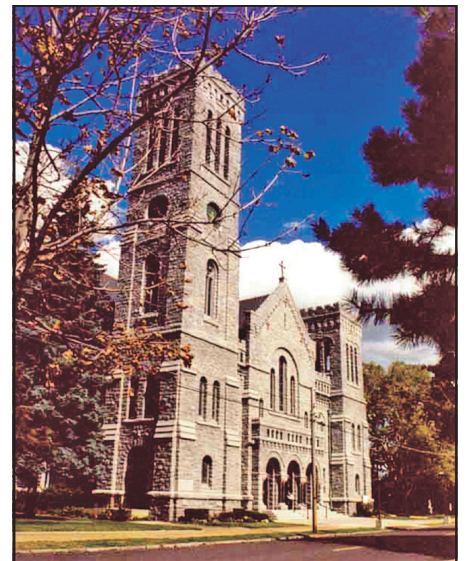
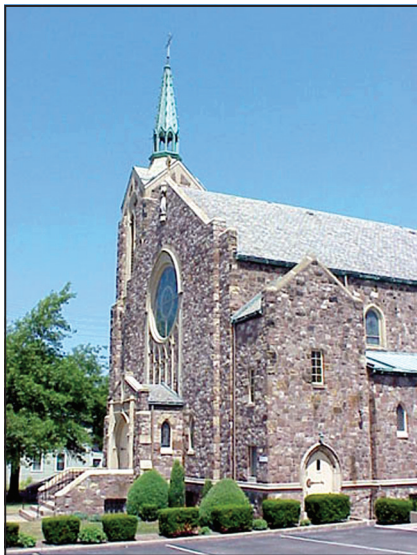


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Sister parishes serving the East Bay Front of Erie

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



Saint Hedwig Parish

Established 1910

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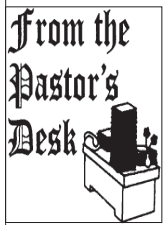
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Today is the Third Sunday of Easter and we continue to read first from the Acts of the Apostles. During the church year, we read our first reading from the Old Testament, with the exception of the Easter season when we read from Acts. This book was written by Luke as a continuation of his gospel, and gives us an incredible insight into the early church. Almost all of the information that we know about that early church comes from Luke.....One theme that will be dominant in Acts of the Apostles as well as Paul's letters is that these early Christians were convinced that the Second Coming of Jesus was immanent and they lived accordingly. Many of them sold everything they owned

and lived in common with one another, they spent long days in almost charismatic prayer with a heightened sense that Jesus would come soon. That early church had a major crisis on its hands as they slowly came to the realization that this was not what was going to happen. When you hear Paul write that those who are not married, should stay that way, etc.—all of that flows from this belief that Jesus' Second Coming was at hand.....We hear Peter, the stumbling and fumbling disciple of Mark's Gospel, who now understands what has happened and can't wait to proclaim it to everyone. Peter pulls no punches as he tells the crowd that they had once handed Jesus over to death, but he becomes conciliatory when he tells them that they acted out of ignorance and that our response now is to "repent.".....We continue our second reading from the first Letter of John which he addresses to those whom he calls "my children." Like a kind parent, he chides his audience and reminds them that if they say they know Jesus but do not keep his commandments, the truth is not in us.....Our gospel today comes from Luke and is the wonderful and familiar story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus. Our gospels for these Sundays are stories of Jesus' appearances after the resurrection. Note once again that they do not recognize Jesus as he walks with them and illustriously explains the scriptures to them. He finds them captivated by his words, but unable to recognize him. Remember how these post-resurrection appearances find a Jesus who is somehow different in appearance than the pre-resurrection Jesus. We're reminded constantly that he was not a ghost, he didn't frighten any one, he ate meals with them, etc. So he possessed a real physical body, but a body somehow different in appearance than he had before. And, finally, he rises above the limitations of time and space because he's all over the place in a very short period of time. He would never have had the opportunity to travel to all of these different places by ordinary means. Those three realities—a real physical body, somehow different in appearance and one that is not bound by the limits of time and space—are what the resurrection offers for each of us. When we stop and think about it, this resurrected Jesus has changed our lives. Death no longer has any hold over us.....I know you join me in welcoming Father Jason Glover of the Theology Department at Gannon University as the celebrant of the Saturday evening 5 PM Mass today and also welcoming Monsignor John Hagerty, retired Headmaster of Cathedral Prep who will celebrate the Sunday morning 9 & 10:30 AM Masses. I will return on the 29th.....The timetable for the church restoration is now complete (provided we can raise 50% of the money to begin). On August 10, Schutte Woodworking will remove the outside rows of pews and Safway Scaffolding will begin building towers along the west and east walls. The center pews and the sanctuary will remain untouched until immediately after the last wedding on August 25. At that time, the center pews will be removed and the remainder of the scaffolding will be put in place.....On September 3, the Conrad Schmitt foreman and one artist will arrive to cover the Stations, the pipe organ, etc. On September 11, the full crew of 10 Conrad Schmitt artists will arrive and begin working. They will finish their work and leave on December 7th. At that time, the scaffolding will be removed and the pews put back in place. Meanwhile, the new sanctuary floor will be laid, and the new carpeting placed in the aisles. Most of the electrical work will also be done between December 7 and what we plan as our first Mass in the restored church on Christmas Eve.....It's an exciting time for us, but it's also a time which will try our patience. The Cauley is not going to be the most comfortable nor uplifting environment in which to celebrate our weekend liturgies, but that will make us yearn all the more to be able to return to the restored church. And—I hope—encourage all of you to be as generous as possible in supporting this project.....I had mentioned that the booklet for our Irish Festival this year will include memorials of people or families whom you wish to be remembered. Those memorials can be accompanied by a photograph. If you are interested in memorializing someone in your family, or even an entire family, please contact the parish office and we'll get you the details.....We have initiated Online Giving at St. Patrick's, a program that can benefit both parishioners and the parish. The program is secure and confidential and it is flexible. You can start or stop your contributions at any time. You can make your contribution to the church in this way, and you will receive notification. The parish benefits in increased offertory and dramatically cuts down on the time the parish office has to spend recording contributions each week. By using Online Giving, it is automatically recorded into your account. If interested, please contact the parish office.....Found in a church bulletin: "Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get." Also "Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married October 24th in our church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days." And finally, "The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the church basement on Friday afternoon.".....Don't complain about my bulletin!!!



