

St. Mary Church And St. Ann Mission

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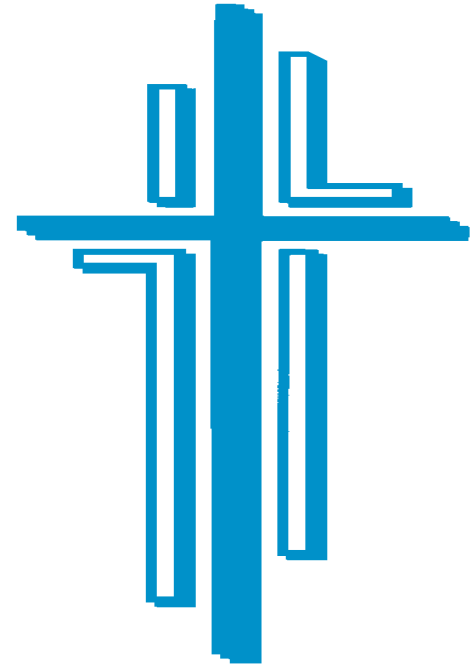
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 21, 2021

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty—Psalm 93

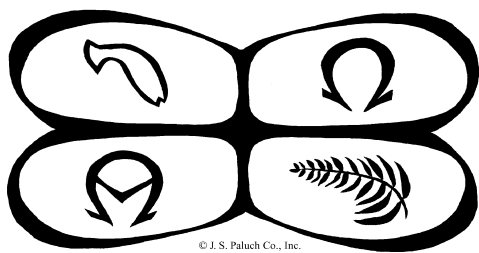
From the Desk of Father James

Dear Parishioners,

Advent begins next Sunday, November 28. During Advent we are asked to spiritually prepare ourselves for the celebration of Christmas. Practically, however, Advent can become a hectic time of buying Christmas presents, sending Christmas cards, baking Christmas cookies, and getting our houses ready to receive guests. While all of those chores can be fun, they can distract us from the spiritual benefits of this season. I would like to invite us to really be intentional this year at preparing our hearts for the celebration of Christmas. I would encourage us to treat Advent as a miniature Lent. Find something to give up for Advent - perhaps it could be something as small as giving up food between meals. Find some extra prayers to pray during Advent - perhaps you can use the reflection booklets that the Knights of Columbus provide for our parish. And find a way to be charitable this Advent - perhaps by buying a gift for an individual on the Angel Tree.

These spiritual practices are not something that we do just for our own benefit. No. We do these spiritual practices for the good of our world, our community, and our families. I know that prayers and sacrifices are the only way we can bring true and lasting change to our world - and our world really needs it. May we continue to be a powerhouse of prayer that brings Christ to our world.

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, November 20

SCI Fathers Day Remembrance

M:5:00 p.m. Melvin Samick

By The Power Family

Sunday, November 21

Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

C:8:30 a.m. Kate Donnack

By John & Bobbi Donnack

C:11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

M: 3:00p.m. Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service

Monday, November 22

C:8:30 a.m. Bruce Wilson

By Rene Grumbaugh

Tuesday, November 23

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

By Michele Kibbey

Wednesday, November 24

C:8:30 a.m. Kate Donnack

By John & Bobbi Donnack

Thursday November 25

C:8:30 a.m. Stan Rathfon

By Lou & Marge Tripodi

Friday, November 26

C:8:30 a.m. James Pace, Sr.

