SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

# First Saturday, September 5th: St. Teresa of Calcutta

8:30AM (SA) Confessions

9:00AM (SA) Souls in Purgatory by Brother Paul No Public Vigil Mass

(SC) Living & Deceased of the Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

All Parishioners Living & Deceased

# Sunday, September 6th: Twenty-Third Ordinary Sunday

8:00 am (SC) No 8AM Public Mass or Confession Harry Turowski by daughter Lottie Carter

9:00 am (SC) Confessions

→9:30 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~

Anna Kowalski by Vic & Ruth Kowalski

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

→11:00 am (SC) Deceased of the Rectenwald, Breen and Rabe Families by Family

All Parishioners Living and Deceased

# Monday, September 7th: Weekday/Labor Day

(SC) Intentions of Atty. Mickey Pohl

→ 10:00 am (SA) Deceased Parents, Siblings & Relatives of Larry Berdis

## Tuesday, Sept. 8th: Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(SC) James Vento by Vento Family

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Intentions of Jean Wroblewski

## Wednesday, September 9th: St. Peter Claver

(SC) Walter Harrison, Anniversary by Rose Marie Bargielski 11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Intentions of Dorothy Snider

## Thursday, September 10th: Weekday

(SC) Deceased Member of the Lojewski Family by Estate 11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05 pm (SA) William & Eva Jant by daughters

### Friday, September 11th: Weekday

(SC) Alexander & Eugenia Stodolski by grandson Don Barnes 11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05 pm (SA) Johanna Berdis by Larry Berdis

### Saturday, September 12th: Most Holy Name of Mary

No Public Vigil Mass or Confessions

(SC) Stanley Kownacki, birthday by Ropelewski Family All Parishioners Living & Deceased

### Sunday, Sept. 13th: Twenty-Fourth Ordinary Sunday

8:00 am (SC) No 8AM Public Mass or Confessions 9:00 am (SC) Confessions

- →9:30 am (SC) Latin Mass ~ Donald & Jean Purcell by Family 10:30 am (SC) Confessions
- →11:00 am (SC) Intentions of Mark Olszewski

# THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

### Holy Family

1) All Sick and Shut-ins

2) All Sick and Shut-ins

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

1) In Thanksgiving to Good Saint Ann

2) Private Intentions by HG

### St. Casimir's

- 1) All Sick and Shut-ins
- 2) All Sick and Shut-ins

# 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.

# FINANCIAL REPORT ~ 2020

Collection Report for Aug. 16: \$2,437.00 Latin Mass Collection for Aug. 16: \$941.00

# CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2020

2020 Goal: \$21,446.00

# Report As of August 26th

Pledged Amount: \$13,453.00 Paid Amount: \$11,928.00 Thank you! We are now \$7,993.00 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 and CSA contributions in the mail slot at the rectory office or mail them 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 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, 14th Sunday after Pentecost in the traditional Latin Rite. Please offer your Mass and your prayers again today for all suffering from the Covid-19 Virus and for good health and healing for all parishioners, neighbors and friends of our parish. Let's continue to pray and care for one another! †Bishop Persico has continued his dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation! Shelter in Place, Stay Safe, Stay Holy, Stay Home if you can and pray privately! Pray for the day when we can all get together again. +We continue to remember all of you each day at the altar and in all of our prayers. We remember all of your intentions and your special needs! †Thanks to all 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 during this difficult time. Many extra expenses due to the virus and your help is always appreciated. You help us pay the bills which never end and you keep us alive and well. We will be back in Church soon and resume all of our meetings, programs, and activities. Please be calm, don't panic and know we will begin again. This is a difficult time for all of us! Your rewards will be great both in heaven and here upon the earth! Don't Give Up the Ship! +We recently distributed over \$1,500.00 worth of food through our parish food pantry. Praise the Lord! We distribute food baskets every other Friday now and the cost to your parish is much less than the value of the food. Much of the food is paid for by government grants! †Please keep Father Dan Prez in your thoughts and prayers. He travels each week to receive treatments for his illness. We ask the Lord to heal and strengthen him and restore him to full health! † [Happy Labor Day! Mass will be offered at 10:00AM at St. Ann's! > +Fr. Power's new address is: St. Mary's Church, PO Box 41, Crown, PA 16220. He will still be involved with the Latin Mass! **†**Fr. John Paul Kuzma's new address is: Borromeo Seminary, 28700 Euclid Ave., Wickliffe, OH 44092. Send him a card! The Diocese of Erie has nine young men studying for the priesthood this year. None will be ordained next year. Please pray for all of them and pray that many more men will hear the Lord's call to "come and follow me!" †Our sympathy to the family of Franciscan School Sister Margaret Elaine Rovnak who died a few weeks ago in Pittsburgh. Sister was a native of Holy Family Parish's Rovnak Family and taught first grade in Holy Family School! May she rest in peace! †Enjoy the weekend! Stay Calm, Stay Safe, Stay Holy, Stay Home! God bless us all!

# FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time and Latin Mass – 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Jesus' Way to Address Conflict! ... Conflict management skills are highly valuable in management and business leadership, as well as in our families, and yes, even our churches. We may all feel that we approach most issues with good intent, yet we are still human beings and conflict will inevitably occur. The events that have unfolded in our communities since mid-March of this year show us how much conflict exists among us. What makes conflict difficult is that we often tend to avoid it at all costs. Unfortu-nately most of the time it does not go away and left unaddressed it can cause deep divisions and fracture relationships. In this week's Gospel, Jesus provides a guide for addressing conflict and restoring relationships between individuals broken by sin. Most importantly, he establishes the means for restoring wholeness to the body of Christ, the Church. Jesus is not telling us to avoid or cover up conflict, rather to face it head-on. We are to go to the one who has wronged us directly and speak to that person with goodwill and compassion. When someone hurts us, it's so much easier to stew over what this person has done and how they have wronged us than to go and talk to that person. When we are angry or our feelings are hurt, we often desire to get others on our side in order to make us feel better about ourselves and to justify our grievance. While this may seem easier and safer than directly going to the one who has hurt us, it rarely addresses the conflict and is certainly no way to build a community. Jesus tells us, "If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." Only if this first step of direct communication fails should others become involved. In bestowing the power to bind and loose on the Apostles, Jesus instituted the sacrament of penance and reconciliation which is one of the sacraments of healing. In this sacrament, the priest represents Christ – and the Church. When we are reconciled to God in the sacrament, we are reconciled to the Church. The healing power of the sacrament changes us, restoring our ability to forgive and heal as Jesus does. Jesus also tells us that when two or more agree about anything in prayer, he is with us. Today, in the midst of our troubled times where there is so much conflict and division let us pray that our hearts are opened up to inspire us to reconcile all that separates us from one another so that united as the body of Christ we may transform the world.

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