# Queen of the World Church

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# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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January 2, 2022

# Rev. Jeffery J. Noble, Pastor Rev. Kevin O. Holland, Asst. Pastor Chaplain - ECCSS

Weekend Masses Saturday Evening: 5:15 pm Sunday: 7:30 & 10:00 am

Confessions Saturday: 4:15 pm Thursday before 1st Friday: 4 pm And by Appointment

Parish office hours: Monday thru Thursday - 9 am to 4 pm

# Sacrament of Baptism

Arrangements are to be made in advance at the parish office.

# **Sacrament of Marriage**

Couples planning to marry need to talk to a priest at least six months in advance of the wedding.

# Sacrament of the Sick

Please call a priest immediately in case of illness. The homebound are urged to have their names placed on the Sunday and First Friday Communion lists. Music Ministry Stephen Toney, Director / Organist Peggy Hoffman, Assistant Director

Faith Formation 139 Church St. - Phone: 781-1042 Administrative Assistant / Secretary Mary Lynn Carnovale...Ext 226

Elk County Catholic School System Sam MacDonald, President 600 Maurus Street – Phone: 834-7812 St. Marys Catholic Elementary School 114 Queens Road – Phone: 834-4169 Deborah Slay, Principal

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**Parish Care and Concern Prayer Chain** For those needing prayers, please call 781-3085 or 834-3844.

# Mass Intentions

# **CHRISTMAS WEEK**

|                        | January 3rd<br>+ Les Hoover           |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                        | Christmas Flier Memorials & Donors    |  |  |  |  |
|                        | <b>January 4th</b><br>+ Ethel Caseman |  |  |  |  |
| Wednesday, January 5th |                                       |  |  |  |  |
| 7:00 AM                | + Monica Werner                       |  |  |  |  |
| Thursday               | , January 6th                         |  |  |  |  |
| 7:00 AM                | + Jane Shine                          |  |  |  |  |
| 5:00 PM                | Evening Prayer & Benediction          |  |  |  |  |
| Friday, January 7th    |                                       |  |  |  |  |
| 7:00 ÅM                | + Jerome Feidler                      |  |  |  |  |
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# BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY

5:15 PM - Sat. Vigil - L&D People of the Parish

7:30 AM + David L. DeLullo, Sr. 10:00 AM + Leo Sutka

> **THE SANCTUARY LAMP** for the week of January 2nd burns in memory of Jerome Feidler



# PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for all the faithful departed. In particular, let us pray for Rose Ann Kronenwetter and Nancy Wykoff who died recently.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be... Eternal Rest...

Remember also to pray for those in mourning, for whom these holidays will be very difficult.

**Gospel Summary & Question of the Week** Read Sunday's Gospel, My 2:1-12

# Epiphany of the Lord - Cycle C

## **Gospel Summary:**

In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and selfabsorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

# **Questions of the Week:**



person? When have you been jealous because something good happened to another person instead of you? What is the problem and harm with these feelings?

When have you been jealous or fearful of another

| Altar Servers          | MINISTERS' SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 8 & 9, 2022<br>Eucharistic Ministers | Lectors        |
|------------------------|--|----------------|
| 5:15 PM Gerrianne Vogt | Virginia Sorensen, Mary Steele, Suzanne Wortman                      | Eileen Erich   |
| 7:30 AM Amelia Meyer   | Angie Bennett, Pat Pfeufer, Diane Shuttleworth                       | Paul Carnovale |
| 10:00 AM Tanner Pasi   | Char Geci, Kathy Herzing, Amy Rupprecht                              | Jim Herzing    |

# Please Note: Minister schedules can be found in Church if you didn't receive a copy by email

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held at the 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Mass. If your child is under the age of 8, consider, having them participate in this special Children's Liturgy.



# **BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSIONS**

Jan. 4 Queen of the World Church 814-834-4701 Please call QW Church to pre-register.

