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Parish Office Hours: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Mission Statement

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

Thank you to everyone that helped in anyway to make the Church look beautiful and sound beautiful this Christmas Season! Many Blessings in the New Year!



Pictures by: Krys Straub



On Jan., 14th at 8:00 a.m., we will be removing the Christmas Decorations from Church. Volunteers would be appreciate. Many hands make less work for everyone. **Thank You!**

What a JOY to see you here at Mass. Jesus, Other, YOU!! KEEP COMING PLEASE!!



Pope Benedict XVI Ground Zero, April 2008

POPE BENEDICT XVI

(Latin: *Benedictus XVI*; born **Joseph Aloisius Ratzinger**; 16 April 1927 – 31 December 2022) was the head of the Catholic Church and sovereign of the Vatican City State from 19 April 2005 until his resignation on 28 February 2013. Benedict's election as pope occurred in the 2005 papal conclave that followed the death of Pope John Paul II. Benedict chose to be known as "Pope emeritus" upon his resignation, and he retained this title until his death in 2022. **Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia**

January 7(S): Vigil of The Epiphany of the Lord
4:00 p.m. † Beth A. Gornati

January 8: The Epiphany of the Lord
7:00 a.m. For Sacred Heart Parishioners
9:00 a.m. †† Jim Armanini (An.) & Bucky Pollick (An.)
11:00 a.m. † Betty Crawford

January 9(M): Baptism of the Lord
6:15 a.m. † Joseph Bologna

January 10(T): First Week in Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m. ††† Ralph & Mary Lou Iorfida & Cathy Wilhour

January 11(W): First Week in Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m. † Marcella Mayer

January 12(Th): First Week in Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m. † Cathy Pomanti

January 13(F): First Week in Ordinary Time
6:15 a.m. † Dave Busch

January 14(S): Vigil of Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 p.m. L/D of Karlo & Richards Families

January 15: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 a.m. For Sacred Heart Parishioners
9:00 a.m. L/D of Nick & Betty Giordano Family
11:00 a.m. † Lou Ann Nellis



The week of January 8, 2023 the Angel Lamps in the Sanctuary burn for the following intentions:
† Skip Heiberger
L/D of Armanini & Pollick Families

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Today's gospel tells us "all Jerusalem" was upset because "King Herod was deeply troubled." A similar ripple effect happens in families; one person's negative attitude can affect the whole family. If you want a peaceful and joyful home, it must start with you. Be peaceful and joyful!

PRE-CANA SESSIONS

Date:	Time:	Place:
Sat., Jan., 28, 2023	8:00 to 5:15 p.m.	Sacred Heart
	Mass included	814-834-7861



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.

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.
On January 13, 2023 Adoration will be 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and then from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
There will be a Wedding at Noon. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially Dora Mahoney (Sister of Joe D'Amore). 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, Carol Bullers, Henry James Farkas, Alice Feldbauer, Michael Gary, Don Geci, Louise Georgevich, Kathleen Glatfelter, Miranda J. Halpin, "Puggie" Iorfida, Beula Kestler, Anita Kosmowski, Dennis Maffei, Darlene Nappe, Tom Nellis Jr., Tammy Pearsall, Asher Quinn, Kathleen (Daisy) Rowley, William "Bill" Schatz, Dave Schneider, Keith Schreiber, Matthew Sharrow, Eileen Spence & Mary Jo Wheeler.. We pray in hope that God's healing power may touch all those who are sick.

FATIMA PRAYER GROUP

Monday Night Apostolate of Fatima Rosary at Sacred Heart Church will be **NOW** held at **4:00 p.m.** instead of at 6:00 p.m.

Won't you please join us for the Rosary as we heed Our Ladies request at Fatima?
"Pray the Rosary everyday for Peace in the World".



WE WELCOME Raven Mae Copello into the Catholic Community.

Raven is the daughter of **Samantha S. Copello**. May God bless her as she 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.

9th	Gretchen Meyer, Julie Lecker
10th	Don Weis, Kathy Clark
11th	Gretchen Meyer, Sue Kneidel Werner
12th	Tom Dornisch
13th	Carleen Koch, Alice Wiesner
14th	Leonard Chalot, Phylis Haberberger
15th	Frank Fodge, Delores Frey

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



2023 MASS BOOK & TABERNACLE ANGEL CANDLES

The 2023 Mass Book is now open. Please call or stop by the Parish Office to schedule your 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.**



LOST AND FOUND ~ If you have lost something or left something in Church, check out the Lost and Found drawers that are located in the bottom drawer cabinet on both sides of the front entrance of Church if you are entering from Center St., the drawers are labeled. On Maurus St., check out the bulletin board.

