

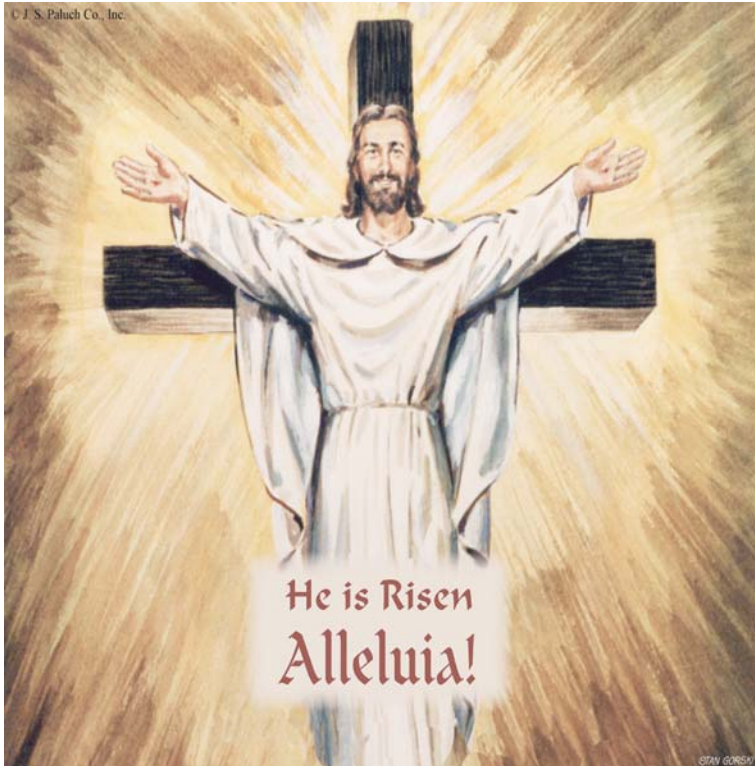


# St. Mary, Mother of God

*A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg  
A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust*

## Roman Catholic Church

608 High Street  
Freeport, PA 16229



April 12th, 2009

Easter  
Sunday

**Rev. Edward Volz, OSPPE—*Pastor***

***Administrative Center*** - 724-295-2281

Monday thru Thursday - 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Friday - 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

**Fax**—724-295-3090

**Parish Website**

[www.stmaryfreeport.com](http://www.stmaryfreeport.com)

**Parish Email Address**

[thechurch@stmaryfreeport.com](mailto:thechurch@stmaryfreeport.com)

**Religious Education** - *Helen James, Director*

724-295-4758

**Teen Ministry**

First & Third Sundays, 9:25 to 10:35 A.M.

**Mass Schedule**

Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 P.M.

Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

**Weekday Masses**

Monday - Saturday 8:00 A.M.

**Confession**

Saturday - 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

**Baptism**

Sundays at 12:15 P.M. (by appointment)

**Weddings**

Notify the Parish six months in advance

## Mass Schedule

### MASSES FOR EASTER SUNDAY - THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

**SATURDAY:** April 11 - *Easter Vigil*  
8:30 P.M. St. Mary Parishioners



**SUNDAY:** April 12 - *Easter*  
8:30 A.M. St. Mary Parishioners  
11:00 A.M. St. Mary Parishioners



**MONDAY:** April 13  
8:00 A.M. +Antoinette Severin (Mary Brestensky)

**TUESDAY:** April 14  
**NO MASS** 8:00 A.M. - *Communion Service*



**WEDNESDAY:** April 15  
**NO MASS** 8:00 A.M. - *Communion Service*

**THURSDAY:** April 16  
**NO MASS** 8:00 A.M. - *Communion Service*

**FRIDAY:** April 17  
8:00 A.M. +Andrew P. Cole Family (Marge Mimless)

**SATURDAY:** April 18  
8:00 A.M. +Mary Lucovich (Marianne Sheehan)

### MASSES FOR THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

**SATURDAY:** April 18  
4:00 P.M. +Deceased Members of the Lewandowski Family (George Lewandowski)

**SUNDAY:** April 19  
8:30 A.M. +Charles Huth (Rose and Dave Check)  
11:00 A.M. St. Mary Parishioners

*This is the day to rejoice*



**Today's Readings:**  
Acts 10:34a, 37-43  
Colossians 3:1-4  
John 20:1-9

**Next Sunday's Readings:**  
Acts 4:32-35  
1 John 5:1-6  
John 20:19-31

**Christian Mothers' Cleaning Assignments - Kathy Bordonaro and Christine Bender**

## Liturgical Roles<sup>+</sup>

April 18th & 19th, 2009

### Acolytes/Altar Servers:

Sat., 4:00 P.M. S. & E. Posney, R. Giori, B. Kolek  
Sun., 8:30 A.M. G. Carson, D. Policicchio, J. Kristine, A. Romanchak  
Sun., 11:00 A.M. L. Kriger, V. Jones, T. Goldinger, N. McCrea

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Sat., 4:00 P.M. F. Walker, H. Murphy, R. Carli  
Sun., 8:30 A.M. G. Wilson, R. Check, B. Nemcek  
Sun., 11:00 A.M. A. Volek, L. Isenberg, C. Higgins

### Lectors:

Sat., 4:00 P.M. Jackie DeFelice  
Sun., 8:30 A.M. Debbie Baustert  
Sun., 11:00 A.M. Alex Isenberg

### Cantors:

Sat., 4:00 P.M. Jamie Phillips  
Sun., 8:30 A.M. Tom Koharchik  
Sun., 11:00 A.M. Choir

### Organists:

Sat., 4:00 P.M. Tom Misutka  
Sun., 8:30 A.M. Tom Koharchik  
Sun., 11:00 A.M. Dave Wesolosky



**Alleluia!  
Christ  
is  
risen!**



**To all parishioners and visitors** - A glorious, holy, and happy Easter to all of you! The parish family of St. Mary's is made up of special people, and I am happy to be part of that special family. I hope that this past Lenten Season and Holy Week made an impression in your lives and has increased your love for one another and for the risen Lord. At this time, I would like to thank everyone who helped to make Lent, Holy Week, and Easter so beautiful and meaningful. There are so many of you, and you know who you are! Please know that your time and talent donated is greatly appreciated. **Blessings and prayers to each and everyone of you!** —Father Ed



**Communion Service** There will be a Communion Service for those who would like to receive on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, at 8:00 A.M. If you would like to attend mass, you may want to check out the mass times at one of our neighboring parishes.



