

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church



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PASTOR: Father James T. O'Hara
DEACON ASSISTANT: Deacon Jerome T. Sobrowski
ASSISTING: Msgr. Gerald Koos (Retired); Msgr. Robert Smith (Retired); Father Jerry Priscaro (St. Ann), Father Joseph Gregorek (Retired).

TAKE ME TO WORSHIP!



Sunday, October 6, 2019 Respect Life Sunday



Prayer to Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary

O Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, in these times of such brazen impiety, manifest thy power with the signs of thine ancient victories.

From thy throne whence thou dispense pardon and grace, mercifully regard the Church of thy Son, His Vicar on Earth, and every order of clergy, religious, and laity, who are oppressed in this mighty conflict.

Thou who art powerful, the vanquisher of all heresies, hasten the hour of mercy, even though the hour of God's justice is every day provoked by the countless sins of men, the sons and daughters of Adam.

Obtain for me, the least of men, kneeling before thee in supplication, the grace I need to live righteously upon earth, in order to be numbered among the just in heaven.

In the company of all faithful Christians throughout the world, I salute thee and acclaim thee as Queen of the Most Holy Rosary.

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary pray for us. Amen

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 5th: First Saturday/Vigil Mass

- 8:30 am (SA) Confessions
- 9:00 am (SA) Intentions of Our Blessed Mother
- 1:00 pm (SC) Wedding of Brigid Clint & John Patterson
- 3:30 pm (SC) Confessions
- 4:00 pm (SC) Steve Zielonka, Anniversary by Norrie & Mike Dunsmore
All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sunday, October 6th: Respect Life Sunday

- 8:00 am (SC) Living & Deceased of the Rosary Society
- 9:30 am (SC) Latin Mass — Special Intentions of Marlene Andrascik by The Vento Family
- 11:00 am (SC) Lucille Murawski by Andrew, Sam and Helen Gangemi
All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Monday, October 7th: Our Lady of the Rosary

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
- 8:00 am (SC) Joe Zielinski by Dan Wisinski
- 12:05 pm (SA) John Wisniewski by Sister-in-Law Angie

Tuesday, October 8th: Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
- 8:00 am (SC) Mr. & Mrs. Richard Bolla by Rick & Ron Bolla
- 12:05 pm (SA) Special Intentions of our Blessed Mother by The Vento Family

Wednesday, October 9th: Sts. Denis & John Leonardi

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
- 8:00 am (SC) Stanley Zielinski by Dr. Teresa Gilewski
- 12:05 pm (SA) Marie Dzuricky by Sr. Kevin Berdis, OSF

Thursday, October 10th: Weekday

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
- 8:00 am (SC) Joe Zielinski by Stephanie & Dan Maxumczyk
- 12:05 pm (SA) Good Health & Healing for Joe Krkoska by Don & Judy Halcomb

Friday, October 11th: St. John XXIII, Pope

- 7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
- 8:00 am (SC) Joseph D. Rovnak by Jean Deniziak & Marge Stoner
- 12:05 pm (SA) John P. Campbell by Latin Mass Apostolate

Saturday, October 12th: Vigil Mass

- 3:30 pm (SC) Confessions
- 4:00 pm (SC) Michael Kuhar by Chris & Bill Wardzinski
All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sunday, October 13th: Twenty-Eighth Ordinary Sunday

- 8:00 am (SC) Billy McLaughlin, Anniversary by Mr. & Mrs. James Davis
- 9:30 am (SC) Latin Mass— 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) Dorothy Root by Jerry & Barbara Laskowski
In Honor of our Lady of Fatima by Mickey Pohl

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

- 1) Living & Deceased of The Slovak National Club
- 2) Living & Deceased of the 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) Marie Dzuricky by Children & Grandchildren
- 2) Marie Dzuricky by Relatives & Friends

St. Casimir's

- 1) Special Intentions of Norbert Sulecki
- 2) Living & Deceased of the Rosary Society

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Betty Snyder,
Service Men and Women, Parishioners,
Friends & Benefactors
*Our deepest sympathy to the families
and friends of the deceased.
May they rest in peace.*

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday (10/6) Respect Life Sunday. 9AM Confessions (SC). 9:30 AM Latin Mass (SC). Rectory office is closed.

Monday (10/7) Our Lady of the Rosary. Rectory office is open 10AM to Noon.

