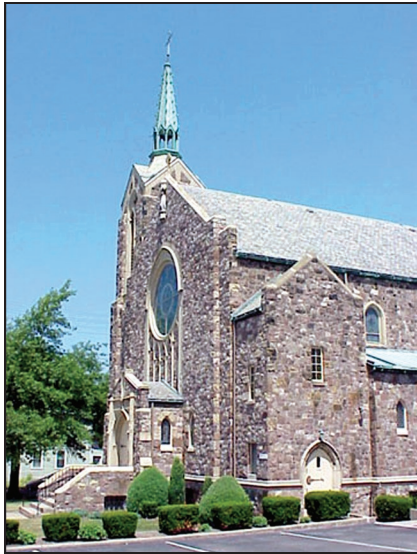


Saint Hedwig Saint Patrick

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 8:00 & 10:30 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES

Anticipation

Saint Hedwig 5:30 PM

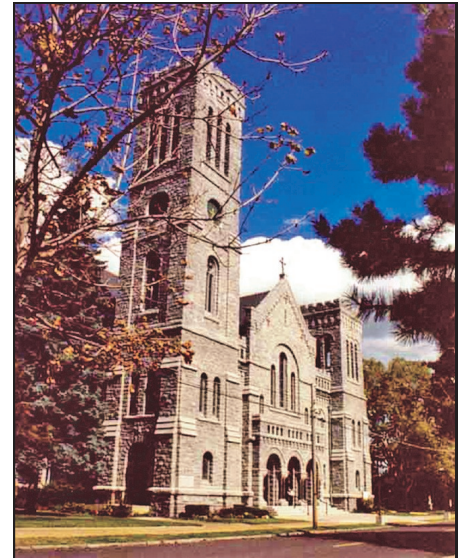
Holy Day

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



Problems and challenges ride the same train as success. The opening statement in today's first reading heralds the amazing growth in the number of disciples, but it also signals the start of tension resulting from that

success. Some of the Greek disciples complain that their widows are not being cared for as well as others. The Twelve immediately take action and appoint seven men who will be ordained deacons and assigned the responsibility of caring for the physical needs of the community. This was the role of the deacon in the early church—to care for the sick, the needy, those imprisoned, etc. The reference in the last line to priests is to Jewish priests; remember we will not have ordained priests in Christianity until well into the third century.

Using a well developed image, Peter is teaching us about church in our second reading. Christ is the "living stone," an image borrowed from Psalm 118. Because we are his followers, we, too, are living stones that can be built into a spiritual house. But Peter points out that the stone which becomes our cornerstone, the foundation of our faith, can become a stumbling stone for non-believers. In the closing verses, Peter uses a number of Old Testament images to make his point: "chosen race," "royal priesthood," "holy nation," "a people of his own" and he now applies these to Christian believers.

Shakespeare notwithstanding, parting is not always such sweet sorrow. For Jesus and his disciples it is frustrating and frightening. The moment painfully illustrates that a teacher rarely is certain that his work is done and that students now know all they need to know. Much to the contrary, Jesus is confronted with the lack of understanding that seems to amaze and trouble him. Jesus is aware of the disciples mood and so he begins with (and 27 verses later will repeat) the admonition "do not let your hearts be troubled." He tells them they know the way that leads where I am going but Thomas expresses doubt again. Jesus makes very clear assertions about his identity. He has not come to show us a way, but to be the way. He did not come to teach the truth, but to be the truth. He does not just give life; he is life. The exchange with Philip is much more poignant than the dialogue with Thomas. When he asks "Show us the father," Jesus will

respond with disappointment. "Philip," he asks, "do you not know me even after so long a time?" Philip and the others clearly have much more to learn and so Jesus, like a teacher reviewing the lesson for the fourth time, launches into his explanation. "I am in the Father and the Father is in me," he tells them. The passage ends telling us that we who believe will do even greater deeds than these disciples.

