

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish



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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

Lenten Practices, Regulations and Observances

All Fridays in Lent and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat for those 14 years of age and older.

Good Friday is a day of fasting for those ages 18 to 58, inclusive.

Gorzkie Zale and Benediction

(Please note change in day and time.)

2PM Sunday Afternoon during Lent at St. Casimir's Church.

Stations of the Cross

Friday's during Lent ~ 1PM St. Ann's Church and 6PM at St. Casimir's Church.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday's during Lent ~ Before and After the 12:05PM Mass at St. Ann's Church.

Lenten Goodies—Place Your Order Today!

Nut, Poppy Seed, and Apricot Rolls contact Mike 969-0497 or sign up after Mass.

Pick up on Palm Sunday, April 14th in the Holy Family School Gym.

Pierogi (cheese) Sale contact Karen 882-8656 or sign up after Mass. Pick up all Sunday's during Lent from 12Noon until 1PM in the St. Casimir's Social Hall.



Annual Meatless Soup Supper

Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 5PM in St. Casimir's Social Hall.

Sign up to bring a kettle of Meatless Soup to Share.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Saturday, March 23rd: Vigil Mass**

- 3:30 pm (SC) Confessions
 4:00 pm (SC) Jeanie Ragan by Paul & Ann Krauza
 Special Intention & Thanksgiving

Sunday, March 24th: Third Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 am (SC) In Thanksgiving by Charlotte Prez
 Anthony Sokolowski, Anniversary by
 Ropelewski Family
 9:30 am (SC) *LATIN MASS*:
 Living & Deceased of The John Campbell Family
 11:00 am (SC) In Thanksgiving by Charlotte Prez
 → 2:00 pm (SC) Gorzkie Zale & Benediction of the
 Blessed Sacrament

Monday, March 25th: Annunciation of the Lord

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
 8:00 am (SC) Living & Deceased Members of The
 Legion of Mary
 12:05 pm (SA) Living & Deceased Officers and
 Members of Our Mother of Sorrows Guild

Tuesday, March 26th: Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
 8:00 am (SC) Carl Kalinowski by Theresa Kalinowski
 12:05 pm (SA) Joseph Pochatko by Family

Wednesday, March 27th: Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
 8:00 am (SC) Living and Deceased Members of the
 Slovak National Club
 12:05 pm (SA) Living & Deceased of The Galla &
 Walach Families by Paul Galla

Thursday, March 28th: Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
 8:00 am (SC) Helen Dolak by The Matta Family
 12:05 pm (SA) Pat Hart by Mickey Pohl

Friday, March 29th: Lenten Weekday*A Day of Abstinence*

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
 8:00 am (SC) Wanda Habas by husband Joseph Habas
 12:05 pm (SA) Our Mother of Sorrows by Dolores Justka
 1:00 pm (SA) Stations of the Cross
 6:00 pm (SC) Stations of the Cross and Benediction of
 the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, March 30th: Vigil Mass

- 3:30 pm (SC) Confessions
 4:00 pm (SC) Halina Roman by Kelly & Demaris
 Edwards

Sunday, March 31st: Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 am (SC) Stephen Ferko by Maurice Kaluzny
 9:30 am (SC) *LATIN MASS*:
 Richard Davis, Jr. (feast) by Victor & Ruth Kowalski
 11:00 am (SC) Dorothy Root by Butch & Arlene Slater
 → 2:00 pm (SC) Gorzkie Zale & Benediction of the
 Blessed Sacrament

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS**Holy Family**

- 1) Living & Deceased of The Slovak National Club
- 2) Living & Deceased of The Galla & Walach Families
 by Paul Galla
 Our Mother of Sorrows: Mildred Merski by The
 Merski Family

St. Ann's

- 1) Priests of our Parish by Marge Rabe
- 2) Pat Hart by Mickey Pohl

St. Casimir's

- 1) Rita Sulecki by husband Norbert
- 2) Wanda Habas by husband Joseph Habas

EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES

PLEASE NOTE: The **LAST** day to submit your Easter Flower Envelopes to be included in the list of donors is Sunday, March 31, 2019! Remember to get your envelope in by March 31st to be included in the list. Thank you, Helen Gangemi

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday (3/24) Third Sunday of Lent. 9AM Confessions (SC). 9:30AM Latin Mass (SC). 2PM Gorzkie Zale and Benediction (SC). Rectory office is closed.

Monday (3/25) Rectory office is open 10AM to Noon.

Tuesday (3/26) Rectory office is open 10AM to Noon.

Wednesday (3/27) Rectory office is closed.

Thursday (3/28) Rectory office is closed.

Friday (3/29) Day of Abstinence. Rectory office is open 10AM to Noon. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before and after the 12:05PM Mass at St. Ann's. 1PM Stations of the Cross (SA). 6PM Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament (SC).

Saturday (3/30) Rectory office is closed. 4PM Vigil Mass (SC).

