

St. Mary Church And St. Ann Mission

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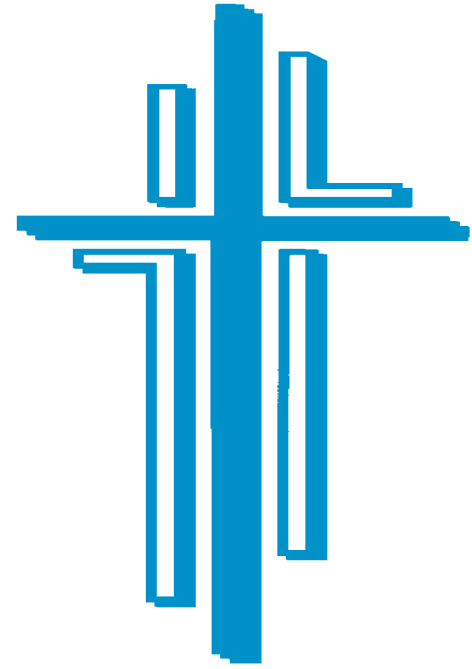
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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.

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 11, 2021**



Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation. -85

From the Desk of Father James

Dear Parishioners,

For the past year we have been ending mass with the "Prayer in Time of Pandemic." While much of the world is still struggling with the coronavirus, the incidents of the virus in our state of Pennsylvania are at the lowest point they've been since March 25 of last year (one week after the virus reached Pennsylvania). Thus, while we should all continue to pray for the complete eradication of the disease (especially in the developing world), we will no longer be saying our "Prayer in Time of Pandemic" at the end of Mass. We will, rather, be ending mass with a Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion. A prayer of thanksgiving after Mass is an ancient practice which all the saints, mystics, and doctors of the Church have considered indispensable. Sadly, this practice has not been encouraged in recent decades. St. Magdalena de Pazzi wrote that "the minutes that follow Communion are the most precious we have in our lives." St. Philip Neri once sent two altar servers with candles to accompany a member of his congregation who had left the church without any adoration after Mass. The man returned to the church to complain to St. Philip. St. Philip told him: "We have to pay proper respect to Our Lord, Whom you are carrying away with you. Since you neglect to adore Him, I sent two acolytes to take your place." When our Lord showed his Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, he said "Behold this heart which has loved so much, but has received nothing but coldness, indifference, and ingratitude in return." May we love him all the more, adore him all the more, and trust him all the more by giving him this short moment of prayer after mass.

In Christ,

Fr. James

p.s. No 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary Church Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday as I will be away at a conference.

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 10

M:5:00 p.m. All Parishioners

Sunday, July 11

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

C:8:30 a.m. Tony Lencer

By Dana & Vicki Host

C:11:00 a.m. Connie & Tim Heasley

By The Family

Monday, July 12

C:8:30 a.m. **No Mass**

Tuesday, July 13

C:8:30 a.m. **No Mass**

Wednesday, July 14

C:8:30 a.m. **No Mass**

Thursday, July 15

M:7:00 p.m. Doris Wolbert

By Skip & Milly Cussins

Friday, July 16

C:8:30 a.m. James Hahn & John Schaming

By Ted & Susanna Kurtzhals

Saturday, July 17

M:5:00 p.m. Gary Bishop

By John & Bobbi Donnack

Sunday, July 18

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

C:8:30 a.m. Stan Rathfon

By Shawn & Tami Kline

C:11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES

July 17 & July 18

Lector: M: 5:00 p.m. Bee

C: 8:30 a. m. Chuck

C: 11:00 a.m. Pam

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

M: 5:00 p.m. Jane

C: 8:30 a.m. Chuck, Carol

C: 11:00 a.m. Pam, Bill

COLLECTION COUNTERS

July 18, 2021

Henry, Taty, Walt, Dode

Weekly Collections

7-4-2021

\$ 2,545.00

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- Know the Warning Signs of a Predator: Those who abuse children look like everyone else. They don't look like scary people that we should know to avoid. Rather, most abusers are known to the child, such as the parent, sibling, parent's paramour, parent's spouse, other relative or babysitter. One of the most important ways to ensure the safety of children in our environments is to know the warning signs of adults who present a risk of harm to children. Among these signs are when the person (1) always wants to be alone with children in areas where no one can monitor the interactions, (2) allows children to do things their parents would not permit, (3) is always more excited to be with children than with adults, and (4) discourages others from participating in activities involving kids. For more information and resources visit <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/>.

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

UNFINISHED MISSION

Here's a simple test to find out whether your mission on earth is finished: If you're alive, it isn't.

—Anonymous

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 we will take up the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**. Today, over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Saint Ann Day is Monday, July 26.

Mass will be offered at St. Ann Church at 5:00 pm to celebrate our patronal Feast Day.

St. Ann's Women Club will serve Strawberry Shortcake and coffee after Mass. Everyone is welcome!

St. Ann's Women Club will meet Thursday, July 15th, 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann Church. New members are always welcome.

New **Lector & Eucharistic Ministers Schedules** are available in the back of the Church.



Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, July 12th 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. HUBERT'S COUNCIL #10341, CROWN, PA. RAFFLE

**Savage Bolt Action Model 110
260 Remington Caliber with 3x9 Scope
or
\$400.00 cash**

**Drawing: when all tickets are sold. Donation \$10.00
Prize must be picked up within 90 days or forfeited.**



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

INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION

God loves each one of us as if there were only one of us.

—St. Augustine

This Week's Sponsor

**KAHLES KITCHENS, INC.
LEEPER, PA.
814-744-9390**

Please support our sponsors!!!

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

Celebrating a milestone anniversary this year?

Couples celebrating their 25th, 50th or 60th 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: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: St. Henry
Wednesday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Thursday: St. Bonaventure
Friday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

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



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 July 18th. **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!

Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2021

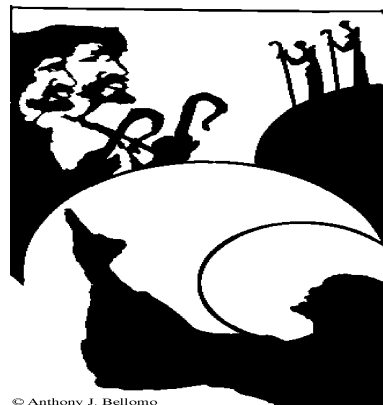
To date 92 families have responded with pledges totaling \$42,513.26 Every dollar over our goal remains in our Parish. Our Parish goal is \$21,677.00 for 2021. Total paid to date is \$35,143.26, leaving a balance of \$7,370.00 to be satisfied by Dec. 31, 2021. Please prayerfully consider your gift for the CSA.

A Family Perspective

Jesus sent out His apostles without a lot of “things” because THINGS distract. We collect, argue about and protect our “things.” We even ignore each other because we have “things” to do. What “things” are separating you from your family?

STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCES

Join us at Franciscan University of Steubenville for the Applied Biblical Studies Conference on July 28-30 or the Defending The Faith Conference July 30- Aug 2. Learn from the team of world-renowned Scripture scholars, such as Scott Hahn, Edward Sri, and Dr. Mary Healy to name a few. Be refreshed by the powerful praise and worship. Encounter Jesus in a very personal way during Eucharistic Adoration. Learn more at : <https://steubenvilleconferences.com> and contact Conference Ambassador Patti Bauer at 814-744-8076 to register and for more information.



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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 or call 814-263-4855. "God is Spoken Here."



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The Holy Father is constantly encouraging us to remember the poor and the marginalized. In his Homily on World Day of the Poor last year the Pope prayed: "Rouse us, Lord, from our idle calm, from the quiet lull of our safe harbors. Set us free from the moorings of self-absorption that weigh life down; free us from constantly seeking success. Teach us to know how to 'leave' in order to set out on the road you have shown us: to God and our neighbor." Today I am asking you to continue on that road to God and neighbor by considering a generous gift to the National Needs Collection.

This year the National Needs Collection will take place the weekend of July 17- 18. This is a good opportunity for Catholics to show their solidarity with the poor in our own nation. This collection is a combination of two collections:

- The Catholic Home Missions Appeal – supports, among other things, education for seminarians, which is a significant expense for poorer dioceses in the United States. This collection also supports training for lay ministry, Hispanic ministry, catechesis and other pastoral programs in needy dioceses throughout the United States.
- The Black and Indian Mission Collection – supports the work of the Church among the African American, Alaskan Native and American Native peoples in the United States.

I ask your generous response to the Collection for National Needs on July 17-18. Your help does make a difference. Be assured of my gratitude and prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

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

**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.**

OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

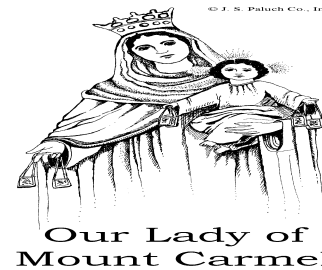


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| July | 11 | Bobbi Donnick |
| July | 12 | Jim Bauer Brooke Oliver |
| July | 13 | Mary Quigley |
| July | 14 | Carmen Gett Mary McCauley Paige Sherbine |
| July | 15 | Jerzey Bell Sydney Bell Louise Hughes Ryan Lencer Jana Wolbert |
| July | 17 | Ainsley Hartle |



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| July | 11 | Craig & Brittany Parrett |
| July | 16 | John & Sandra Allio |

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



Lottery Winners July 1 – July 3, 2021

PARISHIONERS

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| Tom Fedusa | New Kensington |
| Richard Fielman | Pittsburgh |
| Pat Bush | Marienville |
| Bill & Pam Wolbert | Leeper |
| Nate & Jen Siegel | Leeper |
| Shannon Stitt | Leeper |
| Marie Cyphert | Leeper |
| Maryann Lepovsky | Lucinda |
| Berniece Pfendler | Sun City Center, FL |
| Robin Heasley | Leeper |

NON-PARISHIONERS

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|------------------------|-----------------|
| Ron Galla | Streetsboro, OH |
| Fr. Christopher Barnes | Greenville |
| Cassie Wensel | New Bethlehem |
| Susanna Kurtzhals | Jamestown, NY |

14 Winners \$540.00 paid out