

# The Roman Catholic Parishes

## of Lower Burrell New Kensington

March 24, 2024

*Palm Sunday of the  
Passion of Our Lord*

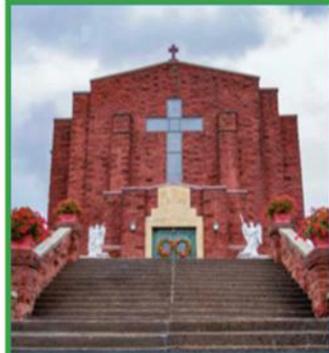
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**Saint Margaret Mary**  
3055 Leechburg Road  
Lower Burrell, PA 15068

Saturday ~ 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday ~ 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass:  
(Monday - Thursday)  
7:30 a.m.



**Mount Saint Peter**  
100 Freeport Road  
New Kensington, PA 15068

Saturday ~ 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday ~ 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass:  
(Tuesday - Friday)  
8:30 a.m.



**Saint Joseph**  
1125 Leishman Avenue  
New Kensington, PA 15068

Saturday ~ 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday ~ 9:30 a.m.

Daily Mass:  
(Monday - Wednesday, Friday)  
12:30 p.m.



**Saint Mary of  
Czestochowa**  
857 Kenneth Avenue  
New Kensington, PA 15068

Sunday ~ 7:30 & 11:30 a.m.

Daily Mass:  
Monday ~ 8:30 a.m.  
Thursday ~ 12:30 p.m.  
Friday ~ 9:30 a.m.

*Your presence here makes all the difference!*

### QR CODES

Below are QR codes that will link you to the Lower Burrell and New Kensington website.

You will find the details to all events and answers to your questions listed on the website.

Point your smart phone at the QR code for more parish information on the Lower Burrell website.



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### SACRAMENTAL LIFE

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Considering entry into the Catholic Church? Contact the Parish Office for more information.

#### SACRAMENT OF INFANT BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office at least **nine months** in advance for information and scheduling.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

12 noon - Saturdays at MSP

1:00 p.m. - Saturdays at St. Margaret Mary

#### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact Father Ken, Father Joel or Father Bimbot to request the sacrament.

#### MINISTRY OF HOME VISITATION

Contact the Parish Office at 724-335-9877 or the Sisters of Mary Immaculate at 724-845-2828.

## The Eucharistic Table

### SATURDAY, March 23, 2024 - St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

|         |     |  |               |
|---------|-----|--|---------------|
| 3:30 pm | SJ  | <i>Rosary</i>                                      |               |
| 4:00 pm | SJ  | Robert Ventorini (Nannette Banichar)               | Father Joel   |
| 4:00 pm | SMM | Joseph & Mary O'Donnell (Colleen & Lowell Schantz) | Father Bimbot |
| 4:30 pm | MSP | Muto/Migliorisi Family (Donna Muto & Family)       | Father Ken    |

### SUNDAY, March 24, 2024 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord

|             |           |  |               |
|-------------|-----------|--|---------------|
| 7:00 am     | SM        | <i>Rosary</i>  |               |
| 7:30 am     | SM        | Tillie Stelmach (Patty & Joe Zaccagnini)                               | Father Joel   |
| 7:55 am     | MSP       | <i>Rosary</i>  |               |
| 8:30 am     | MSP       | Leonard Chakan (Lena Chakan & Family)                                  | Father Ken    |
| 8:30 am     | SMM       | Deceased Members of the Kulik & Moret Families (Family)                | Father Bimbot |
| <b>CNDL</b> | <b>SJ</b> | <b><i>In Memory of John &amp; Ester Makuta (Daughter, Shirley)</i></b> |               |
| 9:30 am     | SJ        | Mathilda Milauskus (Vincent Mazeika and Fischer Family)                | Father Joel   |
| 10:30 am    | MSP       | William & Michael McGee (Family)                                       | Father Ken    |
| 11:00 am    | SMM       | Ralph, David Alex & Abby Norris (Bertha Norris)                        | Father Bimbot |
| 11:00 am    | SM        | <i>Rosary</i>  |               |
| 11:30 am    | SM        | Henrietta Smotzer (Linda Banas Reno & Family)                          | Father Joel   |

