

Welcome to Blessed Sacrament Church
May all who enter as guests leave as friends

1626 West 26th Street • Erie, PA 16508
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January 23, 2022



3rd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

*“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.”
- Lk 4:18a*

Blessed Sacrament Parish Mission Statement

To nourish our love of God through Jesus Christ under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Centered in the Eucharist, we are developing a faith community through prayer, education, worship and Christian fellowship. As stewards of God's love, we strive to share our gifts and talents for the service of God and all His people.

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CHURCH SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Church Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in loving memory of Dylan Matz from Judy Jones.

CHAPEL SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Chapel Sanctuary Candle will burn this week for a Special Intention of the Leupold Center Prayer Group.

SAINT JOSEPH ALTAR CANDLE

The St. Joseph Candle will burn this week in loving memory of Anna Primo from Jeannene Willow.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Because we are humans, we have eyes, ears, hands, feet, and many other body parts. Ideally, they all work together. Is there any part of your body that sometimes gives you trouble? How might your beloved aid or comfort you? Ask.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel Jesus was "praised by all" except at home in Nazareth where the "eyes of all were intently on him." Acceptance can be hard to find at home due to unreal EXPECTATIONS. Jesus challenges us to "proclaim liberty" to anyone "oppressed" or "captive" by our EXPECTATIONS.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, January 29 @ 4:00pm

Lector: Rich Moore

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Koket, Jenn Lydic

Altar Servers: Brianna & Mia Koket

SUNDAY, January 30 @ 8:30am

Lector: Barb Pronko

Eucharistic Minister: Carol Delo, Nancy Flaherty [S]

Altar Servers: Christian Fatter, Alex Paris

SUNDAY, January 30 @ 11:00am

Lector: Jim Ackman

Eucharistic Minister: Stephanie Ackman, Denise Lif [S]

Altar Servers: Maria Bruschi, Annie Theisen

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 24—St. Francis de Sales

8:00 +Jeanne Coughlin Richardson / Mary Jordano

Tuesday, January 25—Conversion of St. Paul

8:00 +Thomas Laskey / Joseph Stahon Family

Wednesday, January 26—Sts. Timothy & Titus

8:00 +Anna Primo / Jeannene Willow

1:15 +Bruce Bauer / Leonard & Flora Whatmore

Thursday, January 27—Weekday

8:00 +Domenick Facchiano / Son, John & Daughter, Diane

Friday, January 28—St. Thomas Aquinas

8:00 **NO MASS**

Saturday, January 29—4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 *Parishioners of Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, January 30—4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 +Ralph Bruno / Children

11:00 +Robin Pirrello / Husband & Children

7:30 +David Niedzielski / Ron Schriefer

* Living

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass in the Church at 8am Monday -Thursday

On the first Friday of the month...Mass at 8am and Eucharistic Adoration at 6:00pm

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

*Sunday: 8:30am**, 11:00am and 7:30pm***

***these Masses will be livestreamed on our parish website & our Facebook page*

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00—3:45pm and by appointment

Unvaccinated people should wear a face mask.

Social distancing is encouraged

The priests, deacon & Eucharistic Ministers will continue to wear face masks when distributing Communion.

???QUESTION OF THE WEEK???

Question for Children: Jesus is present to each of us in a different way. Tell about a time that you knew Jesus was with you.

Question for Youth: Name a moment or situation in your life where Jesus was present. What are some situations or places where you wish that Jesus was more visible?

Question for Adults: Jesus came to bring glad tidings to the poor and set free the enslaved. How has this mission of Christ in the world affected you personally?

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart, as though you have already come. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. AMEN

From Our Pastor

We find ourselves in the midst of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. During this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christians from many different traditions and countries around the world gather to pray for the unity of all baptized. This year's selection of scripture and liturgical texts is inspired by the visit of the Magi to the newborn King, as described in Matthew 2:1-12, particularly verse 2: "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him."

I suggest using this below prayer as a part of your personal prayer during this special week.

Gracious God, when we only know one way and we think we must return to it, and when we think that all roads are blocked, and we fall into despair, we always find you there. You are the God of renewed promises. We find you creating a new path before us, one that we did not expect. We thank you because you exceed our expectations. We thank you for your wisdom that surpasses our understanding. We thank you because your creative paths open up unforeseen possibilities. If we search our maps and find no route, nonetheless we always find you, who lead us by a yet more excellent way. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the fellowship of The Holy Spirit, that you will always lead us back to you. Amen.