**VOCATION CALENDAR** Please consider joining the Parish 31 Club for Vocations to the Religious Life.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Laura & Mady Ehrensberger, Delores Frey
- 4<sup>th</sup> Rose Ann, Steve & Juliana Silveri, Rosie Schneider
- $5^{th}$ Ann, Matt & Becky Avery, Rita Peterson
- 6<sup>th</sup> Mary Hahn, Carol Ehrensberger, Mary Gore, Chrissy & Jason Kuhar
- $7^{\text{th}}$ Mary Ellen Frank, Lillian Haller
- 8<sup>th</sup> Lisa Lyons, Bonnie Kopp
- 9<sup>th</sup> Doll Fox, Dick & Leah Dallasen, Dale & Jen Vogt

# **SEVENTH ANNUAL 138 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

"Say Yes! to the 7th Annual 138 Women's Conference. The conference will be held from 8:30-12:30 on March 12, 2022. You may attend live at St. Jude Parish in Erie, PA, virtually at satellite parishes via zoom or in your own home via zoom. The cost is \$20. This years conference will feature national speakers Lisa Hendey, best selling author and founder of CatholicMom.com and Patricia Breen who writes online for Blessed is She, Fem Catholic, Grotto Network and Catholic-Match. Visit the website at www.138women.com for more information and to register."

# MASSES STILL AVAILABLE

If you didn't get your QW Mass scheduled for 2022, there are still weekday Masses available and a few sanctuary lamps. You can pickup a Mass selection sheet in Church or call the parish office to schedule.

# **GIVING BLOOD, THE GIFT OF LIFE**

With the critical blood shortage, we urge anyone able to give to consider making a donation of blood. This Tuesday, Jan. 4 from 11 am to 4 pm the Blood Drive will take place at Penn Highlands Elk Community Center. Call 814-688-3696 to make an appointment.

# **UPCOMING CURSILLOS**



Men Cursillo - Feb. 11-13, 2022 and Women's - Apr. 29 -May 1, 2022. If interested, contact Queen of the World Coordinators: Nate and Mandy Assalone - 814-594-6149 or by email: mandyassalone8@gmail.com.

| QUEEN OF THE<br>MEMBERS                            | WORLD PARISH<br>HIP FORM        |
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| Name   |                                 |
| Address  |                                 |
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| Please check one:<br>I am new in the parish & wish | to register                     |
| Change of Address<br>Want Envelopes                | Moving out of Parish            |
| Want Envelopes                                     | Interested in a Parish Ministry |

- AREA HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK
  Sunday, 01/02: 12:00 noon Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's Church until 8 pm.
  Monday thru Saturday: 8:00 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's Church until 8 pm.
  Tuesday, 01/04: 6:30 pm That Man is You program in Ridgway K of C Bldg. Any questions, 814-772-4111.
  Wednesday, 01/05: 4:00 pm Bowls of Love, a free meal is served at First United Methodist Church until 5 pm. Everyone is welcome.
  Wednesday, 01/05: 6:00 pm Rosary prayed at Sacred Heart Church, for the Poor Souls and the Seminarians.
  Friday, 01/07: 7:00 am Adoration of the Blessed Sac-rament at Sacred Heart Church until 4:00 pm.
  Sunday, 01/09: 12:00 noon Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's Church until 8 pm.

### **RETREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG ADULTS**

A special retreat opportunity for young college-age adults between 19 and 35 sponsored by the Diocese of Erie, Jan. 3-7 at the Villa Maria Education and Spirituality Center south of Sharon. Applications are still being accepted, but space is limited. For more information, contact either of the retreat organizers: Jillian Zaczyk (jzaczyk@eriercd.org) or Dave Roncolato (droncola@allegheny.edu). The application for the retreat can be found under Young Adult Ministry (Silent Retreat) at https://www.eriercd.org/youth/silentretreat.html.

## SPECIAL RETREAT FOR ENGAGED COUPLES

Engaged couples are invited to attend an Engagement Encounter this January 28-30, 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.

