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Through our gifts of time, talents, and treasures, we serve our parish as we journey together to the Kingdom of God.

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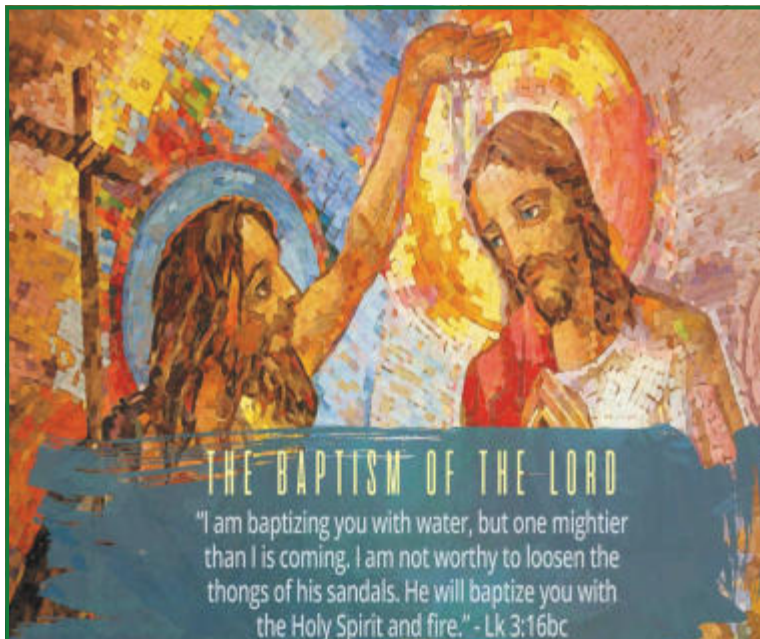
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Confessions: Saturday: 3:00-3:45 p.m.
First Friday Week:
Thursday: 4:00 p.m. Until all are heard
Anytime by Appointment

Mass Schedule

Saturday - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday - 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.
Weekday - 6:15 a.m. (Monday—Friday)
Holy Days - Listed in Bulletin



INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased.

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January 8(S): Vigil of Baptism of the Lord
4:00 p.m. † Tom Miller

January 9: Baptism of the Lord
7:00 a.m. ††† Art, Mercedes (An.) & Daniel Krieg
9:00 a.m. For Sacred Heart Parishioners
11:00 a.m. † Matthew Minnick

January 10(M): First Week in Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m. † Mary Jo Heary

January 11(T): First Week in Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m. † Ken Bauer

January 12(W): First Week in Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m. † Carol Ginther

January 13(Th): First Week in Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m. † Tom Newman

January 14(F): First Week in Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m. † John Thorwart

January 15(S): Vigil of Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 p.m. †† Jim Armanini (An.) & Bucky Pollick (An.)

January 16: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 a.m. †† Grace (An.) & John Cyone
9:00 a.m. † James Kear
11:00 a.m. For Sacred Heart Parishioners

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
will be held in Sacred Heart Church on Friday from 7:00 a.m. until closing with Benediction at 4:00 p.m.

PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially Gerald H. (Jerry) Rigard (Brother of Joe Rigard). May God grant them eternal rest and comfort all those who mourn them.

PRAYER LIST - Let us remember all the sick especially Chrissy Aikens, Sharon Boylan, Alice Feldbauer, Michael Gary, Don Geci, Louise Georgevich, Deacon Bill Gibson, Kathleen Glatfelter, Beth Gornati, Beula Kestler, Tom Nellis Jr., Tammy Pearsall, Asher Quinn, John Rettger, Kathleen (Daisy) Rowley, Matthew Sharrow, Joanne Weidow, Steve Wendel, & Judy Wolfel. We pray in hope that God's healing power may touch all those who are sick.

SACRED HEART PRAYER CHAIN - If you want to be placed on the prayer chain for any need, just call Rose at 814-781-6430, or Ann at 814-834-6534. The names of those listed on this prayer chain will not be published in the bulletin. If you want a name to be listed in the bulletin, please call the Parish Office.