Saint Patrick News



Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for last weekend was **\$5,526.50**. Thank you for your generosity.

St. PATRICK'S WELCOMES THESE NEW

PARISHIONERS: Kevin and Mary Cuneo, Richard and Jacolyn Morewood, David and Diane Lauer, John and Barbara Miles, Mary Daly, Mark and Susan Sullivan, Elizabeth Watts, John and Christine Maloney and Family, Edward Scully, Phil and Kathy Fatica, William and Patricia Gloekler, Deborah Yochim, Daniel Amendola, Christopher and Courtney Elliot, John and Karen Malone.

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 Restoration/Foundation Fund** in memory of **Jane Layden** by John and Mary Laver & Carolyn and James Mraz; The **Peace Candle** burns this week for all the men and women serving in the military; The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week by the **Volunteers of the Food Pantry**; The **Food Pantry** in memory of **Helen Stahlman** by Ed and Genny Chizewick.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, April 28, 2012 at 5:00 pm

Lector: *Angie Kontur*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Kathy Sertz, Judy Emling, Kay Mannino*

Greeters: *Tom and Linda Brunner*

Altar Servers: *Needed*

Ushers: *Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri*

Sunday, April 29, 2012 at 10:30 am

Lector: *Gail Smith*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Arlene Barlekoff, Cyndi Pristello, Mary Pristello*

Greeters: *Needed*

Altar Servers: *Anna Pristello, Sarah Pristello*

Ushers: *Randy Pristello, David Wilcox,*

David Taccone, John Maloney

Offertory Counters: *Dario Cipriani, Donna Cipriani, Gail Smith*

The schedule for May is being prepared. Please call or email the office your availability for May and the summer months.

MSGR. KRIEGL'S HOMILIES ARE

NOW ON-LINE Be sure to check out St. Patrick's web-page to listen to Msgr. Kriegel's homilies. Go to **saintpatrick-parisherie.org** Click on homilies on the bar to the right.



Congratulations to ZACK GOLAB who made his First Communion last Sunday, April 15th. Zack, who attends Villa Maria Elementary School, regularly participates in our children's liturgy of the word. You may often see Zack carrying the book in the procession before Mass.

EVERYONE WELCOME! Join Church Women United and the Sisters of Mercy at the 2012 May Friendship Day Celebration on Friday, May 4th. Dinner begins at 5:15 pm with the Ecumenical Worship Celebration at 6:30 pm at the Sisters of Mercy 444 East Grandview Boulevard. Dinner reservations are required by April 23rd to Tracy at 825-7118. Come and share with us how God brings us together from many places, generations, cultures and faiths to become "*One in Christ's Love*"—as we love each other in our differences, we serve in a spirit of oneness. For more information contact Gail Smith at 833-9484.