# **DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Monday, January 3rd 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25 **Tuesday, January 4th** 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44 Wednesday, January 5th 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52 Thursday, January 6th 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a Friday, January 7th 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16 Saturday, January 8th 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30 Sunday, January 9th Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

# FAITH FORMATION - LIFE TEEN - YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Mary Lynn Carnovale, Secretary/Administrative Assistant Kathy Cheatle, Elementary Coordinator Samantha Nedzinski, Middle School Coordinator Nick Heise, Life Teen, Confirmation Coordinator, and Youth Ministry OLIFE TEEN

For more info, 814-781-1042 or sminterparishff@gmail.com

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# THE MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Meets on the 1st and last Wednesdays of the month at the iCafe/ CYMA building from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. All Middle School students are welcome to come and see what youth group is all about.

# FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

- Elementary Level Grades: The next class will be held January 5th, 6:00 to 7:30 pm.
- Middle School (Grade 6) No Class Jan. 2nd, Christmas Break. Next class will be Sunday, Jan. 9th - 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.
- Middle School (Grades 7 & 8) No Class Jan. 2nd, Christmas Break. Next class will be Sunday, Jan. 9th, 6:00 pm 7:30 pm.
- Life Teen (Grade 9-10) No Class Jan. 2nd, Christmas Break. Next class will be Sunday, Jan. 9th - 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.
- Confirmation Grade 11 No Class Jan. 2nd, Christmas Break. A Retreat will be held on Sunday, January 9th -10:30 am to 4:30 pm. Starts with 10:30 am Mass at St. Mary's Church.

All Classes are held at the St. Mary's Church Parish Center, 325 Church Street.

If you have any questions, call 814-781-1042 or send an email sminterparishff@gmail.com

# ECC PTO SUPER HOLIDAY CLUB TICKETS

The PTO is giving away \$35,000 There are 50 weekly drawings - plus \$1,000 on Easter, 4th of July, Labor Day and Christmas! \$7,000 at the final drawing in January 2023! Your ticket can win multiple times -Donation \$60/ticket. Drawings begin January 2, 2022. To get a ticket, contact Becky Gabler at 814-335-3034 or by email at beckygabler@yahoo.com www.eccss.org/holidayclub

# LUCKY LION LOTTO CALENDARS

Calendars are being sold for a \$25 donation and run off of the PA pick 3 evening number. Over \$15,000 will be given away in 2022, only 1000 sold. Calendars can be



purchased at the Ridgway Record M-F (8-4 pm), and the St. Leo Church Rectory M-Thursday (9-12; 1-4 pm). For questions contact Amanda Straub by email straub.amanda@gmail.com or by phone at 814-590-8115.



# PARISH BUDGET

| July | 1,2021 | thru June | 30, | 2022 | \$957,306 |
|------|--------|-----------|-----|------|-----------|
|------|--------|-----------|-----|------|-----------|

Parish Budget to Date.....\$370,524

OFFERTORY INCOME for weekend of

| Regular Envelope        | \$9,373  |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Loose                   | \$1,580  |
| Children                |          |
| School Support          | \$125    |
| Utilities & Maintenance | \$20     |
| Memorials               | \$50     |
| Christmas               | \$160    |
| Immaculate Conception   | \$122    |
| Solemnity of Mary       |          |
|                         |          |
| Total Received          | \$11 452 |

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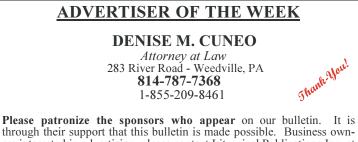
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**PRO-LIFE PERSPECTIVE** — A nostalgic review of the old year, a clean page on the calendar, a time of hope for the new year. The respect life issues, however, remain - abortion, assisted suicide, euthanasia, embryonic stem cell research, cloning - and only God knows what new ones science will produce. Our work is cut out for us. Become informed and be an evangelist for the dignity of human life **this** year. If not now, when?" If not you, who?? Whether it lasts for a brief moment or for a hundred years, each of our lives is a good and perfect gift. At every stage and in every circumstance, we are held in existence by God's love.



