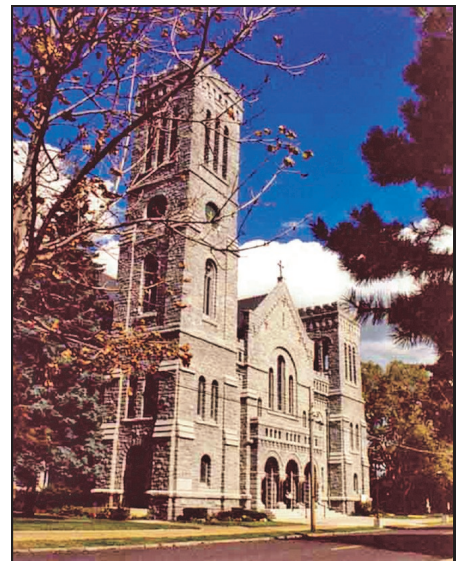
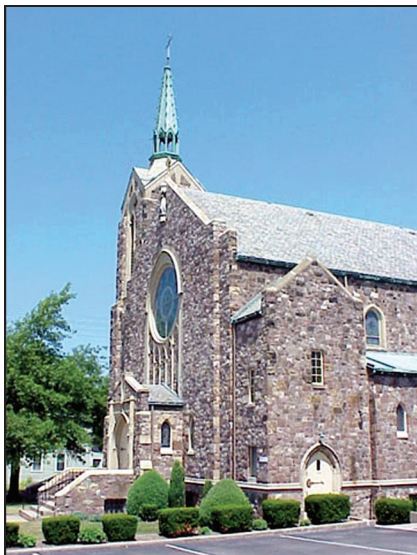


Saint Hedwig Saint Patrick

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

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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 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time and we hear first from the prophet Zechariah. Today's reading is part of a longer oracle at the beginning of chapter 12 which speaks about future salvation through a suffering messiah figure. It foretells that

Judah and Jerusalem will be delivered from their oppressors but first there will be suffering and mourning which will purify them. Today's reading proclaims that the Lord will pour out "a spirit of grace and petition" which will empower God's people to seek reconciliation and peace after a period of deep and profound mourning. The spirit will come through an unidentified victim linked to the suffering servant of Isaiah 52 and whom the evangelist John identifies as the crucified Christ. Their mourning will remind them of the mourning following the death of King Josiah, killed at Hadadrimmon. The reading then ends on an optimistic note that God will free them from their sins.

As we continue Paul's letter to the Galatians, today he makes three main points. First, on the basis of their baptism, they now participate in the life of Christ. Second, having become sons and daughters of God through baptism, the social distinctions that previously ruled no longer matter. Christ's gift does away with all advantages gained on the basis of one's ethnicity, economic status or gender. Paul's third point links the unity of the baptized to God's covenant with Abraham, our father in faith.

Our excerpt from Luke's gospel today begins with Jesus at prayer, a common scene in Luke. Jesus is interested in what his disciples think of him, but more importantly, he wants to teach his followers about discipleship. While they answer his question in a variety of ways, it will be Peter who will answer correctly. His answer receives not affirmation but a rebuke. Then Jesus moves to warn them of the suffering to come. This is the first prediction of the passion to be found in Luke and the evangelist does not indicate if the disciples understood or not. He then tells them that to be his disciple, they must each carry their own cross, but Luke adds the word "daily," something not found in the earlier account of this in Mark. This slight change shifts the emphasis from Jesus' pending suffering and death to the meaning of discipleship.

We are in need of additional servers as well as Eucharistic Ministers for weekend Masses at St. Patrick's. If interested, please contact the parish office. A person must be confirmed to be a Eucharistic Minister. Both children and adults can be servers. We can also use additional greeters for weekend Masses as well as funerals.

The annual Vatican yearbook was published in late May which shows that the global Catholic population, now 1.2 billion, kept pace with overall growth in 2011 but it is clearly evident that the center of Catholicism is shifting away from Europe and North America. Catholicism in Africa grew by 4.3%, in Asia by 2% and in Europe by only 0.03 percent.

During June, July and August, we are adding an 8 AM Sunday Mass at St. Patrick's. A large number of people had requested this for the summer months, and we'll see what the attendance is to determine whether to continue it through the winter months.

Also during July and August, the Sunday 9 AM Mass at St. Hedwig's will be celebrated at St. Patrick's Church. St. Patrick's is air-conditioned whereas the inside of St. Hedwig's during those hot summer days is stifling. We will have St. Hedwig lectors, ushers, etc.

