

# ***St. Mary Church And St. Ann Mission***

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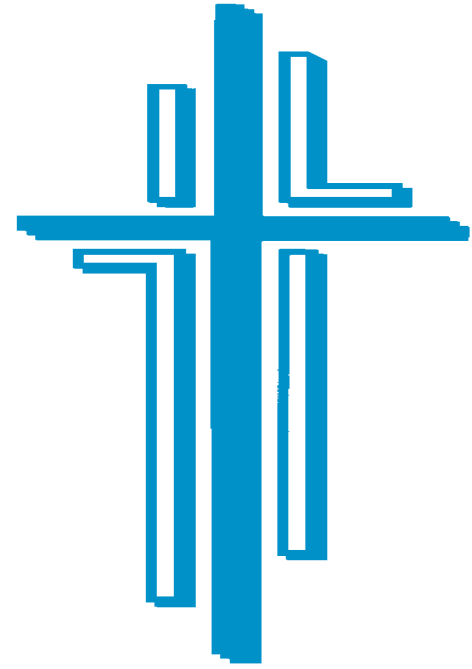
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## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

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, 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.

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**August 1, 2021**

The Lord gave them bread from heaven. –Psalm 78

***From the Desk of Father James***

Dear Parishioners,  
In the liturgical calendar for this week there is a well-known feast on August 6 and a lesser-known feast on August 5. The well-known feast on August 6 is the Transfiguration, which commemorates our Lord revealing his glory to his disciples. The lesser known feast on August 5 is the Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major - a feast also known as "Our Lady of the Snows." The Basilica of St. Mary Major is one of the oldest continually-used churches in existence. It was built in Rome in the year 432. It is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary and given the adjective "Major" because it is the largest Marian church in the city. It is also called "Our Lady of the Snows" because of a legend associated with the foundation of this particular church. The legend tells that a wealthy Roman couple, who were without heirs, made a vow to donate their possessions to the Virgin Mary. They prayed that she might make known to them how they were to dispose of their property in her honor. On 5 August, at the height of the Roman summer, snow fell during the night on the summit of the Esquiline Hill. In obedience to a vision of the Virgin Mary that they had the same night, the couple built the basilica on the very spot that was covered with snow. We do not know if this particular legend is true, but it makes for a good story, especially in the heat of the summer when we might appreciate a miraculous snowfall.

In Christ,

Fr. James

P.S. There will be no mass on Wednesday August 4.



**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, July 31**

M:5:00 p.m. Doris Wolbert  
By Rene Grumbaugh

**Sunday, August 1**

*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

C:8:30 a.m. All Parishioners  
C:11:00 a.m. Miriam Steiner  
By George Karg, Sr. Family

**Monday, August 2**

C:8:30 p.m. Joan Lander  
By Rene Grumbaugh

**Tuesday, August 3**

C:8:30 a.m. Stan Rathfon  
By Ken & Darlene Flick

**Wednesday, August 4**

C:8:30 a.m. **NO MASS**

**Thursday, August 5**

*Snyder Memorial*

M:7:00 p.m. Clarence Nuhfer  
By The Family

**Friday, August 6**

C:8:30 a.m. Norma Zacherl  
By Barb Karg & Family

**Saturday, August 7**

M:5:00 p.m. All Parishioners

**Sunday, August 8**

*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

C:8:30 a.m. In Honor of the  
Bradley Schmader Family  
By Knights of Columbus #10341  
C:11:00 a.m. Patricia Carroll  
By Dick & Kathy Carroll

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

1st Reading: 1Kings 19:4-8

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Gospel: John 6:41-51

**NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES**

August 7 & August 8

**Lector:** M: 5:00 p.m. Penny

C: 8:30 a.m. Ron

C: 11:00 a.m. Jan

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

M: 5:00 p.m. Penny

C: 8:30 a.m. Dan, Linda

C: 11:00 a.m. Henry, Taty

**COLLECTION COUNTERS**

August 8, 2021

Dan, Linda, Rita, Bob

# Weekly Collections

7-25-2021

\$ 1,995.00

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

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Documentation for Safety:** Working alongside the Bishop, the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth reinforces the ongoing implementation of policies and procedures that protect children. All employees, volunteers and clergy in the Diocese of Erie who work with children must undergo criminal record checks. The diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth screening guidelines and abuse prevention training programs emphasize the importance of knowing the employees and volunteers who have access to children in our schools and parishes. Parents should remain vigilant in insisting that those with access to their children have gone through an application process and obtained the required clearances and trainings before being granted access to their children. Visit <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/> to see what documentation and training is required for those who work with children and youth in our parishes/schools/agencies.

