

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

April 7, 2019



Fifth Sunday
of

I put water in the desert
and rivers in the wasteland
for my chosen people to drink.

Isaiah 43:20

Lent

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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.



FIRST SATURDAY: Join us on Saturday, April 6th for 9AM Mass and Adoration at St. Ann's Church. The morning will begin with the Rosary at 8:15AM and 8:30AM Confessions. Fr. Gallina will be our celebrant. All are welcome.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**First Saturday, April 6th: Vigil Mass**

- 8:30 am (SA) Confessions
 9:00 am (SA) In Honor of Our Blessed Mother
 3:30 pm (SC) Confessions
 4:00 pm (SC) Norbert Ropiecki by Delphine Palkovic and Family
 All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sunday, April 7th: Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 8:00 am (SC) Jean B. Bargielski, Anniversary by daughters
 9:30 am (SC) **LATIN MASS:**
 Edward Kowalski (feast) by Victor & Ruth Kowalski
 11:00 am (SC) Helen Dolak by Sr. Kevin Berdis, OSF
 →2:00 pm (SC) Gorzkie Zale & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday, April 8th: Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
 8:00 am (SC) Richard Bolla by Rick & Ron Bolla
 12:05 pm (SA) Helen Pochatko by Beverly Pochatko

Tuesday, April 9th: Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
 8:00 am (SC) Halina Roman by Richard Kosza
 12:05 pm (SA) Living & Deceased of The Eastside Federation of Polish American Societies and Clubs

Wednesday, April 10th: Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
 8:00 am (SC) Stanley Zielinski by Dr. Teresa Gilewski
 12:05 pm (SA) Stephen Ferko by Maurice Kaluzny

Thursday, April 11th: Lenten Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
 8:00 am (SC) John Widomski, Anniversary by Rick and Ron Bolla
 12:05 pm (SA) Johanna Berdis by daughter Stephanie and husband Steve Winiarczyk

Friday, April 12th: Lenten Weekday*A Day of Abstinence*

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intentions
 8:00 am (SC) Helen Dolak by The Matta Family
 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

Blessing & Distribution of Palm at all Weekend Masses.**Saturday, April 13th: Vigil Mass**

- 3:30 pm (SC) Confessions
 4:00 pm (SC) Casimir Osiecki, Anniversary by Family
 All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sunday, April 14th: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

- 8:00 am (SC) Julie Tomczak by brother Louis Szabo
 →9:15 am (SC) **LATIN MASS:** Celebrant is Fr. James Power
 The Soul needs of Catharine Ann, all Living & Deceased Members of the Cerami, Pillitteri, Howard and Kearney Families by Dr. Cerami
 11:00 am (SC) Mildred Berdis Merski, Anniversary by The Merski and Berdis Families
 →2:00 pm (SC) Gorzkie Zale & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament ~ Final Installment

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS**Holy Family**

- 1) Helen Dolak by Dolak Family
- 2) Special Intentions of Fr. John Paul Kuzma, OFM. Cap
 Our Mother of Sorrows: Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

St. Ann's

- 1) All Parishioners Living and Deceased
- 2) Our Mother of Sorrows by Dolores Justka

St. Casimir's

- 1) Norbert & Rita Sulecki and Family
- 2) Theresa Juchno by Barb Juchno

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday (4/7) Fifth Sunday of Lent. 9AM Confessions (SC). 9:30AM Latin Mass (SC). 2PM Gorzkie Zale and Benediction (SC). Rectory office is closed.

Monday (4/8) Rectory office is open 10AM to Noon.

Tuesday (4/9) Rectory office is open 10AM to Noon.

Wednesday (4/10) Rectory office is closed.

Thursday (4/11) Rectory office is closed.

Friday (4/12) 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 (4/13) 8:30AM Confessions and 9AM Mass (SA). Rectory office is closed. 4PM Vigil Mass (SC). Blessing and Distribution of Palm at the 4PM Vigil Mass.

Sunday (4/14) Palm Sunday. Blessing and Distribution of Palm at all Masses. Confessions before the Latin Mass as time allows (SC). *9:15AM Latin Mass, note change in Mass time (SC).* 2PM Gorzkie Zale and Benediction, final installment (SC). Rectory office is closed. Pick up your Nut Roll order today in the HFS gym. Pick up your Pierogi order in the SC social hall.

Last Call to Order your delicious Easter treats!

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 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.



Thank you to all of the marvelous cooks for the delicious meatless soups they provided for our annual Lenten Meatless Soup Supper last Wednesday, April 3rd. Everyone had an enjoyable time visiting together and all of the soups were so tasty! Thanks again. Same time next year!



