

St. Mary Church And St. Ann Mission

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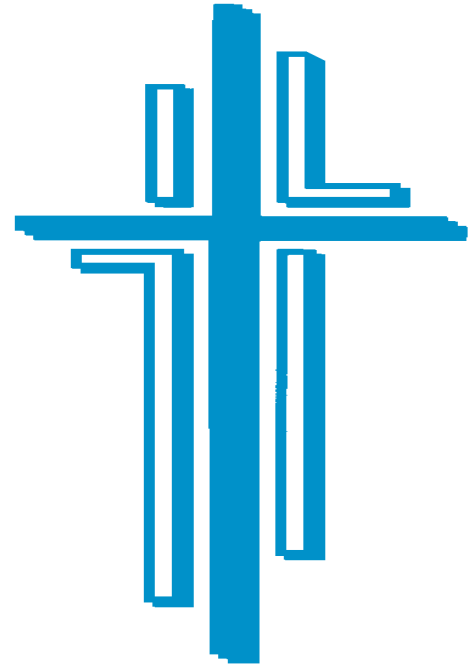
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

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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.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 27, 2022

Lord it is good to give thanks to you. Psalm 92

From the Desk of Father James

Dear Parishioners,

There are two things I would like to write about this week: the beginning of Lent, and the first of our three synodal listening sessions.

First of all, Lent begins on Wednesday. The morning mass for Ash Wednesday is at 8:30am at St. Ann's in Marienville, the evening mass is at 7:00pm at St. Mary's in Crown. In former days, fasting was a bigger part of our faith. Unfortunately in the modern age we've overemphasized the joyful aspects of our faith to the detriment of the more arduous aspects, and we've become spiritually lazy and feeble. Lent is our chance to get back on track: to incorporate discipline and fasting in our daily spiritual lives as we spend these 40 days with Christ in the desert.

Secondly, on Monday we will be having our first parish listening session as part of the synod in which the whole Church around the world is participating. I hope you are able to find the time to attend at least one of the three upcoming listening sessions. The first one is on Monday, February 28, at St. Ann. The second and third ones are on Monday, March 7, and Monday March 14 - both at 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Church (actually in Stutz Hall). I look forward to seeing you there.

In Christ,
Fr. James

PS - Con men will often use email addresses to try to impersonate priests. If you ever get an email from someone claiming to be me and asking for money (or gift cards, etc.) it is a scam. Please forward the email to me (my real email can be found on the front page of this bulletin) and I will report it to the proper authorities (though I doubt they can actually do anything about it).



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, February 26, 2022

SCI Father's Day Remembrance

M:5:00 p.m. Carol Soltesz
By Jim & Louise Bauer

Sunday, February 27, 2022

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

C:8:30 a.m. All Parishioners

C:11:00 a.m. Stan Rathfon

By Dick & Kathy Carroll

Monday, February 28, 2022

C:8:30 a.m. Ed Rupp

By Rene Grumbaugh

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

C:8:30 a.m. Mother's Day Remembrance

Wednesday, March 2, 2022

Ash Wednesday

M:8:30 a.m. Gretta Donnack

John & Bobbi Donnack

C:7:00 p.m. Mark Rathfon

By Ken & Darlene Flick

Thursday, March 3, 2022

Snyder Memorial

M:7:00 p.m. Henry S. Gregory

By Michael P. Gregory

Friday, March 4, 2022

C:8:30 a.m. Father's Day Remembrance

Saturday, March 5, 2022

SCI All Souls Remembrance

M:5:00 p.m. All Parishioners

Sunday, March 6, 2022

First Sunday of Lent

C:8:30 a.m. In Honor of the Adam Hartle Family

By the Stan Rathfon Memorial

Knights of Columbus #10341

C:11:00 a.m. Sharon Callihan

By Barb Karg & Family

C:6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Ash Wednesday

1st Reading: Joel 2:12-18

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2

Gospel: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

First Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

2nd Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES

Lector: March 2, 2022

M:8:30 a.m. John

C:7:00 p.m. Bob

March 5 and March 6, 2022

M:5:00 p.m. Lissie

C:8:30 a.m. Keith

C:11:00 a.m. Jan

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

March 5 and March 6, 2022

M:5:00 p.m. Jane

C:8:30 a.m. Walt, Joel

C:11:00 a.m. Reid

Collection Counters

March, 6 2022

Andrea, Emma, Kelly, Mary

Weekly Collections

February 20, 2022

\$1820.00

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.