Additional Easter Flower Memorials:

In memory of **Deacon Peter P. Barzyk, Julie Barzyk, Richard Barzyk, Varina Taylor, Wesley Taylor** requested by Dr. & Mrs. Peter Barzyk; In memory of **Charles Digangi, Adolph LaPlaca, Florence LaPlaca** requested by Marie Digangi & Maria; In memory of **John & Ann Nies and Edward & Margaret Kreidinger** requested by son Joe & daughter Jane; In memory of **Pritchard Family & Gervasi Family** requested by Jan & Ken Gervasi; In memory of **Marge Herzog, Jack Flanagan, Jim Flanagan, John Koscelnic, John Rouch** requested by Bob Herzog and Jeff Rouch.

A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Reading II: 1 John 2:1-5a

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48



In today's Gospel Jesus gives his disciples proof that his body is indeed resurrected. "Look at me." "Touch me." "Have you anything to eat here?" That proof fills them with joy and makes them witnesses of all that they had seen. In this age our "proof" is still the witness of the Body of Christ—all the baptized who serve as witnesses to Christ in a skeptical world today. In what areas of your faith life are you a skeptic? How is belief in the risen Jesus making a difference in your life?



Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning in loving memory of **Walter Grabinski** requested by Carolyn Szewczyk, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Jean Widomski** requested by Ted and family and St. Joseph Shrine lamp burns in loving memory of **Harry Niewolak** requested by his wife Charlotte. Also remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing homes and the homebound.

Thank you for your generous contributions for the Easter collection which was **\$2,109.00**. God bless.

Capital Services Appeal

To date, we have received **\$9,575.00**. We are still short **\$625.00** of our goal. We ask those who have not pledged for the Appeal to do so. This is the most important collection we take up during the whole year because of its importance to our parish and our diocese. Please do your part to keep us alive and able to take care of our needs.

Election Day Bake Sale

The Primary Election Bake Sale sponsored by St. Hedwig Rosary Society will be held this Tuesday, April 24 from 7am until 5pm. We are asking the ladies and men of the parish who are able to donate their special goodies so that our sale can be profitable as usual. Please bring the baked goods early Tuesday morning through the sacristy double doors. We will also raffle two large boxes of baked goods. Chances are **\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.**

Pray the
Rosary



St. Hedwig Family Communion Breakfast

The annual breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 29 at the Third Street Falcons following the 9am Mass. Guest speaker is Sister Phyllis Hilbert. Tickets will be available in the vestibule before and after Mass this weekend. Members of St. Patrick can contact Michele Wheaton or Yvonne Gersims. Adults tickets \$7.50, children (ages 5-12) \$3.00. There is no charge for children under 5. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Kurpiewski at 455-3467. We will sell chances on several "Theme Baskets" to be raffled at the breakfast. Bring your family and friends! Hope to see you there.

A Special "Thank You"

To Barb and Amanda Juchno and their helpers who decorated the church so beautifully for our Easter joy. And we also graciously thank St. Patrick choir, under the direction of Mark Alloway, for their beautiful singing on Holy Thursday.

Ministry Schedule

April 28 - 4:30pm

Eucharistic Minister
Reader
Altar Server

Patricia Mielnik
Patricia Milelnik
Charlotte Mabie

April 29 - 9:00am

Eucharistic Minister
Reader
Altar Servers

Judy Pentz
Barb Juchno
Breanne & Nicholas
Hayes

Microwave Potato Bags

Are still available at the Remnant Store, 306 East 11th Street, Erie. Many colors to choose from.

Reflection....

Even the fig tree had a mission! And since it was not fulfilling its purpose, the master wants it cut down. The gardener, though, wants to give it more time and tender treatment. Like the fig tree, each of us has a mission in life. Though God may be displeased with what we are doing with our life, the gardener, Christ, wants to give us more time, more grace, more love. We simply have to respond to the gardener.



Office of the Bishop

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April 9, 2012
Monday of the Octave of Easter

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11)." These words of our Lord refer to the Paschal Mystery which we celebrate at Easter. Jesus is the central "Good Shepherd" who shows the way to care for God's people. As Christ the Good Shepherd surrounds, loves and cares for his sheep, so your priests tend to the spiritual needs of your parish family.

We can all think of numerous priests who have served, sacrificed and ministered to us and our loved ones in our lifetime. They have celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, baptized our children, been merciful ministers of reconciliation with God, witnessed marriages, anointed our sick and buried our beloved.

Our retired priests continue to be a gift for us. In addition to their constant prayers for the Diocese of Erie, so many of them continue to serve and are so very active in "retirement," helping at parishes, ministering to the sick in our hospitals and nursing homes and lending support wherever and whenever they can. Truly, these priests continue to pour out their lives for service to Jesus Christ and God's people.

