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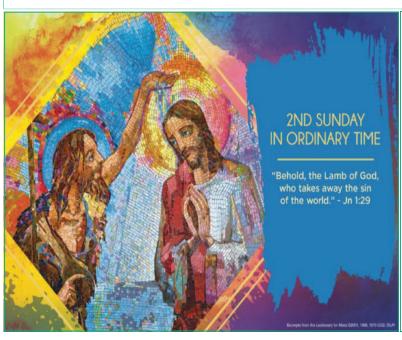
Confessions: Saturday: 3:00-3:45 p.m. First Friday Week: Thursday: 4:00 p.m. Until all are heard **Anytime by Appointment**

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

Bulletin Deadline Monday – 10:00 a.m. – In Writing

GLAD YOU HAVE JOINED US TODAY!!



John the Baptist sees Jesus coming toward him and announces, "Behold the Lamb of God." His Jewish listeners knew what he meant. God's lamb is the thing that is sacrificed at the Jewish Passover and consumed by the participants. For almost a thousand years, lambs were ritually slaughtered and eaten in Jerusalem at Passover. The lamb meant sacrifice, freedom from sin, and communion with God. The Baptist is saying in effect, "This man will be ritually sacrificed and consumed so that God's people may be free from sin and united to God."

It's crucial to relate to Jesus as a friend, brother. teacher, and Lord of our lives. But we should also learn to interact with Him as our Lamb of God. That means we intentionally place on him our sins, sadness, and hopes, and offer him to God. Then we consume him to make us free. This is what we do at every Mass. That's why he is the Lamb of God.

Father John Muir

January 14(S): Vigil of Second Sunday in

Ordinary Time

L/D of Karlo & Richards Families 4:00 p.m.

Second Sunday in January 15:

Ordinary Time

For Sacred Heart Parishioners 7:00 a.m. L/D of Nick & Betty Giordano Family 9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. † Lou Ann Nellis

January 16(M): **Second Week in Ordinary Time**

William "Bill" Erich 6:15 a.m. † January 17(T): St. Anthony, Abbot

6:15 a.m.††† Robert, Marilyn & Steven Hammer January 18(W): Second Week in Ordinary Time 6:15 a.m. L/D of Joseph & Elizabeth Mayer

Family

January 19(Th): Second Week in Ordinary Time

Shirley Bauer (An.) 6:15 a.m. †

January 20(F): **Second Week in Ordinary Time**

6:15 a.m. † Ken Bish 1:00 p.m. + **ProLife Mass**

January 21(S): Vigil of Third Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Deceased Members of the 4:00 p.m. †

Benedictine Association of Saint Marys

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January22: For Sacred Heart Parishioners 7:00 a.m. Gerald "Fuzzy" Lenze (An.) 9:00 a.m. † Florence "Cookie" (An.) & 11:00 a.m. ††

Paul "Chicken" Baumgratz

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 Theodore A. McGowan (Brother of Bonnie Sherry) and Paul F. Keller (Brother of Shirley Rupprecht). 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" lorfida, 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.

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.

FATIMA PRAYER GROUP

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

"Pray the Rosary everyday for Peace in the World".



The week of January 15, 2023 the Angel Lamps in the Sanctuary burn for the following intentions:

† Lou Ann Nellis

Grace Cyone (An.)

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The words in today's gospel, "This is my beloved, with Him I am pleased," are words every child needs to hear often. Affirmation is important to raise happy and confident children.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Place: Date: Time: Wed., Jan., 18 7:00 p.m. Holy Rosary 814-965-2819



PRE-CANA SESSIONS

Time:

Sat., Jan., 28, 2023 CANCELLED

Place:

TRAVELING OUR LADY OF FATIMA ~

is available to visit your home, just call Andy or Bonnie Housler at 814-834-3214 to make arrangements.



THANK YOU

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CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:

From: **Memory/Honor:**

Anderson, Erma M. Erich, M/M Michael Hoh, M/M Philip

L/D of Hoh & Carnovale Families

Krise, M/M Michael L. Meyer, Mandy

Leo & Genevieve Spence, Charles R. & Regina Meyer

"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.

Jerry & Ann Brennen 16th

17th Kathy Cheatle, Dave Shaffer

18th Julie Handwerger, Barb Linder, Bonnie Housler

19th Mary Ross, Nancy Plows Gretchen Meyer, Mary Jo Scott 20th

21st Carl Loeffler, Barb Linder

Sally Smith, Kathy Reuscher 22nd

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FINANCE REPORT for DECEMBER 2022	
Weekly Offering (4 Sundays)	\$49,938
Other Income	\$1,385
Monthly Expenses	\$64,255
Short	\$12,932

Knowing~ When seeking becomes finding, Temptation becomes joy, Losing turns to winning, In the heart of this small boy. Searching becomes promise, The knock ... an open door, The manger is redemptive. The babe is mine once more. By: Sue Kneidel Werner

RCIA NEWS

Next Sunday, January 22nd, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, Samantha Copello, Melissa Burroughs, Jordan Swanson, and Sandra Knight, will be accepted into the Order of Catechumens of the Catholic Church.

The RCIA Rite of Acceptance will be their introduction to our parish, and the parish's introduction to them, as they study to become new members.

Please remember them in your prayers and welcome them with your support.



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.



GENTLE REMINDER ~ As of Dec., 1, 2022 the price of the Candles increased. This is due to the rising costs of handling & delivery charges.

