

# Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

**SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2023 PENTECOST SUNDAY**

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, May 28th: Pentecost Sunday/Wear Something Red

Private (SA) Suffering Souls in Purgatory by Dr. Hal Angeloff  
10:30 am (SC) Confessions  
11:00 am (SC) Fr. Daniel Prez by John J. Gutting

### Monday, May 29th: The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church and Memorial Day

→ 9:30am (SA) Confessions  
→ 10:00am (SA) Michael Lucas, Birthday by Barbara Berdis

### Tuesday, May 30th: Weekday

11:30am (SA) Confessions  
12:05pm (SA) Lucia Lee by H. Lee

### Wednesday, May 31st: The visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

11:30am (SA) Confessions  
12:05pm (SA) Dr. Hal Berkman by Dr. Hal Angeloff

### Thursday, June 1st: Saint Justin

11:30am (SA) Confessions  
12:05pm (SA) David Blum by Jean Wroblewski

### First Friday, June 2nd: Sts. Marcellinus and Peter

11:30am (SA) Confessions  
12:05pm (SA) Jean Denziak, birthday by Saint Casimir  
Rosary Society

### First Saturday, June 3rd: St. Charles Lwanga

8:30am (SA) Confessions  
9:00am (SA) Sandra Kujan Demchak by Bob Demchak  
Private: Dr. Carl Palmer by Dr. Hal Angeloff

### Sunday, June 4th: The Most Holy Trinity

Private (SA) Dr. Matthew Palmer Dr. Hal Angeloff  
10:30 am (SC) Confessions  
11:00 am (SC) Jack and Mary Lou Rovnak by Rose Marie Bargielski

### Monday, June 5th: St. Boniface

11:30am (SA) Confessions  
12:05pm (SA) Bernard and Jean B. Bargielski by Daughters

## THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

### Holy Family

- 1) Galla and Walach Families by Paul and Lisa Galla
- 2) Habas, Kulig & Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate  
Our Mother of Sorrows: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

### St. Ann's

- 1) David K. Wienczkowski by Parishioners
- 2) Rev. James T. O'Hara and Rev. Ron Gmerek

### St. Casimir's

- 1) All Parishioners Living and Deceased
- 2) Special Intentions of Msgr. Gerald Koos

## FINANCIAL REPORT

May 21, 2023

Sunday Offertory \$1,314.50  
Ascension Thursday \$225.00  
International Needs \$69.00  
Gift from Slovak National Club \$600.00  
Items sold Holy Family \$220.00

## Expenses

Boiler Back Flow Testing: \$450.00

## CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

2023 Goal: \$35,165.00

Pledged: \$6,483.00 Paid: \$5,103.00

Thank you to all who have pledged/paid their support to the 2023 CSA.  
Please issue a **SEPARATE** check for your CSA.

## PLEASE USE OUR CORRECT ADDRESS!

The Parish Office address is  
**630 Hess Ave., Erie, PA 16503.**

The mail slot is on the south side of St. Casimir's Church right at the end of the handicap ramp.  
All mail and other correspondence is to be addressed to, mailed to or dropped off at 630 Hess Ave.  
Office hours are by appointment only.

GECAC "Spring" clean-up collection. Items will be distributed to the many needy families at the end of May. Items requested are Laundry Pods, Dryer Sheets, Paper Towels, Dish Soap, All Purpose Cleaner and Disinfected Wipes. For your convenience bags are available in the back of church. Today is the last day to return you donations, May 28th. Items will be picked up after the 11AM Mass. Thank you in advance for your support of this worthy project.



**OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS PARISH MAILING ADDRESS: 630 Hess Ave., Erie, PA 16503**  
**814-452-4832 phone**

Website: [www.motherofsorrowerie.org](http://www.motherofsorrowerie.org)

Saint Casimir Church, 630 Hess Ave., Saint Ann Church, 931 East Ave.,  
Holy Family Church, 913 Fulton St. \* Erie, PA 16503

**DEACON ADMINISTRATOR: Rev. Mr. Jerome T. Sobrowski**

## From the Desk of Deacon Jerry

**Memorial Contributions** in loving memory of **Fr. Joe Gregorek** were received from Ronald W. Helminski D.M.D, Carol L. Joyce, and Jeannine C. Wolicki.

