

St. Mary Church And St. Ann Mission

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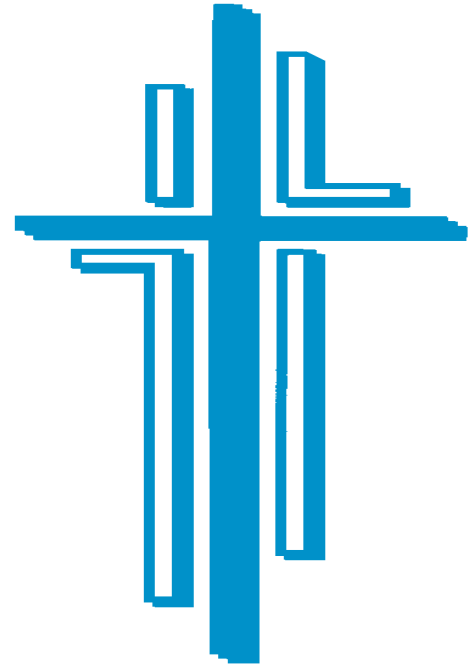
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

7 Pulaski Street, Oil City, PA 16301

814-677-2032 ruralministry@yahoo.com

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 of Lent
March 21, 2021**

Create a clean heart in me, O God.—Psalm 51

From the Desk of Father James

Dear Parishioners,

As I write this message it is Monday and the work on the new roof for St. Mary's Church has begun. It is possible that it may be finished by the time you receive this bulletin on Sunday. We have chosen to go with grey to match the other roofs at our facility. I was considering doing a shade of blue for the Blessed Mother, after whom our church is named, but we settled on something more neutral.

Just as our parish seeks to take care of our physical buildings, so it is all the more important to make sure that our souls are given the care that they need. Last week I preached about the sacrament of confession. While we know that frequent confession is necessary to being in state of grace which is expected of us as beloved sons and daughters of God, we may not be aware that scholarly studies regularly demonstrate that frequent confession is also beneficial to our mental and physical health. I hear confessions from 4:15pm to 4:50pm every Saturday at St. Ann's. During Holy Week confessions will be heard at St. Mary's on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 3:00pm to 4:00pm. You do not need to come to me for confession - any priest at any church will do just fine. There is no need to be nervous if it has been a long time since your last confession. If you need help to prepare for the sacrament, feel free to browse the internet - there are plenty of great resources online to help you make a good confession.

In other news, Fr. Marc Solomon from St. Joseph's in Lucinda and St. Michael's in Fryburg will be preaching the holy hour on Tuesday at 7:00pm at St. Mary's Church.

Lastly, we will be doing sign-ups for Easter Masses just as we did for Christmas. Each sign-up sheet will have 100 slots. They will be posted in the backs of the churches.

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, March 20

M:5:00 p.m. Bob & Nancy Snyder
By The Snyder Family

Sunday, March 21

Fifth Sunday in Lent

C:8:30 a.m. Anthony Lencer
By Rene Grumbaugh

C:11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

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

Monday, March 22

NO MASS

Tuesday, March 23

C:8:30 a.m. Bruce Wilson
By Rene Grumbaugh

C:7:00 p.m. Lenten Holy Hour

Wednesday, March 24

C:8:30 a.m. George Karg Sr.
By Jack & Jill Smail

Thursday, March 25

Stations of the Cross 6:15 p.m.

M:7:00 p.m. Henry & Margaret Gregory
By George & Anne Gregory

Friday, March 26

C:8:30 a.m. Janet Eisenman
By Skip & Milly Cussins

Saturday, March 27

M:5:00 p.m. All Parishioners

Sunday, March 28

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

C:8:30 a.m. Helen Smerkar &
Mary Carol Finfinger

By Bill & Pat Culp

C:11:00 a.m. Louis Rossi
By The Power Family

C: 3:00 p.m. Confessions

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

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

1st Gospel: Mark 11:1-10

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

The Passion of the Lord: Mark 14:1-15:47

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES

March 27 & March 28

Lector: 5:00 p.m. Kerry & John

8:30 a.m. Keith & Emma

11:00 a.m. Henry & Dave

COLLECTION COUNTERS

March 28, 2021

Henry, Tatiana, Walt, Dode

Weekly Collections

3-14-2021

\$1,998.00

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

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Pledge to Heal: The Diocese of Erie remains committed to helping victims of clergy sexual abuse heal and recover. Counseling assistance is available for victims and/or their family members through the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, VAC for short, Dr. Gerard Tobin, who can be reached at 814-451-1521. The diocese encourages anyone who has experienced abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy or any employee or volunteer of the church to contact law enforcement. To report abuse to the independent investigators retained by the diocese, email ErieRCD@KLGates.com. Victims or concerned individuals can report abuse directly to the diocese by calling 814-451-1543. *For particular questions you may call: Cindy Zemick, Coordinator for the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth in the Diocese of Erie at 814-824-1195.*

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.

VOCATION CROSS—Families are needed to sign up for the vocation cross beginning with the month of **May 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

LENTEN HOLY HOUR

As we continue through the sacred season of Lent, Father James invites everyone from our parish to a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at Saint Mary Church. Father Marc Soloman will be the guest homilist.



Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, April 12th 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.
Family of the Month: John McCloskey
50/50 Winner: Justin Kahle



Parish Council will meet Monday, April 5th at 7:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

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 Thursdays .Beginning Sunday, February 21st. This will be Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The last day of this will be Wednesday, March 31, 2021.

Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2021

A sincere thank you to all who made a pledge and/or gift to the Catholic Services Appeal. You have joined together with Catholics throughout the Diocese of Erie to share of your blessings to help advance the mission of the church. I am grateful.

If you have not yet made a commitment, it is not too late. Just drop your pledge card or envelope marked 'CSA' in the collection basket or mail it in to the parish office. Your generosity is appreciated.

In March of 2020 Catholic Charities established the **COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund**. Individuals or families who have needs such as rent, utilities, or heating fuel needs can receive assistance through Catholic Charities. **It is our hope that no need will go unmet.** To request assistance please contact Nancy with Catholic Charities at (888) 793-6602.

This Week's Sponsor

SNYDER'S AUTO BODY INC.
TYLERSBURG, PA.
814-744-9218

Please support our sponsors!!!

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



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.



Marienville/North Clarion Food Pantry: Items needed are, canned tuna, canned mac & cheese, rice mix, boxed dinners, boxed potatoes, boxed stuffing, canned vegetables, baked beans, cake mix, dry pasta, dish soap, Items need to be in the Church before March 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!

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 assistance with getting your canned goods to the Church.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny
Tuesday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo
Thursday: The Annunciation of the Lord
Friday: Abstinence

A Family Perspective

Relationships come with a price tag. We must be willing to entrust ourselves to another, to let go of our autonomy and die to our independence. It is in this type of dying that we find a newer, richer life with others.



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

Novena Prayer of Saint Joseph

O Glorious Saint Joseph, you were chosen by God to be the foster father of Jesus, the most precious spouse of Mary ever Virgin, and the head of the holy family. You have been chosen as the heavenly patron and protector of the Church. Therefore, it is with great confidence that we implore your assistance for the Church on earth. Protect with fatherly love Pope Francis, Bishop Persico and all those who labor for souls amid the trials of life. Dear Saint Joseph, ever be our father, protector, and guide. Obtain for us purity of heart. May all our actions be directed to the greater glory of God, in union with the Immaculate Heart of Mary and your own paternal heart. Finally, pray for us that we may share in the peace and joy of a holy death and be found ready to dwell in the glory of your Son. For He lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

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.eriescd.org/news/News-releases.html, also includes links to several helpful Vatican and USCCB documents



St. Elizabeth Center in Oil City is having a BIG Sale!
311 Emerald St., Oil City Pa. 16301
814-677-0203

Come to St. Elizabeth Center to see the wonderful collection of new and gently used clothing.
\$3.00 a bag

All the proceeds of the thrift shop helps the food pantry. It is a great way to **feed the hungry** during Lent.

Visit St. Elizabeth Center this March
Open Saturdays 9—noon
Mondays and Wednesday 10:00—2:00 pm

OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



March	21	Justin Kahle Emily Kline Barb Pfendler
March	23	Dick Carroll
March	24	Weston Patton Audrey Joanne Roberts
March	25	Christopher Delaney Lisa Dunn Marsha Oliver Carter Phillips
March	26	Melissa Gett Henry Lencer, Jr. Marian Maloney
March	27	Joyce Mueller Dave Schwabenbauer



March	27	John & Malinda Cesario
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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

TAKE-OUT ONLY!

For Lunch Orders - PLEASE CALL: 226 -8310