# **Sacred Heart Catholic Church**

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#### **Mission Statement**

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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# Ministries & Committees

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Post-Abortion CounselingRachelsvineyard.org
Youth Ministry Website sminterparishff.com
Boy Scout Troop 95 (smtroop95.com) Lad Kornacki
Cub Scout Pack 95 Cheryl Cuneo

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

LIFE CHAIN Sun., Oct., 2, 2022 at 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Downtown St. Marys National ProLife Campaign Standing Publicly Praying For LIFE. Gather at the St. Marys K of C at 1:45 p.m. for

Prayer Signs. Sponsored by: Elk County Right To LIFE



**EDUCATION EVENT** "You need to hear what is going on."



Red Fern on Mon., Oct., 3, 2022 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Speakers: Representative: Mike Armanini ~ Senator: Cris Dush ~ Glen Thompson Representative: Marcie Assetta Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America: Jim Ducey Sponsored by: LIFE MATTERS NOW & Elk County Right To LIFE

40 DAYS FOR LIFE ROSARY recited after every Tuesdays 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Marys Church during Campaign beginning on October 4th. For information call Mary Ross 814-781-6867 40 Days Daily Prayer Sheet at entrances of the Churches. Sponsored by: Elk County Right To LIFE

#### How does your stomach feel when your pregnant first month?



Early pregnancy (first trimester) abdominal symptoms include nausea/morning sickness, cramping, constipation, heartburn, bloating, and gas. Pregnancy begins when a fertilized egg attaches to the wall of the uterus, and pregnancy symptoms may begin in some people as early as a week after implantation.

October 1(S):	Vigil of Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 p.m.†	Andrew J. Rezsutek
October 2:	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in
	Ordinary Time
7:00 a.m.	For Sacred Heart Parishioners
9:00 a.m. †	Frank Dinsmore (An.)
11:00 a.m. †	Barbara Schlimm
October 3(M):	Twenty-Seventh Week in
( )	Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m. †	James H. McKenrick Sr.
October 4(T):	St. Francis of Assisi, Religious
	Founder
6:15 a.m. †	Lou Ann Nellis
October 5(W):	Twenty-Seventh Week in
	Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m.	L/D of Bob & Mary Ann Gregory
	Family
October 6(Th):	St. Bruno, Priest, Hermit,
	Religious Founder
6:15 a.m. †	Lance Froberg
October 7(F):	Our Lady of the Rosary
6:15 a.m.†††	Art, Mercedes & David (An.) Krieg
October 8(S):	Vigil of Twenty-Eighth Sunday
	in Ordinary Time
4:00 p.m.	For Sacred Heart Parishioners
October 9:	Twenty-Eighth Sunday in
	Ordinary Time
7:00 a.m. ††	Dan (An.) & Wil DeLullo
9:00 a.m. †	Paul "Chicken" Baumgratz (An.)
11:00 a.m. †	Evelyn Fox (An.)

#### 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. 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, Dennis J. Cunningham, Alice Feldbauer, Michael Gary, Don Geci, Louise Georgevich, Kathleen Glatfelter, Miranda J. Halpin, "Puggie" lorfida, Beula Kestler, Anita Kosmowski, John Murone, Darlene Nappe, Tom Nellis Jr., Tammy Pearsall, Asher Quinn, Kathleen (Daisy) Rowley, William "Bill" Schatz, Dave Schneider, Matthew Sharrow, Eileen Spence, Ellen Taylor and Mary Jo Wheeler. We pray in hope that God's healing power may touch all those who are sick.

#### THANK YOU

For the donation to the Church In memory of James R. Aloi: \$10

## **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 October 2, 2022 the Angel Lamps in the Sanctuary burn for the following intentions:

**†** Frank Dinsmore (An.) † Lou Ann Nellis

To schedule a particular intention or week, please call the Parish Office at 834-7861. The donation is \$10.

#### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Faith is one of those things we just can't get enough of! In today's gospel the apostles asked Jesus to "Increase our faith." Where do you need an increase in faith: in yourself, your spouse, your children? In God? Faith equips us to overlook annoyances, helps us to forgive and urges us to ask forgiveness. "Lord, increase our faith!"

