

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2020 ~ FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 26th: St. Stephen

No Public Masses or Confessions at St. Casimir's
Bob Jurino by wife Marie and Son

Sunday, December 27th: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00 am (SC) No Public Mass ~ Stephen Ropelewski,
Birthday by The Ropelewski Family

9:00 am (SC) Confessions

9:30 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ In Memory of Millie Kae
Theuerkauf by Dorothy Rohall

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) Halina Roman by Dolores Vollmer Family

→ 11:00 am (HF) Feast Day Mass at Holy Family Church
Evelyn Turowski by daughter Janet

Monday, December 28th: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

(SC) No Public Mass or Confession

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Fr. James T. O'Hara by Frank & Connie
Minichelli

Tuesday, December 29th: St. Thomas Becket

(SC) No Public Mass and Confessions

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Rose Marie Skrypak by husband Bob

Wednesday, December 30th: Sixth Day Octave of Nativity

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30 am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Souls in Purgatory by Bro. Paul A. Wilson,
OFM

5:30pm (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Special Intentions of the
Latin Mass Community

Thursday, December 31st: St. Sylvester I

(SC) No Public Mass or Confession

12:05 pm (SA) All Parishioners Living & Deceased

First Friday, January 1st: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God and New Year's Day (Holy Day of Obligation)

8:00 am (SC) No Public Mass

9:00 am (SC) Confessions

9:30 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Rev. James T. O'Hara by
Jerry & Mary Ann Anuszkiewicz

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) God's blessings for a healthy and happy
New Year

First Saturday, January 2nd: Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

8:30 am (SA) Confessions

9:00 am (SA) Intentions of Our Blessed Mother Mary

No Public Masses or Confessions at St. Casimir's

Sunday, January 3rd: Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am (SC) No Public Mass ~ Paul & Mary
Naguszewski by Mary Ann & Jerry Anuszkiewicz

9:00 am (SC) Confessions

9:30 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Louise, Ann, Therese, Mary,
Vic, Joe and Al Adamczyk by Loving Children, Nephews
and Nieces

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) Joe Habas by Christine Visosky

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

1) Rev. James T. O'Hara by Family and Friends

2) Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

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

St. Ann's

1) Rose Marie Skrypak by husband Bob Skrypak

2) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

St. Casimir's

1) Our Sick and Shut-ins

2) For a Blessed, Happy and Healthy New Year

FINANCIAL REPORT ~ 2020

No Financial Information available at the time of
publication.

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2020

2020 Goal: \$21,446.00

Report As of December 12th

Pledged Amount: \$17,585.00 Paid Amount: \$17,165.00

Thank you we are getting closer to our goal we are now
\$3,861.00 away from reaching our goal.

Can we count on you, please! 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 parish office is located at
913 Fulton Street, Erie, PA 16503

HAPPY
New Year

May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us...

PSALM 90:17a

The information in this bulletin is Accurate as of the
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FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday within the Octave of Christmas (Latin Mass)

Special thanks to **Fr. John Paul Kuzma** for being with us to preside at the mass for the Feast of the Holy Family at Holy Family Church. It is always a joy to have him back home to pray with us. Please keep him in your prayers!

We are Family!

The 1979 Pittsburgh pirates rallied around a theme from a popular song in the late 70's titled "We are Family." The team overcame seemingly insurmountable obstacles to win the World Series because they pulled together and really believed they were family.

All of us belong to the family of God – so you can say we are family!

Our first two readings present us with somewhat of a best-case scenario of how holy families might live, but realistically many people experience family life otherwise. Many families face challenges, obstacles along with emotional pain and suffering.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph faced challenges, hardship and danger in their lives - yet we see they remained open to God's faithful presence and guidance. What does it mean to be holy, to be a holy family? Holiness is not defined by a perfect life but by a responsive one. Holiness doesn't mean the absence of difficulties and tensions but a willingness to grow in our ability to care for, to forgive, to love, to teach, and to admonish one another. To be holy is to listen to and follow the will of God and to act in the direction of what is right and good for ourselves.

Each day we need to bear with one another, to forgive one another and to love one another.

In an interview after the final game of the World Series, the Pirate's star player Willie Stargell remarked: "There are really no words to put into the way I feel. We had to scratch, we had to crawl, and we did it together because we are family."

We will have to scratch and crawl at times.

Our challenge is to be family and to be like the Holy Family and keep Christ at the center of our lives and our homes. Our challenge is to let the word of Christ dwell in us – to let it guide our decisions and daily lives even if that means swimming upstream and going against the norms of our popular culture or speaking up against injustices.

What made the Holy Family a holy family? In spite of the problems they faced, in spite of the fact things were not always perfect they did their best, and remained faithful to God's guidance.

Whatever we do in word or deed, let us do everything with the peace of Christ controlling our hearts. Let us put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another. We are family!



Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Sunday, December 27, 2020



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