

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 18th: Sixteenth Ordinary Sunday

Saint Ann Novena Day 1

Diocesan Second Special Collection—National Needs

8:30 am (SA) Michael Lucas by Delphine Palkovic

9:00 am (SC) Confessions

9:30 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ The Souls in Purgatory by
John A. McNamara

10:30 am (SA) Confessions

11:00 am (SA) Halina Roman by Jodi Sando

Monday, July 19th: Weekday

Novena Day 2

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

8:30am (SA) Agnes Ruza Priscaro by Kevin Helsley
Family

11:30am (SA) NO Confessions

12:05pm (SA) NO Mass

7:00pm (SA) James Berdis, Sr. by Delphine Palkovic

Tuesday, July 20th: Saint Apollinaris

Novena Day 3

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

8:30am (SA) Frank Hodas, Birthday, Jan 20 by
Christine Visosky

11:30am (SA) NO Confessions

12:05pm (SA) NO Mass

7:00pm (SA) Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa
Galla

Wednesday, July 21st: Saint Lawrence of Brindisi

Novena Day 4

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

8:30am (SA) Michael J. Ropelewski, Anniversary by
Daughters

11:30am (SA) NO Confessions

12:05pm (SA) NO Mass

5:30pm (SC) *Latin Mass*: Special Intentions of Barbara
Martone and Family by Aunt Tracy and Uncle Steve

7:00pm (SA) Tim Hart by Kathy Mays

Thursday, July 22nd: St. Mary Magdalene

Novena Day 5

8:30am (SA) Special Intentions of Connie Minichelli

11:30am (SA) NO Confessions

12:05pm (SA) NO Mass

7:00pm (SA) Rose Marie Skrypek by husband Bob

Friday, July 23rd: St. Bridget

Novena Day 6

8:30am (SA) Robert Shanta, Sr. by Vento Family

11:30am (SA) NO Confessions

12:05pm (SA) NO Mass

7:00pm (SA) Stanley & Jane Lipinski by Caroline
Larson

Saturday, July 24th: St. Sharbel Makhluf

Novena Day 7

8:30am (SA) Cathie Dombkowski by Dombkowski
Family

4:00pm (SA) Good Health & Healing for Monica
Palkovic by Mom and Family

No Public Saturday Vigil Mass or Confessions (SC)

Sunday, July 25th: Seventeenth Ordinary Sunday

Novena Day 8

8:30 am (SA) Special Intentions of Evan Vieira by
Charlotte Prez

→ 8:30 am (SC) Confessions

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

10:30 am (SA) Confessions

11:00 am (SA) Shirley Flak by Charlotte Prez

The **102nd Saint Ann Novena** begins today Sunday, July 18th and runs through Monday, July 26th at Saint Ann's Church, 921 East Ave., Erie, PA with Fr. Denis Sweeney, C.Ss.R.

Please pay very close attention to the Mass/Confession schedules for the times and location of all Masses/Confessions during the Novena. Confessions will be heard before and after each Novena Mass at St. Ann's.

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

1) Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

2) Rev. James T. O'Hara by Friends

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

St. Ann's

1) Rose Marie Skrypek by husband Bob

2) All attending the 102nd Saint Ann Novena

St. Casimir's

1) Cathie Dombkowski by Dombkowski Family

2) Health & Healing Bobby Osiecki by Sam, Helen &
Andrew Gangemi

FINANCIAL REPORT

Offertory July 4, 2021: \$5,387.20

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

2021 Goal: \$20,164.00

Pledged: \$13,161.00

Paid: \$11,521.00

NOTE: Starting Sunday, July 25th the Sunday Latin Mass moves, permanently, to 9:00AM with confessions at 8:30AM.

The information in this bulletin is Accurate as of the
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FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

Sixteenth Sunday Ordinary Time – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost in Latin Mass

Our **102nd annual Novena in honor of St. Ann** begins today and runs through July 26 at St. Ann Church. A very special welcome to Redemptorist **Father Denis Sweeney** from Washington, D.C., who is our guest preacher, confessor and celebrant for the nine days. Daily Masses will be celebrated Monday through Friday at 8:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Saturday Masses are 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.; and Sunday Masses are 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Please note that the 11:00 am Sunday mass has been moved to St. Ann this week and next. A very special welcome to our visitors who are joining us for the Novena.

Please note that beginning on **Sunday, July 25 the 9:30 am Latin Mass time will be permanently moved to 9:00 am.**

Dispensation from Sunday and Holy Day Masses to end soon ... The Catholic bishops of Pennsylvania have indicated that the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass, which went into effect in March 2020 will soon be lifted. Bishop Persico is reinstating the obligation to attend Mass in person on Sundays and holy days beginning on **Sunday, Aug. 15, 2021**, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As always, the obligation does not apply to those with serious illness or health risks, as well as their caregivers. We look forward to having everyone back soon and will be communicating more information in the near future regarding plans on returning to more of a sense of pre-pandemic parish life.

World Day for Grandparents and Elderly ... Pope Francis has established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, to be held each year on the fourth Sunday of July. This date was chosen because it is close to the feast day of Ss. Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. In 2021, the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is **Sunday, July 25.**

St. Paul Italian Festival ... St. Paul Parish, W. 16th and Walnut streets, Erie, is hosting its annual Italian Festival Aug. 6 -8. For more information, go to www.stpaulrcerie.org (events tab) or call 814-456-6256.

The 2021 **Diocesan Anniversary Celebration** liturgies for couples celebrating **25, 50, 60 or more years of marriage** will be held at two locations in the diocese: Sunday, August 1, will be at Immaculate Conception Parish in Clarion, and Sunday, August 8, will be at St. Jude Parish in Erie. For more information and to register, go to: www.eriecd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html Electronic registrations are highly encouraged, but you may also call the Diocesan Faith Formation Office at (814)824-1210.

The Best Laid Plans! ... Most of us have heard at one time or another that “If you want to make God laugh, tell Him your plans.” We all make plans. We have plans for our families, school plans, plans at work, travel plans, and many more. Even our fun times are planned. When we make these plans, we have good intentions but alas, our best-laid plans are often changed and de-railed and too often stolen from us. In our Gospel, the Apostles who had been out preaching all day had come back to Jesus with plans of their own, to get some much-needed rest. They needed a break, so Jesus decided it was time to get away and get some rest. But as they approached the opposite shore, they saw a large crowd and heard the noisy voices of people. Their plans were totally disrupted as they now had to tend to the needs of the crowd. You can imagine how those Apostles felt. No doubt they were disappointed and somewhat annoyed by this disruption. What is our reaction when our plans are disrupted? How do we treat those who we perceive as getting in the way of what we want to get done? Do we resent them and make their life miserable? Jesus endured many disruptions and setbacks in his earthly ministry, but he turned these moments into blessings for those he encountered. In our Gospel account, he got out of the boat even though he was weary and needed a break, went into the crowd, and ministered to them. “So, as he stepped ashore, he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.” Jesus did not get irritated or send them away. Instead, he gave them his tender and caring love. We are called to do the same – in spite of what we may have planned, God may want us to give our caring love to someone else, even if that means putting our own plans on hold. Our lesson is that God’s agenda and our own agenda may not always be the same. God has plans for us, and when they come to bear in our lives, we might have to make some adjustments to our own plans. God is a God of surprises, just as he is a God who gives us unplanned opportunities to show what we’re made of. Let us always take these opportunities to respond to him and others in patience and humility, and with love. Let us always strive to make God’s ways our ways.



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