

Preliminary Pastoral Plan for the parishes of Erie County August 2023



PROPOSED MERGERS

St. George Parish, Erie:

St. Joseph Bread of Life Parish, Erie, merges into St. George Parish, Erie; St. Joseph Bread of Life becomes a secondary mission church* of St. George Parish.

St. Jude Parish, Erie:

St. Andrew Parish, Erie, merges into St. Jude Parish, Erie; St. Andrew becomes a secondary church of St. Jude Parish.

St. John the Baptist Parish, Erie:

Holy Rosary Parish, Erie, merges into St. John the Baptist Parish, Erie; Holy Rosary becomes a secondary church of St. John the Baptist Parish.

Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Harborcreek:

St. Mark the Evangelist Parish, Lawrence Park, and its current partner parish, **Mount Calvary Parish**, Erie, both merge into Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Harborcreek.

St. Mark the Evangelist becomes a secondary mission church* and Mount Calvary Parish becomes a secondary church, both of Our Lady of Mercy Parish.

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Corry:

St. Teresa of Avila Parish, Union City, with its secondary mission church,* **Our Lady of Fatima Church** in Canadohta Lake, merges into St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Corry.

St. Teresa of Avila becomes a secondary mission church* of St. Thomas the Apostle; Our Lady of Fatima becomes a secondary church of St. Thomas the Apostle.

^{*}A secondary mission church offers at least one Sunday Mass; a secondary church does not. See the full definitions at www.ErieRCD.org/planning.html.

PROPOSED MERGERS (continued)

St. Stanislaus Parish, Erie:

St. Hedwig Church remains a secondary church of St. Stanislaus Parish, as well as home to the Latin Mass Apostolate.

Holy Trinity Parish, Erie, merges into St. Stanislaus Parish, Erie; Holy Trinity becomes a secondary mission church* of St. Stanislaus Parish.

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish, Erie — including St. Casimir, St. Ann and Holy Family churches — merges into St. Stanislaus Parish, Erie; St. Casimir, St. Ann and Holy Family all become secondary churches of St. Stanislaus Parish.



PROPOSED MERGER/PARTNERSHIPS

Blessed Sacrament Parish, Erie, and Sacred Heart Parish, Erie:

- St. Paul Parish, Erie, merges into Sacred Heart Parish, Erie;
- St. Paul becomes a secondary church of Sacred Heart Parish.
- St. Stephen of Hungary Parish, Erie, merges into Sacred Heart Parish, Erie;
- St. Stephen of Hungary becomes a secondary mission church* of Sacred Heart Parish.

Sacred Heart Parish, Erie, with its secondary church and its secondary mission church,* partners with **Blessed Sacrament Parish**, Erie.



+ PROPOSED PARTNERSHIPS

- **St. Boniface Parish**, Hammett, partners with **All Saints Parish**, Waterford.
- St. Francis Xavier Parish, McKean, partners with Our Lady of the Lake Parish, Edinboro.
- St. Luke Parish, Erie, partners with Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Erie.
- **St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish**, Albion, with its secondary mission church,*
- St. Philip, Crossingville, partners with St. John the Evangelist Parish, Girard.



PARISHES THAT WILL NOT EXPERIENCE CHANGE AT THIS TIME

Holy Cross Parish, Fairview St. Julia Parish, Erie

Our Lady of Peace Parish, Erie St. Patrick Parish, Erie

St. Gregory Parish, North East St. Peter Cathedral Parish, Erie

St. James Parish, Wesleyville