

Saint Joseph Parish
Lucinda, PA

Saint Michael Parish
Fryburg, PA

Saint Mary Parish
Crown, PA

Saint Ann Church
Marienville, PA

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The kingdom of heaven is like
a **treasure** buried in a field.

Matthew 13:44



Liturgy Schedule August 1st - 2nd

4:00 p.m. St. Joseph Church

Lector: Heather Reisinger

Euch Min: Monica Lehnortt, Dana Baker, Jess Eisenman

Altar Server: Ben Lewis

Ushers: Dana Baker, Jim Harvey, Ed Carroll, Jerry Lutz

Rosary: Dan & Mary Banner

6:00 p.m. St. Mary Church

Lector: Pam Wolbert

Euch Min: Bill & Pam Wolbert

Altar Server: Charlie & Jude Carroll

8:00 a.m. St. Mary Church

Lector: Keith Martz

Euch Min: Chuck & Carol Schettler, Joel Schettler

Altar Server: Carter McLaughlin

11:00 a.m. St. Michael Church

Lector: Carol Kiser

Euch Min: Emily Weaver, Alisha Smerkar, Butch Hoover

Altar Server: Lillian Weaver

Ushers: Matt, Nick & Isaac Gilara

Rosary: Walter Jakopac

COLLECTION COUNTERS:

St. Joseph: George & Lisa Carroll

St. Michael: Sue & Todd Beichner

St. Mary: Andrea & Emma Cussins, Kelly Kopchick, Mary Schreengost

SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNING IN MEMORY OF:

St. Michael: Paul & Mary Dechant by The Family

St Joseph: Troy Wolbert by Dana Baker & The North Clarion School Bus Drivers

St Mary: Trey Bauer Family by The Stan Rathfon St Hubert Memorial Council #10341

Weekly Offertory

Weekend of July 11th & 12th

St Joseph \$2,729.00

St Michael \$2,151.00

St Mary \$2,402.00



++Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before each
weekday Mass at 7:30 a.m.++

Monday, July 27

6:00 p.m. (St Ann) John & Jean Grumbaugh by Rene Grumbaugh

Tuesday, July 28

8:30 a.m. (St Michael) Betty Cyphert by Bernie & Jane Hoover

Wednesday, July 29

8:30 a.m. (St Joseph) All Those with Health Problems in our Parishes by Anonymous

Thursday, July 30

8:30 a.m. (St Michael) Bob Hoover by Tina Hoover

Friday, July 31

8:30 a.m. (St Joseph) Troy Wolbert by Joe & Barb

8:30 a.m. (St Mary) Judy Bogel by Irene & Mary Lencer

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday, August 1

4:00 p.m. (St Joseph) Dennis Hartle Sr by The Family

6:00 p.m. (St Mary) Ed Stecki by Mary Caye Stecki

Sunday, August 2

8:00 a.m. (St Mary) Parish Family

11:00 a.m. (St Michael) Martin & Rachel Beichner Family-Living and Deceased by The Family

A Word from Father Brandon

Our Gospels the past three weekends have been drawing our minds to the Kingdom of God and what It is like. The fact the Lord relied upon several parables, and the Church sits with them as an almost mini-liturgical season is telling of the depths and magnitude the idea of the Kingdom is...but also about what it means for us!

The Kingdom is something that significantly characterizes my own personal spiritual life and desire for God. What I seek to constantly liberate myself from is an apathy or indifference to the life of God in those around me, in the life of His Church, and in the Grace being showered upon us each day. The temptation to retreat into ourselves, our own comforts and fortresses we build for ourselves is a continuous pull at our broken and sin-sick hearts and souls. No matter who you are or what you do, there will never not exist the pull to seek first our own kingdom, our own security, our own salvation - not as *"let me put my mask on first, so I can help you put on yours"*, but rather as, *"let me put my mask on...eh, I can't seem to get this thing on right...does it mess up my hair...maybe there's a better brand of mask to put on"*...and we never really end up putting the thing on and moving on to others, the Gospel, and God! You and I are so entrenched in the way of the enemy - through no fault of our own, but through the effect of our first parents' sin. We are dramatically pulled from the Gospel and God's Kingdom and seek to build a kingdom of our own. It may sound like it's supposed to be that way, or that 'modern man' can't really be expected to live radically and to give to the poor and to fast and to pray deeply and to love profoundly! We are so good at excusing away the hard and the splinters of the cross, and yet loving the banal and pointless!

