

Saint Mary's Parish Community

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SAINT MARY'S PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

One of the hallmarks of Franciscan spirituality is to extend welcome to all. On Behalf of Fr. Kevin, Franciscan TOR and Parish Administrator of Saint Mary's and the members of the parish, we extend this heartfelt invitation to all who join us: No matter what your present or past status in the Catholic Church; no matter what your current family or marital situation; no matter what your past or present religious affiliation; no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, or color, you are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved here at Saint Mary's Church. In the words of Saint Francis Assisi, "May the Lord give you peace."

—Fr. Kevin, T.O. R., Deacon Jim, and Parish Staff

February 22, 2026

First Sunday of Lent

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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily 8:30 AM
Monday through Friday

Sunday
Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Sacrament of Penance
Friday 8:00 AM
Saturday 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM

BULLETIN DEADLINE: MONDAY AT NOON



BAPTISM Call the Rectory to make arrangements for Pre-Baptism Classes early in your pregnancy (if this is your first child) and to arrange for the Baptism after your child is born. You must also be a registered and active member of the parish.

MARRIAGE In accordance with Diocesan directives arrangements must be made at least 9 months before the marriage date. All couples are required to attend Diocesan sponsored Pre-Cana sessions and to participate in the FOCCUS inventory. Call the rectory for information and schedules.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP We are always happy to welcome new parishioners. You may register any day, Monday through Friday, at the parish office. Registration, the practice of stewardship, and regular participation in the Eucharist indicates active membership and eligibility to act as a Godparent or Sponsor. Your stewardship of time, treasure, and talent is essential for the common good.



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 22, 2026

"Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned. —Ps 51

From the Pastor's Desk

LENTEN PARISH SPIRITUAL PROGRAM

Extra copies of the Lenten Program are available at the entrances of the church. Please keep the program in a special place for future reference.

-MONDAYS: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions at 6:30 PM.

-WEDNESDAYS: Mass on Wednesdays of Lent will be at 8:30 AM.

-THURSDAYS: Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament from 7:30 to 8:25 AM. Lenten Adult Class on Catholic Social Teaching at 7:00 PM.

-FRIDAYS: Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM.

-HOUR OF HEALING PRAYER IN DARKNESS will be on Sunday, March 15, at 7:00 PM.

-LENTEN SERVICES AND LUNCHEAS SPONSORED BY CONEMAUGH MINISTERIUM The next Lenten Service will be on Tuesday, February 24, at Noon at the Summit Chapel Church in Vinco. There will be a prayer service followed by a light lunch (soup and sandwich).



The parish would like to thank all of those who helped taking items from the church to the church hall for Masses. Also, thank you to all who helped to put the items back into the church after the painting was completed. Your help was greatly appreciated.

THE PARISH LENTEN FISH FRIES will be on Fridays: February 27, March 6, 13, 20, and 27, from 3:30 to 6:00 PM. Choice of Fried or Baked Fish with a variety of sides, plus a roll, dessert, and a beverage. \$15 for Adult; \$8.00 for children 10 and under (Fried Fish only). Take-outs available.

THE INTERFAITH COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY is seeking a Volunteer to assist with pantry operations. If you or someone you know is interested, please reach out to Dave at 814-243-8184. The next distribution for the pantry will be on Saturday, February 28, from 10:00 to NOON at the Food Pantry Building on Simmons Lane, Mundy's Corner.

NATIONAL BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION

Today, our parish will take up the 142nd Annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native Communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! You can help meet unmet needs with a generous contribution today. Thank you for your support.