Soon we will start seeking volunteers for the Irish Festival on September 13, 14 & 15. We're making a number of changes this year to hopefully make things run smoother but those changes call for additional volunteers. I'm simply planting some seeds in the hope that you might be willing to help when the time comes.

I'm absolutely amazed at the number of wedding reservations we already have for 2014. I think to date we have 23 reservations. The only drawback to the restoration of St. Patrick's Church is that every bride in Erie County wants to get married here!!!

Demographics on downtown Erie reveal that the occupants are largely young people, most of whom are no longer affiliated with a church. The downtown churches, Catholic and Protestant, are coming together to try to provide a place for young people to come together and experience

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

a religious experience that is geared mainly to them. It will not be denominational, but an attempt to bring about an encounter with Christ and a sharing of basic faith with one another. We are in the very basic stages of developing this. There is one such group in south Erie that is drawing an incredible number of young people. I'm looking for someone from St. Patrick's who would be willing to serve on the Steering Committee to see if we can bring this to reality. If you think you would be interested, contact me and I'll put you in direct contact with the people who are spearheading this and you can get enough information to decide if you want to serve.

I am sorry to inform you that several thousands of dollars of St. Patrick's Parish money which has been in a scholarship fund at St. Peter's Cathedral Grade School has disappeared. The auditors tell me that when the money was initially sent to the school in the mid 1990s, it was most likely just put into the general fund and never kept segregated for our purposes. With the financial situation at the school, it is unlikely that we will ever see the money again. It was intended to help pay tuition for St. Patrick's students attending there.

After a long illness, a woman died and arrived at the Gates of Heaven. While she was waiting for St. Peter, she saw a beautiful banquet table. Sitting around it were her parents and all the people she loved who had died before her. When they saw her, they called greetings to her. Finally, St. Peter came and she asked how she could get into heaven. "You have to spell a word," he said. "What word?" she asked, "Love," he replied which she spelled correctly and into heaven she went. Two years later, Peter saw her and asked her to watch the Gates of Heaven that day as he had some other things to do. Suddenly, her husband appeared and she seemed surprised to see him. "How are you?" she asked. "Doing fine. After you died I married the beautiful young nurse who took care of you, won the lottery and sold our little house and bought a mansion and we travel all over the world. We were on vacation and I went water skiing today. I fell, hit my head and here I am. How do I get in?" "You have to spell a word," she said. "What word," he asked. "Czechoslovakia," she answered.

Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **Mary L. Zielinski** requested by Dolores & family, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns for a **Special Intention** and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Robert T. Niedzwiecki** requested by D.Dombkowski. Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing care and the home-bound.

Our offertory for last week was **\$1,364.00** and **\$164.00** for Disaster Relief. Thank you and God bless.

The "Summer Festival" will continue throughout the summer. We thank everyone who has contributed so far. To date, we have received **\$688.00**. Proceeds are used to cover our regular operating expenses.

Additional Father's Day Intentions

In loving memory of:

Alfred Jankowski from Catherine Jankowski

William Sorbara from Dino & Emily Sorbara

Peter Michalski from Helen Zielinski

Frank D. Wroblewski from Jean Wroblewski (daughter)

Stanley Budney and Walter Dyleski from Dan & Theresa Dyleski

In Honor of:

George S. Torbic from the Torbic family

Decide to spend some time with God everyday

Some ways of praying could involve reading the Gospels, (read 5 to 10 verses, imagine in your mind how it looked, ponder what you read and see, spend some moments talking informally with Jesus about it); say the Rosary, especially the "Sorrowful Mysteries", spending time before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Remember Jesus is moved by the intensity and sincerity of your desire for Him.