## 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*

### 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](http://www.eriercd.org/news/News-releases.html), also includes links to several helpful Vatican and USCCB documents

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

A special **“Thank You”** to everyone who bought and sold **July 2021 Lottery Tickets!** Your support of our Parish in this fundraiser is deeply appreciated!

**Finance Council** will meet Monday, August 16th, at 7:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.



**Parish Council** will meet Monday, August 2nd, at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

### SAVE THE DATE

Our Parish Picnic will be after the 11:00 a.m. Mass On September 19, 2021.



**Knights of Columbus** will meet Monday, August 9th 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

**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.

## This Week's Sponsor

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

*Please support our sponsors!!!*

## Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2021

To date 92 families have responded with pledges totaling \$42,513.26 Every dollar over our goal remains in our Parish. Our Parish goal is \$21,677.00 for 2021. Total paid to date is \$35,468.26, leaving a balance of \$7,045.00 to be satisfied by Dec. 31, 2021. Please prayerfully consider your gift for the CSA.

### A Family Perspective

In today's gospel Jesus tells us: "Do not work for what perishes." Give your life to what endures such as the family history you are creating, the love and mutual respect which bonds you together, the memories you share and the forgiveness generously given. These are the true treasures that are worth working and dying for.

### Celebrating a milestone anniversary this year?

Couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup> or more wedding anniversaries are invited to attend the annual Diocesan Anniversary Celebration Liturgies on Sunday, August 1, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception in Clarion and Sunday, August 8, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Jude in Erie. Both liturgies will begin at 2:00 p.m. To register for either event or to receive a scroll by mail, please visit <https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html> or contact your parish office or the Family Life Office at (814) 824-1261

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli;  
St. Peter Julian Eymard  
Wednesday: St. John Vianney  
Thursday: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major  
Friday: The Transfiguration of the Lord;  
Hiroshima Memorial Day; First Friday  
Saturday: St. Sixtus II and Companions;  
St. Cajetan; First Saturday



**Marienville/North Clarion Food Pantry:** Items needed are, canned pumpkin, boxed dinners, boxed potatoes, baked beans, cake mix, dry pasta, Jell-o or pudding, boxed stuffing, toothpaste. Items need to be in the Church before August 22nd. **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!



August 8, 2021 11:00 AM  
Dinners, Games, Fire Truck Rides  
Same day Raffle Whole Chickens To Go

I am the  
*bread of life;*  
whoever comes to me  
will never hunger,  
and whoever believes  
in me will never thirst.  
John 6:35

August 1, 2021  
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Bethany Retreat Center** in Frenchville, PA, is a quiet and peaceful place to rest, renew and be recreated for those seeking a deeper relationship with God. Bethany offers a wide variety of directed retreats that include: Centering Prayer, Health and Wellness, Grief Recovery and more. They also offer Personal Retreats where you can get away from the cares of everyday life and focus on your faith journey. To learn more visit their website at [www.bethanyretreatcenter.org](http://www.bethanyretreatcenter.org) or call 814-263-4855. "God is Spoken Here."

**"Blueberry Festival"** Returns to Bethany Retreat Center! Join us at 1031 Germania Rd in Frenchville, Pa. on July 31st from 10:00 am to 7 pm for a day of family fun! There will be games for all ages, arts & crafts for kids, basket raffles, 50/50, delicious food and refreshments and much more. Live musical entertainment by Heavenbound beginning at 2:00 pm and A Day Awaits at 4:00 pm. For more information visit [www.bethanyretreatcenter.org](http://www.bethanyretreatcenter.org) Or call 814-263-4855. Hope to see you there!



