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NOVEMBER 14TH, 2021

Liturgy Schedule

At St. Elizabeth

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At St. Joseph

Saturday, Nov. 13th

3:30-4:15 pm Confessions

5:00 pm For the People

Sunday, Nov. 14th

8:45 am Recitation of the Rosary

9:30 am +Rita Clark

By Rocky & Susanne Conkle Eiseman

Monday, Nov. 15th

7:00 am Adoration

8:00 am In Reparation for the sins of our country and for America's moral and spiritual renewal

Saturday, Nov. 20th

3:30-4:15 pm Confessions

5:00 pm For the People

Sunday, Nov. 21st

8:45 am Recitation of the Rosary

9:30 am +Pauline Hergenrother By Her Family

St. Elizabeth of Hungary | Feast Day November 17

Although her life was short, St. Elizabeth of Hungary (1207 – 1231) is recognized for her love of the poor and suffering, and as patroness of Catholic charities and the Secular Franciscan Order. The daughter of the King of Hungary, she chose a life of penance instead of leisure, which made an impact on the “commoners” she served.

St. Elizabeth married Louis of Thuringia when she was 14.

Deeply in love, they had three children. Despite their wealth, she led a life of prayer, sacrifice, and service to the poor and sick under the spiritual direction of a Franciscan friar.

After six years of marriage, her husband died in the Crusades, and St. Elizabeth was grief-stricken. Her husband's family did not look kindly upon her and mistreated her before finally throwing her out of the palace. However, the return of her husband's allies from the Crusades resulted in her being reinstated, since her son was legal heir to the throne.

One of her greatest known miracles occurred when she was still alive, the miracle of roses. It is said that during one of her many trips delivering bread to the poor in secret,

Ludwig met with her and asked her questions to erase everyone's suspicions that she was stealing treasures from the castle. He asked her to reveal the contents under her cloak, and as she did a vision of white and red roses was seen. To Ludwig, this meant God's protection was evident. In other versions, it was her brother-in-law who found her. Elizabeth's story is one of the first of many that associates Christian saints with roses.

Sunday, Nov 14th

8:00 am +George & Helen Peters By Bob Barber Family & Karen Barber

Sunday, Nov. 21st

8:00 am +Bob & Gloria Barber By Bob Barber Family and Karen Barber

The Rosary Society Needs Your Help!

This year, in lieu of giving food baskets for Thanksgiving to local families in need, we are giving gift cards to be used as they need. If you would like to help, please drop your monetary donation in the collection basket in an envelope marked “*Thanksgiving Families.*” Your help would be greatly appreciated.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

A Special Intention, Special Intention, Rita Bidwell, Shelly Maybury, Jack & Janine Sokoloski, Dylan Lunder, Special Intention, Patti Price, CaitylInn Bankovich, Elijah Waite, Penny Duncan, Malvina Weakland, Special Intention, Anonymous, Holly Hamilton, Jeff Buzard, Tammy Peterson

Help us keep the Prayer List current. If the person no longer needs to be on our list, please let the office know.

St. Joseph's Candles for the Month of November



Infant of Prague

In Loving Memory of
Philip Frase, Craig Frase & Patty Roesch



Sanctuary Light

In Loving Memory of
Michael Ferko & Yancosek Families

Dinner & Discussion: Heaven, Hell, & Purgatory

Join us for a light dinner and informal discussion at St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish hall, Smethport after the 5pm Mass (around 5:45pm) Saturday, November 20th. All ages are welcome!



