

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish



Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 10th: Fourth Sunday of Lent

Private (SA) James Berdis by Donna Turbaczewski
10:30 am (SC) Confessions
11:00am (SC) Jerome and Nancy Sobrowski by Jerry and Denise Sobrowski

Monday, March 11th: Lenten Weekday

11:15am (SA) Confessions
12:05am (SA) Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford
Praying the Rosary follows Mass

Tuesday, March 12th: Lenten Weekday

11:15am (SA) Confessions
12:05am (SA) David K. Wienczkowski by Tom Duska Family
Praying the Rosary follows Mass

Wednesday, March 13th: Lenten Weekday

11:15am (SA) Confessions
12:05pm (SA) Special Intentions of Sister Irene by Lucia Lee
Praying the Rosary follows Mass

Thursday, March 14th: Lenten Weekday

11:15am (SA) Confessions
12:05pm (SA) Special Intentions of Sister Timothy by Lucia Lee

Praying the Rosary follows Mass

Friday, March 15th: Lenten Weekday

A Day of Abstinence

11:00am (SA) Eucharistic Adoration
11:15am (SA) Confessions
12:05pm (SA) Holy Souls by Stephen Waterford
1:00pm (SA) Rosary, Stations of the Cross followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, March 16th: Lenten Weekday

Private (SA) Sister Elizabeth Ruza, SSJ by Sisters of Saint Joseph

Sunday, March 17th: Fifth Sunday of Lent/St. Patrick's Day

Private (SA) Irene Smerick by Paul, Ann, and Matthew Krauza

10:30 am (SC) Confessions
11:00am (SC) In memory of Walter F. Baran by Kathy Mays and Kyle Jackson

Monday, March 18th: Saint Cyril of Jerusalem

11:15am (SA) Confessions
12:05am (SA) Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford
Praying the Rosary follows Mass

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

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

St. Ann's

- 1) For a Holy Lenten Season
- 2) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

St. Casimir's

- 1) Blessings and Guidance to all parishioners and parishes in the Diocese of Erie
- 2) Health & Healing of all Sick and Shut-ins

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sunday, March 3, 2024

Sunday Offertory: \$1,785.00

Fuel Offering: \$65.00

Ash Wednesday: \$5.00

Easter Flowers: \$210.00

Good Friday: \$50.00

Easter: \$85.00

First Saturday: \$154.05

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

2024 Goal: \$35,165.00

Pledged: \$4,305.00

Paid: \$2,880.00

\$30,860.00 to go to reach our goal ~ can you help?

Please issue a **SEPARATE** check for your CSA.

Thank you for keeping the Home Fires Burning!

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

The deadline for Easter Flower Envelopes to be included in the listing of donors is Sunday, March 17, 2024.

GECAC Grocery Collection

Thank you for helping. Please return your full grocery bag to St. Casimir's. Groceries pick up dates are March 17 and 24.



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

Website: www.motherofsorrowerie.org

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Holy Family Church, 913 Fulton St. * Erie, PA 16503**

DEACON ADMINISTRATOR: Rev. Mr. Jerome T. Sobrowski

FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

Lenten Schedule at St Ann's: Daily confessions heard 11:15 am until 11:55 am. Daily Mass 12:05 pm with the Rosary prayed after each mass. Fridays of Lent: Eucharistic Adoration 11:00 am to 12:00 pm followed by 12:05 pm mass, Rosary, Stations of the Cross at 1:00 pm followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Mark Seminary Auxiliary will be having its annual Card Party on April 18. **Tickets will be on sale after our 11:00 am Mass today.** The Card Party will be held in St. Mark's Gym, 429 E. Grandview Blvd, on Thursday, April 18 beginning at 6:00 pm with doors opening at 5:00 pm A light meal will be served. For reservations call Kathy at 814-440-3406 by April 9. Please pray for the vocations of our seminarians.

Benedictine Sisters of Erie celebrate solar eclipse with spiritual experiences: On Monday, April 8, about one-third of the Diocese of Erie will be in the path of totality for the 2024 solar eclipse. The Benedictine Sisters of Erie plan to celebrate this occasion with several events at the Glinodo Center, 6270 East Lake Road, Erie. Events include evening prayer on 4/7, a **"Between the Dark and the Daylight"** retreat at the monastery, a post-eclipse happy hour and more. For more details and to sign up for one or more events visit: <https://eriebenedictines.org>.

Diocesan pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress: Join the Diocese of Erie on a pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis July 17-21, 2024! Deadline to register is April 17. Tens of thousands of passionate Catholics will experience an outpouring of grace on a scale this generation has never seen. Catholics from every corner of the U.S. are planning to attend this transformative gathering at the historic 10th National Eucharistic Congress, and you are invited to represent our diocese at this pivotal moment. You'll enjoy world-class teaching from some of the most trusted Catholic voices in the United States. Come encounter and worship Jesus in a new way and be anointed to share those graces with our community when you return home. More than ever, you will be proud to be Catholic and excited about the future of the church in America. The pilgrimage includes: NEC Congress Pass (5 Days), 4 nights' accommodations in Indianapolis, Continental breakfast (pending final hotel assignment). Roundtrip transportation from Erie/Warren/West Middlesex to Indianapolis via deluxe motorcoach, Daily transportation to the congress, Gratuities payable to motorcoach driver. Adult Pricing: \$1,129 Triple/Quad; \$1,329 Double; \$1,829 Single. Questions? Email erieideac@gmail.com or call Jo at 724.699.3340.

St. Stan's Parish in Erie is hosting **Lenten fish dinners** on March 15 and 29 from 4 to 7 pm (or until sold out). March 29 is take-out only.

Lenten fish dinners at **Blessed Sacrament Parish**, 1626 West 26th St., Erie, are scheduled for March 15, 4:30 to 7 pm. Take-outs available or order ahead for curbside pickup at: <https://kofc278.square.site/fish-dinner>.

Our Lady of the Lake Parish, Edinboro, Lenten dinners sponsored by The Knights of Columbus Council 6191 will be on March 15 and 22. The dinners are available from 4:30 pm until sold out.

God so Loves the World!

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." Think about where we last saw this verse from our Gospel this week? It is likely it may have been on a billboard or a sign at a sporting event. Why is John 3:16 so popular?

Because, more than just a catchphrase this verse is the sum and summary of our salvation history. It is our message of hope that through Jesus Christ, all of our transgressions before God are washed away in God's mercy. Sin and death are overcome through Jesus' sacrifice of love on the cross.

The message that the world sorely needs to hear is that God loves us and offers salvation through Jesus to everyone, but he loves us so much that he grants us the freedom to accept or reject his love.

At the heart of our faith throughout the world is the cross (which is bare), and the crucifix (which is the cross with the body of Jesus affixed to it). Each, in their own particular way symbolize and signify the redemptive action of Jesus Christ.

The crosses and crucifixes that we wear around our necks and that hang in our churches and homes show us just how much God loves us, how much he has always loved us, and his desire for a relationship with us.

As we continue our Lenten journey, perhaps let's spend some time thinking about that. And in doing so, let's also reflect on what, in our own lives, demonstrates how much we love God in return.