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

August 19, 2018
TWENTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday, August 20th
6:00 PM + Bernard Kilhoffer

Tuesday, August 21st
7:00 AM Scripture & Communion Service

Wednesday, August 22nd - The Queenship of BVM
7:00 AM L&D QW Rosary Altar Society
The Titular Feast of Queen of the World

Thursday, August 23rd
7:00 AM Enrollees in the Benedictine Association
6:30 PM Evening Prayer & Benediction

Friday, August 24th
7:00 AM + Gus & Helen Wolf

Saturday, August 25th
7:00 AM Special Intention

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00 PM - Sat. Vigil - + Dorothy & Joseph Prudich
7:30 AM L&D Members of the Parish
10:00 AM + Jack & Jean Erich

THE SANCTUARY LAMP for the week of August 19th burns in memory of Amy Meyer

Gospel Summary & Question of the Week
Read Sunday’s Gospel, Jn 6:51-58

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Cycle B

Gospel Summary:

In this Sunday's Gospel, the conflict escalates in the Bread of Life Discourse. Confusion is mounting in the crowd. "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Their minds were thinking literally, not mystically. Jesus doesn't seem to help, however, and only drives his point home with more emphasis. "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." Jesus would later institute the Eucharist at the Last Supper. There he would definitively establish the sacramental reality in which bread and wine become substantially his own Body and Blood. We celebrate this sacrament in the Mass. Perhaps we do not always understand what we receive. "My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink." What is the essence of food and drink? Food nourishes our bodies, providing essential calories for our survival. Water is used throughout the body to cushion joints, regulate body temperature, and protect sensitive tissues like the brain. When we receive the Eucharist, we receive the spiritual equivalent of these essential elements. Like water, the Eucharist strengthens the sanctifying grace moving through us. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." The Eucharist connects us intimately to Jesus and confirms our union with him. That is why we abstain from the Eucharist while in a state of mortal sin. It would be a contradiction and deep disrespect to these words of Jesus. To receive the Body and Blood of Jesus is not a right but a gift we receive with deep humility. As we receive the Bread of Life, grace strengthens our love, separates us from sin -- even wiping away venial sins -- unifies us with the universal Church, and helps commit us to humble service. Together we are nourished for our mission in the world!

Question of the Week:
Does the promise of eternal life effect the way I live and make a difference in the choices I make?

MINISTERS’ SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 25th & 26th

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Greetings: 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, which is held at the 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Mass, is on break for the Summer. Next Fall if your child is the age of 8 and under, consider, having them participate in this special Children’s Liturgy.
**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION SESSIONS**

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Please call the church you wish to attend for reservations. Reservations are required to attend.

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

- 20th Helen & John DaCanal
- 21st Donna, Sara & Rachel Keller
- 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

**HOME VISITS EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED!**
Are you looking for a very fulfilling ministry? We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers to visit the homebound on Sundays. If you are open to this ministry, please call the parish office - 834-4701 to let us know you would like to help.

**BENEDICTINE GIFT SHOP SEEKING VOLUNTEERS**
Can you help out 2-3 hours twice a month? No experience necessary, we’ll train you. For more information, call Kim at St. Mary’s Parish office at 781-1019.

- Summer hours of operation: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 9:30 am to 5 pm, Wed. - 9:30 am - 2 pm & Sat. 10 to 1.
- Located at 139 Church Street - Phone: 834-1353.

**THAT MAN IS YOU!**
An interactive, thirteen week, men’s program focused on the spiritual development of men in the modern world. Program title this year, “The Revelation of the Father,” will focus on man’s relationship to his children, in particular, how do we raise children of faith in this current culture. The program meets Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8 pm at the St. Leo’s Knights of Columbus meeting room in Ridgway. For more information, call Jim Delhunty at 594-1476 or John Gangloff at 512-8851. Not necessary to have attended previous sessions to participate.

**UPCOMING AREA HAPPENINGS**

- **Monday, 08/20: 12:00 noon** - St. Anne Society meeting in Sacred Heart Parish Center cafeteria.
- **Monday, 08/20: 6:00 pm** - Apostolate of Fatima Holy Hour at Sacred Heart Church.
- **Tuesday, 08/21: 9:15 am** - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary’s Church, Benediction at 4:45 pm.
- **Wednesday, 08/22 4:00 pm** - Bowls of Love - A free meal at St. Mary’s First United Methodist Church.
- **Wednesday, 08/22 7:00 pm** - “Rosary Walk for Souls” at St. Mary’s Catholic Cemetery - walking while praying the rosary for our deceased loved ones. For more info, call Bonnie at 834-3214 or Kathy at 781-1109. Note: Pets are not permitted in the cemetery.
- **Friday, 08/24: 1:00 pm** - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart until 4 pm.
- **Sunday, 08/26: 6:00 pm** - Evening of Prayer & Music at St. Bernard’s Church, Falls Creek. Rev. Bill Barron will have Benediction and prayers for healing. For more info, call (814) 6375930 or (814) 771-7932.

