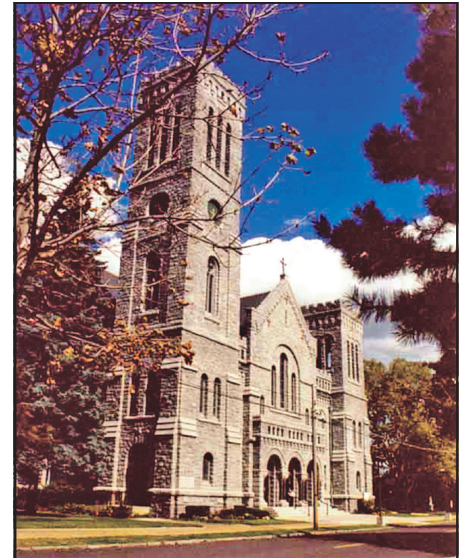
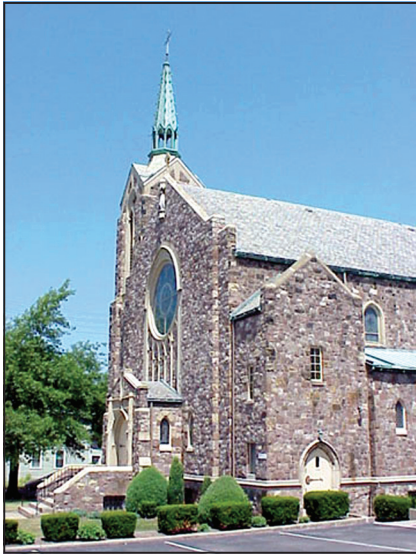


Saint Hedwig Saint Patrick

Sister parishes serving the East Bay Front of Erie

Pastor

Rev. Msgr. Henry A. Kriegel



DAILY MASS

Saint Patrick 8:00 AM

SATURDAY EVENING MASS

Saint Hedwig 4:30 PM

Saint Patrick 5:00 PM

SUNDAY MORNING MASS

Saint Hedwig 9:00 AM

Saint Patrick 10:30 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES

Anticipation

Saint Hedwig 5:30 PM

Holy Day

Saint Patrick 8:00 AM

Saint Patrick 12:05 PM

CONFESSIONS

30 Minutes before each Saturday

Evening Mass or by appointment



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***For information on Baptism, Religious Education, Penance, Eucharist, Confirmation,
Adult Initiation, Marriage, Prayer or Study Groups, please call either parish office.***