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot receive you at this moment sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

November Birthdays & Anniversaries

JOHN ADAMOSKI
MICHELE ALFIERI-
CAUSER

PERRY BURDICK
NICHOLAS DIBBLE
SAMUEL DIBBLE

PENNY EDDY
KARL FITZSIMMONS
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CAROL KELLER

JULIE MARQUART
JACK MCANALLEN
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DANIEL REILLY
BOBBY RUMCIK
GERALD VANDERMARK
LU VANDERMARK
COLLEEN WHITE

MARK & DONNA FARRELL
SCOTT & MARIA NIELSEN

Sunday, Nov 14, 2021

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The poor have a gift for you

Charity presupposes a giver and a receiver, Pope Francis reminds us this fifth annual World Day of the Poor. This division poses a spiritual danger: tempting the giver to view the poor as a "category" outside our community, to which we may choose to offer our generosity. This perception gratifies the giver and demeans the receiver. Francis observes that "the poor, always and everywhere, evangelize us"—revealing the suffering Christ to us. Charity is occasional and voluntary; mutual sharing, however, is enduring. The real invitation of the poor is this: to share the burden of Christ until we can alleviate it.

TODAY'S READINGS: Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32 (158). "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away."

Monday, Nov 15, 2021

MEMORIAL OF ALBERT THE GREAT, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Head in the clouds but feet on the ground

Albert the Great was a Renaissance man—but he lived in the Middle Ages. He was a German theologian, but he also wrote voluminously about botany, zoology, music, astronomy, and law—to name just a few of his studies of interest. He never let his head full of knowledge go to his head, though, and one of the ways this Dominican friar and bishop stayed humble was by only traveling by foot. Are there lifestyle changes you can make or privileges you can shed to keep yourself down-to-earth?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Luke 18:35-43 (497). "When they saw this, all the people gave praise to God."

Tuesday, Nov 16, 2021

MEMORIAL OF GERTRUDE, MYSTIC

God's love conquers all

Orphaned during the Middle Ages, Gertrude the Great grew up in a Benedictine monastery and became a brilliant scholar. Like her teacher, Saint Mechtilde of Helfta, Gertrude also became wellknown as a mystic, experiencing—and transcribing—vivid visions of God's boundless love. Let Gertrude's encounters with Divine Love calm any worries today: "Joy and gladness be to thee from that sweetest heart, my one refuge and shelter in my exile, from that heart so full of tender care for me, whose love is so set on me that it cannot rest till it hath received me into itself for evermore."

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Maccabees 6:18-31; Luke 19:1-10 (498). "But he could not see him because of the crowd."

Wednesday, Nov 17, 2021

MEMORIAL OF ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, RELIGIOUS

Keep the faith under pressure

Faithfulness unto death is the great rallying cry of the Christian. Without this in mind, today's saint, Elizabeth of Hungary, might at first seem an odd pairing with the readings about martyrdom and divine retribution. With it, however, we see that Saint Elizabeth's firm resolve to serve the poor, despite being a princess with access to enormous privilege, is precisely the kind of behavior God wishes to see in his children.

It is precisely the use of the "talents" to which Jesus referred in the parable from today's gospel. Remember, then, that whenever we die to ourselves and devote our lives to Christian charity, we become common martyrs and fulfill the law of God.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Luke 19:11-28 (499). "He, in his mercy, will give you back both breath and life, because you now disregard yourselves for the sake of his law."

Thursday, Nov 18, 2021

MEMORIAL OF ROSE PHILIPPINE DUCHESNE

Perseverance please!

Life can sometimes beat a person down, and when that happens, the beautiful tradition of praying for saints to intercede for us can provide communion and solace. Today's saint, Philippine Duchesne, was a nun who survived the upheaval of the French Revolution and combined both a strong devotion to prayer and a passion for missionary life in the American frontier, with its many hardships. Because perseverance was a major theme in her life, she is a patron saint of perseverance in adversity.

Saint Philippine, pray for us!

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Maccabees 2:15-29; Luke 19:41-44 (500). "If this day you only knew what makes for peace."

Friday, Nov 19, 2021

Act on memory

Dedications in memory of fields where lives were lost or sacred places defiled have been a mainstay since biblical times. By remembering the horror of death and destruction, we hope to redeem the site and make it holy again. But as Abraham Lincoln stated on this day in 1863 in his Gettysburg Address, honoring a Civil War battlefield: "We cannot dedicate—we cannot consecrate—we cannot hallow—this ground . . . the living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it." Our role, says Lincoln, is "to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced." It is for us to "highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain." Lincoln's words echo Jesus' call to his disciples to "do this in memory of me." Become the body of Christ.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59; Luke 19:45-48 (501). "The days of the dedication of the altar should be observed with joy and gladness."

