

# Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 13, 2019



*A voice came from heaven,  
"You are my beloved Son;  
with you I am well pleased."*

Luke 3:22

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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

### Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday and Friday: 10:00AM to Noon

Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday: Closed

## The Giving Tree—Christmas 2018

*GECAC wishes to thank all of you for your generosity and love with your many gifts this Christmas Season.*



These pictures show many of the gifts that were donated by you. GECAC was amazed at our response to their request for help to make Christmas happy for so many less fortunate, our very own neighbors. Thank you again for your love and support.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 12th: Vigil Mass

- 3:30 pm (SC) Confessions
- 4:00 pm (SC) Steve Zielonka by Jen & John Palmer  
All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sunday, January 13th: Baptism of the Lord

- 8:00 am (SC) Theresa Kownacki, Anniversary by Sisters and Brother
- 9:30 am (SC) *LATIN MASS*: Special Intention
- 11:00 am (SC) Johanna Berdis, Anniversary by husband Larry Berdis  
All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Monday, January 14th: Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
- 8:00 am (SC) Joseph & Mary Pohl by Mr. & Mrs. Mickey Pohl

12:05 pm (SA) Charles Chase by family

Tuesday, January 15th: Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
- 8:00 am (SC) Phyllis Zack by St. Ann's Ladies Society
- 12:05 pm (SA) Health & Healing for Joe Krkoska by Judy & Don Halcom

Wednesday, January 16th: Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
- 8:00 am (SC) Richard Ropelewski, Birthday by Sisters and Brother
- 12:05 pm (SA) Living & Deceased of the Galla & Walach Families by Paul Galla

Thursday, January 17th: St. Anthony

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
- 8:00 am (SC) Helen E. Ropelewski, Birth by daughters and son
- 12:05 pm (SA) Living & Deceased of the Slovak National Club

Friday, January 18th: Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
- 8:00 am (SC) Virginia Duska by Theresa Kalinowski
- 12:05 pm (SA) Rose Marie Dumala Skrypek by husband Robert

Saturday, January 19th: Vigil Mass

- 3:30 pm (SC) Confessions
- 4:00 pm (SC) Kay Dilimore by Vogel Family  
All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sunday, January 20th: Second Ordinary Sunday

- 8:00 am (SC) Frank Hodas, Birthday by daughter Christine Visosky and Family
- 9:30 am (SC) *LATIN MASS*: Msgr. William Biebel and Fr. Robert Levis by Latin Mass Friends
- 11:00 am (SC) Benedict Sundry, birthday by family  
All Parishioners Living & Deceased

**OUR BELOVED DEAD**  
 Phyllis Zack, Rose Marie Dumala Skrypek,  
 Service Men and Women, Parishioners,  
 Friends and Benefactors  
*Our deepest sympathy to the families and friends of the deceased. May they rest in peace.*

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

- 1) Marilyn & John Jeffrey by Paul & Lisa Galla
  - 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) Deceased Relatives & Friends of Vicki Weber
- 2) Priests of St. Ann's by Marge Rabe

St. Casimir's

- 1) Rose Marie Skrypek by husband Robert Skrypek
- 2) Rose Marie Skrypek by son Robert Skrypek, Jr.

**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.*  
*Thank you for your service to our country.*

THE WEEK AHEAD

- Sunday (1/13) Baptism of the Lord.** 9AM Confessions (SC). 9:30 AM Latin Mass (SC). Rectory office is closed.
- Monday (1/14)** Rectory office is open 10AM-Noon.
- Tuesday (1/15)** Rectory office is open 10AM-Noon.
- Wednesday (1/16)** Rectory Office is closed.
- Thursday (1/17)** Rectory office is closed.
- Friday (1/18)** Rectory office is open 10AM-Noon.
- Saturday (1/19)** Rectory office is closed. 4PM Vigil Mass (SC).
- Sunday (1/20)** 9AM Confessions (SC). 9:30 AM Latin Mass (SC). Rectory office is closed.