Today is the fifth Sunday in ordinary time and we hear our first reading from the Old Testament Book of Job. The whole of this book can be summed up in a few words: God is God and we are not. Great misfortune befalls Job and he wonders why. Common belief was that misfortune is God's punishment for wrong-doing, but that can't apply because Job is a righteous and good man. But when our pain becomes so great that all we can do is talk about it, we discover that a healthy option in the face of great trials is to acknowledge how awful the situation is and hope that God will be with us in the darkness....Our second reading is from Paul's 1st Letter to the Corinthians. False teachers were beginning to appear in Corinth who were willingly taking recompense for their preaching, and Paul does not want to be identified with them. He tells them that he is trying to be all things to all people. He will become weak to win over the weak, etc. He notes that while he preaches the Gospel willingly, even if he didn't want to he would have no choice because he has been entrusted by Christ to do so....Our excerpt from Mark's Gospel is distinctive in its simplicity. Contrast this reading of healing with our first reading from Job of suffering and no chance of escape. Mark notes that the whole town came, that they brought all of their sick, but that only "some" are healed. We're reminded again that God is God and we can only wonder why some are healed and others are not. We will find a persistent theme in Mark that his Jesus often goes off alone to pray before he does any teaching or healing....A play, *Late Nite Catechism*, is coming to Erie March 22-25 at the Bayfront Convention Center. Tickets are \$37.50 and are available at the Tullio Arena Box Office, online at www.ErieBroadwaySeries.com or by phone at 452-4857. *Late Nite Catechism* is an uproarious piece of theater that takes audiences back—sometimes nostalgically, sometimes fearfully—to the children they once were. The irrepressible Sister teaches an adult catechism to a roomful of students (the audience). Over the course of the play, Sister goes from benevolent instructor rewarding students for correct answers with glow-in-the-dark rosaries and laminated saints cards to authoritative drill sergeant. The play gets rave reviews.....Schutte Woodworks and Russells Uphostery are going to refinish the pews at St. Patrick's as part of our restoration. I'm grateful to Mary Pat Schlaudecker for taking the lead in this area of the project. Their plans call for removing 1/4 of the pews at a time and taking them to the plant to be done. They have to take each pew apart, assemble new cushions and fabric, reassemble the pews and finish them. They are also going to furnish us with a bid to build 8 new pews to replace those which were removed from the back of the church years ago. Another bid they are furnishing is to redo the doors from the vestibule into the main body of the church. They have taken a pew which was in the vestibule area and are going to restore it, furnish it with the new cushion and then let it be on display so that you can see the difference that will take place. I think you're going to be very pleased by what you see. The new fabric is both flame retardant and stain resistant. Suddenly these pews—which seem in the view of many to be out of place in this beautiful church—seem to blend in.....We are hoping to be able to begin all of the restoration project— by mid-August, but that is completely dependent upon the bishop's demand that no work can begin until we have raised half of the money needed for the project. I'm counting on you and not worried!!!!.....In discussion with Schutte Woodworks, we have jointly made the decision to delay the work on the pews until the restoration work is done in church. During the last painting of the dome, a can of paint accidentally fell from the scaffolding and everything was covered. That threat plus the logistics of removing the pews while there is scaffolding in the building seems to lead us to the logical conclusion to wait. The restoration work, if we raise 50% of the money in cash, can begin in late August and be done by Christmas. Schutte can then take 1/4 of the pews at a time, refinish them, return them and take another quarter of the pews. We will rent chairs for the time and just keep moving them in church. They assure me that if they start after Christmas, they can be finished by Easter.....I mentioned earlier that a small group of women in the parish are starting to visit our shut-ins and take them Communion. I will continue to visit them on First Friday, but these women are just hoping that they can brighten the day of some people who are confined to their homes or a nursing home. If you have a family member or know of a parishioner who is house-bound and would like a visit, please call the parish office.....I am giving a lecture on the History of St. Patrick's Parish at the Jefferson Society on February 23rd. That event is open to the public but reservations are needed.....The new link on our web page that makes the Sunday Gospel and homily available is now working. I'm grateful to parishioner Debbie Brunner for implementing all of this. If anyone needs help with a web page, Debbie is the go to girl.....While working for an organization that delivers lunches to elderly shut-ins, a mother used to take her four year old daughter on her rounds. The little girl was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs. One day the mother found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As she braced herself for the inevitable barrage of questions, the little girl merely turned to her mother and said, "The tooth fairy will never believe this."

MSGR. KRIEDEL'S HOMILIES NOW ON-LINE

Be sure to check out St. Patrick's web-page to listen to Msgr. Kriegel's homilies.
Go to saintpatrickparisherie.org Click on homilies on the bar to the right.





Saint Patrick News



Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for last weekend was **\$6,351.93**. Thank you for your generosity.

CALLING ALL SINGERS! ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR CHOIR, PLEASE SEE MARK (OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR) AFTER EITHER MASS. WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN US AS WE RAISE OUR VOICES IN SONG TO PRAISE ALMIGHTY GOD!

Please remember in your prayers the families of **James Ward** and **Helen Farmer** who passed away and had their funerals at St. Patrick on February 3rd and 4th respectively. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

We continue to thank those who make special donations to our parish and we pray for those people in whose honor the donations were made: The **Peace Candle** burns this week for all the men and women serving in the military; The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week the **Ave Maria Care & Concern Society**.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, February 11, 2012 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Stan Malinowski

Eucharistic Ministers: Kay Mannino, Yvonne Gersims
1 Needed

Greeters: Kathleen Horan, Angie Kontur

Altar Servers: Needed

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri

Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 10:30 am

Lector: Rick Filippi

Eucharistic Ministers: Forrest Mischler,
Charla Leemhuis, Tim Scully

Greeters: Tom & Linda Brunner

Altar Servers: Emilio Filippi, Juliette Morales

Ushers: John Purvis, Luke Purvis, Tom Welch
David Taccone

Offertory Counters: Tom & Linda Brunner

A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Job's description of his life being "like the wind" is an image many of us could use to describe our lives today. This week's Gospel gives us a glimpse of a practice Jesus incorporated into his busy life—taking time for quiet prayer. In the midst of your busy life, how prayerful are you these days?