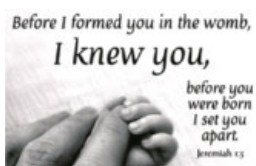
If you have lost a pair of boys black gloves or a key that has on it Schrage 35474, both of those items are at the Parish Center. They were found in the parking lot of the Parish Center, before the Christmas Holiday.

Just a little reminder please do not leave Religious Items or books in Church. Please check with the Parish Office.

With cold and flu season upon us, please kindly remember to remove any used Kleenex's from the pews. We thank you so much for your kindness.

ELK COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE ~ would like to thank all who generously made a donation to our group through the Giving Christmas Tree. Your donation will continue for us to be a voice for the Unborn, continue to educate on the whole realm of abortion, assist those pregnant and in need, assist in post abortion healing and continue to pray for end of abortion.

Thank you.



SPECIAL ENVELOPES FOR JANUARY

Jan., 15 Support of Our Parish School Children
Jan., 22 Faith Communications Collection

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mondays Praying the Rosary in Church
Effective Jan., 2, 2023 the time change to 4:00p.m.
Fridays Rosary in Church **1:00 p.m.**
Jan., 10 Elk County Right to Life Meeting **6:30 p.m.**
Jan., 24 **NOTE DATE CHANGE FOR** Parish Council Meeting in Conference Room #1 **6:00 p.m.**
NO Saint Anne Society Meetings. See you in **March**

AREA NEWS

BOWLS OF LOVE is a free meal served **every Wednesday** at the First United Methodist Church from **4-5:00 PM**. Everyone is welcome.

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



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Call St. Mary's Parish Office for info. 814-781-1019



PHE PEPPERMINT STICK GIFT SHOP ~ Hours: Monday thru Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



THE MATERNITY CLOSET is located at 139 Church St. It is open to Elk County mothers, who have children from birth 3yrs. They are eligible to come once a month to receive diapers, wipes, lotion, onesies and an outfit.
Hours: 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. 4th Thurs., 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.**
Questions: Call Theresa at 814-781-1137.



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP - ST. MARYS Penn Highlands Community Nurses 757 Johnsonburg Road, Suite 200
No reservations are needed.
Questions? Call Mary Lou, Bereavement Coordinator @ 814-788-8002



NOW HIRING The Elk County Catholic School System is currently accepting applications for the 2022-23 school year for following positions:
Middle School: Language Arts/Social Studies Teacher **Applicants forward a resume, transcripts, letters of reference, and all applicable clearances to:** St. Marys Catholic Middle School
Attn. John Schneider, Principal
600 Maurus Street | St. Marys, PA 15857
email: schneiderj@eccss.org
Elementary School: Cafeteria Worker
Part-time 8:00-1:30 pm Monday-Friday \$9.42/hour
Attn. Kim Schlimm-email: schlimmk@eccss.org
814-834-7800 x 231.





St. Marys Inter-Parish



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., Jan. 8 First Grade Sacred Heart Session
10:45 a.m. - Noon at Sacred Heart Parish Center Atrium
Middle School Class 6:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
Life Teen (Grade 9) 6:00 p.m.- 7:45 p.m.

Tues., Jan. 10 Confirmation Class for SMS students only after 3rd period

Wed., Jan. 11 Elementary Faith Formation (grade 1-5)
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 4th and 5th grade Family Night

Sun., Jan. 15 First Grade Sacred Heart Session
10:45 a.m. - Noon at Sacred heart Parish Center Atrium
No Class for Middle School or Life Teen

Wed., Jan. 18 Elementary Faith Formation (grade 1-5)
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

MOTHER TERESA SAID,

"The most terrible poverty is loneliness, and the feeling of being unloved."

Please remember your loved ones that are homebound or in a Nursing Home with a visit and loving kind words.

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2022 Contribution Report

If you would like your Parish Contribution Report for 2022, please fill in the information and place the form in an **envelope marked 2022 Contribution** and drop it in the collection baskets by **January 31, 2023**. Please **DO NOT** put this form in your church envelope.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Envelope Number: _____

GIVING YOUR LOVED ONES A GIFT OF ENGAGEMENT ENCOUNTER

What better way to show your support of an upcoming marriage than with a gift that lasts a lifetime: Engagement Encounter. The next EE will be held in Erie at St. Mark Catholic Center on January 13-15th. Space is limited. Call the Family Life Office for details at 814.824.1265 or by email at: familylife@eriercd.org

Remember, "A wedding is one day, but marriage is for a lifetime."

Inter-faith couples are encouraged to attend.

More info at www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/ee.html.