Small Votive Candles: From .25 cents to .50 cents. Large Ruby Votive Candles: From \$2.00 to \$3.00. Case of Large (12) Candles: From \$24.00 to \$36.00 God bless you for your understanding & most importantly God Bless you for remembering your loved ones!!

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.,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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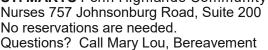
Gift Shop Hours: Tues-Fri 9:30 A.M.-5:00 p.m.



THE MATERNITY CLOSET is located at 139 Church St. It is open to Elk County mothers, who have children from birth up to 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.

Coordinator @ 814-788-8002





NOW HIRING

Elk County Catholic School System is currently accepting applications for the 2022-23 school year for following positions: **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.

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN~ Next

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St. Marys Inter-Parish



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., 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.

Sun., Jan. 22 First Grade Sacred Heart Session 10:45 a.m. - Noon at Sacred Heart Parish Center Atrium Middle School Class 6:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. Life Teen (Grade 9) 6:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. Confirmation Class 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. with Candidate and Sponsor or Parent

Wed., Jan. 25 Elementary Faith Formation (grade 1-5) 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Sun., Jan. 29 First Grade Sacred Heart Session 10:45 a.m. - Noon at Sacred Heart Parish Center Atrium Middle School Class 6:00 p.m.to 7:45 p.m. Life Teen (Grade 9) 6:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

Wed., Feb. 1 Elementary Faith Formation (grade 1-5) 6:00pm – 7:30pm 4^{th} and 5^{th} grade Family night

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.

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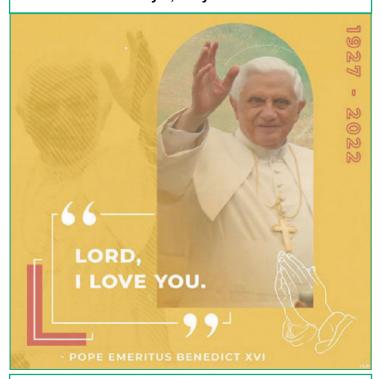
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What was unique about Pope Benedict?

Ratzinger inherited the seemingly impossible task of following in the footsteps of John Paul when he was elected the 265th leader of the Church on April 19, 2005. He was the oldest pope elected in 275 years and the first German in nearly 1,000 years.





Martin Luther King Jr. (born Michael King Jr. January 15, 1929 – April 4, 1968)

was an American Baptist minister and activist, one of the most prominent leaders in the civil rights movement from 1955 until his assassination in 1968. An African American church leader and a son of early civil rights activist and minister Martin Luther King Sr., King advanced civil rights for people of color in the United States through nonviolence and civil disobedience. Inspired by his Christian beliefs and the nonviolent activism of Mahatma Gandhi, he led targeted, nonviolent resistance against Jim Crow laws and other forms of discrimination.

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Hardness of Holiness

Want to know the words I find hardest to say? "Lord, give me the strength."

The world tells us to push ourselves outside of our comfort zone if we're training for a marathon or applying for a job but if we're talking about God, everything is supposed to be easy. If it comes "naturally" or without struggle it's supposed to be right.

Only God is perfect, the world tells us. What's the use of trying so hard?



I'm really good at finding excuses for myself, especially when it comes to holiness. Holiness, often (not always, but often), is about choosing the hard, but right, thing. The invitation to holiness is whispered in the hardest moments of my day when I am the most hopelessly human. After the kids' bedtime, when I really just want to watch Dateline and eat too much ice cream instead of saying the Rosary. When I've committed to helping someone, but it suddenly becomes incredibly inconvenient.

When I see a social media post that's just begging for a snarky reply. When the conversation becomes gossip and I'm dying to make myself feel superior to someone.

The reason it's so difficult for me to mutter these five simple words is because I know that if I say them and I mean them, they form a prayer that God will always answer in the affirmative. He will give me the strength I ask for, and then I will have no excuse.

It's not unlike my kids claiming they're too tired to clean up the playroom. If they would just ask me for help, it would all be so doable. But where would that leave them?

With a job to do, that's where. "Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy." — Leviticus 19:2

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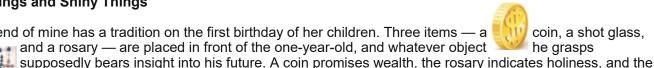
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Feelings and Shiny Things

shot glass...well, I'm sure you can guess.

A friend of mine has a tradition on the first birthday of her children. Three items — a and a rosary — are placed in front of the one-year-old, and whatever object





Of course, the kid just grabs whatever looks coolest. They're not really choosing money or God or a party. Their choice is ruled by impulse.

These days, "I'm not feeling it," is a genuine excuse to avoid something. "I feel that," we say to indicate agreement. "I feel like..." is an acceptable way to offer our opinion. Feelings carry a lot of weight.

Before Christ, there was only the law, and the law dealt primarily with actions. Do this. Do not do this. All well and good. But with the fulfillment of the law, Christ wants us to look inwardly. He wants us to consider the influence of our feelings on our actions, and to understand how our chosen actions can, in turn, inspire certain feelings.

I'm a millennial, so, depending on your age, you may think that I feel either too much or too little. One thing I have learned, though, is that when I give my feelings free rein, my instincts immediately turn into actions. I become the toddler grasping at shiny objects with no thought for what they represent. Anger becomes unkindness. Jealousy becomes cruelty. Fear becomes selfishness.

Free will, I have come to understand, means freedom from the tyranny of feelings. If a feeling is strong enough, it can build a prison.

"If your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away." — Matthew 5:30

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