# **BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES**

Date: Time: Sat., October 8, 2022 10:00 a.m.

Place: Sacred Heart 814-834-7861

#### WORD OF LIFE!!

October is Domestic Violence Month. Hopefully violence does not directly impact your marriage, but perhaps you are called to help someone else - a neighbor, relative, or stranger. Click the Domestic Violence hotline (https://www.thehotline.org/) to find out how to help.



WE WELCOME Jaxon George Gerg into the Catholic Community.

Jaxon is the son of

Joseph A. and Jacqlyn R. (McGill) Gerg May God bless him as he grows in her faith and love of God.

"Understand what you do, imitate what you celebrate, and conform your life to the mystery of the Lord's cross." -Ordination Rite of Priests-

"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.
- 3rd Sue Dornisch, Andy Dornisch
- 4th Tom Nellis, Sr., Sue Kneidel Werner
- 5th Leona Fritz, Dorothy Terry
- 6th Cathy Dornisch, Amy Gorman
- 7th Fuzzy Cappiello
- Dorothy Mallette, Alice Lynch, Marsha Meyer, 8th Jim McAllister

9th Gretchen Meyer, Julie Lecker

If you would like to be a part of the "31 Day" Vocation Calendar, please call the Parish Office at 834-7861 #1. THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE~ is looking for volunteers for the October 8th Rip Ticket Tournament. Counters and Kitchen help are needed, so if you have the night available please call Amy Brunner 814-594-3064. so please consider lending a hand.



Fun, food, and laughs always happen at this event,

RCIA NEWS~ Its not too late to enter into the RCIA process. Classes will begin on Tuesday, October 11, 2022. They will be held from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Parish Center.



Contact Kathy Cheatle at 814-781-3009 or Email her at skirun@windstream.net for further info.

**DEBT OF GRATITUDE** ~ from the 4th Degree K of C from Elk and Cameron County. The recent baby bottle campaign raised \$13,300 of which \$11,250 was donated to various non-profit organizations within Elk and Cameron County. Your generosity has been greatly appreciated.

**COMING IN OCTOBER** ~ The Diocesan Statue of Our Lady of Fatima containing the relics of the children of Fatima will be on display at St. Marys Church from October 1st till the 31st. She will then be moving on to the next town in our Diocese. Won't you and



your family please stop in for a visit and present your intentions to Our Lady? Please note: Please don't confuse or mistake this statue of Our Lady with our own local travelling Fatima Statue.

## ST. HUBERT'S COMMITTEE AT

ST. MARY'S CHURCH Invites you to a Homemade Sauerkraut Dinner Saturday, November 12th at 5:00 p.m. Cafeteria of the Parish Center.



Menu: Roasted Pork, Homemade Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Rye or Wheat Roll Complimentary Beverage & Dessert w/dine-in meals ONLY Price: \$12.00

## **RESERVATIONS REQUIRED!**

Call the St. Mary's Parish Office 814-781-1019 to reserve your spot or to pre-order your take-out.

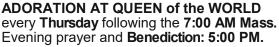
## SPECIAL ENVELOPES FOR THE MONTH OF OCT., NOV.

Benedictine Annual Appeal Oct., Oct., 16 Support of Our School Children Oct., 23 World Mission Sunday Nov., 01 All Saints Day Offering Nov., 02 All Souls Day Offering

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

Mondays	Praying the Rosary in Church	6:00 p.m.
	Rosary in Church	1:00 p.m.
October	NO BINGO THIS MONTH	
Oct., 11	Elk County Right To Life Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Oct., 17	Saint Anne Society Meeting	12:00 p.m.
Oct., 18	Parish Council Meeting	6:00 p.m.

AREA NEWS





THE QUEEN OF THE WORLD ROSARY

ALTAR SOCIETY will again be praying the Rosary in Church during the month of October. Monday thru Thursday at 6:00 PM. Please join us to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and to pray for peace.