### MONDAY, March 25, 2024 - Monday of Holy Week

|               |           |  |                           |
|---------------|-----------|--|---------------------------|
| 7:30 am       | SMM       | Deceased Members of James & Mary Chiodini Fiorina Family (Family)                  | Father Bimbot             |
| 8:30 am       | SM        | Dorothy Perdeus (Stephanie & Michael Gracey)                                       | Father Joel               |
| 12:30 pm      | SJ        | Gail Falleroni (Tom Ferrazzoli)  | Father Ken                |
| <b>1:15pm</b> | <b>SJ</b> | <b><i>Lenten Community Penance Service - St. Joseph Parish, New Kensington</i></b> | <b><i>All Priests</i></b> |

### TUESDAY, March 26, 2024 - Tuesday of Holy Week

|                |            |   |                             |
|----------------|------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 7:30 am        | SMM        | Warner & Rosalie Alfonsi (Children & Grandchildren)               | Father Bimbot               |
| 8:30 am        | MSP        | Frank & Elizabeth Basilone (Tim & Mary Jane Basilone)             | Father Ken                  |
| 12:30 pm       | SJ         | Arlene Bruni (Joe & Nancy Romano and Family)                      | Father Joel                 |
| <b>2:00 pm</b> | <b>MSP</b> | <b><i>Eucharistic Adoration/Holy Hour of Mercy/Reposition</i></b> | <b><i>Father Bimbot</i></b> |
| <b>7:00 pm</b> | <b>SMM</b> | <b><i>Stations of the Cross</i></b>                               | <b><i>Father Bimbot</i></b> |

### WEDNESDAY, March 27, 2024 - Wednesday of Holy Week

|                |           |  |               |
|----------------|-----------|--|---------------|
| 7:30 am        | SMM       | Deceased Members of Larrow & Farina Families (Tony & Vicki Farina) | Father Bimbot |
| 8:30 am        | MSP       | Joe Mennitto (Lorraine Mennitto)                                   | Father Ken    |
| 12:30 pm       | SJ        | Mary Jane Montemurro (Frank S. Glogowski)                          | Father Joel   |
| <b>1:00 pm</b> | <b>SJ</b> | <b><i>Stations of the Cross</i></b>                                | Father Joel   |

### FINAL LENTEN COMMUNITY RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Everyone is highly encouraged to attend this final penance service of the Lenten season as there are no Saturday confessions at either St. Margaret Mary or Mount Saint Peter on March 30.

**Monday, March 25**

**1:15 PM**

**Saint Joseph, New Kensington**

*Take part in the Community Reconciliation Services or the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and experience again God's loving mercy.*

## The Eucharistic Table

### THURSDAY, March 28, 2028 - Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday)

|          |     |   |             |
|----------|-----|---|-------------|
|          |     | <b>NO MORNING MASSES</b>                          |             |
| 10:00 am |     | <b>Chrism Mass at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral</b> | All Priests |
| 6:30 pm  | SM  | Special Intention                                 | Father Joel |
| 7:00 pm  | SMM | Karen Cortese (MQA School)                        | Father Ken  |

### FRIDAY, March 29, 2024 - Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

|          |     |   |               |
|----------|-----|---|---------------|
|          |     | <b>No Morning Masses</b>  |               |
| 12:00 nn | MSP | <b>Stations of the Cross</b>                                      | Father Bimbot |
| 12:00 nn | SMM | <b>Stations of the Cross</b>                                      | Father Ken    |
| 1:00 pm  | SJ  | <b>Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross and Communion</b> | Father Joel   |
| 1:00 pm  | SMM | <b>Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross and Communion</b> | Father Ken    |
| 7:00 pm  | SM  | <b>Tenebrae</b>   | All Priests   |