What I love about this weekend's cache of parables is that strums the chord of utter reliance and desire for God and only God! Sell all you have to buy that field, to possess that pearl! The Kingdom of God is being so utterly free, wealthy, healthy, and alive not in what we are able to amass and construct, but in what I am able to let tumble and off load to the world because I only want God's Kingdom! There is very little else that we say and preach as Catholic Christians - save for the Eucharist and forgiveness of sins, perhaps - that is not more counter to the kingdom the enemy of our human nature has constructed for - not our flourishing - but our slow and suffocating demise!

I don't know what it looks like for you - what your pearl or field looks like - but discover it! Find it! Love it! Then, more importantly, let yourself possess it! We hold on to so many unnecessary and silly and petty things and ideas that are nothing more than our cheap attempt to pacify our aching longing for God! Don't pacify that ache, satisfy it with The Kingdom! Let us run free like children in the fields, vineyards, forests, beaches, and halls of the Kingdom Our Father has prepared for us and waits with a divine longing for you and I to join Him and let Him be our everything as we are His everything! Let God have you, satisfy His longing by selling all you have and buying that field, that pearl, and know the sweetness of life in the Church! Because, the Kingdom is not some vague vapor of an idea, but the life of the Church! What we do and how we do it mirrors whether or not we have sought that field, we are running rambunctiously on the beaches of the Kingdom, whether we have sought to proclaim the Gospel! Let us be people of the Kingdom as the Church, as souls seeking God, and one day as Saints in the presence of Our Father and Christ our King!

Love,

Fr Brandon

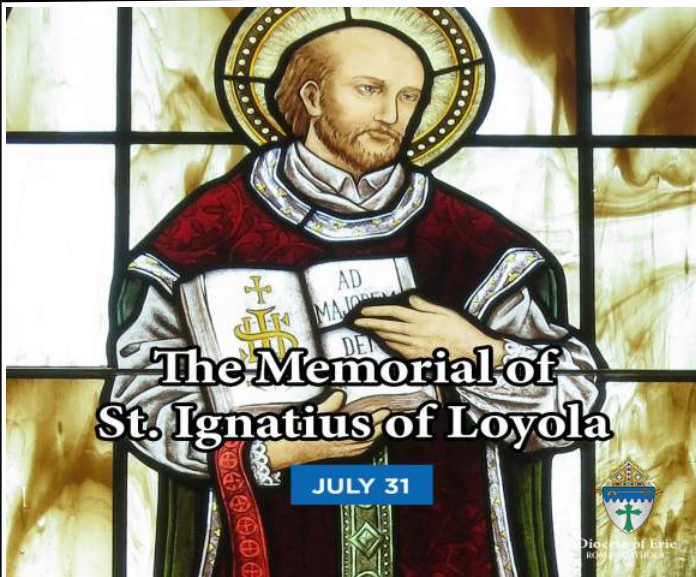


LETTER M: The Letter M, often rendered in a stylized form, is used to represent the Virgin Mary. When positioned below the Croww, as on the Miraculous Medal, it represents Mary standing at the foot of the Cross.

Monthly Home Visits

Anyone who needs monthly home visits please call the parish office at (814)226-7288, Extension 107.

St Hubert Knights of Columbus #10341 News: Family of the Month is the Trey Bauer Family and the 50/50 winner is Bob Wolfgang. The next meeting is Tuesday, August 11th at 6 pm in Stutz Hall. There will be a member breakfast on Saturday, August 15th at 8 am in Stutz Hall.