This year, May 29 is **Memorial Day**, a day when we remember those who have died in service to this country. Please take time to pray for those who have died in service to our country and remember to pray for peace and an end to war.

Earlier this week, the Holy See announced that Pope Francis has named **Monsignor Edward Lohse** as the next Bishop of Kalamazoo, Michigan. Monsignor Lohse is the Vicar General for our diocese and the pastor of St. Julia parish. I knew Msgr. Lohse very well and he was a help in my ministry over the years. He has a profound sense of spirituality and love of our Catholic tradition and the faithful of Kalamazoo, are getting a very gifted priest to serve as their Shepherd. He will be missed! Bishop-Elect Lohse will be consecrated Bishop and installed on July 25. Let us keep him in our prayers.

Congratulations to **Msgr. John Swoger** who is celebrating **60 years of being a priest**. Thank you Msgr. Swoger for saying yes to the calling of a lifetime of service to Jesus and his church.

A new memorial was added to the liturgical calendar in 2018: The **Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**. The Congregation for Divine Worship announced that this new obligatory memorial will be celebrated on the Monday after Pentecost. This year, the date of the memorial is May 29. Please note that this is **NOT** a holy day of obligation.

The **104<sup>th</sup> annual Novena to St. Ann** will be held from July 18 – 26, 2023 at St. Ann Church. Our guest speaker this year is Passionist Priest Father Francis Landry from St. Ann's Shrine in Scranton, PA. Weekday Masses Monday thru Friday at 8:30 am and 7:00 pm. Saturday Masses at 8:30 am and 4:00 pm. Sunday Masses at 8:30 am and 11:00 am.

Our **Knights Council** continues with their **Baby Bottle Fundraiser** to benefit the **Women's Care Center** of Erie's goal of purchasing a new, state of the art **Ultrasound Machine** to replace an older unit at one of their other locations. We ask that you fill the bottles with your coins, cash, or checks and return them by the weekend of June 10-11. **Please make all checks payable to the Knights of Columbus**. Thank you for your time and we pray that you will join us in our continuing efforts in saving the lives of the unborn.

**St. Francis Xavier Parish** in McKean is hosting **all night Adoration** from May 27 at 7 p.m. to May 28 at 10:30 a.m. Adoration will be held at the St. Francis Xavier Church, 8880 Main St., McKean.

Transcendence invites you to a spring concert featuring new compositions by **Richard Robert Rossi**, alongside sacred and secular works by renowned composers such as Monteverdi, Bruckner, Stanford, Memley and Moses Hogan. The event will be held at **St. Peter Cathedral, 230 W 10<sup>th</sup> St., Erie on June 10 at 7 p.m.**, with Rossi as the conductor. Admission is free. For more information visit <https://stpetercathedral.com/transcendence>.

### **Peace be with you!**

Peace be with you! Jesus utters this phrase twice in today's Gospel where he is in the room with his disciples. They are huddled together in fear and he breathes on them and gives them the gift of the Spirit, the gift of new resurrection life. Then the disciples are sent off into the world as the missionary Church.

Our faith and the faith of all Christians throughout the centuries is really built upon what happened in that room and even more so what happened when the apostles left the room. It is through the solid foundation of the apostle's testimony to the risen Christ, a testimony validated by twenty uninterrupted centuries of Church life, of saints and martyrs, of sacraments, liturgy, and a college of bishops, that each one of us are linked directly, even physically, to that little group of frightened apostles who encountered the Risen One.

As we celebrate Pentecost, which is often referred to as the birth of the Church, our readings point to the reality that yes, we belong to one another in a new way – as a member of the Body of Christ.

St. Paul reminds us that by being part of this body each of us has been endowed with spiritual gifts and unique God-given talents. And, just like those apostles that were huddled in the room, we are sent forth to use our talents to build up the church and have a positive impact on the lives of others. And we never do it alone. Jesus breathes into us the spirit then sends us out into the world to unleash the spirit. Every day we have the opportunity to use our gifts for the good of others. Every day is a Pentecost.

Peace be with you.