**ELK CO. CATHOLIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

**“FIRST BINGO OF FALL**
Sunday, September 16th at the ECC Cafeteria. Doors open at 11:45, Bingo starts at 1:30 pm.
Free lunch (Chili, Italian Bread & Dessert) served at 12:30.
Coverall. Bring a Friend.

**FESTIVAL AT ST. MARK CHURCH, EMPORIUM**
Friday, Aug. 31, 4 pm - Games & activities for young and old alike - free of charge. Turkey Dinner 4-7 pm. The Moore Brothers perform at 7 pm. Basket raffles also available.
On Saturday, Sept. 1st - Yard Sale in church parking lot.

**ST. MARY’S CHURCH HIRING AN ORGANIST**
There is an organist opening at St. Mary’s Church. For more information, call Kim at 781-1019 or you can email them at smchurch1@windstream.net.

**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 __________________

**QW ROSARY ALTAR CHRISTMAS TRIP**
Hallmark Channel got everyone into the mood for Christmas in July. QW Rosary Altar Society will get you in the holiday spirit by hosting a Christmas trip November 9-10, 2018. They will be attending the musical “Jesus” at the Sight & Sound, ‘The First Noel’ at the American Music Theatre and the Rockettes “Christmas Spectacular” at Radio City Music Hall in NYC. Sign up quickly, only six seats available. Call Mary Ann at 594-4490. $498/pp dbl. Includes 3 premium shows, accommodations, bus, 2 meals and taxes.
YOUTH MINISTRY CORE TEAM MEMBERS WANTED
Do you love your faith? Do you enjoy having fun? The Youth Minister is looking for dynamic people who are on fire for their faith to be on a core team of adults who would take part in ministering to the youth of our community. Parents, young adults, adults of all ages, we would love to have you be a part of this team. The time commitment would be 2-3 hours a week for the youth group meeting as well as a monthly core team meeting. If you are excited by this ministry opportunity please reach out to Scott Becker at scottbecker28@gmail.com or call 781-1042.

ECCSS ACCEPTING NEW STUDENTS
Elk County Catholic School System is currently accepting new preschool through grade 12 students for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year! ECCSS is comprised of five schools: St. Marys Catholic Elementary, St. Marys Catholic Middle, Elk County Catholic High, St. Boniface Catholic and St. Leo Catholic. If you have any questions or concerns, visit the website at: eccss.org or call for more information. To inquire about enrollment or to set up a school tour, please contact Mr. Sam MacDonald (macdonalds@eccss.org) or 834-7812.

CHILD PROTECTION AND SAFE ENVIRONMENTS
What happens when child abuse is reported? People who hold positions of trust in Catholic institutions are mandated by Pennsylvania law to report child abuse. Teachers, teacher’s aides, and counselors in our schools; therapist and social workers in our counseling agencies; clergy, parish employees, and volunteers in schools and parishes all have the obligation to report the reasonable suspicion of child abuse to ChildLine, the local police, or other appropriate agency. To see the specific reporting procedure for the Diocese and to see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to create safe environments, check out: http://www.eriercd.org/protectyouth.htm.

PARISH BUDGET
July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019..........................$780,365
Parish Budget to Date......................................$99,119
OFFERTORY INCOME for weekend of Aug. 1/12, 2018
Regular Envelope .............................................$12,616
Loose .....................................................................$948
Children.................................................................$2
School Support ..................................................$1,016
Utilities & Maintenance......................................$95
Memorials .............................................................$50
Assumption ...........................................................$155
Total Received.......................................................$14,882
DESIGNATED COLLECTIONS OF THE DIOCESE
Church in Latin America....................................$20
Thank you!
Envelopes Mailed Bi-Monthly.................................$938
Envelopes Used Aug 4/5, 2018..............................$361
Mass Attendance for Aug 11/12, 2018.....................$826

CSA DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT FOR 2018 is $100,313 and not as inadvertently reported a couple of weeks ago.

PRO-LIFE PERSPECTIVE — Abortion is a uniquely intimate form of violence - but violence with bitter public consequences.
Archbishop Charles Chaput, Jan. 2018

ECCHS BAND BOOSTERS $10,000 FOOTBALL RAFFLE
Drawings held for each quarter of all home games
Payout of each of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarters of $250, 4th quarter payout of $500
FINAL GAME OF THE YEAR
Payout of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarters of $500 4th quarter of the final game of $10,000
Only 300 tickets are sold - $100 per ticket
Contact Ray Knight 834-7800 or Kim Kim 594-1688

ECC MUSIC BOOSTERS MUM SALE!!
Get your ticket now - pick up of flowers is Aug. 29th & 30th. $9.00 each. Contact Cathy at 512-0818.

