

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

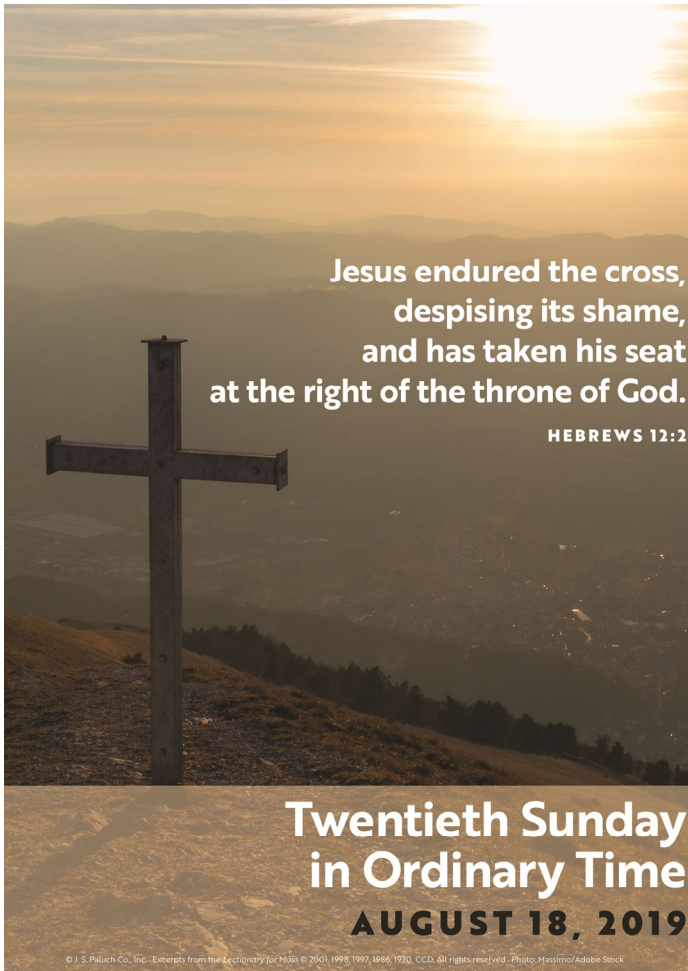
Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

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Jesus endured the cross,
despising its shame,
and has taken his seat
at the right of the throne of God.

HEBREWS 12:2

**Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
AUGUST 18, 2019**

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OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS PARISH BUSINESS OFFICE
is located at 913 Fulton Street, Erie, PA 16503.

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday and Friday: 10:00AM to Noon
Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday: Closed
*These days and times may vary. Refer to the
Week Ahead Schedule inside or call the office.*

OUR MOTHER OF SORROW PARISH STAFF:

PASTOR: Father James T. O'Hara

DEACON ASSISTANT: Deacon Jerome T. Sobrowski

ASSISTING: Msgr. Gerald Koos (Retired); Msgr. Robert Smith (Retired); Father Jerry Priscaro (St. Ann), Father Joseph Gregorek (Retired).

THE RITE OF PENANCE: Sat. 3:30 p.m. and Sun. 9:00 a.m. (St. Casimir). First Friday 7:30 a.m. (St. Casimir). First Saturday 8:30 a.m. (St. Ann). Communal Celebrations during Advent & Lent. Anytime by request.

VOTIVE CANDLES are \$3.50 each to light. Place money in donation box next to the candles.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 17th: Vigil Mass

3:30 pm (SC) Confessions
 4:00 pm (SC) Janina Szczepura by Eugeniusz Szczepura
 All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sunday, August 18th: Twentieth Ordinary Sunday

8:00 am (SC) Richard Ropelewski, Anniversary by
 Sisters and Brother
 9:30 am (SC) Latin Mass—Lydia Kowalski, Birthday by
 Victor & Ruth Kowalski
 11:00 am (SC) Joseph Zielinski by Laura Tomczak and
 Brian Zielinski

Monday, August 19th: Weekday

7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
 8:00 am (SC) Sarah & Ray Bolla by Diane Zielinski
 12:05 pm (SA) Living & Deceased of the Berdis Family
 by Sr. Kevin Berdis, OSF

Tuesday, August 20th: Weekday

7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
 8:00 am (SC) Habas, Kulig & Laszewski Families by
 Kulig Estate
 12:05 pm (SA) Carl Snider by Dorothy and Family

Wednesday, August 21st: Saint Pius, X

7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
 8:00 am (SC) Son Tom by Mark and Ann
 12:05 pm (SA) John Niebauer by June Klins

Thursday, August 22nd:

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
 8:00 am (SC) John & Bessie Weber and Deceased
 Family Members by Vicki Weber Estate
 12:05 pm (SA) Marian Kaluzny by Maurice Kaluzny

Friday, August 23rd: Weekday

7:00 am (HF) Private Intention
 8:00 am (SC) George & Mary Strenio by Mickey Pohl
 12:05 pm (SA) Living & Deceased of the Galla &
 Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

