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

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

Faith Formation
139 Church St. – Phone: 781-1042
Janet VanEerden, Director

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

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

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

Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Pope Francis tells us that as followers of Jesus Christ, we are all
called to protect the voiceless.

Let us pray…
Good and gracious God,
you blew into our nostrils the breath of life.
You are the One to whom we owe our very existence.

Give us the courage to take that unpopular position
of protecting those who have no voice,
the unborn child in the womb
to the person taking his or her last breath.

The life you have given us is a gift beyond measure.

Embolden us to speak the truth
about protecting the child, the elderly,
and the one without a voice in the public square.

With thankful hearts,
we ask all this of the One God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

January 21, 2018
THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday, January 22nd
7:00 AM Enrollees in the Benedictine Association

Tuesday, January 23rd
7:00 AM Scripture & Communion Service

Wednesday, January 24th
7:00 AM + LeRoy G. & Agnes Fox
8:45 AM + Joan Lee

Thursday, January 25th
7:00 AM + Rose M. Sobierajski Haines
6:30 PM Evening Prayer & Benediction

Friday, January 26th
7:00 AM Scripture & Communion Service

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
January 28, 2018

6:00 PM - Sat. Vigil - L&D Members of the Parish
7:30 AM L&D Donald Meyer, Sr. & Joseph & Helen Gnan Families
10:00 AM + George W. Hasselman
5:00 PM Community Mass + Marilyn Eckert

THE SANCTUARY LAMP for the week of January 21st burns in memory of Marion Glass

Gospel Summary & Question of the Week
Read Sunday’s Gospel, Mk 1:14-20

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Cycle B

Gospel Summary:
So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him." What did Zebedee think about all of this? His sons and his partners, James and John, suddenly left their post and followed Jesus. So there he stood in the boat with a crew of employees, but not one of his sons. We can't help but wonder whether Zebedee was in favor of this promise that his heirs would become "fishers of men." Most likely, this event was the cause of some familial tension. Throughout the Gospels, Jesus instructs us to love and serve others for the love of God. But the Lord also makes it clear that our devotion to him is meant to trump our devotion to anything-or anyone-else. For our part, we are called to allow this divine allegiance to exist in those we love, even when it means a sacrifice for us as well. Parents for example, like Zebedee, are called to encourage their children to follow the Lord's call. A son or daughter's vocation to religious life certainly exemplifies this kind of sacrifice for a parent who might have had a different plan in mind. But in truth every son and daughter has a vocation from God and parents have the opportunity to support and assist their children as they seek to hear and follow God's special plan for their lives. We don’t know for sure how Zebedee responded to the vocation of his sons, but we know that James and John were counted among the Twelve Apostles and that their devotion and dedication helped to spread the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Regardless of what he might have thought as he stood in that boat, we can be quite sure that looking back now, Zebedee can rejoice heartily in the choice of his sons to leave their nets and follow Christ.

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MINISTERS' SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 27th & 28th

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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.
BAPTISMAL PREPARATION SESSIONS

Jan. 24  Holy Rosary, Johnsonburg  965-2819  
Feb. 6     St. Joseph Church, Force   787-4151

Please make your reservation with the Church you wish to attend their Session. Looking ahead, Lent begins February 14, so we will not have baptisms here at Queen of the World from that date until Easter.

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

22nd  Marian Viglione, Don Schneider
23rd  John & Char Nicklas, Tom Clark
24th  Ada S, Monica Werner
25th  Gale O’Neill, Patty Brennen, Mary Ann
26th  Carol & Barry Lemmert, Timothy Stauffer, Jerry Meyer, Amy Popieliski
27th  Mary Beth Schaut, Karen Cheatle, Rose Belsole
28th  Brian, Ann

START MARRIAGE ENGAGEMENT ENCOUNTER

What better way to show your support of an upcoming marriage that with a gift that lasts a lifetime: Engagement Encounter. There are still opening for the January 26-28 weekend at St. Mark’s Catholic Center in Erie. Prepare for your marriage with a weekend you’ll never forget. For information or registration please call the Family Life Office for at 814-824-1261 or by email at: familylife@erieRCD.org. Also, you may register on line at www.proximotravel.com. 

PREPARING FOR REMARRIAGE 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 10th in Erie. Couples preparing for convalidation of Marriage in the Church are encouraged to apply.

BIBLE STUDY

Fr. Michael Gabler is holding Bible Study on “The Gospel of John” at Sacred Heart Parish Center (Boy Scout Room - Basement) Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm. No Charge - No Tests - No obligation to come weekly.

UPCOMING TRIP TO SOUTH ITALY

Travel with Fr. Ross Miceli, Pastor of St. Boniface Church to Italy South. Fr. Ross will be the Chaplain traveling to Calabria, Taormina, Syracuse, Mount Etna, Catania, Sicily, Amalfi Coast, Sorrento, Capri, Pompei and Rome. Travel dates: July 1-13, 2018. The cost of $4,600 includes airfare and all included. To register, contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370. Or register online at www.proximotravel.com.