Another ecumenical activity took place this past week, the annual March for Life. From the time of the Supreme Court's decision of Roe vs. Wade, Christians from every denomination have gathered in Washington to rally support for life, especially the unborn. The effort is to help make our nation's leaders be cognizant of the needs of the unborn. Let us always remember that all life is sacred from the womb to the tomb. We must be grateful for those who make the trip every year to hold up the banner for life before our government.

Remember each day, we have a choice to grow. There are several things we can do today to make that happen. Read a book, keep a journal, take up a new hobby. Consider other opinions, Laugh! Yes, find something to laugh about in good humor. We can have a growth mindset. Every one of us is getting older. But none of us have to just get old!

Peace, Fr. Phil

MEMBERSHIP IN THE PARISH We welcome all Catholic adults living within our parish area to complete a registration form for membership in the parish. We are glad for all who worship here, including members and visitors. Completing a registration gives us a record and ability to fulfill your request for Sacraments, Sponsor Forms, letters of recommendation, etc. Sometimes, people who grow up in the parish presume they are members as adults, but we have no record beyond your childhood. Once you graduate college you should register as an adult whether it is here at Blessed Sacrament or wherever you move to. Sometimes, people move into the area and presume that their presence makes them a member automatically. We are happy to meet your spiritual needs, but we also encourage you to register officially in our parish. To complete this simple process, contact the parish office at 454-0171 and we will mail you a registration packet.

Erie March for Life Saturday, January 29th. Arrive at the Perry Square Pavilion in downtown Erie by 10:45 a.m. March at 11 a.m. The event concludes by 12:30 p.m. or earlier with a brief program of speakers. Gannon Students for Life will be among the participants, and their President and Vice President will be among the speakers. This is a permitted march with police supervision.

SPREAD THE FAITH COLLECTION Please consider participating in the 2022 *Help Spread the Faith* collection this weekend. It's one important way to fulfill Jesus' command to go forth and make disciples of all nations. The Diocese of Erie continues to invest in a team dedicated to providing you with thoughtful publications, social media posts, web resources and more. They report on what is going on with the Catholic Church worldwide, across the US and right here in NW Pennsylvania. This is all available to you free of charge in *Faith*, the weekly Diocese of Erie news, and at www.ErieRCD.org Please be as generous as possible. Thank you in advance.

NINTH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE Men are invited to attend 22:32 Men, a half-day event based on the theme of Luke 22:32, "But I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." The conference will be held Feb. 12 from 8:30 a.m. to noon at St. Jude the Apostle Church, 2801 W. 6th St., Erie. Enjoy fellowship and inspiring national speakers Bear Woznick and Father Anthony Marie Baetzold, CFR. The event will conclude with Mass offered by Bishop Lawrence Persico. Discounts available for groups of eight or more, as well as for high school students. Visit www.2232Men.com or call 814-455-7364 for more information and to register.

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 year's 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 CatholicMatch. Visit our website at www.138women.com for more information and to register.

ANNUAL PRE-LENTEN RETREAT Longing for a deeper encounter with the Lord this Lent? Singles and couples are invited to participate in a retreat Feb. 25-26 at St. Thomas More House of Prayer in Cranberry. Retreatants will have opportunities for community, talks, adoration, Mass and confession. For more information, visit www.eriercd.org/chastity/retreat. Questions? Call or email Jacob Kessler at 814-824-1216, jkessler@eriercd.org. The retreat is sponsored by the Diocesan Chastity Education Office.

SCHOOL SUPPORT ENVELOPE

In your envelope packet is a goldenrod colored School Support envelope. The donations from this envelope will aid the parish to achieve our past due assessments toward supporting Blessed Sacrament School. Anything you can do to help is appreciated. Currently each month the parish pays approximately \$12,000 towards this past due amount and our current assessment.

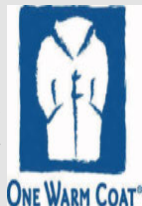


KNIGHT'S CORNER

Knights of Columbus After Christmas Coat Drive

We are collecting **new coats** for children and adults. Boxes will be available at the Church Entrance for your donations through the end of the month.

Thank you in advance for your generosity in helping those who need warm coats for the winter.

