



FIFTH SUNDAY OF Lent

MARCH 26, 2023

He cried out in a loud voice,
"Lazarus, come out!"

John 11:43



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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass

Saturday: **5:00 p.m.** at St. Ann's in Marienville
Sunday: **8:30 a.m.** and **11:00 a.m.** at St. Mary's in Crown

Confessions

Saturday: 4:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. at St. Ann's in Marienville
1st Sunday of the Month: 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's in Crown

Weekday Mass

M, Tu, W, F: 8:30 a.m. at St. Mary's in Crown
Th: 7:00 p.m. at St. Ann's in Marienville

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

M, Tu, W, F: 7:30 a.m. - 8:20 a.m. at St. Mary's in Crown

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the parish 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 will be made available to them.

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 MARRIAGE

Diocesan Common Policy requires at least six months advance notification before any plans are made to allow time for evaluation and sacramental preparation.

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."

We welcome all new parish families and visitors to Saint Mary Church and St. Ann Mission.
Please reach out to our Parish Office at (814) 744-9919 to register or go online at
www.stmarycrown.com

As a parish member of Saint Mary Church or St. Ann Mission,
you are actively supporting our Community with your time, talent, and resources.

From the Desk of Father James

Dear Parishioners,

The last two weeks of Lent are called “passiontide.” They are an invitation for us to spend time meditating on the passion of the Lord. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday; and then we are immersed in Holy Week. If you haven’t yet made it to Stations of the Cross, I would strongly recommend that you find the time this week to come. It is a great way to enter into the spirit of the upcoming celebrations. We only have three more opportunities to pray the Stations of the Cross as a parish: tonight (Sunday) at 6:00pm at St. Mary’s, this Thursday at 6:15pm at St. Ann’s and next Sunday at 6:00pm at St. Mary’s. There are no Stations of the Cross on Thursday, April 6 since it is Holy Thursday and we have the beautiful Mass of the Lord’s Supper that evening.

More urgent than Stations, though, is the Sacrament of Confession. It is of utmost importance to make sure that our souls are given the care that they need. The Sacrament of Confession restores our souls to the State of Grace (which is necessary if we intend to receive Holy Communion, or if we intend to go to Heaven). I hear confessions from 4:15pm to 4:50pm every Saturday at St. Ann’s. During Holy Week there will be extra times for confession. You do not need to come to me for confession - any priest at any church will do just fine. Be sure to do an examination of conscience before you go (there are plenty of good examinations of conscience available on the Internet). There is no need to be nervous if it has been a long time since your last confession.

In Christ,
Fr. James

P.S. We will be having a Cleaning Day for Stutz Hall on Saturday April 1 at 9:00am. Please bring buckets and rags.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
St. Ann Church — Saturday at 4:15 p.m.



Saturday, March 25, 2023

SCI-Mother’s Day Remembrance

M:5:00 p.m. John Rosenbaum
By the Power Family

Sunday, March 26, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. All Parishioners

C:11:00 a.m. David Sagert
By the Power Family

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

Monday, March 27, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. Elsie Schwabenbauer
By Jeff & Vicki Judy

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. Ed Rupp
By Rene Grumbaugh

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. Bob & Cathy Kirkpatrick
By Jack & Jill Smail

Thursday, March 30, 2023

M 6:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross

M:7:00 p.m. Don Stinebiser
By Mary Belle Benson

Friday, March 31, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. Scott Teple
By John & Bobbi Donnick

Saturday, April 1, 2023

SCI- Father’s Day Remembrance

M:5:00 p.m. All Parishioners

Sunday, April 2, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. George Karg, Sr.
By the Bogel Family

C:11:00 a.m. Intentions for the Mike Schmader Family
By Stan Rathfon Memorial K of C 10341

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent
Friday: Abstinence
Saturday: First Saturday; April Fool’s Day

Weekly Collections

March 12, 2023 \$2,183.16
March 19, 2023 \$1,611.00

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

April 2, 2023

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES

Lector:

April 1 and 2, 2023

M:5:00 p.m. Lissie & John

C: 8:30 a.m. Emma & Rod

C:11:00 a.m. Deacon Mike & Jan

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

April 1 and 2, 2023

M:5:00 p.m. Randy

C:8:30 a.m. Andy & Walt

C:11:00 a.m. Dave

Collection Counters

April 2, 2023

Carolyn, Tim, Penny, Lissie

Extra Confessions at St. Mary's

Sunday, April 2 3:00pm-4:00pm

Monday, April 3 6:00pm-7:00pm

Tuesday, April 4 4:00pm-5:00pm

Thursday, April 6 4:00pm-5:00pm

Friday, April 7 6:00pm-7:00pm

REGIONAL PENANCE SERVICES

St. Patrick's in Franklin Sunday, March 26, at 3pm

St. Mary's in Crown Monday, March 27 at 7pm

Prayer Chain— If you wish to join or add someone to the Prayer Chain, please contact Sheila Martz at 229-3083, or Jane Wallace at 927-8566.

