



3rd Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2023



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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.

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From the Desk of Father James

Dear Parishioners,

Spring is in full swing, the leaves are appearing on the trees, and in a week we will be entering the month of May. Since medieval times, the month of Mary has been celebrated as a month during which we honor Mary in a special way.

The dedication of May to the Blessed Virgin Mary is not a devotion that was decreed by the bishops from above, but rather one which rose up organically, on its own, from the faithful who wanted to honor this special saint during such a beautiful time of the year. And still today, the ways in which Mary is honored in the month of May are as varied as the different peoples and cultures who love her.

Since Mary is such a wonderful saint, and since this is such a beautiful time of the year to express our devotion to her, I would encourage all of my parishioners to find a way to incorporate Marian devotions in their lives during this month. One fun way to celebrate Mary is to erect a "May Altar" in your home. A May Altar is an area of the home in which an image or statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary is placed. It is often decorated with flowers and candles. May Altars can be as simple or ornate as you like. I would encourage you to search the internet for "May Altar" to get some creative ideas.

Another way to honor Mary in the month of May is to make a pilgrimage to a Marian shrine. Some notable Marian shrines within a relatively short drive are: National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon in North Jackson, OH (1.5 hour drive); Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in Windsor, OH (2 hour drive); National Shrine of Our Lady of Victory in Lackawana, NY (2.5 hour drive); National Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima in Lewistown, NY (3 hour drive); The National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA (4.5 hour drive).

And the easiest way to honor Mary during the month of May is to commit to praying the rosary. It is a beautiful prayer in which we meditate on the life of Jesus through the eyes of his mother.

In Christ,
Fr. James

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

Mass Schedule

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Saturday, April 22, 2023

SCI-Mother's Day Remembrance

M: 5:00 p.m. Rosemarie Russell
By The Family

Sunday, April 23, 2023

C:8:30 p.m. George A. Karg, Sr.
By George Gregory

C:11:00 All Parishioners

Monday, April 24, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. Bill, Millie, & Billie Schmader
By Chuck & Karla Beichner

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. Kenneth E. Perschka
By the Power Family

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Aloysius, Sr.
& Margaret McCloskey Family
By George Gregory

Thursday, April 27, 2023

M:7:00 p.m. Don Stinebiser
By Jim & Louise Bauer

Friday, April 28, 2023

C: 8:30 a.m. Skip Cook
By Rene Grumbaugh

Saturday, April 29, 2023

SCI-Father's Day Remembrance

M: 5:00 p.m. All Parishioners

Sunday, April 30, 2023

C:8:30 p.m. Maryann Minter
By Ken & Darlene Flick

C:11:00 Richard Dillman
By Larry & Theresa Cyphert

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter
Monday: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen
Tuesday: St. Mark
Wednesday: Administrative Professionals Day
Friday: St. Peter Chanel;
St. Louis Grignon de Montfort;
National Arbor Day
Saturday: St. Catherine of Siena

Weekly Collections

April 16, 2023

\$2,526.10

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

April 30, 2023

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 36-41

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2:20b-25

Gospel: John 10:1-10

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES

Lector:

April 29 and 30, 2023

M:5:00 p.m. Kerry

C: 8:30 a.m. Rod

C:11:00 a.m. Jan

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

April 29 and 30, 2023

M:5:00 p.m. Penny

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

C:11:00 a.m. Dave

Collection Counters

April 30, 2023

Andrea, Emma, Kelly, Mary

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY GOOD SHEPHERD

Next Sunday is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. Since 2009, the diocese has taken up the Good Shepherd Collection so that parishioners can show their appreciation and love for our retired priests.

Many retired priests remain very active— providing sacramental ministry in our parishes, schools, hospitals and nursing homes, and substituting for parish priests on vacation. Let us show our gratitude to our priests by helping to provide for their care and needs in retirement.

Your contributions can be made on Good Shepherd Sunday, April 25 and 26 at mass or online at www.ErieRCD.org. Every contribution will make a difference in the lives of our retired priests.

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.

The 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.

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

Food Bank Executive Board Meeting will be held Monday, May 2, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in Marienville Methodist Church.

St. Ann's Women's Club Meetings

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



Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, May 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Stutz Hall.

This Week's Sponsor

**Snyder Memorial Health Care Center
Marienville, PA
814-927-6670**

Please support our sponsors!!!

Please pray for the following Faith Formation Students who will be receiving Sacraments this year.

