

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church



*THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2020*

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish Rectory/Business Office

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Saint Casimir Church

629 Hess Ave. * Erie, PA 16503

Saint Ann Church

921 East Ave. * Erie, PA 16503

Holy Family Church

913 Fulton St. * Erie, PA 16503

PASTOR:

Father James T. O'Hara

DEACON ASSISTANT:

Deacon Jerome T. Sobrowski

ASSISTING:

Msgr. Gerald Koos (Retired); Msgr. Robert Smith (Retired); Father Jerry Priscaro (St. Ann), Father Joseph Gregorek (Retired).



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Tuesday, August 11, 2020 ~ 8am to 8pm

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Thank you for your support to your parish. Your prayers, donations, and monetary contributions help keep us alive and well and proud to continue our work, in serving our Lord, here on the East Side! You can make your support stretch even a little farther by donating to Our Mother of Sorrows Parish by selecting [Holy Family Catholic Church](#) on Erie Gives Day, **Tuesday, August 11, 2020**. The event runs for 12 hours between 8AM and 8PM. On this day only, The Erie Community Foundation will match a percentage of each donation that you make to Our Mother of Sorrows Parish but you must select [Holy Family Catholic Church](#) when you donate through www.eriegives.org.

Thank you for your continued support! REMEMBER on August 11th, 2020

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Masses open to the public

The 12:05PM Daily Mass at Saint Ann's.

9:30 AM Sunday Latin Mass at Saint Casimir's.

Saturday, August 8th: Vigil Mass

(SC) John M. Ropelewski, Birthday by Sisters

All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sunday, August 9th: Nineteenth Ordinary Sunday

(SC) Health & Healing for Fr. Dan Prez

9:30 am (SC) Latin Mass ~ James Chamberlain by David and Anna Dieteman

(SC) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Monday, August 10th: Saint Lawrence

(SC) Mark Allen, anniversary by Mother and Family

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05 pm (SA) Poor Souls in Purgatory by Brother Paul

Tuesday, August 11th: Saint Clare

(SC) Fr. Donald Berdis by Sr. Kevin Berdis, OSF

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) William Palkovic by Delphine & Family

Wednesday, August 12th: Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

(SC) Christine Krolczyk, anniversary by Mother and Family

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Monica Sorensen by Family and Friends

Thursday, August 13th: Sts. Pontian and Hippolytus

(SC) Mary Lou Rovnak, anniversary by Rose Marie Bargielski

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05 pm (SA) Special Intentions of Audrey Draszkiwicz

Friday, August 14th: Saint Maximilian Kolbe

(SC) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05 pm (SA) Pour Souls in Purgatory by Brother Paul

Saturday, August 15th: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (not a holy day of obligation) and Vigil Mass

(SC) John Rzomp by Julie Breski

Bernard O'Leary by Family

Sunday, August 16th: Twentieth Ordinary Sunday

(SC) Benedict Sundy by Children

9:30 am (SC) *Latin Mass*

Lydia Kowalski by Vic and Ruth Kowalski

(SC) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Service Men and Women, Parishioners, Friends & Benefactors

Our deepest sympathy to the families and friends of the deceased.

May they rest in peace.

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

1) Poor Souls in Purgatory by Brother Paul

2) Poor Souls in Purgatory by Brother Paul

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

St. Ann's

1) Novena Intentions

2) Novena Intentions

St. Casimir's

1) Raymond Draszkiwicz by James & Barbara Berdis

2) Ted & Sally R zodkiewicz by Daughters & Families

PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY

Rev. Joseph Campbell (Germany), Austin Agnello, Stephany Agnello, Sterling and Connor Vahey, Nicole and Jamie Keller (in Iraq), David Hawkins, Nick Torres (in Afghanistan), Bryan Spadaccio, Jennifer Smolinsky, Gregory Merski, Thomas Kaiser, Daniel Kidd (in Hawaii), and David Kraut
*Please call-in with names to be added or removed from this list or change in location.
Thank you for your service to our country.*

THE WEEK AHEAD

The rectory office remains closed until further notice.

