

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

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*Obey and teach
God's commandments*



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February 12, 2023

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Scripture Readings

FIRST READING: God allows us to make choices, but we are not to choose injustice or sinfulness (Sirach 15:15-20).

PSALM: Happy are those who observe God's commands (Psalm 119).

SECOND READING: God's wisdom is mysterious and hidden (1 Corinthians 2:6-10).

GOSPEL: Jesus has come not to abolish but to fulfill the law and the prophets (Matthew 5:17-37).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: THE GLORY OF THE DIVINE WAY

Today's readings draw us into ageless, vibrant depths. Followers of God's law, we belong to ancient traditions. Children of God, we marvel at the freshness of creation. The Old Testament readings, from Sirach and the Psalms, celebrate the rich blessings we receive when we observe God's commands—not because we are slaves to the law, but because the law gives life in abundance. Saint Paul's Letter to the Corinthians confirms the glory of divine law, but warns that God's ways tend to be unpopular and misunderstood in this world. Paul speaks of the ancient wisdom of God, which is mysteriously both "hidden" and "revealed." God does not have secret codes that we earthly mortals cannot understand; in love, God reveals the glory of the divine way in Jesus. Saint Matthew's Gospel emphasizes the importance of living in God's law, enlivened by a deep and personal relationship with Jesus.

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS

5:30PM	Saturday, Feb 18th	9:00 AM	Sunday, Feb 19th
Lector:	Linda Lopez	Lector:	Denise Lakatos

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK -- (Feb 13th - Feb 19th)

MON	02/13	NO MASS
TUES	02/14	7:00AM . . . Intention Dantis
WED	02/15	NO MASS
THURS	02/16	NO MASS
FRI	02/17	7:00AM . . +.Anna Christian - (Husband, Bob)
SAT	02/18	5:30PM . . +.Rich Poplinski - (Linda Lopez)
SUN	02/19	9:00AM . . +.Rosalie Verhovsek - (Ester & Hank Hughes)

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Stewardship Reflections:

Stewardship is our response to God with our time, talent and money; because of our relationship with him that already exists through his Son, Jesus Christ. Christian stewards strive to be people of integrity. They practice their God-given gift of free will to choose right over wrong, good over evil. Great joy will be ours if we do choose to commit to God by the way we live our lives. The concept of stewardship helps us to live out the fundamental choice to put God first.

Stewardship is not meant to be a mere external exercise. It means seeing everything as a gift from Him. In the week ahead let us examine the state of our hearts to ask ourselves if we have chosen to allow stewardship to become a way of life for us. Only then we will experience its true depth and heart-changing possibilities. The choice is ours. *Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2020/1/14)*

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS
Feb 4th & Feb 5th, 2023**

Collection:

Weekly	\$ 1,726.80
Fuel	\$ 10.00
Monthly	\$ 116.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 40.00

*Thank you for your continued support of St. Anne's Parish!
Please remember in your prayers the deceased
parishioners and benefactors of our parish. God Bless!*



The Christian Mother's Annual Basket Party will be held on **April 16th**. Anyone wishing to donate a basket, new basket items or money for items should contact Denise at 814-915-0470. Baskets can be dropped off at any Mass beginning in March.



Coffee and Cake...will be served in the Church Basement after both Masses **next weekend, Feb 18 & 19** for all those parishioners who are celebrating their birthday this month! **Everyone is welcome to stop down for a delicious treat and to enjoy friendly conversation and fellowship.**
Hope to see you there



St Therese Lenten Piroghi Project – begins the week Feb 23rd and will continue for six weeks.
Piroghi will not be made during Holy Week.

Sign-up sheets: will be available beginning the weekend of Feb 18-19 in the back of church. Pick up your order on Fridays from 10AM to Noon in the Social Hall. **Cost is \$8/dozen**

Daily Mass Schedule for February

Tuesday & Friday 7:00AM

**No Masses on Monday/Wednesday/Thursday
Ash Wednesday – Mass & Ashes at 7AM Only**



Take a chance on **Lottery Scratch Off Tickets plus \$1000.00**

Winning number determined by the Pick 3 drawing at 7PM Saturday, April 15th.
One complete Roll of each \$20, \$10 and \$5 PA lottery Scratch off Tickets,
plus \$1,000.00. **Cost is \$10.**

See Eleanor or call or stop by the rectory office **during regular business hours 9-2PM ONLY**, to make arrangements to pick them up.

