# **Sacred Heart Catholic Church**

PA Charitable Trust Partnered With St. Mary's Church 337 Center Street – St. Marys, PA 15857 Sacred Heart Parish Office: 814-834-7861 Fax: 814-834-1376 • Sacred Heart Parish Center: 814-834-4017 e-mail: sacredheartparish@windstream.net • Website: www.sacredheartparish.us Parish Office Hours: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Mission Statement** 

Through our gifts of time, talents, and treasures, we serve our parish as we journey together to the Kingdom of God.

#### **Parish Staff**

Pastor	Father Thomas Curry, O.S.B.
	er Thomas More Sikora, O.S.B.
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Deacon	Ray Ehrensberger
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#### Bulletin Deadline Monday – 10:00 a.m. – In Writing

Confessions: Saturday: St. Mary's Church 3:30-4:15 p.m.

> First Friday Week: Sacred Heart Church Thursday 4:00 p.m. Till all are heard Anytime by Appointment

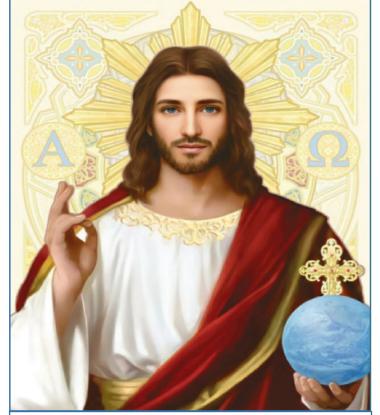
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#### Mass Schedule

Sacred Heart Church Sunday - 7:00 & 10:30 a.m. St. Mary's Church Saturday - 4:30 p.m. St. Mary's Church Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

Parish Office: Closed for Holy Days and Holidays

# FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING



# INTERPARISH CELEBRATION "Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe"

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church Today Sunday, November 26, 2023 Vespers and Benediction at 4:00 p.m.

#### **BAH HUMBUG DEC., 9TH**

If you would like to participate by donating a filled basket or new items for



a basket, please contact Mary Jo Scott at home 814-781-7823 or cell 814-788-0174 or by email mjscott@windstream.net.



You can also drop items off at the Parish Office Mon., thru Fri., 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Except for Holy Days and Holidays. Thank you!!

Nov., 25(S):	Vigil of Jesus Christ,	
	King Of The Universe	
St. Mary's Chu		
	Mark & Ruth Frey	
	Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe	
Sacred Heart Church		
	Janet Wolfe (An.)	
St. Mary's Chu		
	Mass For The Parishioners	
Sacred Heart (		
	of Louis & Catherine Hoffman Family	
	of AI (An.) & Catherine Pfeufer Family	
4:00 p.m.	Vespers & Benediction	
	Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe	
Nov., 27(M):	34th Week in Ordinary Time	
6:15 a.m.	L/D of Frank & Rose Kneidel Family	
Nov., 28(T):	<b>34th Week in Ordinary Time</b> Ken Bauer (An.) <b>34th Week in Ordinary Time</b>	
6:15 a.m. †	Ken Bauer (An.)	
Nov., 29(W):	34th Week in Ordinary Time	
6:15 a.m. †	Wilfred G. Bauer (An.)	
Nov., 30(Th):	St. Andrew, Apostle	
6:15 a.m. †	William Erich (An.)	
Dec., 1(F):	34th Week in Ordinary Time Rocky Smith (An.)	
6:15 a.m. †	Rocky Smith (An.)	
	Vigil of First Sunday Of Advent	
St. Mary's Chu		
	Thomas G. Schreiber	
	First Sunday Of Advent	
Sacred Heart (		
	Mass For The Parishioners	
St. Mary's Chu		
	Lavern & Mary Kreckel, Sr.	
Sacred Heart (		
	Rodney (An.) & Doris (An.) Pistner	
TT	Edward (An.) & Dorothy Mulcahy	

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

will be held in Sacred Heart Church on Friday from 7:00 a.m. until closing with Benediction at 4:00 p.m. **Fridays at 3:00 p.m. the Divine Mercy Chaplet**.