THANK YOU

For the donation to the Church
In memory of **William Erich**: \$25

FATIMA PRAYER GROUP

Monday Night Apostolate of Fatima Prayer Group will pray the Rosary at Sacred Heart Church starting at 6:00 p.m. **All are welcome.**



The week of January 9, 2022 the Angel Lamps in the Sanctuary burn for the following intentions:
L/D of Charles & Beatrice Rigard Family
† Innocent Victims of Abortion

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel Jesus was publicly **AFFIRMED** by his Father: "You are my beloved son, with you I am very pleased." As parents we can become so focused on misbehaviors we overlook the good behaviors. Jesus needed **AFFIRMATION** and so do our children.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Date: Jan., 19, 2022 **Time:** 7:00 p.m. **Place:** Holy Rosary 814-965-2819



PRE-CANA SESSIONS

Date: Jan., 29, 2022 **Time:** **CANCELLED** **Place:** Sacred Heart



PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ,
We acknowledge you as the Messiah,
The Son of God.
Through your anointing with the Holy Spirit
Give us power to preach the good news,
To heal the sick, and to free the captives.
As Son of God, give us a renewed sense
Of our dignity as adopted daughters and sons of God.
May we look with hope to our promised inheritance
As we work to make your Kingdom a reality.
Amen.



FOUND ROSARY~ after the Saturday evening Mass on Dec., 18th, Parish Center Parking Lot. The Rosary is a Rich Blue in color and has Fatima 1917-2017 on the metal on the Rosary. Call or stop by the Parish Office



"31 DAY" VOCATION CALENDAR - Please

consider joining the Parish "31 Club" for Vocations to the Religious Life. Try to attend a Mass, Holy Hour, Pray a Rosary **OR** pray on your chosen date and offer it for:

- Priests/religious who have served our parish in the **past**.
- For those priests, religious and deacons serving **now**.
- To ask the Lord of the harvest for **future** vocations.

10th Don Weis, Kathy Clark
11th Gretchen Meyer
12th Tom Dornisch
13th Carleen Koch, Alice Wiesner
14th Leonard Chalot, Phylis Haberberger
15th Frank Fodge, Delores Frey
16th Jerry & Ann Brennen

If you would like to be a part of the "31 Day" Vocation Calendar, please call the Parish Office at 834-7861 #1.

THANK YOU~ to the Lynch-Green and the Lynch-Radkowski Funeral Homes for donated the Sacred Heart Parish yearly Calendars for 2022. **God bless you for your generosity.**



ELK COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE MEETING~ will be on **Tuesday January 11, 2022**



at 6:30 p.m., in the St. Mary's Church Parish Annex. For additional information please contact Mary Bea at 814-834-3834. **How precious LIFE is!!**



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING~
January 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Note date change.



2022 MASS BOOK & TABERNACLE ANGEL CANDLES~

Please stop by the Parish Office or call to schedule your 2022 Masses.

Keep in mind that Weekend Masses and Tabernacle Angel Candles are limited. Please try to combine your Intentions wherever possible as we are unable to give you all Weekend Mass times. Thank you for your cooperation.



ELK COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE~

will sponsor a ProLife Prayer Service and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Fr. Tom Curry officiating, on **THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022, at Noon** at the Sacred Heart Church in St. Marys. We will also be resisting the Rosary and Divine Mercy. The Pray Service will conclude with Benediction at 4:00 p.m. The ProLife service is in support for the March for Life event taking place in Washington, DC on January 21, 2022.

Come join us in prayer for our Pre Born Babies.



TOGETHER WE STAND FOR THE UNBORN

CURSILLO NEWS~ Cursillo weekends planned for men and women in the spring. The Erie Cursillo Movement is currently planning and accepting candidate applications for a

Men's Cursillo Feb. 11-13, 2022, and a Women's Cursillo April 29 to May 1, 2022.

Applications can be found at www.eriecursillo.org. or by calling the Cursillo office at 814-824-1119.

If interested, ask **Kim or Mike Sloff** or someone you know who has completed a Cursillo weekend to serve as your sponsor. It's a **GREAT** experience and you won't be disappointed.



AREA NEWS

ADORATION AT QUEEN of the WORLD every **Thursday** following the **7:00 AM Mass**. Closing: Evening prayer and **Benediction: 5:00 p.m..**



ECCHS Music Booster Cash Bash!!

January 15, 2022 6-10 p.m.
St. Marys Moose ~ \$100 drawing every 5 min, \$200 drawing every 15 min!

\$2000 Grand Prize!

\$50 ticket admits 2 (food and drinks included)
Contact Simon Glatt ECCHS Music Department at 814-788-0203.
Thank you for your support!



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS~

Mike and Krys Straub would like to thank **EVERYONE** that took time out of their Christmas to help decorate the Church. It couldn't have happened without **YOU!** This Sunday, January 9th at 1:00 p.m. the decorations will be removed and packed away until Christmas 2022. **PLEASE**, if you can spare anytime at all to help it would be greatly appreciated. Give Mike or Krys a call at 814-834-4675. If no answer please leave a message.