Congratulations to Evelyn Marie Yapple, daughter of Wellie & Jeanne (Rennie) Yapple, Eyla Lee Strimel, daughter of Adlin and Erin (Hevia) Strimel, and Julian Alexander Pentz, son of Kyle and Carlee (DiMarzio) Pentz who will be baptized after the 10:30 Mass today.

Our capital campaign for the restoration of the church continues to come in at a wonderful rate. With total pledges of \$1,124,926, to date we have payments of \$887,203. I had been making payments on the loan from the diocese at the rate of \$10,000 per month plus interest, but since January I have been making payments of \$20,000 per month plus interest.

The response to our Catholic Services Appeal has been likewise very good at St. Patrick's. With an assessment of \$42,000, we have pledges of \$59,800 which allows me an additional \$17,000 that I can apply toward the debt. Thank you for your generosity.

It is customary on Holy Thursday to leave the church open following the Mass of the Lord's Supper until usually around 10 PM so that people can come and pray before the Blessed Sacrament. We have been doing that at St. Patrick's, but we're not going to do it next year. This year we only had 5 people stop. People just don't come downtown at that hour of the night, so we will not leave the church open next year.

Now that the weather has broken we are going to resume working on the exterior of the rectory. You may recall we discovered three years ago that most of the mortar between the bricks has deteriorated. There are some places on the building where there is no mortar left at all. To date we have done the exterior of the first floor and now going to start on the second floor. The east side of the house is perfectly fine, but the south,

From the Pastor's Desk continued.....

north and west sides (which get the weather) are badly in need of work. We're also going to have to start painting the trim on the house as it is in need of it.

Congratulations to Chloe Boorady who recently made her First Communion and will be recognized at today's 10:30 Mass. Congratulations also to Gemma Filippi who made her First Communion last Sunday at the Cathedral and will also be recognized at today's 10:30 Mass.

You will notice that the leak high on the east wall of St. Patrick's Church has completely stopped. Gary James discovered that there was water coming through the mortar and said to give that area 4-6 months to completely dry out before we repaint it. As such, we can get it repainted sometime this summer. That has been the sight of a chronic leak for years and it was always assumed the water was coming in through the roof somewhere and then traveling to that spot. I'm glad that they finally discovered exactly where the problem lie because it is now corrected. Later in the summer we will touch up that area.

Sister Marie is going to work this summer with several children who want to come into the church and are in need of preparation. We also have a larger than normal group of adults who want to come into the church next Easter Vigil and she will start having regular classes with them. If you know of anyone else who is interested, please contact Sister Marie so we can get them enrolled in the program.

A little girl asked her mother, "Where do people come from?" Her mother answered, "God made Adam and Eve and they had children and that's how all mankind was made." A couple of days later, she asked her father the same question. The father answered, "Many years ago there were monkeys and the human race evolved from them." The confused little girl returned to her mother and asked, "Mommy, how is it possible that you told me that we were created by God and daddy said we came from monkeys?" The mother answered, "Well, dear, it's very simple. I told you about my side of the family and your father told you about his."

Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for **Poor Souls**, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Bro. Ramon Purzycki** requested by Harriet Purzycki and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Peter Purzycki** requested by his sister, Harriet. Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing care, the military and the homebound.

Our offertory for last week was \$877.00 and Easter Flower Donations \$690.00. Thank you and God bless.

Catholic Services Appeal

We have received \$9,165.00 in pledges so far. We are still short \$1,918.00 of our goal of \$11,038. We appeal to all who have not yet pledged to do so. This is very important for us. Please make your pledge today. We need your help.

General Primary Election

The Primary Election will be held at St. Hedwig's on Tuesday, May 20 from 7am until 8pm. The Rosary Society will not hold a Bake Sale for this election.

Father's Day Intentions

Please return Father's Day Intention envelopes by June 6th. This is a wonderful way to remember fathers living and deceased. The list will be published in the Father's Day bulletin.

Masses & Candles

Were requested for the soul of **Jeanette Borowy** by: St. Hedwig Rosary Society, Gary M. & Laura A. Borowy, Greg & Mary Beth Dillon, Gloria Sullivan, Leo J. & Theresa M. Brugger.