Digital Dating Abuse can be defined as “a pattern of behaviors that control, pressure, or threaten a dating partner using a cell phone or the internet.” One quarter of youth (12-17) who have been in a romantic relationship during the previous year report that they’d been the victim of digital dating abuse. So, what are some of the best ways for a parent to open up communication with their child about a delicate topic like online dating? First and foremost, ask your child what they are doing online and then really *listen* to why they like or don’t like what’s going on there. Parents must be diligent about staying on top of the latest trends. Great online dating tips can be found at www.cyberwise.org. To see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth visit www.eriercd.org/childprotection/

VOCATION CROSS—Families are needed to sign up for the vocation cross beginning with the month of **April, 2022**. Please call the church office at 814-744-9919.

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.

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.



UPCOMING LISTENING SESSION FOR SYNOD

- Session 1 -** Monday, February 28th
7 pm - St. Ann's Church
- Session 2 -** Monday, March 7th
7 pm - St. Mary's Church
- Session 3 -** Monday, March 14th
7 pm - St. Mary's Church

You are invited to one or all 3. We look forward to seeing you.

REMINDER: The **Finance Council** will meet in Stutz Hall, March 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Council will meet Monday, March 7, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.



Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, March 14, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Stutz Hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FALL GUN RAFFLE WINNERS

1. Ruger 450 Bushmaster-Rob Nobs
2. Mossberg 12 Gauge (Camo)-Heather Dell
3. Rossi 22 Long Rifle Pump-William Owens

50/50 Winner: Susanna Kurtzhals

Family of the Month: Jeff Cyphert

This Week's Sponsor

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

Please support our sponsors!!!

CSA COMMITMENT SUNDAY

This weekend, February 26th and 27th is Commitment Sunday for Catholic Services Appeal to support the work of the Catholic Church in Northwestern Pennsylvania. Our parish assessment is \$22,193.00. Money raised beyond the goal stays in the parish and is used for major projects. May God bless you for your generosity.

UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

April 9, 2022 5:00 p.m. St. Ann

April 10, 2022 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. St. Mary
6:00 Stations St. Mary

HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

April 14, 2022 7:00 p.m. St. Mary Adoration until 9:30 p.m.
Night Pray to follow.

GOOD FRIDAY CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

April 15, 2022 3:00 p.m. St. Ann

Blessing of Easter Baskets April 16, 2022 12:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY—EASTER VIGIL

April 16, 2022 8:30 p.m. St. Mary

EASTER SUNDAY—THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

April 17, 2022 8:30 a.m. St. Mary
11:00 a.m. St. Ann

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,
that the course of our world
may be directed by your peaceful rule
and that your Church may rejoice,
untroubled in her devotion.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.



Marienville/North Clarion Food Pantry:

Items needed are: pasta sauce, canned applesauce, peanut butter, muffin mixes, canned meat, canned yellow beans, canned tuna. Please have the items in the Church before March 20, 2022.

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 February 27, 2022 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.

CONFIRMATION

The following Faith Formation students will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at Immaculate Conception Church in Clarion on March 20, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.: **Rachel Carey, Aiden Hartle, Olivia Siegel and Kaleb Wolbert.**

Please keep them in your prayers.

SAVE THE DATE

"Say Yes! to the 7th Annual 138 Women's Conference. The conference will be held from 9:00-12:30 on March 12, 2022. You may attend live at St. Jude Parish in Erie, PA, virtually at satellite parishes via zoom or in your own home via zoom. The cost is \$20. This years conference will feature national speakers Lisa Hende, best selling author and founder of CatholicMom.com and Patricia Breen who writes online for Blessed is She, Fem Catholic, Grotto Network and CatholicMatch.

Visit our website at www.138women.com for more information and to register."

Opportunities for Lenten Readings and Reflections

Sister Marian and Sister Tina are offering two ZOOM book studies:

1) "**Life is Messy**" by bestselling author **Matthew Kelly**. Kelly writes, "Life is messy. This is the human dilemma. You're not doing it wrong. Life...is a wild and outrageous invitation full of uncertain outcomes. What appears to be a step back today, may turn out to be the first marvelous step forward ten years from now."

2) **The Gift of Years** by **Joan Chittister, OSB**, another best selling author. Each chapter on various topics is filled with insights on growing older gracefully.

"Life is Messy" will be held Thursday mornings, beginning, March 3rd 10:00-11:30 AM by ZOOM.

