St. Mary Church And St. Ann Mission

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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.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord **April 10, 2022**

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? Psalm 22

From the Desk of Father James

Dear Parishioners,

Holy Week is now upon us. We have entered into the annual celebration of the Lord's Passion and Resurrection. The liturgies of Holy Week are particularly beautiful and sacred. Mass on Holy Thursday ends with a eurcharistic procession, to commemorate the journey of Christ and his apostles from the cenacle to the Garden of Gethsemane. For those who wish to stay, the Mass is then followed by a period of adoration before the reposed Blessed Sacrament, remembering that agony suffered by our Lord in that garden. The liturgy on Good Friday is a moment to express reverence and sorrow for the suffering and death of our Lord upon the cross. It is not a Mass. Indeed Good Friday is the one day throughout the year when Mass is not said. Instead, we have a liturgy to venerate the Cross upon which Christ died. The Easter Vigil on Saturday evening is the culmination of our faith. With joy we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and his victory over sin and death. It begins with the blessing of a fire followed by a candle-lit procession through a dark church, with the lights turning on after the paschal candle has been blessed. We are pleased to welcome two parishioners into the full communion of the Catholic Faith at the Easter vigil: Kristie Hartle (wife of Adam Hartle) and Mark DeVore (fiancé of Julie Lander).

Please remember that Good Friday is a day of fasting. On days of fasting Catholics are permitted to eat only one full meal and two smaller meals that together are less than a full meal. Fasting is spiritual discipline that is recommended by our Lord (Matt 6:16) and has been practiced since the earliest days of the Church (Acts 13:3).

> 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.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 9, 2022

SCI Father's Day Remembrance

M:5:00 p.m. Dot Regina

By St. Ann's Women's Club

Sunday, April 10, 2022

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

C:8:30 a.m. Barbara Cook

By Barb Karg & Families

C:11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

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

Monday, April 11, 2022

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

By Chuck & Karla Beichner Tuesday, April 12, 2022

C:8:30 a.m. Pat Grafton

By John & Bobbi Donnick

Wednesday, April 13, 2022

C:8:30 a.m. Rita "Lucy" Malloy By Rene Grumbaugh

Thursday, April 14, 2022

Holy Thursday

C:7:00 p.m. All Parishioners

Adoration Until 9:30 p.m.

Friday, April 15, 2022

The Passion of the Lord, Good Friday

M:3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, April 16, 2022

Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil

C:4:00 p.m. Blessing of Easter Baskets

C:4:30 p.m. Confessions

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

Sunday, April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

C:8:30 a.m. All Parishioners

M:11:00 a.m. Mother's Day Remembrance

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord 1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

Gospel: John 20:1-9

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES : April 14, 2022 (Holy Thursday Lector:

C:7:00 p.m. Rod

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

C:7:00 p.m. Walt

Lector: April 15, 2022 (Good Friday)

M:3:00 p.m. Jim, Deacon Mike

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

M:3:00 p.m. Deacon Mike

Lector: April 16 and April 17, 2022

C:8:30 p.m. Henry C:8:30 a.m. Bob

M:11:00 a.m. John

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

April 16 and April 17, 2022

C:8:30 p.m. Taty

C:8:30 a.m. Joel

M:11:00 a.m. Randy

Collection Counters

April 17, 2022

Marcia, Rick, Shawn, Tami



April 3, 2022 Total will be available next week.

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.

Pledge to Heal: The Diocese of Erie remains committed to helping victims/survivors of clergy sexual abuse heal and recover. We provide counseling assistance for individuals and family members of those who have been the victims of child sexual abuse. Counseling assistance can be obtained by contacting Dr. Gerard Tobin, our Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 814-451-1521.

The diocese encourages anyone who has experienced abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy or any employee or volunteer of the church to contact their local law enforcement. To report abuse to the independent investigators retained by the diocese, email ErieRCD@KLGates.com. Victims/survivors or concerned individuals can report abuse directly to the diocese by calling 814-451-1543.

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. The cloths are also available at Lander's Store in Lucinda and Marienville Pharmacy.

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 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 4:00 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

PENANCE SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 10, Saint Patrick, Franklin, 4:00 p.m. Saturday, April 16, Saint Mary Crown, 4:30-5:30 p.m.



Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, April 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Stutz Hall.

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.

This Week's Sponsor

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The Church in the Holy Land continues to perdure, despite constant hardship and struggles to survive. In the very places where Abraham, Moses and the prophets lived, preached and followed the Lord, where Jesus was born, taught, healed, suffered and died, Christians continue to live their faith amidst war and persecution. Our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land give us a beautiful example of fidelity and perseverance in extreme and difficult circumstances. Pope Francis, when visiting the Holy Land, affirmed that "without exaggeration, we can say that the Holy Land is alive."

