

# Queen of the World Church

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January 23, 2022

**Rev. Jeffery J. Noble, Pastor**  
**Rev. Kevin O. Holland, Asst. Pastor**  
**Chaplain - ECCSS**

**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  
**Peggy Hoffman**, Assistant Director

## **Faith Formation**

139 Church St. - Phone: 781-1042  
Administrative Assistant / Secretary  
Mary Lynn Carnovale...Ext 226

## **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  
**Jessica Fritz**, Director of Communications – 834-7812

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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**

**THIRD WEEK  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Monday, January 24th**

7:00 AM + Alvin Wolfe  
2:00 PM + Helen Breindel

**Tuesday, January 25th**

7:00 AM + Sophia G. Schmidt

**Wednesday, January 26th**

7:00 AM + Gary Sorensen

**Thursday, January 27th**

7:00 AM + Ann Weis  
5:00 PM *Evening Prayer & Benediction*

**Friday, January 28th**

7:00 AM + John & Anna Bauer

**Saturday, January 29th**

7:00 AM L&D Brennen & Schutz Families

**FOURTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:15 PM - Sat. Vigil - L&D People of the Parish

7:30 AM + Robert & Matilda Heindl  
and Carol Heindl Ferringer

10:00 AM + Marilyn Eckert



**THE SANCTUARY LAMP** for the week of  
January 23rd burns in memory of  
Marion Glass

**Gospel Summary & Question of the Week**

Read Sunday's Gospel, Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Cycle C**

**Gospel Summary:**

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

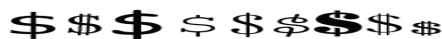
As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

**Questions of the Week:**



What do you believe that the anointing you received at Baptism requires you to do? What could you do this week for someone who has less than you? What details do you find most interesting from Luke's prologue outlining his motivation to write his Gospel.



**YEAR END CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT**

If you would like to get a copy of your 2021 contributions statement please call the parish office at 814-834-4701.

**WHAT IS THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY?**

Pope Francis has asked the entire world to participate in a synod on the topic "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission." A synodal Church, in announcing the Gospel, "journeys together." How is this "journeying together" happening today in our diocese? What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our "journeying together"? You may be invited to participate in listening sessions at your local parish, or you may wish to give your input online. Participation in a synod should always involve prayer, listening, discussion, and above all, discerning the way that the Holy Spirit is guiding us. Hopefully these questions and answers can help you as you prepare your input. Informational articles can be found in Church on the Synod.

**MINISTERS' SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 29th & 30th, 2022**


Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors
5:15 PM Marcus Gahr	Linda Hoffman, Terry Pontzer, Virginia Sorensen	Chris Lampe
7:30 AM Amelia Meyer	Angie Bennett, Mary Ellen Frank, Pat Pfeufer	Amy Popielski
10:00 AM Lillian Belsole	Doug Bauer, Char Geci, Amy Jacob	Delphine Gerber

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

Children's Liturgy of the Word has resumed and 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 SESSIONS**

-  Feb. 1 St. Joseph Church, Force 814-787-4151
- Feb. 17 St. Mark Church, Emporium 814-486-0569

Baptismal Prep Session for Holy Rosary Church will be held online, contact Holy Rosary Church office (814-965-2819) for more information.

Please call the Church you wish to attend to pre-register.

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

- 24<sup>th</sup> Mary Ann
- 25<sup>th</sup> Gale O'Neill, Patty Brennen
- 26<sup>th</sup> Carol & Barry Lemmert, Timothy Stauffer, Jerry Meyer, Amy Popielski
- 27<sup>th</sup> Mary Beth Schaut, Karen Cheatle, Rose Belsole
- 28<sup>th</sup> Brian, Ann
- 29<sup>th</sup> Kathy Meyer, Cathy Olson, Vivian Schlimm
- 30<sup>th</sup> Hunter Samick, Tom Stauffer, Violet Vollmer

**UPCOMING CURSILLOS**

Men Cursillo - Feb. 11-13, 2022 and Women's - Apr. 29 - May 1, 2022. If interested, contact Queen of the World Coordinators: Nate and Mandy Assalone - 814-594-6149 or by email: mandyassalone8@gmail.com.



**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 years 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](http://www.138women.com) for more information and to register."

**ST. JOSEPH MONASTERY COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS**

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



**SPECIAL RETREAT FOR ENGAGED COUPLES**

Engaged couples are invited to attend an Engagement Encounter this January 28-30, 2022. Engagement Encounter is a restful retreat designed to provide a meaningful environment for deepening the conversations and habits necessary in a happy, holy, and lasting marriage. Here is what a past participant had to say: "I cannot thank you enough for an amazing experience this weekend. My fiancé and I will never forget it and all of the special moments." Learn more or register at <https://www.eriecd.org/familylifeoffice/ee.html>.