### SATURDAY, March 30, 2024 - Holy Saturday

|          |     |  |               |
|----------|-----|--|---------------|
|          |     | <b>No Sacrament of Reconciliation at Mount Saint Peter or Saint Margaret Mary Parishes</b> |               |
| 11:00 am | SM  | <b>Blessing of Baskets</b>   | Father Ken    |
| 11:30 am | MSP | <b>Blessing of Baskets</b>   | Father Joel   |
| 12:00 nn | SMM | <b>Blessing of Baskets</b>   | Father Bimbot |
| 8:00 pm  | MSP | Special Intention (Easter Vigil Mass)  | Father Ken    |
| 8:00 pm  | SMM | Special Intention (Easter Vigil Mass)  | Father Bimbot |

### SUNDAY, March 31, 2024 - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

|          |     |   |               |
|----------|-----|---|---------------|
| 7:30 am  | SM  | Special Intention   | Father Ken    |
| 8:30 am  | MSP | Special Intention   | Father Joel   |
| 8:30 am  | SMM | Special Intention   | Father Bimbot |
| CNDL     | SJ  | <b>In Memory of the Deceased Members of the Makuta &amp; Shiring Families (Shirley)</b> |               |
| 9:30 am  | SJ  | Special Intention   | Father Ken    |
| 10:30 am | MSP | Special Intention   | Msgr. Dominik |
| 11:00 am | SMM | Special Intention   | Father Bimbot |
| 11:30 am | SM  | Special Intention   | Father Joel   |

### PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will close on Thursday, March 28 through and including Monday, April 1 for the Easter holiday. The office will re-open on Tuesday, April 2 at 9:00 AM. Have a blessed and glorious Easter!



### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| <b>Monday:</b>    | Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11  |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38  |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25  |
| <b>Thursday:</b>  | <i>Chrism Mass:</i> Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21<br><i>Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:</i> Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15   |
| <b>Friday:</b>    | Is 52:13—53:12; Heb 4:14-16—5:7-9; Jn 18:1—19:42   |
| <b>Saturday:</b>  | <i>Easter Vigil:</i> Gn 1:1—2:2; Gn 22:1-18; Ex 14:15—15:1; Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b); Is 54:4-14; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3); Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Rom 6:3-11; Mk 16:1-7 |
| <b>Sunday:</b>    | Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9   |

# Father Ken's Palm Sunday Note



Jesus went on toward Jerusalem...he sent two disciples ahead. "Go into that village over there," he told them. "As you enter it, you will see a young donkey tied there that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here" (Luke 19:28-30). Make this Palm Sunday extra special by sharing the Bible story with your family and friends, **but told from the donkey's point of view!** Let the heart of Easter come alive in this story and discover together the strength of Jesus at work in our weaknesses.

*There was a donkey—young, weak, and small, so weak he could carry nothing at all. Even when children sat on his hide, he'd wobble and tumble and fall on his side. No matter how much he tried or he cried, this was a donkey that no one could ride. One day two men appeared alongside the post in the village where the donkey was tied. They came without warning on that fateful day. They came and untied him and took him away. The donkey was frightened. He said to the men, "Where are we going?" and then said again, "Where are we going?" And what about me? Please leave me alone and just let me be!" They walked on for miles and miles until they got to a town at the foot of a hill. At the foot of the hill stood a man tall and thin, wearing a cloak and a beard on his chin. He had eyes that seemed sad and longish dark hair, and a voice soft and gentle that floated on air. He said to the donkey, "It's time that you knew about the great thing that you're destined to do. You'll carry Me into the city—we two. Into the city, I'll ride atop you. My help is enough; it's all that you need. It's all you require in life to succeed. The weaker you are, the more strength I give. I'll be there to help you as long as you live."*

Father Ken

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

SMM Parish: Phone: 724-335-2336

Website: [www.smmib.org](http://www.smmib.org)

Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon & 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Deadline for bulletin submissions for Sunday, March 31 is  
Monday, March 25 at 10:00 a.m.

Send submissions for SMM to: [marabia@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:marabia@dioceseofgreensburg.org)

Send submissions for MSP, SJ, SM to:



## IN SYMPATHY

We commend to your prayers

*Paul Ianni, Mount Saint Peter*

*Eileen Orkis, Saint Mary*

*Josephine Farinelli, Linda Laratonda and*

*Mary Pedatella, St. Margaret Mary*

who died recently. May God welcome them to the joys of Paradise and bring comfort and peace to their families.