Existence of God—When we see footprints on the sand, we conclude that someone has passed that way. The universe is filled with the *footprints of a Supreme Creator*. Every single existing thing or being gives clear testimony of Him. Alight cannot kindle itself; after it is kindled, it will go out in a few hours. But the light of the sun in the heavens has burned for thousands of years and continues to burn.

St. Hedwig Ministry Schedule

	May 24	May 25
	Saturday	Sunday
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM
Lectors:	Ron Rossi	Barb Juchno
Eucharist:	Charlotte Mabie	Tom Zielinski
Ushers:	Ron Helminski	Tom Zielinski
	Richard Mielnik	Sharon Zielinski
Altar	Charlotte Mabie	Nick Hayes
Servers		

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Dear Parishioner—

Sunday, June 15, is Father's Day, a day set aside to remember our fathers.

Our bulletin of June 14 and 15 will include an insert listing the names of any living or deceased father or grandfather whom you wish remembered in our Masses that weekend.

If you would like to include someone in that list, please return this listing NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, JUNE 6 so that we can include these names in the bulletin of the 15th .

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely,

Fr. Kriegel

Monsignor Henry Kriegel

In Memory of or In Honor Of

From

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Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

Offertory Collection	05/11/14	\$ 6,167.00
Online Giving		852.00
Good Shepherd		<u>1,068.60</u>
Total Income		\$ 8,087.60

Thank you for your generosity!

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 **Sanctuary Lamp** burns in memory of **Justine Burger**, Anniv. of Birth from husband, Chuck & family; The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week by the **Ave Maria Care & Concern Society**; The **Food Pantry** is sponsored in memory of **Beverly J. Brown** from William J. Carney; in memory of **Greg Theiss** from Barbara & John Reiting; in memory of **Dave Kranking** in memory of **Jocko and Issy Maloney** from Anne & Paul Causgrove; in memory of **Ray & Rose Fiorelli** from Patty & Ray Fiorelli; in memory of my parents, **Jerry & Dorothy Emling** from Judy Emling, also donations from Nancy Yochim, Patricia & William Gloekler and Mary Ellen Demyanovich.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, May 24, 2014 at 5:00 pm

Lector: *Angie Kontur*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Ray Fiorelli, Carol Habas, Shirley Winschel*

Greeters: *Tom & Linda Brunner*

Altar Servers: *Ryan Jubulis*

Ushers: *Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers*

Sunday, May 25, 2014 at 10:30 am

Lector: *Michele Wheaton*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Mary Williams, Ed Brown, Audrey Reigel*

Greeters: *Mary Alice Hartwell, Marlene Golab*

Altar Servers: *Alex Wheaton*

Ushers: *Dave Taccone, Tom Welch, Jim Wehan, Paul Balczun*

Offertory Counters: *Michele Wheaton, Tim Torrey, Susan Merski, Mary Frick*

Congratulations

to **Gemma Filippi** who received her First Communion at St. Peter Cathedral on May 11th and also to **Chloe Boorady** who made her First Communion on May 4th at Mount Carmel. Both girls will be recognized today.



Let us welcome **Evelyn Marie Yapple**, daughter of Wellie & Jeanne (Rennie) Yapple, **Eyla Lee Strimel**, daughter of Adlin and Erin (Hevia) Strimel, and **Julian Alexander Pentz**, son of Kyle and Carlee (DiMarzio) Pentz who will be baptized after the 10:30 Mass today.

Additional Mother's Day Intentions

<i>Requested By</i>	<i>In Memory/Honor Of</i>
<i>Kathy Alessi.....</i>	<i>IMO Alice Horan</i>
<i>Dorothy Rennie.....</i>	<i>IMO Rachel Mildred</i>
<i>Tom & Colleen Welch.....</i>	<i>IMO Louise M. Spenik</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>IMO Catherine T. Welch</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Matt Marnella</i>	

HOLY LAND GIFTS: After all the Masses this week-end there will be a display of handmade articles for sale such as nativity scenes, crucifixes, rosaries, the last supper and many beautiful religious articles. Because of conflict in the region, many Christian families in Bethlehem are struggling to make ends meet. Holy Land Gifts represent over 100 Christian families who make a living selling traditional olive wood handcrafts and religious articles. Thank you for supporting this project to keep the Christians present in the holy land of Jesus' birth!

