

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Rev. Joseph J. Evanko, Pastor
Rev. William Asinari, Assistant Pastor



Mission Statement

We are, Saint Mary, Our Lady Help of Christians, a parish committed to our Catholic identity, united to the church hierarchy, and inspired by the Grace of God available to us through the sacraments.

Therefore:

Through the Grace of Baptism, we have been made members of the Body of Christ;
Through the Grace of Reconciliation, we strive to be forgiving and charitable;
Through the Grace of Holy Eucharist, we will strive to sanctify our surroundings;
Through the Grace of Confirmation, we strive to promote and defend our faith;
Through the Grace of Anointing of the Sick, we strive to be healers;
Through the Grace of Matrimony, we embrace fidelity;
Through the Grace of Holy Orders, we strive to increase in Holiness.

We pray that God blesses these, our spiritual efforts, to the benefit of our families, our parish family and our community.

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Saint Mary's of Dorrance Youth Group

Worship Schedule

Daily Mass: Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 8 AM

Saturday: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:30-5:15 PM
or by Appointment

Parish Office

3529 Saint Marys Road, Wapwallopen, PA 18660

Liturgy Schedule

Monday, Feb 24

SJ 7:00 AM

James McShea—Beverly Walser

SM 8:00 AM

Mary Chiverella—Family

SJ 5:30-7:00 PM

No Confessions this evening

Tuesday, Feb 25

SJ 700 AM

Ann Modrovsky—JoAnn Jones

SM 8:00 AM

John Biernacki—Dr. & Mrs. Gerald Killian

Wednesday, Feb 26

SJ 7:00 AM

Carol Mulvey—Beale Family

SJ 1:30 PM *Saint Jude School Mass*

Alberta Space—Les & Eileen Kempinski

Thursday, Feb 27 Saint Gregory of Narek

SJ 7:00 AM

Raymond Gogola—Bob & Mary Ann Metzger

SM 8:00 AM

Henry & Joan Davenport—Den. Joe & Cecelia Chmiola

SJ 6:30 PM

Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Friday, Feb 28

SJ 7:00 AM

Larry Brosh—The Foust Family

Saturday, Mar 1 Blessed Virgin Mary

SJ 8:00 AM

First Saturday Devotions

SJ 4:00 PM

Hedwig M. Vrba—Dr. & Mrs. David Vrba

SM 5:30 PM

Martha Stec—Son, Raymond & Doris Stec

Sunday, Mar 2 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SJ 8:30 AM

James Graham—The Fedorchaks

SM 9:00 AM

Rose Marie Kutzmonich—

Daughter, Dorothy & Paul Peters

SJ 11:00 AM

Agnes Arena—Margaret & Bob Loveless

February 16, 2025 Parish Collection

Offering:	\$1,712.00
Operation & Maintenance:	\$61.00
First Offering:	\$10.00
Online Giving:	\$150.00
Total:	\$ 1,933.00

Thank you!

*For online giving please go to our website and click
“Donate” then follow the prompts..*

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 23, 2025

Saint Mary's Website: stmarydorrance.org

Facebook: Saint Mary's of Dorrance

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Email: stmarysdorrance@gmail.com

Phone: 570-868-5855

SAINT MARY OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday 8:30AM—4:30PM,
or by appointment.

In Case of Emergency: Please call 570-474-6315 and follow the prompts for emergency.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Classes are held on Sundays immediately following Mass. Classes end at 11:00AM. Mass Attendance Sign in Sheets for second, seventh, & eighth grades are on the table in front of the Cherub Room.

GERTRUDE HAWK CHOCOLATES: Our religious education students are selling candy for Easter. This fundraiser helps to keep costs at \$20 per student. Thank you in advance. Booklets are in the back of the church. Pre-paid orders are due by this Sunday, February 23.

REMINDER: For the safety of all, when Crestwood cancels or delays school due to inclement weather, Daily Mass at Saint Mary is canceled. Safety is our first priority.

YOGA: Join us for yoga Tuesday evenings at 6:30, in the social hall. Class is donation based and modified for all abilities. Please bring a mat and water bottle. Please text Lisa Rosser at 570-899-6314, by 4:00 PM, on Tuesdays, if you will be attending. Class will be canceled if there are not three or more attending.