### *Lower Burrell Parish*

*(St. Margaret Mary)*

*A Peek at the Week. . .*

|                       |   |  |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Sunday<br>March 24    | Youth Music Ministry Rehearsal<br>9:40 am-10:45 am (Grades 4-12)<br>Jr. Youth Choir Rehearsal (Gr. 1-3)<br>9:40 am-10:30 am<br>Butter Lambs<br>12:00 nn-2:00 pm     | Sullivan Room                            |
| Tuesday<br>March 26   | Men's Bible Study Group<br>6:30 am<br>Acts Bible Study<br>11:00 am-12:30 pm<br>Adult Handbell Rehearsal<br>5:00 pm-6:30 pm<br>Knights of Columbus Rosary<br>6:30 pm | Lobby<br>Freude Room<br>Church<br>Church |
|                       | <b>Stations of the Cross</b><br><b>7:00 pm</b>  | <b>Church</b>                            |
|                       | Knights of Columbus Meeting<br>7:00 pm-8:30 pm  | Room B-1                                 |
| Wednesday<br>March 27 | Youth Group Rosary<br>6:00 pm<br>Middle & High School Youth Group<br>6:30 pm-8:00 pm<br>Adult Choir<br>6:45 pm-8:45 pm  | Church<br>Room B-1<br>Church             |
| Thursday<br>March 28  | Mass of the Lord's Supper<br>7:00 pm  | Church                                   |
| Friday<br>March 29    | Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the<br>Cross and Communion<br>1:00 pm  | Church                                   |
| Saturday<br>March 30  | Blessing of Baskets<br>12:00 nn<br>Easter Vigil<br>8:00 PM  | Church<br>Church                         |
| Sunday<br>March 31    | Happy Easter  |  |

## "LET THE KING COME IN"

You are invited to the Palm Sunday Concert of "Let the King Come In" at 2:00

pm on Sunday, March 24 in Mount Saint Peter Church. Come and reflect on your spiritual journey through the Lenten season as we all prepare to journey with Christ through Holy Week.

The program is free and ALL ARE INDEED, WELCOME!



### *New Kensington Parishes*

*(Mt. St. Peter, St. Joseph, St. Mary)*

*A Peek at the Week. . .*

|                       |  |                             |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| Sunday<br>March 24    | RCIA<br>12 nn  | Peter's Table               |
|                       | Palm Sunday Service<br>"Let the King Come In"<br>2:00 pm-4:00 pm         | MSP Church                  |
| Monday<br>March 25    | Lenten Community Penance Service<br>1:15 pm                              | St. Joseph Church           |
|                       | <b>NO Faith Formation-Easter Break</b>                                   |                             |
| Tuesday<br>March 26   | Community Clothes Closet<br>12 NN-2:00 pm                                |                             |
|                       | <b>Eucharistic Adoration</b><br><b>2:00 pm-4:00 pm</b>                   | <b>MSP Church</b>           |
|                       | <b>NO Catechesis of the Good Shepherd</b>                                |                             |
| Wednesday<br>March 27 | <b>Stations of the Cross</b><br><b>1:00 pm</b>                           | <b>St. Joseph Church</b>    |
| Thursday<br>March 28  | <b>Office Closed</b><br>Chrism Mass<br>10:00 am                          | Blessed Sacrament Cathedral |
|                       | Mass of the Lord's Supper<br>6:30 pm                                     | St. Mary Church             |
|                       | St. Mary 7 Church Visit<br>7:30 pm                                       | Outside St. Mary Church     |
| Friday<br>March 29    | Stations of the Cross<br>12:00 nn  | MSP Church                  |
|                       | Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the<br>Cross and Communion<br>1:00 pm | St. Joseph Church           |
|                       | Tenebrae<br>7:00 pm  | St. Mary Church             |
| Saturday<br>March 30  | Blessing of Baskets<br>11:00 am  | St. Mary Church             |
|                       | Blessing of Baskets<br>11:30 am  | MSP Church                  |
|                       | Easter Vigil<br>8:00 PM  | MSP Church                  |
| Sunday<br>March 31    | Happy Easter   |                             |

# Tenebrae

A SERVICE OF SONG, PRAYER, AND SCRIPTURE



GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29

7:00 PM ST. MARY

WITH THE ST. JOSEPH & ST. MARY CHOIRS



## ST. MARY CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

Please remove your Christmas gravesite decorations from St. Mary Cemetery by Good Friday, March 29. Do not discard the items at the cemetery. There is no garbage pick up available at the cemetery. Thank You.