FUNERALS: WHEN A FAMILY MEMBER PASSES AWAY—THE FUNERAL HOME IS THE FIRST CONTACT. THE FUNERAL HOME CONTACTS THE PARISH OFFICE AND EVERYTHING IS COORDINATED BETWEEN THEM.

Any items for the bulletin need to be emailed to the Parish Office **2 weeks prior to the week you wish to have it appear in the bulletin.** Bulletin announcements are on a First Come, First Serve Basis and must have proper grammar and spelling. Email to: secretary@stjosephlucinda.com

2026 CSA UPDATE as of 7/10/2026

St Joseph Assessment to the Diocese: \$34,807.00

Total Pledged: \$49,030.00

Total Paid: \$38,910.00

St Michael Assessment to the Diocese: \$38,740.00

Total Pledged: \$41,750.00

Total Paid: \$36,561.00

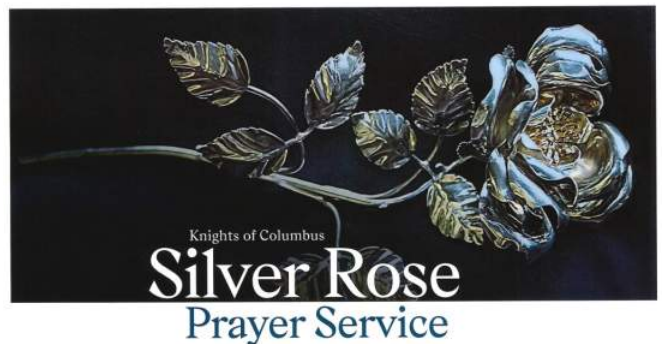
St Mary Assessment to the Diocese: \$23,034.00

Total Pledged: \$28,484.00

Total Paid: \$20,674.00

The Feast of Saints Joachim and Ann will be celebrated on Monday, July 27th at 6PM at St. Ann Church. We will celebrate with Mass at 6pm and have a Strawberry Social afterwards, Please join us!!

Saints Joachim and Ann are the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the grandparents of Jesus. The Catholic Church takes time to honor, remember, and pray for our grandparents this day, those that are still with us and those that have passed away. Saints Joachim and Ann, pray for us!



St Hubert Knights of Columbus #10341 will be doing a Silver Roses Devotion on Wednesday, August 19th at St Mary Church at 6 pm. All are welcome to attend.

July 26, 2026

North Clarion/Marienville Food Pantry: They are located at Marienville Community Methodist Church, 201 N. Forest Street, Marienville, PA 16239. They are always accepting canned and boxed items, as well as monetary donations. **Checks are made payable to: Marienville Community Methodist Church-in memo write: North Clarion/Marienville Food Bank. Mail checks to Marienville Community Methodist Church, PO Box 281, Marienville, PA 16239.** For more information, contact 814-927-8517. Items needed for July and August 2026 are: canned stew; canned white beans; canned pasta, evaporated milk, canned pumpkin; soup; boxed scalloped or au gratin potatoes; jello or pudding; cake mix; dish soap; baby wipes. Distribution dates are: Tuesday, July 28 and Tuesday, August 25, 2026.

2026 Mass Intentions

Masses are now being scheduled for the last 6 months of 2026 — — **July 1 to December 31, 2026.**

Parishioners are limited to **Two Weekend** mass intentions throughout the year. Weekday masses are available to accommodate additional mass intentions. Mass intentions can be scheduled in any one of our four churches. These are on a first come, first serve basis.

Please call the Parish Office to schedule. Please be patient when calling the office or requesting Masses

THANK YOU, DEAR FRIENDS, for your many, many kindnesses. As we leave the area and return to our religious communities for other assignments, so many of you have reached out in loving ways. We have been so privileged to serve beside you in Catholic Rural Ministry sharing the love of Jesus and the Gospel with one another. MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALWAYS!
Here's our new contact information....