PRAISE HIM / PRAISE HYMN—A program featuring **Bruce Gingrich** and the Chancel Choir will be presented at the 1st Methodist Church at 7th and Sassafras at 3:00 today, May 18th! Don't miss this beautiful performance!

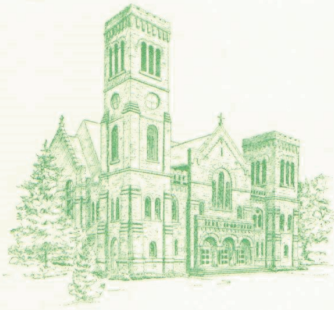


NEED PRAYERS?

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.



Once again St. Patrick's will have a team participating in the **Relay for Life**. It will be held on Friday, June 20th at Harbor Creek High School at 6pm. We would love to have anyone join our team or donate. Any questions, call Rebecca Jubulis 454-5533. Watch the bulletin for further updates.



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LITURGY INTENTIONS**May 17** *Saturday, Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Easter*

4:30 PM EDWARD J. BUKOWSKI (DAVE DUSKA) - ST.H

5:00 PM ISABEL BOEH - ST.P

(ED & MARY ELLEN BRENNAN)

May 18 *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

8:00 AM LIL MARINCE (FAMILY) - ST.P

9:00 AM MARY CIECIERSKI - ST.H

(ST HEDWIG ROSARY SOCIETY)

10:30 AM STELLA LAZOR (JANE CARNEY) - ST.P

May 19 *Monday, Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

May 20 *Tuesday, Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM RAYMOND FIORELLI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH

(RAY & PATTY FIORELLI)

May 21 *Wednesday, Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

May 22 *Thursday, Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM LOUISE BROSKI (JUCHNO FAMILY)

May 23 *Friday, Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM JOSEPH WILKOWSKI

(RONALD & DIANE SLOMSKI)

May 24 *Saturday, Vigil: Sixth Sunday of Easter*

4:30 PM STEFANIO DOMBROWSKI, ANNIV - ST.H

(HELEN DOMBROWSKI))

5:00 PM AURELIA "IRISH" ARDERY, ANNIV OF DEATH

(JOY & JIM HANULIK) - ST.P

May 25 *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

8:00 AM BARBARA KORN, ANNIV OF BIRTH - ST.P

(BOB & THERESA ZABOROWSKI)

9:00 AM ELIZABETH (BETTY) JARZOMSKI, - ST.H

(CHARLOTTE MABIE)

10:30 AM JOHN KRAUCHEN, SR., ANNIV. - ST.P

(BILL & BARBARA KRAUCHEN THOMPSON)

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

05/17 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

05/20 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR**05/21** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR**05/24** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Acts 6:1-7

Reading II: Peter 2:4-9

Gospel: John 14:1-12



In this week's Scriptures there is a lot of building going on. The early Christian community is trying to build consensus on how to care for the widows and orphans; in the second reading we are invited to allow ourselves as living stones to be built into "a spiritual house". In the Gospel Jesus tells us that he is going to prepare a place for us in his Father's house of many dwelling places. In the end it's all about Jesus' union with the Father and our finding our way to participate in that union. Jesus is the way to the Father and we find our way with him by living his life, his truth, his building of the everlasting kingdom of God. What are you doing to build yourself, your family, your parish community, your world.

RCIA: If anyone is interested in the RCIA program for Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation, contact Sr. Marie at 454-8085, ext 2. Sr. will be having a summer program.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM☐ Saint Hedwig☐ Saint Patrick

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

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Change of Address

Moving

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