Saturday, August 24th: Vigil Mass

3:30 pm (SC) Confessions
 4:00 pm (SC) Joseph Zielinski by Diane Zielinski
 All Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sunday, August 25th: Twenty-First Ordinary Sunday

8:00 am (SC) Carolyn Mikolajczyk by Isabel Abbato
 9:30 am (SC) Latin Mass— Walter Spichiger by
 Kowalski Family
 11:00 am (SC) Robert Merski, Sr. by Tom & Janet
 Clancey
 All Parishioners Livings and Deceased

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

1) Living & Deceased of The Berdis Family by Sr. Kevin Berdis, OSF
 2) Living & Deceased of the Slovak National Club
 Our Mother of Sorrows: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

St. Ann's

1) Priest of St. Ann's by Marge Rabe
 2) In Thanksgiving by Mickey Pohl

St. Casimir's

1) John Campbell by Rita Schmidt
 2) Joe Zielinski by Family

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday (8/18) 9AM Confessions (SC). 9:30 AM Latin Mass (SC). Diocesan Special Second Collection for Latin America at all Masses.

Monday (8/19) Rectory office is open 10AM-Noon.

Tuesday (8/20) Rectory office open 10AM to Noon.

Wednesday (8/21) Rectory office is closed.

Thursday (8/22) The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, NOT a Holy Day of Obligation. Rectory Office is closed.

Friday (8/23) Rectory office is open 10AM to Noon.

Saturday (8/24) Rectory office is closed. 4PM Vigil Mass. (SC). 7th Annual Retreat sponsored by The World Apostolate of Fatima begins at 9:30AM (SA).

Sunday (8/25) 9AM Confessions (SC). 9:30 AM Latin Mass (SC).

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Saturday, Aug. 17th (Vigil Mass) 4:00 PM

Lector: Rod Showers
 Altar Server: Tom Duska
 Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Duska & Loretta Baran

Sunday, Aug. 18th

8:00 AM

Lector: Eileen Ropelewski
 Altar Server: Eileen Ropelewski
 Eucharistic Ministers: Sharon Swigonski

11:00 AM

Lector: Brian Martin
 Altar Server: Karen Mazur
 Eucharistic Ministers: Kim Walkiewicz and Janet Schroeder

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Service Men and Women, Parishioners,
 Friends & Benefactors
*Our deepest sympathy to the families
 and friends of the deceased.*

Seventh Annual Retreat ~ Saturday, August 24, 2019

Sponsored by The World Apostolate of Fatima, Erie Division
 Saint Ann's Church, 921 East Ave., Erie, PA
 Retreat Master: Rev. Father Jerry Priscaro
Reservations Required contact 814-790-2046
 The day begins at 9:30AM with Mass at 4:00PM



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Welcome Everyone as we celebrate the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 10th Sunday after Pentecost in the Latin Rite. Peace be with all of you! †We continue to think about the 100th Solemn Novena in honor of **Good Saint Ann** with so many people that we must thank and this is continued from last week's bulletin. Again today we begin with **Father Jerry Priscaro** who worked so hard to make this year's so inspirational and so memorable. Thank you **Father Jerry** for serving as chairperson of the 100th Saint Ann Novena. **Deacon Jerry Sobrowski** also deserves much credit for all the work that he did. He was present and available before, during, and after all novena services from day #1! We thank the members of the 100th Anniversary Planning Committee who had meeting after meeting to make sure that what needed to be done, was done. The members of the committee are: **Father Jerry Priscaro, Deacon Jerry Sobrowski, Mrs. Bev Pochatko, Mrs. Barb Szustak, Mrs. Kay Wienczkowski, Mr. David Wienczkowski, Mrs. Charlotte Chase, Mrs. Karen Mazur, and Mr. Bob Mazur.** We thank those who cleaned and prepared the church and social hall especially the members of the Guild, the Knights of Columbus and **Mr. Rod Showers, Mrs. Barb Juchno, Ms. Denise Santi, Mr. Dan Zimmer, Mr. Mike Kuzma II, Mr. John Wolfe,** and many others. We thank those who took care of the grounds especially **Mr. Mike Fiscus, Mr. Mike Kuzma, Sr., Mr. Mike Kuzma II,** and **Mr. Paul Kuzma.** We thank those who provided the music especially **Mrs. Christine Visosky, Mr. Dan Zimmer** and all who sang in the choirs. Thank you to the Ladies Guild who were present and responsible for the coffee and donuts and the reception following the feastday Mass. Thanks to **Mr. Peter West** and **Mrs. Cathy Merski** and the staff of Ricardo's Restaurant for providing the meals for **Father Kevin** and all of the priests during the novena. Thanks to Ricardo's for providing the dinner for **Bishop Persico** and our priests and deacon and his wife on the Feast of Good Saint Ann. Everything was outstanding! Thanks to all of you who sent in food and special treats to help us make it through the nine days! (to be continued in next week's bulletin). †Congratulations to **JMere Norman** who was recently baptized, made his First Confession and will make his First Holy Communion today. **JMere** will be a 9th grade student at Cathedral Prep in the fall. †**Father Kevin MacDonald** is back in Erie conducting two retreats for Deacons and **Deacon Jerry** and his wife **Denise** will attend. **Father Kevin** enjoyed the Novena and all who attend and everyone enjoyed him. He will be back with us at St. Ann's, we just don't know when! †We are all invited to the Mass and Rosary Procession on Saturday, August 17th celebrated by **Bishop Lawrence Persico**, Bishop of Erie. The Mass, Procession, and Reception will be held at St. Casimir's. Everything is sponsored by the Legion of Mary and begins at 12 Noon. All are welcome. †**Father Jerry Priscaro**, the Diocesan Director of the Blue Army of Fatima, will conduct a retreat at St. Ann's next Saturday, August 24th, from 9:30AM o 4:45PM. The program will include lunch. Please call **Father Jerry** at 814-790-2046 for more information. Reservations are required. †Thanks for being with us today! It's always good to see you! Enjoy the end of the summer weather. Let's continue to pray for one another!

FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

Do We Unite or Divide?

In today's first reading we see a familiar scenario: a prophet ignored, derided and mistreated. Jeremiah who prophesied in Jerusalem during the reign of Zedekiah warned the people of Judah about an oncoming disaster. He also scolded the Jewish leadership of the day for its failure to worship the one true God alone, and for its reliance on military alliances over trusting in the Lord. Of course, no one wanted to hear these words of doom and gloom. In fact, determined to silence him forever, but to avoid having his blood on their hands, those in power contrived to have him arrested and imprisoned in a muddy cistern. There, they hoped he would be forgotten and would die.

As a prophet, Jeremiah brought division. Not because God sought to instigate such, but because people choosing whether to listen to and follow God's word – or not – necessarily divided the community. With a message no one wanted to hear, Jeremiah knew that his fidelity to the Lord could possibly result in death and yet he did not shy away from obeying God's call.

Today, our lives as Christians are often marked with the same kinds of turmoil as there are many things we just don't want to hear! In our Gospel Jesus tells his disciples that he has come to establish not peace but division. He describes how his message will divide communities and pit family members against family members. Relationships will suffer, and he himself will suffer death. As with every previous prophet, those who heard – and still hear – Jesus' message had the choice to heed it, or ignore it.

We know that struggles and suffering are part of the human experience. Yet as Christians we are challenged to keep our eyes firmly fixed on Jesus – never losing sight of his presence while uniting ourselves to all those who walk the pathway of the Christian life with us.

This week's spiritual assignment: Spend time in prayer each day asking "How do we react to things that challenge our point of view. Are we the source of any division in our families or communities? Where do we shy away from obeying God's call?"

Continue to Pray for our Parish!

PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

Bishop Emeritus Donald Trautman, Father Jim O'Hara, Msgr. Gerald Koos, Fr. Joseph Gregorek, Fr. John Santor, Msgr. Robert Smith, Deacon Dennis Kudlak, Marie Dzuricky, Anne Goodrich, Monica Sorensen, Tom Duska, Sr., Kay Majersky, Maryann Marchant, John Wolfe, Ted Mazur, Karen Antonio, Theresa Juchno, Theresa Zaborowski, Victoria Vargo, Lynn Clint, Sr. Rose Kuzma, Audrey Draszkiwicz, Theresa Reisenweber, Janice Schroeder, Walter Burenko, Jr., Frances Kierzek, Margaret Kuzma, Jim Berdis, Jr. Susan Spadaccio, John Rzomp, Eileen Ropelewski, Andrew G., Catherine Jankowski, Margret Cermak, Robert and Karen Mazur, Thomas Kaiser, Raymond Wasielewski, Mike Lucas, Bertha Wernicki, 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, Agnes Priscaro, Jean Benedict, Jerry Jeroski, Linda Kuzma, Geraldine Tomczak, 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, Al Ropelewski, Eugeniusz Szczepura, Bob Benim, 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 McMahon, Lillian Kolbas, Joyce Mueck, Carol Reynolds-Wolfe, Leokadia Bajek, Walter Zaborowski, Louise Grolemond, Margaret Barabas, 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.

PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY

Rev. Joseph Campbell (South Korea), Austin Agnello (in Sicily), 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 Japan), and David Kraut
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Thank you for your service to our country.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sunday, August 4, 2019

4PM Mass \$843.06
8AM Mass \$611.00
Latin Mass \$1,067.15
11AM Mass \$1,117.50
Candles \$81.00
Candles—St. Ann Novena \$78.00
TOTAL \$3,797.71

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2019

On the rise, Thank you! Every donation helps us reach our goal! Big or little it all counts! If you have not done so please make your commitment today! The CSA envelopes are in your monthly packet or additional envelopes are available in the back of the Churches for those who wish to place their contribution in the Sunday collection. Thanks again!

CSA 2019 as of August 6, 2019

Pledged: \$18,507.00 Paid: \$16,862.00

Thank you to each and everyone, our parishioners, our friends, our benefactors, and our family for the deep devotion to Our Mother of Sorrows Parish for your continued love, support and generosity.

Thanks for keeping our home fires burning!

REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.

**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 (Home and 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.