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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,

Happy Easter! We have survived our Lenten journey and arrived at the festivities of the Lord's Resurrection. For a season of 40 days we have been fasting and have now arrived at the great feast. On Friday we mourned the death of our Lord. Today we celebrate his victory over sin and death. While his disciples had thought he was conquered on Good Friday, on Easter Sunday he rose as the conqueror. Jesus Christ showed that there is a new dawn after every dark night, there is a new spring after every cold winter, and death is not the end for those who unite themselves to Him. Today is indeed a day to celebrate.

I would like to take this column as an opportunity to express my gratitude to all who worked so hard to make these celebrations so beautiful. I don't want to write names because I'm sure I would accidentally forget to mention several, but I would particularly like to thank our music ministers at both churches, our decorating teams at both churches, and our altar servers. Your dedication has enriched this holy time of the year. I am also grateful to the Knights of Columbus for organizing the 40 Cans for Lent campaign, which feeds the hungry in our region.

I would also like to thank all who participated in the parish meeting on Tuesday. We met to discuss the possibility of our parish sharing a priest with Lucinda and Fryburg. While it is not an easy discussion to have, we know that God accompanies us through all the changes of life, the welcome ones as well as the unwelcome ones. Next weekend we will be having another discussion after all the Masses to answer any questions that may have arisen since this meeting.

May God bless all of you and may you celebrate joyfully this feast of Easter.

In Christ, Fr. James

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



Saturday, April 8, 2023

Holy Saturday

C:12:00 p.m. Blessing of the Easter Baskets

C:8:30 p.m. All Parishioners

Sunday, April 9, 2023

Easter Sunday Resurrection of the Lord

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

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

Monday, April 10, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. Andy Donnick

By John & Bobbi Donnick

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. Elsie Schwabenbauer

By Tom & Elaine Fesenmyer

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

C:8:30 a.m. Thomas Ransel

By Rene Grumbaugh

Thursday, April 13, 2023

M:7:00 p.m. Marie Baxter

By Joe & Kitty Rodgers

Friday, April 14, 2023

C: 8:30 a.m. Tom Kemmer

By John & Bobbi Donnick

Saturday, April 15, 2023

SCI-All Souls Day Remembrance

M: 5:00 p.m. Pat Gatton

By John & Bobbi Donnick

**Sunday, April 16, 2023** 

C:8:30 p.m. In Thanksgiving

By Jane Carroll

C:11:00 All Parishioners

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord; Julian Calendar Palm Sunday Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter

Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter;
Julian Calendar Good Friday

Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter



March 26, 2023 April 2, 2023 \$1,764.06 \$3,012.00

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

**April 16, 2023** 

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:42-

47

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9 Gospel: John 20:19-31

### **NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULES**

Lector: April 15 and 16, 2023

M:5:00 p.m. Penny C: 8:30 a.m. Emma C:11:00 a.m. Henry

### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

**April 15 and 16, 2023** 

M:5:00 p.m. Jeanne

C: 8:30 a.m. Chuck & Carol

C:11:00 a.m. Taty

### **Collection Counters**

**April 16, 2023** 

Henry, Taty, Jill, Jack

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

### **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.

### St. Ann's Women's Club Meeting

April – no meeting

May – Meeting May 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

May  $27^{th}$  – 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

Snyder's Auto Body Tylersburg, PA 814-744-9218

Please support our sponsors!!!

### CRS RICE BOWL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

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.

Rice Bowl money will be collected at the April 15 and 16 masses, or you may give online at crsricebowl.org/give. Please leave them on the stand in the back of the Church.

Thank you for helping to overcome hunger and malnutrition in the poorest of countries and touch people in need locally, as well.

ALL SIR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, CLARION AS-SEMBLY #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**

### Easter Season

Our Easter celebration lasts fifty days, during which Resurrection joy should overflow the hearts of believers to refresh a parched and weary world with the revivifying waters of faith, hope, and charity. All season, at every Sunday Mass, we read Luke's Acts of the Apostles, charting the young church's Spirit-led journey, sometimes peaceful, sometimes persecuted, beset by enemies without and turmoil within. But this young church is always moving onward, from Jerusalem's familiarity to the strangeness of every place between there and Rome; and outward, from an inherited Judaism's comfortable uniformity to the Gentile world's challenging diversity. A week after Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday invites us to renew our personal relationship with Jesus. On the Third Sunday of Easter, the disciples at Emmaus recognize Jesus in the breaking of the bread, and return to share the Good News even as modern-day disciples should. On Good Shepherd Sunday, the church prays for priestly and religious vocations. All the while, Acts shows people drawn to the early Church because they had seen the Risen Jesus not in person, but in persons, in disciples who still form Christ's living Body, the Church. Each of us is likewise called to be the kind of disciple, personally and in communion with our brothers and sisters, in whom those who seek Jesus may at least glimpse his presence.

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### 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 <a href="mailto:hrevmom@gmail.com">hrevmom@gmail.com</a>. Thank you for your prayers and support.

### 6<sup>th</sup> 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

### **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.

### 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.

### 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	10	Trudy Wagner
April	11	Betty Siegel
April	12	Dave Thimons
April	13	Thomas Oliver Craig Parrett
April	15	MaryBeth Hepinger

### **MARRIAGE MOMENT**

Easter has come. Hurray! We can eat sweets again and let go of "giving up." But what has Lent taught you this year? Reflect together honestly about how this Lent (or harder times in general) have taught you a life lesson – perhaps how to love each other better,- warts and all.

### **Child Abuse Prevention Month**

Recent statistics tell us one out of every four girls and one out of every 6 boys are sexually abused before they turn 18. 91% of sexual abuse is perpetrated by someone the child or the child's family knows. This means that on every Sunday in our congregation there are people who have been abused and may continue to experience the pain of that abuse.

Reaching out to those who have suffered from abuse is critical in bringing hope and the love of Christ to them. Assistance is available for victims/survivors of clergy sexual abuse by contacting the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Dr. Gerard Tobin at 814-451-1521.

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