic School System
Sam MacDonald, President
600 Maurus Street – Phone: 834-7812

St. Marys Catholic Elementary School
114 Queens Road – Phone: 834-4169
Deborah Slay, Principal

St. Marys Catholic Middle School / Elk County Catholic High School
600 Maurus Street – Phone: 834-7800
John Schneider, Principal

School Finance Office
600 Maurus Street – Phone: 834-7812
Bob Breindel, Director

School Advancement Office - 834-7812
Susan Jansen, Director
Lindsey Straub, Director of Communications – 834-7812

For Director of Admissions
Call: 834-1480
Elementary / Middle / High School
MINISTERS’ SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 9th & 10th

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Greeters: Please feel free to welcome your fellow parishioners at the Mass you are attending. Thank you for your ministry!

All Ministers: Always check the website at www.qwchurch.com for any last minute changes to the ministers schedule. It is the most up to date for the schedule!

Children’s Liturgy of the Word is held at the 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Mass. If your child is between the ages of 5 years old through to third grade, have them participate in this special Children’s Liturgy.
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BAPTISMAL PREPARATION SESSIONS

Feb. 5  St. Joseph Church, Force  787-4151
Feb. 16  Sacred Heart Church  834-7861

Please call the Church office of the church where you wish to attend to pre-register.

VOCATION CALENDAR  Please consider joining the Parish 31 Club for Vocations to the Religious Life.

4th  Rose Ann, Steve & Juliana Silveri
5th  Ann, Matt & Becky Avery, Joanne Gasper, Rita Peterson
6th  Mary Hahn, Carol Ehrensberger, Mary Gore, Chrissy & Jason Kuhar
7th  Mary Ellen Frank, Lillian Haller, Eleanor Newell
8th  Lisa Lyons, Bonnie Kopp
9th  Doll Fox, Dick & Leah Dallason, Dale & Jen Vogt
10th  Tom Snyder, Anna Mae Mertz, Sally Geyer

PREPARING FOR RE-MARRIAGE IN THE CHURCH? NOVA is a one-day marriage preparation program specifically designed for couples free to remarry in the Catholic Church. Topics include adjusting to remarriage, blending families, legal issues and others. Pre-registration is required. Call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 or 800-374-3723 ext 261 to register. The next NOVA is scheduled for Saturday March 2nd in Erie.


“FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL”  Travel with Fr. Paul Siebert to GREECE, Sept. 7-16, 2019. Cost is $3,600.00; Airfare and ALL-included. To register, call 855-842-8001, or register online @ www.proximotravel.com. For more information, call Fr. Paul @ 814-486-0569.

WOMEN’S RETREAT  A Lenten Day of Recollection will be held at St. Eulalia Church, 6 E. Maple Street, Coudersport on Sunday, March 24th. Mass - 11:00 am, Program - 12:00 to 3:00 pm; Dinner - 3:00 pm. The cost is $20. To purchase ticket or for more information, call 814-274-8646. The featured speaker that day will be Spiritual Motivator & Inspirational Speaker, Judy Hehr.

DUBOIS CENTRAL CATHOLIC DRAWING PARTY  A $10,000 Grand Prize Drawing will be held Feb. 9, 2019 at DuBois Central Catholic, party starting at 7 pm. Cost of the ticket is $100 and includes admission for 2 to the Drawing Party. There will be food and adult beverages. Need not be present to win. Only 250 tickets will be sold. Call Fred Deemer at 814-541-7037 to obtain a ticket or for more info.

END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS  If you would like to receive a copy of your 2018 Church Contributions statement, please call the parish office at 834-4701 and ask to have it e-mailed to you, or if you do not have email, it can be mailed out to you.

UPCOMING AREA HAPPENINGS

- **Monday, 02/04:** 6:00 pm - Apostolate of Fatima
- **Tuesday, 02/05:** 9:15 am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary’s Church, Rosary at 4:05 pm, Benediction at 4:00 pm. Special Prayer Hour, 2 - 3 pm.
- **Tuesday, 02/05:** 11:00 am - Blood Drive at Penn Highlands Elk until 4 pm. Walk-ins welcome!
- **Wednesday, 02/06:** 4:00 pm - Bowls of Love - A free meal at St. Marys First United Methodist Church.
- **Thursday, 02/07:** 7:00 pm - Bible Study at Sacred Heart Parish Center basement with Fr. Michael Gabler. Come to discuss the Gospel of Matthew. There is no fee or obligation to attend every meeting.
- **Friday, 02/08:** 7:00 am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart, Benediction at 4 pm.
- **Friday, 02/08:** 4:30 pm - Fish Fry at St. Leo Church, Ridgway until 6:30 pm or sold out.
- **Friday, 02/08:** 6:30 pm - ECCHS Music Booster BINGO. Doors open at 5 pm. Free Meal included.
- **Sunday, 02/10:** 11:00 am - Spaghetti Dinner at St. Tobias Church Center until 2 pm. Sponsored by the Brockway Knights of Columbus.