Bulletin Announcements: Due to new Publisher requirements, any information for the bulletin **MUST** be written and in the church office by noon on Friday, **2 weeks** before the date to be published due to printer schedules.

ROSARY

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

Catholic Services Appeal 2023

Every dollar over our assessment remains in our Parish. Our Parish assessment is \$23,529.00.00 for 2023. We have received pledges totaling \$32,430.00. Total paid to date is \$21,425.00, leaving a balance of \$11,005.00. Please prayerfully consider making and fulfilling your pledge as soon as possible.

This year's projects include converting the cry room into a reconciliation room for Confession and updating the locks for Stutz Hall, Church, and Rectory. Every CSA donation brings us closer to completing our own Parish projects.

You may drop your pledge card, or an envelope marked CSA, into the Collection basket or return it in the Parish office.

SPRING CLEANING FOR STUTZ HALL - APRIL 1

All are invited to help make Stutz hall shine! We will be having a spring-cleaning day on Saturday, April 1, at 9:00 a.m. Please bring buckets and rags. Your help is greatly appreciated.

St. Ann's Women's Club Meeting

April – no meeting

May – Meeting May 11th at 6:00 p.m.

May 27th – Bake Sale before and after 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Ann Church



40 Cans for 40 Days Program

St. Hubert's Council #10341 of the Knights of Columbus, working with Father James, is conducting our 7th annual **40 Cans for 40 Days** program to collect canned food items for the local food bank. Starting on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd and continuing through Easter Sunday, April 9th, there will be baskets set up in the back of St. Mary and St. Ann Churches for your donations. Last year we collected just under 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, spaghetti sauce, dry pasta, boxes of jello and pudding, box stuffing, and dry pancake mix. Please make sure that all items have expiration dates no earlier than 2023. Contact Randy Andring at 927-8114 with any questions or if you need assistance with getting your canned goods to the Church.

Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, April 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

This Week's Sponsor

Kahle's Kitchens, Inc.
Leeper, PA
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Please support our sponsors!!!

CRS RICE BOWL

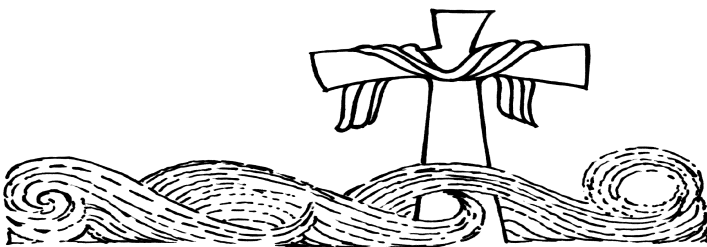
During Lent, we focus in an intentional way on turning away from sin and toward God to grow in his love. The Lenten pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving help us do this. CRS Rice Bowl – Catholic Relief Services’ Lenten faith-in-action program – is a way to invite parishioners and school families to practice these pillars while reflecting on the needs of our sisters and brothers and how we can respond in love to support them.

Sixty percent of all Rice Bowl contributions support CRS’ humanitarian and development programs overseas, providing life-saving assistance and hope to our sisters and brothers around the world. The remaining forty percent stays in our diocese to support local hunger and poverty prevention programs. The 2022 contributions of your parishes and schools assisted over 25 organizations including food pantries and soup kitchens. Thank you for your generosity.

CRS Rice Bowl provides resources to bring Lenten spirituality to life for families, parishes and school communities while continuing to connect Catholics in our diocese with our global human family. Together, we can respond to Christ’s call to help those in need and ensure everyone reaches his or her God-given potential.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico
The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie



See the Story of Jesus Through the Eyes of Those Who Followed Him

Join Catholic Rural Ministry Sisters in viewing “The Chosen” Season 1, this Lent on Thursday mornings (Feb. 23 to March 30), 9:30 am – 11:30 am at St. Elizabeth Center Social Hall (ground floor), 311 Emerald St., Oil City PA. All are Welcome!