**AREA HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK**

- **Sunday, 01/23: 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, 01/25: 6:30 pm - That Man is You** program in Ridgway K of C Bldg. Any questions, 814-772-4111.
- **Wednesday, 01/26: 4:00 pm - Bowls of Love**, a free meal is served at First United Methodist Church until 5 pm. Everyone is welcome.
- **Wednesday, 01/26: 6:00 pm - Rosary prayed at Sacred Heart Church**, for the Poor Souls and the Seminarians.
- **Thursday, 01/27: 12:00 noon - Prayer Service** for Pro Life at Sacred Heart Church.
- **Thursday, 01/27: 4:30 pm - Rosary prayed** at QW for peace and the return of God to our country!
- **Friday, 01/28: 7:00 am - Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart Church until 4:00 pm.
- **Sunday, 01/30: 12:00 noon - Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's Church until 8 pm.

**THE MATERNITY CLOSET**

Is located in the St. Mary's Parish Annex Building and open the 1st three weeks on Wednesdays & Thursdays of each month. Babies and children up to 3rd birthdays in need are welcome. Wed. 2 to 3:30 pm & Thurs. 1 to 2:30 pm.

**BETHANY RETREAT CENTER 2022 RETREATS**

The Bethany Retreat Center in Frenchville has a variety of retreats planned for 2022. Go to [www.bethanyretreatcenter.org](http://www.bethanyretreatcenter.org) to see what retreats are being planned. In addition, Bethany offers private retreats for groups and organizations and personal retreats for individuals wishing to get away for silence and solitude. To inquire, call 814-263-4855.

**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.




**QUEEN OF THE WORLD PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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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

**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

**FOLLOW ROOTED YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

SMYouthMin (facebook),   
 RootedYouthMinistry18 (Instagram) 

**THE MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP**

Meets this Wednesdays at the iCafe/CYMA building from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. All Middle School students are welcome.

**FAITH FORMATION CLASSES**

- ◆ Elementary Level Grades: The next class will be held January 26th, 6:00 to 7:30 pm. The 4th Grade will have Family Night.
- ◆ Middle School (Grade 6) Next class will be this Sunday, Jan. 23rd - 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.
- ◆ Middle School (Grades 7 & 8) Next class will be this Sunday, Jan. 23rd, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm.
- ◆ Life Teen (Grade 9-10) A Retreat will be held this Sunday, Jan. 23rd - 10:30 am - 4:30 pm.
- ◆ Confirmation Grade 11 - Next Session will be held this Sunday, January 23rd. (Parent / Sponsor) - 1:00 pm.

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

**GRANT AWARDED TO FAITH FORMATION**

Recently the Diocese of Erie awarded a grant to our Inter parish Faith Formation team for enhanced technology. The Religious Education Endowment Fund (REEF), established by YOUR gift to the diocesan campaign several years ago, continues to bring money to our area directly. In this case, our Faith Formation program was awarded a grant from the REEF to create a media room where a Laptop computer, television, and conference camera were purchased. This will give the students access to the numerous high quality resources available online during Faith Formation instruction. It will also allow us to further educate and certify our catechists in a group setting.

**ECCSS 2022-2023 REGISTRATION DATES**

**St. Marys Catholic Elementary School**

Preschool - 5th Grade  
 Tours by appoint. 2/1/22 to 2/3/22; 9 am & 6 pm  
 Registration Night: 2/9/22; 6-7 pm  
 Contact 814-834-4169 - slayd@eccss.org

**Elk County Catholic High / Middle School**

6th - 12th Grade  
 Information Night: 2/3/22; 6:30 to 8 pm  
 (Transfer students and new families to ECCHS / SMCMS)  
 Contact 814-834-7800 - schneiderj@eccss.org

**St. Leo Catholic School**

Preschool - 8th Grade  
 Registration 2/7/22; 5:30 to 7:30 pm;  
 St. Leo Church Social Hall  
 Contact 814-772-9775 - kucenskil@eccss.org



**PARISH BUDGET**

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

**Parish Budget to Date**.....\$419,176

OFFERTORY INCOME for weekend of Jan. 8/9, 2022

Regular Envelope .....\$7,966  
 Loose .....\$1,619  
 Children.....\$2  
 School Support .....\$386  
 Utilities & Maintenance.....\$109  
 Christmas.....\$135  
 Immaculate Conception.....\$10  
 Solemnity of Mary.....\$247

Total Received.....\$10,474

DESIGNATED COLLECTIONS OF THE DIOCESE

Spread the Faith.....\$10  
 Religious Retirement.....\$10

**Thank you !**



**PRO-LIFE PERSPECTIVE — 9 Days for Life**

*9 Days for Life* is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.

Visit the **9DaysForLife** website to download this novena and reflections at: [www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life](http://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life)

In a world in which those who are most vulnerable are so often overlooked and disregarded, Christ calls us to embrace and uphold the unconditional dignity of every human life. In answering this call, we help to build "a new culture of life, the fruit of the culture of truth and of love" (EV 77). May the Holy Spirit continually renew us as we strive to faithfully defend God's gift of life.