**PLEASE PRAY** for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially Gelindo "Boots" Bonfardine and Travis M. Wehler (Son of Richard & Lori Rae Radaelli Wehler). May God grant them eternal rest and comfort all those who mourn them.

**PRAYER LIST -** Let us remember all the sick especially Chrissy Aikens, Sharon Boylan, Henry James Farkas, Alice Feldbauer, Don Geci, Irene George, Louise Georgevich, Kathleen Glatfelter, Dennis Maffei, Darlene Nappe, Dave Nellis, Tammy Pearsall, Asher Quinn, Kathleen (Daisy) Rowley, Emily Saline, Dave Schneider, Matthew Sharrow, Ruth "Pug" Sloff, Mary Jo Wheeler, Dominick Herbstritt, Brooks Murphy and Lucy Weis.

**SACRED HEART PRAYER CHAIN -** If you want to be placed on the prayer chain for any need, just call Rose at 814-781-6430, or Ann at 814-834-6534.



The week of November 26, 2023 the Angel Lamps in the Sanctuary burn for the following intentions: L/D of Williams & Hoffman Families Innocent Victims of Abortion

To schedule a particular intention or week, please call the Parish Office at 834-7861. The donation is \$10.

# A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Our actions as parents in feeding the hungry, welcoming strangers or estranged relatives into our homes teach our children moral lessons of life. We clothe our sick or imprisoned neighbors by caring for them and visiting them. The beatitudes are the perfect playbook for Jesus' expectations of families. Our routine actions make Christ present in all we do.

#### **FATIMA PRAYER GROUP**

Monday Night Apostolate of Fatima Rosary at Sacred Heart Church will be held at **4:00 p.m.** "Pray the Rosary everyday for Peace in the World".

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WE WELCOME Lorreina Victoria DePrator into the Catholic Community.

**Lorreina Victoria** is the daughter of Anthony J. and Francesca V. (Formica) DePrator May God bless her as she grows in her faith and love of God.

"Understand what you do, imitate what you celebrate, and conform your life to the mystery of the Lord's cross." -Ordination Rite of Priests-

Gabriel Kraus and	
Deacon Brian Meyers	Deacon Luke Daghir
Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary	St. Mary's Seminary
7880 W. Denton Road	5400 Roland Avenue
Denton, NE 68339	Baltimore MD 21210

#### "31 DAY" VOCATION CALENDAR - Please

consider joining the Parish "31 Club" for Vocations to the Religious Life. Try to attend a Mass, Holy Hour, Pray a Rosary **OR** pray on your chosen date and offer it for:

- Priests/religious who have served our parish in the past.
- For those priests, religious and deacons serving now.
- To ask the Lord of the harvest for future vocations.
- 27th Pamela Hunt, Marge Gerg, Mary Lou Schutz
- 28th Patsy McAllister, Mark Bauer, Dee Pontzer
- 29th Myra Trgovac, John Kosco, Jerry & Patty Prechtl
- 30th Jeanne Dippold, Gary Lang, Dick Wolfe 1st Rose Johnston, Terri Bish, Yolanda Wolfel
- 2nd Catherine Labant, Joe Lynch, Dick Sweeney
- 3rd Sue Dornisch, Andy Dornisch, Diane Neubert

If you would like to be a part of the "31 Day" Vocation Calendar, please call the Parish Office at 834-7861 #1.

#### FINANCE REPORT for OCTOBER, 2023

Weekly Offering (5 Sundays)	\$39,072
Other Income	
Monthly Expenses	\$58,634
Short	\$18,363

GIVING TREE AT SACRED HEART AND ST. MARY'S The Maternity Closet could use help with baby items. We are doing the Giving Tree on December 2nd & 3rd. There will be tags for babies from birth to 3 years old. We appreciate your help in the past and are thanking you in advance for your generous support this year. Our cabinet outside is being used so diapers and wipes are always welcome. Large packages of diapers do not need to be wrapped.

