

# Mar 26<sup>th</sup> - April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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

Our bulletin covers two weeks!

4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent

The calendar is subject to change!

Monday, Mar 27<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm • M Stations

Friday, Mar 31<sup>st</sup> @ 9am • Rc Stations

April 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> • 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

3:30pm • J † Carmen Fierro r/o Nick Chickerino

5:15pm • M † Billy & Marie Houser r/o Family

8:15am • J † Eugene & Helen Recla r/o Children & Their Families

10:15am • M † Joe Piampì r/o Brother Knights Council 16072

April 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:45 • J 1<sup>st</sup> Penance/Parish Confessions

Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> @ 9am • Rc Stations



April 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 • Palm Sunday

3:30pm • J † Martha Hysock r/o Bob & Jeanette Fellin

5:15pm • M † Ferdinand & Patricia Piccolo  
r/o Kathy Lorah

8:15am • J † Julia Sider r/o Mike & Judy Dziak

10:15am • M † Victor Cicioni r/o Family

❖ **STEWARDSHIP:** M: 3/12: S:865; 3/19: S:1088; Dues:270; Ash Wed:97; BF:254; Easter flowers:325 • J: 3/12: S:1286; 3/19: S:1708; Dues:170; BF: 1108; Easter flowers: 579

*Stewardship of time, talent & treasure!*

❖ **Scripture** \*Mar 26: 1Sm16:1b,6-7,10-13a • Eph 5:8-14 • Jn 9: 1-41

\*Ap 2: Ez 37:12-14 • Rom 8:1-2, 8-11 • Jn 11:1-45

\*Ap 9: Mt 21:1-11 • Is 50:4-7 • Phil 2:6-11 • Mt 26:14-27:66

❖ Office hours: {winter} **Mon - Thurs: 3:30-6:30pm.**



❖ to the family of **Joe Piampì**, buried from St. Mary's.  
Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord...

❖ **Stewardship:** *No one can do everything, everyone can do something!*

Make an offering in Thanks for Holy Week/Easter Blessings!

❖ **Year of St. Matthew's Gospel** continues throughout the year.

Every Catholic should have and be reading your Bible. It is, after all, the Gift of the Catholic Church to the world

❖ **Birthdays Blessings:** Ryan Hoystreich: 3/27; Virginia Yurcho: 3/28; Jeff Ambrose, Lynn Silliman: 3/29; Rose Angelotti: 3/30; Brandy Dillman, Stan Piaskowski, Randy Teter: 3/31; Sharon Grow, Bob Fellin, Donna Fuehrer: 4/2; Catherine Laudig, Glenn Matejick, Joyce Mesarick, Theresa Novak: 4/3; Neil Disabella, Kristin Fritz, Christina Fuehrer: 4/4; Stephen Oravitz: 4/5; Sherry Rejent, Jonalynn Biros, Susan Crawford: 4/6; Rick Searles: 4/7; Rosemary Malocu: 4/8; Charlie Lorah, Caitlynn Crawford: 4/9

❖ **Cards:** Birthday, Get Well, Anniversary, etc. are available for \$2 each. Place your offering in the envelope.

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

❖ **Easter Egg Hunt:** Disciples are needed @ St. Mary's to co-ordinate! St Joseph's is set for co-ordinators. We ask donations of candy, \$, small trinkets to fill the eggs & some large gift items.



❖ **Pray for:** Fill out the forms, even if you're healthy & would like to be prayed for in times of need!...

• John & Ann Biros • John Washko

• Rose Ann Aponick • Jean Jarzinko • Joseph Washko • Grace Snover • Vickie Hartz • Ann Lewis • Bob Fellin • Gordy Weikel • Bill Maczees • Kathy Milefsky • Phil & Shirley Kennedy • Bill/Flo Steele • Theresa Szott • Helen Mehalick • Barbara Green • Brian Irslinger • Al Mehalick • Helen Gurka • Irene Feeko • Perry Long • Jennifer/Rose Gilliam • LouAnn Rader • Jim/Virginia Spudis • Pauline Lorah • Mary Yadinskis • Anna May Kealy • Fr. Raymond Slezak • Betty Lou Torpey • Rose Angelotti • Tony Valanty • Virginia Staerk • Kathy Anderson

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



❖ **Knights of Columbus:** meet 4/23.

K of C 2017 Scholarship info is out @ local schools.

Seniors from our parishes apply!

❖ **Bleenie Sale:** 3/31 @ St. Mary's: start @ 11:00am

❖ **40 Cans for Lent/40 Days for Life!** Our commitment to the poor challenges us to serve Christ by donating a can for each day.



