

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2022 THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 13th : Thirty-Third Ordinary Sunday

Private (SA) Bonnie Baker McCall by Dr. Hal Angeloff
10:30 am (SC) Confessions
11:00 am (SC) In memory of Fr. Daniel Prez by Bob and Karen Mazur

Monday, November 14th: Weekday

11:30am (SA) Confessions
12:05pm (SA) In memory of Fred and Marion Granville, Wedding Anniversary by David Granville and Family

Tuesday, November 15th: St. Albert the Great

11:30am (SA) Confessions
12:05pm (SA) The deceased members of the Ropelewski Family by Estate

Wednesday, November 16th: St. Margaret of Scotland and St. Gertfude

11:30am (SA) Confessions
12:05pm (SA) James Berdis by Phylis R zodkiewicz

Thursday, November 17th: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

11:30am (SA) Confessions
12:05pm (SA) In memory of Mary Lou Wiczorek by Rosemary Ritter

Friday, November 18th: Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul & St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

11:30am (SA) Confessions
12:05pm (SA) In memory of Eileen Ropelewski by Estate

Saturday, November 19th: Weekday

Private (SA) Galla and Walach Families by Paul and Lisa Galla

Sunday, November 20th: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Second Collection for Campaign for Human Development
Private (SA) The deceased members of The Ropelewski Family
10:30 am (SC) Confessions
11:00 am (SC) Eileen Ropelewski by Christine Visosky

Monday, November 21st: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

11:30am (SA) Confessions
12:05pm (SA) Habas, Kulig and Laszewski Families by The Kulig Estate

Tuesday November 22nd: St. Cecilia

11:30am (SA) Confessions
12:05pm (SA) John Palmer by G. Palmer

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

1) Galla & Walach Family by Paul & Lisa Galla
2) Rev. James T. O'Hara and Rev. Ron Gmerek
Our Mother of Sorrows: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

St. Ann's

1) Our wounded Military Veterans
2) All Non-Military Victims of War

St. Casimir's

1) Habas, Kulig & Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate
2) Prayers for more vocations to religious life

FINANCIAL REPORT ~ NOVEMBER 6, 2022

All Saint's Day: \$721.00

Sunday Offertory: \$4,180.50

World Mission Sunday: \$5.00

Campaign for Human Development: \$20.00

Christmas Flowers: \$25.00

Income and Expenses for October 2022

Income: \$11,039.93

Expenses: \$9,433.52

Difference: \$1,606.41

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

2022 Goal: \$31,397.00

Pledged: \$11,020.00 Paid: \$9,400.00

Thank you to all who have Pledged or Paid their 2022 CSA. Please make your pledge today!

CSA envelopes are in your monthly packet or available in the back of the church. You may drop your CSA envelope in the offertory basket, or mail it to the office at 913 Fulton St., Erie, PA 16503.

→ Please issue a **separate check** for
→ CSA Contribution
→ Mass Intentions

Please do not include your CSA contributions or Mass requests on the same check as your offertory. Separate checks, please. Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE: The **parish mailing address** remains 913 Fulton St., Erie, PA 16503 until further notice.



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DEACON ADMINISTRATOR: Rev. Mr. Jerome T. Sobrowski

From the Desk of Deacon Jerry

Next Sunday, November 20th a second collection will be taken up for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. This annual collection supports the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops working to break the cycle of poverty by helping people with low incomes participate in decisions that affect their lives, families, and communities. Half of the funds from this collection remain in the Diocese of Erie to fight poverty in our local communities.

Please pray for the soul of **Ron Voelker** who went home to the Lord. His funeral was this past Tuesday at St. Ann's. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.

As a result of technical difficulties, we were unable to post last week's bulletin online. It is now posted and I urge you to read it as it contains important updates. I have repeated the update on the Holy Family property below for anyone who may have missed it last week.

