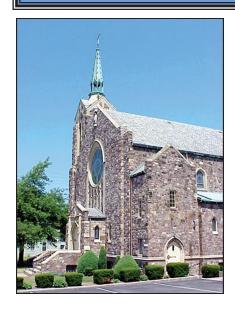
# Saint Hedwig Saint Patrick

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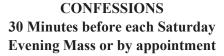


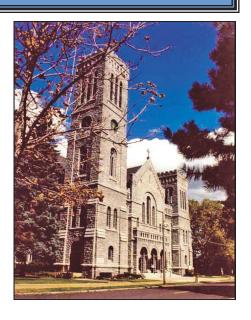
DAILY MASS Saint Patrick 8:00 AM

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







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Today is the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time and our first reading is from the prophet Zechariah who began his work at the end of the exile, around the time of the rebuilding of the temple, when hopes were high that the kingdom would be restored to

the greatness it has known under King David. Zechariah only wrote the first eight chapters of the book; others added to it about a hundred years later and that is what we read today from chapter nine. Those who wrote were beginning to think the kingdom would not be restored; instead they envisioned an "eschatological" restoration, ie., the kingdom and the Messiah would both come at the end of time. They envisioned the Messiah riding on the foal of an ass. Kings of Israel rose horses during war; young donkeys when they came in peace. Jesus' choice of the colt of an ass was not simply an act of humility; rather it was the sign of a great king of Israel coming in peace. This passage is foretelling Jesus doing that.

In our reading from Paul's letter to the Romans, we hear again how masterful Paul is at drawing contrasts, and here it is the dichotomy between flesh and spirit. "Flesh" refers here to the entire human person—body and soul-, but in an unredeemed state. Living in the flesh means failing to claim the grace and salvation won for us by Christ. "Spirit," on the other hand, refers to the Christian who, though still living in the flesh, has started living a new life of grace, guided by the Holy Spirit.

In our passage from Matthew's gospel today, we hear Jesus express concern about those who do not believe as he praises God for giving the childlike what is beyond the grasp of the socalled wise of the world. He then continues by articulating his unique relationship with his Father. Jesus is the eternal God, one with the Father, possessing full knowledge of God as God has full knowledge of him. Out of these two premises—the ability of the childlike to grasp deeper truths than the learned and Jesus' oneness with the Father-Jesus speaks the unique and gentle call that comprises one of the New Testament's most tender texts. In the broader context of this passage, Jesus refers to the oppressive legalistic system imposed upon the people by the scribes and the Pharisees. These laws

were focused on themselves and required exacting observance that became a labor and burden rather than the experience of freedom one finds when truly centered in the will of God. And so Jesus offers his "yoke" in place of the law with all its burdens.

The St. Patrick Food Pantry distributed 24,836 pounds of food in May at a cost to the parish of \$2,122.02. A total of 759 families received food in that one month. Thanks to your generous support of this project, we are able to continue to help the poorest of the poor. If you are ever there to see the clients, you would be shocked at how many of them are children and the elderly.

We have submitted our 2014/15 budgets to the diocese for both of our parishes. The St. Hedwig budget predicts income of \$76,000 and expenses of \$72,261. The St. Patrick budget predicts an income of \$707,000 and expenses of \$633,888. This again allows me extra money to apply toward the debt from the restoration.

A man stopped me after the 10:30 Mass at St. Patrick's recently to tell me he was a visitor and went on to rave about the Mass saying it was one of the best experiences he had ever had. He commented on how beautiful the church was, the music, the liturgy, but most of all he said were the people. He said he has never been in a Catholic church where people were so welcoming. He said people said they didn't recognize him and wondered if he was new. When he explained his situation, he said, "everyone welcomed me."

If you think we have a lot of work to do preparing for the festival, get a load of this. At Holy Trinity they announced this week that they have 5,507 pierogis made to date but they need to have a total of 9,000!!!! In addition, they are making 9,000 chrusciki!!!!

The parish is grateful to the family of the late John Tramontano for the donation of a new chasuable to be used during Lent and Advent.

I recently mentioned the possibility of our starting a program to help single moms in the inner city and am overwhelmed with the response. People from every walk of life and every profession have come forward. Bill Jackson is a Saint Patrick

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

parishioner who is Executive Director of United Way, and he told me of a program that United Way has which does exactly this, and that they are trying to get it into parishes. Rick Crocker at City Mission says the program is excellent, so I am meeting with them and then we'll explain the whole program. I'm thrilled to see so many of our parishioners willing to help the less fortunate. I was a bit overwhelmed at the number of people who have stepped forward and want to help with this project.

