

# Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2021 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, April 25th: Fourth Sunday of Easter

*Special Diocesan Collection for Good Shepherd*  
Private Mass with Fr. Priscaro (SA)  
Habas, Kulig & Laszewski Families by the Kulig Estate  
9:00 am (SC) Confessions  
9:30 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Special Intentions of Nancy Wauthier by Vento Family  
10:30 am (SC) Confessions  
11:00 am (SC) Joseph S. Krkoska and Joseph M. Krkoska by Judy and Don Halcom

### Monday, April 26th: Easter Weekday

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions  
11:30 am (SA) Confessions  
12:05pm (SA) Bob Jurino by Wife and Son

### Tuesday, April 27th: Easter Weekday

(SC) No Public Mass and Confessions  
11:30 am (SA) Confessions  
12:05pm (SA) Ethel Maxumczyk by Gertrude, Jim and Sandy Foster

### Wednesday, April 28th: St. Peter Chanel and St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions  
11:30 am (SA) Confessions  
12:05pm (SA) James Berdis by Chas & Lindsay Fisher  
5:30pm (SC) Souls in Purgatory, Butch Kuruc by Brother Paul Wilson, OFM

### Thursday, April 29th: St. Catherine of Siena

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions  
11:30 am (SA) Confessions  
12:05 pm (SA) Eugenia Hodas, Birthday by Christine Visosky

### Friday, April 30th: St. Pius V

11:30 am (SA) Confessions  
12:05 pm (SA) Ethel Maxumczyk by Pam and Thad Zbrzezni

### First Saturday, May 1st: St. Joseph the Worker

8:30 am (SA) Confessions  
9:00 am (SA) Ted & Sally R zodkiewicz by Daughters and Families

Private Mass with Fr. Priscaro (SA)  
Halina Roman by John Evelyn Lorei

No Public Saturday Vigil Mass or Confessions (SC)

### Sunday, May 2nd: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Private Mass with Fr. Priscaro (SA)  
John & Mary Cyparski by Dombkowski Family  
9:00 am (SC) Confessions  
9:30 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Mark Borowy, Anniversary by Mr. & Mrs. Vic Kowalski  
10:30 am (SC) Confessions  
11:00 am (SC) Donald Wiertel, Anniversary (March 15) and Anthony Sokolowski, Anniversary (March 24) by Ropelewski Family

## THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

### Holy Family

- 1) Galla & Walach Families by Paul and Lisa Galla
  - 2) All Parishioners Living and Deceased
- Our Mother of Sorrows: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

### St. Ann's

- 1) Joseph S. Krkoska & Joseph M. Krkoska
- 2) Agnes Ruza Priscaro by Friends

### St. Casimir's

- 1) Rev. James T. O'Hara by Family
- 2) Pray for more Vocations to Religious Life

## FINANCIAL REPORT

*April 11, 2021: \$2,299.01*

*April 19, 2021: \$3,895.50*

## CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

**2021 Goal: \$20,164.00**

**Pledged: \$11,343.00      Paid: \$7,613.00**

We are now \$8,821.00 away from our goal! Thanks to everyone who has sent in their Pledge/Payment.

There is still time to send in your pledge/payment for the 2021 CSA. Simply use the CSA envelope in your monthly offertory envelope packet or you may pick one up in the back of church.

*Please remember during this time you may drop your weekly offertory and other 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

**Thank you for keeping the home fires burning!**

This Sunday, April 25, 2021, there will be a special Diocesan collection for the Good Shepherd. Special envelopes are in your monthly packet or place your contribution in a plain envelope with Good Shepherd noted on the envelope. Thank you in advance for your contribution to this special second collection next weekend.

## FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

### Latin Mass: 3rd Sunday after Easter or Rogation Mass

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Sandra A. Kujan Demchak, Jeanne M. Buckel Droney, Ryan Michael Droney, and Robert P. Szoszorek Jr.**; all who recently returned to the Lord. Let us also pray that their families may gain a sense of peace and comfort from the Risen Lord and our parish community.

**Would you like to help** keep up the appearance of our churches? Please consider volunteering for a group that will be put together to do light jobs such as painting and cleaning. If you are interested please contact Tim Clint 814-572-6639 or Rod Showers 814-449-3252.

**Congratulations to M. Kaden Davis** on making the honor roll at Mercyhurst Prep. This is for the second term in a row. Good job!

**People for Life** will be selling carnations before and after our Sunday masses on Mother's Day, May 9. Your donation will help support pro-life educational programs and activities right here in Northwestern Pennsylvania.

**Good Shepherd Sunday/Diocesan Priest Retirement Collection ...**The annual Good Shepherd Collection for retired priests of the Diocese of Erie will be taken up **today, April 25**. The Good Shepherd Collection allows each of us to show our gratitude and support of those priests who have cared for us and our spiritual needs and faithfully served our parishes.

**Prayer for our Retired Priests:** We pray for the retired priests of our Diocese that they may experience peace and joy in their retirement for the countless years of service they have provided and continue to provide to the people of God.

**Thanks to everyone** for supporting our second collections with a very special thanks for continuing to support our parish. As Fr. O'Hara used to say it helps us to "keep the home fires burning."

**World Apostolate of Fatima-Erie plans expansion of Home Enthronement Ministry ...** Plans are underway to expand the Home Enthronement Ministry to each geographical region of the Diocese of Erie beginning in June. Thirteen Sacred Heart statues and 13 Our Lady of Fatima statues will be needed to provide one set for each of the priests/spiritual directors/lay coordinators who offer home enthronements in their respective areas. The purchase price for each statue is estimated at \$160 each. Monetary donations may be made to the World Apostolate of Fatima-Erie, c/o John Kostrubanic, president, P.O. Box 311, Fairview, PA 16415. All donors will be recognized by name and city in an upcoming World Apostolate of Fatima-Erie newsletter and will be invited to a special Mass at Erie's Sacred Heart Church on June 11 at 5:30 p.m. Bishop Lawrence Persico will bless all the statues.

**Jesus is Our Good Shepherd! ...** Our Gospel this week gives us one of the best known and most loved images of Jesus: that of the good shepherd. It is only in John's Gospel that Jesus calls himself the good shepherd. So, what makes a shepherd good? For starters he is different from the hired hand who is in it mainly for the paycheck. A good shepherd's work is truly an act of love. A good shepherd protects his sheep, leads them to safety, feeds them, helps them to grow. Jesus our Good Shepherd does all of this for us and even more. He understands our fears, our loss, our struggles and remains with us to protect us. Our Shepherd loves us, and is *in love* with us, so much so that he laid down his life for us. All of us face dangers in our lifetime along with threats to our safety and well-being. We may face sickness, loss, fear, or we may face ridicule. We may worry for our loved ones; we may struggle with loneliness, or be filled with anxiety. We can rest assured that no matter how this life challenges us Our Good Shepherd doesn't give up on us - he takes ownership of his flock. Jesus, who is shepherd of our souls, "sees us" as we are, with all of our accomplishments and all of our failures. It is Jesus who cares for us and who came to give his life for us and to lead us to better ground.



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