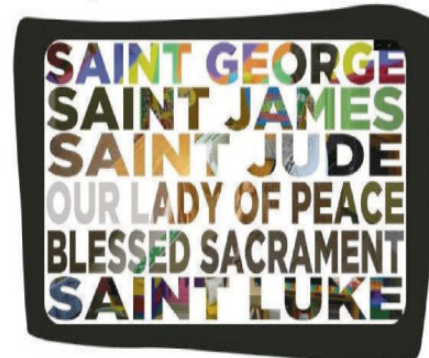


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System's New Video

We are SO excited to share Erie Catholic's new video

- View at <https://bit.ly/ECSSvideo>
- Watch our video, share with your family and friends #FaithInOurFuture
- A random winner will be selected during Catholic Schools Week and win a school swag item from Milagaro School Uniforms & Goods



Sunday, January 23, 2022 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

Those aren't fighting words

Most fights don't start with a punch, but with a word. That's because words are among the most powerful forces on the planet. Ideas divide or unite a society. Insults scar, just as kind words can heal. Our sacred story contained in scripture is a word meant to make the world whole. Pope Francis asks us to honor the word of God this Sunday. We begin by symbolically enthroning the Bible in our homes today: putting it in a place of honor. This reminds us of the deeper enthronement of God's word in our hearts. Make room for one Bible verse every day.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21 (69).* "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

Monday, January 24, 2022 MEMORIAL OF FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

God, our shield and our strength

We live in tumultuous times for sure. But the world has been topsy-turvy before. Saint Francis de Sales lived during the religious, political, and social upheaval of the Protestant Reformation. And he became known for his gentleness and patience in the face of it. Leave it to him, the patron saint of writers, to pen a prayer that is timeless balm for troubled souls: "Do not look forward to what may happen tomorrow; the same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day. Either he will shield you from suffering, or he will give you unfulfilling strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations . . ." A balm for these troubled times.

TODAY'S READINGS: *2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10; Mark 3:22-30 (317).* "If a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand."

Tuesday, January 25, 2022 FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

Harden not your heart

Paul has always been a controversial figure. Before becoming a Christian, he was a persecutor of Jesus' followers. Paul's biblical words advising women to be submissive to their husbands have been alternately obeyed, rejected, and reinterpreted. But the word "conversion" on this feast reminds us what Christian life is about. The Catechism of the Catholic Church quotes Saint Ambrose on the "two conversions" in Christian life—one of them a one-time event and the other ongoing. "There are water and tears, the water of Baptism and the tears of repentance." What parts of your life still require repentance?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18 (519).* "Jesus . . . appeared to you on the way by which you came, that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit."

Wednesday, January 26, 2022 MEMORIAL OF TIMOTHY AND TITUS, BISHOPS

Stay the course

Evangelizing and living the gospel demands much of us. Saints Timothy and Titus serve as examples to us of holding fast to the faith among difficult circumstances. Friends and companions of Saint Paul, they ended up becoming bishops and leaders of the early church. They helped Paul to spread the gospel during those difficult early years. Timothy paid the ultimate price for encouraging others to embrace the emerging Christian faith. Reflect on the ways you choose to follow Jesus Christ and embrace his mission despite the challenges and difficulties it presents.

TODAY'S READINGS: *2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5; Mark 4:1-20 (520; Gospel 319).* "[T]hose sown on rich soil are the ones who hear the word and accept it and bear fruit thirty and sixty and a hundredfold."

Thursday, January 27, 2022 MEMORIAL OF ANGELA MERICI, RELIGIOUS FOUNDER

Wise counsel for the overwhelmed

On this memorial of Saint Angela Merici, 16th-century founder of the Ursuline Sisters, it makes sense to recall one of her many insights into faith-filled living. She advised the overwhelmed thus: "Do not lose heart, even if you should discover that you lack qualities necessary for the work to which you are called. He who called you will not desert you, but the moment you are in need he will stretch out his saving hand." May you find that saving hand when you reach the end of your rope.

TODAY'S READINGS: *2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29; Mark 4:21-25 (320).* "Is a lamp brought in to be placed under a bushel basket or under a bed, and not to be placed on a lampstand?"

Friday, January 28, 2022 MEMORIAL OF THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST, RELIGIOUS, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Root yourself in honesty

G.K. Chesterton once said of philosopher and theologian Thomas Aquinas, "Being himself resolved to argue, to argue honestly, to answer everybody, to deal with everything, he produced books enough to sink a ship or stock a library." We could use a little more Thomas in our media, especially social media, because today we're not always sure if things are actually true or merely "internet true." For Thomas, honesty was key to communication. He considered it beautiful, honorable, and a reflection of moral goodness itself. May we take to heart his commitment to honesty in all of our communication.

TODAY'S READINGS: *2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mark 4:26-34 (321).* "Once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade."