-Sister Marian and Sister Tina

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

The Three Lenten Disciplines: **Almsgiving**

In addition to prayer and fasting, Lent gives us the chance to give alms to those who are most needy. By helping others, we practice charity and social justice. We look to carry our own cross and help others carry theirs as well. In other words, we practice the same generosity as God, who makes the rain to fall on the good and on the bad and loves people without distinction. To help others is to confront the poverty of this world with the hope of the kingdom of God.

Charity is a Christian virtue because Jesus is the best example of what charity is. Charity is more than giving alms; it is love and justice. It is complying with the commandment to love one another in a world where most people are poor and abandoned. To be charitable is to give to the needy what they need from our time, talent, and treasure; it is to work for social changes that promote human dignity and the economic well-being of all. Charity is love and God is love. May we live in that love.

Friar Gilberto Cavazos-González, OFM



Marienville/North Clarion Food Pantry:

Items needed For March and April 2023 are: cake mix, boxed dinners, boxed potatoes, jello, pudding, egg noodles, dry pasta, canned tomatoes, baked beans, canned corn, cookie mix, muffin or quick bread mixes, canned beef stew, canned chicken, and liquid laundry soap.

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

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 hrevmom@gmail.com. Thank you for your prayers and support.

6th Annual Craft, Vendor, and Garden Show

Saturday, April 29, 2023 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. 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 Wednesday, April 26. Workers are also needed the day of the show. See sign-up list.

Bake Sale

Homemade baked goods can be dropped off Friday, April 28 during office hours; Friday 4 – 8 p.m., or Saturday morning. Workers needed the day of the show. See sign up list.

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.

SUPER BINGO

Super games party on Sunday March 26, 2023 at Farmington Twp. Vol. Fire Co in Leeper. Bingo starts at 1:00, doors open at noon. Tickets are \$25 pre-sale or \$30 at the door. Children are \$12.50 pre-sale and \$15 day of. You can contact Jana at 814-744-8416; Rick or Marcia at 814-744-9316 to get pre-sale tickets or stop at Marienville Pharmacy on Monday thru Friday 8 am to 5 pm. There will be food and drinks for purchase that day, please come out and support your local fire company.

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice for the Easter Season will begin Monday, March 6 through April 3 at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. It has been said that those who sing, pray twice! See you there!

Thanks, Sheila

St. Nicholas Spaghetti Dinner

St. Nicholas Church, Crates Social Hall, 3028 Shannondale Road, Mayport, PA 16240

Sunday, April 23, 2023 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Dine –In or Take-Out

Adults \$10.00; Children under 12, \$5.00– under 5 free

Quilt Raffle Questions, call Susie Reinsel, 764-3212

SPRING CRAFT, VENDOR, AND GARDEN SHOW

Our 6th annual Craft, Vendor, and Garden Show will be held on Saturday, April 29th at St. Mary Social Hall in Crown, PA. 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. Sign-up sheets for workers and donations are in the back of the church. New items for the Chinese Auction, and used books and puzzles can be dropped off in the back of the churches. Thank you for your support of our Faith Formation Program. Hope to see you there!

OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



March	27	Joyce Mueller Dave Schwabenbauer
March	28	Mary Louise Brown Mary Schrecengost Stephen Sepan
March	30	Deb Cyphert Gary Wolbert
April	1	Esther Heasley Pam Karg
April	2	Emma Cussins Brady Karg Henry Lencer, Jr. Marian Maloney



March	27	John & Malinda Cesario
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MARRIAGE MOMENT

Feeling bored or sad? "Do not abandon yourself to sorrow, do not torment yourself with brooding." (Sirach 30:21) There's plenty of sorrow these days but look for a positive side to misfortune. For example: If I'm sick, maybe I can finally read that book. Try it. You might be a more pleasant person to be around.



St. Joseph's

FISH & SHRIMP TAKE-OUT DINNERS Route 66--Lucinda, PA

Every Friday in Lent (Except Good Friday)

February 24th – March 31st

Take-Out Only – Orders Taken at the Hall

Limited Seating Will Be Available at the Hall if You
Wish to Eat Your Take-Out at the Hall.

5:00 p.m. – 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

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