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

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, 117 Lencer DR, Leeper, PA 16233, 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 of Easter May 9, 2021

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.—Psalm 98

From the Desk of Father James

Dear parishioners,

Happy Mother's Day! May God bless all of the mothers of our parish, and not only those mothers who have borne children of their own, but also those who have a spiritual motherhood and have nurtured nieces, nephews, neighbors, and friends through their prayers and support.

Parish Council nominations are in. I cannot announce in this bulletin who has been nominated since we have not yet called the nominated parishioners to ask them if they accept their nominations (this bulletin column is written on Monday so that it can get to the printer early). Parish Council elections will take place at Mass on the weekend of May 15 and 16. I would like to express my gratitude to those who went to the effort of nominating someone for this council.

This Thursday is Ascension Thursday. While it is not a Holy Day of Obligation it is still a great opportunity to continue to come to Mass and commemorate God's plan of salvation brought about in Jesus Christ. There will be an 8:30am Mass at St. Ann's and a 7:00 pm Mass at St. Mary's.

In Christ, Fr. James



Ascension Thursday May 13, 2021

M:830 a.m. Lector: Kerry

C:7:00 p.m. Lector: Ron

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, May 8

M:5:00 p.m. Mothers Day Remembrance

Sunday, May 9

Sixth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day

C:8:30 a.m. Mothers Day Remembrance

C:11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

Monday, May 10

C:8:30 a.m. Bill, Millie & Billy Schmader By Chuck & Karla Beichner

Tuesday, May 11

C:8:30 a.m. Nancy Byerly By The Byerly Family

Wednesday, May 12

C:8:30 a.m. Regina (Sis) Staub By Michele Kibbey

Thursday, May 13

Ascension of the Lord

M:8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Grace Blymiller Family By Kerry Wolbert

C:7:00 p.m. Angie Lencer By The Barb Karg Family

Friday, May 14

C:8:30 a.m. Theodore & Elizabeth Kurtzhals By Ted & Susanna Kurtzhals

Saturday, May 15

M:5:00 p.m. Mary Bauer By Rene Grumbaugh

Sunday, May 16

Seventh Sunday of Easter

C:8:30 a.m. Daniel Eisenman Sr. By Rene Grumbaugh

C:11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Seventh Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostle 1:15-17,20a,20c-26

2nd Reading: 1 John 4:11-16 Gospel: John 17:11b-19

NÉXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES

May 15& May 16

Lector: M: 5:00 p.m. Kitty C: 8:30 a.m. Bob

C: 11:00 a.m. Dave

COLLECTION COUNTERS

May 16, 2021 Dan, Linda, Rita, Bob



5-2-2021

\$2,770.00



The Flowers on the Altar at St. Mary Church are in memory of all Mothers. Given by John & Bobbi Donnick.

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- Digital safety and keeping your child's personal information personal: If your child gives out personal information over the internet, it is easy to track and tough to completely remove. Teach your children to never give out personal information, such as: full name, address, phone number, email, school, or birthday on any social media site. Help your child set up strong passwords (alphanumeric) and do a yearly checkup on passwords. Adjust privacy settings for online games, apps, social media sites and your child's electronic devices. Don't forget to check the GPS settings ability to unintentionally share your child's location. Avoid using public wi-fi when sharing personal information. Visit https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/ to see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth.

JULY 2021 LOTTERY SPECIAL NUMBER

forms are available in the back of the church. These are due in the office by May 9th.

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

Next week our parish will take up **The Catholic Relief Services Collection**. Funds from this Collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and **help Jesus in disguise.** Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

St. Ann's Women Club will meet Monday, May 10th, 7:00 p.m. at St. Ann Church. New members are always welcome.



Parish Council will meet Monday, June 7th, at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

Nominations for Parish Council—We are accepting nominations for new Parish Council members the weekend of April 16th & 17th thru May 1st & 2nd with actual elections taking place the weekend of May 15th & 16th. A total of 4 members will be elected: 2 from St. Mary and 2 of St. Ann. Nominees must be registered, confirmed, and active members of our Parish at least eighteen years of age, and a Catholic in good standing. They must possess creativity, energy, and be willing to make a commitment of time and talent to the Council. Please prayerfully consider those that you feel may qualify, including yourself!

Finance Council will meet Tuesday, May 25th, at 7:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

HUNTER BREAKFAST MEETING May 11th at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

Please come and share your idea's about this fund raiser. With the Pa. Game Commission changes and the Covid-19 pandemic guidelines, there is a lot to consider about this important fundraiser. Please attend this meeting to share your thoughts and ideas on what we can do . Everyone is invited!

A Family Perspective

Today's gospel challenges us to "love one another as I have loved you." Jesus is our model and he asks us to "lay down our life" (our time, attention, opinions and needs) for each other. This is the sacrament of the family, when God is made visible in our sacrificial love for one another.

This Week's Sponsor

GATESMAN AUTO BODY LUCINDA, PA. 814-226-9468

Please support our sponsors!!!



Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, May 10th 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

All members of the **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CLARION ASSEMBLY #982** are cordially invited to attend our remaining activities for 2021:

Monday, May 17: Lucinda K of C Ballfield-Happy Hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00, Meeting at 7:00.

Monday, June 21: Lucinda K of C Ballfield- 4th Degree Picnic- Happy Hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00, Meeting at 7:00.

July- No meeting.

August- 4th Degree Steak Fry- (Date to be determined).

September- No meeting.

Monday, October 18- Lucinda K of C Ballfield-Happy Hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00, Meeting at 7:00.

Monday, November 15- Lucinda K of C Ballfield-Happy Hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00, Meeting at 7:00.

December-Assembly Christmas Party- (Date to be determined).

For more information, contact: **Kerry Wolbert** at **814**-927-8739 or email at **klwolbert**@zoominternet.net.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day Monday: St. Damien de Veuster; St. John De Avila Wednesday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras;

Eid al Fitr (Islamic observance) begins at

sunset

Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord

(unless transferred to Sunday); otherwise Our Lady of Fatima

Friday: St. Matthias

Saturday: St. Isidore; Armed Forces Day

LITTLE THINGS

Faithfulness in little things is a big thing.

—St. John Chrysostom



Marienville/North Clarion Food Pantry: Items needed are, canned tuna, mac & cheese, rice mix, boxed dinners, boxed potatoes, baked beans, cake mix, ceral, Jello, boxed stuffing. Items need to be in the Church before May 23. 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!

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 Stewardship Appeal 2021
To date 90 families have responded with pledges totaling \$41,903.26 Every dollar over our goal remains in our Parish. Our Parish goal is \$21,677.00 for 2021. Total paid to date is \$29,518.26, leaving a balance of \$12,385.00 to be satisfied by Dec. 31, 2021. Please prayerfully consider your gift for the CSA.

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.

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



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



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

The Collection for International Needs provides us with opportunity to broaden our charitable horizons by reaching out to our suffering brothers and sisters throughout the world. This annual collection, to be taken up in the Diocese of Erie the weekend of May 15 and 16, is a combination of the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, the Catholic Relief Services Collection and the collection for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa.

It offers a concrete way for us to reach out to those who live in lands and cultures far from our own.

- * It helps build churches and train and educate seminarians, clergy, and lay leaders in Central and Eastern Europe;
- * It provides for the victims of war and natural disasters, and aids the Church suffering under persecution;
- * It provides needed material assistance to the Church in Africa, which is growing rapidly, but has few resources.

I ask you to please give generously to the Collection for International Needs on May 15-16. Just as importantly, please include those in need in your prayers. Be assured of my prayers for you, your families and your parishes.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL Bishop of Erie

Diocese will recognize wedding anniversaries

The 2021 Diocesan Anniversary Celebration liturgies for couples celebrating 25, 50, 60 or more years of marriage will be held at two locations in the diocese: Aug. 1 at Immaculate Conception Parish in Clarion, and Aug. 8 at St. Jude Parish in Erie. For more information and to register, go to www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html. Electronic registrations are highly encouraged, but a hard copy registration form is attached for those who are not able to register online. Further questions may be directed to your parish or the Faith Formation Office at 814-824-1210.



DEEP DEBT

My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual, and physical education I received from her.

-George Washington

OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

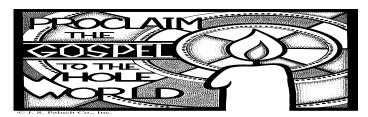


May	9	Diane Hoover
May	10	Robin Heasley
		Paul Schwabenbauer
May	11	Bob Carroll
May	14	Curt Carbaugh
		Rachel Kline
May	15	Patty McConville
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May	13	Carmen & Melissa Gett
May	14	Walt & Pam Karg
•		Randy & Jeanne Andring
May	15	Rick & Marcia Heasley

May 15 Joe & Bee Hepinger Congratulations on your 50th Wedding Anniversary! May God continue to bless your love and commitment to one another.



Tri-County Animal Rescue Center in Shippenville, PA. We are a 501 (C 3) organization. We are a no-kill animal shelter serving Clarion, Forest, and Jefferson counties. In addition to caring for homeless cats and dogs and facilitating their adoptions we provide a low cost spay and neuter clinic and have a pet food bank for members of the community. We are in need of help. We need volunteers ages 18 and older to help socialize and walk our dogs. We have a new Dog Walker program where folks can volunteer as little as one hour per week and walk some of our dogs. We are stretched thin with regular volunteers who come in twice a day and clean and feed and take our dogs out for bathroom breaks. Having volunteers who can spend time socializing and walking our dogs helps immensely with getting them ready for adoption and moving to a new home. We are also in need of supplies including the following: laundry detergent (any brand), bleach, Pine Sol, large trash bags, paper towels, Pedigree dog food (Wet/Canned), Purina Cat Chow, and Purina Kitten Chow. For more information on volunteering people can call the center at 814-918-2032. If people would like to donate supplies they may be dropped off at the center located at 9562 Route 322, Shippenville, PA during our public hours (Tuesday through Fri-