By The Family

Saturday, November 27

SCI Mothers Day Remembrance

M:5:00 p.m. Anthony Lencer

By John & Linda Sokolovich

Sunday, November 28

First Sunday of Advent

C:8:30 a.m. All Parishioners

C:11:00 a.m. Patrick Campbell

By The Power Family

3:00 p.m. Penance Service St. Joseph Oil City

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES

November 27 & November 28

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

C: 8:30 a.m. Keith

C: 11:00 a.m. Bill

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

M: 5:00 p.m. Randy

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

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

Collection Counters

November 28, 2021

Dan, Linda, Rita, Bob

Weekly Collections

11-14-2021

\$2,320.00

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-Digital Behavior: Parents create trust with children by initiating open, honest discussions. These dialogues are an opportunity to communicate values and expectations about your family's appropriate digital behavior, including viewing or sharing content, and apps they can and cannot use. Check in frequently with your children about their digital experiences to address any potential risk of cyberbullying and harm. Be clear that your intention is to look out for their wellbeing, and that you want to have an open dialogue. Listen to their concerns and express your perspective. To minimize the risk of cyberbullying or harm from digital behavior, parents can: set clear expectations about digital behavior and online reputation, educate about the harmful effects of cyberbullying, posting hateful speech or comments, sexting, and sharing naked photos of themselves or others (including potential legal issues), be clear about what content can be viewed or shared, and identify which apps are appropriate for your child's use and which are not. Establish rules about the amount of time that a child can spend online or on their devices. Model positive, respectful digital behavior on your own devices and accounts. For more information on cyberbullying go to: www.stopbullying.gov. For additional parent resources visit <https://www.eriercd.org/>

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.

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.

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.

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in eight people lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

iGiveCatholic Day

iGiveCatholic Day is Tuesday, November 30!

We are pleased to announce that a donor has offered to match all gifts up to \$5,000.

Donations can be made by using the iGiveCatholic envelopes or by going to <https://erie.igivecatholic.org/organizations/st-mary-parish-crown> anytime between November 16 and November 30.

St. Ann's Women Club will meet Thursday, December 9th, 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann Church. New members are always welcome.



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



Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, December 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at Stutz Hall.

Family of the month: John Allio
50/50 Winner: Chuck Baxter

Veteran flags in the cemetery will be taken down Sunday, **November 21st** after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. If you are able to stay and help, it would be appreciated.

This Week's Sponsor

**LEEPER MARKET
LEEPER, PA.
814-744-8811**

Please support our sponsors!!!

PENANCE SERVICE

Sunday November 28 at 3:00pm - St. Joseph Church in Oil City
Wednesday December 1 at 7pm - St. Titus Church in Titusville
Sunday December 5 at 3:00pm - St. Mary Church in Crown
Monday December 6 at 7:00pm - St. Joseph Church in Lucinda
Tuesday December 14 at 7:00pm - St. Charles Church in
New Bethlehem

St. Hubert Medals

The St. Hubert Medals will be distributed to hunters on the weekend of November 27/28. These medals are blessed so that hunters may stay safe, experience repentance, and have success in their hunting.

JANUARY 2022 LOTTERY TICKETS

This is an important fund raiser for our parish. We prayerfully ask that you buy or sell your tickets that are provided. These make wonderful Christmas gifts!

Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2021

To date 92 families have responded with pledges totaling \$42,563.26 Every dollar over our goal remains in our Parish. Our Parish goal is \$21,677.00 for 2021. Total paid to date is \$38,953.26, leaving a balance of \$3,610.00 to be satisfied by Dec. 31, 2021. Please prayerfully consider your gift for the CSA.

Marienville Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

The First Presbyterian Church will be hosting this year's Marienville Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service on November 21st at 3:00 p.m.. Our pastor, Fr. James, will be preaching the sermon.

A Family Perspective

When we are young, our parents "tell us about Jesus" and we believe what our parents believe. At some point, we must leave our parents faith and ask Pilate's question: "Are you the King?" Pilate is just asking these questions on our behalf.



Marienville/North Clarion Food Pantry: Items needed are, boxed dinners, boxed potatoes, cake mix, cereal, Jell-o or pudding, boxed muffins, mac & cheese, dish soap. Items need to be in the Church before December 5.

Coats and Christmas decorations will **not** be collected because of the Covid-19 limitations.

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!



Adult Faith Formation

All are invited to deepen their knowledge of the Faith with monthly Adult Faith Formation meetings which will be held at Stutz Hall between the Sunday Masses. The next meeting will be on Sunday December 5th at 9:30 a. m.

EDGE PROGRAM

Our EDGE program is up and running for our youth in grades 6th, 7th and 8th. The committee responsible for preparing the meal for each week would like to request your assistance either through monetary, food or paper products donations. Please consider donating. Please turn in donations to your respective church offices. Also, if you would like to volunteer with the food committee please contact Sheri Spence at 814-227-4752 or by email swolbert@yahoo.com or come to a EDGE meeting from 6-8 PM every Tuesday.