FINANCIAL REPORT ~ 2020

Collection Report for July 20: \$851.00

Latin Mass Collection for July 19: \$839.71

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2020

As of July 29, 2020

Goal: \$21,446.00

Pledged Amount: \$12,571.00

Paid Amount: \$10,816.00

☺ We are now \$8,875.00 away from our goal!

Together we can do it! ☺

Simply send in your 2020 CSA pledge/contribution and watch our numbers grow.

Please remember during this time you may drop your weekly offertory in the mail slot at the rectory office or mail your offertory to the rectory office.

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

Thank you for keeping the home fires burning!



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today is the 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost in the traditional Latin Rite. Please offer your Mass and prayers today for all suffering from the Covid-19 virus and for good health and healing for all parishioners, neighbors and friends of our parish, for an end to the Covid-19 virus, and for the spiritual and temporal needs of all especially those who are in most need. Let's continue to pray for one another! †Bishop Persico has continued his dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for all in the Erie Diocese because of the medical emergency! Shelter in Place, Stay Healthy, Stay Safe, Stay Holy, Stay Home if you can and pray privately! Pray for the day when we can all get together again. †Msgr. Gerald Koos, Father Jerry Priscaro, Father Joseph Gregorek, Father James Power, Deacon Jerry Sobrowski, and your Pastor Father James T. O'Hara remember all of you each day at the altar. We remember all of your intentions and your special needs! †Thanks again to those who send their collection envelopes by mail or to those who bring them to the mail slot at the rectory! You know how much we need your help, spiritual and financial during this difficult time. You help us pay the bills which never end and you keep us alive and well. †We will be back in Church soon and our meetings, programs, and activities will begin again. This is a difficult time for all of us! I know that the Lord appreciates your sacrifices and your prayers. Your reward will be great both in heaven and here upon the earth! Your support will save the day and help us open soon for public Masses and Sacraments. †Please keep Father Dan Prez in your thoughts and prayers. Father Dan is dealing with a medical emergency and appreciates your prayers. †Noon Masses at St. Ann's are open to the public Monday thru Friday with Confessions before and after the Mass. No public Mass on Saturday yet and just the Latin Mass on Sunday at 9:30AM with Confessions at 9:00AM. We hope to return to our complete schedule soon. Keep you those prayers! †Our parish food pantry is now open every other Friday morning at 9:30AM. Thanks to Mike Kuzma and his hard working crew. †Thanks to Mike Kuzma and his dad Mike Sr. and John Wolfe, Paul Kuzma, Mike Fiscus, the Kuzma Kids, our grounds are in good shape at all times. Thanks also to Christine Visosky and the ladies of the Rosary Society for the flowers at the Blessed Mother's shrine at St. Casimir's. Everything is looking good! †Father John Paul Kuzma is now in Cleveland, Ohio at his new assignment! Congratulations Father Kuzma! It's good to have you so close to home! †Congratulations to Daniel Brigham who recently graduated from Cathedral Prep. Best Wishes! †Stay Calm, Stay Healthy, Stay Holy, Stay Home! Hope to see all of you soon! Thanks for everything! God bless and keep you!

FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

Erie Gives – Help Support Our Parish ... This year Erie Gives is on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 from 8am to 8pm. Donations received will be applied in the parish to improve safety and security, help with much needed maintenance, and improve communication. We will be meeting with Pastoral Council to establish priorities for use of the funds. Please see the front page of the bulletin for details on Erie Gives. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

Resuming Sunday Masses – Help Needed ... We are planning to resume the 11:00 am Sunday Mass on August 16 or August 23. We still need a couple volunteers to help maintain the protocols specified by the Bishop for resuming Sunday masses. This would entail monitoring the doors and assisting people with any questions when they arrive, helping people find seats while maintaining social distance, and wiping down the used pews and high-touch surfaces after Mass. If you are willing to help please contact me at 464-3157. As we return things will look and be different and we will be providing more information in the near future.

