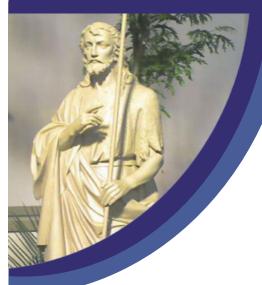
Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, Partnered Parishes



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & HOLY ROSARY

Rev. David Baetzold, Pastor

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

July 2, 2023 Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

St. John the Baptist Church Located at 509 E. 26th 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

2701 East Avenue, Erie, PA 16504-2917

St. John the Baptist 814-454-2873

secretary@sjberie.org

Holy Rosary 814-456-4254 parish.secretary@holyrosaryerie.org

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

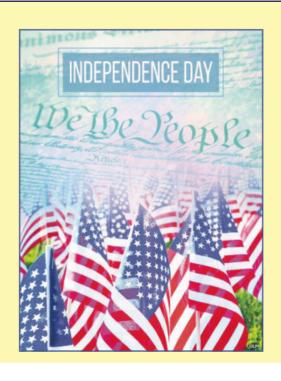
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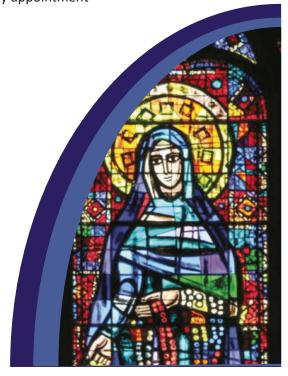
THE ST. JOHN'S & HOLY ROSARY CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED JULY 3 & JULY 4 IN OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY.

FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY:

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

Partnered Parish Website: stjohn-holyrosary-erie.org/
All are welcome! / ; Todos son bienvenidos aquí!





An Independence Day Prayer

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

We all know these words by heart. They are from the United States Declaration of Independence. However, are these words held with the same reverence around the world as they are held here at home? Sadly, no. There are many places in the world where it is a life-threatening endeavor to practice one's faith, that faith that was given to each human by that Creator who endowed us with inalienable rights.

Let us take a moment to remember all those people in the world who are not free to seek life, liberty or happiness.

Let us pray...

O God, you willed that the Jewish people be free from slavery by their Egyptian captors.

You will that all people should be free to worship you without fear and to celebrate their religious beliefs freely, even if they have not yet found you.

Grant that those, who live in this great nation, will thank you daily for our freedom, and work for the freedom of others around the world that do not yet have the freedom to practice their faith openly and proudly.

We seek your wisdom where hatred abounds, and ask for humility to offer our good works to others who live in fear and bondage.

We ask all this through Christ our Lord, who frees us from sin and death through the wood of the cross.

Amen.

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Mission Cooperative Weekend

Our Mission Cooperative weekend will be July 15-16 at both St. John's and Holy Rosary for a second collection. Our speaker will be Rev. Sr. Dr. Carol I. Njoku, ESQ, of Win-Dream International. This is a religious non-profit organized exclusively for charitable, humanitarian, peace, and educational-support purposes for orphans, indigent children, victims of human rights abuses and families recovering from the ravages of conflicts and humanitarian disasters. Since 2013, Win-Dream International has been supporting humanitarian efforts in South Sudan and Nigeria.

This non-profit works with the Catholic Church to rescue children in these war torn regions of Africa.

To learn more about Win-Dream International follow this link: https://win-dreaminternational.org/about.html



Erie Gives Day happens only once a vear.

Let's make the most of it!

Erie Gives Day 2023 is on Tuesday, August 8. On that day you can go online to www.ErieGives.org and make a donation of \$25 or more to your favorite nonprofits, St. John the Baptist and Holy Rosary. This opportunity is ONLY for those using a credit card and the window to donate is from 8:00 a.m. to 8 p.m. ONLY.

If you would prefer to write a check, you will need to do the following:

- Checks must be made payable to: The Erie Community Foundation.
- · All check donations must include a completed Check Donation Form (found at www.ErieGives.org) or contact Marsha in the church office.
- · Checks must be delivered to the Erie Community Foundation (459 West 6th Street, Erie, PA 16507) no later than Monday, August 7, 2023.

If you have any questions, call Marsha in the church office at 814-456-4254 or 814-454-2873.



St. John's & Holy Rosary summer picnic

The 2023 St. John's & Holy Rosary Partnered Parishes summer picnic will be held on **Sunday**, **July 16 from 12 noon to 4:00 p.m.** at the Mount Carmel Picnic Shelter, 1531 E. Grandview Blvd. St. John's & Holy Rosary will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, and water. Bring a dish to share.

The picnic is rain or shine!

(Shelter facilities available)

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.