PARISHIONERS

Jane Carroll	Leeper
Mike & Mary Allshouse	Marienville
Bill & Pam Wolbert	Leeper
Craig Parrett	Leeper
Barbara Pfendler	Vowinckel
Esther Heasley	Leeper
David Dunn	Cooksburg
Berniece Pfendler	Sun City Center, FL
Pat Regrut	Marienville
Sandra Schmader	Leeper
Ronald Maloney	Sigel
Barb Karg	Leeper
Jane Wallace	Marienville
Paul & Patti McConville	Sigel
Dale Mueller	Leeper
Jack & Jill Smail (2)	Leeper
John Donnck	Marienville
Kaden McFarland	Marienville

NON-PARISHIONERS

Ashley Miller	South Park
Nathan Borland	Berwick
Annette Scott	Marienville
Jacque Cussins	Marienville
Dylan Young	Crown
Tod MacKintosh	Cooksburg
Chad Wolbert	Pompana Beach, FL
Mary Dechant	Fryburg
Anne Tesar	Wickliffe, OH
Michael Gilara	Lucinda
James Gilara	Fryburg
Tim Pearson	St. Mary's
Denver Hartle	Clarion
Rachel Neely	Tucson, AZ

33 Winners Paid Out \$1,210.00

**A SECRET**

The secret of happiness is to count your blessings while others are adding up their troubles.

—Anonymous

**Immaculate Conception Parish Sainly Sojourn**

**October 19-20, 2021**

**Lancaster, PA**

**Trip includes:**

**\* Ticket to see "Queen Esther" at the Sight and Sound Theater**

**\* Meals - 2 Lunches, 1 Dinner, 1 Breakfast**

**\* Hotel accommodations for one night**

**\* Motor coach transportation**

**\* Faith - an opportunity to grow your lifelong faith formation!**

**\* FUN!**

**Cost of trip: \$350 per person based on double occupancy. Single room rates - \$425.**

**Reservations needed as soon as possible to secure the best seating for the show. Payment due by August 19, 2021.**

**For more information or to reserve your seat, please contact Kim at (814) 226-8433, Ext. 101 or [kimkroh@comcast.net](mailto:kimkroh@comcast.net).**

# OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

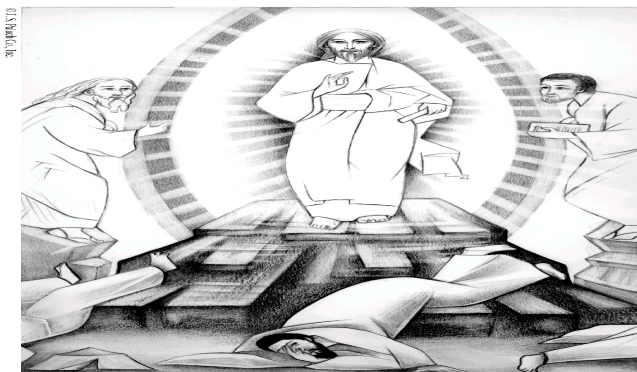


August	1	Dana McCauley
August	2	Maddison Lencer
August	4	Marie Cyphert
		Don Sudsina
August	5	LeAnne Davis
		Elizabeth Schmader
		Kelton Stitt
August	6	Florian Bauer
August	7	Michaela Gett



August	4	Thomas & Charlene Bury
August	7	David & Deborah Fajbik

**Congratulations on your 50th Wedding Anniversary!**  
 May God continue to bless your love and commitment to one another.



**FEAST OF FAITH**

**The Preface: Thanksgiving**

The preface of the Mass has been called “a poem, the cry of joy and recognition, the song of the world discovering its salvation . . . the certitude of faith making hope spring forth” (Philippe Béguerie, quoted in *The Mass*, Lucien Deiss, The Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN, 1992, p. 70). The preface takes up the last words of the dialogue, and expresses briefly and simply why we are grateful, why it is right and just to give thanks and praise to God. On feast days, the preface sings of the specific mystery or saint we celebrate; in Ordinary Time, the Sunday and weekday prefaces express our gratitude for God’s gift of the Son, Jesus Christ, in whom we have redemption and newness of life. The prefaces offer a succinct account of what God has done for us in Christ; they express the mystery of faith, always relating it to us, to our lives. “By his birth we are reborn,” we hear in Preface IV for Sundays in Ordinary Time. “By his suffering we are freed from sin. By his rising from the dead we rise to everlasting life.” Yes, we have cause to give God thanks and praise.

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