INTERESTED IN BEING RENEWED? How are you taking care of yourself spiritually, physically and emotionally? Find out during Personal Days of Renewal, Mar. 6-8 at the Bethany Retreat Center in Frenchville. Come for a day, stay overnight or a few days. Daily prayer and Mass included. Walk the grounds, enjoy home-cooked meals and the opportunity for reconciliation. An $80 free-will offering per night is requested (includes meals). For more info, go to www.bethanyretreatcenter.org, or call 834-263-4855.

Dear Members of Queen of the World Parish,

I thank you for sharing your faith life, and your selves with me these past six years. As the administrator of St. Joseph Monastery I have come to know a number of you and I have enjoyed sharing life with you.

You will be remembered in my prayers and the prayers of the former members of the monastery. May the Spirit of Benedict and Scholastica, steeped in the love of God, continue to fill your lives with blessings and awe.

In the next couple of weeks I will be returning to my home community St. Walburg Monastery, Covington, KY. I will be ever grateful for my time in St. Marys and the warm welcome and support you extended with open arms.

May God's loving presence continue to be our source of strength and comfort in the coming weeks, months, and years. Blessings on each of you.

Sincerely yours,
Rita Brink, OSB
Keep up to date with “Rooted” Youth Ministry on Social Media!

Twitter: @MinistryRooted

Instagram: @smyouthministry3

Facebook: @SMYouthMin

Please visit disciples.life for the Faith Formation 2019 Program calendar and information or you can call 781-1042. To reach the Youth and Young Adult Minister, contact Scott Becker by email at scottbecker28@gmail.com.

ROOTED YOUTH GROUP
Wednesday Evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 in the Cavalier Building.
Large Group Games: Dodgeball
Board games
Ultimate Frisbee

Discussion of the Faith: Who God is…
Our relationship with Christ
Church Teachings

Thursday Afternoons, 2:30 to 4:30

- Study
- Have Snacks
- Play Games!

All High School Students Welcome!

ECCHS SPIRIT NIGHT
Come to join in for the 9th Annual ECCHS Alumni Association Spirit Night on Friday, Feb. 8th. Wear your maroon and gold to cheer on the Crusaders as they battle the St. Marys Flying Dutchmen at the Aaron J. Straub Gymnasium in boys basketball action. JV game at 6 pm, Varsity game to follow. Join in after the Varsity game at Gunners Restaurant, Wine Cellar for food and fun to reminisce with old friends.

CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS…… Teen Dating Violence and Protecting our Youth: Teen dating violence is a serious problem in the United States. A national survey found that 10% of teens had been victims of physical dating violence within the past year and approximately 29% reported being verbally or psychologically abused in the previous year. Teen dating violence can be physical, emotional or sexual. Teen dating violence can be prevented through empowering teens to lead healthy lives and establish healthy relationships. Healthy relationships consist of trust, honesty, respect, equality and compromise. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/

PARISH BUDGET
July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019…………………………..$780,365
Parish Budget to Date……………………………………..$466,882

OFFERTORY INCOME for weekend of Jan. 26/27, 2019

- Regular Envelope………………………………………………...$9,046
- Loose ……………………………………………………..$3,562
- Children……………………………………………………….….$1
- School Support………………………………………………..$44
- Utilities & Maintenance………………………………………..$5
- Christmas……………………………………………………….$10
- Solemnity of Mary…………………………………………….$10

Total Received…………………………………………………………...$12,678

DESIGNATED COLLECTIONS OF THE DIOCESE

- Faith Magazine…………………………………………………………...$114
- Spread the Faith……………………………………………………………$.292

Thank you!

