Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time June 12, 2016



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From the Pastor's Desk.....

Today is the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time and we meet David: shepherd, psalmist, warrior king, adulterer and murderer and vet he is the only one in the entire Bible of whom God calls "a man after my own heart" (Acts 13:222) David did not earn his distinction because of righteousness. He had plenty of sins, but his saving grace was his reverence. He had great respect for God and understood fear of the Lord. When Samuel anointed David king, God told him not to judge from outward appearances, because "the Lord looks into the heart." (1 Sam. 16:7) Today we see it is hearts that God cares about most, not our number of sins or good deeds. What distinguished David's heart was his dependency on the Lord. Like a child toward a parent, David was always aware of his need for God and most of all, he was a repentant heart. When confronted with his sins, David didn't despair like King Saul who threw himself upon his sword. David understood the nature of his sin, he realized he had betrayed the Lord, he truly repented and accepted the consequences of his sin. David's honest admission of his sin elicits God's merciful response, "You shall not die."

Paul is again confronting the Mosaic Law when other preachers are telling the people they have to follow it to be saved. Paul argues that Christ alone is needed for salvation, not any law.

The Pharisee in today's gospel neglects the usual protocols of greeting a guest with a kiss, washing his feet and anointing his head with oil. The woman, whose reputation is known, seeks no place of honor and opts to rest at Jesus' feet. She lets her tears wash his feet. Like the first reading, Jesus reads the woman's heart and sees her faith in God's mercy. Then as Jesus teaches in the parable, the one forgiven more loves more. Forgiveness breeds love and that is

why Jesus' last command to his apostles was to forgive sins. And so, we become the agents of our own destiny. We can change our hearts or not. As Pope Francis says, "God never tires of forgiving; it is we who tire of asking forgiveness."

Today is a special moment at St. Patrick's as the newly ordained Father Jamie Power celebrates his First Mass at 2 PM. A number of his classmates and priest friends will join him and a light reception will follow after Mass on the church lawn. Everyone is invited to attend.

Please keep vocations in your prayers. We had two young men ordained priests for our diocese this year, but that pales in the face of clergy deaths and retirements in the past year.

Effective July 1, we will no longer have telephone service at St. Hedwig's rectory. Both the office and the rectory are closed, and the office has been moved to St. Patrick's.

You may have noticed that the work on the Stations of the Cross has been completed, and they did a beautiful job. You simply can't find any of the cracks, peeled paint, etc. In addition to those hand-carved wooden Stations dating from the early 1890s, we also have a set of six handcarved wooden angels which you can see in the church sanctuary. They range in height from about 24 inches to 40 inches. We refer to them as "Father Cauley's angels," because he had such a great love for angels. Sometime when the homily is boring, look around the church and you will find more than 40 angels in the room. We do not know where these came from or when they date from though some old photos show them in the church as early as the 1930. They are also badly in need or restoration, and we are going to begin that work shortly.

The cost of this restoration is covered in a gift

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

from the children of Rose Burgoyne Zaborac who was buried recently from St. Patrick's. Rose was 91 years old and lived in Seattle, Washington as do her four children. Her grandfather was John Cauley, a brother to the four priests who served at St. Patrick's from 1892 until 1954,.

We have ordered a new back door as well as nine more window replacements for St. Patrick's Rectory. I hope to be able to keep replacing these as the budget allows. We are now finished with the first floor and getting close to finishing the second floor.

You may notice the last of the sidewalk in front of the rectory has now been replaced.

A new report on the various Christian denominations in the United States shows that overall Catholics comprise about 23% of the total population. The percentage is highest in Chicago with 34% of the population, New York City with 33%; Los Angeles with 32%; and Boston with 29%. The percentage in Boston has dropped dramatically following the sex abuse scandal and the ouster of Cardinal Law. The city with the lowest percentage of Catholics is Atlanta with just 11%.

One of the areas that Bishop Persico has asked parishes to do is greater cooperation together. We presently participate in the East Side Religious Education program which is headquartered at Holy Rosary. All of the children enrolled in Religious Ed in the east side parishes attend these classes. In addition, we have several young families from Fairview, etc. and those pastors have been most willing to enroll our children in their Religious Ed program. If you have children who need religious Ed and don't know where to turn, please contact me and I will help you.

