

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

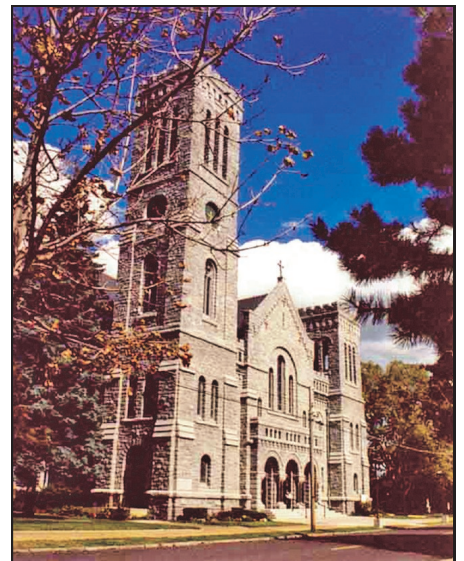
Holy Day

Saint Patrick 12:05 PM

CONFESSIONS

30 Minutes before each Saturday

Evening Mass or by appointment



Saint Hedwig Parish

Established 1910

521 E. 3rd Street

Erie, PA 16507

(814) 454-6232

www.sainthedwigparisherie.org

Saint Patrick Parish

Established 1837

130 East 4th Street

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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 feast of the Holy Trinity and our first reading comes from the OT Book of Proverbs, the only time this year we will read from that book. It is part of a collection of “wisdom literature” and was intended to teach people how to be wise in relating to God and one another. The book contains a series of lengthy instructional poems from which today’s reading is taken as well as a section of “proverbs” or brief wise sayings. Today we hear part of a speech by Wisdom, personified as a character who speaks first of her deep union with God from the beginning citing herself as the firstborn of all creation, even before the creation of the world. In the second half, she describes her role in creation and she tells us she participated as God’s craftsman.

Our second reading is from Paul’s Letter to the Romans, and we again encounter Paul’s lengthy sentence structure. Today’s reading is composed of only two sentences. He begins by telling us we are justified, or saved, by faith. This leads us to hope, the second effect of our relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Paul tells us that we can boast of our salvation, but that we can also boast of our afflictions, something he does throughout his writings.

Our Gospel comes again from John and is part of the Last Supper discourse which Jesus gave after Judas left. He reveals to them that he will send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit. He begins by noting that the disciples aren’t capable of understanding everything yet, but they need to know that he will not abandon them. Jesus identifies the Spirit as truth. In John’s gospel, truth is used as a reference to Jesus. He is telling them that this Spirit will do everything in reference to Jesus. In the final sentence he affirms the intimate communion that exists between him and the Father and extends this communion to the disciples.

I know you welcome Father Dennis Martin, chaplain at Saint Vincent Health Center, as celebrant of the Saturday evening 5 PM Mass at St. Patrick’s, and Monsignor Richard Sullivan, retired pastor of St. Andrew’s as celebrant of the Sunday 9 AM at St. Hedwig’s and the 10:30 AM at St. Patrick’s. I am in England and will return on Tuesday.

A reminder that starting next Sunday, June 2, we will add an 8 AM Mass each Sunday during June, July and August at St. Patrick’s. A number of people have requested this for the summer months, and I’m happy to oblige. We’ll determine whether we continue in the winter months depending upon the attendance. There will not be any music at this Mass because I have to get to St. Hedwig’s for the 9 AM Mass and then back to St. Patrick’s for the 10:30 AM Mass. I think I’ll skip the gym on Mondays; that’s enough exercise in one day for a 70 year old man!!!

Monday is Memorial Day and the parish office will be closed.

There is a new report on ordinations to the priesthood in the US which show that in 1965, 995 men were ordained. In 2012, 497 were ordained. When I was ordained in 1970, I was 28 years old, 2 years older than my classmates. The average age of a new priest today is 35.5. Three in ten ordinands were born outside the United States with the largest number coming from Mexico, Vietnam, Columbia, Poland and the Philippines. A full 62% report that they held a full time job before entering the seminary and 48% report that they were discouraged from entering the seminary, usually by a sibling, a friend or a classmate.