Sunday (3/31) Fourth Sunday of Lent. 9AM Confessions (SC). 9:30AM Latin Mass (SC). 2PM Gorzkie Zale and Benediction (SC). Rectory office is closed.

Order your delicious treats today!

Pierogi Sale sponsored by OMOS Pastoral Council. Homemade Cheese Filled Pierogis', Bag of 6 for \$5. Place your order today by signing the order form in the back of church or call 882-8656. Pick up available March 24 & 31 and April 7 and 14 in the St. Casimir's Social Hall from Noon to 1PM.

Nut Roll Sale contact Mike at 969-0497 to place your order or signing the order form in the back of church. Nut, Poppy Seed and Apricot Rolls are available again this year. \$10.00 each. Pick up is on Palm Sunday, April 14th in the Holy Family School Gym.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Welcome everyone as we celebrate the Mass for the Third Sunday of Lent. Resolve today to keep Lent with the traditional practices of Prayer, Penance, and Alms Giving! Remember no meat, abstinence from meat on all of the Fridays of Lent. Remember the Poor Box, Rice Bowls, and the CSA along with your other acts of Penance and Alms Giving. Make a Good Lent. †The rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy follow the Noon Masses at St. Ann's. On Fridays during Lent in addition to our regular weekday Masses, Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament is scheduled for 1PM at St. Ann's and 6PM at St. Casimir's. The traditional polish Lenten Devotion, the Gorzkie Zale will be celebrated on the Sundays of Lent at 2PM at St. Casimir's. Please note the change from previous years. The Gorzkie Zale is the traditional Polish Lenten Devotion celebrated completely in the Polish Language. †Anyone celebrating a 25th, 50th, or 60th wedding anniversary this year (2019) please notify the parish office. We will then call the diocese and make arrangements for you to receive a certificate from the Bishop. Please call the church office for more information. †Our 100th Solemn Novena to Good **Saint Ann** will be held this year during the month of July at St. Ann's Church. **Redemptorist Father Kevin MacDonald** will return again this year to direct our novena. †Homemade Cheese Filled Pierogis are on sale every Sunday during Lent. Order in the back of the church this week and pick up next Sunday from Noon to 1PM in the social hall downstairs. Call **Karen or Bob** at 882-8656 to order or for more information. †Orders are also being taken for our famous Nut Rolls, Poppy Seed Rolls and Apricot Rolls, still just \$10.00 each. Order forms are in the back of church or you may call Mike **Kuzma** at 969-0497 to place your order. Pick up on Palm Sunday after Mass at the Holy Family School Gym. Also if you would be able to help bake the rolls call **Mike Kuzma** at 969-0497. †**Nicholas Jude Walters** is now an Eagle Scout! Congratulations **Nick!** We are very proud of you! Keep up the good work! †Fish dinners continue at St. Stanislaus Parish, 516 E. 13th St., Erie, PA. Dinners are scheduled for Fridays, March 22 and April 5, from 4-7PM. Cost is \$10/adults, Children 6-12/\$5 and under 5/Free. Take outs/\$10.25. Check out the flyer in the vestibule of the churches. Fish dinner are also held at Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Mt. Carmel Church, Blessed Sacrament Church, and St. Luke's Church. Please call the individual churches for more information. Enjoy! †The Rosary Society has a Lottery Easter Basket to raffle. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 3 for \$2.00. Get your tickets after Mass this weekend. †St. Mark's Seminary is sponsoring their annual card party on Thursday, April 11th at St. Mark's Gym, 429 East Grandview Blvd. at 6PM. Admission is \$7.00. Call **Betsy** at 504-2720 to order tickets or for more information. Support our 13 seminarians by attending this party. Thanks for your interest. †Thank you for all that you do for our Lord Jesus, your parish, your churches, and your priests, deacon, ministers and all who serve you! †And may you be in heaven a long time before the devil even knows your dead! Make a good Lent!

FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

Please Continue to Pray...for the success of our 100th St. Ann Novena that will be held from Thursday, July 18 through Friday, July 26, 2019. The planning committee continues to meet and I will update you on new developments as they are available. If you wish to help with the planning or the Novena itself please contact Fr. Jerry Priscaro or myself.

Welcome to our newest lector Rod Showers. Please pray for him in this most important ministry of proclaiming the Word of God. Rod is also very active in our Knights of Columbus Roundtable.

Forgiveness: A large part of the season of Lent is about coming to grips with our shortcomings, asking for God's forgiveness, and in turn forgiving others who have hurt us. One of the most frequent themes of Jesus' teaching is forgiveness. Examples of asking for forgiveness of forgiving others is found throughout Scripture. Jesus taught us how to do it by his very life. While all of us most likely agree with this teaching we often find it difficult to put into practice. Here are three stages that will help:

Each of you can start by not denying what the person did, or pretend it wasn't wrong, but...