ANOTHER CONFIRMATION PROJECT Averı Yewcic and Leah Szewczyk, members of our parish, are preparing to make their Confirmation this year. They have undertaken a service project to collect essential items for breakfast bags and snack bags for families residing at the Ronald McDonald House in Pittsburgh. Any donation is deeply appreciated. Items can be shipped directly to Averı Yewcic. Follow these directions to find a list of items needed: Search Amazon: Find registry; 1. Select Registry/Gift List; 2. Select Find a Registry; 3. Enter Owners Name: Averı; 4. State: PA; Scroll down Look for: Averı & Leah ~ Confirmation Service Project: RMH Breakfast/Snack Bags. A direct link can be found on Saint Mary's Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/stmarysnantyglo>.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday February 23 8:30 AM	St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr +Deborah Rege <i>(Fifth Anniversary Remembrance) (Husband, Tom and Family)</i>
Tuesday February 24 8:30 AM	Lenten Weekday +Mary Sanderson <i>(Rick and Diane Kline)</i>
Wednesday February 25 8:30 AM	Lenten Weekday +Anna Olsavsky <i>(Birthday Remembrance) (Family)</i>
Thursday February 26 8:30 AM	Lenten weekday +Don Saghy <i>(Month Mind) (Mary Frances Setz)</i>
Friday February 27 8:30 AM	St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church For the Luke and Autumn Fetsko Family <i>(Mark and Roxanne)</i>
Saturday February 28 4:30 PM	Anticipated Second Sunday in Lent +Gus Lanzendorfer <i>(Birthday Remembrance) (Family)</i>
Sunday March 1 8:00 AM	Second Sunday of Lent +Ev Fabo <i>(Pat (Lezzer) Gentile)</i>
10:30 AM	Parish Family

FEBRUARY 15 SUNDAY COLLECTION

Adult Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 3,530.00
Sunday Loose Donations:	112.00
Lenten Folders:	60.00
Mandeville Diocese Envelopes:	22.00
Total:	\$ 3,724.00
Adult Sunday Envelopes:	149 out of 399 - 37%

February 22 Stewardship Reflection First Sunday of Lent

As we begin the beautiful and challenging season of Lent, our readings this week remind us why we need these 40 days so much. They also suggest a particular strategy we Christian stewards might take as we make the journey towards Easter, so that we arrive there as better disciples — more focused n Christ and His mission for us.

Our Gospel passage, from Matthew, shows us by the example of Jesu Himself one way that we can attain spiritual strength and grow to become more effective disciples and stewards. In this passage we find our Lord in the desert, fasting for 40 days and 40 nights. Like Adam and Eve, He is confronted by the evil one. But unlike our fallen parents, our Lord triumphs over the devil's lies and sends him slithering away. How did He do it? By knowing the Scriptures and by proclaiming them confidently, and by His perfect trust in the Father.

This Lent, let's embrace this 40-day spiritual reset. Let's commit to prayerfully studying the Scriptures. This could take form of a daily family Gospel reflection, a few moments with the Psalms at the beginning of a lunch break, "fasting" from social media, or any other countless ways. As faithful stewards, we are called to prioritize our use of time to seek a relationship with our loving God. Let's get to know Him better by studying His word this Lent.



Please remember the intentions of those in the hospitals and those recuperating at Connie Weekes, Sharon Kanich, Joseph Berdomas, Joe Snedden, Frances Settlemire, Michele Litzinger, Jimena Setz, and Lucia Aguilar. Pray for all those who are sick, including all those in nursing facilities.



This week the Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the birthday remembrance of Carol Kaschalk requested by Michaela.



The sympathies of the parish are extended to Joseph and Jeanie Berdomas, Kathleen and Robert Donaldson, Jocelyn and Clint Divido, and their families on the death of Katherine Soyka. May God grant her eternal happiness and comfort her loved ones during this time of sorrow and sadness.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sun.	22:	NO ELEMENTARY CCD
Mon.	23:	6:30 PM Perpetual Help Devotions
Thurs.	26:	7:00 PM Adult Lenten Class
Fri.	27:	8:00 AM Confessions
		3:30 - 6:00 PM Parish Fish Fry
		7:00 PM Stations of the Cross
Sat.	28:	3:30 - 4:15 PM Confessions

**Liturgical Appointments
February 28 and March 1**

MASSES

Sat.	- 4:30	D. & E. Ponchione
Sun.	- 8:00	D. Fabo & J. Simmons
Sun.	- 10:30	A. Yewcic & S. Shedlock

SERVERS

READERS

Sat.	- 4:30	(1) B. McDermott	(2) R. Kline
Sun.	- 8:00	(1) C. Agagliati	(2) M. Bober
Sun.	- 10:30	(1) J. Podgorney	(2) D. Shedlock