**The Divine Mercy Novena** continues this week. A Chaplet will be said each morning following the 8:00 A.M. Mass (the Communion Service on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday). Please remember that you may also pray this Novena at home. Pamphlets are at each entrance.



**4th Annual A-K Pulser Spring Wine/Cheese/Pasta Festival** will be held at Laube Hall on Saturday, April 18th, 6:00 to 10:00 P.M. \$25.00 donation at the door will benefit the A-K Pulser's Emergency Vehicle Replacement Fund. For advance tickets, please call AKMC Prehospital Services at 724-226-7041.



**Christian Mothers** are hosting a Spring Card and Salad Party Monday, April 27th, 7:00 P.M., in the Church Hall. \$8.00/person. Salad buffet and prizes will be provided. To make reservations or for more information, please contact Charmaine Macurdy at 724-353-2038.

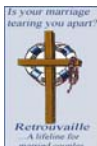


**No Religious Education classes on Easter Sunday, April 12th. Classes resume Sunday, April 19th.**

**Tippets - Wednesday, April 15th, at 7:00 P.M.,** in the **Church Hall**, tippets for Confirmation will be made. Any **adult** who would like to help is more than welcome to attend. If you can, please bring a good, sharp pair of scissors. Remember, the more help there is, the quicker you will get done and everyone can go home.



**Choir Practice** - Their will be no choir practice on Wednesday, April 15th.



**Does your marriage need a re-birth?** In this season of the Resurrection, make an effort to get out of the darkness of a troubled marriage. Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels, including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on April 24th, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434. More information is available at [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com).



**Are You Getting Married?** Catholic Engaged Encounter is an opportunity for Christian couples to prepare for a lifetime commitment. If you desire a loving, faithful, permanent and life-giving marriage, consider attending a Catholic Engaged Encounter weekend. This marriage preparation program presents a comprehensive, up-close and personal look at marriage. For additional information, please call George & Pat Ziringer - 724-335-4966. Next scheduled weekend will be held in Greensburg on April 24th-26th.



**Natural Family Planning** - CM-BBT is a medically based, highly effective NFP method that can be used to avoid, postpone or plan pregnancy. The next CM-BBT Method of Family Planning Session is scheduled for Monday, April 20th, at 6:00 P.M., at the Catholic Charities office in Greensburg. Participants are required to attend only ONE session. The instruction, continued support and follow-up are provided by a medically certified CM-BBT Professional. PRE registration is required. Call Mary Ann Newhouse, Catholic Charities, at 724-837-1840, ext. 658 for additional information or to register.



**Freeport Community Blood Drive**, sponsored by the American Red Cross, will be held at The United Methodist Church, 211 Fourth Street, on Thursday, April 16th, 1:00 to 7:00 P.M. **Make A**

**Difference** - "Please Donate Blood!" Please remember to take some form of ID with you!



**Parish Office** - In observance of the Easter Holiday, the Parish Office will be closed Monday.



**The American Cancer Society** - Anyone who would like to donate baked goods for the American Cancer Society Bake Sale on April 18th is asked to call Mary Ann Miller at 724-295-0662. This is being done in memory of Audrey Edwards who worked so diligently for this cause.



**Following is the Offertory Collection for April 5th, 2009**

No. of Envelopes Mailed Out: 630

No. of Envelopes Received: 260

Sunday Collection: Offertory - \$6,915.90

**THANK YOU!**



**2008 Financial Statements** - Contribution reports for 2008 are now available **by request only**. To make arrangements to pick up your records, please call the parish office at 724-295-2281 between 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M., Monday thru Thursday, and on Fridays between 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. You may also fax your request to 724-295-3090 or email: [thechurch@stmaryfreeport.com](mailto:thechurch@stmaryfreeport.com).

**Please remember to give your envelope number.** Thank you!



**DLA** - Thank you to everyone who has already donated or pledged to this year's DLA.

Our volunteers are in the process of contacting the members of our parish who have not yet responded to this appeal. Please receive them with kindness, and help them to complete this annual appeal. All volunteers are reminded to turn in their envelopes as soon as possible.



**Please wait until you receive your statement from the Diocese before sending in your next payment. Payments are to be sent in directly to the Diocese.**



**5th Annual Western PA Deer Classic** -

Saturday, April 18th, Noon till 7:00 P.M., Happy Hunter's Sportsman's Club, Fenelton. *Bring any size rack, see what it scores.* Sanctioned Scoring and Trophies. \$10.00/presale—\$12.00/at the door. In addition to trophies, included will be a gun raffle, hunting vendors, all you can eat food and beverage, additional raffles and hourly prizes. Proceeds benefits St. Wendelin School. If you have any questions, please call 724-282-4737 or 724-756-8731.

**St. Mary, Mother of God Church  
Membership Form**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE CHECK ONE:**

- New Registration
- Change of Address
- Moving out of Parish
- Change of Phone Number

*"Please drop form in collection basket or mail to the office"*