# THE BENEDICTINE GIFT SHOP ~

Stop in and take a look! Gift Shop Hours: Tues-Fri 9:30 A.M.-5:00 p.m. Sat 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Closed Sunday & Monday, & Holy Days



the 1st three weeks on Wednesdays & Thursdays of each month. Babies and children up to 3 years. Wed's 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. & Thurs's 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

## RELIGIOUS AND PRO LIFE LENDING

**LIBRARY~** The library, located on the main floor, front room of the Sacred Heart Parish Center, is open to all in the community. Hours 9 am to 4 pm.



## ST. MARYS CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY

SCHOOL is currently accepting applications for a part-time cafeteria positon. Hours: M-F (8 am-1:30 pm)



THAT MAN IS YOU ~ Catholic Men's group meeting at St. Leo's, Ridgway. For info., call Charlie Richards at 814.773.7990

FOX TOWNSHIP WOMEN'S CLUB ~ will be hosting their 35th Annual Chinese Auction. THIS Sunday, October 2, 2022 Kersey



Community Building. Doors open at Noon drawings to begin at 2:00 p.m. Food & refreshments will be available.

LAST CHICKEN BBQ of the Season! SMASD Marching Band Boosters Sunday, Oct 9th, 11am till sold out South St. Marys Elementary parking lot \$12 (1/2 chicken, pasta salad, baked beans, dinner roll, cookies)

## CORN MAZE IN KERSEY DATES~

Fri., Oct., 7 4-10pm & Sat., Oct., 8 Noon -10pm (Flashlight Maze when dark). Oct., 14 & 15 4-10pm (Flashlight Maze when dark) 662 Kemmer Rd, Kersey: Email website for groups of 15 or more: pineridgefarmbnb.com







St. Marys Inter-Parish

FORMATION

**OLIFE TEEN** 

All classes are held at the St. Mary's Church Parish Center 325 Church Street, unless otherwise noted. Schedule changes as the school calendar changes because of CDC guidelines.

Sun., Oct. 2 First Grade Sacred Heart Session 10:45 a.m.– noon at Sacred Heart Parish Center Atrium Middle School (Grade 6- 8) and Life Teen (grade 9) 6:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.

Tues., Oct. 4 Confirmation class for <u>SMA student only during 3<sup>rd</sup> period.</u>

Wed., Oct. 5 Elementary Faith Formation (grade 1-5) 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Parent/Pastor of Sacred Heart Only~ meeting for First Reconciliation parents at Sacred Heart Church 6:00 p.m.

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

Middle School 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Rosary Coast to Coast, please meet in the Sacred Heart parking lot.

Life Teen (Grade 9) 6:00 p.m.- 7:45 p.m.

## ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A ROSARY MARCH ~

Students of the St. Marys Inter Parish Faith Formation program will be hosting a publicly prayed Rosary on **Sunday, October 9, 2022** at approximately 3:15 p.m. on the Diamond in St. Marys. This event is being held in conjunction with hundreds of Rosary rallies across the US on this worldwide day of public prayer. Please join us as we call upon God through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary to heal our country and return it to Holiness.

\*Students should meet at the Sacred Heart Parish Center parking lot at 3:00 p.m. We welcome and encourage families to join us. After a brief introduction, we will walk to the diamond together and begin praying the Rosary at approximately 3:15 p.m. Afterwards, at approximately 4:00 p.m., we will return to the Sacred Heart Parish Center where students will be dismissed at that time.





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# From the Pastor's Desk



I would like to welcome the following who have joined Sacred Heart during the month of September, Rob & Brittany Wortman and Robert "Roe" Wortman. May God bless our journey together.

Father Thomas

**GOOD THINKING:** Nobody is perfect. We all make mistakes. We say wrong things, we do wrong things, we fall, we get up, we learn, we grow, we move on, we live and we thank God for always giving us another chance.