As we have relied upon these priests and benefited from their ministry, so now I am hopeful that these same priests can rely upon you for continued financial support to the Good Shepherd Collection on the weekend of April 28th & 29th. This collection is not to be confused with the National Collection for Religious taken in December, which benefits religious orders of women and men. When you contribute to the Good Shepherd Collection for our Diocesan priests, your gift will go toward helping our current and future retired priests.


As your bishop, I have come to know how generous our people are in responding to others through special collections. Through the income of the Good Shepherd Collection we have been able to assist our retired priests with care and health needs, additional revenue to the priest retirement fund, and assist with the operation of the priest retirement home.

Your financial support will provide our priests a measure of the same love and generosity they provided to us for generations. Pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood in our Diocese, and for happy and healthy years for those now retired. Pray also for all priests in active ministry who deserve our support, encouragement and care. May the Season of Easter be one of joy and peace for you and your family.

Fraternally yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Donald W. Trautman, STD, SSL
Bishop of Erie

Original with signature is on file in the Bishop's Office.

ENRICHMENT SERIES



Evangelizing in a Postmodern World

Whether we realize it or not, we are all products of Postmodernism.

This talk will explore what our era of Postmodernism has changed about us and our culture.

It will especially examine the challenges it poses to fostering Christian faith and nourishing the experience of Christian community.

As a sacramental Church, Roman Catholicism faces unique challenges and opportunities in this endeavor.

**Wednesday
May 16, 2012
7:00 p.m.**

**Speaker:
Fr. Scott Detisch,
Ph.D.**

**Mount Saint Benedict
Monastery
6101 East Lake Road
Erie, PA 16511**

Fr. Detisch is presently the pastor of Holy Cross Parish in Fairview and an adjunct professor of Sacramental Theology at St. Mary Seminary and the Graduate School of Theology in Wickliffe, Ohio.



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*Understanding ISLAM:
Is what they say about Islam true?*
Joan Chittister, OSB, Ph.D.

**Benedictine
Sisters of Erie**

LITURGY INTENTIONS**Apr. 21 Saturday, Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter**4:30 PM ALBERT MIELNIK, ANNIV. - ST.H
(BROTHERS & SISTERS)

5:00 PM JAMES GOLAB, ANNIV. (TOM GOLAB) - ST.P

Apr. 22 Third Sunday of Easter9:00 AM JEAN WIDOMSKI - ST.H
(TED WIDOMSKI & FAMILY)10:30 AM ELEANOR CHIMENTI - ST.P
(EVELYN SKOVRON)**Apr. 23 Monday, St. George, Martyr,
St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr**

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Apr. 24 St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Apr. 25 Wednesday, St. Mark, Evangelist

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Apr. 26 Thursday, Easter Weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Apr. 27 Friday, Easter Weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Apr. 28 Saturday, Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Easter4:30 PM ROBERT (BOBBY) STEVENSON - ST.H
(TONY & MILLIE KRAINSKI)5:00 PM MARY CERAMI - ST.P
(THE BOB OLSEN FAMILY)**Apr. 29 Fourth Sunday of Easter**9:00 AM MERCEDES KALATA - ST.H
(BARB & AMANDA JUCHNO)10:30 AM NEIL TORRANCE, ANNIV. - ST.P
(WIFE AND CHILDREN)**DATES TO REMEMBER**St.H=St. Hedwig, St.P=St. Patrick, HR=Holy Rosary
CP=Chapel, PF=Polish Falcons
PR=Pascal Room, R=Rector, CV=Convent**04/21** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

04/22 9:00 AM Rel. Ed. K thru 6 - Holy Rosary
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR
2012-2013**04/23** 7:00 PM MM Novena -St.P**04/24** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR**04/25** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

7:00 PM Peace Prayer - CP

04/28 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

04/29 9:00 AM Rel. Ed. K thru 6 - Holy Rosary

1:00 PM Rel. Ed. Gr. 7, 8, 9, 10 - Holy Rosary

1:00 PM Confirmation Session - Holy Rosary

FAMILY BIBLE CONNECTIONS – Session #5 for
the *Family Bible Connection* is **April 29th at 9 am in Hastings Hall.****REGISTRATION FOR THE 2012-2013 CATECHETICAL YEAR**, will take place at 9 am in **Hastings Hall April 22nd and April 29th**. Registration is being held at this time for your convenience while your children are participating in their faith formation session. *Please be sure to register at this time for next year. Thank you.***THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** will be celebrated **April 26th at 7 pm in Holy Rosary Church**. The youth of our Eastside parishes will be anointed with the sacred Chrism by Bishop Donald W. Trautman.**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**☐

Saint Hedwig

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Saint Patrick

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