I use the Gannon Rec Center every morning after my 8 AM Mass, and if you are looking for a gym to join, the new Rec Center is scheduled to open in late August, and it is absolutely over the top. It is an ideal location for anyone who works downtown.

We continue with planning and details for the Irish Festival. Last week we met with the people at the Russian Church of the Nativity Social Center for the people from Calamari's to take a look at the facility as well as what we need in terms of set up and clean up. We're going to need a lot of volunteers for this, so I hope people will step forward. Angle Kontur stays on top of all of the planning. We have just rented some things for a great new play area for the kids, we think we have finalized the layout of the entire area, and we are waiting word from the city to see if we can close Fourth Street on Tuesday of the week of the festival. That will give us time to get the tents up, the lighting installed, the booths in place, etc. There is a great deal of excitement.

An elderly couple had been married for many years but argued constantly. Whenever there was a confrontation, yelling could be heard and the old man would shout, "When I die, I will dig my way up and out of my grave and come back and haunt you for the rest of your life." Even the neighbors feared him. He died of a heart attack at the age of 98. After the burial, neighbors concerned for the woman's safety asked, "Aren't you afraid that he may indeed be able to dig his way out of the grave and haunt you for the rest of your life?" The wife replied, "Let him dig. I had him buried upside down and you know he'll never ask for directions."

# Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **My loving father**, **Robbie Robison**, requested by Russell Robison Jr., Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Genevieve Gorski** requested by Karen and David Nelson and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Jeanette Borowy** requested by Gary M. and Laura A. Borowy. Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing care, the military and the homebound.

Our offertory for last week was **\$891.00** and **\$120.00** for **Peter's Pence**. Thank you and God bless.

#### **Summer Festival**

The Summer Festival is still ongoing. So far we have received **\$1,107.00**. We thank everyone who has contributed and ask those who have not to consider doing so. Proceeds are used to cover our regular operating expenses.

Volunteers Needed at Second Harvest's Garden Volunteers needed to help maintain Second Harvest's garden at Mercyhurst University, North East. Volunteers are also needed to travel to farms in Erie County to glean the harvest. This is a great opportunity for service hours. For more information call Mariana Skonieczka at 814-459-3663, ext. 109.

## **Christian Perfection**

No one can ever be as perfect as Our Lord. But having Him for a model inspires us to strive for greater and greater sanctity. He said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life" (John 14:6). And in reply to the young man who wished to become perfect, Jesus said, "Come, follow me" (Matt. 19:21). We should try to make progress every day, so that we are better today than yesterday.

Pray the Rosary Daily



St. Hedwig Ministry Schedule		
	July 12	July 13
	Saturday	Sunday
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM
Lectors	Dolly Bargielski	Russell Robison
Eucharist	Dolly Bargielski	Peter Pentz
Ushers	Roland Henderson	Dan Jarzomski
	Ray Nowosielski	Pete Pentz
Altar Servers	Nowosielski family	Charlotte Mabie



# Saint Patrick News



# **Stewardship**

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Offertory Collection} & $ 6,084.50 \\ \text{Online Giving} & \underline{672.00} \\ \text{Total Income} & $ 6,756.50 \\ \end{array}$ 

Thank you for your generosity!

Please make a special effort to remember in your daily prayers the members of our parish who are hospitalized, in Long Term Nursing Care, or homebound.

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 John L. & Alice E. Sullivan Family from Jeffrey & Gretchen Johnson & Family: The Food Pantry Truck is sponsored this week in memory of **Deceased Family Members** from Kathy Alessi; The **Food Pantry** is sponsored in memory of **MK Wright & Tom Yochim** from Nancy Yochim, in memory of Deceased Muroski's from Rev. Leon Muroski, in memory of **Donna Thompson** from Jennifer & Ed Smith, in memory of Sister Marie Paul Ashworth from Saint Vincent Health System Community Service Fund; also donations from Barbara & Mark Sargent, Susan & Mark Sullivan, Dotty & Michael Schloss and Maggie McMahon Collins.