Envelopes Mailed Bi-Monthly…………………………………938
Envelopes Used Jan 12/13, 2019……………………………………….729

PRO-LIFE PERSPECTIVE — How Far Has This Country Sunk??
NY Gov. Cuomo last week signed into law new measures to protect and expand abortion rights in NY. The law codifies the landmark decision made in Roe v. Wade - allowing an abortion on demand up to ONE DAY before the baby’s due date. This law removes the procedure from the state’s criminal code, which previously made it illegal after 24 weeks of pregnancy unless the mother’s life was in jeopardy. This bill is a major victory for abortion rights advocates, having been stalled since its 2006 introduction because of the then GOP-dominated Senate. With Democrats having taken back control, they were able to turn it into law in NY.

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Dear Parishioners,

I join you, parishioners of QW and faithful Catholics of St. Marys in mourning the loss of something very precious. With the “final sale” of things from the Convent and the final move of the last Sister back to spiritual home, this community suffers the great loss of the presence of the Sisters of St. Benedict. True, they have largely been dissipated and gone for several years. But the sale of the property and the finality of it is settling in. And yes, those touched by the Sisters and those with fond memories of their presence, their ministry, their home and their chapel mourn this loss. As an “outsider looking in” I am mostly struck by the beauty of the property and the buildings - wondering what will become of it all. But of course much more importantly is the strong reminder that the Church and the world has moved beyond those halcyon days of strong Religious presence, particularly in the Sisters. I was raised in a similar way by the Sisters of Mercy, one of whom was the nurse when I was born! Several others taught and formed me for years. And today their community is a shell of its former self as well. We can detail the social and ecclesial changes that have brought about this. And we must be sad for this loss. But, we must also turn toward the future. We need to find new ways as a Vatican II Church, the People of God, to inspire vocations and discipleship with renewed vigor. The Church will constantly change and evolve. At its center, more important than the building and bygone eras, is the Good News of Jesus which is lived by the People who follow in His footsteps. You and I are part of those people - members, as we heard last weekend, of the Body of Christ. The hand must say to the foot, “I need you!” and all of us must carry on the dignity of our part of the Living Body. Sadly, we say good-bye to the Sisters to all they meant to us. But, in hope, we carry one, maybe even with more dedication because of the loss. The Emmaus disciples were truly befuddled in their grief, only to discover that He is alive and with us in the Sharing of the Word and the Breaking of the Bread. His Death taught us the true meaning of New Life. For a people of faith, there is always Resurrection.

ST. BLAISE DAY

Today while we celebrate the 4th Ordinary Sunday, is also the feast day of St. Blaise. In his name and through his intercession, this is the day for the traditional blessing of throats. Since it falls on a Sunday, everyone will have their throat blessed with the prayer of St. Blaise as part of the final blessing. If you would like an individual short-form blessing with the candles, please come forward after Mass to any of the available ministers.

SUPERBOWL SUNDAY

It is time for the game everybody watches. There are a few fans around here of the two teams playing - good for them... But the game has become an American, if not international institution as the championship is decided. The seemingly endless pre-game festivities; the half-time show; the commercials; the gatherings with snacks and well, whatever all make for a special winter day. Then there are those who just go to the movies! Whatever you do today, enjoy a Super Sunday!

RCIA

RCIA gathers on Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Rectory Meeting Room. Join us if you would like to learn more about our faith or would consider becoming Catholic or completing your initiation Sacraments.

CSA 2018 FINAL REPORT

Number of Pledges: 447
Amount Pledged: $118,308
Amount Received: $113,146

Thank you for your generous response to these needs. Next month we will be introducing CSA 2019.

CURSILLO FAMILY “ITALIAN POT LUCK” DINNER

The Elk & Cameron County Cursillo is sponsoring a family “Italian Pot Luck” Dinner on Saturday, February 9th at 6:30 pm in the St. Mary’s Church cafeteria after the 5 pm Mass at St. Mary’s Church. The main meal will be Italian Pot Luck - each family is to bring your favorite Italian specialty, or a side or dessert. Drinks, Dinner rolls, and salad will be provided. The Guest Speaker will be Steve Keller. All Cursillistas are welcome to bring a guest.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday, February 4th
Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 23, 24 [25]/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, February 5th
Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30-32 [cf. 27b]/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 6th
Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a [cf. 17]/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 7th
Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-4, 9, 10-11 [cf. 10]/Mk 6:7-13

Friday, February 8th
Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc [1a]/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday, February 9th
Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mk 6:30-34

Sunday, February 10th
Is 6:1-8/Ps 138:1-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11