

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & HOLY ROSARY

**Rev. David Baetzold, Pastor**

*Deacon Assistant Denis Coan, Deacon Assistant Matthew Ochalek  
& Deacon Francis Lombardo*

**May 21, 2023 Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**St. John the Baptist Church**

Located at 509 E. 26<sup>th</sup> Street, Erie PA 16504

**Holy Rosary Church**

Located at East 28th & East Avenue, Erie, PA 16504

### Mass Schedule

**SATURDAY EVENING MASS 4:00 PM**

St. John Baptist (April to September)

Holy Rosary (October to March)

**SUNDAY MORNING MASS**

**8:00 AM** at St. John the Baptist

**10:30 AM** at Holy Rosary

**WEEKDAYS**

**8:00 AM** Tues & Thurs - Holy Rosary Chapel

**8:00 AM** Wed & Fri - St. John's Parish House Chapel

**CONFESSIONS: 2:30-3:30 PM Saturday at St. John the Baptist or by appointment**

### **PARTNERED PARISH OFFICE**

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**OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - THURSDAY 8 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.**

Office **CLOSED** Fridays

**THE ST. JOHN'S/HOLY ROSARY CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON  
MEMORIAL DAY - MONDAY, MAY 29, 2023.**

**FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY:**

Faith Formation @ St. Luke: 814-825-6920

**PARTNERED PARISH WEBSITE: [stjohn-holyrosary-erie.org/](http://stjohn-holyrosary-erie.org/)**

**All are welcome! / ¡ Todos son bienvenidos aquí!**

# GLORY

Jesus raised his eyes to  
heaven and said, "Father, the  
hour has come. Give glory to  
your son, so that your son  
may glorify you."

JOHN 17:1



**Baptism at St. John's**

On Sunday, April 30, Ari DeJesus, the son of Sebastian DeJesus and Johanna Forish, was baptized at St. John the Baptist. The photo below left shows little Ari and mom and dad. The other photo below shows the sponsors for Ari's baptism, John and Joanna Barone and Fr. Ray Hahn, Celebrant.

The photo below right includes a framed photo of Emily Winston, Johanna's sister who passed away on February 13, 2023. She had originally asked Emily to be godmother. This was a way to honor her sister. They also honored Sebastian's late mother, Rosemary Barone. Ari's grandparents are Michael and Donna Forish, parishioners of St. John's. Congratulations



**Let's Celebrate**

With gratitude we celebrate today (May 20) Fr. Bill Sutherland's 40th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. As we continue this joyous celebration after the 4 p.m. Mass, please join us for a reception in St. John's Pastor's Hall.

Our hall can be located by using the inside stairs found at the front doors of St. John's. If needed, the handicap ramp is outside and can be found by exiting the church by the east side handicap door. All are invited to join us.



**The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2023**

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and join with many people worldwide in praying for these monthly intentions.



The Holy Father has entrusted these intentions in a particular way to the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network, an organization that works to encourage Christians to respond to the Pope's appeal and to deepen their daily prayer.

**May**

**For church movements and groups**

*We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of the needs of the world.*

**June**

**For the abolition of torture**

*We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.*

Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network:  
<https://popesprayerusa.net/>

***"Know that I am with you,  
and will keep you wherever you go."***

**Genesis 28:15a**

The Sacrament of Confirmation was held at St. Luke Church on Thursday, April 27, 2023 with Bishop Lawrence Persico, Celebrant. The confirmandi include: Eli Baker, Dominick Eckendorf, Brigid Ochalek and Mackenzie Rossi. All parishioners of Holy Rosary.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion was held on Sunday, May 7, 2023 at St. Luke for Christopher Rettger (Holy Rosary) and Paige Breneman (St. John's).

We welcome Greyson Stubenhofer into the Catholic Church by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism( May 13, 2023). Grayson's parents are James and Erin Stubenhofer and his Godparents are Jason Stubenhofer and Jamie Stubenhofer Breneman.

**In Remembrance**

*Our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of  
Austin Donoghue.  
May he rest in peace.*

**Congratulations Fr. Fischer**

Congratulations to Fr. John Fischer who is celebrating his 60th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood on May 23, 2023. Fr. Fischer is a native son of St. John the Baptist.