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Welcome everyone as we celebrate the Mass for the Fifth Sunday of Lent, Passion Sunday in the Latin Rite. The color of the vestments today returns to violet. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and palm will be blessed and distributed at all Masses. Next Sunday we will begin the Latin Mass at 9:15AM so that we have enough time to complete all of the ceremonies. **Father James Power** will be our celebrant at the Latin Mass next Sunday and hear Confessions before the Mass as time allows. Remember **Jesus** died on the cross for you! What are you doing for Him during Lent and Holy Week? Make a Good Lent, your best Lent and expect your best Easter ever! †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 is celebrated on the Sundays of Lent at 2PM at St. Casimir's. The Gorzkie Zale is the traditional Polish Lenten Devotion celebrated completely in the Polish Language. The final Gorzkie Zale of the year will be celebrated on Palm Sunday. †Anyone celebrating a 25th, 50th, or 60th wedding anniversary this year (2019) please notify the parish office. We will contact 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 direct our novena. †Homemade cheese filled pierogis are on sale every Sunday during Lent. On Palm Sunday they will be ready after all Masses. Order in the back of the Church this week and pick up next week after all Masses from Noon until 1PM in the social hall downstairs. If you don't order and still want pierogi go down stairs and take your chances. Some might still be available. 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" or "Apricot Rolls". Rolls are still \$10.00 each and you pay when you pick up your order. Order forms are in the back of the church or call **Mike Kuzma** at 969-0497 to place your order. Pick up on Paul 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. If you don't know how don't worry we will teach you! Join us on Palm Saturday and learn the art of nut roll baking. All are welcome! †Congratulations again to **Mr. Nick Walter** or newest Eagle Scout who has made First Honors at Mercyhurst Prep. Good Work **Nick!** †Fish dinners continue at the following churches, Sts. Peter and Paul, Mt. Carmel, Blessed Sacrament and St. Luke's. Call them for more information. †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. †Belated birthday greetings to our own **Msr. Gerald Koos** who celebrated a significant birthday on April 5th Happy Birthday **Msr. Koos!** Happy Birthday to **Sister Kevin Berdis** who will celebrate her birthday on Easter Sunday! Sto Lat! †Congratulations to **Mr. Daniel Brigham** who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, April 2nd at St. Luke's. Keep him in your prayers. †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 for tickets or more information. Support our 13 seminarians by attending this party. Thanks for your interest. †**Ruth Kowalski** is directing an Easter Arts and Crafts project for adults, children, and families beginning this Sunday and next immediately following the Latin Mass. Just come to the social hall downstairs and bring your apron and relax and enjoy. Next week you will have something to take home and add to your Easter celebration. Thanks **Ruth** for your help! †Thank you for all that you do for our Risen Lord Jesus and prepare yourselves for a joyful and glorious Easter!

FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

Do You Have a Special Memory of the St. Ann Novena? The Novena planning committee would like to hear if you have a special memory, prayers answered or other experience from the St. Ann Novena that you would like to share. These will be included in the anniversary booklet that is being put together. Look for more information and the forms to appear in the back of the church soon or contact Fr. Jerry Priscaro or myself.

Covering of Statues during Lent. Many Catholic churches including those in the Erie Diocese have restored the tradition of covering statues during the remaining two weeks of Lent. The tradition originally was developed in the 17th Century with the covering beginning on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Since then the actual times have varied by church. Many have asked we restore the tradition in our parish so our statues will be covered on Palm Sunday and removed prior to the Easter Vigil.

Covering the statues alert us of the special time that we are in and focuses our attention on the Passion and death of Christ – that is why the Stations will not be covered. It is also intended to help us enter more deeply into the Sacred Triduum and to gain a heightened sense of anticipation for Easter Sunday.

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, Monica Sorensen, 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 McMahan, 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

Margie Chmielewski, grandmother to Bobby Merski, Robert Smith,
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.
Thank you for your service to our country.

FINANCIAL REPORT

OFFERTORY FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2019

4:00 MASS \$1,021.00

8:00 MASS \$625.31

9:30 LATIN MASS \$584.00

11:00 MASS \$1,246.00

CANDLES \$132.50

TOTAL \$3,608.81

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2019

Thank you! We are doing well with our pledges and payments to the 2019 CSA. If you have not done so please make your pledge/donation today. The CSA envelopes were mailed to you in the parish packet and additional envelopes are available in the back of the Churches for those who wish to place their contribution in the Sunday collection.

CSA 2019 as of March 26, 2019

Pledged: \$10,819.00 Paid: \$6,904.00

Thank you keeping the home fires burning!
Remember you Parish in you will.

EASTER FLOWER DONOR LIST

As usual the list of donors to our Easter Flowers will be posted on the bulletin board in the back of church at Easter. Remember the deadline to have your name included on this list was March 31st. Thank you!

Faith Formation News...April 7th

*Middle, high school: April 7~ 1:00 – 2:30 pm in the St. John Rectory.

NO CLASSES on April 14 and 21

*Elementary: April 28, 1:00 – 2:30 pm at Holy Rosary.

*Middle, high school: April 28, 1:00 – 2:30 pm at St. John Rectory.

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.