## "SERVE AND SUCCEED" DEADLINE IS NOV., 27, 2023



A volunteer or a drafted Veteran <u>Serves</u> and if they were lucky they came home to <u>Succeed</u> with life, a family and a career.

This Christmas we are once again given the opportunity to <u>Serve</u> them and <u>Succeed</u> at telling others about what they did for our country and honoring them with wreaths to say <u>"Thank You"</u> for all you did for our community. For the first time in honoring our veterans, we will have an increase in price to **\$17.00**.

There will be order sheets placed at the inside entrances of the church by the bulletins.

Altar Societ

ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY December 10th. Dinner is \$20.00. Dinner choices are Stuffed Chicken Breast or Stuffed Pork Chop. Please RSVP soon to: Shirley Hoffman 1024 Earth Rd. St. Marys Pa 15857 with your request and payment.

#### LESSONS IN CAROLS Sunday, December 10th at 2:00 p.m. at



Queen of the World Church Enjoy an afternoon of Carols and Scripture Readings Presented by Choirs from Queen of the World, Sacred Heart, St. Mary's, St. Boniface, & St. Catherine.

SPECIAL ENVELOPES FOR THE MONTH OF

Nov., 23 Thanksgiving Offering-St. Vincent De PaulNov., 26 Human Development

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

Mondays Praying the Rosary in Church	4:00 p.m.
Fridays Rosary in Church	1:00 p.m.
Fridays Divine Mercy Chaplet in Church	3:00 p.m.
Dec., 01 S.H. Super BINGO Doors open at	4:00 p.m.
Dec., 09 Bah Humbug Doors open at	9:00 a.m.

# AREA NEWS

ADORATION AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH every **Tuesday** following the **8:30 a.m. Mass.** Closing: Benediction: 5:00 PM.

ADORATION AT QUEEN of the WORLD every Thursday following the 7:00 a.m. Mass. Closing: Benediction: 5:00 PM.

**BENEDICTINE GIFT SHOP** at 139 Church St, is fully stocked and just in time for the Christmas Season. Stop by and see what the store has to offer. And while you're in the area,



please take time to stop by our renovated

# **RELIGIOUS AND PRO LIFE LENDING**

Located on the main floor, of the Sacred Heart Parish Center.



Opened Mon., thru Fri., 9 am to 4 pm. It's a nice quiet place to sit and read a book or take out a book or items for you to read or view in your own home. Sorry, not open on weekends, Holidays or Holy Days.

THE MATERNITY CLOSET ~Hours: the 1st

three weeks on Wednesdays & Thursdays of each month. Babies and children up to 3 years. Wed's 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. & Thurs's 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

## PHE PEPPERMINT STICK GIFT SHOP

Hours: Mon., thru Thurs.,10:00 a.m. to4:00 p.m. CHRISTMAS SALE Nov., 27th - Dec., 7th 20% off all Christmas Items. Exclusions: candy, clearance, personal, & magazines

**ST. TOBIAS** will be offering an evening Mass at 6:00 p.m. on <u>Dec., 3.</u>



**MERRY WIDOWS~** Luncheon for Christmas **Monday, December 11, 2023** Noon at Hoss's Cost to be determined.



ST. LEO CHURCH YEAR LONG 50/50 is almost over. We draw ONE winner on <u>Dec., 17, 2023.</u> The winner will receive at least **\$9,025**! Get your ticket by calling St. Leo parish rectory @ 814-772-3135.



#### ATTENTION ENGAGED COUPLES: Planning your wedding in 2024? An Engagement Encounter is scheduled for January 19-21 at St. Mark Catholic Center in Frie, Call the Family Life Office at

Center in Erie. Call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 or email famlylife@erieRCD.org. Visit https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/ for more information and registration.

Remember,

"A wedding is one day, but marriage is for a lifetime".