If anyone would like to send a card they can send it to:

Rev. John Fischer  
8647 Dogwood Ct.  
Girard, PA 16417



[Mass Intentions for the Week](#)**Tuesday, May 23, 2023**

8:00 am HR Eric Keefe (Charlotte &amp; Debbie)

**Wednesday, May 24, 2023**

8:00 am SJB Harry &amp; Stella Mikolajewski (Terry, Emily &amp; Neil)

**Thursday, May 25, 2023**

7:00 am HR Holy Hour for Priests

8:00 am HR All Our Friends at Holy Rosary  
(Angeline & Bonnie Zebrowski)**Friday, May 26, 2023**

8:00 am SJB Roy Lawrence (Lucia Lee)

**Saturday, May 27, 2023**

4:00 pm SJB Donald J. Lorei (Denise &amp; Family)

**Sunday, May 28, 2023**

8:00 am SJB For all Living &amp; Deceased Parishioners

10:30 am HR Cyrus 'Bud' Watson (Grace &amp; Family)

**Monday, May 29, 2023—Memorial Day**

9:00 am SJB For all Living &amp; Deceased Parishioners

**The Sanctuary Candle** is lit this week in memory of John Harrick (MaryAnn Merski).[Readings Next Weekend](#)**Pentecost Sunday**

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11

2nd Reading: 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23

[A Family Perspective](#)

*As Jesus appointed apostles, he also appoints parents to represent Him in the family; "make disciples of your children, baptizing and teaching them all I have taught you. Don't worry, I am with you always."*

[Lector Schedule](#)

May 27 4 p.m. Rob Kocur  
Ordinary Minister: Deacon Denis Coan

May 28 8:00 a.m. Mary Coan  
Ordinary Minister: Deacon Denis Coan

May 28 10:30 a.m. Alice Kendziora & Richard Marshall  
Ordinary Minister: Deacon Matt Ochalek

[Offertory Update](#)[Holy Rosary April 2023 Offertory](#)

Weekly	6,502.50
Loose	280.00
Online giving	301.54
Holy Days	30.00
Easter	1,681.00

Total April Offertory: \$8,795.04

[St. John the Baptist April 2023 Offertory](#)

Weekly	4,978.00
Loose	568.31
Online giving	820.00
Holy Days	0.00
Easter	1,411.00

Total April Offertory: \$7,777.31

[Faith Formation at St. Luke](#)

K-5 Grade at St. Luke: Jessica Anaya 814-825-6920  
6-8 Grade & Youth Ministry at Our Lady of Mount Carmel:  
Rebecca Wiest 814-825-7313

[Baptismal preparation class](#)

Those who are planning a baptism, need to attend a Baptism preparation class. The next class is **Saturday, June 3 at 10:00 a.m. at the Holy Rosary Rectory**. To register call the Holy Rosary Church Office at 814-456-4254.

[Mustard Seeds Meetings](#)

The St. John's/Holy Rosary Mustard Seed group reads and discusses the scripture readings for the upcoming week. This group meets on **June 8 & June 22 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.** the conference room at St. John's Rectory. All are welcome! Contact Mary Margaret Skladanowski at 814-520-8903.

[Prayer Shawl Ministry Meetings](#)

The Prayer Shawl Ministry of Holy Rosary and St. John's encourage you to join this group if you like to knit or crochet. This group meets on **June 8 & June 22 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** in the upstairs sitting room at St. John's Rectory. All are welcome! For more information or to receive a shawl, call Mary Margaret Skladanowski at 814-520-8903 or Debbie Totzke at 814-825-4493.

[Mercy Anchor Community Center Open House](#)

The Mercy Anchor Community Center, in the former Holy Rosary School, will be having an open house on **Wednesday, June 7 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.** All are welcome to tour the school to see how classrooms and other spaces have been renovated to house 32 previously homeless individuals and deliver services. To RSVP, please call the Mercy Center at 814-455-4577 before June 1st.

[St. John's /Holy Rosary 31 Club](#)

Each member chooses one day of the month to pray for an increase of vocations for the Church. You can attend a Mass, say a rosary, and offer special prayers on that date. There is a great need for more vocations! If you would like to become a member of the St. John's/Holy Rosary 31 Club, or have questions, please call Joanne Deiner at 814-899-1968 or email [joannedonohue50@gmail.com](mailto:joannedonohue50@gmail.com).

[Upcoming Mass and prayer commitments:](#)

May 21	Anne Shiel
May 22	Carl & Mary Poniatowski
May 23	Joan Cerrona
May 24	Sr. Michele Schroeck
May 25	Rochelle Vicentini
May 26	Cindy DeCoursey
May 27	Mary Tighe

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