Saturday, Nov 20, 2021

MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

God of the living

The Bible's Second Book of Maccabees, composed about a hundred years before Christ, introduced the ideas of resurrection from the dead, the intercession of the saints in heaven, and the responsibility of the living to offer prayers and sacrifices for the dead. The Sadducees of today's gospel episode rejected these ideas while Jesus obviously embraced them. Resurrection, praying for the souls in Purgatory, and the intercession of the saints all have become part of what the church believes. Every Saturday we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, the greatest saint in heaven, and ask her intercession for the souls of our departed relatives and friends.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Maccabees 6:1-13; Luke 20:27-40 (502). "[God] is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."



Offertory Report Nov 7th

St. Elizabeth

Loose: \$155.00

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St. Joseph

Loose: \$75.00

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Sunday 14th
Religious Education 10:30-11:30am



Attention
The St. Elizabeth Feast Day Dinner as well as the Parish Christmas Dinner has been postponed until next year.

Each year, Samaritan's Purse collects Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes filled with toys and other fun items and delivers them to children in need around the world. Each gift prayerfully and uniquely packed by churches or groups, is an opportunity to transform the life of a child, a family and a community. This year we will again be collecting items for the shoeboxes. The **Deadline for packing is Nov. 14th**. More information can be found online at [Official Shoebox Gift Suggestions \(samaritanpurse.org\)](http://samaritanpurse.org) or by calling the Parish office.




St. Elizabeth's will once again be partnering with the Christian Community Food Bank this Christmas season as part of the "Angel Tree" program. The Parishioners of St. Elizabeth's have been among the most generous supporters of the program since its inception and your generous support continues to make Christmas special for those in need. Angel Tags will be available the weekend of November 20th and 21st. Wrapped gifts will need to be returned to the Church by Monday, December 6. If you have any questions please contact Tim and Mary Beth Holohan at 465-2229 or 558-5684.

Marriage Moment

"Heaven and earth will pass away...But of that day or hour, no one knows." (Mark 13: 31-32) Although this scripture probably refers to the end of the world, in marriage the day one of you dies is the end of your earthly marriage. It's hard to think about this, but it will happen. Dare to take a moment this week to write a sentence to your beloved about how you will feel upon their death.

A Family Perspective

Today's gospel teaches us UNCERTAINTY is normal. There are some things in life which "no one knows ... only the Father." Marriage and parenting are full of uncertainty for like the fig tree in the gospel, the people we love grow and change.

Attention Ladies!
Mark your calendar for the annual Rosary Society Christmas Party **Dec 7th 6:00pm** St. Josephs Church Hall
Please bring a dish to pass and if you can, a wrapped white elephant gift for dirty BINGO.
We hope to see you there!

St. Elizabeth Ministry Schedule

Date	Time	Lector	Altar Server
Sat. Nov. 13th	5:00 pm	Ray Learn	Isabella L.
Sun Nov. 14th	9:30 am	Fran Reilly	Hungville Kids
Sat. Nov. 20th	5:00 pm	Paul Costa	Costa Kids
Sun. Nov. 21st	9:30 am	Christa Schott	John A.

St. Joseph Lector Schedule

Date	Time	Lector
Sun. Nov. 7th	8:00 am	Tony
Sun. Nov. 14th	8:00 am	Mary
Sun. Nov. 21st	8:00 am	Dave
Sun. Nov. 28th	8:00 am	Pat

Sacramental Information

Baptism: Parents & Godparents are asked to participate in a Preparation Program prior to scheduling a Baptism.

Matrimony: An appointment with the parish priest needs to be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Before the wedding can be scheduled, Pre-Cana, Engagement encounter or NOVA is required.

Sick Calls, Anointing, Communion: Please call the parish office or use the form on the back of the bulletin. Moving? Please let us know.

RCIA (rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): Any individual seeking information on becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith should call the parish office.

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