## ST. MARY CEMETERY NEW GRAVE SITES

The cemetery is in the process of opening two new sections, St. John Paul II and St. Kazimierz, located behind the Mausoleum. If you are interested in reserving a burial site in these new sections, contact Colin at 724-335-3539.

## ST. MARY CHRISTIAN MOTHERS RAFFLE

May 1 - May 31, 2024

Daily prizes are \$50, with a \$500 prize on May 12, Mother's Day, and \$250 prize on May 27, Memorial Day.

There are 2 chances to win with each ticket. Winning numbers are chosen from PA Pick 3 at 7:00 PM.

Tickets are \$10 each and available in the Parish Office, or by contacting Charlotte at 724-889-3284.

Your support is greatly appreciated!



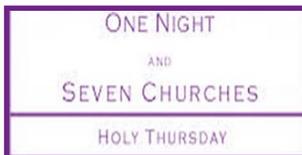
## Faith Formation

### EASTER BREAK

There will be no sessions for Faith First and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd on Mondays, March 25 and April 1 and Tuesdays, March 26 and April 2.

Sessions will resume on Monday, April 8 and Tuesday, April 9.

Have a blessed and glorious Easter.



### 7 CHURCH VISIT

St. Mary Holy Name will again be sponsoring our traditional 7

Church visit immediately after services at **St. Mary Church on Holy Thursday, March 28.** The cost of the bus trip is \$12 per person. Seats are limited and payment must be received upon reservation and can be brought to the Parish Office. The bus will leave from the front entrance of St. Mary Church and should return approximately between 11:30 pm and 12:00 midnight. This will be a Pittsburgh Church trip and will vary pending availability.

Any questions, please contact the Parish Office.



Catechesis Corner

## CATECHESIS CORNER - WHERE WILL YOU BE THIS WEEK?

It's Holy Week and the most important week in the Catholic Church year. Please come and participate with us. Holy Week includes the sacred events between Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. It is a representation of Our Lord's journey to the Crucifixion and His Resurrection from the dead. Jesus loves us to the point of giving his life for us. We can all say He gave His life for me!

We begin Palm Sunday (liturgical color is red) crying out: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Mark 11:9. "**Hosanna**" is a call to God to "Save us, Please." Our liturgy today shouts Hosanna. How quickly this exaltation turns ugly and hateful.

The Triduum, (3 days), flows as 1 entire liturgy. Holy Thursday, (liturgical color is white) celebrates the Lord's institution of the priesthood and Holy Eucharist. Luke 22:19 "Do this in remembrance of me". No final blessing is given as the Blessed Sacrament is carried to a place of repose. The altar on Good Friday is completely bare. Jesus is not in the tabernacle on Good Friday (liturgical color is red). The Lord's Passion is proclaimed. The faithful venerate the cross, receive Holy Communion, and depart in silence with no final blessing.

The Triduum concludes with the Easter Vigil as our grief turns to joy and Alleluia's ring out. Learn all about it in next Catechesis Corner.



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# The Easter Triduum

The Triduum is the Church's endless reflection on a way of life that leads through the cross to the Resurrection. You are invited to come to the liturgies on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday at either Saint Mary, Saint Joseph, Saint Margaret Mary or Mount Saint Peter Parishes.



## HOLY THURSDAY — March 28

6:30 pm St. Mary

7:00 pm St. Margaret Mary

At Saint Mary and Saint Margaret Mary, celebrate the joy of ministry that is the fabric of service to others. In the washing of the feet we come to a profound humility rooted in the example of Christ. On this same Holy Thursday night, we celebrate the arrival of the Holy Oils to our community: the Oil of Chrism, the Oil of the Sick, and the Oil of Catechumens. Saint Mary Holy Name is sponsoring a 7 Church Visit immediately following the 6:30 pm Mass.