**Faith Formation Calendar** 

All classes are held at the St. Mary's Church Parish Center (Former Catholic Middle School), 325 Church Street, unless otherwise noted.

Schedule changes as the school calendar changes because of CDC guidelines. You can also refer to the sminterparishff.com website for updated schedules

**Sun., Nov. 19** St. Boniface Whole Family Catechesis 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Middle School Faith Formation 6:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.

Wed., Nov. 22 No Elementary Faith Formation (Thanksgiving Break)

Sun., Nov. 26 No Middle School Faith Formation No Confirmation Class

Wed., Nov. 29 Elementary Faith Formation (grade 1-5) 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

4th and 5th grade Family Night Grade 1 CGS at Sacred Heart Atrium (5:50 p.m. – 7:20 p.m.)

# Middle School Youth Group Meeting Date TUES. NOV. 28th 6:30PM TO 8:30PM



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CHECK OUT OUR NEW LOCATION TOP FLOOR OF THE SAINT MARY'S CHURCH **PARISH CENTER** 325 CHURCH STREET, ST. MARYS, PA



Where: Dunkin Donuts on the Million Dollar Highway, St. Marys When: Dec. 6, 2023 **Time:** 6:45pm—8:15pm Who: Students in grades 6-12 The drinks are on us!! Sponsored by: Rooted Youth Ministry Come for an evening of fun and Purpose. Join us as we walk together in faith through seeing Christ in all things and situations!!

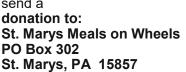


## ADOPT A GRANDPARENT OR A PERSON IN NEED FOR THE HOLIDAY!!!

Consider sponsoring a person in need by donating a month or two of meals instead

of the regular gifts you extend this holiday season! This is an opportunity for anyone who would like to help the people who are not able at some point in their lives to cook their own meals. How nice would it be to sponsor

one of our clients for a month and pay for their delivered meals?? If you would like to participate this holiday in giving the gift or a delivered meal, please send a





You can earmark your donation for a specific client or let us select someone who lacks the funds to receive a delivered hot meal to their home.

For questions or more information, please reach out to Wanda at 814-594-5930. Thank you in advance for your giving spirit!!!

#### SUNDAY MEALS ON WHEELS DELIVERY:

Volunteers are needed to deliver SUNDAY Meals On Wheels. It only takes 1 hour and you are scheduled to deliver only 4 or 5 times a year. If interested, please call Kathy Herzing (814-781-3988).

Give The Gift of Christmas **ELK HAVEN CHRISTMAS CARD FUND** P.O. Box 853 St. Marys, PA 15857 Deadline December 7, 2023 **NO EXTENSIONS THIS YEAR!** 



ST. MARY'S CHURCH~ is looking for Religious Items that you no longer want or don't know what to do with. Bring any items, even broken ones. to the Parish Office (325 Church St) for their Religious Item Rummage Sale.



The Rummage Sale will be Saturday, November 25th, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Cafeteria.

# Thank You!

FOX TOWNSHIP MANOR 108 Irishtown Road, Kersey, PA. 15846 Call (814) 885-6855 Affordable Senior Apartments Independent living. All utilities included. Must be 62 or older and have a annual income of less than \$28,950.



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Please be generous in this week's special collection for the CCHD. In the United States, more than 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you

support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects.



Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and support those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

## REFLECT

## **First Reading:**

Ezekiel offers a beautiful vision to the Israelites held captive in Babylon of God as a shepherd tending carefully to the sheep in his flock who are lost, injured, or sick. Who do you know needs to hear this message of hope?

# Second Reading:

Paul teaches the Corinthians how believers are destined to share in resurrected life with our Lord Jesus Christ. What do you imagine resurrected life with Christ will look like?

## Gospel:

The final Gospel reading of the Liturgical Year focuses on Judgement Day. All will be measured by how we treated those on the margins of society. What could you do this week to help the poor or the stranger or those in prison? ©LPi