Community News & Events



Pysanky Egg Decorating – Queen of Angels Parish in Central City will be offering a class on pysanky egg decorating on Monday February 27th in the parish activity center in Central City beginning at 6:00 PM (738 Sunshine Avenue). Using the traditional process of wax-resist dyeing, participants will each make an egg of their own. The class is free but is limited to twenty-five adult students. A great way to create something beautiful and traditional for Easter, please call the Central City parish office (814-754-5224) by February 14th.



Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser: to benefit **Marissa (Horrell) Muennink**, who was recently diagnosed with an Aggressive Glioblastoma Brain Cancer

A Spaghetti Dinner, including garlic bread and toss salad will be held on:

Sunday, February 19th from 12-3 PM
at the **Ferndale Fire Hall** 618 Westinghouse Ave.
Dinner tickets to be purchased in advance.
Call Michaela Dickert 814-242-7507 ,
Courtney Grimme 814-257-9454,
or Salon Visions 1758 Lyter Drive, 255-4175
Walk-in welcome for Bake Sale, 50/50 and raffle drawing.

Craft Show St. Clement Church will host their 2nd Annual Spring Ahead Craft Show on **Saturday, February 25, 9am-2pm and Sunday, February 26, 11am-3pm.** Candles, jewelry, hand-knitted, sewn, household and personalized items, jams, jellies, etc. will be available at the sale. They will also have hot food, a bake sale and beverages available for purchase. The event also includes a 50/50 drawing and basket raffle. All are welcome

Open your hearts to life!



“Babies are bits of stardust, blown down from the hand of God”

Support Pro-Life

MAINTENANCE MAN – St. Francis of Assisi is looking for a Maintenance man to do day-to-day upkeep at the Activity Building, Church, Rectory and former Convent. Anyone interested please contact the Parish Office at (814)539-1632. It's a part-time job opportunity. Diocesan clearances for protecting God's Children is necessary.



ABORTION: Abortionists lead people to believe that abortion is a safe procedure which provides an easy way out of a troubled situation. But is it really as simple as that? Abortion is not a “safe” procedure, though one often hears that phrase, “safe, legal abortion.”

Certainly, it is never safe for the baby, who often suffers before he or she is killed. Also, abortion is often damaging to the mother. Five to ten percent of women who have abortions will never be able to achieve a pregnancy, or carry a child to term, no matter how badly they want to do so.

The West End Improvement Group will host an **ACTIVE Assault Community Training Demonstration on Feb 28th** at Grace Lutheran Church, 246 Chandler Ave, beginning at 6PM. Corporal Thomas Owens with the Stonycreek Township Police and former Commander of Cambria County SERT will be the event instructor. What should you do if you are ever faced with an active shooter situation? Join us and learn things that could save your life. Event is free and open to the public. For questions, please call 814-248-8989 or 814-322-5558.



Families and the Gospel (Matthew 5: 17-37)

To experience the peace which Christ promised we must shed our grudges, jealousy and feelings of being misunderstood, unappreciated or ignored. Peace and anger don't mix. Today's gospel warns, if you want peace in your heart and home, get rid of your anger. Anger is too costly.

Diocesan News & Events

Holy Name Parish, Ebensburg is sponsoring a Lenten Parish Mission with Fr. Vincent Lampert, Exorcist for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. He is also pastor of St. Peter and St. Michael Parishes in Brookville, Indiana. The mission will take place on Monday and Tuesday, March 13 and 14 at 7PM in the church. Fr. Lampert will be giving two seminars on his work as an exorcist and will be available for a question-and-answer period. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Family Ritual

St. Valentine's Day - February 14

Families are encouraged to spread love of others by remembering, in a special way, the recently widowed.

A simple card, a small box of chocolates or an invitation to dinner can bring comfort to those who may be struggling with loneliness.



Happy Valentine's Day!