Sister Tina Geiger, RSM c/o Sisters of Mercy of the Americas,
15 Highland View Road, Cumberland, RI 02864-1124
401 333 6333 srtinag@gmail.com www.sistersofmercy.org

Sister Marian Wehler, OSB Mount St. Benedict Monastery,
6101 East Lake Road, Erie, PA 16511
814 899 0614 marianwehler@yahoo.com www.eriebenedictines.org

Labor Day Picnic Information

We are going to serve a traditional turkey and ham buffet style meal at the Labor Day Picnic: stuffing, coleslaw, corn, roll, potatoes, gravy, ham, turkey and dessert. We would like all members of St Michael Parish to donate 2 pies and rolls. A work schedule will follow at a later date Please save quart containers for the food sale. Thank you in advance.

St. Michael Church in Fryburg will celebrate the 140th anniversary of its consecration next year, in 2027. In honor of this special milestone, we are considering putting together a brief history of the church's construction as well as its changes over the years. This history would be available for parishioners and community members alike. While our past genealogical books contain a lot of information on the church, we are still asking parishioners and friends to share any stories, details, images, documents, etc., that would contribute to this history. As some of you know, the church's construction was a community effort with many families passing down stories of it being built, where the materials came from, etc. There have also been various photos taken of the church both inside and out over the years, and it would be nice to try to bring those together and share our heritage with each other. If you have a story or photo/document you would like to share, or if you would like to help in this effort, please contact Emily Weaver at 814-673-1623 or e.hoover18@gmail.com. Thank you! Raffle Committee

"Save the date" for the joint parish picnic (St. Joseph, St. Michael, St. Mary, and St. Ann) on Sunday, August 2nd, at the Antler Club in Lucinda. The picnic starts at 12:30 pm, and there will be a catered meal. Please feel free to bring a lawn chair and any yard games you wish to play. There will be some changes to the picnic this year, including no mass, to keep it simple and focus on enjoying a good meal together and conversation. If you haven't signed up yet, please call the rectory office at 814-226-7288 to register.



SECOND COLLECTION—AUGUST 1 & 2

Father Doug May, M.M. will be at the parish for the annual missionary cooperative appeal and second collection for the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. **For anyone wishing to donate by check please make the check payable to your parish and include For Maryknoll on the memo line.** Father May will speak at all the Masses. Fr. May has served as a missionary in Egypt for over 20 years, and in Kenya for several years. He will invite us to take part in the vital work of bringing Christ and His Gospel to all people. While at the parish, Fr. May will be happy to talk with any parishioners who are interested in doing overseas mission work

4th of July Update:

We continue to process invoices and ticket sponsors regarding the 4th of July. Please submit any outstanding invoices to any 4th of July Committee member or the Parish or school office. Thank you again for your unfailing support and we'll report our final proceeds once all accounts are settled and audited.



Money Counters Needed for St Michael Parish

Two person team needed to count after Sunday morning Mass on a rotating monthly basis.

Please contact the business manager at the parish office by either email or phone.

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For more info: Tim (814) 226-4227

Ken (814) 226-8109

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Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Each year, the Diocese of Erie is honored to celebrate milestone anniversaries with couples throughout our 13-county diocese. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary are invited to take part in this special recognition of the Sacrament of Marriage and their commitment to one another.

This year, due to unforeseen medical circumstances for multiple members of our team, we are unable to host the traditional diocesan celebratory Mass and reception. In lieu of diocesan, in-person celebrations, we are offering all celebrating couples a certificate and letter from Bishop, along with an invitation to next year's in-person event. In addition, some local parishes have expressed the desire to honor their parishioners. To register for a local celebration or request certificate, please visit www.erieecd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html. Certificates may also be requested by phone at 814-824-1210.



Sunday, August 9, 2026

11AM - until sold out

Dinners include:

(½ chicken, scalloped potatoes, coleslaw, roll & dessert) - \$12.00

Child's meal - \$6.00

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