Tuesday (10/8) Rectory office open 10AM to Noon.

Wednesday (10/9) Rectory office is closed.

Thursday (10/10) Rectory Office is closed.

Friday (10/11) Rectory office is open 10AM to Noon.

Saturday (10/12) Rectory office is closed. 4PM Vigil Mass. (SC).

Sunday (10/13) 9AM Confessions (SC). 9:30 AM Latin Mass (SC). Rectory office is closed.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Saturday, October 5th (Vigil Mass) 4:00 PM

Lector: Joe Malinowski
Altar Server: Loretta Baran and Kyle Jackson
Eucharistic Ministers: Loretta Baran & Brian Martin

Sunday, October 6th

8:00 AM
Lector: Jennifer Dillon
Altar Server: Eileen Ropelewski
Eucharistic Ministers: Dianne Connors & Sharon Swigonski

11:00 AM
Lector: Michelle Schroeder
Altar Server: Karen Mazur & Michelle Schroeder
Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Mazur & Amy Schroeder



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Welcome Everyone as we celebrate the Mass for the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 17th Sunday after Pentecost in the Latin Rite. Peace and Joy and many blessings be with all of you! † Today is Rosary Sunday and October is the month of the Holy Rosary. We pray the rosary every Sunday at 9:00AM led by Deacon Jerry Sobrowski. During the week the rosary follows the Noon Mass at St. Ann's together with the chaplet of Divine Mercy. The officers and members of the rosary Society will attend the 8:00AM Mass this morning and receive Holy Communion as a group. The Diocesan Rosary March will be held on Sunday, October 13th at St. Peter Cathedral at 2PM. Msgr. Edward Lohse, the Vicar General of the diocese will be the homilist. All are invited and welcome to participate. † October is also Polish Heritage month and our Polka Mass will be held on Saturday, October 26th at 4PM at St. Casimir's. † Last month we distributed 65 food baskets through our Food Pantry! The number increases each week. Thank you for your help by using the Poor Box or the blue envelope in your monthly packets. The families are grateful for your generosity. † Today, Sunday October 6th, St. Stanislaus Church has their annual Parish Day and Polish Platter Dinner in the parish hall on 13th Street. They will have the usual festival attractions and bake sale. Grand Prize is \$1,500! Don't miss it! † St. Joseph's Church ends their Octoberfest today from Noon until 6PM. Everything German at St. Joe's today. Stop by if you have the time at 24th and Sassafras Streets. † Sunday, October 13th is the 102nd Anniversary of the apparitions of our Blessed Mother at Fatima. Our Lady of Fatima told the children at Fatima to pray and pray the rosary each day to bring peace to the world. October 13, 1917 over 70,000 people witnessed the miracle of the sun. In 1930 Bishop of Fatima declared the miracle of the sun authentic. Our Lady of Fatima, Pray for us! † Please pray for the officers and members of the Slovak National Club. They continue to recover and rebuild after that unfortunate fire that hit their building a few months ago. They are a good group of people and will not give up. We wish them well as they continue their efforts to recover, rebuild, and reopen. Best wishes to our dear friends and neighbors at the Slovak National Club. † Congratulations again and best wishes to Sister Mary Grace Cermack OSF who recently celebrated her 70th Anniversary as a Sister of St. Francis and her 90th birthday! Sister now resides at Mt. Assisi Motherhouse in Pittsburgh and is the sister of Margaret Barabas of Holy Family. She is a native daughter of Holy Family Church! † October is the month of the Holy Rosary, Respect Life, World Missions, and Polish Heritage Month. Enjoy this weekend. Keep Cool and Safe! Thanks for everything! Keep the Faith!

Help Needed... We need help with the recycling of the outdated and unusable computers that remain in the Holy Family School building. What is specifically needed is help preparing them for transport to the drop-off site and then help unloading them upon arrival at the site.. If you wish to help please contact Brian Martin at 814-403-6820.

Thank You... A special thank you to everyone who has committed to daily prayer for our church. It is working! We will pray for your special intentions as well.