**Reflection: ..the Lenten Journey & Holy Week:**

Despite the change of weather, we're headed to Easter Hope. The journey continues as we walk the way of the Cross with the Lord. This has come home to us in Ringtown where we had the unexpected deaths of Ed Gilliam and Joe Piampì. These men, it can be said, gave their lives caring for their home/families. Ed for his daughter, Jennifer, our special needs "angel" and Joe for the dedication to his son, Zach, who enjoyed spending time with him & supporting his activities.

I trust that you see the wisdom in the message: It's a Day at a Time. That's all God gives us. That's why each gift is called: the Present!

Let us enter into these last weeks of Lent and Holy Week seeking to our mind/heart renewed as the Lord comes in a beautiful way this Easter 2017.

● Be a saint...what else is there? ●

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

With mom successful surgery & now transitioning to assisted living, I haven't had a chance to address my health concerns. I'll be off for at least the next 2 weeks. Good news: they found more problems that we're going to address in a timely manner, several tests remain. Thanks for your prayers, support and understanding. **Welcome our guest priests and help out, there is always something to be done!**

Fr. Gene Ritz this Sat & Fr. Augustine, AJ this Sunday (Mar 25/26)

❖ **Religious Ed:** weekly @ St. Joseph's after Sun. am Mass.

❖ **St Joseph's 50/50** monthly tickets for parishioners are out @ entrance to Church. \$\$\$ supports our building project.

❖ **Yankee Candles:** @ church benefit St Mary's.

❖ [www.facebook.com/stmarystjosephrcc](http://www.facebook.com/stmarystjosephrcc)

❖ Visit us on the web: [www.stmarystjoseph.net](http://www.stmarystjoseph.net)

❖ **Lap Garments/Baptismal Shawls/Quilts:** We've lots of yarn! Luann & Bev are thinking of weeknight class, anyone interested? Contact the parish office.

❖ **Pascal Candles: 2017 @ M:** in memory of **Joseph Scodari** by **LouAnn/Charlie Scodari**. @ **J:** in memory of **Thomas Gulash & George Mehalick** by **Donna Gulash** The candle burns throughout the Easter Season & the year, at baptisms, funerals & other celebrations.

❖ Congrats to **Stan & Marie Piaskowski**, enjoying retirement. (March 31st) -> [From their 1st job to spend more time on their 2nd !]

**❖ Lectors, EOM's, Servers for Holy Week needed:**

**Holy Thursday: Mass @ J @ 6:45pm:** 1 Lector from each parish; 3 Eom's [2 cup/1 Communion]; 3 servers.

**Good Friday: Service @ M @ 3:00pm** 5 Lectors [Passion]; & 2 Eom's @ Communion. 3 servers

**Holy Saturday: 8:00pm Mass @ M:** 3 Lectors & 3 Eom's [2 cup/1 Communion]; 4 servers

**Easter Sunday: 8:00am @ J and 10:15am @ M:** 2 servers; 2 Lectors & 3 Eom's [2 cups/1 communion] @ each church!

**Contact us via the parish office!**

❖ **Women of Grace** meet 5/2 @ 6:30 232 Arch St, Ringtown. Join us: Nancy @ 215-801-5797 or Arlene @ 570-590-5810.

**All are welcome!**

❖ **St. Mary:** \$1k winning #: 4090

**Joe Schneider, Sheppton, won!** Congrats!

Our next drawing: **Memorial Day, 5/29!**



❖ **Adopt a Christian from Mosul:** Consider giving a portion of your blessings in support of our endeavor. See our link posted on social media.

❖ **Amazon Purchases: Smile:** visit webpage or Facebook: hit the smile, to your amazon page, the 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!

❖ **Communion Prayer Partners:** We begin praying for our 1st Penance & Holy Communion youth. There are a number of young people preparing: **Brendan Christman • Aaron Freyne • Madelyn Gaizick • Leah Grabosky • Sean Kramer • Kya Mencer • Thomas Monaghan • Abbigale Pental, Wyatt Sutton.** We're offering prayer cards (2 @ each candidate), see Fr. as you leave Holy Mass. 1st Penance is celebrated when we hold our Lenten Penance Service, Mon, Ap 3 @ 6:45pm @ J. Communion is celebrated from Holy Thursday through the Easter Season.



..are prayed at our parishes [Mon: M; Fri: Rc]. See the Mass schedule | **note: no Stations: 4/3/17**

❖ **2016 Contributions:** if you need a report, contact us.