The Ave Maria Care & Concern Society will hold their next meeting at a different location. New members are always welcome. If you would like to see what the "Ave" is all about feel free to join them in the Pascal Room at 11:30 am. The Pascal Room is located near the doors on the east side of the rear of the Church. The meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 12, after the 10:30 am Mass. We would enjoy your company.

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT GETTING HELP WITH ENERGY BILLS? LIHEAP REPRESENTATIVES VISIT HERE ON FEBRUARY 7TH.

Representatives of the "Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program" (LIHEAP) will visit the Sr. Pascal/St. Patrick Food Pantry on Tuesday, February 7th to discuss the program with interested clients and parishioners. LIHEAP could provide financial assistance in paying home heating bills to persons meeting the program's eligibility requirements. To find out if you qualify or to learn more about the assistance program, stop by LIHEAP table in the reception room of the food pantry. Representatives will be available from 9:30 AM until 12 Noon. Please take advantage of their help and expertise.



RINCE NA TIARNA Irish Dancers will hold their annual fund raiser "**Pub Night**" at Molly Brannigan's on Thursday, February 9th from 5-8pm. This is one of their only fund raisers and they would appreciate your support. So come out to Molly Brannigan's and enjoy some food and beverages. The dancers will perform.

We Watched Him Die – I am looking for any parishioner interested in volunteering to help with St. Patrick's very popular annual post Passion play. For the past 18 years or so, parishioners at St. Patrick have performed this play during Holy Week. The play draws hundreds for each of the Palm Sunday and Good Friday performances. Audiences come from outside St. Patrick and from other denominations. We have a core group of dedicated people that return each year. This is the first year that we decided to post an announcement in the bulletin looking for volunteers. We are looking for volunteers to fill acting and non-acting positions. We need 3 men and 1 woman for the cast and 5 people for the crew. To volunteer call Albert Boorady at 218-2544 or 824-4898.



Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning in loving memory of **Carol Kurpiewski** requested by Mary Zielinski, Our Lady's Shrine lamp is burning in loving memory of **Wanda Damico** requested by Theresa Juchno and St. Joseph Shrine lamp is burning in loving memory of **Raymond E. Ruffley, Sr.** requested by Larry and Dolly Bargielski. Please also remember, especially in your prayers, those in the hospital, nursing homes and the homebound.

Our offertory collection for January 21/22 was **\$978.00** and Catholic Communications was **\$140.00**. Thank you and God Bless.

Masses Celebrated by Fr. Daniel Prez

Masses are celebrated at Pleasant Ridge West: **Walter Grabinski** (Jennie Pazdziesz), **Frank Olszewski** (Daughter Deborah), **Peter Zielinski** (Ann Kruszewicz).

Lent Begins ... Wednesday, February 22

Catholic Services Appeal

Commitment Sunday is February 19th. Our goal this year is \$10,200. In addition to the support provided to our diocesan Church, the CSA will enable our parish to continue to meet our own needs.

Microwave Potato Bags

The potato bags are still available at the Remnant Store, 306 East 11th St., Erie. This project was a fund raiser for our 100th anniversary.

"At one and the same time, Christ taught man to do good by his suffering and to do good to those who suffer. In this double aspect He has completely revealed the meaning of suffering."