Anointing of the sick will take place on December 4th & 5th after Mass.

Catholic Daughters is selling Advent candles. The tapers are \$6, wreaths \$10, and the LED tapers \$15. If anyone is interested, please call Pam Wolbert at 755-3399. The Catholic Daughters of the Americas is one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women in the Americas. The CDA motto is "Unity and Charity". The women work hard for their parishes and communities while sharing faith, spirituality, and love of God. To inquire further about membership, please contact Pam.

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

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Monday: Thirty-fourth or Last Week in Ordinary Time; St. Cecilia
Tuesday: St. Clement I; St. Columban; Bl. Miguel Agustín Pro
Wednesday: St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions
Thursday: Thanksgiving Day; St. Catherine of Alexandria
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

**St. Mary/St. Ann
Christmas Holiday Craft Show
December 3 and 4
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Since our Spring Craft Show has been successful, we have decided to do a two-day craft show in December. As with the Spring Show, it cannot and will not be a success without the help of our parishioners. There are many ways you can help with this event:

**CHINESE
AUCTION**

New items, gift cards handmade items, or monetary donations are needed. Please place your donations in the box in the rear of the church by November 28th.
Thanks!

KITCHEN

Donations of food or monetary donations are needed. Please check the sign-up sheet in the rear of the church to see what is needed.
Thanks!

WORKERS

There are many areas where help is needed on the Friday and Saturday of the show. Help is also needed on Thursday evening to help the vendors/crafters bring their items into the hall. Please check the sign-up sheet in the rear of the church to see where help is needed.

Please contact Sheila Martz (814-229-3083) with any questions.

Large Slate Boards Available

Some of the chalkboards from the hall have been replaced by white boards. There are two large slate boards available if anyone wants them. They will be thrown out if no one takes them.

Sister Marian and Sister Tina is hosting:

What: "Reflections on Sunday Scriptures"

(with prayer, praise and discussion)

Where: Knights of Columbus, 111 Petroleum St., Oil City (please use side door on the right)

When: Fridays, November 19, December 3 and 17

Who: All are welcome



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FALL GUN RAFFLE

1. Ruger 450 Bushmaster or \$400.00
2. Mossberg 12 Gauge (Camo) or \$300.00
3. Rossi 22 Long Rifle Pump \$200.00

Only 300 Tickets sold. Drawing to be held when all tickets are sold.

\$10.00 Donation

See any Knight for a ticket

OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



November	21	Elsie Schwabenbauer
November	22	Susan Boylan Tom Metzger
November	23	Kelsey Schmader
November	25	Brian Bauer Helen Walter
November	26	Jon Miller



November	21	Francis & Susan Bormet
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FEAST OF FAITH

Procession

"The Mass is ended, go in peace." At the beginning of Mass, the ministers entered in solemn procession, an emblem of the diverse community that comes together around the altar each week to celebrate the Eucharist. As Mass ends, another procession forms, and the ministers go forth from the church. This concluding procession also acts as an emblem of the entire assembly, who, nourished by the Eucharist, will now go forth to our scattered homes and places of work to be a transforming leaven of the gospel in the world. At the beginning of Mass, the priest kissed the altar as a sign of greeting, a gesture of reverence for Christ. Now, the priest reverences the altar again, this time in a gesture of farewell. We gather our things and go forth as we entered—but not quite. Through our celebration of the Eucharist, we have renewed our commitment to service of Christ our King, and we go forth nourished, strengthened, renewed—changed.

—Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

The Northern Clarion County Giving Tree Project is sponsoring The Annual Giving Tree to all Families in our local community.

Angel tags for the Giving Tree are up. The tags will have directions on gender, age, and what items are needed. Please do not wrap the gifts. You may provide gift wrap or gift bags. Each child will be receiving winter outerwear, one clothing outfit, and a special item or toy will be provided per child. Gifts need to be returned by December 6th. There are no Turkey tags this year.

St. Ann Church

The **Angel Tree** Community Project will be up November 20th. The Angel Tree is located in the back of the church. If you choose to pick an angel please remember to wrap your gifts and have them at the church or East Forest School by December 18th. Thank you for considering to help the children of our community have a blessed Christmas. If you have any questions please contact Penny Gawelski @ 814-319-5560.