

# Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church

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## Baptism

First and Third Sundays of the month  
following 11:00 a.m. Mass.

## Marriage

Arrangements must be made six months  
in advance.

## Ministry to the Sick

Please notify the parish if a member of  
your family is in the hospital or confined  
to home.

## Prayer line request

Dave Piotrowicz 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.  
814 825-4852

Bulletin: Announcements due Monday.

## Parish office hours

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Tuesday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Closed  
Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

MARCH 13, 2022



## Parish Contacts

Weekend Assistant Rev. Casimir Wozniak  
Deacon Rev. Dr. Frank Pregler  
Faith Life Coordinator Susan Berdis 814 825-7313 Ext. 5

Seek, Love, and Serve Jesus Christ

## This week at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

### MASS INTENTIONS

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week in Memory of **Ryan Trejchel**.

Requested by Mom and Dad.

Saturday, March 12th  
4:15 p.m. **Parishioners**

Sunday, March 13th  
8:00 a.m. **David Janosky**  
Requested by Family

Sunday, March 13th  
11:00 a.m. **Greg Helminski**  
Requested by Judith Pentz

Monday, March 14th  
7:00 a.m. **Ann Conroe**  
Requested by Frank and Jane Pregler

Tuesday, March 15th  
7:00 a.m. **Emery and Angeline Young**  
Requested by Gloria Harcourt

Wednesday, March 16th  
7:00 a.m. **Megan Elizabeth Becker**  
Requested by Walter and Dorothy Helminski

Thursday, March 17th  
7:00 a.m. Deceased members of Helminski/Baranski Family  
Requested by Walter and Dorothy Helminski

Friday, March 18th  
7:00 a.m. Ken Massing  
Requested by LA Donna Bola

Saturday, March 19th  
4:15 p.m. **Ed Jakubowski**  
Requested by Family

Sunday, March 20th  
8:00 a.m. **Parishioners**  
  
11:00 a.m. **Vincent Patterson**  
Requested by Family

Would you like a Mass offered for a loved one? **Call the parish office to schedule.**

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us as we pray the stations of the cross **Friday, March 18th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.**

### LADIES' GUILD EVENING EVENT

**Join us for an evening out with friends!** Our annual International Night will be held on **March 15th** in the MPR at 6:30. p.m.

We will be providing "Reubens, pizza, Rachels, and other goodies" for a **light dinner** after a very brief meeting. **All ladies of the parish are invited!** Don't miss out on the fun!

#### **PLEASE SAVE THE DATE**

The **response and support** of our Donato's fundraiser last year was fantastic and we have decided to **make it a yearly event!**

Mark your calendar and plan on having Donato's cook **lunch OR dinner** for your family on **April 20, 2022!** More information coming in the coming month.

### ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Ladies Guild
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Church cleaning
	6:30 p.m.	KOC
	8:00 p.m.	Adult Basketball
Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Folk Group
Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Choir
Friday	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	3:30 p.m.	Confessions
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Rosary

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## SAINT PATRICK

Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 – 493) is a well-known saint around the world.

Saint Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, a deacon and local official, and brought into slavery in Ireland.

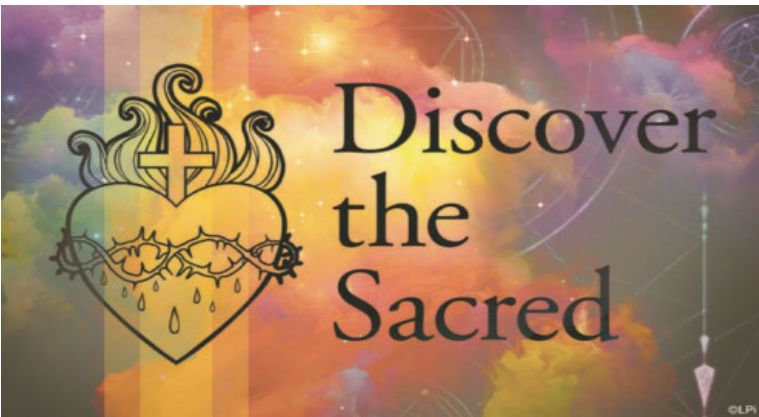
He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family.

**His years of captivity changed him** and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyrdom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ.

## PRAY THE ROSARY DURING LENT

On **Thursdays during Lent**, the Rosary will be recited following the 7:00 a.m. Mass, both of which will be Live streamed. The Rosary is also recited **every Sunday morning at 7:30 a.m.** prior to Mass.

Please **make a commitment** to join in these opportunities for prayer as part of your Lenten sacrifice.



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Week of March 13, 2022

**Sunday:** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/ Lk 9:28b-36

**Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

**Tuesday:** Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

**Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

**Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

**Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/

Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**Next Sunday:** Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-

## PRAYING AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

As a community of faith, we should hold one another in prayer. **Please call the parish office** if you know of someone in need of our prayers.

Barb Charles

Joe G.

Don Burick

Ken Kelley

Rose Mary Kowalczyk

Dennis Stazer

Connor

Lisa Christopher

Karen Leo

Rita Trabert

Charles D. Payne

Ron Matlock

Toni Jakubowski

Christopher Pentz

Together, let us pray for the repose of souls, especially Domenico Tiblandi

Greg Helminski

Caryn Wolfe

Marjorie Leo

Joan Prylinski



## Community Calendar and events

### JOB OPENING

Mercy Center of the Arts is looking to **hire part-time preschool teachers** for 2022—2023 school year. Call or email Amanda Boots, Director 814 824-2519 or [mercycenterofthearts@gmail.com](mailto:mercycenterofthearts@gmail.com).

### ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE

Saint Luke Parish will hold an ecumenical prayer service on **Sunday, March 20th from 3:00—3:30 PM** to pray for peace, especially in Ukraine.

Together as a community we will share our prayers, readings, and song offered for all who suffer persecution and loss of freedom. Saint Paul tells us, "Pray without ceasing."

Please note...*This is not a Eucharistic Liturgy.*

### BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF ERIE

The Benedictine Sisters of Erie invite **young women ages 25 to 45** to join the monastic community for all or part of **Holy Week and Easter, April 9-17**. Find what you seek through the experience of prayer, community and justice-seeking during these sacred days. To make a reservation, email [vocations@eriebenedictines.org](mailto:vocations@eriebenedictines.org) or call 814-899-0614, ext. 2424.

### ADORATION FOR OUR LORD

Saint Francis Xavier in McKean holds adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **EVERY** Thursday (except for the first Thursday of each month) from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the church.

The hour is filled with praise and worship, Scripture readings, silence and the presence of the Lord. **All are welcome to join in person or via livestream** on the parish Facebook.

### NEIGHBORING FISH DINNER'S

Since Our Lady of Mount Carmel does not have a **fish dinner this week, March 18th** why not support one of our neighboring parishes by purchasing dinner.

#### Saint Stanislaus

**Dine in or take out.** Fish and Pierogi. From 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$15.00.

#### Saint Luke

**DRIVE THRU ONLY.** Parish Parking Lot from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 pm. Baked Fish, Pierogis and Mac & Cheese, French Fries, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Roll and Butter. Cost is \$12.00.

#### Blessed Sacrament

**Dine in or take out.** Fish and cheese ravioli, and mac and cheese. 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Cost \$16.00 for fish, \$12.00 for cheese ravioli or \$10.00 for macaroni and cheese. Curbside pickup is available through online ordering only.

### KENTUCKY MISSION TRIP

All high school students from throughout the Diocese of Erie are invited to apply for the trip, scheduled for June 11-17. If interested, email Father Mike DeMartinis at [mike.demartinis@prep-villa.com](mailto:mike.demartinis@prep-villa.com)

### LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES

**Saint Jude the Apostle Parish** will host a Lenten speaker series from 7 to 8 p.m. each day. The evenings will feature a Eucharist presentation & evening prayer.

**March 24th** Father Chris Singer will present Apples, Grapes and Bread - Food for the Journey exploring how the Tree of Life in the Garden of Eden, and Manna in the desert foreshadow Jesus as the Bread of Life.

**April 7th** Sister Katherine Horan will present Eucharist as the nourishment for new life.

THOUGHTS ON THE WAY UP MOUNT CARMEL

As I write this column, we are preparing for our first Fish and Pierogi Dinner of 2022! With circumstances changing weekly (or daily!), it has been hard to predict how things will go. But one thing never changes **the wonderful volunteers that make all our parish events possible!** I thank the long-time workers and the brand-new additions to our Lenten Dinner crew. The organizing committee, your pastor, and the parish are very grateful for your faithful help! While things are not exactly normal (**we will all be wearing masks**), it is good to be more like normal than we have been.

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Persico in a little more than a week. OLMC will host both St. Boniface and Our Lady of Mercy confirmation students and their families and sponsors at the Confirmation Mass on **March 24 at 7:00 p.m.** Thanks to Mrs. Berdis and all our catechists for the preparation of our students over quite a few years. And **thanks to our Confirmandi for their faithfulness** and commitment to Jesus and His Church.

As we make our way through Lent, I hope that you are enjoying your “Little Books” Lenten Prayer Book. I know that I am. We have a number of other **spiritual opportunities** you might try during this Lent. We pray the **Rosary after our 7:00 a.m. Livestreamed Mass every Thursday.** You don’t have to participate in Mass and Rosary at 7:00 a.m. You can go to our Facebook page any time during the day (or another day!). We also offer the **Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m.** We will also have Stations on Good Friday at 7:00 p.m.. Why not **join us for either prayer** event or even daily Mass at 7:00 a.m? Take advantage of these ways to **grow in prayer** and in your relationship with God.

Progress continues on the front of church. When you come to Mass you will probably notice a lot more glass in the front of church. Our workers have been at it all week and will soon be complete with the normal glass replacing the fiberglass panels which are from 1968. Once the new doors are installed, we will **restore the remaining two stained-glass windows** (Jesus and the Children and the Agony in the Garden) and install them above the doors. Meanwhile, work will begin on the handicap entrance on the side of church. **Many thanks to all those whose contributions** to the Foundation for the Future Campaign are making all these renovations to our church possible. Don’t forget, this is the final year of our campaign. **If you want to make a contribution or complete your campaign pledge**, just mark the envelope Foundation for the Future. **Thank you!**

Speaking of contributions, this year’s **Catholic Services Appeal** is off to a good start. Thanks to all who have pledged to the Appeal. Just **drop your pledge** card in the basket in church or in the office mail slot or mail it to us. If you did not receive a letter from me at the end of February, there are extras at both front doors of the church. **Thanks for your support of the work of the Diocese of Erie and for our parish project** which includes the draining of “Lake Carmel” where the sidewalk meets our parking lot. Only the geese oppose this project! The rest of us will welcome a dry sidewalk in front of church!

Finally, thanks to Sue Berdis who responded to my request for help in the parish office. While we are in transition, Sue is working a few hours each morning to keep our bulletin, our financial operations and all our routine parish work running smoothly. Thanks, Sue, for saying yes to my request for help!

As we enter the second week of Lent, **may your spiritual growth be even clearer to you!**

Fr.Ray

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Thank you for your **support!**

**February 28th** \$3366.00\$ Online: \$485.00 **March 6th** \$4619.00 Online: \$525.00

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