...Pope John Paul II

Pray the Rosary Daily



Ministry Schedule

February 11 - 4:30pm

Eucharistic Minister
Reader
Altar Servers

Charlotte Mabie
Patricia Mielnik
Portia & Yvonne
Nowosielski

February 12 - 9:00am

Eucharistic Minister
Reader
Altar Server

Judy Pentz
Tom Kurpiewski
Charlotte Mabie

WWME Sponsors Free Concert

Singer/Songwriter Tajci will return to the Diocese of Erie for a free concert at Blessed Sacrament Church, 1626 West 26th St., Erie on Sunday, February 26 at 3pm. Tajci will perform, "I Thirst" - the Crucifixion Story. A pop superstar in Communist Central Europe as a teen, Tajci abandoned her career at the age of 21, coming to the United States to become a student. Today, her Christian concerts inspire hope, healing and unity. Sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter, the free concert is suitable for all. Visit idobelieve.com

On Sacrifice

At Mass we ask our heavenly Father to change, not just bread and wine, but ourselves, making us ever more and more into the likeness of His Son, the priest and victim, the Lamb of Sacrifice. Grafted to Christ, we are to be one offering with the Lord. Your baptismal priesthood is operative when you participate at Mass in dialogue with the celebrant. We offer, albeit through our ordained priests, the sacrifice of Jesus. This theme of sacrifice that is at the heart of priesthood is revisited repeatedly in the lives of Christians. You offer penance or acts of mortification for the salvation of souls; you sacrifice your time and talents for the good and the need of others. Parents sacrifice for their children. Friends make sacrifices for one another. The Christian sees this as part of his or her priestly calling.



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: In today's gospel Jesus went to the "house of Andrew and Simon" to relax but discovered that Simon's mother-in-law was very ill. Like Jesus we come home to relax but are often confronted with problems. Take a tip from Andrew and Simon and tell Jesus about it "immediately".

LITURGY INTENTIONS**Feb. 04 Saturday, Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM ST. HEDWIG ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS-ST.H

5:00 PM CHARLOTTE SERTZ, ANNIV. OF BIRTH
(FAMILY) - ST.P**Feb. 05 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM MADY PLIZGA, ANNIV. (FAMILY) - ST.H

10:30 AM GENEVIEVE TACONE, ANNIV. OF BIRTH 1-29
(MR. & MRS. DONALD PASTORE) - ST.P**Feb. 06 Monday, St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs**

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Feb. 07 Tuesday, weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Feb. 08 Wednesday, St. Jerome Emiliani;
St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin**

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Feb. 09 Thursday, Weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Feb. 10 Friday, Weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Feb. 11 Saturday, Vigil: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM JOSEPH & JOSEPHINE GORSKI (FAMILY) - ST.H

5:00 PM THERESE KAVAL (DOROTHY GRIFFIN) - ST.P

Feb. 12 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time9:00 AM ALBERT, SOPHIE, ALEX & TOM ZALEWSKI
(ALICE & RAY ZALEWSKI) - ST.H10:30 AM SARA CARLOW, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - ST.P
(THE CARLOW FAMILY)**DATES TO REMEMBER**

St.H=St. Hedwig, St.P=St. Patrick, HR=Holy Rosary

CP=Chapel, PF=Polish Falcons

PR=Pascal Room, R=Rectory, CV=Convent

02/04 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

02/05 9:00 AM Rel. Ed. K thru 6 - Holy Rosary**02/06** 7:00 PM MM Novena -St.P**02/07** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR**02/08** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

7:00 PM Peace Prayer - CP

7:00 PM RCIA - R

02/11 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

02/12 9:00 AM Rel. Ed. K thru 6 - Holy Rosary

11:30 AM Ave Maria Care & Concern Mtg.-PR

CHILD PROTECTION— A CD/Video and discussion on **Child Protection/Safe Environment** will be given by Ms Kim Lytle from the Catholic Schools Office, Diocese of Erie to the children (Kdg-Gr 6) and youth (Gr 9-10) at their scheduled Faith Formation sessions **February 19th**. The material being presented is age appropriate for each group. These presentations are mandated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and must be done annually. All parents are invited to attend the session with their child(ren).

FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION — Parents whose children are preparing for the *Sacrament of the Eucharist* are reminded that the next parent/child session is **Saturday, February 11th at 10 am at Holy Rosary.**



NEED PRAYERS? Please call **Mary Alice Hartwell** at **454-5908** to have your prayer intentions placed on our joint parish prayer wheel. Please be assured that your prayer requests will be treated with respect and confidentiality.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM
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Saint Hedwig

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Saint Patrick

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