Saint Hedwig Ministry Schedule

	<u>June 29</u>	<u>June 30</u>
	Saturday	Sunday
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM
Lectors	Ron Helminski	Russell Robison
Eucharist	Ron Helminski	Tom Zielinski
Ushers	Nancy Widomski	Tom Kurpiewski
	Michelle Moskel	Tony Wernicki
Altar Servers	Portia & Yvonne	
	Nowosielski	Charlotte Mabie



Saint Patrick News



WELCOME TO BISHOP PERSICO AS SAINT PATRICK'S CELEBRATES THE REDEDICATION OF SAINT PATRICK CHURCH

Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for last weekend was **\$6,046.00**, and **\$613.00 from online giving for a total of \$6,659.00**. 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 **William J. Rennie** from **Dorothy Rennie**; The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week in memory of the **Nemergut and Winiarczyk Families**; The **Food Pantry** is sponsored by Laura and Barbara Reitingner in memory of **Jake S.**; Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Polaski in memory of **Helen Wright**; Mrs. Patricia Schmidt in memory **Howard & Dorothy Bailey & son Dennis**; Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Vommaro in memory of **Lorraine Vommaro Rapela**; Mrs. Phyllis Mackenzie in memory of **Elizabeth Brigbee**; Rev. Leon Muroski in memory of the **Deceased Members of St. Patrick Parish**; Mrs. Yvonne Gersims in memory of **Kathy Roscinski**.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 29, 2013 at 5:00 pm

Lector: *Angie Kontur*

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: *Jay Habas, Yvonne Gersims, Patty Dailey*

CUP: *Carol Habas, Judy Emling*

Greeters: *Angie Kontur, 1 NEEDED*

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

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

There is an 8:00 AM Mass but no Ministers are required.

Sunday, June 30, 2013 at 10:30 am

Lector: *Ed Brown*

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: *Cyndi Pristello, Arlene Barlekoff, Tom Golab*

CUP: *Michelle Tortorelli, Mike Vehec*

Greeters: *Marlene Golab, Mary Alice Hartwell*

Altar Servers: *Anna & Sarah Pristello*

Ushers: *Randy Pristello, Jim Wehan, Paul Balczun David Taccone*

Offertory Counters: *Bill Welsh, Cindy Welsh, Tim Donlin*

Festival Meeting: Be sure to join us after the 10:30 Mass next week on June 30th for the next festival meeting. We have a lot of new things happening at the festival this year and your input and expertise are always appreciated.



St. Patrick's is fortunate to have a group of women parishioners who have volunteered to visit with shut-ins. If you know someone who would like a visit from them, please call the office (454-8085) with their name, address and phone number. These visits bring much joy and comfort to our shut-ins and we are grateful to these women who donate their time (and baked goods!) to those confined to their homes.



NOTE FROM THE AVE MARIA CARE AND CONCERN—Ave Needs Your Help!

Once again our Irish Festival will be here before you know it. I know this is early but I am asking for donations for the Irish Auction. We will not be doing the baskets this year, but we are having the auction with single items. I am hoping that you could purchase a gift for the auction. We would like them to be at a value of at least \$15.00 and up. Also, if you are not a shopper and you would like to make a donation (check or cash) to the Ave Maria Society, we will do the shopping for you. Remember these donations are tax deductible. All gifts can be taken to the rectory and monies addressed to the Ave can be dropped in the collection basket. If anyone has any questions please call me, Barb Jones at 899-9358. Thank You.

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.





June 14, 2013

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Every year on June 29, the Church throughout the world celebrates the feast of two exceptional Apostles: Saints Peter and Paul. As the date of this feast approaches, the Church takes up the annual **Peter's Pence Collection**. This collection supports the charitable works of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, the successor of St. Peter, as he responds to some of the most urgent needs on earth. These needs include sending relief to victims of earthquakes, floods, and other natural disasters. The Holy Father also supports seminaries and religious houses, orphanages, AIDS treatment centers, and other medical facilities in developing nations, as well as many other charitable works.

We will take up the annual Peter's Pence Collection in our parishes on the weekend of **June 29-30, 2013**. Please be as generous as you can. In every age, the Church has been there to help those among our human family most in need. Your prayer and contribution will allow this important work to continue.

Through our support of the Peter's Pence Collection, all of us here in the Diocese of Erie can help to strengthen the ties that bind us together as one global Church family. We do this in communion with Pope Francis, as he begins his new ministry of service to the peoples of the world. Please know my gratitude for your generous response.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

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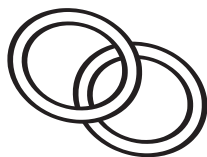
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Heartland Hospice invites you to join our Erie team! Hospice volunteers make friendly visits with Hospice patients, lending a listening ear and a warm heart. Besides friendly visitors, we are also looking for special people that would like to serve vigil at the bedside of our dying patients or provide specialized bereavement support. You will receive all the necessary training and support needed. For these and all other opportunities, contact the Volunteer Coordinator at the Heartland office—814-878-5990.