One of the items Bishop Persico wants to carefully explore in a reconfiguration of the diocese is a projection of how many priests there will be in five years and 10 years. When I was ordained in 1970, I was Erie priest #305; today we have 120 in ministry and the median age has skyrocketed.

Continuing a tradition begun in 1902, St. Stanislaus Parish will host their annual Outdoor Procession on the Feast of Corpus Christi, June 2nd. The procession will begin at 3 PM in church. The public is invited.

On the Feast of Corpus Christi, June 2, we will reinstate Communion under both species at St. Patrick’s for those who wish to receive both the bread and the wine. There will be just two Eucharistic Ministers for the cup—they will be positioned between the people distributing hosts and the main aisle. Reception of the wine is optional and we had discontinued it because of the danger of spreading the flu but will now resume it.

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

Because of some recent incidents, we are installing a security camera which will show us who is entering St. Patrick's Church as well as one which will show us who is entering the rectory.

Please note the announcement of a second reunion for all who attended St. Patrick's School.

Erie Insurance told me last week that the demolition of the Cauley Auditorium will take place at some point in June. I think I told you that the south wall of the building is buckling so bad that it can't be saved. Erie Insurance knew that when they bought the building from us, and were also gracious enough to let us use the building for 5 months while the church was being restored. Once the building is demolished, the area is going to be preserved as a small park with grass, trees and benches.

We've run into some roof problems with St. Patrick's Church and are having two sections of the tile completely replaced. I didn't have this in the budget, but we simply can't delay the work. If water were to begin to seep into the interior of the building, all of our work would be for naught.

A man was driving the back roads of Montana and sees a sign in front of a broken down house which reads "Talking dog for sale." He knocks and the owner says, "He's in the back yard. Check him out." The guy goes back, sees a nice Labrador retriever and asks, "You talk?" "Yep," the dog replies. After the man recovers from the shock, he asks, "What's your story?" The lab looks up and says "Well, I discovered I could talk when I was pretty young. I wanted to help the government so I went to the CIA. In no time they had me jetting from country to country, sitting in rooms with spies and world leaders because no one would figure a dog was eavesdropping. I was one of their most valuable spies for 8 years, but I got tired so I decided to settle down and take a job with airport security. Then I got married, we had a bunch of puppies and now I'm retired." The guy is amazed, goes back to the owner and asks what he wants for the dog. "Ten dollars," he replies. "Ten dollars. Why would you sell him so cheap?" he asks. "Because he's full of bs. He's never been out of the yard."

SAINT PATRICK'S 175th ANNIVERSARY:

If you are planning on attending the conclusion of St. Patrick's 175th Anniversary Observance with brunch at the Bayfront Convention Center, you need to return the invitation card with your money. Tickets will be mailed to you. Don't delay. Reservations are filling up fast.

A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Proverbs 8:22-31

Reading II: Psalm 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Gospel: Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15



We celebrate a God who is an actual part of our lives here in the world. We celebrate a God who has a real relationship with us. We celebrate a God whom we know and love because of what that God does for us. We celebrate a God who is always acting, always doing something on our behalf. We celebrate the one God of Scripture, three persons, who are revealed in the different ways that God acts toward us—as a loving parent, as a saving son, and as a unifying, enlightening, strengthening Holy Spirit.

THE 2013 DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

for couples celebrating 25th, 50th or 60th wedding anniversaries will be held in two locations in the diocese. Sunday, August 4, 2013 at 2:00 pm at Sacred Heart Church, Erie and Sunday, August 18, 2013 at 2:00 pm at St. Mary Parish, Crown. To register, please contact the church office or the Family Life Office at Catholic Charities (814) 824-1250 or (800) 374-3723 ext. 250: or online at <http://www.eriecd.org/>



A **healing Mass** celebrated by internationally known speaker and author, Fr. Stefan Starzynski, will be held at St. Joseph Bread of Life Church at 147 West 24th St. in Erie, May 27th at 7:00pm.

Fr. Starzynski is the parochial vicar of St. Mary of Sorrow Parish in Fairfax, VA and is the author of Miracles: Healing for a Broken World. This book documents real stories of people who have been healed by God through Fr. Starzynski's prayers. All are welcome to attend Mass with a healing service to follow. St. Joseph Church is handicapped accessible.