"The Gift of Years" will be held Thursday evenings, beginning March 3rd, 6:00 -7:30 PM by ZOOM.

If interested, call Catholic Rural Ministry at 814 677 2032 or email Sr. Tina at srtinag@gmail.com. A limited number of books are available and Sister Tina will teach you how to use ZOOM.

ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S RESEARCH FUNDRAISER

The Faith Formation students will be participating in a Play-a-Thon fundraiser for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital on Sunday, February 27, 2022. Please consider sponsoring a student for this worthwhile event. The students will also be collecting money at all Masses on the weekend of February 26th & 27th. Thank you for your support.

ROSARY

You are invited to pray the Rosary before 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Ann's Church. All are welcome to attend.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will begin on March 6, 2022 at St. Mary's Church at 6:00 p.m. and continue throughout Lent.

Stations will be held at St. Ann's Church starting on March 10, 2022 at 6:15 p.m.

40 Cans for 40 Days Program

St. Hubert's Council #10341 of the Knights of Columbus, working with Father James, is conducting our 6th annual 40 Cans for 40 Days program to collect canned food items for the local food bank. Starting on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd and continuing through Easter Sunday, April 17th, there will be baskets set up in the back of St. Mary and St. Ann Churches for your donations. Last year we collected 2,000 pounds of canned food items to go along with monetary donations. The Knights of Columbus also donates \$100 for every 1,000 pounds of food collected. In addition to canned goods, other items which are needed include boxed dinners, peanut butter, pasta sauce, dry pasta, boxes of jello and pudding, box stuffing, muffin mixes, and dry pancake mix. Please make sure that all items have expiration dates no earlier than 2022. Contact Randy Andring at 927-8114 with any questions or if you need assistance with getting your canned goods to the Church.

FARMINGTON TOWNSHIP VFC SPRING RAFFLE

DRAWING DATE

MAY 25, 2022

TICKETS: \$5.00

PRIZES

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| 1st | Blackstone Griddle and Accessories |
| 2nd | Smith & Wesson M&P Shield 9MM |
| 3rd | Kayak with Paddle |
| 4th | Outdoor Furniture Set |
| 5th | \$150 Gift Card to Leeper Market |
| 6th | Fire Pit with a Bundle of Wood |

For tickets contact any fireman or local business. Winners will be contacted by FTVFC via phone.

East Forest PTO is selling Cookbooks! If anyone would like to purchase one they are \$10 and they can contact Kristy Hartle @ 814.221.3623.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



February	27	Curtis Ochs
February	28	Rose Everett
March	2	John Cesario Carol Cochran Patricia Delaney Matt Kaye Debra Pinchot
March	3	Malinda Cesario Tim Lencer Chuck Schettler Sarah Schettler
March	4	Julie Lencer
March	5	Kenzie Kopchick Easton McLaughlin Bob Snyder

(There are no Anniversaries during this time)

CRAFTERS/VENDORS/GARDEN CENTERS NEEDED!!!

Our 5th annual Craft, Vendor, and Garden Show will be held on Saturday, April 30th at St. Mary Social Hall in Crown, PA. With Mother's Day and Spring just around the corner, this is a great opportunity to offer unique gifts, flowers, and/or plants to your customers. Lunch will be available for purchase. There will also be a Chinese Auction, Bake Sale, Used Book and Puzzle Sale, Spring Raffle, and 50/50. Please go to our church's website: stmarycrown.com and click on the event tab to download an application and additional information. If you are unable to access the application via internet, please contact Keith and Sheila Martz at 814-782-6473 (home) or 814-229-3083 (text). Hope to see you there!

ST. JOSEPH'S FISH & SHRIMP TAKE-OUT DINNERS

Route 66—Lucinda, PA
Every Friday in Lent (Except Good Friday)
March 4th—April 8th
Take-Out Only—Orders Taken at the Hall
5:00 pm.—7:00 p.m.

ADULTS: \$12.00

CHILD: \$6:00

JUMBO SHRIMP DINNERS: \$13.00

DINNERS INCLUDE: Choice of Fish (Baked or Fried), Fish Hoagie, Shrimp or JUMBO Shrimp, Choice of Sides (Fries, Baked Potato, Mac & Cheese), and Coleslaw

LUNCHES

11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Fish Sandwich: \$8.00

Fish Hoagie: \$10.00

LUNCHES INCLUDE: Coleslaw and Fries

TAKE-OUT ONLY!

For Lunch Orders Only—PLEASE CALL: 226-8310