Increase Our Faith!... Our Gospel today reminds us that if we are to be faithful disciples, then we must take our cue not from the world, but from Christ who reveals to us the very mind of God. When you think about it we use the word "faith" in different ways – from the denominations that we identify with to what we profess to believe. But when Jesus speaks of faith he is not simply speaking about statements of belief or identity, rather he is referring to a gift from God that binds us and empowers us to follow and live in Christ. This is what the disciples sought: an increase in that most precious of all gifts – a strong and enduring relationship with Christ. Faith is a way of life and it has never been easy to be a Christian. The early Christians had to deal with all sorts of threats and persecutions and we still live in a world where it can be difficult to be faithful followers of Christ. If we are to be faithful disciples, then we must take our cue not from the world, but from Christ who reveals to us the very mind of God. The lives of the Saints and other Holy people can inspire us with their examples of faith in the face of trying circumstances. Such was the experience of Carlo Carretto. Carretto was a leader of an Italian youth movement called Catholic Action for twenty years before and after the Second World War. At age forty-four, he experienced a call to the contemplative life, and responded by joining a community called the Little Brothers in Algeria. During his novitiate, he spent a week alone in the desert in adoration of the exposed Eucharist. In his life as an activist, he had felt responsible for bearing the weight of the Church on his shoulders. But kneeling before the Eucharist, in a moment of deep contemplation, he understood the truth: "I had walked, run, spoken, organized, worked in the belief that I was supporting something; and in reality I had been holding up absolutely nothing. The weight of the world was all on Christ Crucified. I was nothing, absolutely nothing. It had taken some effort to believe the words of Jesus who had said to me two thousand years earlier: 'When you have done everything that is commanded you to do, say we are unprofitable servants, because we have only done our duty.'" [*Letters from the Desert*, 1972.]

Today Jesus gives us encouragement. All we need is only a little trust – the size of the mustard seed – in his strength to carry us through in this life. It is the power of God living in and through us that will ultimately empower us to be faith-filled and faithful. Through this precious gift of faith we become servants of the Word, and when we respond to it we are simply doing our duty.

This week's spiritual exercise: Spend some quiet time each day and thank God for the precious gift of your faith. Reflect on where you need courage and strength and ask him for strength to overcome your challenges and for the inner conviction to live out your faith in new ways each day.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sunday, September 22, 2019

4PM Mass \$1,019.35

8AM Mass \$668.75

Latin Mass \$737.00

11AM Mass \$1,078.41

Candles \$53.00

TOTAL \$3,556.51

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2019

Thank you we went up!!! Every donation helps us reach our goal! Big or little it all counts! Help us grow our numbers. If you have not done so please make your commitment today! The CSA envelopes are in your monthly packet or envelopes are available in the back of the Churches for those who wish to place their contribution in the Sunday collection. Thanks again!

CSA 2019 as of September 25, 2019

Pledged: \$19,248.00 Paid: \$17,948.00

PARISH EXPENSES

In 1 year we paid \$2,790.73 to the Second Harvest Food Bank for food and items to distribute at our Food Pantry.

Thank you to all of our parishioners, our friends, our benefactors, and our family for the deep devotion to Our Mother of Sorrows Parish for your continued love, support and generosity.

Thanks for keeping our home fires burning!

REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.

Plan ahead ~ Polka Mass will be Saturday, Oct. 26th at 4PM at Saint Casimir's Church.

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.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

Bishop Emeritus Donald Trautman, Father Jim O'Hara, Msgr. Gerald Koos, Fr. Joseph Gregorek, Fr. John Santor, Msgr. Robert Smith, Deacon Dennis Kudlak, Ted Mazur, Pat & Gene Maciak, John Maciak, Anne Goodrich, Monica Sorensen, Tom Duska, Sr., Kay Majersky, Maryann Marchant, 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, Margaret 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, Lottie Carter, Agnes Priscaro, Jean Benedict, Jerry Jeroski, Linda Kuzma, Geraldine Tomczak, Mary Wierzbicki, Mary Lepkowski, Michelle Spath, Michael Wieczorek, Dolores Campbell, Paul Martin, Sr., Dolores Osiecki, Betty Miller, William Brennan, Sr. Rose Rovnak, OSF, Sr. Margaret Rovnak, OSF, Dorothy Wright, Jerry Hoydic, Grace Guelcher, Ann Winschel, Marianne Nicholl, Marie Jurino, Joe Habas, Dolores Causgrove, Patricia Mazzaresse, Michael Ryan, Anne Marie Wykoff, Joanne Nelson, Evelyn Buczynski, 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, John 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.

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 Hawaii), and David Kraut
Please call-in with names to be added or removed from this list or change in location. Thank you for your service to our country.