ST. LEO’S SUMMER FESTIVAL
Will be held August 18-19th at the Ridgway Fireman’s Lot. Booths open Sat. at 5 pm, PF Flyer Band will perform, 6 to 9:30 pm. Sun., Aug. 19th, Polka Band Friday Niter will play 10-12:30 with a Polka Mass at 11 am on the lot, also Sunday there’ll be a car show, Bobby Calla as “Elvis” at 1 pm, Sammy Slicker Band at 4 pm. Something for everyone.

ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS, SELF-EMPLOYED AND FAMILIES!
Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

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Sue Novosel from Liturgical Publications, our bulletin printer, will be in our office securing new ads for our bulletin. We need your help! Please consider purchasing an ad. Your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract

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• Local, targeted community advertising for one full year, at one low price.
• A FREE ad listing on parishesonline.com.
• FREE, professional ad design, and 4 free ad changes per year.

Sue Novosel
Dear Parishioners,

Our parish Feast Day will be celebrated in rather quiet fashion this year. Last year we had an evening Mass with a social, but that is not possible this year. Still, I hope you can join us for morning Mass to remember and celebrate our “roots” and our patronage under Mary, Queen of the World. At the very least, please remember in your prayers Wednesday and throughout this week, to offer some words of gratitude for the Blessed Mother, her example and intercession. Pray for those who worked hard to build our community of faith, our parish and school. Literally, their “blood, sweat, and tears” are all over this property and deeply engrained in our faith consciousness. Pray, too, for our future. The future of the Church, our diocese, our town, and our parish are very much “up for grabs.” Who will carry on? Who will minister? Who will Break the Bread? How do we re-establish the priority that Jesus and His Family of Faith should have in the lives of all striving to be part of the Kingdom of God? As we heard from the Bishop last week and with the terrible details of the Grand Jury Report, the Church has been part of the evil that continues to plague our world. But, we cannot jeopardize the ministry and mission of Jesus Christ. We who believe that He died to bring us all mercy, forgiveness and peace, must witness to this reality and its importance. Otherwise, “Church” just becomes another something of this world - another option, another choice, another “take it or leave it.” For we who believe that the Eucharist itself is the Lord’s great gift to us, let us celebrate it well, partake fully, enjoy regularly, and let it bring us LIFE. Just as Mary, our Queen, brought the gift of LIFE into the world through her Son, so, too, can we labor to bring Christ Jesus into our world. I hope you have some time this week, the week to celebrate our patronage, to reflect on our blessings and pray for the guidance we need to remain faithful in bringing about New Life through Jesus, the Son of God and the Son of Mary.

--- fr jeff

### DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Monday, August 20th**

Ez 24:15-24/Dt 32:18-21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday, August 21st**


**Wednesday, August 22nd - Queenship of the BVM**

Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday, August 23rd**


**Friday, August 24th**

Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51

**Saturday, August 25th**

Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 23:1-12

**Sunday, August 26th**

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

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**PARISH FEAST DAY**

This Wednesday, Aug. 22 is the Feast of the Queenship of Mary and thus our parish feast day. Let us thank the Lord for Mary’s intercession and for our ancestors who build our parish and passed on the faith to us. Join us for Mass at 7 am on this feast to ask the Blessed Mother’s continued help for all of our parish family and all under her patronage.

**NEW SCHOOL YEAR**

We wish all students and families, teachers and administrators the best as many of us return to the classroom this week to begin a new school year. We ask God to bless our learning and growth, knowledge and wisdom. We also pray for our college students, some of whom have already begun their new year. In particular, may our freshmen begin this new phase of life well. Keep the faith!

**NEW FAITH FORMATION STAFF**

We will soon be announcing our Faith Formation Team, many of who are new to us or to their particular ministry. We will also be passing along the schedule for the new year. Please watch for bulletin announcements and mailings.

**THE ATTORNEY GENERAL’S REPORT**

Last week we saw the publishing of the Grand Jury’s report on Child Sexual Abuse in our diocese and around the state. We read Bishop Persico’s statement at all Masses last weekend. A fuller response and more details are available on our diocesan website, www.eriercd.org. It is with great sadness and pain that we hear the details of this terrible saga that is part of the Church’s story. Let us pray for victims and for all involved and ask the Lord to guide His Church to better days and fuller witness to the Truth of the Gospel and the Kingdom of Heaven. It falls to all of us to “pick up the pieces” and move forward, with evermore vigilance in our care for God’s children and all of us His people.

**MEN’S CURSILLO**

As we gather in prayer this weekend, please keep in mind the men of our diocese who are both giving and receiving the blessings of this Cursillo weekend. May they be renewed in faith and spirit as they enjoy their retreat weekend.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION, LATIN AMERICAN CHURCH**

This weekend we take up the special collection for the Church in Latin America. This portion of God’s world is a place of great faith but also much need. This is also the home of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. Let us do our best to reach out to our brothers and sisters “to the south” and ask God to bless them.

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There an old saying: “Bibles that are falling apart usually belong to people who aren’t.” What you read in the Bible will help you find strength to meet the challenges of life. Don’t just read it though, Live it!