FOSTERING INTIMACY WITH GOD THROUGH SILENCE AND STILLNESS

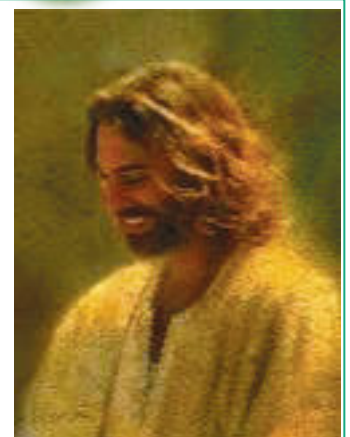
The Bethany Retreat Center in Frenchville is hosting an Introduction to Centering Prayer retreat with Sister Ruth Ann Madera, **Jan. 27 to 29** at the Bethany Retreat Center, 1031 Germania Rd., Frenchville. Six additional follow-up sessions will be scheduled throughout 2023. Centering prayer is a method of silent prayer that prepares a person to receive the gift of contemplative prayer.

Visit www.bethanyretreatcenter.org to learn more.



LOOKING FORWARD

His thoughts
Times they are a changing,
Years quickly come and go,
My love for you will deepen,
As My smile spreads a glow.
The past is soon forgotten,
Now is the precious time,
I'll weave such poignant memories,
To prove how you are mine.



Greg Olsen ~ Art

Spatzle Soup for my Soul



So of course, the night before Bah Humbug, I just can't sleep. Maybe it's knowing that my butt has to get up before the sun, or maybe it's just my mind that can't seem to shut off. Either way, there I was lying in bed and the only thing my brain could think of was a series of books called "Chicken Soup for the Soul." Mind you, I've never read a book from the collection, but I have some summation of what it's about; an assortment of stories that basically warms the heart. Regardless, there was something about "Chicken Soup for the Soul," that made me think of Bah Humbug. However, Bah Humbug is not your average chicken soup, no sir, it's definitely **"Spatzle Soup for the Soul."**

I started to think of the components that make a good soup, and well, we're quite familiar with what those are considering that we just helped whip up 250 quarts (give or take a few). First, there are the vegetables. These are usually nice hunks of carrots, celery, and onion that enhance not only Spatzle soup, but any good soup out there. They take time to cook, just like it takes a lot of hours to bake some 28,000 cookies. Those cookies enhance the Bah Humbug by tenfold and without them Bah Humbug just wouldn't be the same.

At the base of any good chicken soup is in fact "chicken." Without it, well it's not really chicken soup is it? Which made me think of all the loaves of bread and cinnamon rolls we sell. It is what Bah Humbug was built upon after all and will always be a staple for as long as the festival continues.



What would Spatzle soup be without the Spatzles? When it comes to Bah Humbug there's one thing for sure that always brings the crowds in and that's the Spatzle soup. It's a major draw in the kitchen because a spatzle is no regular noodle. It's a bit complex and takes a little muscle to make. It's thicker and richer than just any old egg noodle and having it as one of the main attractions at Bah Humbug shows just how much care and love we put into all our foods that are made.

All of those ingredients make one phenomenal soup, but I'd be remised if I didn't tell you what brings it all together, and that's the broth. Without that, you really don't have a Spatzle or plain old chicken noodle soup. So where does the broth fit in, in this comparison of Bah Humbug you might wonder. Well, it's all of you. For you are the ones that bring Bah Humbug all together with your tireless hours of baking, cooking, and prepping. It's you who takes time out of your week to come to Sacred Heart to bake and cook with us. None of it would be possible without your help, for you are the heart of not only our soup, but our Social Committee.

I can't begin to put into words how much you all mean to me and how grateful I am for all of you. You were my strength this week when I needed someone to lean on. That hearty meat that's in every soup. You were the ones that made me smile throughout each day and night that we worked. The vegetables that enhanced our work, as we as shuffled around the table traying those thousands of cookies. You were definitely the muscle, or spatzle, helping set up, running, and tearing down everything in just a few short hours. But most of all you were the heart of Bah Humbug. I don't need to read a collection of books to warm my heart, for all I have to do is look at all of your faces and my heart swells with love and gratitude. So, if I didn't get a chance to say it today, **THANK YOU.** Thank you for stepping up when I needed you. Thank you for all your work, not only today but throughout the year. Thank you for jumping in wherever you were needed. Thank you for bringing a friend to help us make it through this week. Thank you for all that you do to make Sacred Heart Parish one of the best around. But most of all, thank you for being you and offering not only your friendship, but your kindness and love as well. The world needs more broth in it, for that is what heals and helps bring warmth to your soul.

Thank you all for being the Spatzle Soup to my Soul.

Feel like you need a little Spatzle Soup in your soul, consider joining the Social Committee. We are always looking for more broth to enhance not only our soup, but our lives in general. Contact Linda at (814) 335- 4083 or Helene at (814) 594-0439 on ways that you can enrich not only the Social Committee but your soul as well.



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