

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 24th: Thirtieth Ordinary Sunday

Diocesan Second Collection for Mission Sunday

Private (SA) John & Josephine Hartman by
Granddaughters

8:30 am (SC) Confessions

9:00 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Special Intentions of Steve
and Tracy Balczon

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) Galla and Walach Families by Paul and
Lisa Galla

Monday, October 25th: Weekday

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

Private (SC) Bernard J. Bargielski, Anniversary by
Daughters

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Charles Chase by Family

Tuesday, October 26th: Weekday

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Galla and Walach Families by Paul and
Lisa Galla

Wednesday, October 27th: Weekday

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Stanley Widomski, Anniversary by Rick
and Ron Bolla

5:30pm (SC) *Latin Mass*: Richard Herczak by The
Vento Family

Thursday, October 28th: Saints Simon and Jude

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Agnes Ruza Priscaro by Annette
Radomski

Friday, October 29th: Weekday

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) In memory of Mary Lou Wiczorek by
Her Children Mike, Anita, Diane, Gerard, Mark and Mary

Saturday, October 30th: Weekday

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

No Public Saturday Vigil Mass or Confessions (SC)

Sunday, October 31st: Thirty-First Ordinary Sunday

Private (SA) Anna L. Winschel by Ed & Sue Winschel

8:30 am (SC) Confessions

9:00 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Special Intentions of Barbara
Martone and Family by Aunt Tracy and Uncle Steve

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) Helen Wodecki, Anniversary by daughter
Caroline Larson and Family

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

1) Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

2) Dorothy Oldach and Eileen Ropelewski

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

St. Ann's

1) Rev. James O'Hara and Rev. Ron Gmerek

2) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

St. Casimir's

1) Fr. Daniel Prez by The Carroll Family

2) Special Intentions of the Newlyweds James Barr and
Lindsey Scutella Barr

FINANCIAL REPORT

Offertory October 17, 2021: \$4,054.50

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

2021 Goal: \$20,164.00

Pledged: \$13,546.00

Paid: \$12,496.00

Today, Sunday, October 24th there will be a Diocesan
Special Second Collection for Mission Sunday.

Pot Luck Breakfast Sunday, October 31st

Following the 9AM Latin Mass

There will be a **Potluck Breakfast** in the
church hall on Sunday, October 31st after the
9:00 am Mass. Please invite your family,
friends, and neighbors to mass and to share a
meal with your church family.

Please bring a dish, hot or cold, to share.

Harvest Dance Saturday, November 6th

In the Holy Family School gym.

Suggested donation is \$5 per person or \$10 for a
family.

There will be games, a Chinese auction and
contests.

Please bring an appetizer, snack or desert to share.

The information in this bulletin is Accurate as of the Publication Date, Saturday, October 23, 2021

From the Desk of Deacon Jerry

Thirtieth Sunday Ordinary Time – Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost in Latin Mass

Today's second collection is for **World Mission Sunday**. Thank you for supporting our neighbors throughout the world as well as the clergy, religious and lay leaders who give so generously of their time in testimony to the faith we share.

Please pray for the soul of **Dorothy Oldach** whose funeral was yesterday at Holy Family. Dorothy and her husband, Hank were life-long members of Holy Family and devoted much of their time in service to the parish.

Please also pray for the soul of **Eileen Ropelewski** whose funeral will be this Wednesday at St. Casimir. There will be visitation in the Church starting at 10:00am until the time of the funeral mass at 11:00 am. Eileen was a lifelong member of St. Casimir and gave much of her time serving on organizations and societies.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord!

There will be a Memorial Mass for **Fr. Daniel Prez** at St. Casimir Church on Saturday, November 6 at 11:00 am. Fr. Dan is a native of our parish and his mother Charlotte and his sister Chris Farnum have given so much of their time and energy to our parish. Let us all come out and pray for Fr. Dan and his family.

There is a parish **Harvest Dance** planned for November 6 in the Holy Family School gym. Suggested donation is \$5 per person or \$10 for a family. There will be games, a Chinese auction and contests. Each family is asked to bring an appetizer, snack or desert to share. Beverages (iced tea, lemonade, and water) will be provided. The planning committee is in need of donations such as gift baskets, gift cards or individual items for the Chinese auction. If you wish to help, please label your contribution "For Harvest Dance" and leave it in the back of church or give it to Tim or Lynn Clint or Ruth Kowalski. If you have questions, please call Lynn at 814-572-6638.

A very special **THANK YOU** to everyone who supported the most recent **GECAC** drive in our parish for essentials for the disadvantaged. Your donations help those right in our parish neighborhood and once again show the generosity of our parish as we continue to rise to the occasion!

Don't forget the **Potluck Breakfast** that will be held in the church hall next Sunday, October 31st after the 9:00 am Mass. Please invite your family, friends, and neighbors to mass and to share a meal with your church family. Please bring a dish, hot or cold, to share.

What do you want me to do for You? ... In our Gospel this week Jesus asks Bartimaeus a very curious question: "What do you want me to do for you?" So why does he ask this question when he already knew what Bartimaeus needed? He respected his freedom and brought forth an explicit act of faith. The blind man was persistently calling out to Jesus while the crowd was trying to silence him and make him go away. But Bartimaeus wouldn't go away because he saw something no one else in the crowd that day saw. He saw Jesus through his inner sight – the supernatural eyes of faith and he came to know Jesus better than those who saw him by the natural light of day. What would we say if Jesus walked up to each of us right here, right now and asked "What do you want me to do for you?" How is our faith – our inner sight? Bartimaeus gives us a three-part lesson on faith: A call to faith, a show of Faith, and the Result of Faith

A call to faith: Take courage, get up, Jesus is calling you. Poor Bartimaeus could have easily given up all hope. But what did he do – he shed his cloak, his only protection from the elements, and went to Jesus. Jesus is asking us to shed our cloaks, to root out of our lives whatever it is that keeps us from seeing who he is. It may be in the form of self-centeredness, preoccupation with getting ahead amassing more money and material goods or seeking comfort above all else. In a **show of faith**, Bartimaeus comes to Jesus. That is significant because although blind he walks on his own. All of us have our limitations and shortcomings. Jesus is telling us to overcome them and he will meet us wherever we are on life's journey and bring us clearer vision. Most often our new "sight" will come from other people; someone points out a shortcoming; we are challenged to another viewpoint; we are helped to see the good in what seems like a hopeless situation. **The result of faith.** Each of us longs to hear the question Jesus puts to Bartimaeus: "What do you want me to do for you?" Bartimaeus does not ask for anything for himself. Immediately upon receiving his sight he uses his new gift of vision to follow Jesus. So goes it with us – this precious gift of faith affects our sight – the ability to see God at work in our daily lives; that gift of sight deepens our longing to live by faith and to follow Jesus in our life's journey. The result of faith? We are not only called to follow Jesus we are called to put this faith in action. When we want something badly enough, we tend to not give up – in spite of opposition by the crowd Bartimaeus continued to call out to Jesus and receive what he wanted – and more. The brief exchange between Jesus and Bartimaeus drew their hearts together and Jesus responds to his deep faith: "Go your way, your faith has saved you." Do we have the courage to do the same – to leave our cloaks behind? To let Jesus into our lives in spite of what others say and think? To seek his help in prayer – to call him by name. If so, our lives will be dramatically changed. We will find ourselves no longer sitting by the side of the road waiting to be helped, but walking on the road with Jesus, bringing our gift of faith-vision to those in need.

What do you want me to do for you?



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