First Reconciliation - April 23, 2023

Charlie Carroll

Nathan Karg

Carter McLaughlin

Rylyn Parrett

First Communion - May 7, 2023

Jonathan Boylan

Silas Carroll

Eddie Donahue

Confirmation - May 28, 2023

Rebecca Bauer

Ainsley Hartle

McKinzie Lencer

Drew Martz

Gabe Martz

Thomas Phillips

Mason Shaftic

Addison Siegel

Kelton Stitt

Catechumen

Drake Irwin will be received into the church Easter 2024

ALL SIR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, CLARION ASSEMBLY #982, as well as their Ladies and guests, are cordially invited to attend our activities for **2023**:

Monday, April 17: Lucinda K of C Ballfield- Happy Hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00, Meeting at 7:00.

Monday, May 15: Lucinda K of C Ballfield- Happy Hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00, Meeting at 7:00.

Monday, June 19: Lucinda K of C Ballfield- **4th Degree Picnic**- Happy Hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00, Meeting at 7:00

July-No meeting.

August- 4th Degree Steak Fry- (Date to be determined).

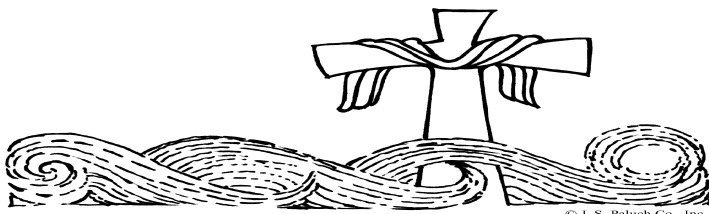
September- No meeting.

Monday, October 16: Lucinda K of C Ballfield- Happy Hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00, Meeting at 7:00.

Monday, November 20: Lucinda K of C Ballfield- Happy Hour at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00, Meeting at 7:00.

December-Assembly Christmas Party- (Date to be determined).

For more information, contact: **Kerry Wolbert** at **814-927-8739** or email at **klwolbert@zoominternet.net**.



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.

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.

ROSARY

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

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Neophytes

Perhaps you've noticed that those who were baptized and newly initiated into the Church at Easter are still sitting in a prominent location during Sunday Mass. Aren't they done? What's going on?

During this Easter season the newly initiated are called "neophytes," and they are living through the final period of the catechumenal process, known by the name "mystagogy." They are exploring the mysteries of their new identity, reflecting on the meaning of the sacraments they celebrated at the Easter Vigil, and strengthening their bonds with Christ and the Christian community. That they are living their new identity in such a public way should be an inspiration to the rest of us, a sign that this new life in Christ really makes a difference. And they are also still in need of the prayers and support of the rest of the community. As neophytes and fully-initiated members of the Christian community, they are no longer being dismissed for catechesis during Mass. Perhaps you might take advantage of their presence at the end of Mass and engage one in conversation. Learn about their experience and let them know of your continuing prayers and support for them.



Marienville/North Clarion Food Pantry:

Items needed For May and June 2023 are: cake mix, boxed dinners, boxed potatoes, canned meat, cereal, jello, pudding, egg noodles, dry pasta, canned tomatoes, baked beans, canned tomatoes, dish soap, liquid laundry detergent, soft soap.

Distribution 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Fridays @ Marienville United Methodist Church, 201 N. Forest St., Marienville, PA

April 28, May 26, June 23, 2023

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 revmom@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.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SAINTLY SOJOURN OCTOBER 10-12, 2023

Trip includes:

- Meals - 3 Lunches, 3 Dinners, 2 Breakfasts
- Admission to the Corning Museum of Glass
- Wine tasting at Oh-Neh-Da Winery
- Hotel accommodations for two nights
- Motor coach transportation
- Faith - an opportunity to grow your lifelong faith formation!

Cost: \$550 per person based on double occupancy. Single rooms available for \$680.

Please make reservations early. Final payment due by August 10, 2023. No re-funds or cancellations within 60 days of trip unless with replacement.

For more information or to reserve your seat, please contact Kim at (814)221-0241 or kkroh@live.com

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!

Nominations for Parish Council

We are accepting nominations for new Parish Council members the weekends of April 15 and 16, April 22 and 23, and April 29 and 30 with actual elections taking place the weekend of May 20 and 21. 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.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



April	24	Bruce Dean Ed Sepan
April	25	Terry Heelan
April	26	Rev. James Power
April	30	Nathan Ion Austin Lencer



April	25	Timothy & Lisa LaVan
April	26	Michael & Mary Ann Allshouse
April	30	Charles & Jill Gilbert

FR. JAMES BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

MAY 6, 2023

FATHER JAMES 'S BIRTHDAY is April 26th. Due to scheduling conflicts, St. Ann's Women's Club will host a belated Birthday Celebration for him on **May 6th after the 5:00 Mass at St. Ann Church. Dinner and birthday cake will be served. EVERYONE IS INVITED.** Please come and offer Father your birthday wishes. Enjoy a nice evening of fellowship and good food.

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