## ECC Athletic Association 6th Annual Outdoor Bash

- Sunday, October 16th
- ECCHS/MS Cafeteria
- 12-4 pm



• Ticket donation \$20 \$20 donation includes admission,

meal, and a chance on one of the main ticket items. **No one under the age of 21 permitted.** Tickets will be sold in the ECCHS main office M-F between 7:15 am-3:30 pm or by calling 814-592-6430. If buying a ticket online please call first to be issued a ticket number then visit: <u>https://www.eccss.org/outdoorbash/</u> to pay.

**ENGAGED COUPLES:** Plan ahead for a happy, healthy marriage. The Marriage and Family Life Office is hosting an Engagement Encounter weekend this **October 14-16, 2022.** Engagement Encounter is a restful retreat designed to provide engaged couples the tools for a happy, holy, and lasting marriage. Here's what folks have loved in the past: Time as a couple to focus on their relationship, a community that prays and has fun together, a non-judgmental atmosphere, the chance to set a good foundation for their marriage, and the opportunity to retreat from busy wedding details and enjoy each other. Learn more or register at https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/ee.html. We would love to welcome you this October!

## DISCERNMENT OF SPIRITS COURSE

A course on The Discernment of Spirits, an Ignatian Guide for Everyday Living will be presented to the community by Dr. Jan Satterlee, a certified spiritual director. This six-week

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a certified spiritual director. This six-week program will be held every Thursday evening from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm beginning on **October 6th. Courses** will conclude November 10th. The course, to be held at the Queen of the World Cafeteria is free of charge and open to the public. For more information and to sign up, please contact Dr. Satterlee at 814-591-1276 and leave a message.



#### REFLECT First Reading:

The prophet Amos criticizes those living comfortable lives, oblivious to the social decay surrounding them. How do you respond to the pain and suffering of others? **Second Reading:** 

Paul urges Timothy to live his faith authentically in preparation for judgement day. In what ways do you practice an authentic faith life?

#### Gospel:

In the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, Jesus forewarns the Pharisees about the great reversal of the rich and poor in the afterlife. How do you imagine the Pharisees reacted to this parable? ©LPi

## **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

"If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." Regardless of how the message of faith is received, a total conversion of mind and heart is needed for it to take root and have meaning. It is easy to become complacent and comfortable with all that life can afford us. Life can become "all about me," preserving my livelihood and protecting my securities. Often, this drive can become so strong that we eagerly strive to protect our self-interests at the expense of others. Other people are necessary only to the extent that they are "useful" to us and profitable.

Merriam-Webster defines entitlement as "the belief that one is deserving of or entitled to certain privileges." In a world that pretends to offer us so many necessities, this is perhaps the greatest contemporary sin. When we feel "entitled" to something, even if it is perceived necessary, our relationships can get skewed. Unless we adopt a global vision of entitlement wherein everyone is entitled to the same things, we risk becoming extremely self-focused and selfish. All we care about is defending our rights and protecting our turf. This impulse can be so strong that we pursue it even at the expense of another. Is this what God intends for his children?

Holding on to this myopic vision, the plight and station of others are off our radar and of no real concern to us. Relying on our own merits and becoming resilient to life's challenges, we replace the true and real God with the one we created ourselves. Jesus and the prophets before him have consistently reminded us of the dangers of wealth, ignoring the poor and the needy, and becoming too fiercely independent and arrogant. Yet, we conduct our lives as if that message has never been preached. We give our faith a nod and never consider for a moment that we may be wrong in terms of what we see as important. "The things that we love tell us what we are (attributed to St. Thomas Aquinas)." Ponder those words a bit and remember that when we leave this world and go to the next one, what we loved here is what we will look for there. What we sought here may not be there.



## Dear Saint Michael,

Your name means, "Who is Like a God," and it indicates that You remained faithful when others rebelled against God. Help the police officers of our day who strive to stem the rebellion and evil that are rampant on all sides. Keep them faithful to their God as well as to their country and their fellow human beings. Amen.



## Saint Michael the Archangel

Defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness & snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humble pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan & all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Please continue to pray this prayer to Saint Michael each and every day.

God Bless You!



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