

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024 TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, June 23rd: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private: Mary Zamierowski Coccoareli by Mark and Diane Olszewski

10:30am (SC) Confessions

11:00am (SC) Habas, Kulig and Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate

Monday, June 24th: The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

11:15am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Jeanne Burke DeForce by her Mother and Family

Tuesday, June 25th: Weekday

11:15am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) David K. Wienczkowski by Paul & Irene Nass

Wednesday, June 26th: Weekday

11:15am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Albert Carino by Dr. Hal Angeloff

Thursday, June 27th: Saint Cyril of Alexandria

11:15am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) George Herczak by The Vento Family

Friday, June 28th: Saint Irenaeus

11:15am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Stanley Mack by Gloria Palmer

Saturday, June 29th: Saints Peter and Paul

Private: Josaphine Reed by Dr. Hal Angeloff

Sunday, June 30th: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private: Jerzy Rudnicki, Birthday by Mark and Diane Olszewski

10:30am (SC) Confessions

11:00am (SC) Marianna Drzewieczka Pawlowska, Anniversary by Mark and Diane Olszewski

Monday, July 1st: Saint Junipero Serra

11:15am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Donna Cataldo by Dr. Hal Angeloff

Tuesday, July 2nd: Weekday

11:15am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) William Cataldo, Sr. by Dr. Hal Angeloff

Wednesday, July 3rd: Saint Thomas

11:15am (SA) Confessions

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

Thursday, July 4th: Weekday/Independence Day

▶ 9:30am (SA) Confessions

▶ 10:00pm (SA) Anna Malinowski by Mark and Diane Olszewski

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

1) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

2) All of our Sick and Shut-ins

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

St. Ann's

1) Special Intentions of Dr. Hal Angeloff by A Friend

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

St. Casimir's

1) Habas, Kulig and Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate

2) Galla and Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mail in Offertory June 16, 2024

Sunday Offertory: \$790.00

Loose: \$204.00

Father's Day: \$85.00

Peter's Pence/Holy Father: \$5.00

Food Pantry: \$25.00

Mother's Day: \$5.00

Candles: \$115.00

Knights of Columbus Mass at SA: \$137.00

Saint Ann's Building Fund: \$300.00

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

2024 Goal: \$35,165.00

Pledged: \$6,115.00

Paid: \$5,940.00

We are \$29,050.00 away from our goal.

Can you help us reach our goal?

Thank you to everyone who has already pledged to the 2024 CSA.

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

Thank you for keeping the Home Fires Burning!

Special Diocesan Collections

The collection for *Holy Father/Peter's Pence*, for our parish, has been moved to Sunday, July 7th. Please note the change in the date for this collection. Thank you.

105th Annual Novena to Good Saint Ann at Saint Ann's Church, 931 East Ave., Erie, PA. July 18th through 26th, 2024.



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DEACON ADMINISTRATOR: Rev. Mr. Jerome T. Sobrowski

FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

The **United States Catholic Conference of Bishops** mandates that each parish have a missionary speak at all the Masses and take up a collection. For us, this will happen at our 11:00 am mass next Sunday, June 30.

On June 29 the, the Church will celebrate the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, the two Apostles who shed their blood for Christ in Rome. The **Peter s Pence Collection** is taken up every year throughout the Church on or near that Solemnity. This year the collection will be taken up in most churches on the weekend of June 29 and 30. **Since we will be visited by a missionary speaker next Sunday, this collection will be taken up in our parish the following Sunday, July 7.** The Peter s Pence Collection supports the charitable works of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, the successor of St. Peter, as he responds to some of the most urgent needs of people throughout the world, including relief to victims of natural disasters such as earthquakes and floods. Peter s Pence also helps our Holy Father support seminaries and religious houses, orphanages, AIDS treatment centers, and other medical facilities in developing nations, as well as many other charitable works.

Our **105th annual St. Ann Novena** will take place beginning on Thursday, July 18 and conclude on the Feasts of Sts. Ann and Joachim on Friday, July 26 at St. Ann Roman Catholic Church, 931 East Ave., Erie. Several special events are planned during the nine-day Novena. As part of the Novena, a very special visit of the International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will arrive at St. Ann Church at 8 am on Sunday, July 21. There will be an opening procession followed by a special 8:30 am mass celebrated by **Bishop Persico**. She will remain in the church for the 11 am mass the same day and will be available for veneration until 4:00 pm when a farewell will be held. This visit is sponsored by the Diocese of Erie World Apostolate of Fatima, the Knights of Columbus and the Legion of Mary.

St. Joseph Bread of Life Parish, Erie, hosts **Comfort Through Grief Ministry** meetings every fourth Monday of each month. This month, the parish will welcome guest speaker Father Larry Richards on June 24 from 6:15 to 8 pm in the St. Joseph Parish Community Center, 147 West 24th St., Erie. Doors open at 5:30 pm. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Barb at 814.323.2806 or email dulcibarb@aol.com.

Support Catholic education through annual Winavette fundraiser: Erie's St. Jude the Apostle Parish, in partnership with www.winavette.com, presents an opportunity to win a 2024 1LT Corvette Convertible Stingray or \$50,000 in cash. There will be over \$100,000 in prizes awarded including a second-place family vacation cruise or \$5,000. To celebrate the Twelve Days of Christmas, cash prizes will be awarded for 12 consecutive days leading up to the grand prize drawing on Christmas Eve. All proceeds support Catholic education and ministries within the parish community. Tickets are available now for \$50. For more details, please visit www.winavette.com.

Jesus is in our boat

In our Gospel reading this week we encounter one of the most compelling stories of Jesus' ministry: the calming of the storm. Yet, it is more than just a story as this passage contains rich spiritual insights and lessons for our daily lives.

As evening falls, Jesus and his disciples embark on a journey across the Sea of Galilee, known for its sudden and violent storms. As great windstorm arises, and the waves crash into the boat, threatening to sink it, the disciples, who were experienced fishermen and knew these waters well, are terrified and become powerless.

Amid all this chaos, Jesus is asleep on a cushion in the stern and at peace. This image poses a vital question for us: In the storms and chaos of our lives where do we find our peace? Do we, like the disciples, allow the storms of life to unsettle us, or do we look to Jesus, who remains our steadfast source of calm?

In their fear, the disciples wake Jesus, crying out, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" Their question is one we might ask in our own moments of desperation. When life's storms rage, we may wonder if God cares or if he is even aware of our plight.

Jesus responds to the disciples immediately. He rebukes the wind and says to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Instantly, the wind ceases, and there is a great calm. More than just revealing Jesus' divine power over nature he speaks to his authority over the storms of our lives. When we invite Jesus into our struggles, he can bring peace and stillness to our troubled hearts. Jesus is in our boat!

Each of us faces storms—times of fear, doubt, and uncertainty. Do we trust Jesus only when life is smooth sailing, or do we have faith that he is with us even when the waves threaten to overwhelm us? True faith involves trusting Jesus in every circumstance, confident that he is in control. Jesus is always in the boat with us. His presence is our assurance of peace and safety. When we feel overwhelmed, we can turn to him in prayer, knowing that he hears us and has the power to calm the storms we face.

In the midst of our own storms, may we hear Jesus' words, "Peace! Be still!" spoken not only to the chaos around us but also to the fear within us. Let us place our trust in him, our refuge and strength, and find the peace that surpasses all understanding.

Let us also pray for the grace to deepen our faith, especially in times of chaos and trial. May we always remember that with Jesus in our boat, we have nothing to fear. He is our anchor, our peace, and our guide through every storm.