- (1) Instead of identifying the person totally with whatever they did to hurt me, I begin to see them as a person like me – imperfect but someone God loves.
- (2) I give up my "right" to get even. Vengeful thoughts don't make the other person suffer. They hurt me. So I just plain rinse my mind of those kinds of thoughts.
- (3) I stand next to the Lord and together with him look at the other person. For sure Jesus wants good things to happen to them. So, with the Lord's help (and some struggle), I begin to look at the other person the way the Lord does.

A good Lenten (or any time of the year for that matter) exercise is to pause and take a few moments and think of a person we find hard to forgive. We may find these three stages can't be accomplished in one sitting or one day, but we might be able to do it by Easter!

In the C Cycle (which is used this year) the Gospels for the third and fourth Sundays come from Luke: the parable of the fig tree and the parable of the prodigal son. The fifth Sunday Gospel comes from John: the woman caught in adultery.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

Bishop Emeritus Donald Trautman, Father Jim O'Hara, Fr. Joseph Gregorek, Fr. John Santor, Msgr. Robert Smith, Deacon Dennis Kudlak, Tom Duska, Sr., Kay Majersky, Maryann Marchant, John Wolfe, Ted Mazur, Karen Antonio, Theresa Juchno, Theresa Zaborowski, Victoria Vargo, Lynn Clint, Sr. Rose Kuzma, Audrey Draszkievicz, Theresa Reisenweber, Janice Schroeder, Walter Burenko, Jr., Frances Kierzek, Margaret Kuzma, Jim Berdis, Jr. Susan Spadaccio, John Rzomp, Eileen Ropelewski, Andrew G., Catherine Jankowski, Margret Cermak, Robert and Karen Mazur, Thomas Kaiser, Raymond Wasielewski, Mike Lucas, Bertha Wernicki, 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, Anne Marie Ropelewski, Lucille Rovnak, Simon de la Guerra, Carol Krysiak, Kathy Newhouse, Alice Bock, Lorena Derks, Dawn Statton, Cindy Stasiewski, Dr. Richard Cerami, Peyton Madura, Judy Marini, Austin M., Rose Gray, Leo Laskowski, Lottie Carter, Agnes Priscaro, Jean Benedict, Jerry Jeroski, Linda Kuzma, Geraldine Tomczak, Mary Wierzbicki, Mary Lepkowski, Michelle Spath, Michael Wieczorek, John & Dolores Campbell, Paul Martin, Sr., Dolores Osiecki, Betty Miller, William Brennan, Sr. Rose Rovnak, OSF, Sr. Margaret Rovnak, OSF, Dorothy Wright, Jerry Hoydic, Bob Merski, Sr., Grace Guelcher, Ann Winschel, Marianne Nicholl, Marie Jurino, Joe Habas, Dolores Causgrove, Patricia Mazzaresse, Michael Ryan, Anne Marie Wykoff, Joanne Nelson, Evelyn Buczynski, Carolyn Mikolajczyk, Jim Heubel, Al Ropelewski, Eugeniusz Szczepura, Bob Benim, 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 McMahon, Lillian Kolbas, Joyce Mueck, Carol Reynolds-Wolfe, Leokadia Bajek, Walter Zaborowski, Louise Grolemond, Margaret Barabas, Dannielle Bizzarro, Ed Hart, Hank and Dorothy Oldach, Sister Grace Cermak, and all others in need of our prayers. Pray for all of them!

Please call in with names that should be added or removed from this list. Remember you are our only source of information, hospital, nursing homes, etc. do not provide us with any information. Thank you.

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.

PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY

Rev. Joseph Campbell (South Korea), Austin Agnello (in Sicily), 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 Japan), and David Kraut
Please call-in with names to be added or removed from this list.

FINANCIAL REPORT

OFFERTORY FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2019

4:00 MASS \$1,461.00

8:00 MASS \$732.00

9:30 LATIN MASS \$630.15

11:00 MASS \$1,046.26

CANDLES \$89.00

TOTAL \$3,958.41

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2019

There is still have time for you to make your pledge/donation. The Appeal envelopes were mailed to all homes in the parish packet and additional envelopes will be available in the back of the Churches for those who wish to place their contribution in the Sunday collection.

Thank you to all of our parishioners and friends who have already made their pledge/payment to the 2019 Catholic Services Appeal.

CSA 2019 as of March 13, 2019

Pledged: \$7,982.00 Paid: \$5,427.00

Thank you keeping the home fires burning!

Remember your Parish in you will.

Faith Formation News...March 24th:

*Middle, high school, Confirmation March 24 ~ 1:00 – 2:30 pm in the St. John Rectory.

*Elementary: March 31~ 1:00 – 2:30 pm at Holy Rosary.

INFORMATION UPDATE or NEW PARISHIONER-REQUEST FORM

You may also use this form to update your telephone numbers, address, name, etc.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone (Home and Cell) _____

New Registration Want Envelopes

Change of Name

Change of Address Change in Phone Numbers

Please drop this information into the Collection Basket, or send into the rectory office. Thank you.