

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

SUNDAY, MAY 9, 2021 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER AND MOTHER'S DAY

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, May 9th: Sixth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day

Private Mass with Fr. Priscaro (SA)

Ted & Sally Rzodkiewicz by Daughters & Families

9:00 am (SC) Confessions

9:30 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Ann Andrezeski by Brother Paul A. Wilson, OFM

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) Fr. James T. O'Hara, Birthday by Parishioners

Monday, May 10th: Saint Damien de Veuster

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05 pm (SA) Anthony Sokolowski, Birthday Feb. 4th, by Ropelewski Family

Tuesday, May 11th: Easter Weekday

(SC) No Public Mass and Confessions

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Rev. James T. O'Hara, Happy Heavenly Birthday by Parishioners

Wednesday, May 12th: Easter Weekday

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Agnes Ruza Priscaro by Mrs. Joan Fye

5:30pm (SC) *Latin Mass*

Richard Davis, Birthday by Mr. & Mrs. Vic Kowalski

Thursday, May 13th: The Ascension of the Lord

A Holy Day of Obligation

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05 pm (SA) Michael J. Ropelewski, Birthday Feb. 9th, by Daughters

4:00 pm (SC) Fr. Daniel Prez, Birthday by mother Charlotte

5:30 pm (SC) *Latin Mass*—Donald & Jean Purcell by Family

Friday, May 14th: Saint Matthias

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05 pm (SA) Sophie Sokolowski, Birthday Feb. 10th, by Sisters

Saturday, May 15th: Saint Isidore

Private Mass with Fr. Priscaro (SA)

Agnes Ruza Priscaro by Wally & Shelly Brown

No Public Saturday Vigil Mass or Confessions (SC)

Sunday, May 16th: Seventh Sunday of Easter

Private Mass with Fr. Priscaro (SA)

Joe & Mary Pohl by Mickey & Kaya Pohl

9:00 am (SC) Confessions

9:30 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Rev. James T. O'Hara by The Fisher Family

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) Joe Habas by Tom Yonko and Family

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

1) Galla & Walach Families by Paul and Lisa Galla

2) James Berdis by Chas and Lindsay Fisher

Our Mother of Sorrows: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

St. Ann's

1) Rev. James T. O'Hara, Birthday by Kathy Mays

2) Ann Wilczewski by Brother Paul A. Wilson, OFM

St. Casimir's

1) Delores Marcus by Ray Wasielewski

2) Josephine Federowicz by Theresa Kalinowski

FINANCIAL REPORT

May 2, 2021: \$6,454.38

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

2021 Goal: \$20,164.00

Corrected: Pledged: \$10,543.00 Paid: \$8,044.00

Thank you! We are now \$9,621.00 away from our goal! Thanks to everyone who has sent in their Pledge/Payment. There is still time to send in your pledge/payment for the 2021 CSA. Simply use the CSA envelope in your monthly offertory envelope packet or you may pick one up in the back of church.

Please remember you may drop your weekly offertory and other contributions in the mail slot at the rectory office or mail them to the rectory office.

The parish office is located at
913 Fulton Street, Erie, PA 16503

Thank you for keeping the home fires burning!



Happy
Mother's Day

FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Latin Mass: Fifth Sunday after Easter

Masses for Ascension Thursday, May 13th: 12:05 pm at St. Ann, 4:00 pm at St. Casimir, and 5:30 pm Latin Mass at St. Casimir.

Mother's Day Carnations provided by **People for Life** will be available after both Masses today. Your donation of \$2 per carnation will help support pro-life educational programs and activities right here in Northwestern Pennsylvania.

A Prayer in Gratitude for Our Mothers: ... Good and Gentle God, we pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women of theory who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Give them the strength to live and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly. Give them the faithful support of husband, family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children. Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most. -Author Unknown

In honor of May being the month of Mary, the **Junior Legion of Mary** will have a **prayer service** on Thursday, May 20th at 7:00 PM at Holy Family Church. The theme is "A Portrait of Mary". The prayer service will be followed by the Rosary for the intention of an end to the COVID 19 pandemic, as part of the "marathon of prayer" asked of us by our Holy Father Pope Francis for the month of May.

Attention Gardeners! If you have perennial plants you need to split but don't know what to do with, bring them to St. Casimir's on Saturday, May 29, between 9:00 am and 11:00 am. Varieties of Hosta, lily, cone flower, and iris just to name a few; will make our church grounds colorful and beautiful. Feel free to bring your shovel and help us plant them. For more information, please contact Karen Mazur: (814) 882-8656.

International Needs Collection ... Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. It is a combination of the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Africa, and Catholic Relief Service. Funds from this Collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and **help Jesus in disguise**. Envelopes for this collection are on the table in the middle of the aisle as you enter church and in your monthly packets. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Thank You for once again for generously supporting the **Good Shepherd Collection**. We collected \$1,087.00 to support the retired priests of the Diocese of Erie.

What we are created for ... One day, as usually was the case, in this section of a city, a little girl, stood at the street corner begging for food, money or whatever she could get. Now this girl was wearing very tattered clothes, she was dirty and was quite disheveled. As it happens, a well-to-do-young businessman passed that corner frequently without giving the girl a second look. But one particular day when he returned to his expensive home, his happy and comfortable family, and his well-laden dinner table, his thoughts returned to the young girl and he began to feel angry and guilty. He became angry at God for allowing such conditions to exist and he reproached him saying, "How can you let this happen? Why don't you do something to help this girl?" Then he heard God in the depths of his being respond by saying, "I did. I created you!"

In our gospel today Jesus commands his disciples to love one another as he has loved them. This does not mean tolerating or being nice to each other, but rather they must be willing to lay their life down for one another, not only in physical death if need be, but also by caring for each other. The love Jesus is talking about goes beyond mere sentimentality and the way love is often trivialized and portrayed in popular culture. It is a love that calls us to look out for the needs of each other, a love that requires action in addition to words. The same command Jesus gave the disciples is extended to us. Jesus uses each and every one of us to express his love here on earth which means we become his hands and feet, his smile, his loving voice, and his caring arms. That is what we are created for. By giving to those in need, we develop a deeper appreciation for the unconditional love God has for us. After all, where would we be today without the love that others have shown to us? Genuine love is unselfish. Still, there are many around us like that little girl on the street corner, lonely, desperate and begging for genuine love. Where will they find it? Who will do something about it? Isn't that what we are created for?



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