

St. Mary Church And St. Ann Mission

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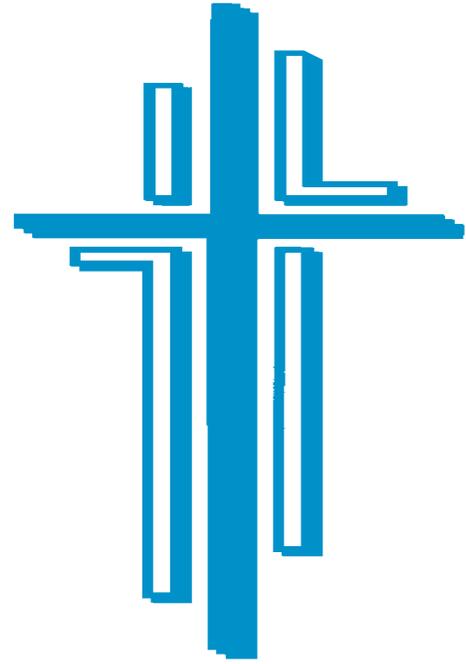
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 8, 2021

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. –Psalm 34

From the Desk of Father James

Dear Parishioners,
Next Sunday is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a wonderful celebration in honor of the Blessed Mother. Next Sunday, also, we are glad to celebrate the first weekend with the reinstated Sunday Mass obligation. As you know, in March of last year Bishop Persico lifted the Sunday Mass obligation for the sake of the physical health of the people in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Over the course of this past year we have learned that masks, vaccines, and hand-washing are effective measures against the virus. Some of our people, however, may still be worried for their health. Bishop Persico assured us in his letter that “as always, the obligation does not apply to those with serious illness or health risks, as well as their caregivers.” If you fit into this category, though, I would strongly encourage you to try to attend a weekday Mass, where there is only a small group of people, and you can sit far away from everyone.

The sacrifice of the Mass is the source and summit of the Christian life. It is the celebration of the Mass that gives us our identity and leads us on our mission. This reinstated obligation is not meant to condemn those who have neglected their relationship with God, but to emphasize the importance of that relationship and encourage them to work at it, lest they be condemned by their own inaction. This reinstated obligation is an opportunity to invite neighbors, friends, and family members back to the practice of the faith. We all need Jesus. A small invitation to encounter him can go a long way.

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, 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

Monday, August 9

C:8:30 a.m. Mary Ellen Stirling

By John & Bobbi Donnack

Tuesday, August 10

C:8:30 a.m. Bill, Millie & Billy Schmader

By Chuck & Karla Beichner

Wednesday, August 11

C:8:30 a.m. Forrest & Sue Wyant

By The Hall Family

Thursday, August 12

M:7:00 p.m. Patricia Gregory

By George & Anne Gregory

Friday, August 13

C:8:30 a.m. Dennis Boschini

By Rene Grumbaugh

Saturday, August 14

M:5:00 p.m. Anthony Lencer

By Robin Heasley

Sunday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

C:8:30 a.m. Edwin Carroll

By Dick & Kathy Carroll

C:11:00 a.m. Edward Ambrose

By The Power Family

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1st Reading: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a,10ab

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-27

Gospel: Luke 1:39-56

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES

August 14 & August 15

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

C: 8:30 a.m. Bob

C: 11:00 a.m. Bill

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

M: 5:00 p.m. Deacon Mike

C: 8:30 a.m. Deacon Mike, Ed

C: 11:00 a.m. Deacon Mike, Reid

COLLECTION COUNTERS

August 15, 2021

Henry, Taty, Jill, Jack

Weekly Collections

8-1-2021

\$ 2,686.00

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, also includes links to several helpful Vatican and USCCB documents

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

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

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

St. Ann's Women Club will meet Thursday, September 16th, 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann Church. New members are always welcome.



Parish Council will meet Tuesday, September 7th, 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.

This Week's Sponsor

OCHS BUILDING SUPPLY
LUCINDA, PA.
814-226-7334

Please support our sponsors!!!