Upcoming Mass and prayer commitments:

- Jul 2 Tricia Balinski
- Jul 3 Jen Baker and Charlotte Kujawinski
- Jul 4 Denny Deiner
- Jul 5 Denny Deiner
- Jul 6 Mimi Weis and Janet Frazer
- Jul 7 Joanne Deiner
- Jul 8 Julio Berarducci and Jim & Vinni Bartone

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, July 4, 2023 - Independence Day 9:00 am HR For all Living & Deceased Parishioners

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

8:00 am SJB Aloysius & Katherine Kujawinski (Charlotte & Debbie)

Thursday, July 6, 2023

7:00 am HR Holy Hour for Priests

8:00 am HR Tom Cox (Kay Kitch & Sue Doss)

Friday, July 7, 2023

8:00 am SJB Ray Kowalik (Children & Families)

Saturday, July 8, 2023

4:00 pm SJB Nick & Josephine D'Annibale

(Dom & Joanne Cipriani)

Sunday, July 9, 2023

8:00 am SJB For all Living & Deceased Parishioners

10:30 am HR Ken Hardner (Children)

Readings Next Weekend

14th Sunday In Ordinary Time 1st Reading: Zec 9:9-10 2nd Reading: Rom 8:9, 11-13 Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30



A Family Perspective

Today's gospel challenges us to resist the individualism of our culture. Everything we are and have is pure gift which we are expected to share especially to the "lowly ones." What has been freely given needs to be shared freely. No strings attached.

Lector Schedule

Jul 8	4 p.m. Tom DiVecchio
	Ordinary Minister: Deacon Denis Coan
Jul 9	8:00 a.m. Joanne Deiner
	Ordinary Minister: Deacon Denis Coan
Jul 9	10:30 a.m. Cathy Lojewski & Cindy DeCoursey
	Extraordinary Minister: Marilyn Mead

To request prayer or to join the people praying

HR: Jean Zimmer at 814-746-9396 or Bob Zimmer at

robertzimmer379@gmail.com SJB: Allene Kraus at 814-450-8640

Office Reminder

The St. John's & Holy Rosary Partnered Parishes Church office will be closed **Monday**, **July 3 and Tuesday**, **July 4** in observance of the Independence Day Holiday.

Staff of St. John the Baptist & Holy Rosary

Pastor: Rev. David Baetzold

SJB & HR Deacon Assist: Rev. Mr. Denis Coan

814-314-9050

HR Deacon Assist: Rev. Mr. Matthew Ochalek

Bookkeeper: Ryan Coletta

Office: Marsha MacKinnon McKinley HR Maintenance: Eric Hardner

Music Directors: Pat Marshall, Daniel & Emily Cabanillas

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 **Tuesday**, **July 4 at 7:00 p.m. at the St. Luke Rectory.** To register call the St. Luke Church Office at 814-825-6920.

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 July 13 & July 27 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at St. John's Pastors' Hall. 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 July 13 & July 27 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. John's Pastors' Hall. All are welcome!

Farewell Mass for Monsignor Lohse

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God His Excellency, The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL, Bishop of Erie, cordially invites the Reverend Diocesan and Religious Clergy, and the Faithful of the Diocese of Erie to a Farewell Mass for The Reverend Monsignor Edward M. Lohse, JCD Bishop-Elect of Kalamazoo, Michigan. This Farewell Mass will be **Wednesday**, **July 12th at 3:00 p.m.** at St. Peter Cathedral, 230 W. 10th Street.

World Apostolate of Fatima retreat

The Erie Diocesan Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima will host its 18th annual one-day retreat on **Saturday, July 15 at St. Ann Church**, 921 East Ave., Erie. The retreat, led by Fr. Jerry Priscaro and guest speaker Dr. Jaci Philips Sabol, will explore the theme *Mary & the Eucharist*. The day begins at 9:00 a.m. and includes multiple talks, a presentation and Mass. Registration is \$15 per individual or \$25 per couple. To register, contact Mark Wagner at 814-897-5886 or email wagswaste@gmail.com. Please register no later than July 12th.

Food Pantry at the MACC

The Mercy Anchor Community Center (MACC) officially opened last month. In addition to housing those who would otherwise be homeless, the Mercy Center for Women is now calling for volunteers to help at the food pantry. Contact Food Pantry Coordinator Andrea Coleman at 814-455-4577. Thank you to all who have placed contributions in the designated 'Food Pantry' envelopes that you receive from St. John's and Holy Rosary. Those contributions directly support the Food Pantry at the MACC (former Holy Rosary School).

St. Benedict Alumnae Bingo on July 16

The next St. Benedict Alumnae bingo is July 16 at the Polish Falcons Club, 431 East 3rd Street. Doors open at noon/bingo at 1 p.m. Kitchen/bar open. Get a free bingo packet with a paid admission. Just bring gloves, hat or toy for a child, all to be donated to the Saint Benedict day care center. Packets \$ 25/9 cards.



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