Listen for the Whisper ... We find numerous instances throughout Scripture where God has made his presence known through visible signs such as the burning bush, parting of the Red Sea and others. In this week's first reading and in the gospel, God and Jesus are not revealed in the storms that surround Elijah and the disciples. Instead, God chooses to make his presence known in the courage that Jesus offers to the disciples and in the quiet whispering sound following the wind, earthquake, and fire that shake the cave of Elijah. How many times in our lives have we sought out or waited for some profound and visible sign from God to guide as to what direction to take, or what decision to make? God does not always come to us in the flesh, or in the storm, rather he often reveals himself in very subtle ways. God may come to us in a tiny whispering sound as he did with Elijah. His presence may be visible through others in their smiles or words, it may be found in the acts of kindness others do, or it may be revealed in our own prayer and quiet time. There are numerous ways God will come to us but we must pay attention. We can expect turbulent times in our life and it may feel like we are alone but Jesus never abandons us in our need. When Peter stepped outside the boat, his faith was weak and he could not stand on his own. Yet Jesus heard his cry for help and saved him. We can take comfort in knowing that Jesus is there to save us when we cry out. Let us pray for the grace that in the storms of our lives we will pay attention to the whispering sound of our loving God that keeps us from sinking into the waters of doubt or despair.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

Bishop Emeritus Donald Trautman, Father Jim O'Hara, Msgr. Gerald Koos, Fr. Daniel Prez, Fr. Joseph Gregorek, Fr. John Santor, Msgr. Robert Smith, Deacon Glen Kuzma, Deacon Dennis Kudlak, Dianne Connors, Phil Zukowski, Michael Burenko, Charlotte Prez, Pat & Gene Maciak, John Maciak, Anne Goodrich, Tom Duska, Sr., Kay Majersky, Maryann Marchant, Karen Antonio, Theresa Juchno, Theresa Zaborowski, Victoria Vargo, Lynn Clint, Sr. Rose Kuzma, Audrey Draszkievicz, Janice Schroeder, Walter Burenko, Jr., Margaret Kuzma, Jim Berdis, Jr. Susan Spadaccio, Eileen Ropelewski, Andrew G., Catherine Jankowski, Margaret Cermak, Robert and Karen Mazur, Raymond Wasielewski, Mike Lucas, Jennifer Galla, Diane Pavlik, Linda Krause, Douglas B. (father) and Douglas B. (son), Elizabeth Sliska, Gregory Wright, Tom Duska, II, Frances Birchard, Mary Ann Palkovic, Thomas Sisca, Fritz Gingenbach, Marlene Lucas, Mary Lou Wieczorek, Robert Jaskiewicz, Lucille Rovnak, Simon de la Guerra, Carol Krysiak, Kathy Newhouse, Alice Bock, Lorena Derks, Dawn Statton, Dr. Richard Cerami, Peyton Madura, Judy Marini, Austin M., Rose Gray, Lottie Carter, Jean Benedict, Jerry Jeroski, Linda Kuzma, Mary Wierzbicki, Mary Lepkowski, Michelle Spath, Michael Wieczorek, Dolores Campbell, Paul Martin, Sr., Dolores Osiecki, Betty Miller, William Brennan, Sr. Rose Rovnak, OSF, Sr. Margaret Rovnak, OSF, Dorothy Wright, Jerry Hoydic, Grace Guelcher, Ann Winschel, Marie Jurino, Joe Habas, Dolores Causgrove, Patricia Mazzaresse, Michael Ryan, Anne Marie Wykoff, Joanne Nelson, Evelyn Buczynski, Jim Heubel, Eugeniusz Szczepura, Fr. John Murray C.Ss.R., The Wienczkowski Family, Eileen Fulton, Jane Singleton, Eloise Conley, Lorraine Oster, Al Klugiewicz, The Clara Jong Family, Thomas Lucas, Rose Kowalski, Rosemarie Dzialo, Mark McMahan, Lillian Kolbas, Joyce Mueck, Carol Reynolds-Wolfe, John Wolfe, Leokadia Bajek, Walter Zaborowski, Dannielle Bizzarro, Ed Hart, Hank and Dorothy Oldach, Sister Grace Cermak, and all others in need of our prayers. Pray for all of them!

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