## GOOD FRIDAY – March 29

12:00 NN Mount Saint Peter

1:00 PM Saint Joseph

1:00 PM Saint Margaret Mary

7:00 PM Saint Mary

At Mount Saint Peter we will walk the steps to Calvary with Jesus. At Saint Joseph and Saint Margaret Mary, celebrate the ultimate mystery of the triumph of the cross. Unite your sufferings and those of the world with the Lord of the Cross. Venerate the cross, our sign of victory beyond pain and death. At Saint Mary, we will celebrate Tenebrae, the Latin word for darkness. It is characterized by increasing darkness by gradually extinguishing candles to symbolize the coming darkness of Jesus' death. Friday is the birth of hope and peace.

## THE EASTER VIGIL – March 30

8:00 PM Mount Saint Peter

8:00 PM Saint Margaret Mary

At Mount Saint Peter and Saint Margaret Mary, we gather around the Easter bonfire as we proclaim Christ is our Light! Recall the history of salvation in word and song. Relive new life given in the waters of Baptism. Welcome new Christians and join us in the proclamation of the Resurrection and the refreshment of the Eucharist. Plan to be here for this liturgy, the highpoint of the liturgical year!



## ON EASTER EVE

Place 1 cup of pecans in a zippered plastic bag and let children break them into pieces with a wooden spoon. **Explain that Jesus was arrested and beaten by Roman soldiers.**

Let each child smell the vinegar, and pour 1 teaspoon into a mixing bowl. **Explain that Jesus was thirsty on the cross and was given vinegar to drink.**

Add 3 egg whites, representing life, to the vinegar. **Explain that Jesus gave his life to give us life.**

Sprinkle salt into each child's hand. Let them taste it, and put a pinch into the bowl. **Explain that this represents the salty tears shed by Jesus' disciples, and the bitterness of our own sins.**

Add 1 cup of sugar. **Explain that the sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because he loves us. He wants us to know this, and how to belong to him.**

Beat with a mixer on high speed until stiff peaks are formed. **Explain that the color white represents our purity when God forgives our sins.**

Fold in the nuts. Drop by teaspoons onto a cookie sheet covered in wax paper. **Explain that each mound represents the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was laid.**

Put the cookie sheet in a 300 degree Fahrenheit oven, close the door and turn the oven *off!* Give each child a piece of tape and seal the oven door. **Explain that Jesus' tomb was sealed.**

Go to bed! **Explain that they may feel sad leaving the cookies in the oven overnight, just as Jesus' disciples were miserable when the tomb was sealed.**

On Easter day, open the oven and give everyone a cookie. Notice the cracked surface, and take a bite. The cookies are hollow! **On the first Easter, Jesus' followers were amazed to find the tomb open and empty! Jesus is alive!**

*Read the Easter story together on Easter Sunday before dinner, and enjoy the cookies for dessert.*



# St. Mary Rummage Sale

**Donations of Rummage Sale Items - Saturday, April 13**

**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

**Friendship Hall Entrance in the rear parking lot of the Church.**

**If you are in need of special accommodations to assist with your donation, would like to volunteer or have any questions, please call Ellen at 724-980-6205.**



## **Parishioner Pre-sale - Saturday, May 11**

**Parishioners of Mount Saint Peter, Saint Joseph, St. Margaret Mary and Saint Mary are invited to attend the pre-public opening of St. Mary's Rummage Sale in Friendship Hall.**

## **Public Sale - Wednesday, May 15 - Saturday, May 18**

**More details of the sale schedule will be posted at a later date.**

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## March 9-10, 2024 - Collection Report

### St. Margaret Mary

|             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| Offertory   | \$ 38,741.25 |
| Weekly EFT  | \$ 7,417.00  |
| Haiti       | \$ 790.00    |
| Other Misc. | \$ 1,889.00  |

### Mount Saint Peter

|            |             |
|------------|-------------|
| Offertory  | \$ 5,935.00 |
| Weekly EFT | \$ 2,452.00 |

### Saint Joseph

|            |             |
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| Offertory  | \$ 4,698.00 |
| Weekly EFT | \$ 175.00   |

