

St. Mary Church And St. Ann Mission

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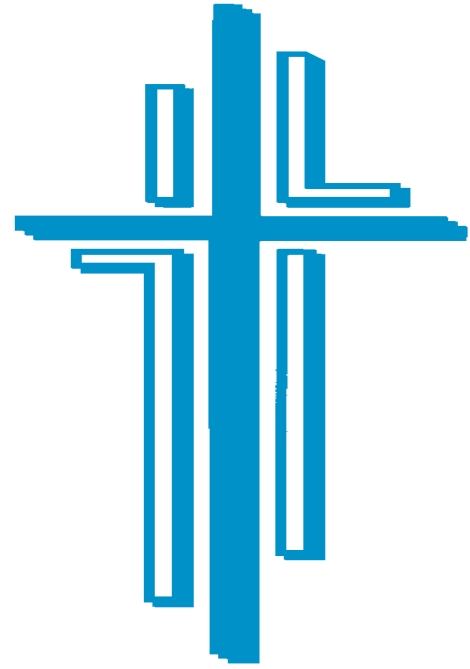
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

A joyful occasion for the whole parish. Parents must be registered and active members. Classes are required. Please call St. Mary's Church Office for arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Ann Mission—Saturday: 4:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

St. Mary Church—First Sunday of the month at 10:15 a.m.

Also by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Diocesan Common Policy requires at least six months advance notification before any plans are made to allow time for evaluation and sacramental preparation.

FACILITATOR OF FAITH FORMATION

Sheila Martz 782-6473

HALL RENTAL

Call St. Mary's Church Office: 744-9919

CATHOLIC RURAL MINISTRY

Sister Marian Wehler, OSB

Sister Tina Geiger, RSM

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REMEMBER ST. MARY/ST. ANN IN YOUR WILL

"I give and bequeath to St. Mary Parish and/or St. Ann Mission, PO Box 41, Crown, PA 16220, the sum of ___ dollars, real estate, and/or stock for the purpose of assisting St. Mary Parish and/or St. Ann Mission in furthering the work of the Church."

WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - St. Ann - Marienville

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - St. Mary - Crown

Sunday: 11:00 a.m. - St. Mary - Crown

Weekday Liturgies: Please consult the Bulletin.

In the event of a Funeral, there will be no daily Mass.

The Mass Intention will be rescheduled.

Holy Days: Consult the Mass Schedule.

MISSION STATEMENT

With faith in Jesus Christ and commitment to living Gospel values, the parish of Saint Mary, Crown and its mission of Saint Ann, Marienville, in communion with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie and the Universal Church, serve the people of northern Clarion County, eastern Forest County and seasonal visitors.

By calling forth and utilizing the gifts of each individual and through the celebration of the Eucharist and the other sacraments, the mission of our community is to advance the Good News and the spiritual development of each individual in order to achieve eternal salvation through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the office if a family member or parishioner is hospitalized, recovering at home, or in a Nursing Home. Visitation, Communion, and/or the Anointing of the Sick can be made available to them.

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 14, 2021**



I turn to you Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation. —Psalm 32

From the Desk of Father James

Dear parishioners,

I'm going to interrupt my series on the Gospel of St Mark so that we can talk a bit about the season of Lent.

On Ash Wednesday every year we hear a reading from the sixth chapter Gospel of St. Matthew in which our Lord instructs us on how to give alms, pray, and fast. This passage is thus for a roadmap in our Lenten disciplines: we are encouraged to renew our efforts in these three spiritual works. In all three of these practices (almsgiving, prayer, and fasting) we are encouraged to think outside the box and do something worthwhile.

Concerning almsgiving: it is important that we give our support to those in need. While giving money is a typical way to give alms it is perhaps more important that we give our time and our presence. Perhaps we can think of various acts of kindness that we can do throughout this season.

Concerning prayer: Lent is a special time to deepen our relationship with the living God. We are encouraged to find something extra to do each day such as reading the Bible, spending time in silent prayer, praying the rosary, or attending daily Mass. A traditional Catholic Lenten prayer is Stations of the Cross which is offered at our parish on Thursdays and Sundays but can be prayed privately by anyone at any time in any place.