❖ **Grand Raffle @ J:** From your generosity, we have about 30 gifts sponsored. Can we ask any others who will be sponsoring a gift to let us know asap so that we can get our ticket out in a timely manner. Our goal: sell all of our tickets this year.

We've a # of ways to support: sponsor gift cards or donate a gift (\$25 min value). With cards, the parish gets a percentage, the winner gets the full amount of the card!

❖ **St. Mary's Choir** sponsors: \$8 @ order by 4/2. Pick up 4/7. Forms @ church, see a choir member/office.

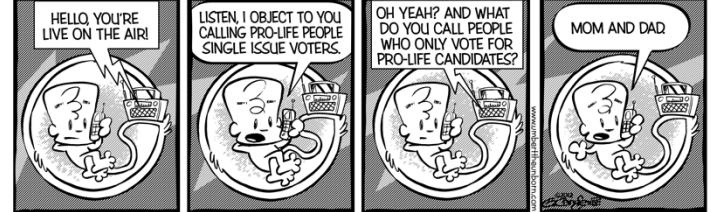
**We seek donations of flour.**

❖ **SCRIP:** We've: \$25 & \$100 Amazon, \$25 Applebee's, \$10 Bath & Body Works, \$25 Boscov's, \$25 Cabela's, \$25 Cracker Barrel, \$10 Dairy Queen, \$10 Denny's, \$25 Dunham's, \$25 Dunkin' Donuts, \$10 Dunkin' Donuts, \$25 Gap/Old Navy, \$25

& \$50 Giant Foods, \$25 Home Depot, \$15 iTunes, \$25 Kmart/Sears, \$25 Kohl's, \$10 Long John Silvers, \$25 Lowes, \$100 Lowes, \$25 Olive Garden, \$25 PetSmart, \$10 & \$25 Regal Cinema, \$25 Sheetz, \$25 Staples, \$50 Sunoco, \$25 TJ Maxx/Marshall's, \$25 Walmart/Sam's, \$100 Walmart/Sam's, \$25 Weis, \$100 Weis. **We're taking orders/sell @ St Joseph's after mass. Contact the parish office to place an order!**

❖ **Counters:** are needed for another team @ St. Mary's! Contact the parish office. We count Sun @ Mass or Monday morning.

**Umbert the Unborn**



❖ **Men/Young Men Retreat: Mar 31-Apr 2:** \$125pp. Camp Haycock, Kintnersville, Pa. Zip Line, Skeet, Bow & Arrow: Visit: Haycock.org. Dorm type heated rooms. Focus: Father, Son & Holy Spirit. Checks: Sons of the Father, LLC.



❖ **Outside Events:** Ringtown Fire Co: Pizza Sale: Fri's of Lent. • Bingo: Sheppton Fire Co: Apr 9, 1pm • St Paul's: Kauffman's Chicken B-B-Q, 4/4, 3-7pm pick up. • Helen Roulin \$100 Scholarship: 9-12th grade ladies: community & leadership gifts. Forms @ Church. In by 5/14. • John Anczarski Mem Scholarship: Applications at NSHS & St. John's. NS Sr's. Deadline: 4/30@ NS Guidance Office.

❖ **A few articles for your reading list:**

\* **In This Age of Relativism, We MUST Speak the Truth:** www.ncregister.com/blog/tworner/in-this-age-of-relativism-we-must-speak-the-truth \* **'Catholic Women, Daughters of Mary, Have an Unsung Strength:**

www.ncregister.com/blog/slloyd/catholic-women-daughters-of-mary-have-an-unsung-strength

\* **What if Jesus Played Basketball:**

www.ncregister.com/blog/jimmy-akin/what-if-jesus-played-basketball \* **What were Houses like in the Time of Jesus?** blog.adw.org/2017/03/houses-like-time-jesus/

\* **He Used to Spit on those going to Mass: Now He's a Priest:** www.ncregister.com/blog/tito-edwards/he-used-to-spit-on-those-going-to-mass-now-hes-a-priest-true-love-and-suffe

# Easter Triduum



Holy Week

**Holy Thursday:** 6:45pm @ J;

**Adoration @ Rc** til 10pm.

**Good Friday -> Stations:** Noon @ J.

**Passion Service:** 3pm @ M.

**Holy Saturday**

**Basket Blessing:** 11am @ M; Noon @ J.

**Vigil Mass:** 8pm @ M (gather by 7:45)

**Easter Sunday**

**Note Time: 8am @ J** (Egg Hunt)

**10:15am @ M**

[N.B: Adoration/Basket Blessing subject to change if guest priests are covering. **Egg Hunt @ M if disciples 'hop' up!**