Saint Patrick News



Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for last weekend was **\$5,082.43** and **\$748.00** from online giving for a total of **\$5,830.43**; and **\$806.00** for Good Shepherd/Priest Retirement. 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: The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week in memory of **Deceased Family Members** from Kathy Alessi; The **Food Pantry** is sponsored this week by **Kathleen Horan, Mary Ellen Demyanovich and Jay & Carol Habas.**

SHAMROCK SPIRIT! THE ST. PATRICK SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WELCOMES ALL GRADUATES AND FORMER STAFF TO OUR 2013 REUNION

WHEN: SATURDAY, JULY 6, 2013.

**WHERE: THE POLISH FALCONS CLUB
431 EAST THIRD STREET.**

TIME: 3:00 TO 7:00 P.M.

**COST: \$20.00 FOR A DELICIOUS
BUFFET DINNER + CASH BAR.**

WE WILL BE SELLING 50-50 TICKETS SOON, TOO. THREE(3) FOR THE LOW PRICE OF \$5.00.

PLEASE CONSIDER ATTENDING 10:30 A.M. MASS ON SUNDAY, JULY 7TH, AND TOUR THE BEAUTIFULLY RESTORED ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH. CONTACT PARISHIONER, JOHN(JACK) MALONEY AT 814-897-6115 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

RELAY FOR LIFE:

Enjoy the first day of summer with St. Patrick's Relay for Life Team on **Friday, June 21, 2013.** This year we will be forming a team and accepting donations for the American Cancer Society. If you would like to support Relay for Life, all checks may be made payable to the American Cancer Society and placed in the offertory basket. **We welcome all to join our team at Harborcreek High School starting at 5pm!** For any questions or to sign up, **please call Rebecca Jubulis at 454-5533**, and please leave a message. We hope to see you on this beautiful evening as we celebrate those who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and those who are fighting back against the disease.



Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 1, 2013 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Mary Pat Schlaudecker

Eucharistic Ministers:

Host: Ray Fiorelli, Patty Dailey, Lynne Long;

Cup: Kathy Sertz, Kay Mannino

Greeters: Judy Kelly, **1 NEEDED**

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

Sunday, June 2, 2013 at 8:00 am

Lector: Angie Kontur

Eucharistic Ministers: **2 MINISTERS NEEDED**

Greeters: **NEEDED**

Ushers: John Maloney

Sunday, June 2, 2013 at 10:30 am

Lector: Ed Smith

Eucharistic Ministers:

Host: Michele Wheaton, Tim Scully, Mary Kearney

Cup: Cyndi Pristello, Arlene Barlekoff

Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin

Altar Servers: Logan Kearney, Juliette Morales

Ushers: Jim Wehan, Paul Balczun, John Purvis,
Luke Purvis

Offertory Counters: Mary McCarthy, Mary Kearney,
Mary Pat Schlaudecker

Thank you to all our dedicated altar servers.

Your ministry to God and to St. Patrick's is such an important part of the celebration of the Eucharist each week. Our parish desperately needs more altar servers. If you are interested in serving the church, please attend **one** of our upcoming altar server training sessions. Adults are welcome to serve! The second session will be held: **Sunday, May 26th after Mass.** The session should last about 30 minutes. If you have any questions, please contact Rebecca Jubulis @ 449-8527 or 454-5533. Please consider joining this wonderful ministry.

The June schedule is being prepared. Please call the office with your availability. Please note that we have not had many volunteers for the 8:00 AM Mass on Sunday. And, now that the flu season has subsided, we are once again offering the Cup starting June 2nd and we will need extra Eucharistic Ministers at all the Masses. We really need your help. We also need altar servers at both Masses, but especially at the 5:00 Mass on Saturday. Please remember that you are responsible for getting your own substitute. Extra schedules are always available in the Trinity Gift Shop. Most schedules are sent via email. The rest are sent via postal service. If we don't have your email address, please call the office with that information. Thank you!



