

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

Second Sunday of *Easter* (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)

*Jesus said to Thomas,
“Have you come to
believe because you
have seen me?
Blessed are those
who have not seen
and have believed.”*

John 20:29



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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Bishop Persico has suspended all public Masses and Services until further notice.

Note: Each Mass intention will be remembered within the daily private Mass our Priest celebrate.
You may also keep each Mass intention in your daily prayers.

Saturday, April 18th: Vigil Mass

(SC) Bob Jurino by wife and son

Sunday, April 19th: Divine Mercy Sunday

(SC) Julie Tomczak by brother

(SC) The Soul needs of Catharine Ann, all Living & Deceased Members of the Cerami, Pillitteri, Howard and Kearney Families by Dr. Cerami

(SC) Betty Wasielewski by Donna Turbaczewski

(SA) **DEVINE MERCY MASS**

All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Monday, April 20th: Easter Monday

(SC) John & Bessie Weber by Vicki Weber

(SA) Joe Krkoska by Don & Judy Halcomb

Tuesday, April 21st: Easter Tuesday/St. Anselm

(SC) Mary Weshler by Kowalski Family

(SA) Frances Kierzek by son Len

Wednesday, April 22nd: Easter Wednesday

(SC) Richard Davis, Jr. by Kowalski Family

(SA) Joseph, Edward & Jack Hartman by Family

Thursday, April 23rd: Easter Thursday/St. George

(SC) Agnes Priscaro by Joan Fye

(SA) Sandy Buffalari by Len Kierzek

Friday, April 24th: Easter Friday/St. Fidelis of

Sigmaringen

(SC) Halina Roman by Grace Kaczmarek

(SA) Agnes Priscaro by Joan Fye

Saturday, April 25th: Vigil Mass

(SC) John A. Rzomp, Sr. by Jim and Darlene Davis

Sunday, April 26th: Third Sunday of Easter

(SC) Fr. Donald Berdis and Living & Deceased of the Berdis Family by Sister Kevin Berdis, OSF

(SC) Mary Ann Toohey by David and Anna Dieteman

(SC) Ron Turbaczewski by The Family

All Parishioners Living & Deceased

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

1) Sr. Kevin Berdis, Birthday by Holy Family Church

2) Agnes Priscaro by Legion of Mary

Our Mother of Sorrows: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

St. Ann's

1) Agnes Priscaro by Knights of Columbus

2) All Sick and Shut-ins

St. Casimir's

1) Pat Hart by Mickey Pohl

2) Mary Strenio by Mickey Pohl

OUR BELOVED DEAD

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

The rectory office is closed until further notice.

*Happy Birthday to Sister Kevin Berdis, OSF who celebrates her birthday on Tuesday, April 21st!
Sto Lot!*

☞ Please remember to notify the rectory office or use the form in this bulletin to notify us of a change in your address or telephone number. This helps us keep in touch. Also, please note it may take 2 to 3 mailing cycles before our offertory envelope provider updates your mailing address. Thank you for your help in keeping our records up to date.

PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY

Rev. Joseph Campbell (South Korea), Austin Agnello, Stephany Agnello, 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.

THE INFORMATION IN THIS BULLETIN IS ACCURATE AS OF THE PUBLICATION DATE, SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2020.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Happy 2nd Sunday of Easter Everyone! Happy Divine Mercy Sunday! We are still not sure if everyone can get to church on Divine Mercy Sunday! **President Trump** was hoping for that but just do your best and make the best of a “bad” situation! Maybe this year we may have to spend Divine Mercy Sunday at home. If this happens know that your priests will continue to offer the Masses privately. The priests will remember all of you and your special intentions along with the intentions listed for all of the Masses privately with just the priest and deacon present. †Please pray for the sick and shut-ins and all suffering because of the coronavirus. Pray for strength, healing, and peace of mind, heart, and soul. Stay Calm! Stay Home! Stay Safe! Stay Holy! Happy Easter and Happy Divine Mercy Sunday to all of you! †Prayer for Divine Mercy...Merciful Divine and Risen Savior, you have taught us to be Merciful! Let your Church be your visible face of Mercy in the world! Lord, Have Mercy! Help us to being the Good News of your Mercy to all people. Christ Have Mercy! We ask all of this through Mary, Our Lady of Mercy. Lord, Have Mercy! Who live and reign with the Father and Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen! Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia! †Please continue to remember **Father Dan Prez** in your thoughts and prayers. Thank you for all you have done for **Father Dan** in past weeks and please keep up your prayers for him. **Father Dan** is a native son of St. Casimir’s Parish and an outstanding priest of the Diocese of Erie. May our Merciful Easter Jesus bless and keep his loyal and faithful servant **Father Daniel Prez**! †The 2020 CSA appeal began back in February and we are now halfway to our goal! Good work everyone. Please make your pledge today, if you have not done so already. Drop your envelopes in the mail slot at the rectory or mail them into the rectory, 913 Fulton St., Erie, PA 16503. †Dearly Beloved, we know that these are difficult days for all of us. For you and your families and all of our parishioners. Our Mother of Sorrow’s Parish remains committed to the spiritual care of all parishioners and the entire community at large. Although how we do that has changed temporarily, our purpose remains the same. Please be assured of our daily prayers for all of you and our private Masses for your special intentions. Unfortunately our parish offices must be closed to the public during this time, we will reopen as soon as the emergency situation has ended and we are given a green light by both the government and the diocese. Thank you for your understanding, your patience, and your cooperation. Sincerely yours in Divine Mercy! **Fr. O’Hara**

FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

Divine Mercy! ... Today is Divine Mercy Sunday with our focus on the celebration of the Resurrection and God’s mercy being opened upon us. Saint John Paul II, in his canonization of Sister Mary Faustina Kowalska, instituted this day into the Church calendar and in his homily said: “It is important then that we accept the whole message that comes to us from the word of God on this Second Sunday of Easter, which from now on throughout the Church will be called ‘Divine Mercy Sunday.’ In the various readings, the liturgy seems to indicate the path of mercy which, while re-establishing the relationship of each person with God, also creates new relations of fraternal solidarity among human beings. Christ has taught us that “man not only receives and experiences the mercy of God, but is also called ‘to practice mercy’ towards others: *Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy* (Mt 5:7)”.

None of us would disagree that the need for mercy and healing is great today. Without it, we are lost. So, as we continue to celebrate the Resurrection, let us each open our hearts to those gifts and then commit ourselves to share them to others. Let us all please take time today and through the week to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for mercy and healing in these trying times. Here are the instructions for praying it on a 5 decade rosary:

1. **Make the Sign of the Cross ...** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
2. **Optional Opening Prayers...** You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. (Repeat three times) O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!
3. **Our Father**
4. **Hail Mary**
5. **The Apostles’ Creed**
6. **The Eternal Father...** Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
7. **On the 10 Small Beads of Each Decade ...** For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
8. **Repeat for the remaining decades ...** Saying the "Eternal Father" (6) on the "Our Father" bead and then 10 "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (7) on the following "Hail Mary" beads.
9. **Conclude with Holy God (Repeat three times) ...** Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
10. **Optional Closing Prayer**

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

FINANCIAL REPORT

**Early Publication deadline for this bulletin.
Financial information will be updated when it
becomes available. Stay with us!**

PARISH EXPENSES

Missalettes (per quarter) \$565.92
Mailing of the February Offertory Envelopes \$171.57

*Please remember during this time you may drop
your weekly offertory in the mail slot at the rectory
office or mail your offertory to the rectory office.*

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CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2020

As of March 17, 2020

Goal: \$21,446.00

Pledged Amount: \$8,327.00

Paid Amount: \$4,462.00

No changes to report! We can reach our Goal! I know we can with your help! All funds above and beyond the \$21,446.00 remain right here in our parish. You still have time to make your pledge. You may use the 2020 CSA envelope that was included in your monthly packet or extra envelopes are available in our churches.

A heartfelt thank you to each and everyone of you, to our parishioners, our friends, our benefactors, and our families for their deep devotion to Our Mother of Sorrows Parish and for your continued love, support and generosity.

Thanks for keeping our home fires burning!

**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 & 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. Daniel Prez, Fr. Joseph Gregorek, Fr. John Santor, Msgr. Robert Smith, Deacon Glen Kuzma, Deacon Dennis Kudlak, Michael Burenko, Charlotte Prez, Pat & Gene Maciak, John Maciak, Anne Goodrich, Tom Duska, Sr., Kay Majersky, Maryann Marchant, Karen Antonio, Theresa Juchno, Theresa Zaborowski, Victoria Vargo, Lynn Clint, Sr. Rose Kuzma, Audrey Draszkievicz, Janice Schroeder, Walter Burenko, Jr., Margaret Kuzma, Jim Berdis, Jr. Susan Spadaccio, Eileen Ropelewski, Andrew G., Catherine Jankowski, Margaret Cermak, Robert and Karen Mazur, Thomas Kaiser, Raymond Wasielewski, Mike Lucas, 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 Wiczorek, 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, Jean Benedict, Jerry Jeroski, Linda Kuzma, Mary Wierzbicki, Mary Lepkowski, Michelle Spath, Michael Wiczorek, 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, Eugeniusz Szczepura, 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, John Wolfe, Leokadia Bajek, Walter Zaborowski, 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.