

Queen of the World Church

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February 13, 2022

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Weekend Masses
Saturday Evening: 5:15 pm
Sunday: 7:30 & 10:00 am

Confessions
Saturday: 4:15 pm
Thursday before 1st Friday: 4 pm
And by Appointment

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.

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.

Music Ministry

Stephen Toney, Director / Organist
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Parish Care and Concern Prayer Chain

For those needing prayers, please call 781-3085 or 834-3844.

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Mass Intentions for the

SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

- Monday, February 14th**
7:00 AM + Ray, Betty & Becky Frank
- Tuesday, February 15th**
7:00 AM + Pete Lezzer
- Wednesday, February 16th**
7:00 AM + Leo Ehrensberger
- Thursday, February 17th**
7:00 AM + Bill Savel
5:00 PM *Evening Prayer & Benediction*
- Friday, February 18th**
7:00 AM L&D Art & Jean Meyer Family
- Saturday, February 19th**
7:00 AM + LaJoy Newell

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 5:15 PM - Sat. Vigil - + LeRoy G. & Agnes Fox (Anniversary)
- 7:30 AM + Paul Horchen & + Abby Horchen
- 10:00 AM L&D People of the Parish



THE SANCTUARY LAMP for the week of February 13th burns in memory of Bill Savel

Gospel Summary & Question of the Week

Read Sunday's Gospel, Lk 6:17, 20-26

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Cycle C

Gospel Summary:

What has been the most difficult challenge you faced in your life? Many difficult human experiences can "turn up the heat" in our lives, causing us to question the why of things or even fall into despair. Some people just somewhat passively accept what life brings, even death, and chalk difficult experiences up to happening "because they do." They seemingly endure and move on. Taking life at face value, there really is no ultimate meaning to things. It's easier to ignore that inner prompting calling us to understand why. It's there whether we admit it or not. To question or not to question — that is the question! People sometimes give up the God search because it causes too many questions. Once we open the door to the possibility of God's existence, then all of the awkward, challenging, and tragic pieces of life have to find their place.

It gets messy. But the search is so important to living. We can easily dry up and become arid, abandoning any hope for purpose and meaning because it's too difficult and non-rational at times. In searching for answers to the how and why of life, human beings also embark on a search for God. When one finally stumbles upon the real living tangible presence of God, then that discovery allows life's ironies and tensions to be held side by side with the all-encompassing totally unconditional, unmerited love of God! Then when life's heat gets turned up, difficulties and challenges abound, dryness and heartache become the norm, the soul remains in joyful repose. There is no fear.

The beatitudes celebrate life's ironies and tensions, holding them all together in the Kingdom of God. Poverty, hunger, weeping, being insulted and hated are not things we would normally associate with being God's friends. But they are! In fact, those who experience these uncomfortable realities of life are actually better off than those who do not. This is what makes Jesus' message so intriguing! Don't give up questioning. Questioning the apparent inequities and polarities of human experience will certainly challenge one's faith. But it's the only way to deepen it.

Questions of the Week:

In what way are you serving the poor, as Jesus did? When have you helped bring God's love to someone who was sad, or hungry, or whom was made fun of?



This Valentine's Day, wherever your love story happens to be, you can be sure God loves you like no one ever could. We entrust our lives to him through Christ, he will find a way to show us his love, power, and wisdom. For "we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose." (Rom. 8:28)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Remember to pray for all the faithful departed. In particular, please pray for Steven "Rick" Ginther and Verna Pelleschi, who died recently. *Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be... Eternal Rest...*

MINISTERS' SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 19th & 20th		
Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors
5:15 PM Ridge Myers	Virginia Sorensen, Mary Steele, Suzanne Wortman	Chrissy Kuhar
7:30 AM Nico Assalone	Angie Bennett, Lori Schreiber, Barb Taylor	Paul Carnovale
10:00 AM Tanner Pasi	Amy Jacob, Terri Lanzel, Vic Pasi	Mike Lanzel

Please Note: Minister schedules can be found in Church if you didn't receive a copy by email

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held at the 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Mass. If your child is under the age of 8, consider having them participate in this special Children's Liturgy.



BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

Those preparing to celebrate the baptism of an infant have an opportunity this week to attend the necessary preparation session. It will take place this Thursday, Feb. 17 at St. Mark, Emporium. The program begins at 6:30 pm. Call 814-486-0569 to pre-register.

Or, March 1 at St. Boniface Church, Kersey, 814-885-8941.