Saint Hedwig News

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **John Gorski** requested by Jean & family, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Alfred Tyler** requested by D. Dombkowski and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Albert "Micky" Mabie** requested by his wife Charlotte. Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing care and the homebound.

Our offertory for last week was **\$1,352.00**. Thank you and God bless.



MEMORIAL DAY MASS: Join us at St. Hedwig on Memorial Day, May 27th, for a 9:00 Mass honoring the deceased members of the Polish Falcons Club.

Additional Mother's Day Intentions

In Loving memory of Mary L. Zielinski and Rosemary Hayes requested by Ann and Bob Hayes, In Honor of Tina Mabie requested by Alexis Mabie.

Rosary Society Bake Sale

The Rosary Society would like to thank all the ladies and men of the parish who baked, worked, donated or provided in any way to our Election Day Bake Sale last Tuesday. This is the society's first fundraiser this year with all proceeds going to St. Hedwig Parish. We appreciate all your hard work.

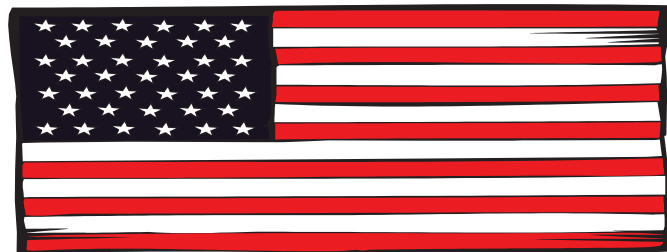
Catholic Services Appeal Update

Thank you to the additional parishioners who pledged to the appeal: Jim and Nancy Griffey. We have reached our goal of **\$11,029**. To date, we have 45 pledges of **\$11,100**. We are most grateful. The opportunity still exists for those who have not yet responded to the 2013 CSA. Your gift will now stay in the parish. We can certainly at least duplicate last year's success. This is very important for us.

Saint Hedwig Ministry Schedule

	May 27 Monday 9:00am	June 1 Saturday 4:30pm	June 2 Sunday 9:00am
Lectors	Jim Gorski	Dolly Bargielski	Art Blum
Eucharist	Jim Gorski	Dolly Bargielski	Tom Zielinski
Ushers		Nancy Widomski	Tom Kurpiewski
		Michelle Moskel	Tony Wernicki
Altar Servers	Charlotte Mabie	Nowosielski fam.	Charlotte Mabie

HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY
May 27, 2013—Offices Closed



Openings remain for the upcoming NOVA

Scheduled for Saturday, June 1st at St. Mark's Parish in Lawrence Park. Nova is a one-day marriage preparation program designed specifically for couples free to remarry in the Catholic Church. Topics covered include communication, blending families, legal issues and others. Call the Family Life Office at 814 824-1261 or by email at: familylife@erieRCD.org for information. Pre-registration is required.

Annual Novena in honor of St. Anthony of Padua

The novena will take place on June 5-13 at 8:30 a.m. on weekdays (Monday through Friday), 4:30 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. on Sunday at St. Paul R.C. Church, West 16th and Walnut streets. Services will include traditional hymns sung in Italian, The Litany of St. Anthony, Mass and homily. The concluding Mass on June 13 (Feast Day of St. Anthony) will be followed by a catered breakfast featuring St. Anthony's Bread. Donation is \$6.00. For reservations (by June 10) or more information call 814.454.7735, 814.838.9395 or 814.864.6610.

A Family Perspective

The words of Jesus in today's gospel, "I have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear it now", could be said by any parent. It can be frustrating because our desire to guide is often misinterpreted or poorly received. We cannot program our children. We can only teach, lead and trust the Spirit of truth will guide them.



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.



May 19, 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As members of the worldwide Catholic family, we can be proud of the Church's outreach to our fellow brothers and sisters of the human family. Believers and non-believers alike know first-hand of the generosity of Catholics the world over. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and shelter the homeless, wherever and whoever they may be. The Church has been doing this work for centuries, and today I ask your assistance that it may continue.

The annual **Collection for International Needs**, to be taken up in the Diocese of Erie on **June 1-2, 2013** offers a concrete way for us to reach out to those who live in distant lands. It is actually a combination of three national collections.