We have received a **verbal offer to purchase** the Holy Family school, convent and rectory for \$300,000 with an option to purchase the church for an additional \$100,000 if it is ever offered for sale. The offer has been accepted and approved by our Pastoral and Finance Councils and is now awaiting the approval of Bishop Persico, the Diocesan College of Consultants, and the Diocesan Office of Finances. Once approvals have been received the name of the buyer will be publicly disclosed and sales agreements will be drawn up and reviewed by attorneys for both parties. The buyer plans to renovate the buildings and use them for educational purposes. Until all approvals are received this **remains a verbal agreement** and nothing has been signed. The **church is not for sale** at this time.

The **St. Benedict Academy alumnae board** will host a **Christmas basket raffle** on Dec. 3 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Polish Falcons, 431 E. Third St., Erie. Seventy themed baskets will be offered, along with other games of chance. Suggested donation for the basket raffle is \$10 for 25 tickets. Need not be present to win. Winnings can be delivered. Proceeds benefit the St. Benedict Child Development Center, inner-city ministries of the Benedictine Sisters of Erie, scholarships and alumnae board ministries. Open to the public.

The **Knights of Columbus of St. Jude Parish** are holding their annual **Thanksgiving food drive** on Nov. 20 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Jude the Apostle Church, 2801 W. 6th St., Erie. The food drive benefits families in need of a Thanksgiving meal. Frozen turkeys, non-perishable food donations and all financial donations are being accepted.

The **Community Outreach Group** will host its annual clothing distribution party on Dec. 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at St. Paul Center, 453 West 16th Street, Erie. In addition to receiving free clothing, patrons can enjoy a free hot lunch. Santa and some of his special helpers will be on site to distribute toys to the children. See flier for additional details. Email questions to Tim Nowakowski at TimNow.CommOutrchGrp@gmail.com, or call 814-566-6435.

The **Holy Trinity Parish** education program is hosting its annual **Christmas market** on Dec. 16 from 4 to 7 p.m. and Dec. 17 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Holy Trinity Social Center, 650 E. 23rd St., Erie. Orders will be taken from Nov. 5 to Dec. 5. Information and order forms are available at www.holytrinityrc.org or call Liz, 814-722-0015.

The 62nd Annual **Our Lady of Mount Carmel feather party** will be held on Nov. 19 at Scheffner Hall, 1531 East Grandview Blvd., Erie. The event will run from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Doors open immediately following the 4:15 p.m. Mass. Admission is free. The evening will feature free refreshments, tips, instant, bottle raffles, a wine booth, fruit basket raffles and the opportunity to win your Thanksgiving turkey. The evening will conclude with a cash raffle with three prizes awarded: \$1500, \$250 and \$100. For more information, visit www.OLMC-erie.org or contact the OLMC Parish Office at SBerdis@olmc-erie.org.

Acting in Jesus' name!

As we near the end of another Church year, our readings seem to take on a very somber tone. In our Gospel Jesus suggests that his disciples must be prepared to suffer ridicule, persecution and perhaps even death if they are to follow him.

Sometimes we may wonder if enduring ridicule and scorn are what we really signed up for when we received the sacraments of initiation. Would it be nice if we could get through our lives as painlessly as possible? As disciples of Jesus we are called to take our faith seriously and when it is difficult to do that we can find strength and comfort in the closing words of today's Gospel: "You will be hated by all because of my name but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." Yet it is in those times of difficulty and the midst of life's turmoil that we have the opportunity to witness who we are in Christ and to act in Jesus' name by standing up for our faith.

As Christians, we cannot allow the dark forces to have their way, conflict and division have always been part of our human condition and today's world needs the Gospel more than ever! Each day will have its troubles, but these can be overcome if we act in Jesus' name and act as he did by showing mercy, sharing our bread, seeking peace, and welcoming the stranger. We cannot fall into the trap of thinking that we have no responsibility for others.

Let us constantly pray to the Holy Spirit that we may always have the courage to act in Jesus' name no matter the consequences.