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat.	- 4:30	M. A. DiSisto & D. Kline
Sun.	- 8:00	S. Popich & L. Kupchella
Sun.	- 10:30	M. Lloyd & M. Shedlock

LEADERS OF SONG

Sat.	- 4:30	M. F. Shedlock
Sun.	- 8:00	Folk Choir
Sun.	- 10:30	R. Becker

Daily Liturgical Schedule For Week of March 2 - 6

Server: E. Ponchione **Reader:** M. A. DiSisto
Extraordinary Ministers: K. Janosik & S. Popich

**A PRAYER FOR PUTTING
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FIRST**

All glory and praise to you, O God. Your abundant love is revealed to us in the love of man and woman through which you establish the human family. Your only Son was born of Mary and was raised by her and Joseph the carpenter. Grant that every household may be a place where your children grow in wisdom and grace. Make of all humanity one family to praise you in Christ Jesus, our Lord and brother. Amen.

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PRAYER IN TIMES OF DARKNESS

Dear Jesus,

When I feel troubled, alone, frightened, be with me. Be a flicker of flame in this darkness. Help me to know you in the stark seasons as I do in times of elation. You are the light I seek.
Amen.

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HOLY NAME SCHOOL NEWS

Stations of the Cross: Please join us for Stations of the Cross on Monday, February 23, at 2:00 PM.

Eucharistic Adoration: The Junior High students will attend Adoration on Tuesday, February 24, 8:30 - 10:00 AM.

STAR 360 Testing: Students will complete the STAR 360 Math and Reading Tests on Wednesday, February 25. Please encourage your children to do their best!

The Home and School Association is sponsoring a Mobile Education Production called **Forces in Motion** on Thursday, February 26, at 1:00 PM.

Mass: Please join us as we celebrate Mass together with our Faith Families on Friday, February 27, at 9:15 AM. Intermediate students will participate in the ministries.

If you would like to learn more about Holy Name School, visit holynameschool.net.

Facebook: If you would like to learn more about Holy Name School in pictures and videos, please find us on Facebook at The Official Holy Name School.

Gift Cards: The SCRIP cards are available in the Narthex on Sunday mornings. If you would like to purchase gift cards during the weekday, please visit the Rectory Office.

HOLY NAME PARISH, EBENSBURG On Friday, March 20, at 7:00 PM, we will welcome Notre Dame outstanding 3 x pentathlon NCAA Champion and current Olympic bobsledder, Jadin O'Brien as our parish Lenten mission leader. She graciously accepted the invitation through the Catholic Speakers Organization. She is a devout Catholic who has shown perseverance through her health struggles and injuries. She is excited about coming to visit our parish and school. Please help spread the word about this upcoming parish mission; also check out her billboard on Route 22. LETS GO!!!

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (18-39) Our January event had about 50 young adults including 5 new members. March will be our 3-year anniversary and we are always seeking new members! All young adults (18-39) are invited! There is no cost to attend. Our next Theology on Tap is Wednesday, February 25, at the Boulevard Grill at 6:00 PM with Father David Dodd TOR speaking on: The scriptures and the Power of God: Highly Valuing the Scriptures. Our March 25 speaker is Metropolitan Archbishop, William Skurla! For more information contact Geoffrey Stumpo at (814) 659-7415 or geoffstumpo@gmail.com.

A BLOOD DRIVE will be held at Saint John Vianney's on Monday, March 2. Make this part of your Lenten almsgiving. To donate, go to redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-733-276.

THE BASILICA OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL in Loretto is hosting it's 64th Annual Men's Turkey Dinner on Sunday, March 15, from 11:00 AM-3:00 PM or until sold out. Turkey dinner with all of the trimmings. Dine in for \$14 or take-out for \$15. Two lines this year for faster takeout service! Please stop by for a dinner!

OUR LADY OF THE ALLEGHENIES CHURCH, LILLY will be holding a Craft Fair on Saturday, April 11, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. All are welcome to attend!

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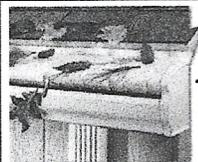
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