- It provides aid to Catholics in the **Church in Central and Eastern Europe** to help build churches; train and educate seminarians, clergy, and lay leaders; publish Catholic newspapers; support orphanages; and support evangelization among children, youth, and adults.
- It also helps all people, regardless of race, creed, or nation through the annual **Catholic Relief Services**, providing for the victims of war and natural disasters, aiding the Church suffering under persecution, alleviating poverty, and educating the poor. Catholic Relief Services has been particularly active in areas of the world recently afflicted by earthquake and tsunami disasters.
- It provides needed assistance to the **Church in Africa**, a rapidly growing and vibrant Church which is rich in vitality but poor in resources.

I ask your generous response to the Collection for International Needs on June 1-2. Just as important is your prayer for those in need, whether here in the Diocese of Erie, or across the globe. Please know that your gift is appreciated. You and your family remain in my prayer.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie



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LITURGY INTENTIONS**May 25** *Saturday, Vigil: The Most Holy Trinity*4:30 PM STEFANIA DOMBROWSKI, ANNIV
(HELEN DOMBROWSKI) - ST.H

5:00 PM CATHERINE FITZGERALD (EDNA CANAVAN)

May 26 *Sunday, The Most Holy Trinity*

9:00 AM JOSEPH SUL (JUCHNO FAMILY)- ST.H

10:30 AM JOHN J. KRAUCHEN, ANNIV. (BILL & BARBARA
KRAUCHEN THOMPSON)- ST.P**May 27** *Monday, Weekday, Saint Augustine of Canter-
bury, Bishop*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

May 28 *Tuesday, Weekday*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

May 29 *Wednesday, Weekday*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

May 30 *Thursday, Weekday*8:00 AM ELEANOR CHIMENTI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH
(CARL & ALICE CARLOTTI)**May 31** *Friday, The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*8:00 AM MARCELLA MAJCYK, ANNIV.OF BIRTH
(GRANDDAUGHTER, ANN KOLODZIEJEZAK)**June 1** *Saturday, Vigil: The Most Holy Body and Blood
of Christ (Corpus Christi)*

4:30 PM PETER WERNICKI (ROSE NIEDZWIECKI)- ST.H

5:00 PM MARLEN PACINELLI (LEONARD & NANCY
VESHECCO) - ST.P**June 2** *Sunday, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
(Corpus Christi)*8:00 AM OLIVIA SOCCOCCIO (JANE CARNEY & MARY
PAT FROELICH) - ST. P

9:00 AM MARY NOWOSIELSKI (TORBIC FAMILY) - ST.H

10:30 AM CLARE KOWALSKI (BARB & MIKE CROSS) -ST.P

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

05/25 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

05/27 **MEMORIAL DAY—OFFICES CLOSED****05/28** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR**05/29** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR**06/01** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

EASTSIDE CATHOLIC YOUTH make a significant contribution toward the work of the MISSIONS! The children and youth of our *Faith Formation Ministry* have provided **\$500 for the work of missionaries – here and abroad.** The money will be divided among the following: the parish food pantries at *St. Patrick and Holy Rosary/St John the Baptist*; the Erie Diocese's *Mission of Friendship*; and one third will be given to Bishop Lawrence Persico to be used for mission work that is close to his heart. Congratulations to the children and youth who continue to reach out to those in need! They do the work of Christ through their generosity of hands and heart ... and the support of their parents!

YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN FOR THE 2013-2014 Faith Formation Ministry program by June 20, 2013. New religious education materials and supplies will be ordered the first week of July, 2013. *Registration is for children and youth in Kindergarten through high school (Gr. 9 & 10).* **Please call the ECFFM Office: 454-6322 to register by June 20th or e-mail Kathleen Kutz, DRE – hr-religioused@neo.rr.com.**

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM☐ Saint Hedwig☐ Saint Patrick

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

STREET: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____

PLEASE CIRCLE ONE BELOW:

New Registration

Change of Address

Moving

Want Envelopes

PLEASE DROP THIS INFORMATION INTO Offertory Basket or mail to Rectory