An elderly gentleman was on the operating table awaiting surgery and he insisted that his son, a renowned surgeon, perform the operation. As he was about to get the anesthesia, he asked to speak to his son. "Yes, dad, what is it?" "Don't be nervous, son; do your best and just remember, if it doesn't go well, if something happens to me, your mother is going to come and live with you and your wife."

Saint Hedwig News





Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **Charlotte Niewolak** from Mr. & Mrs. Richard Mielnik.

Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Helen Zielinski** from Bob & Mary Jo Sulecki.

St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **William Hayes** from Mrs. Jennie Zabrowski.

Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing care, the military and the homebound.

The offertory for the 5/28 was \$547 and 6/5 was \$816, Summer Festival was \$205. CSA pledges are at \$8,725. Thank you and God Bless!

Special Thanks—

On Saturday, June 11, the Rosary Society will host a get-together after the 4:00 PM Mass in the meeting room under the church to show our appreciation to our lectors, ushers, money counters, Eucharistic Ministers and volunteers of St. Hedwig Church.

Raffle—

Holy Name Society will be conducting a raffle of 2 theme baskets, baked goods basket and gifts cards. Tickets are available before and after 4:00 P.M. Mass through June 18.

Tickets are 1 for a \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00

Masses celebrated at the Priest Retirement Home—

Peter Zielinski (Kathleen Mahonen), Chet Loncki (Cindy & Ed Koval), Robert Osmer (Leo & Diane Weber), Peter Dubowski (Mr. & Mrs. William Thompson), Albert Mabie (Matt & Maria Smith)

Effective July 1, there will no longer be telephone service at St. Hedwig office. The office is closed and is now located at St. Patrick's Parish office. To help save expenses, we are eliminating the telephone at St. Hedwig's. If anyone has business with St. Hedwig's, want to request a Mass intention, etc. please call St. Patrick's office at 454-8085.

St. Hedwig Ministry Schedule

June 18 2016 at 4:00 PM

Saturday

Lector Bobby Sulecki Pray the Rosary
Eucharist Tom Zielinski Daily

Ushers Ray Nowosielski Tom Kurpiewski

Altar Servers Nowosielski Family



Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

Offertory Collection 5/29/16 \$ 7,367.40 Online Giving $\underline{1,115.00}$ Total Income \$ 8,482.40

Offertory Collection 6/5/16 \$ 9,581.00 Online Giving 1,325.00 Total Income \$10,906.00

Thank you for your generosity!



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of **Thomas Cicchetti** from family

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:

Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

The Food Pantry Truck is sponsored this week by **Kathy Alessi**.

Donations made in memory of:

- Trish, James, Jerry & Tom Hardner, and Lois
 Paradise from Jeff Hardner
- deceased members of the Huzar Club
- deceased family from Robert & Mildred Biebel
- ◆ Carol & Debbi Donnelly from Patricia Donnelly
- Mary Novotny from Robert & Carolyn Schenker
- Joan Balczun, George Zack, Eddie Joint, John & Barb Jacquel from Phyllis Zack
- ◆ Sandy Birkmire from Tammy Birkmire

Also donations from:

Christa Blose, Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Gorgacz, Charla Leehmuis and Mr. & Mrs. Adlin Strimel

A Special Thank You!!!
to PANERA BREAD &
HABORCREEK EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS
for their generous donations every week
to the Food Pantry.



Let Us Welcome Gianna Marie Shores

daughter of Benjamin & Kristin (Cipriani) Shores

and

William Jay Sorbara

son of

Dino & Emily (Endres) Sorbara who will be baptized after the 10:30 AM Liturgy

Congratulations to

Owen Atzert

son of

Ryan & Autumn Atzert who will make his First Holy Communion at the 8:00 AM Liturgy



Ministry Schedule Saturday, June 18, 2016 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Rick Filippi Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Lynne Long, Ann Scutella, Steve Scutella

CUP: Kay Mannino, Patty Dailey Greeters: Jane Carney, Kathleen Horan Altar Servers: Gemma & Emilio Filippi

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers,

Jim Sertz

Sunday, June 19, 2016 at 8:00 am

Lector: Mary Ellen Dahlkemper Eucharistic Ministers: Kathryn Olds Ushers: John Maloney, Dave Korn

Sunday, June 19, 2016 at 10:30 am

Lector: Ryan Palm Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Cyndi Pristello, Forrest Mischler, Mike Vehec

CUP: Ryan Palm, Katie Froehlich Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin Altar Servers: Juliette Morales

Ushers: Randy Pristello, Dave Wilcox, John Purvis,

Luke Purvis

Offertory Counters: Dario Cipriani, Donna Cipriani,

Gail Smith

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.