LOTTERY WINNERS 7/25-7/31/2021

PARISHIONERS

Berniece Pfendler	Sun City Center, FL
Nate Kline	Leeper
Thomas Shipe	Marienville
George Karg, Jr. (2)	Leeper
Barb Karg	Leeper
Mary Schrecengost	Marienville
Ken Flick	Leeper
Heather Dittman	Marienville
Jane Wallace	Marienville
Joe & Mary Beth Hepinger	Marienville
Don Stinebiser	Marienville
Andrea Cussins	Marienville
Gaye Ochs	Leeper
Nancy Ochs	Leeper
Matt Schwabenbauer	Lucinda
John Donnack	Marienville
Bill & Marlie Carroll	Leeper
St. Mary Church	Crown
Mike Dechant	Marienville
LeAnne Davis	Vowinckel
Sandra Schmader	Leeper

NON-PARISHIONERS

Gordon Whiteman	Leeper
Frances Nicklas	Colorado Springs, CO
Caroline Power	Erie
Jeremy Miller	Leeper
Angie Meyer	Kalida, OH
Bill Conrad	Marienville
Larry Crites	Marienville
Fr. Gregory Passauer	Waterford
Rebecca Bauer	Vowinckel
Terri Hanley	Turtle Creek
Terry Dreihaupt	Leeper
Anne Tesar	Wickliffe, OH

35 Winners \$1,240.00 Paid Out

Total Profit July 2021 Lottery - \$7,890.00 - 133 Winners

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.



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

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

“Stop murmuring” Jesus told the disciples in today’s gospel. Complaining is a dead-end; constant complaining is nagging. We might feel better but others feel bitter. Silence or grumbling will not resolve the problem. Address differences honestly and respectfully. Don’t make them personal attacks.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
- Tuesday: St. Lawrence
- Wednesday: St. Clare
- Thursday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal
- Friday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus
- Saturday: St. Maximilian Kolbe

Benedictine Sisters offer virtual discernment retreat

The Benedictine Sisters of Erie will offer a virtual retreat beginning Aug. 18 to help seekers work through questions of discernment and vocation. The seven-session retreat will be offered via Zoom and an online forum. Sessions will include content to guide personal reflections and links to media and other resources. There will be opportunities for shared reflection. Registration begins July 27, with the first Zoom gathering on Aug. 18. There is no charge for the retreat. For more information or to register, go to Seeking God: A Benedictine Virtual Discernment Retreat.



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,
The Catholic Church in Latin America is currently facing barriers to practicing its faith. Shortages of resources, pastoral workers and poor infrastructure make simple things like attending weekly Mass difficult for many. As members of the same family of faith, we have a unique opportunity to assist our brothers and sisters in overcoming these hardships while growing in their faith through the Collection for the Church in Latin America.

This collection, scheduled for the weekend of August 14-15, is an important resource for the Church in Latin America. The proceeds are used in dioceses, parishes, religious congregations, seminaries and other Catholic institutions. The collection assists in the formation of priests, religious, lay ministers, missionaries, catechists and youth ministers.

There are many ways to fulfill our commitment to God; and among them is supporting those who teach the faith and share their lives with the most vulnerable people in the world.

I am grateful for your generosity in the past and ask that you once again support our brothers and sisters in Latin America. I encourage you to be as generous as possible. Your financial assistance, as well as your prayers, for the people in this region of our world will truly make a difference.

Be assured of my own prayers for you and your families.

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



August	8	John A. Baughman Charles Bush
August	9	Ron Songer
August	10	Mary Rizer
August	11	Susan Burney
August	13	David Fajbik
August	14	Michael Allshouse



August	8	Dana & Mary McCauley Dick & Karen Andre
August	9	Paul & Elsie Schwabenbauer
August	10	George & Barbara Becker
August	12	David & Lisa Dunn

FAITH FORMATION

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There will be a **parent meeting, Sunday, August 29, 2021**, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. The first Faith Formation class will be Sunday, September 12, 2021. If you or someone you know have a child who will be attending Faith Formation and has not been previously registered within the past year, please call (782-6473) or text (229-3083) Sheila Martz. Classes, as of right now, will be held in-person.

Catholic Rural Ministry invites you to an overnight Retreat entitled "Social Friendship" based on "Fratelli Tutti", the most recent letter of Pope Francis. It will be held at Olmsted Conference Center, Ludlow, PA Thursday-Friday, noon-noon October 21-22, 2021. Books will be available. Please register as soon as possible by calling 814 677 2032 or email: srtinag@gmail.com.

"This powerful encyclical is Pope Francis' "cry from the heart" to all people of the earth to see beyond their differences--indeed to work *with* their differences--and begin to grow together to build a new and peaceful world. This remarkable document comes from a pastor's heart, setting forth Francis' vision for a new church and new world, against the backdrop of a catastrophic pandemic that has spared nothing and altered every thing." (Twenty-Third Publications)

**Our retreat dates are finally decided: Thursday October 21 Noon - Friday, October 22 Noon, at Olmstead Manor, Ludlow, on Pope Francis' newest letter to us all on social friendship. We try to keep costs low, so the retreat cost is \$50.00. We request a non refundable deposit of \$25 to keep your space. As always scholarships are available. Please RSVP to srtinag@gmail.com
THANKS, and HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**