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

14 th	Beth Minnick, John DaCanal
15 th	Tony Weber, Aaron Straub
16 th	Catherine Labant, Rosie Wheeler, Helen Riddle
17 th	Anne Riddle, Donna & Clate Aunkst, Larry Wheeler
18 th	Babe Horchen, Mary Ann Facetti, Ruth Wendel
19 th	Tara Vavala, Susan, Maureen Newman
20 th	John DaCanal

SYNOD INFORMATION

There is a flier near the bulletin stands in church describing more about the Holy Father's call for the Church to be in synod. We have not yet scheduled "listening sessions" here at Queen. You are welcome to attend any that are advertised in our area. (St. Boniface Church, Kersey - Feb. 24th at 6 pm) You may also check on line on the diocesan website, eriercd.org.

ST. JOSEPH MONASTERY COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS

Available at the Benedictine Gift Shop while supplies last.



They are currently cleaning a new batch of bricks that will be available. If the Gift Shop has no bricks, you can put your name on the waitlist and they will call you to pick up your brick. \$10 each.

Gift Shop Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9:30 am to 5:00 pm
Sat. 10 am to 1 pm; Closed Sunday, Monday and Holy Days.

SEVENTH ANNUAL 138 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

"Say Yes!" to the 7th Annual 138 Women's Conference. The conference will be held from 8:30-12:30 on March 12, 2022. You may attend live at St. Jude Parish in Erie, PA, virtually at satellite parishes via zoom or in your own home via zoom. The cost is \$20. This year's conference will feature national speakers Lisa Hendey, best selling author and founder of CatholicMom.com and Patricia Breen who writes online for Blessed is She, Fem Catholic, Grotto Network and CatholicMatch. Visit the website at www.138women.com for more information and to register."

PLEASE NOTE: St. Mary's Parish Center at 325 Church St. will be a satellite host for the Women's Conferences. You can register online at www.138women.com.

WOMEN'S CURSILLO BEING PLANNED

A Women's Cursillo weekend is planned for April 29 to May 1, 2022. The Erie Cursillo Movement is currently accepting candidate applications and they can be found at www.eriecursillo.org or by calling the Cursillo office at 814-824-1119. If interested or for more info, contact Queen of the World Coordinators: Nate and Mandy Assalone - 814-594-6149 or by email: mandyassalone8@gmail.com.

**AREA HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK**

- **Sunday, 02/13: 12:00 noon - Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's Church until 8 pm.
- **Monday thru Saturday: 8:00 am - Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's Church until 8 pm.
- **Tuesday, 02/15: 11:00 am - Blood Drive** at Penn Highlands Elk, Education Center until 4 pm. Call 814-688-3696 for an appointment. Photo ID & Mask required.
- **Tuesday, 02/15: 6:30 pm - That Man is You** program in Ridgway K of C Bldg. Any questions, 814-772-4111.
- **Wednesday, 02/16: 2:00 pm - Maternity Closet** open till 3:30 pm for children up to their 3rd birthday in need.
- **Wednesday, 02/16: 4:00 pm - Bowls of Love**, a free meal is served at First United Methodist Church until 5 pm. Everyone is welcome.
- **Wednesday, 02/16: 6:00 pm - Rosary prayed at Sacred Heart Church**, for the Poor Souls and the Seminarians.
- **Thursday, 02/17: 1:00 pm - Maternity Closet** open till 2:30 pm for children up to their 3rd birthday in need.
- **Thursday, 02/17: 4:30 pm - Rosary prayed** at QW for peace and the return of God to our country!
- **Friday, 02/18: 7:00 am - Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart Church until 4:00 pm.
- **Saturday, 02/19: 7:00 am - Men's Cursillistas** attend 7 am Mass at QW, then go to Marlo's for Breakfast.
- **Sunday, 02/20: 12:00 noon - Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's Church until 8 pm.

RELIGIOUS ITEMS RUMMAGE SALE

St. Mary's Parish is having a "Religious Items Rummage Sale" in the Parish Center Cafeteria on Saturday, March 5th - 9 am until 12 noon. If you are cleaning out your closets/attic/garage and find religious item **still in good condition** that you would like to donate, just bring them to the St. Mary's Parish Office and they will try to find a good home for them. The "Rummage Sale" will be by donation only and benefits the Benedictine Gift Shop. Any questions, call 814-781-1019.