96 DAYS TO THE IRISH FESTIVAL

A BRIEF HISTORY OF IRISH WHISKEY.

Turns out "Irish Whiskey" is a bit of a redundancy, since it was the Irish who invented whiskey way back in the 14th century. Back then, all whiskey was Irish. Before that, monks in places like Italy and Greece were distilling stuff, but wine, not grain—they were making brandy.

Irish monks began distilling grain into alcohol for medicinal purposes (yeah, right). They called it "uisce beatha," in Gaelic—"aqua vitae" in Latin, or "water of life" in English—let's you know how important they thought their invention was. It's the "uisce" that eventually became pronounced "whiskey" in English. Back then, if you wanted whiskey you either got it from the monks or from the Guild of Surgeon Barbers—the AMA of the 15th century—who had a monopoly on sales. It didn't take long for whiskey to lose its medicinal purpose, though—the first mention of it in writing is the 1405 story of an Irish chieftain who drank too much of the stuff on Christmas and it killed him. This was tough stuff—raw and brutally strong, and it was a long time before anyone invented ginger ale to go with it

We can thank Henry the VIII for the proliferation of Irish whiskey. Remember, back then, England ruled Ireland and everybody, including Henry, was Roman Catholic. When the Pope refused to grant him an annulment from Catherine of Aragon in 1529 so he could marry Anne Boleyn, Henry broke with the church and, among other things, outlawed monasteries. The suddenly out of work monks in Ireland started selling their water of life door to door to make ends meet and pretty soon stills were popping up in barns all over Ireland.

Then, in 1608, the first distillery in the world opened—Bushmills, in what, thanks to Henry VIII, had become protestant northern Ireland. Fast forward 408 years and Jim Wehan will make you an Irish coffee with some of that Bushmill's uisce at the 2016 Irish Festival.

And the most famous and best selling Irish whiskey in the world? Well, Jameson & Son didn't open until 1810. Jameson was a Scottish lawyer who married a sister of the Haig brothers, Scotch whiskey distillers, and moved to Dublin to take over the Stein's Bow Street Distillery from his wife's uncle (an interesting side note: after prohibition, the exclusive distributor of Haig and Haig Scotch in the USA was a fellow named Joe Kennedy—an Irishman from Boston whose sons went into politics). Today, Jameson's is made in County Cork and we'll have plenty of it on hand for tasting at the Festival, thanks to all of the whiskey fairies who donated bottles and to Chuck Agresti and Ron Brown who built the bar to serve it on.

Gary and Becky Johnson, Festival Chairs, can be reached at gjohnson@brotolocsouth.com or beckykj@neo.rr.com. The most popular whiskey in Ireland is Powers Gold Label—we have that too.

LITURGY INTENTIONS

June 11 Saturday, Vigil: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM HELEN KURPIEWSKI - ST.H

(SON, TOM & FAMILY)

 $5:00~{\rm PM}$ Ralph & Janet Schauble - St.P

55TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

June 12 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am tony & Irene izbicki (Daughters) - St.P

10:30 AM JIM BUCKLIN - ST.P

(MIKE & CHERYL STEPHANY)

2:00 PM REVEREND JAMIE POWER — FIRST MASS - ST.P

June 13 Monday, Saint Anthony of Padua,

Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

June 14 Tuesday, Weekday

8:00 AM PETER JOSEPH DUBOWSKI (MRS. SHIRLEY TIDD)

June 15 Wednesday, Weekday

8:00 AM PHILOMENA & ROCCO FIGLIUZZI (FAMILY)

June 16 Thursday, Weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

June 17 Friday, Weekday

8:00 am albert "mickey" mabie

(GUARINO ENTERPRISES)

June 18 Saturday, Vigil: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM HELEN ZIELINSKI, ANNIV. 6/23 - ST.H

5:00 PM MICHAEL CUMMINGS (WIFE, DONNA) -ST.P

June 19 Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 am John Lorei - St.P

(VINNIE & ANN HALUPCZYNSKI)

10:30 AM NANCY J. JACKSON, ANNIV OF BIRTH 6/24- ST.P LARRY & JANICE KOSIN

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

06/11 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

06/14 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

06/15 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

06/18 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

A Family Perspective—

Jesus sat down for a meal and was caught between the weeping woman and the indignant Pharisee. Why is it tough issues always pop up at meal? No wonder we need antacids. Jesus focused on the positives, offering forgiveness to the woman and understanding to the Pharisee.