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# Dear Parishioners,

I hope you are enjoying your celebration of Christmas and New Years. For many of us, though the Christmas season continues, the end of this

weekend will signal a return to our regular schedules. These are not just "holidays," but "holy days." Note that our secular word is actually the very same, and so, for us, means the very same. This is not just "time off" and "time away," but sacred time. We pray. We come to Church. We receive the Lord in Eucharist. We honor Mary and Joseph and worship the Christ Child. We turn the page into a new year. We try to rest, relax, be with family, enjoy other important people in our lives, have gatherings and parties, give and receive gifts, and make a gift of ourselves to our Lord and others. WOW! That's a lot to cramp into a week or so! Here's an idea - why don't we stretch it out! Into the new year. Beyond the "holy days." Back at school and work. Daily in our spiritual lives. If Christmas has, in any way, renewed our spirits, given us a spark, helped us resolve to change something for the better -- any or all of the aforementioned -- let us pray for the grace to live it forward. That would make for a true "epiphany." A manifestation...a showing...a giving witness that we are disciples of Jesus who want to walk this walk with the Lord. Even as we celebrate Christmas in the weekdays of the coming week, we come upon the feasts of two American saints: Mother Elizabeth Ann Seton and Bishop John Neumann. Check out their stories on line or in a book of the saints. Both lived near us geographically. Whether we are aware of it or not, we have been influenced by the faith they lived, the witness they gave, the ministry they offered. Perhaps you will find inspiration in their stories, examples, and intercessions, to have the resolve you need to carry forward the holiness of the holidays. Enjoy the last full week of Christmas.

--- fr jeff

# **MERRY CHRISTMAS AGAIN!**

As you know, many ethnic Christian traditions celebrate Christmas more on the Feast of the Epiphany than on Christmas, for, on this day, the Magi help us appreciate that salvation is open to all people from every land! So, once again, we wish you the blessings of the Christ Child and this beautiful Christmas season. Remember that while the rest of the world returns to routine and tears down decorations, we continue to celebrate Christmas until next Sunday, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

# ADORATION

Adoration takes place on Thursdays with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from after 7 am Mass until Evening Prayer and Benediction at 5 pm. There are some time slots where we could still use people willing to commit to a half hour or hour of prayer. Late morning and



early afternoon times are not full. Please call the rectory if you are willing to make this commitment, 814-834-4701.

# **EPIPHANY PROCLAMATION**

As we rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by God's mercy we announce the joy of the resurrection of our Savior.

On the **2nd day of March** will fall Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the fast of the sacred Lenten season.

On the **15th day of March** some of our children will celebrate the Sacrament of Penance for the first time.

On the **17th day of April** we will celebrate the joy of Easter day, the Paschal Feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the **1st day of May** we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with many of our young adults.

On the **7th day of May** some of our children will receive the Lord in the Eucharist for the first time.

On the **5th day of June** we will celebrate the Feast of Pentecost.

On the **19th day of June** we will celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

On the **27th day of November** will fall the First Day of Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honor and glory forever and ever. Amen

# **BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION**

This Tuesday, Jan. 4, we host a Baptism Preparation Session for all first-time parents and those for whom it has been more than



three years since the baptism of an infant. Godparents are welcome and encouraged to attend, though parents may want to hear the requirements for this role before bringing someone who may not be qualified. Baptisms are scheduled after the session. The session takes place in the Rectory meeting room (basement of the rectory) beginning at 6:30 pm.

# FIRST FRIDAY

This Friday, Jan. 7, is First Friday. Join us for Mass at 7 am. Confessions will take place at 4 pm on Thursday, Jan. 6. Home visits are not scheduled as our priests visited the homebound just before Christmas.

# SCHOOL MASS

The school year resumes tomorrow, Jan. 3. Remember that our Elementary School typically has Mass on Mondays at 2 pm, including tomorrow. All are welcome to join our school family at prayer.

# **CAN YOU HELP?**

After the 10 am Mass next Sunday, we will be taking down the decoration in Church. If you are able to join us, we would appreciate the help. Men, especially, would be appreciated, though all are welcome!

# **FINANCE COUNCIL**

Finance Council meets this Thursday, Jan. 6 at 6:30 pm in the Rectory meeting room. Note that this is a change in date from what was previously set. Please bring your 2022 calendar to set future dates.