Happy National Marriage Week! Show your spouse that your life together is important and do something special for your marriage.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS**Monday, February 14th**

Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday, February 15th

Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday, February 16th

Jas 1:19-27/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Mk 8:22-26

Thursday, February 17th

Jas 2:1-9/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 8:27-33

Friday, February 18th

Jas 2:14-24, 26/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 8:34-39

Saturday, February 19th

Jas 3:1-10/Ps 12:2-3, 4-5, 7-8/Mk 9:2-13

Sunday, February 20th

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13
[8a]/ 1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

FAITH FORMATION - LIFE TEEN - YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Mary Lynn Carnovale, Secretary/Administrative Assistant
 Kathy Cheatle, Elementary Coordinator
 Samantha Nedzinski, Middle School Coordinator
 Nick Heise, Life Teen, Confirmation Coordinator,
 and Youth Ministry 

For more info, 814-781-1042 or sminterparishff@gmail.com

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THE MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Meets on the 1st and last Wednesdays of the month at the iCafe/
 CYMA building from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. All Middle School students
 are welcome to come and see what youth group is all about.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

- ◆ Elementary Level Grades: The next class will be held February 16th, 6:00 to 7:30 pm.
- ◆ Middle School (Grade 6-8) NO class this Sun., Feb. 13th.
- ◆ Life Teen (Grade 9-10) NO Session this Sun., Feb. 13th.
- ◆ Confirmation Grade 11 - NO Class this Sun., Feb. 13th.

All Classes are held at the St. Mary's Church Parish Center, 325 Church Street.

First Reconciliation Rite of Enrollment at Queen of the World next Sunday, February 20th at 10 am Mass.

FIRST PENANCE RETREAT

Students preparing to receive the Sacrament of Penance for the first time will gather this Saturday, Feb. 19 at 9 am here at Queen for their retreat. We will begin in Church. Next Sunday, we ask our candidates to attend the 10 am Mass so that we can recognize their progress and offer our prayers for them.



Wednesday Suppers to Benefit Parish Youth

Saint Boniface is teaming up with **Just Ben Catering** to offer Wednesday Suppers in February and March to benefit our youth programs. Dinners are \$12. Eat in or take out. 4 pm till 6 pm or sold out. Call 814-885-8941 to pre-order a take-out for a specific time.

Wednesday, February 23: Lasagna Dinner with side salad, winter blend vegetable, breadstick.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Digital Dating Abuse can be defined as "a pattern of behaviors that control, pressure, or threaten a dating partner using a cell phone or the internet." One quarter of youth (12-17) who have been in a romantic relationship during the previous year report that they'd been the victim of digital dating abuse. So, what are some of the best ways for a parent to open up communication with their child about a delicate topic like online dating? First and foremost, ask your child what they are doing online and then really *listen* to why they like or don't like what's going on there. Parents must be diligent about staying on top of the latest trends. Great online dating tips can be found at www.cyberwise.org. To see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth visit www.eriescd.org/childprotection/

PARISH BUDGET

July 1, 2021 thru June 30, 2022.....\$957,306

Parish Budget to Date.....\$441,479

OFFERTORY INCOME for weekend of Jan. 29/30, 2022

Regular Envelope\$8,449
 Loose\$4,770
 Children.....\$0
 School Support\$5
 Utilities & Maintenance.....\$0
 Memorials.....\$50
 Ash Wednesday.....\$5

Total Received.....\$13,279

DESIGNATED COLLECTIONS OF THE DIOCESE

Help Spread the Faith.....\$81
 Religious Retirement.....\$20

Thank you !

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2022

Last year was the best year for our Catholic Services Appeal in my time with you. Thank you for helping us make our pledge to the Diocese and realize about \$10,000 for our purposes here at Queen. That's the way the CSA is supposed to work. When we all make an effort, we are able to help the larger Church serve the needs of God's people - much of which flows back to us in services through the Diocese. Every penny beyond our goal stays here to enable us to do the ministry of the parish and the upkeep of our buildings and property. We are just two weeks away from asking you to consider your pledge for this year. Please begin your prayerful reflection on your possible gift to the CSA. It's this simple - the more parishioners who contribute, the better our finances are. Thank you for doing your part!



PRO-LIFE PERSPECTIVE — This week we celebrate St. Valentine's Day - February 14th. As pro-lifers, we can follow St. Valentine's example of Christian love, charity, compassion and kindness to model our behavior toward other people. Just as Valentine exhibited a Christ-like love to others, so must we. That's a huge part of building a culture of life. We know that God loves us more than anything. And we are called to take the love He give us and reflect it back to Him in others. We should do this every day - especially on Valentine's Day!