Marriage Moments—

"Your sins are forgiven" (Luke 7:48)

Any couple who have spent much time together inevitably have things to forgive. How do you usually handle forgiveness in your relationship? Is one of you the usual initiator? Why? You may need forgiveness after this discussion.

DIOCESAN NEWS AND EVENTS

Eastside Catholic Faith Formation—

Just a reminder that students that would like to be confirmed in 11th grade **MUST** attend 9th and 10th grade faith formation classes before enrolling in **Confirmation** preparation if they do not attend a Catholic high school.

Does your child go to a Catholic School but needs Sacramental preparation? Students that attend VME or a Catholic high school must prepare for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation through their own parish faith formation. Contact Mary Hickin at the Faith Formation office at 454-6322 for more information.

Interested in becoming a Mercy Associate?

Mercy Associates are women and men, 21 years or older, who desire to share in the values and traditions of Catherine McAuley and the Sisters of Mercy. Associates are involved in a diversity of ministries. For more information, contact Christine Tombaugh at ctombaugh@mcwerie.org or call her at

ctombaugh@mcwerie.org or call her at 814-455-4577



The SSJ Neighborhood Network provides emergency food and supplies for residents of Little Italy. Below is a list of items that they are desperately low on.

They would appreciate any contribution.

Toilet Paper
Paper Towels
Multi-Purpose
Window Cleaner
Diapers—all sizes
Liquid Dish Soap
Bath Soap
Liquid Hand Soap
Shampoo

Deodorant (Men's/Women's)

Non-perishable food items such as:

- -Ramen Noodles
- -Mac & Cheese
- -Canned Food (soup, meals, vegetables, tuna, chicken)
- -Spaghetti Sauce
- -Pasta
- -Large cans of fruit drinks

Items can be dropped off at the Parish Office, Monday - Thursday 9-4 and Friday from 9-Noon or at the Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network 425 W 18th St., 454-7814.

Schedule for St. Anthony novena at St. Paul Church—

All are welcome to attend a novena at St. Paul Church, 1617 Walnut St. Erie, PA, June 12 at 10 AM and June 13 at 9 AM followed by a breakfast (cost is \$6.00). A Mass will be held each day with Father Jerry Priscaro officiating.



St. Bernadette's Parish annual Strawberry Festival and Chicken Dinner—

Saturday, June 18 Noon-6 p.m. at St. Bernadette Center, 222 Renner Lane, Saegertown, PA 16433.

\$\$Big money raffle, Barbecue chicken, hot dogs, hot sausage, cakes, strawberries and ice cream, Chinese Auction and pastry pantry.



NOVA: A one-day marriage preparation program designated specifically for couples free to remarry in the Catholic Church. Topics covered include expectations of remarriage, blending families, legal issues and

others. Call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 for information. The next NOVA is scheduled for Saturday, June 25th in Erie, Pre-registration is required.

Motorcycle Blessing & Ride—

Friday, July 8th at 6:30 at Holy Rosary, 2701 East Ave., Erie, PA. Parking lot. Group ride following around



the Peninsula. Deacon Kyle Seyler will be doing the blessing. All are welcome to participate.

Anniversary Celebrations—



The 2016 Diocesan Anniversary Celebration Liturgies for couples celebrating 25, 50, 60, or more years of marriage will be held at two locations in the dio-

cese: Sunday, July 31, 2016 at 2:00 PM at Our Lady of Mercy Church, Harborcreek and Sunday, August 7, 2016 at 2:00 PM at Queen of the World Church, St. Mary's. To register, please go to http://www.eriercd.org/anniv.htm or contact your parish office or the Family Life Office at Catholic Charities (814) 824-1250 or (800) 374-3723 ext. 250.

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