Saturday, January 29, 2022

Sea of hope

Alonzo Ketcham Parker, a 19th-century travel writer, called the Sea of Galilee "a fifth gospel" due to the amount of biblical history that occurred on its shores. It is the site where Jesus performed many of his most renowned miracles, such as walking on water, calming the storm, and feeding the multitude. Villages and settlements dotted the shore in Jesus' day, and most of Jesus' followers probably gained their livelihood and nourished their families from its bounty. The nourishment continues every time we read the vivid accounts of biblical drama that occur on the holiest of seas. Dive in!

TODAY'S READINGS: *2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mark 4:35-41 (322).* "He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Quiet! Be still!' The wind ceased and there was great calm."





What is the Synod on Synodality?

Pope Francis has asked the entire world to participate in a synod on the topic “For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission.” The central question he asks of everyone is:

A synodal Church, in announcing the Gospel, “journeys together.” How is this “journeying together” happening today in our diocese? What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our “journeying together”?

You may be invited to participate in listening sessions at your local parish, or you may wish to give your input online. Participation in a synod should always involve prayer, listening, discussion, and above all, discerning the way that the Holy Spirit is guiding us. Hopefully the questions and answers listed below can help you as you prepare your input.

What is a synod?

“Synod” comes from ancient Greek. It can be translated as “journeying together.” Its literal meaning reminds us of Jesus as the Way, the Truth and the Life (John 14:6) and of Christians as followers of the Way (Acts 9:2). In Christianity it became the proper term for an assembly specifically called to discern, in accordance with the Holy Spirit, answers to important questions for the Church. One of the earliest examples is the Council of Jerusalem, described in Acts 15. Synods have been used at all levels of the Church, from local diocesan synods all the way up to the Synod of Bishops for the universal Church. They generally deal with how we can best live out our faith in practice.

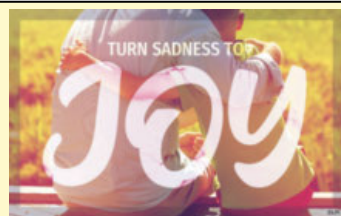
A synod can be thought of as a type of family meeting. By this analogy, the bishops are like the head of a household, with responsibility for the Church and authority to make decisions for her. In order to make the best possible decisions, they check in with the rest of the family and ask for our experiences and input. Then, taking everything into consideration, they make the decision. Bishop Persico, for example, is using this method for Pastoral Planning in our diocese. A synod is not democratic, and it is not majority rule. It is a means of discussing and discerning God’s will, the God who is drawn always to the poor and little ones.

What is synodality?

The Church has been holding synods since ancient times. While the concept of synodality is old, the word “synodality” is very new. It means the entire People of God assembling together, journeying together, and actively participating in the evangelizing mission of the Church. Pope

Francis is calling us to recognize synodality as the way the entire Church operates. Everyone is involved, everyone contributes. In particular, it means listening to each other and not remaining oblivious in our own bubbles. Synodality is not only for internal affairs, but also manifests the Church’s universal and missionary nature to the world. Hopefully this Synod on Synodality will help us to better understand and live out this emerging concept.





GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God’s transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the “gods” of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God’s constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God’s Word, God’s life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one’s soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn’t forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God’s Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God’s fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away. ©LPi

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn’t even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate “listening attentively.” Whether it’s at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can’t quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We “clock in” with Bible reading instead of “diving in.”

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* ©LPi

Readings for the week of January 23, 2022


Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/ k 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/ 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30



First Fridays for Families

Join Blessed Sacrament parish during the 2022 year in a unique prayer experience!
Every First Friday of the month,
 we will offer a guided Eucharistic Adoration program geared toward children and families of all ages
on Friday evening at 6pm.
 Everyone is welcome to this experience to be with Jesus in a very real and unique way.

FACE MASKS are required in the **School and Parish Offices.** All students, teachers and staff are required to wear them.



There will be extra masks if you forget one! We are doing this due to the increase in the number of Covid cases and to keep everyone safe. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Interested in being a substitute teacher?

Do You Have a 4 Year Degree?
 It's easy to get an emergency teaching certificate!

- Quick & easy process
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- Perfect for parents & retirees

Find out more!