UPCOMING AREA HAPPENINGS

- Sunday, 01/21: 1:30 pm - ECC Athletic Assoc. BINGO
- Doors open at 11:45, Free Lunch at 12:30.
- Tuesday, 01/23: 9:15 am - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary’s Church, Benediction at 6:45 pm
- Wednesday, 01/24: 4:00 pm - Bowls of Love - A free meal at St. Marys First United Methodist Church.
- Thursday, 01/25: 7:00 pm - Bible Study at Sacred Heart Parish Center.
- Friday, 01/26: 1:00 pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart Church until 4:00 pm.
- Saturday, 01/27: 8:30 am - Pre-Cana at Sacred Heart

SACRED HEART’S FIRST FRIDAY BREAD SALE

Will be held Thursday, February 1st from 3 - 6 pm and Friday, February 2nd from 10 am to 2 pm or until sold out. For Advance orders, call 834-7861 #1 or 834-3698. Orders accepted until 4 pm on Jan. 31st. Specials include Liver Dumplings, Haluski, Banana Nut Bread, Raisin Filled Cookies with regular bread & rolls.

DESIGNER BAG BINGO AT ST. BERNARD’S

On Sunday, Feb. 11 a Designer Bag BINGO will be held at St. Bernard School, Bradford. Doors open at 12 noon, first game at 1 pm. Tickets are $30 and include BINGO boards and dauber. You will have a chance to win designer bags such as COACH, Vera Bradley & much more. Tickets will NOT be sold the day of the event; advance purchase only. Tickets are sold at St. Bernard School and St. Bernard Church; cash or check only.

END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like to receive a copy of your 2017 Church Contributions statement, please call the parish office at 834-4701 and ask to have it sent to you. If you have an email address, it will be electronically sent or if you do not have email, it can be mailed to you.

BENEDICTINE GIFT SHOP

Open Tuesday - Friday 9:30 am to 5 pm, Sat. 10 am to 1 pm
Phone 834-1353, located at 139 Church Street.

QUEEN OF THE WORLD PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name ____________________________________________
Address _________________________________________
Phone No. _______________________________________

Please check one:
I am new in the parish & wish to register
Change of Address ______ Moving out of Parish
Want Envelopes ______
Interested in a Parish Ministry ______
**PRO-LIFE PERSPECTIVE** — As we mark the 45th Anniversary of the Roe v Wade Supreme Court decision, we realize that abortion is not just one “issue” among many—it is the moral challenge of our age.

When does human life begin? When is there a new living organism of the human species, distinct from mother and father and ready to develop and mature if given a nurturing environment? While ancient thinkers had little verifiable knowledge to help them answer this question, today the science of embryology confirms beyond a doubt that a new human life begins at conception.

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**COMMUNITY MASS DATES FOR JANUARY 2018**
Community Mass is held here at Queen of the World on Sunday at 5:00 pm. The January schedule is the following:
- January 21 & 28.

Everyone is welcome and invited to attend the 5 pm Mass.

**JANUARY ALUMNI MASS**
The Elk County Catholic High School Alumni Association will hold its January Alumni Mass on Friday, January 26 at 9:05 a.m. at ECCHS. All graduates of Central High School and Elk County Christian/Catholic High School are invited to attend and celebrate with the students, faculty, and staff. Breakfast will be served immediately following in the cafeteria. We hope you will join us!

**SMCES INFORMATION & REGISTRATION NIGHTS**
The St. Marys Catholic Elementary School invites you to attend their Preschool / Kindergarten Information and Registration Night on Wednesday, January 31 from 6-7 pm in the SMCES Gymnasium. Registration for preschool, kindergarten and transfer students will take place. Preschool parents have several options:
- Four year-old classes: Three or Five days a week.
- Three year old classes: Two days a week

For more information on the event’s agenda, what to bring with you that evening, and more, please visit the website at: www.eccss.org/prek.

Questions and concerns may be directed to Debbie Slay, Elementary School Principal - 834-4169 or slayd@eccss.org

**ECCHS/SMCMD INFORMATION NIGHT**
Elk County Catholic High School and St. Marys Catholic Middle School will both host and “Information Night” on Tuesday, January 30 from 6-8 pm. One-on-one visitations for transfer and new-to-high-school families will be available. For inquiries, please contact John Schneider, School Principal, at 834-7800 or schneiderj@eccss.org. You can also visit the website at www.eccss.org for more information on the schools!