2021 Contribution Report

If you would like your Parish Contribution Report for 2021, please fill in the information and place the form in an envelope marked 2021 Contribution and place in the collection baskets located in church by **January 31, 2022**. Please **DO NOT** put this form in your church envelope.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Envelope
Number: _____

SPECIAL ENVELOPES FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY
Jan., 16 Support of School Children
Jan., 23 Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mondays Praying the Rosary in Church **6:00 p.m.**
Wednesdays Rosary in Church **6:00 p.m.**
Fridays Rosary in Church **1:00 p.m.**
Jan., 11 Elk County Right to Life Meeting **6:30 p.m.**
Jan., 11 Parish Council Meeting **6:00 p.m.**



St. Marys Inter-Parish



**All classes are held at the
St. Mary's Church Parish Center
(Former Catholic Middle School),
325 Church Street, unless otherwise noted.**

Sun., Jan. 9, 2022 First Grade Sacred Heart Session
10:45 a.m. – noon at Sacred Heart Parish Center Atrium

Confirmation retreat 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
St. Mary's Church Parish Center.
Will start with Mass at 10:30 a.m. Mass at
St. Mary's Church.

Middle School (Grade 6- 8) and Life Teen (grade 9 – 10)
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Wed., Jan. 12 Elementary Faith Formation (grade 1-5)
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Sun., Jan. 16 First Grade Sacred Heart Session
10:45 a.m. – noon at Sacred Heart Parish Center Atrium

Confirmation – No class
Life Teen retreat 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
St. Mary's Church Parish Center.
Will start with Mass at 10:30am Mass at
St. Mary's Church.

Middle School (Grade 6- 8) 6:00 p.m. – 7:30pm

Wed., Jan. 19 Elementary Faith Formation (grade 1-5)
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Sun., Jan. 23 First Grade Sacred Heart Session
10:45 a.m. – noon at Sacred Heart Parish Center Atrium

Confirmation class 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. with
Confirmation candidate and their sponsor or parent.

Middle School (Grade 6- 8) and Life Teen (grade 9 – 10)
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Wed., Jan. 26 Elementary Faith Formation (grade 1-5)
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Sun., Jan. 30 First Grade Sacred Heart session
10:45 a.m.– noon at Sacred Heart Parish Center Atrium

Confirmation – No class

Middle School (Grade 6- 8) and Life Teen (grade 9 – 10)
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.



Online Gaming: 72% of teens, both male and female (ages 13-17) play video games. More than half of those teens said they have made new friends online. The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children analysis of Cyber Tipline reports has found that gaming platforms are more often used in the online enticement of young boys than any other group of children. It is important for parents to talk to their child about safety in online gaming. Some important questions to ask are: Have you ever been cyberbullied while gaming? Do you know what information is OK to share about yourself while gaming? Has anyone talked about sex while you were gaming or asked you to send pictures of yourself? If your child answers yes, report the matter to law enforcement. Visit www.eriecd.org/childprotection/ for additional resources.

ENGAGEMENT ENCOUNTER ~

Engaged couples are invited to attend an Engagement Encounter this Jan., 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>. We would love to welcome you this January!



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...AND HIS NAME SHALL BE CALLED

Wonderful, Counsellor,
The Mighty God,
The Everlasting Father,
The Prince of Peace.

BRIMMING WITH GRATITUDE!!

Thank you to all the staff, and parishioners of Sacred Heart for making my first Christmas here so memorable. Thank for your financial contributions as it helps the parish to "balance our books."
Thank you to the staff who handled additional responsibilities with such ease. Thank you to all who arranged and watered the Poinsettias, cleaned and decorated and made our Church look so beautiful. Thank you to the musicians, and choir members for making the beautiful Christmas music come alive. Thank you to all who made our Christmas liturgies run so smoothly. Thank you for all the cards, gifts, cookies and other baked goods. Your kindness is greatly appreciated and makes our parish a warm and welcoming place. Warmest wishes for a blessed and Happy New Year.
Christmas Peace, Fr. Tom, O.S.B.



THE INCARNATION OF GOD

A young virgin gave birth to The Holy One, Emmanuel, The Son of God, The Prince of Peace, and The Savior of the World.

CHRISTMAS DAY CHILDREN'S MASS~ Angels were portrayed by Charlotte and Peyton Adamson. Mary and Joseph were portrayed by Joan Dollinger & Bruno Stager.

THANK YOU~ to the Confirmation Students for the beautiful Luminaries that were placed on the front steps of the Church to welcome the Christ Child. My humble apologies for not taking a picture of the Luminaries, they were removed before I was able to do so.
Kathy Reuscher, Bulletin Editor



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