Concerning fasting: this season is an invitation to live a simpler life. While the spiritual benefits of fasting from food cannot be understated there are plenty of other ways in which we can fast. Perhaps we can fast from technology, negative thinking, or any unnecessary noisiness in our daily routine (such as radio or TV).

The season of Lent is a sacred time to encounter God in a new way. I pray that you may have a blessed Lent.

In Christ,
Fr. James

ASH WEDNESDAY LECTOR SCHEDULE

8:30 A.M. ST. ANN Bee
7:00 P.M. ST. MARY Dave

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Ann Church — Saturday at 4:15 p.m.
St. Mary Church-First Sunday of the month at 10:15 a.m.

Saturday, February 13

M:5:00 p.m. Chuck Johnson
By Rene Grumbaugh

Sunday, February 14

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

C:8:30 a.m. Norma Mealy
By Jackie Landfried

C:11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

Monday, February 15

C:8:30 a.m. Jean Grumbaugh
By Rene Grumbaugh

Tuesday, February 16

C:8:30 a.m. Harry Bellotti
By Rene Grumbaugh

Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday

M:8:30 a.m. Doris Wolbert
By Jim & Louise Bauer

C:7:00 p.m. Sheila Hergenroeder
By Jackie Landfried

Thursday, February 18

Stations of the Cross 6:15 p.m.

M:7:00 p.m. Nancy Snyder
By The Snyder Family

Friday, February 19

C:8:30 a.m. Mary Popvic
By John & Bobbi Donnack

Saturday, February 20

M:5:00 p.m. Eugene & Faye Wolfgang
By Joe & Kitty Rodgers

Sunday, February 21

First Sunday in Lent

C:8:30 a.m. George Karg, Sr.
By Rose Mary Weaver

C:11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

C:6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

2nd Reading: 1Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES

February 20 & February 21

Lector: 5:00 p.m. Kitty

8:30 a.m. Ron

11:00 a.m. Volunteer

COLLECTION COUNTERS

February 21, 2021

Andrea, Emma, Kelly, Mary

Weekly Collections

2-7-2021

\$2,942.00

The Diocese of Erie, along with all dioceses of the United States, has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse and to aid in creating safe environments. The diocese is committed to on-going screening and training of paid or volunteer persons who have regular contact with our children and youth under the age of 18. It is committed to the yearly in-servicing and training of our children, youth and parents regarding touching-safety and safe environment. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to keep children and youth safe, check out <http://www.eriecd.org/protectyouth.htm> For more information, contact Cindy Zemick at the diocesan offices at 814-824-1195.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month: Over one quarter of youth (12-17) who have been in a romantic relationship during the previous year say they'd been the victim of **digital dating abuse** according to *Psychology Today*. Digital dating abuse is physical, sexual or psychological/emotional violence that occurs between romantic partners through the use of texting, social media and related online mediums. 81% of youth who had been the target of digital dating abuse had also been the target of off-line dating abuse. So what are some of the best ways for a parent to open up communication with their kids about a delicate topic like online dating? First and foremost, ask kids what they are doing online and then really *listen to why they like or don't like what's going on there. Parents must be diligent about staying on top of the latest trends. Great parenting and online dating tips can be found in at www.cyberwise.org. To see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth visit www.eriecd.org/childprotection/*

VOCATION CROSS—Families are needed to sign up for the vocation cross beginning with the month of **March 2021**. Please call the church office at 814-744-9919.

PRAYER CHAIN—If you wish to put someone on the Prayer Chain, please contact Sheila Martz at 229-3083 or Jane Wallace at 927-8566.

St. Ann's Women's Club now has a new supply of Micro-fiber streak-less cleaning cloths. Cost is \$5.00 each. Contact any St. Ann Women's member or call the Church office at 744-9919.

Bulletin Announcements: Any information for the bulletin **MUST** be written and in the church office by noon on Friday, a week before the date to be published due to printer schedules.

Holy Hour

Father James Power invites everyone from our parish family of Saint Mary/Saint Ann to a Holy Hour of Eucharistic adoration and Benediction on Friday February 26, 2021 at 7:00pm. Father Joseph Petrone will be speaking on Persecuted Christians.

Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2021

Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2021 CSA. Only by working together can we make it possible for parishes, Catholic schools, Catholic Charities, clergy and the Catholic faithful to live and share Christ's teaching.

You may wonder why you should support the CSA. The truth is, as members of the Diocese of Erie, we play an important role in the diocesan activities of Catholic education, evangelization, promoting justice and serving people in need throughout our diocese. Our diocese has work to do on behalf of the Lord and we are all asked to share our gifts to help advance the mission of the church.

Our bishop assures us that CSA donations are strictly designated to fund the projects, ministries, and departments of the Diocese of Erie. No funds donated to the CSA have been or will be used to defray expenses related to the sexual abuse crisis.



Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, March 8th 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

Five minutes with the Word Lent 2021 booklets are available at the back of the church. These are provided by the Knights of Columbus.



Parish Council will meet Monday, March 1st at 7:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

A Family Perspective

Family life is about decisions. The leper in today's gospel knew this when he said to Jesus. "If you will, you can make me clean." Jesus knew this when he said, "I do will it." Love is not an emotion. It is a decision to be with and for another person in "good times and bad," even when we don't feel like it.

This Week's Sponsor

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The ethical reception of COVID-19 vaccines

As various vaccines for COVID-19 are made available to the public, concerns about safety and efficacy — as well as the ethics of their research and development — challenge all to make informed choices. Bishop Lawrence Persico has issued a statement that provides information about the vaccines and a process of ethical decision-making consistent with Catholic values. The statement, which can be found at www.ericrcd.org/news/News-releases.html, also includes links to several helpful Vatican and USCCB documents

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*

Catholic Rural Ministry invites you to join S. Tina and S. Marian on Thursdays during Lent for Reflections on the Sunday Gospels.

1. Sign up for the guide on <https://mission.maryknoll.us/reflection-guide>
2. Call or email the Sisters at (814) 677 2032 or srtinag@gmail.com to sign up and ask any questions you may have.
3. The Sisters will send you a zoom link each week beginning Feb. 14, 2021.
4. You can join zoom by using a phone or a computer, laptop or tablet.
5. The Reflections and discussions will take place every Thurs. at 10:00 AM and/or Thurs. 6:30 PM beginning Thurs. Feb.18.

God bless your Lenten journey!

St. Mary Church is in need of **Maintenance Person** to perform general repairs, cut and trim grass, including the cemetery, and level and reseed graves in the cemetery. This is a part time, paid position, which is available immediately. Please contact Father James or the church office if you are interested in this position, 814-744-9919.



Marienville/North Clarion Food Pantry: Items needed are, boxed dinners, boxed potatoes, boxed stuffing, canned beans, cake mix, dry pasta dish soap, Items need to be in the Church before February 21. **Please remember monetary donations** are always welcome. Checks are to be made payable to the Marienville Methodist Church – in the memo write: Marienville/North Clarion Food Bank. Mail checks to the Marienville Methodist Church, PO Box 281, Marienville, Pa. 16239.

40 Cans for 40 Days Program

St. Hubert's Council #10341 of the Knights of Columbus, working with Father James, is conducting our 5th annual **40 Cans for 40 Days** program to collect canned food items for the local food bank. Starting on Ash Wednesday, February 17th and continuing through Easter Sunday, April 4th, there will be baskets set up in the back of St. Mary and St. Ann Churches for your donations. Last year we collected 1,000 pounds of canned food items to go along with monetary donations. The Knights of Columbus also donates \$100 for every 1,000 pounds of food collected. In addition to canned goods, other items which are needed include boxed dinners, peanut butter, spaghetti sauce, dry pasta, boxes of jello and pudding, box stuffing, and dry pancake mix. Please make sure that all items have expiration dates no earlier than 2021. Contact Randy Andring at 927-8114 with any questions or if you need

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day; Valentine's Day
Monday: Presidents' Day
Tuesday: Mardi Gras; Shrove Tuesday
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Fast and Abstinence; Almsgiving
Friday: Abstinence

In this age when personal data can be misused by scam artists, please be aware that the Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, its clergy, and entities such as parishes and schools will never solicit your personal or business information by any method unless initiated by you. Should you receive an unsolicited request for such information – including a request for gift cards of any type – exercise extreme caution. Contact the person or entity by using official contact information only. Do not use contact information provided in the potential fraudulent request.