# Ministry Schedule Saturday, July 12, 2014 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Chris Sanner Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Kay Mannino, Tom Golab, Lynne Long

CUP: Kathy Sertz, Yvonne Gersims

Greeters: Angie Kontur

Altar Servers: Addie & Owen Babinsack

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

## Sunday, July 13, 2014 at 10:30 am

Lector: Gail Smith Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Dario Cipriani, Michele Wheaton,

Forrest Mischler

**CUP:** Mary Williams, Mike Vehec Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin Altar Servers: Andrew Wilcox

Ushers: Randy Pristello, Dave Wilcox, John Purvis,

Luke Purvis

Offertory Counters: Bill Welsh, Cindy Welsh,

Tim Donlin



Let us WELCOME Jacob Charles Portenier, son of David Portenier & Jennifer Musoloff and Harper Ann Stevens, daughter of Dale Stevens & Michelle Massy Stevens who will be baptized after 10:30 Mass today.

### IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN LADIES—

to clean out and recycle your costume jewelry items for the Festival Jewelry Booth! We are beginning to organize the jewelry to be sold at the Festival (with all proceeds going



to the parish). Donations can be dropped off at the Trinity Gift Shop or Rectory, or by calling Gail Smith at 833-9484

Days of Prayer at the Carmelite Monastery, 510 E Gore Rd. begin Friday, July 11th and continue through Wednesday, July 16th, the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Father Greg Cleveland, OMV will be the preacher. Holy Mass each morning at 8:00 AM; Services each evening at 7:30 PM will consist of Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Sermon. Sacrament of Penance after morning and evening services.

# A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Zechariah 9:9-10

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

The word disciple means student, learner, and the yoke is instruction. We don't have all the answers and have to become willing to live with the questions. Pope Francis said, "I don't have all the answers. I don't even have all the questions. I always think of new questions, and there are always new questions coming forward." When have questions overwhelmed you? To whom did you go for some answers?

# **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.



# LITURGY INTENTIONS Saturday, Vigil: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 5 4:30 PM SPECIAL INTENTION - ST.H 5:00 PM FORREST SHORTS, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - ST.P (FAMILY) Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 6 8:00 am Marilyn Wayland - St.P (PHIL & PAT TRYCHEL) 9:00 AM ROBERT T. NIEDZWIECKI - ST.H (HELEN ZIELINSKI) 10:30 AM GERALDINE CIACCHNI, ANNIV. - ST.P (Q. GREGORY ORLANDO FAMILY) Monday, Weekday July 7 8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE July 8 Tuesday, Weekday 8:00 AM BARB MCGILL (JOINT FAMILY) July 9 Wednesday, Weekday 8:00 AM ROBERT WIECZOREK (SISTER, IRENE) **July 10** Thursday, Weekday 8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE July 11 Friday, Saint Benedict, Abbot 8:00 AM JEAN BAGINSKI (GARY & LAURA BOROWY) **July 12** Saturday, Vigil: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:30 PM ALBERT (MICKEY) MABIE - ST.H (JUDY & PETER PENTZ) 5:00 PM DELPHINE ARDUINI - ST.P

(DANIEL & JUDY BRUNO) **July 13** Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM BETTY SONTAG (BETTY MASEK) - ST.P 9:00 AM ST. HEDWIG HOLY NAME MEMBERS.

10:30 AM MARIAN GLAZ (DAVE & ANNETTE HALE) - ST.P

LIVING & DECEASED

# **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

**07/05** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**07/08** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR **07/09** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

**07/10** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

**REGISTRATION** for the 2014-2015 CATECHETICAL YEAR – If you have not registered for the 2014-15 Catechetical Year, please call the Faith Formation Office – 454 -6322 to register your child in the Eastside Catholic Faith Formation Program. Materials books and materials need to be ordered, so early registration is greatly appreciated! Registration is open for Kindergarten through High

CANDIDATES for the SACRAMENT of CONFIRMA-TION— High School students in Grades 10, 11 and 12 (in diocesan Catholic High Schools and Public High Schools) who wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2015 are asked to contact Kathleen Kutz at 454-6322 or S. Marie Kebort, SSJ at 454-8085 to register for sessions which will begin in September, 2014. Please call to register by August 12, 2014.

*CATECHISTS NEEDED* – Catechists are needed in our *Eastside Catholic Faith Formation Ministry* for the following: Kdg., Gr 1, Gr 7 and Gr 9.

We thank Zodiac Dinor at 2516 State Street for advertising in our bulletin. See their advertisement on the back of the bulletin!

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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			