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Dear Parishioners,

This week I will mark the 35th anniversary of a very scary day. I was on one of our rural roads in Crawford County, cresting a hill. It was a typical winter day - snow was flying, a dusting on the ground, roads not good but not too bad. Believe it or not, I was going under the speed limit. As I got to the top of the hill, a tractor-trailer was sitting at the hill's bottom, across the highway, sideways. I knew instantly I was in trouble. I started to pump the brakes. On the third pump, I pressed as hard as I could and held. I aimed for the front tire of the truck, hoping to ease the impact. The thud was deafening. The front of the car was smashed like an accordion. From what I recall, I believe I passed out. But only momentarily. I opened my eyes in disbelief that I was alive! I started to feel my body to see if anything was broken, which it was not. Slowly, a trickle of blood fell down my face - it turned out to be a bloody nose that didn't last long. My knees and legs were pretty sore, so it was a little difficult to get out of the car, but I managed to do so fairly quickly. As I did, the combination of the cold weather, the shock, and the scare made me tremble. But I knew, thank God, that other than having a mess on my hands, I was fortunate - blessed. I discovered that this poor truck driver made this maneuver every day, pulling out of his driveway as best as he could on this narrow road, having nearly to jackknife to get his day on the road started. His wife stood out there, trying to direct traffic to keep everyone safe. On this day, that thoughtful gesture was no help! There were a few lasting impacts. First, the car was totaled, and sat in a junk yard for a long time. Every time I passed by it, I was reminded of that terribly scary yet blessed moment. Second, I was black and blue in the face, with puffy eyes, for more than a week - the school children loved that look! Third, I drove with much more caution for a long time. And fourth, I realized at a fairly young age, how fragile life was, and Who is in charge, and I uttered thankful praise as often as I reflected on that January day. It's interesting, though, isn't it, how time warps those "big moments" in life. They fade, and so do their effects. I have still chosen to drive carelessly from time to time. And, I have forgotten, at times, how blessed I am just to be alive. So it's good to mark the anniversary and share it with you, because it is re-awakening its effects in me. You've probably had similar experiences - accidents, health issues, bounce-back moments, from which you learned life lessons and spiritual lessons. In these winter days, reflect on them. Re-learn their value. Let their effects come back to you. Give thanks and praise to God of Life and redemption. His purpose for you is still unfolding. So, please, be careful.

--- fr jeff

#### ANNUAL PRE-LENTEN RETREAT

Singles and couples are invited to participate in a retreat Feb. 25-26 at St. Thomas More House of Prayer in Cranberry. Retreatants will have opportunities for community, talks, adoration, Mass and confession. For more information, go to [www.eriercd.org/chastity/retreat](http://www.eriercd.org/chastity/retreat) or call 814-824-1216.

#### A WEEK OF FEASTING

There are a number of feasts on the daily calendar this week. Monday we honor "the other" St. Francis, the Frenchman, Francis de Sales. Unlike many church people of his time, he focused on the gentle nature of the love of God in Christ. He was renowned for his compassion. He started a religious order, the Salesians, particularly hoping to influence children and young people through faith-based education. On Tuesday, we mark the conversion of St. Paul. This is truly a moment that turned the world around. For, without Paul's vision of and response to the Living Lord, Christianity would not have blossomed and taken hold in the larger world as it did. There are three accounts of this moment in the New Testament, reminding us of the Lord's call not only to Paul but to each of us. The next day, Wednesday, we celebrate two of the "disciples of Paul," Timothy and Titus. He brought them to faith and then entrusted servant-leadership to them. He also wrote to them encouraging and challenging words in letters that are also in the New Testament. On Friday, the most well-known scholar of our tradition, Thomas Aquinas, is our saint for the day. A priest of the Dominican order, this brilliant man described much of our faith using Aristotelian discourse and logic. This helped make sense of many of the mysteries of our faith. But he was also quite a poet. Today, we still sing many of the lyrics that he put together in hymns at Church. As each day approaches, perhaps you can look up a bit more about these holy people. They still teach us. They still inspire us. They still pray for us and with us. Perhaps your own spiritual life can be enhanced by learning something about these and other saints, gifts from God for all of us.

#### MASS REMINDERS

Please extend these basic courtesies while with us for Mass -

We ask you to stay until Mass is complete. Even though the Presider sends us forth sometimes with the words, "The Mass is ended..." it is not ended until *both* the ministers have completed their recession from the Sanctuary *and* the closing hymn is finished.

Also, please reserve the back left section of the Church, near the St. Jude statue, for those who need to keep social distance. Even if Church happens to look crowded, please find other seating (there's room for 800). We need to respect and accommodate those who have specific personal and health needs.

#### DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

##### Monday, January 24th

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

##### Tuesday, January 25th

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

##### Wednesday, January 26th

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

##### Thursday, January 27th

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 14/Mk 4:21-25

##### Friday, January 28th

2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

##### Saturday, January 29th

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

##### Sunday, January 30th

Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/

1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30