DAILY RAFFLE TICKETS are still available. *These tickets make Great Gifts!* Ticket donation \$20. Prizes: \$25-\$100.

Do you know someone who is homebound?

Please call the parish office with the names of people who would like to receive Communion, a bulletin, have confession, or a Pastoral visit.



The Sanctuary Candle is lit in memory of
Mary Chiverella
By Family

Potato Pierogi Orders

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Phone: _____

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ASH WEDNESDAY: Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5. Masses will be celebrated at 8AM & 7PM. Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence.

BAZAAR MEETING: Thursday, March 6, at 7PM

All parishioners are encouraged to attend the Bazaar planning meeting. We will be making final decisions on all aspects of the 2025 Bazaar. Please gather in the dining room.

STAND CHAIRS: are asked to attend. We are also looking for people to chair some of our stands or chair a new stand. We welcome and encourage new ideas.

BAZAAR 2025: June 21 & 22

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Bazaar! In an effort to be more efficient, we are planning and purchasing items earlier. With that in mind we are collecting bags of flour, as we did last year. In prior years we have struggled to find 10lb bags of AP flour. Last year's efforts by everyone was a great success and greatly appreciated. TYIA.

A Second Collections will be taken up next weekend, March 1/2, for the Gift Card Stand and again on March 29/30 for the Truckload of Groceries Raffle.

EASTER PIEROGI MAKING: We are happy to announce that we will be making *pierogi* for Easter this year. Pre-paid orders are due by March 16. Help is needed. Please refer to the schedule:

Thursday, March 27 ~ 5:00 PM

Peeling potatoes and making filling

Friday, March 28 ~ 7:00 AM

Pinching and boiling

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY: The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 17, at 7:00 PM, in the rectory dining room. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

PIZZA SALE: The Altar and Rosary Society is having a sale featuring the delicious Pizza made by the famous Sanitary Bakery of Nanticoke. Each box includes 12 Thick Square Cuts. Great to eat Hot or Cold. Call Rita 570-678-7520, with any questions. Price per box is \$12. Pre-paid orders are due by March 1, 2025. Pickup is March 14, after 5:00 PM, in the meeting room. **Bonus:** pizza may be frozen, so buy a couple extra boxes for a quick Lenten Meal!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 5, immediately following Ash Wednesday Mass.

SAINT THERESA'S GUILD: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 11, at 7:00 PM, in the rectory dining room. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

Pizza Sale

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Boxes @ \$12. Total \$ _____

Knights of Columbus, Saint Mary's Council #12174 is once again announcing our "Faith In My Life" essay program. As in the past, it is open to any senior high school student from our Parish. The submissions shall be limited to two pages, double-spaced, typed 12-point Arial font, one inch margins. It should articulate: (1) What role Faith plays in their personal life; (2) How Faith will impact their future and (3) What activities they have participated in to demonstrate a commitment to Parish Life which enhanced their Faith. Submissions should be received prior to April 1, 2025. Submissions should also contain the students' parents' names and a contact number for the parents. Upon selecting recipients, a monetary award and certificate will be presented. Essays should be mailed to: Knights of Columbus #12174, attn.: Grand Knight, 3529 St. Mary's Road, Wapwallopen, PA 18660.

Mental Wellness

What you should know about the overlap of Anxiety and Depression

Symptoms of the two mood disorders are often present at the same time, but in some cases, the treatment for one can help the other. Fortunately, mental health professionals are well aware of how likely it is for someone with anxiety may also have depression and vice versa. These two conditions can often be managed with the same treatments and lifestyle adjustments. Sometimes a person may be diagnosed with both anxiety and depression. Even if your symptoms of anxiety and/or depression don't rise to the level of a diagnosable disorder, they shouldn't be ignored or dismissed as minor.

Talking with a mental health professional to learn more about your symptoms and how to manage them can significantly improve your quality of life.

Luzerne—Wyoming Counties Mental Health and Developmental Services can provide assistance or referrals. They can be reached at 570-825-9441.

For Crisis Services call 570-829-1341.

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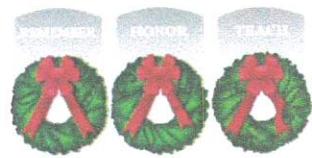
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who is good, whose love
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Ps 118: 1

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