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**PARISH BUDGET**
July 1, 2017 thru June 30, 2018............................................$746,042

Parish Budget to Date..............................................$467,652

OFFERTORY INCOME for weekend of January 13/14, 2018

**Regular Envelope** ..............................................$10,445

**Loose** ..........................................................$1,618

**Children** .........................................................$2

**School Support** ..................................................$914

**Utilities & Maintenance** .......................................$600

**Memorials** ......................................................$50

**Christmas** ........................................................$75

**Solemnity of Mary** ..............................................$180

Total Received.......................................................$13,884

NO DESIGNATED COLLECTIONS THIS WEEK
(These funds go to the Diocese.)

Thank you!

**Total Envelopes Mailed** .......................................1,110

**Total Number of Offertory Env Used Jan 6/7, 2018** .......368

**Total Mass Attendance for April 2/3, 2016** ..................1,061

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Dear Parishioners,

This week there is another interesting “coupling” of Saints’ feast days on our church calendar. On Thursday, we celebrate the feast of the “conversion” of Paul. There are those who would say Paul’s movement from Judaism to Christianity is not really a “conversion,” for he was already a man of faith! In fact, he continued to practice and take pride in his Jewish faith and roots. But, indeed, he changed...profoundly...in his discovery of the Living Jesus. This discovery changed his entire life, redirecting him, redirecting Paul. With great fervor and conviction he became a great servant of the Lord and a great leader of the Church. He preserved for us a good bit of what we call the New Testament, credited as author of nearly half of its texts. Part of his legacy was his missionary work, his travels and preaching, bringing others to faith. Then, on Friday, we celebrate the feast of Ss. Timothy and Titus, two of “Paul’s disciples.” He refers to them as his own “dear children,” so much did he love them, guide them, and then propel them not only into faith but into ministry. In thanksgiving for those who passed on faith to you, may I ask you to consider what you might do in your own way, give evidence, like Timothy and Titus, that you “got it.” And, pass it on. Today we “evangelize” by showing our own fervor, the importance of our faith, in a culture that turns a blind eye and a deaf ear to truth, to conviction, to matters of faith. Instead, these have been substituted for - believe whatever you want, do whatever you want. It is clearly a time of great need for us to check our own “conversion,” and to ask ourselves about our own “dear children in faith,” -- to whom have we passed it on? And, mostly, to call others to faith and ministry by the strength of our own convictions. We are well passed the time when we can sit back and be quiet, silent, passive, inactive, or unwilling to stand up for the Lord Jesus. He has called you, and for a purpose. - - - fr jeff

100% of the Pro-Abortionists have already been given the ‘Right to Life’

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday, January 22nd
2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 [25a]/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 23rd
2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 24th
2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 [29a]/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 25th
Acts 22:3-16 r Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18

Friday, January 26th
2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, January 27th
2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12a]/Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, January 28th
Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9, [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

PRO LIFE

Tomorrow, Monday, January 22nd is the anniversary of Roe v Wade, the Supreme Court’s decision to permit abortion many years ago. Ever since then, people of faith have marched in Washington D.C. and other cities to give witness to our belief that all life is sacred from its beginning at conception. We thank those who go to the Pro Life March, for they represent us. Before we get laws to change, we must change hearts to see that LIFE is a precious gift from God. Let us pray for those who attended the Pro Life March as well as for all those who oppose our view, our legislators and justices, and our nation. And most especially, we pray for those contemplating an abortion, to give their child a chance to live. Let us also find concrete ways to offer our support for those who choose LIFE, such as our local Catholic Charities Office and those who need supplies for infants and parents. Lastly, let us welcome every child in our homes, our church, and our lives as precious and important, a gift from God.

FIRST PENANCE STUDENTS

Today at the 10 am Mass we welcome our 2nd Grade students who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Penance for the first time this Lent. We pledge to them our prayerful support for this important step in their faith. Please keep them in your prayers and let those you know personally that you are proud of them.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

There are some days this week where there will be no morning Mass. You are welcome to attend our prayer service which includes the proclamation of the Scriptures and the opportunity to receive Holy Communion, or to attend Mass at one of our other local parishes.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Today we take up the special collection that assists the church in its communication efforts. With social media outlets, FAITH Magazine, and the FAITHLIFE supplement, the Church continues to spread the Gospel and keep us aware of important information. Many of us remember the days when we would be pushing for subscriptions to the Lake Shore Visitor and our children were striving to win contests to get us signed up. These days are long gone, but the need to support the efforts to communicate have grown immensely. Please do your best, using the special envelope in our packets to support.

ATTENTION FAMILIES

Need some ideas to help your family along the journey of life? Visit the website, www.ErieRCD.org/fam.htm (Families Always Matter) to find information / ideas for traditional, single-parent, blended, military, and adoptive / foster families. At the Diocese of Erie, families always matter! Go Families!

PARISH CALENDAR

- Tuesday, Jan. 23rd: 7:00 pm - RCIA meets in the Rectory meeting room.