SPRING RAFFLE

1. Weatherly Lazer Vanguard
2. 270 Remington 700 BDL
3. BL 22 Browning Lever Action with Maple Stock
4. \$200 Cash
5. \$100 Cash

Drawing: May 26, 2021

Must be 18 years or older

Only 1500 tickets sold—\$5.00 each

PENANCE SERVICE

St. Mary Church:

Sunday, March 28, 2021 3:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, March 30, 2021 3:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.
 Thursday, April 1, 2021 3:00—4:00 p.m.
 Saturday, April 3, 2021 3:00 —4:00 p.m.

St. Ann:

Normal Confession schedule:
 Saturdays 4:15—4:45 p.m.
 Except for April 3rd, No confessions at St. Ann.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

March 27, 2021 5:00 p.m. St. Ann
 March 28, 2021 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. St. Mary
 6:00 p.m. Stations - St. Mary

HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER—
 April 1, 2021 7:00 p.m. St. Mary. Adoration
 until 9:30 p.m. Night Prayer to follow.

GOOD FRIDAY CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S
Passion April 2, 2021 3:00 p.m.— St. Ann

Blessing of Easter Baskets Saturday
April 3, 2021—12:00 NOON.

HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL—
 April 3, 2021 8:30 p.m. St. Mary

EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
 April 4, 2021 8:30 a.m. St. Mary
 11:00 a.m. St. Ann

ST. ANN'S SCRIPTURE ROSARY

Scripture /Rosary will be prayed at St. Ann's Church daily –
 at 3:00 p.m. during Lent except for Saturdays and Thurs-
 days .Beginning Sunday, February 21st. This will be Sundays,
 Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The last day of
 this will be Wednesday, March 31, 2021.

JESUS' WAY

Today's readings present a contrast between "Jesus' way" and the "old way." An example of the old way is the law given to Moses and Aaron about leprosy: the leper was unclean and cast out of the community. Jesus' way is the opposite: the leper is reached out to, touched, and finally cured.

Nor ought we think of the "old way" as restricted to the days of Moses and Aaron, or even to the "old" testament. The difference between the old way and Jesus' way arises in our own lives. We still choose, every day, to live in our old way or in Jesus' way.

Jesus dared to touch a leper, disregarding the old way. The leper then was changed forever. He felt a calling. He couldn't keep himself from proclaiming that he had been touched by Jesus (even though Jesus told him not to!). Once Jesus touches us, we are called to proclaim his way.

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



February	14	Reid Hergenroeder
February	16	Megan Songer
February	17	Rosemary Quigley
February	18	Kristy Hartle
		Barb Karg
		Clare Shipe
February	19	Jordan Cyphert
		Joseph Ion
		Mason Shaftic
February	20	Jonah Carroll
		Joseph Sullivan



February	14	Jim Hoffmann & Charmaine Calfo
		James & Mary Louise Brown
		Charles & Patty Bush
February	19	Jon & Julie Miller



COMPASSION AND GENEROSITY

Let your heart feel for the afflictions and distress of everyone, and let your hand give in proportion to your purse.

—George Washington

St. Joseph's FISH & SHRIMP TAKE-OUT DINNERS

Route 66 • Lucinda, PA

Every Friday in Lent (Except Good Friday)
 February 19 - March 26th

5:00 p.m. — 7:00 p.m.

Adults: \$10.00 Children: \$6.00

JUMBO SHRIMP DINNERS: \$11.00

DINNERS INCLUDE: Choice of Fish (Baked or Fried),
 Fish Hoagie, Shrimp, or JUMBO Shrimp,
 Choice of Sides : (Fries, Baked Potato, Mac &
 Cheese), & Coleslaw

LUNCHES 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Fish Sandwich: \$8.00

Fish Hoagie: \$10.00 LUNCHES

INCLUDE: Coleslaw and Fries

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