<https://www.education.pa.gov/Educators/Certification/Pages/TIMS.aspx>

31 CLUB Pray for Vocations

January 24 Shirley Dovichow
 January 25 date available
 January 26 Kevin Kunik
 January 27 Barb Pronko, Steve Falk
 January 28 Mary Ann Tempestini, Roberta Lucchetti
 January 29 Pam Moore
 January 30 Terry Shannon, Rose Marie Knepper

Members of the 31 Club agree to go to daily Mass **and /or** offer prayers on a particular day every month for an increase of vocations to the Church. One of the best ways to increase vocations is through prayers, and the greatest prayer we have is the holy sacrifice of the Mass. *Please call the Parish Office if you want to be in the 31 Club and experience the satisfaction that comes from helping to fulfill a great need in the Church. We have openings on three different days, but you can pick your own date too!*



Blessed Sacrament School is Hiring

Blessed Sacrament School is searching for a middle school English Language Arts teacher.

We also need a **before care worker** on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. We also need an **after care worker** on Friday.

All interested candidates are asked to call the school at 814 455-1387 and speak to Principal Jane Wagner.

\$\$\$\$ RAISE THE ROOF LOTTERY \$\$\$\$\$

1/10 #585...#586...#584 no winners
 1/11 #469...#470...#468 no winners
 1/12 #198...#199...#197 no winners
 1/13 #160...#161...#159 no winners
 1/14 #712 John Greiner \$50...#713 no winner...
 #711 Carla Scalzitta \$10
 1/15 #636...#637...#635 no winners
 1/16 #993...#994...#992 no winners

FEBRUARY TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE
 \$5 per ticket 84 chances to win this month

If you want tickets, call Diane in the Parish Office at 454-0171 or send an email dfisher@bserie.org and leave a message with your choice of numbers.
 We appreciate your support.



PARISH FAMILY

Pray for all those in our parish family who are hospitalized, ill, homebound and in nursing homes as well as those who care for them.

Pray for members of the military,
Pray for peace in our country and for God's protection and guidance over our country.

Baptized into the Christian Community
through the waters of Baptism:
NOLAN ARTHUR KOTYUK
Son of Joseph and Rachel [Blum] Kotyuk

SAVE THE DATES

BIBLE STUDY Mark your calendars for our Lenten Bible Study every Wednesday during Lent at 6:30pm in the cafeteria starting **March 9th**. More details to follow.

FISH DINNERS Our delicious dinners are back this year...more details to follow but mark the dates on your calendars! **March 4th...March 18th...April 1.**

SYNOD on SYNODALITY Listening sessions will be held on **Tuesday February 22 & March 8 at 6:30pm and on Sunday, March 20 after 11am Mass**. More details to follow.

PARISH PRAYER LINE

If you, a family member or friend are in need of prayers, please call the prayer line with your request (814-860-6211). If no one answers, leave a message with your prayer request. First names only are used when the request is passed through the prayer chain.

**COMFORT IN GOD'S ARMS
PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

We have shawls available to take to your loved ones who need to feel the comfort of God's arms around them.

If you or someone you know would like a prayer shawl please contact Linda at (814) 490-8022. There is **no charge** for the shawls. Our Ministry is glad to provide comfort and prayers for your loved ones in need.

First Prayer Shawl get together of 2022 will be on Wednesday, January 26th at 6:00pm in the Parish Office.

If you wish to join or learn how to crochet, please contact Linda 814-490-8022 or email at mrandmrsbags1130@gmail.com Check out the display in church located in the station behind the organ.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT**

1/16/2022

Adult Offering:	\$ 10,661.00	135[632]
Loose:	\$ 570.00	
Online:	\$ 1,242.00	58[250]
Christmas:	\$ 10.00	
Solemnity of Mary:	\$ 30.00	
Youth Offering:	\$ 30.00	
Total:	\$ 12,543.00	

School Support:	\$ 180.00
Catholic Communications:	\$ 40.00

2021 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Pledged to Date:	\$ 80,517.00	[242]
Paid To Date:	\$ 76,925.00	
Assessment:	\$ 71,158.00	
Unpaid Balance:	\$ 3,602.00	

**Catherine's Club grant applications
for non-profits now available**

The Catherine's Club Giving Circle, sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, invites qualified non-profit agencies to apply for grants aimed at initiatives supporting women and children.

The Giving Circle promotes the economic self-sufficiency and/or well-being of women and children with needs resulting from limited financial resources, illness or inadequate education.

Agencies applying for grants must be located within one of the 13 counties of the Catholic Diocese of Erie. Grant applications are now available by contacting Edie Hudson at 814-824-2516 or ehudson@sistersofmercy.org or by visiting the Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse at 444 E. Grandview Blvd., Erie.

Catherine's Club, named after the sisters of Mercy founder Catherine McAuley, supports Erie area non-profit agencies that provide service for women and children. More than 100 laywomen support the goals of the group with their financial commitment.

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