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Dear Parishioners,

With the announcement of the coming of a new baptism font, it's worth delving a bit into our understanding of "Sacrament." The documents of the Second Vatican Council, which guide the Church in our time, renew the understanding of these important celebrations of our faith. One of the principals of the Council calls us to celebrate the Sacraments and their "signs" or "symbols" with greater significance and awareness. For several centuries, the symbols of the sacrament had been reduced to a bare minimum of expression. For example, all the anointings were done with a tiny bit of holy oil; Eucharist was reduced to a small, tasteless wafer placed on the tongue; the Precious Blood was no longer distributed; and baptism was performed with a trickle or slight pouring of water on the forehead. The Church reminds us that we experience the Presence and the power of the divine through a richer experience of the symbols. The Lord Himself used mud paste to smear on a blind man's eyes for his healing. Jesus was baptized by full immersion. The Eucharist was celebrated with the Bread and Wine of the Passover meal - TAKE AND EAT! TAKE AND DRINK! God chooses to use the stuff of creation to bring us unseen grace. Since the Council, anointings are done with a more full lavishing of the Holy Oils, even to the point of their dripping on us! The Eucharist is now typically celebrated with a piece of unleavened bread large enough to be exchanged, eaten, and tasted. The Precious Blood had been restored until the pandemic forced us to forego it again - praise God may the day return when we share the "Cup of Blessing." And, baptism is celebrated with a full experience of the water poured or even with immersion, or at least a soaking. We've had several baptisms in the past five years of older children, young adults, and adults, whereby we had to bring out a "baby pool" large enough for the use of the water and the experience of baptism. This first and therefore perhaps most important sacrament (you can't have the others without it!) needs to be celebrated with the fullness of the symbols - water, oil, light, and white garment. And, the very visibility of a font keeps the sacramental significance before us anytime we gather for prayer at Church. It is for reasons like this that we are grateful for the gift of a new font. I am also anxious for the day when the diocese says we can keep water in the font. Remember that when you see water in the font, it is blessed water, holy water, for use for your own blessing. It is from this place that holy water would then be placed, for example, at the doorways of church, or taken home for your personal use as a family - - - fr jeff

PRE-CANA TEAM

The Pre-Cana team will meet this Tuesday, Feb. 15 at 6:30 in the Cafeteria. Thank you for your willingness to share the blessings of married life with those preparing for marriage. Our parish will host Pre-Cana on Sunday, April 3. Any couple wishing to register, please call 814-834-4701.

FINANCE COUNCIL

Finance Council meets this Thursday, Feb. 17 at 6:30 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room.

THE TABERNACLE

Our beautiful tabernacle is back in place. I apologize that it took so long. But its intricate work really caused some delays. A number of people contributed with work, ideas, and possible solutions. In the end they all helped make it so that it remains usable. In particular, thank you to Dave Kronenwetter, who at last completed the task. Other helpers included Tom Brennen, Frank Ginther, Harry Glass, Sonny Pistner, and Larry Anthony. Thank you for your patience! I didn't know what to tell you all along because I wasn't so sure if anything would work, that is, if anyone would be able to fix the lock mechanism. Let us all be very grateful for those who worked on it - trust me, you would not want to see the price tag of an appropriate replacement!

LOVE AND MARRIAGE



On this weekend just before Valentine's Day, the Church recognizes and offers in prayerful support to our married couples and families. We consider marriage a "Sacrament" for several reasons. The Lord brought you who are married together and gives you the grace to lead lives of love, commitment, and fulfillment. Together, you are a living "symbol" of the love of God - faithfully committed to us. The "sacrifices" of marriage are another important aspect of the gift that you are to each other. You give of yourself in untold ways to make marriage and family life work. You thus mirror the sacrifice of the Lord, who give His whole life for us. Lastly, for here, it's important to know that your marriage matters to us - to the Church and to the whole world. We need to see concrete examples that true and lasting love exists and works! So, thank you for all that you do to give witness to this fundamental blessing -- marriage, love, and family life. Happy Valentines Day! ❤️

ENJOY THE GAME

For many years, nothing has united Americans, even the world, like the Super Bowl. It is by far television's most watched event. Even for those with little or no vested interest in the teams or the outcome of the game, it is quite the "event." Enjoy your evening with all of the trappings - the gatherings, the meal and snacks, the pageantry, the game, the commercials and the half time show. At the end of the game the confetti flies, and one player, chosen as the "MVP," announces with glee, "I'm going to Disney World!" It is, in a sense, a symbol of our time, the wrapping up of a competitive season to crown one and only one "champion." Wouldn't it be great if we could attach such significance to world peace or world prayer! 😊

THE BAPTISMAL FONT



Our new baptism font is currently "in the shop," being prepared. Sometime in the next several weeks it will be brought to church for installation. When you see it, it will still need some connections and finishing touches. Our plan is to have it ready for Easter, though I believe we will be ahead of schedule. We are grateful to our donors and those working to make it ready for use.

THINK LENT!

Lent begins in early March. This year, we plan to have our native son, Fr. Eric Vogt, OSB, lead us on our parish retreat. We had scheduled this TWO YEARS AGO and had to pull the plug as COVID came crashing into our lives. Finally, we are able to invite Fr. Eric back. Let us look forward to a time of faith renewal as we enjoy his coming home. So, far, we know it will be one of the last weeks of March. As soon as I "pin him down," I'll let you know!