This is in no small part because Catholics throughout the world generously support the Holy Land through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection. This year the Pontifical Good Friday Collection will be taken up in the Diocese of Erie on Good Friday, April 15th. This collection offers you an opportunity to express your solidarity and union in Christ with your Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. Through your generosity, Christians in the Holy Land maintain a presence at the various holy places of Jesus' life and death, such as Bethlehem, Bethany, the Mount of Olives and Calvary; parishes, schools and homes for orphans are supported; and men are formed for the priesthood.

As our diocesan family prepares to celebrate the Paschal Mystery, I encourage you to participate in the events of Holy Week. Know that you are in my prayer. Please know also of my gratitude for your generous response on behalf of the Christians of the Holy Land. May the Lord bless you abundantly this Holy Week, this Easter, and beyond.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL

ROSARY

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

Marienville/North Clarion Food Pantry:

Items needed are: canned tuna, canned pasta, cake mix, muffin or quick bread mixes, rice mix, boxed potatoes, boxed dinners, boxed stuffing, dry pasta, cereal, canned tomatoes, pasta sauce, baked beans, dish soap. Please have the items in the Church before April 24, 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 April 24, 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.

Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2022 To date 80 families have responded with pledges totaling \$35,695.00 Every dollar over our goal remains in our Parish. Our Parish goal is \$22,193.00 for 2022. Total paid to date is \$22,065.00, leaving a balance of \$13,630.00. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

NOMINATIONS FOR PARISH COUNCIL

We are accepting nominations for new Parish Council members the weekend of April 16 &17 thru April 29 & 30 with actual elections taking place the weekend of May 14 &15. A total of 4 members will be elected: 2 from St. Mary and 2 from St. Ann.

Nominees must be registered, confirmed and active members of our Parish, at least 18 years of age and a Catholic in good standing. They must possess creativity, energy and be willing to make a commitment of time and talent to the Council. Please prayerfully consider those that you feel may qualify, including yourself.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Savior to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection.

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

A Family Perspective

Today Jesus tells us "I am among you as one who serves." In accepting the palm branch today you publicly confirm your baptismal promise to follow Jesus as "one who serves." Selfless service defines a family as Christian.

5th Annual Craft, Vendor, and Garden Show

Saturday, April 30, 2022 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Our craft shows have been a huge success, but we can't do it without your help. After being postponed for 2 years, we are looking forward to this year's Spring Craft, Vendor, and Garden Show. All proceeds benefit the Faith Formation program. Please consider helping in the following areas. Thank you!

Chinese Auction

Items are needed for the Chinese Auction. New items can be dropped off in the boxes at the rear of the church or in the church office. Please mark your name on the item so we can acknowledge it on the prize. Please have all gifts in by Friday, April 29.

Bake Sale

Homemade baked goods can be dropped off Friday, April 29 during office hours; Friday 4 – 8 p.m., or Saturday morning.

Used Book and
Puzzle Sale
Please drop off books and puzzle
in the boxes in the rear of the
church. Workers also needed the
day of the show

KITCHEN

Many items are needed to prepare the food to sell at the show. Please check the sign-up list and donate what you are able.

Advertising

Posters need to be taken to various areas. The more people who know about us, the better the show will do. Please take a few posters to hang in businesses where you work. If you are able to deliver posters to other areas, please let Sheila know. Posters are available in the rear of the church.

The 5th annual Craft, Vendor and Garden Show will be held from 9 a.m.—4 p.m. Saturday, April 30th at St. Mary Social Hall in Crown. Admission is free. Dozens of tables will showcase handcrafted items ranging from embroidery to woodcrafts. Other offerings include home décor items, potpourri, country primitive, metal art, crafted mugs, pottery, tote bags, crocheted items, hair accessories, jewelry, photography items and more. Plants, trees, herbs and other garden products will also be available. The event also includes many home-based vendors and businesses. Food will be available for purchase. The event also includes a Chinese Auction, a used book and puzzle sale, a bake sale, a 50/50 raffle and a Campfire Themed raffle. Proceeds benefit St. Mary/St. Ann Faith Formation program.

FARMINGTON TOWNSHIP VFC SPRING RAFFLE DRAWING DATE

MAY 25, 2022 TICKETS: \$5.00

PRIZES

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

Birthdays

April	10	Trudy Wagner
April	11	Betty Siegel
April	12	Dave Thimons
April	13	Thomas Oliver
-		Craig Parrett
April	15	Mary Beth Hepinger

There are no anniversaries at this time.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Monday: Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week

Thursday: Holy Thursday; Paschal Triduum begins

Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord

(Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence; Income Tax Day; Passover begins

Saturday: Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter

