

Mar 19/20, 2016

M: St Mary • J: St Joseph
Rc: rectory chapel

Mar 21 • 6pm • Rc

† Ann Martz r/o Emory Keller



Holy Thursday • Mar 24 • 6:45pm • J • Mass of the Lord's Supper
[Adoration 'til 10pm: Rc]

Good Friday • Mar 25 • Noon • J •
Stations/Veneration of the Cross/Divine Mercy
• 3pm • M •
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Sat • Mar 26 • Basket Blessings: 10am @ M;
11:30am @ J

Easter Vigil • M • Gather @ 7:15pm: 7:30pm
[No 3:30 or 5:15pm Mass!]

Easter Sunday: 6:45am • M Cemetery
[weather permitting]



8am • J [Note Time] [Easter Egg Hunt]

10am • M [Easter Egg Hunt]



❖ **STEWARDSHIP: M: S: 1068; J: S: 1347; Campaign: 58**
• myEoffering: M: \$20 • J: \$40

Stewardship of time, talent & treasure!

❖ **Scripture:** • Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14-23:56
• Next week: Acts 10:34a; 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9.

❖ Fill out the forms, even if you're healthy & would like to be prayed for in times of need!... • John & Ann Biros • Richard Buczkowski • John Washko • Dorothy Yanuskiewicz • Rose Ann Aponick • Jean



Jarzinko • Joseph Washko • Grace Snover • Vickie Hartz • Ann Lewis • Bob Fellin • Gordy Weikel • Kathy Milefsky • Phil & Shirley Kennedy • Bill/Flo Steele • Theresa Szott • Helen Mehalick • Margaret Krupilis • Barbara Green • Brian Irslinger • Al Mehalick • Helen Gurka • Irene Feeko • Jennifer/Rose Gilliam • Loretta Zienkiewicz • LouAnn Rader • Judy Dziak • Jim/Virginia Spudis • Pauline Lorah

❖ **NEW MAILING ADDRESS: [No PO Box!]**

82 N Center St., Ringtown, Pa. 17967

Parish Office hours: **Mon. & Wed. 4-7pm**

Tues., Thurs., Fri. 4-6pm

The Parish Office is **closed** Holy Thurs. & Easter Mon.

❖ **Birthdays Blessings:** Paul Burke, Sean Kramer, Josh Pukavage, Matthew Milosh: 3/20; Matt Stivers: 3/22; James Weikel: 3/23; Linda Morgovnik, Dorothy Hovanec: 3/24; Joseph Morgovnik, Jr: 3/25.

❖ Welcome New Members @ M: **Eleanor Struzinsky;**
@ J: **Douglas & Catherine Keen.**

❖ **Palm from Last Year:** bring them to church, in the box/baskets provided (please, keep your plastic bag as the palm is burned for ashes on Ash Wed.)

❖ **Year of St. Luke's Gospel:** Pray your Bible!

❖ **St. Joe's 50/50:** March tickets out....

❖ **Stewardship:** *No one can do everything, everyone can do something!* Make an offering of a gift in gratitude for God's blessings!

❖ <http://www.facebook.com/stmarystjosephrcc>

❖ Visit us on the web: <http://www.stmarystjoseph.net>

❖ **Choir practice @ M** resumes after Easter. New members always welcome!



❖ **Orange Ribbons:** Wear one as a sign of support that we wear the "color" that the "people of the Cross" wear when they're martyred.

❖ **Knights:** next meeting 4/17 after 10am Mass @ M.

Thanks for supporting the Bleenie/Soup sale: profit of \$529.

❖ **Prayer Cards for Persecuted Christians:** Accept one, join in prayer for our brothers & sisters around the world who are imitating Christ in His suffering, so as to share in His Resurrection!

❖ **Amazon Purchases: Smile:** visit our webpage or Facebook: hit the smile, taking you to your amazon page, the parish receives 5% on your purchase! We use St Mary's to filter purchases, if you'd like credit to go to St Joseph's, let us know. No cost to you!

Reflection: Passion Sunday/Holy Week C: There is no holier season than this: the days of the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. A sign of God's love for us and all the world. As we enter into the fullness of the Passion of Jesus this palm Sunday, let us do so with hearts fixed on Jesus.

God could have saved the world in any fashion He so desired. St. Thomas Aquinas tells us that it would have taken only one drop of blood to save the world, instead He poured out His blood like He does His love: generously, with the greatest measure of love.

If we take the time this week to read/listen to the Gospel account of St. Luke, ponder the mystery of the Eucharist, the Passion, Death and Resurrection, we'll know what the Resurrection means as something lived, not simply believed or hoped for.

It is my prayer that our parishes will enter more fully into this Holy Week/Easter as to walk with Jesus in order to share His Life & Hope!

● Be a saint...what else is there? ●

Fr. Jim 🐾 & Peaches frjim.stmj@gmail.com

❖ **SCRIP:** We've \$25 Applebee's, \$25 Cabela's, \$25 & \$100 Weis, \$10 Dairy Queen, \$10 Denny's, \$10 Pizza Hut, \$10 Dunkin' Donuts, \$25 Home Depot, \$25 Sheetz, \$25 Lowe's, \$25 Giant, \$10 Long John Silver's, \$25 PetSmart, \$25 Walmart, \$25 Olive Garden, \$25 Dunham's Sports, \$25 Red Robin, \$50 Sunoco on hand. Contact the office, we'll get them to you.

St Mary's: \$1,000 Pa Daily 4 Evening #

Next drawing: **Mother's Day**, May 8th!

Tickets now available! See a seller after mass!!

❖ **Interested in our Catholic faith?** Ask, encourage, invite! Share the gift of faith!

Mass at St Mary's: 10:15am!

Sunday **AFTER** Easter Mass



Flowers, this weekend @ M: In memory of **Paul Byrne**, by Dan & Kathy Milefsky. @ J: Holy Thursday, In memory of **Parents**, By Mike & Judy Dziak.



❖ **Divine Mercy:** We offer candle intentions for the Feast! The weeklong candles are \$7 & will be lit from Divine Mercy through the following week. Envelopes will be available at the entrance to Church for you to place your intention.

❖ **St Joseph's Council:** discussed our future meeting space, hall/church. Next step is to vote on which direction to go. We'll be asking you to prayerfully consider supporting our proposals.

❖ **Integrity Restored.com** Break free from porn, heal relationships, help prevent & respond as it devastates lives/families. Visit: enter the code Patrick for a 30 day trial @ covenanteyes.com. Put it on computers, laptops & mobile devices. Cost? Saving our lives, family, marriages, faith!



❖ **Yankee Candles, Crosses:** Prices vary! Crosses are handmade & donated by John Zakavage (M) & Bob Bruno & Randy Brown (J).

❖ **Immaculate Waters: Hand/Body Lotion:** Lavender, Rose & Unscented. Favors, graces continue to be reported. A favor granted? Let us know. Our Lady's intercession reveals Christ's healing. The offering is \$10@.

Mercy ❖ **Year of Mercy: Holy Week** in the Year of Mercy a great time to prayerfully enter into the Lord's Passion, Death & Resurrection. This line from the Magnificat Book: [adapted]: God doesn't condemn us. We condemn ourselves, especially when we condemn each other, not simply by the things we do (that's enough!) but by the things we hold bound on those around us!

As you pray through each day, note the weekly breakdown: Sunday: Poetry; Monday: Meditation; Tuesday: Saints; Wednesday: Catechesis; Thursday: Witness; Friday: Scripture; Saturday: Devotion.

❖ **Grand Raffle @ J:** We seek sponsors for our gift cards that we'd like to put as gifts for our ticket that we hope to put out soon. See the board at the entrance to Church. Sign up to sponsor one/several gift cards. We'll order the cards, you'll get the credit, the parish gets the % of the purchase & the winner gets a great gift card!

❖ **St. Mary's Shoo-Fly Pie Sale:** Thanks to all who helped make our fundraiser a grand success! We sold more than 252 pies. Profit information will be available next week.



❖ **40 Cans for Lent/40 Days for Life!** Continues through Easter!!!! Bring your cans/food supplies to Mass, leave them @ the altar of St. Joseph/St Mary. Boxes are provided. Pray for the Sanctity of Life during these days, seeking God's protection for the unborn & support for those who carry their children to term.

❖ **St Paul's UCC:** Our collection came to more than \$750. Thank you for your generous response to their hospitality!

❖ **Easter Egg Hunt:** We seek donations of candy, \$ and large gift items to make Easter a day of great Hope & Joy!
❖ **St M Block Party:** Seek: brand named soda (& diet), water, ketchup/mustard; start collecting items or sponsor a basket for our raffle.

❖ **New Books:** Just in time for Holy Week, Easter, Pentecost: Our books for active/supporting parishioners have arrived and ready for you: the 7 Secrets of Divine Mercy.... a small, easily readable book by Vinny Flynn that will open the door to the greatness of the Divine Mercy as we prepare for the Feast of Divine Mercy. Your book has your label on it. These, our gifts, to you as members of the parish for all you do to make St Mary & St Joseph a warm home of great grace! Extra copies are offered on a 1st come/1st served basis.

❖ **We Are Remembered:** 25th Anniv [families remember their children lost to death] Wed, Mar 30 @ 7pm @ St John Church, Allentown. Touched by 2 young people's death, fr. brought the ministry from Pittsburgh to our diocese. If you've a child who has died, enroll them. Forms @ Church or contact us. Bishop Barres join us to preach/preside.

First Communion Candidates:

Addison Fritz ☺ Hunter Sartori ☺ Jason Rentschler ☺ Madison



Biros ☺ Teaghan Biros ☺ Connor Kanute

Prayer cards will be available next weekend: will you take one & pray for them? See us after Mass.

❖ **Adult Education: "What We Really Believe" facilitated by Mike Reese (from St. Joseph's). The Mystery of Faith: an Introduction to Catholicism: by Michael J. Himes. A short, easy read book for the topics: **Week 1:** Trinity, Grace, and Incarnation; **Week 2:** Baptism, Eucharist & Reconciliation; **Week 3:** Salvation, Heaven & Hell; Angels & Demons; **Week 4:** Scripture & Tradition, Saints; The Pope**

Set for **Thursday: April 7, 14, 21, 28 @ 6:30 @ Rectory.** Pre-register so we can prepare.



❖ **Paschal Candles:** @ J: In Memory of **Thomas Gulash & George Mehalick**, by Donna & Jessica Gulash; @ M: In Memory of **Victor & Irene Cicioni**, by Family....the candle that burns @ Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday & beyond. The symbol of the Year of Mercy adorns them.

Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi



Outside events: ☺ **Extraordinary Ministers needed:** Schuylkill Med Center: Fr. Zelonis @ 570-429-0701. ☺ **Padre Pio Healing Mass:** Divine Mercy, Shenandoah; 4/1 @ 7pm. ☺ **John Anczarski Memorial Scholarship:** Applications at NSHS & St. John's Office, Ringtown. NS Sr's. Deadline: 4/30 @ NS Guidance Office. ☺ **Bingo:** Sheppton Fire Co: 4/10 @ 1pm. ☺ **Living Stations:** Divine Mercy, Shenandoah; 3/20 @ 6:30pm. ☺ **Kauffman's Chicken BBQ:** St Paul's UCC, 4/12, 3pm-7pm. Call 889-3074; ☺ **Bereavement Support Group:** Starts Wed. 4/6; Broad Mtn. Nursing & Rehab, Frackville, 800-726-8761.



