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

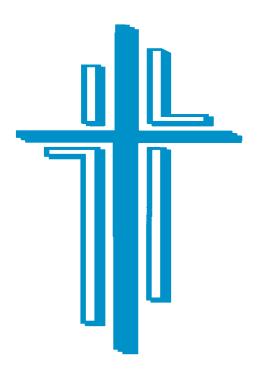
HALL RENTAL Call St. Mary's Church Office: 744-9919

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. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. Psalm 66

From the Desk of Father James

Dear Parishioners,

Last week I did a column on American Catholic history. I intended to continue the series this week, but I instead thought it would be better to write about some recent developments in our nation. I'm sure you're all aware that the Supreme Court has struck down the 1973 decision Roe v. Wade which prevented states from enacting restrictions to abortion. I have three thoughts. Firstly, we should give thanks to God for this great victory. The destruction of innocent human life is an unspeakable tragedy. This new Supreme Court decision is a great blessing for our nation, and it is appropriate that it should come about on the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (June 24). Thus a spirit of gratitude to God should be our first reaction. Second, we know that this victory for life will lead to persecution. Many in our nation are severely misguided and will seek to lash out against pro-life organizations and individuals (as they already have). We should prepare ourselves for this persecution, and give thanks to God also for whatever crosses we may be called to bear. Thirdly, though this Supreme Court decision is a great victory, it is only the beginning of our struggle to build a culture of life. Conversion of heart cannot be legislated. It is up to us to pray and evangelize so that those who now advocate for the culture of death may turn their hearts toward the Lord.

I am out of the parish this weekend. I am doing my cousin's wedding in Erie. I will be back next weekend. Unfortunately, then, the weekend after that I will be away to do the wedding of another cousin of mine in Detroit. I have no other cousins who are engaged right now, so I should be good to go for a little while after the Detroit wedding.

May you have a blessed Fourth of July, and may God continue to bless our nation!

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, July 2, 2022 M:5:00 p.m. All Parishioners Sunday, July 3, 2022 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time C:8:30 a.m. Donald Gatton By John & Bobbi Donnick C:11:00 a.m. Evelyn Mattocks By Barb Karg Monday, July 4, 2022 C:8:30 a.m. Ruel Root By Rene Grumbaugh Tuesday, July 5, 2022 C:8:30 a.m. Clifford Brackett By The Pace Family Wednesday, July 6, 2022 C:8:30 a.m. Frances Quinn Buseck By The Power Family Thursday, July 7, 2022 Snyder Memorial M:7:00 p.m. All Souls Friday, July 8, 2022 C:8:30 a.m. Paul Karg By Donnie Karg Saturday, July 9, 2022 SCI Mother's Day Remembrance M:5:00 p.m. Josie Barron By St. Ann's Women's Club Sunday, July 10, 2022 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time C:8:30 a.m. All Parishioners C:11:00 a.m. Connie & Tim Heasley By The Family



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:15-20 Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 **NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES** Lector: July 9 and July 10, 2022 M:5:00 p.m. Penny C:8:30 a.m. Rod C:11:00 a.m. Bill **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** July 9 and July 10, 2022 M:5:00 p.m. Deacon Mike C:8:30 a.m. Deacon Mike, Joel C:11:00 a.m. Deacon Mike **Collection Counters** July 10, 2022 Dan, Linda, Rita, Bob

Meekly Collections

June 26, 2022	\$ 2,190.00	
Peter's Pence	\$ 876.00	

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.

Listen: This summer, when children are out of school, meeting new people and going to new places, make sure that you talk to them often about their experiences and the people they've met. Listen carefully to your children. If possible, observe and get to know the other children and adults who are part of your children's summertime fun. Above all, communicate your safety concerns to your children. Make sure your children know they can come to you with any concerns they may have about the people they interact with. And if you hear of or observe behaviors that may be inappropriate, make sure to communicate your feelings to people who are in a position to intervene. Communication is key in creating and maintaining a safe environment all year round. For additional resources visit: www.eriercd.org/ childprotection/

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

ROSARY

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

St. Ann's Women's Club will sponsor a bake sale on Saturday, July 2, 2022 before and after the 5:00 pm Mass. Please have baked goods to the church by 4:30. Bakers and buyers needed!

FEAST OF ST. ANN/ST. JOACHIM

The Feast of St. Ann/St. Joachim is Tuesday, July 26th. A Mass will be held at St. Ann Church at 6:00 p.m. (THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT ST. MARY THIS DAY)

Refreshments of strawberry shortcake/coffee and punch will be served immediately following Mass.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

Parish Council will meet Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

Cemetery Committee will meet Tuesday July 12th, 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall. All are welcome!



Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, July 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at McCloskey Field.