Is Summertime a Busy Time.....Again?

Please stop and consider what busy-ness is doing to your marriage. There is the need for a refreshing break to “find” one another and re-energize your relationship. A weekend at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter will meet that need. For more information go to www.ALovingMarriage.org or call 412-635-7775. The dates for 2013 are July 26-28, September 20-22, October 25-27 and November 15-17.

Help Pick Garden Produce in July

The Second Harvest Food Bank is looking for volunteers to help pick fresh produce during harvest season. This will begin in July and continue until November. You can volunteer one time or multiple times and groups are encouraged. You will get to enjoy the great outdoors while helping to feed the hungry in an eleven-county service area. Kids must be at least 12 years old. Please contact Mariana Skonieczka at 459-3663 ext. 109.



Anniversary Celebrations

Couples celebrating 25th, 50th or 60th wedding anniversaries are invited to attend the Annual Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations on Sunday, August 4, 2013, at Sacred Heart, Erie or Sunday, August 18, 2013, at St. Mary Church, Crown. Both celebrations will be at 2 pm. To register for either event or to receive a scroll by mail, please contact your parish office or the Family Life Office at Catholic Charities (814) 824-1250 or (800) 374-3723 ext. 250; or online at www.eriecd.org

A Family Perspective

Today’s gospel teaches personal sacrifice is the key to successful parenting. If we try to “save your life you will lose it.” The more we give of our self, the more rewarding is our relationship with our children. That’s the secret: the more you give, the more you get.



Transitions: A Peer Support Group

Are you Widowed, Separated or divorced? Consider attending Transitions, a peer support group offered monthly at St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd. Call 814-824-1265 or email: familylife@erieRCD.org for more information. The next meeting is Sunday, June 30, 2013 from 2 – 4 pm. Visit our website at: www.eriecd.org/transitions.asp



Do you love gardening? Perry Square Alliance is looking for help tending the gardens at the corners of Perry Square. If interested, please call Louise at 833-3567 for more information.

LITURGY INTENTIONS**June 22 Sat.. Vigil: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**4:30 PM HELEN KURPIEWSKI - ST.H
(KURPIEWSKI & BLUM FAMILIES)5:00 PM KENNETH KOWALSKI
(BARB & MIKE CROSS) - ST. P**June 23 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM SOPHIE CRABB (SISTER, VIKI) - ST P

9:00 AM CHESTER JUCHNO ANNIV. - ST.H
(JUCHNO FAMILIES)10:30 AM CATHERINE FITZGERALD - ST.P
(KAREN, JOE, & COREY ABATE)**June 24 Monday, The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist**

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

June 25 Tuesday, Weekday

8:00 AM PAUL CLARKE (WIFE, MARY ANN CLARKE)

June 26 Wednesday, Weekday8:00 AM RITA CALDWELL
(SRS. OF ST. JOSEPH ASSOCIATES)**June 27 Thursday, Weekday**

8:00 AM PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

June 28 Friday, Weekday

8:00 AM ST. HEDWIG ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS

June 29 Sat. Vigil: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time4:30 PM ISABELLE DOMBROWSKI - ST.H
(HELEN DOMBROWSKI)5:00 PM PATRICK & LILLIAN WALSH - ST.P
(DAN ROPEWSKI)**June 30 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM HELEN LAWRENCE (KEN STAAF FAMILY)-ST.P

9:00 AM PETER & PAUL WERNICKI - ST.H
(TONY WERNICKI)10:30 AM DEBRA (SZYMANOWSKI) MCINTOSH, ANNIV.
(MOM, GLORIA SZYMANOWSKI) - 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

06/22 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

06/25 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR**06/26** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR**06/29** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

06/30 11:30 AM Festival Meeting—PR***A Moment of Reflection***

Reading I: Zechariah 12:10-11,13:1

Reading II: Galatians 3:26-29

Gospel: Luke 9:18-24



We have today's Gospel passage today, not just to hear what Peter has to say to Jesus, but to hear what Jesus asks of us. He wants us to profess our unique affirmation of him. Are we with him or against him? The only difference we really make in this world - the one thing we are called to do as Christians - is to take ownership of our lives and give them away. We achieve our true being only when we no longer cling to it. Name a challenging time in your life when who Christ was to you determined how you responded to the challenge.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM
☐ Saint Hedwig

☐ Saint Patrick

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STREET: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____

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Change of Address

Moving

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