2018 Year End Contribution Statements will be available after Jan. 25th. Please sign up to receive your statement.





*FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK*

Welcome everyone as we celebrate the Mass for the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. Blessings and Graces to all of you! Today, we hear God call out from heaven, "This is my beloved son, with you I am well pleased!" Let us reflect today on our own Baptism when we were recognized as a child of God. May God be well pleased with all of us. †Today, as always, we ask you to pray for vocations and today we ask for prayers for our diocesan seminarians/students for the priesthood. Please keep all of them in your thoughts and prayers. †Thank you for your usual generosity in the collection baskets these past few weeks. Please remember that our God will not be outdone in generosity. †Sign up for your financial statement for 2018 or call the parish office and one will be prepared for you. Remember they will be available after January 25th. Again thank you for your generosity. †Important Pro-Life dates to remember: January 12, 2019 Pro-Life Breakfast will be held at 9AM at the Bayfront Convention Center. This year the special guest speaker is **Uju Ekeocha**, founder and president of the Culture of Life Africa movement. Cost is \$17.00 for those over 12, \$9.00 for ages 3 to 12, and those under 3 are welcome to attend free of cost. Come out and take a stand for life. The annual Pro-Life bus Trip to DC will be held on January 17, 2019 at 11PM. Cost is \$55.00 per seat and you will participate in the March for Life in Washington DC. The Erie March for Life will be held on January 26th, 2019 beginning at 11AM at Perry Square, Erie, PA. †Our favorite native son, the **Honorable Bob E. Merski** is now officially a member of the state assembly in Harrisburg, PA. **Bob** is a lifelong member of Holy Family and former teacher in the Erie Public Schools and a member of Erie City Council. **Bob** is also a graduate of Holy Family School and a former teacher of our school. **Bob** is married to the former **Emily Mosco** and they are the parents of little **Robert**, a junior usher at our 11:00 Sunday Mass. Bob took his oath of office on New Year's Day at the State Capitol in Harrisburg. We once again congratulate his **Honor Bob E. Merski** and pray that he does a fantastic job in Harrisburg. We look forward to seeing **Bob, Emily** and little **Robert Jr.** at Mass on Sunday. "**Bob, we have your back!**" †Thanks to all of you for being with us for this great feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Thank you for all that you did for your parish, your churches, and your priests and deacon for the Christmas and New Year Holydays and Holidays! We deeply appreciate all of your hard work, your beautiful cards and gifts and thoughtfulness, and kindness and prayers! What a joy for all of us to be with you and working with you for the honor and glory of our God. We are ever-mindful of and ever-grateful for all of you. Blessed, Holy, Healthy, and Happy New Year to all! Let's continue to pray for one another in 2019!

*FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY*

Blessing to all as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord.

**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, Theresa Juchno, Theresa Zaborowski, Victoria Vargo, Lynn Clint, Kathy Mays, Sr. Rose Kuzma, Audrey Draskiewicz, 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., David & Kelly Sweny, Helen Dolak, 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.*

## **FINANCIAL REPORT 2018**

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2018**

4:00 MASS \$1,084.00  
8:00 MASS \$1,900.36  
9:30 LATIN MASS \$812.06  
11:00 MASS \$479.00  
CANDLES \$86.75  
TOTAL \$4,362.17

### **CHRISTMAS 2018**

4:00 CHRISTMAS EVE MASS \$909.00  
9:00 CHRISTMAS EVE MASS \$1,781.00  
MIDNIGHT LATIN MASS \$611.85  
8:00 CHRISTMAS MASS \$321.00  
9:30 CHRISTMAS LATIN MASS \$164.34  
11:00 CHRISTMAS MASS \$409.00  
CANDLES \$101.25  
TOTAL \$4,297.44

### **CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2018**

#### **REPORT AS OF DECEMBER 11TH**

**PLEGGED: \$24,571.00 PAID: \$24,471.00**

The 2018 CSA has come to an end. Thank you to each and everyone of you who made the 2018 CSA a success. Each and Every donation helps your parish keep the home fires burning.

*Thank you for your continued love and support of your parish, may God Bless you one and all.*

***Don't forget your parish in your year end giving!***

### **REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL!**

#### **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.*