> **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** St. Hubert's Council #10341, Crown, PA

Raffle CZ 12 Gauge Mag. Turkey Gun With Camo Or

\$350.00 Cash ONLY 150 TICKETS SOLD Drawing: When all tickets are sold. Prize must be picked up within 90 days or forfeited. DONATION \$10.00 Tickets Compliments Leeper Market



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Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our contributions will join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2022

To date 92 families have responded with pledges totaling \$39,330.00 Every dollar over our goal remains in our Parish. Our Parish goal is \$22,193.00 for 2022. Total paid to date is \$29,415.00, leaving a balance of \$9,915.00. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

CALLED TO HIGHER THINGS

Think about a typical day for you. From the time you awake until your day ends, you may be busy, focused on work or family with little time to pause except perhaps a few moments for lunch or dinner. Most of us would say this is an accurate description of life as we know it. And if we are honest with ourselves, we see much good that comes from the attention we pay to the people in our lives and the tasks that we accomplish. We may even be mindful of our call to do these things with and through the Lord as we go about our lives. Yet we must remember that we are also called to higher things. We are in the world but not of it. Our ultimate goal is to be with God for eternity, and all our activities, tasks, and interactions must bear this great purpose in mind.



Marienville/North Clarion Food Pantry:

Items needed are: Canned baked beans, cake mix, muffin or quick bread mix, , pudding mix, boxed potatoes, boxed dinners, canned chicken, cereal, jello, boxed stuffing, canned meat, bar soap and dish soap. Please have the items in the Church before July 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!

The Marienville Food Pantry Needs You!

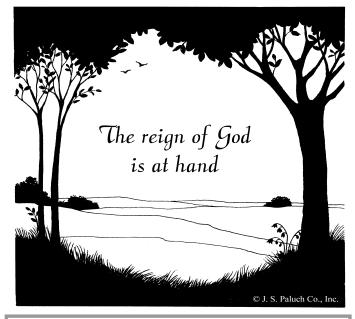
We are looking to increase our volunteer roster. If you can assist in this vital ministry, contact Rev. Heidi Helsel at (724) 420-4420 or <u>hrevmom@gmail.com</u>. Thank you for your prayers and support.

GOOD NEWS IS ON THE WAY

This week, in the midst of summer, the scriptures greet us with joy, peace, mercy, and more peace! Sounds a little like Advent, doesn't it? We often associate the prophet Isaiah with that preparatory season, and our first reading rings with such words as exult, comfort, and rejoice. The Israelites had reason to rejoice, for they had returned, come home, to a rebuilt Jerusalem from their exile in Babylon.

In the Gospel, the seventy-two disciples who were sent out have their own "homecoming," returning to Jesus from spreading the Good News of the Kingdom and preparing people for the "advent" of Jesus into their cities and towns on his long road to Jerusalem. Like the exiles in Isaiah, the disciples return rejoicing.

The Good News, the Kingdom of God, is coming, even in summer. As today's psalm reminds us, "Shout joyfully to God, all the earth!" Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. 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.

A Family Perspective

Just like the seventy two disciples sent out by Jesus in today's gospel, families are expected to be MISSIONARIES. By our lives, words and life style we proclaim peace, commitment, fidelity and respect to a culture caught up with violence and self- gratification.



THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS AT HAND Jesus sent the seventy-two to proclaim the kingdom of God. They were to show people God's love by the way in which they lived. They were to travel simply, with only the provisions that were needed, rely on the good will of the people they served, and care for those who were in need. While some of us are called to live as missionaries, visiting places far from the comfort of home, most of us are called to live faithfully in our daily lives, where we are, with family and friends, co-workers, fellow citizens of our local towns and cities, our country, and the world. Whether we go to far-off lands to serve and share Christ's message of mercy or we serve in simple ways at home and in our local place, we must remember that whenever we reach out to heal, forgive, and show compassion, the kingdom of God is at hand. Christ is with us and will remain with us.



FREEDOM

Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Birthdays				
July	3	Joseph Gatesman Kara Kline		
July	5	Jeanne Godlesky Kathy Weaver		
July	6	Brian Popoleo Yvonne Wolf		
July	7	Francis Bormet Carol Culp David Dunn Aiden Hartle Kiara Stitt		
July	8	Kay Sepan		
July	9	Maggie Schwabenbauer Don Stinebiser		
Happy Anniversary				

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July	7	John & Patricia Seibert		
July	8	Nathan & Jennifer Siegel		

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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	Sunday:	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Monday:	Independence Day
	Tuesday:	St. Anthony Zaccaria;
		St. Elizabeth of Portugal
	Wednesday:	St. Maria Goretti
	Saturday:	St. Augustine Zhao Rong and
	Companions	•
	_	Blessed Virgin Mary

STUDYING THE SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sr. Tina and Sr. Marian will be hosting this series at the Knights of Columbus, 111 Petroleum Street, Oil City, PA from 10 a.m.—11:30 a.m. on the following Fridays:

July 1, July 15, July 29 August 5, August 19 September 2, September 16, September 30

ALL ARE WELCOME!