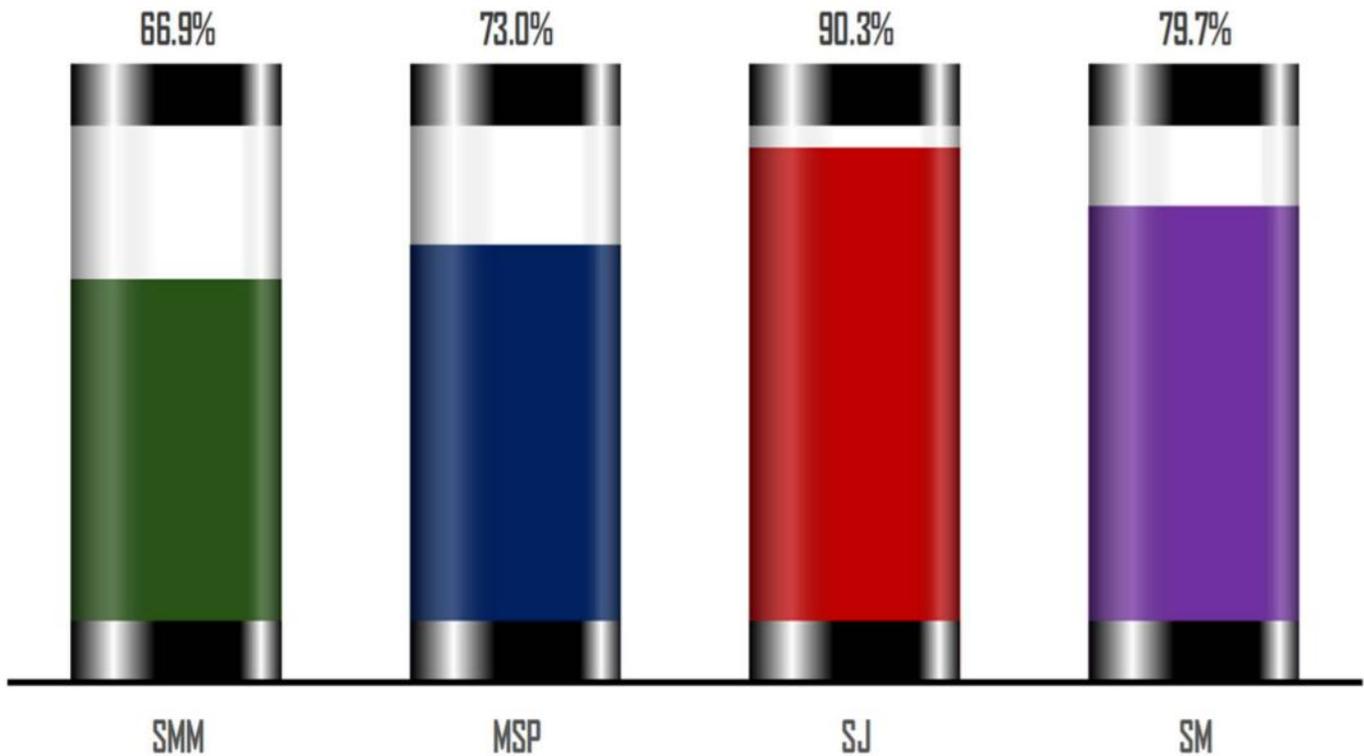
### Saint Mary

|            |             |
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| Offertory  | \$ 3,195.00 |
| Weekly EFT | \$ 285.00   |



| 2024 Diocesan Assessments | SMM      | MSP      | SJ       | SM       |
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|                           | \$86,295 | \$77,184 | \$34,720 | \$29,066 |

2024 Diocesan Lenten Appeal Status - Thru March 16th





**ARE YOU AVAILABLE?**

During the 7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, March 28, Fr. Ken will wash the feet of 12 people at St. Margaret Mary Church.

If you are interested in having your foot washed, please contact Mary Murphy via email at [mmurphy@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:mmurphy@dioceseofgreensburg.org) or at the Parish Office.



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**2024 SMM FLEA MARKET**  
**GATHER YOUR TREASURES!**  
**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!**  
**WEEK OF JULY 15**  
**SALE DATES JULY 18-20**

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