St. Mary Church And St. Ann Mission

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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

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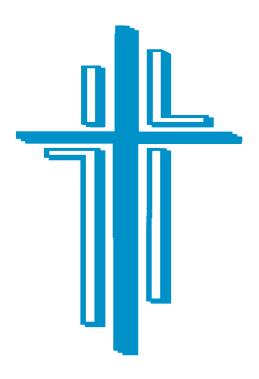
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CATHOLIC RURAL MINISTRY

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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.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 7, 2021

Praise the Lord, who heals the broken hearted. — Psalm 147

From the Desk of Father James

Dear Parishioners,

This article is a continuation of the series I have been giving on the Gospel of Mark. Throughout this year the Gospel reading at Sunday Mass will primarily come from the Gospel of Mark. It is helpful to study the background and themes of each individual Gospel so that we may better understand what the Holy Spirit wishes to convey to us through our reading of the scriptures.

Last week we learned about how The Gospel of St. Mark was the earliest Gospel to be written. We will never be certain precisely when this Gospel was written but many scholars would argue it was written in the 50s or 60s AD. This might cause us to wonder "If Jesus died and was raised in the year 33AD why did the evangelists take so long to write the Gospels?"

The answer to this question is quite simple. Jesus commanded his disciples to "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:19-20). Thus the apostles immediately began traveling to preach the Gospel. They were themselves the witnesses of the events of Jesus' life. There was no need to write anything down as long as they were alive to tell the story, which they did very effectively. I'm sure many of the senior members of our parish have a similar experience: I can recall telling my grandfather that he should write down the stories of his life yet he didn't see the urgency in such an undertaking as long as he was alive to tell those tales.

Once the persecutions became fierce and the Apostles began to be martyred the need became more apparent. Inspired by the Holy Spirit the evangelists wrote the stories of the apostle to preserve the Gospel for future generations. St. Mark, the companion of the St. Paul, was possibly the first to take up this task.

> In Christ, Fr. James

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 6

M:5:00 p.m. William Lynch By The Power Family

Sunday, February 7

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time C:8:30 a.m. Anthony Lencer By Gene & Janet Fesenmyer C:11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

Monday, February 8 C:8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Tuesday, February 9 C:8:30 a.m. **NO MASS**

Wednesday, February 10 C:8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Thursday, February 11 M:7:00 p.m. **NO MASS**

Friday, February 12 C:8:30 a.m. NO MASS

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

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46 2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 10:31-11:1 Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES

February 13 & February & 14 Lector: 5:00 p.m. John 8:30 a.m. Ed 11:00 a.m. Jan

COLLECTION COUNTERS

February 14, 2021 Dan, Linda, Rita, Bob



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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.eriercd.org/protectyouth.htm For more information, contact Cindy Zemick at the diocesan offices at 814-824-1195.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month: Who are the perpetrators? Traffickers can be anyone who profits from the selling of a child for sex to a buyer, including family members, foster parents, friends, gangs, trusted adults, or "boyfriends." Much of the trafficking of children has moved from street corners and truck stops to the internet where children are sold for sex. Online classified sites allow traffickers and buyers anonymity and accessibility when exploiting children. In some case, there is no identified trafficker, and it is the person buying sex from the child who is exploiting the child's vulnerabilities. A child cannot consent to being bought and sold for sex, and anyone purchasing sex from a child is committing a serious crime. If you suspect a case of Child Sex Trafficking you can call 1-800-THE-LOST or make a report at www.CyberTipline.org . Visit https:// www.eriercd.org/childprotection/ to see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and *vouth*.

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.



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

The 2021 Catholic Services Appeal will be held next weekend in our parish. The CSA is an opportunity for Catholics throughout the diocese to join together in doing the work of Christ. The CSA reminds us that we are all part of the same Catholic family and that the work of the diocese is the work of the church. The church serves each of us and our support is essential in continuing God's work in our area. Every CSA donation also brings us closer to being able to complete our own parish project [New Roof]. No gift is too small, but please give as generously as you can.



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



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

A Family Perspective

In today's gospel Jesus went to the "house of Andrew and Simon" to relax but discovered that Simon's mother-in-law was very ill. Like Jesus we come home to relax but are often confronted with problems. Take a tip from Andrew and Simon and tell Jesus about it "immediately".





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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 <u>www.eriercd.org/news/News-releases.html</u>, 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

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
•	World Day for Consecrated Life;
	Scout Sunday
Monday:	St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhi
	ta;
	International Day of Prayer and Aware-
	ness
	Against Human Trafficking
Wednesday:	St. Scholastica
Thursday:	Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the
	Sick
Friday:	Abraham Lincoln's Birthday;
	Lunar New Year 4719

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

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 Your generosity helps families in our community. Please no expired food items!

THE GOOD NEWS

Today's readings begin with a few verses from the book of Job. First, Job complains that his nights drag on endlessly. Then, worse yet, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; / they come to an end without hope" (Job 7:6). Not exactly encouraging, these lamentations, not when taken alone.

Most of us have been there, though, and the antidote is the "good news" that Paul found so compelling that "an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it!" (1 Corinthians 9:16). Paul felt driven to announce the gospel to as many people as possible, "to save at least some" (9:22).

This good news is the mystery of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who lifted Simon Peter's mother-in-law from her sickbed with a mere touch of his hand. "The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons" (Mark 1:33–34)). Our woes and demons are as real as Job's, and Jesus is our savior. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

<u>Catholic Rural Ministry</u> invites you to join S. Tina and S. Marian on <u>Thursdays during Lent</u> for <u>Reflections on the Sun-day Gospels.</u>

- 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!



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 <u>Must be 18 years or older</u> Only 1500 tickets sold—\$5.00 each

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39 Winners - \$1,510.00 paid out

TOTAL PROFIT \$8,235.00 - 192 Total Winners



Team "Cruisers" Relay For Life has cancelled their annual "Soup Sunday" which was held at the M.A.C.A. Due to Covid-19.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

	Birthdays	
February	8	Kathleen Gardner
·		Nancy Ochs
		Tessa Rodgers
		Jill Smail
February	9	Joseph LeClaire
February	10	Gary Deemer
·		Lori Hinderliter
		Mark Lencer
February	12	Brad Schmader
February	14	Reid Hergenroeder
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February

Mike & Bonnie Dechant



BEGINNING AGAIN

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If I were to begin life again, I would want it as it was. I would only open my eyes a little more. -Jules Renard

FEAST OF FAITH

The Gloria (1)

The Gloria, or Glory to God, follows the penitential rite. Both are acts of praise. In the penitential rite, we sing of the mercy of Christ. In the Gloria we praise God's saving action in the universe.

The Gloria is a relatively late addition to the Mass. It first appeared in the Roman liturgy in the sixth century, and then it was sung only by the pope-and only on Christmas! With time, the hymn came to be sung by bishops on major feasts, and then by priests; finally, it became the song of the entire assembly. With the advent of more elaborate musical settings, the people gradually stopped singing the Gloria, until this song of the people became the exclusive domain of the priest and the choir. But the liturgical reforms have restored it to its place as primarily the song of the assembly.

The language of the Gloria echoes the New Testament canticles. It may be begun by the priest, the cantor, and the entire assembly in varied combinations. The Gloria is sometimes called the "greater doxology," and in some ways it is like an extended, ecstatic version of the familiar doxology ("Glory be to the Father") prayed in the Divine Office and the rosary.

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