

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 10, 2016



Saint Patrick Parish

Saint Hedwig Parish

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Daily Mass 8 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM

Saturday Vigil Mass 4 PM

Sunday 8 AM & 10:30 AM

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From the Pastor's Desk.....

Today is the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Moses has just placed a tough challenge before the Israelites: keep God's commandments. But he senses the people's reluctance to exchange their ways for God's. Moses won't allow that thought to take root. He reminds them that this law comes from God and it comes not from outside of us, but from within their own hearts. The people have come to the end of their desert wandering and soon will enter the Promised Land. He reminds them not to make this any harder than it is. Instead just listen to your own heart. Moses' last sentence combines tenderness, compassion and a parent's love meant to spare a child pain. It would be so simple, he says, if you would only carry it out.

Christians came early to a cosmic understanding of Christ, of one in the flesh but also the Eternal God through whom all things were created. But the church in Colossae was threatened by false teachers who de-emphasized Jesus' role and emphasized the role of angels. Paul is writing from prison and he composes a magnificent hymn which is the entire text of today's second reading. Twice he asserts Jesus as the firstborn to assert his primacy over the creation of all things and the one who makes it possible for all to rise from the dead as he did.

The lawyer's lack of sincerity, signaled by his intent to test Jesus, elicits a polite response but no effort from Jesus to engage him. This legal expert has already demonstrated a clear grasp of the Mosaic Law to answer Jesus' question. But Jesus takes him much further by showing that the "neighbor" he seeks can even be one he despises as an enemy. Cultural and religious history had turned Jews and Samaritans into bitter opponents. Here Jesus casts a Samaritan as the hero of the story to demonstrate the primacy of

love.

The parish office is closed on the Fridays of July and August.

Employees at Saint Vincent Health Center participate in a Community Service Fund in which they contribute money to assist various non-profits and outreach programs in the city. They recently distributed a donation to each of the churches who participate in the winter Overflow Homeless Shelter to help with the expenses. As one of the participating churches, St. Patrick's received a generous donation from the group. In the past, they have also contributed to our Food Pantry.

Speaking of our Homeless Shelter, Angie Kontur is chairing it for the coming year. We will again sponsor the week during February and will once again use the Social Center of the neighboring Church of the Nativity. I'm grateful to Father Simon and his parishioners for their willingness to allow us to use that facility as we have nothing like that of our own at St. Patrick's.

We are doing work on the roof on the weekday chapel and the sacristy. The roofs are copper and are beginning to rust which is only going to lead to larger problems. They are presently being sanded, painted and fresh caulking added in a number of areas. The roof on the Food Pantry was replaced a few years ago thanks to a grant from the Erie Community Foundation. We also replaced very large sections of the main church roof in 2011 in anticipation of our restoring the interior of the church in 2012 for our 175th anniversary as a parish.

A special thanks to Mary Pat Schlaudecker and her team for all of their efforts to improve the grounds at St. Patrick's. You can notice the nice plantings around the entrance to the church as well as around the rectory. We also received a

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gift earlier this year from a parishioner to purchase the two large vases which you can see at the entrance to the rectory. If anyone in the parish is interested in volunteering some time to help with the grounds, please contact the parish office.

If any of you have a family member who is hospitalized or in a convalescent home and would like me to visit them, please don't hesitate to contact the parish office. I'm more than happy to visit, take communion, etc. Another thing to keep in mind is the Sacrament for the Sick. Most of us grew up knowing it as the Last Rites, a ritual which emerged in the Middle Ages, but was never the intent of the early church when they initiated the sacrament. That form of the sacrament was suppressed following Vatican II and the emphasis placed again on the Sacrament of the Sick which is intended for people who are seriously ill, elderly, facing major surgery, etc. It is a prayer for the forgiveness of sins as well as for the health of the individual. I urge you not to wait until death is immanent to call for a priest.

A new back door and an additional eight more windows are now being replaced in St. Patrick's rectory. Those windows are over a hundred years old and need to be replaced.

This is a conversation between a man and his wife. Woman: "Do you drink beer?" Man: "Yes." Woman: "How many beers a day?" Man: "3." Woman: "How much do you pay per beer?" Man: "\$5.00 which includes a tip." Woman: "And how long have you been drinking?" Man: "About 20 years." Woman: "So a beer costs \$5 and you have 3 beers a day which puts your spending each month at \$450. In one year it would be approximately \$5,400....correct?" Man: "Correct." Woman: "If in 1 year you spend \$5,400, not accounting for inflation, the past 20 years puts your spending at \$108,000...correct?" Man: "Correct." Woman: Do you know that if you didn't drink so much beer that money could have been put in a step-up interest savings account and after accounting for compound interest for the past 20 years, you could now have a Ferrari." Man: "Do you drink beer?" Woman: "No." Man: "Where's your Ferrari?"

Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for **all living and deceased members of the St. Hedwig Rosary Society.**

Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Regina Loncki** from Bethany Sulecki.

St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Helen Zielinski** from Tom Kurpiewski.

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

Due to early publishing deadlines the offertory for the weekend of July 3rd will be published in the July 17 bulletin.

Masses celebrated at the Priest Retirement Home—

Chet Loncki (Mary Shchouchoff)
Peter Dubowski (Jim & Carole Sulecki)
Albert Mabie (Frances Piatowaski, Terry Paluh,
Nancy Andrezewski, Helen Zielinski and
Mary Zielinski)

59th Annual Days of Prayer—

DAYS OF PRAYER at the Carmelite Monastery, 510 East Gore Road, Erie, begin Monday, July 11th and continue through Saturday, July 16th, the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

Fr. Kevin Peek of the Archdiocese of Atlanta & Military Ordinate will be the preacher.

Mass each morning at 8:00 will be offered for the intentions of all making the DAYS OF PRAYER. Service each evening at 7:30 consist of Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Sermon. There are NO SERVICES the evening of the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (Saturday, July 16). The Carmelite Nuns warmly invite all to pray with them during these grace-filled days in the Year of Mercy.

St. Hedwig Ministry Schedule

July 16, 2016 at 4:00 PM

Saturday

Lector	Russell Robison
Eucharist	Charlotte Mabie
Ushers	Nancy Widomski
	Art Blum
Altar Servers	Nowosielski Family





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Stewardship

Due to early publishing deadlines the offertory for the weekend of July 3 will be published in the July 17 bulletin.

Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

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

We continue to thank those who make special donations to our parish and we pray for those people in whose memory the donations were made:

- ♦ **Alfred Sokolowski & Nancy Jackson** from Frances Sokolowski
- ♦ **Phyllis, Robert, Gale & Tim Williams** from Mary Williams
- ♦ **T. Yochim & N. Yochim** from Nancy Yochim
- ♦ **Chuck Schaaf** from Mary Ellen Dahlkemper
- ♦ **Carol & Debra Donnelly** from James Donnelly
- ♦ **Carol & Debbi Donnelly** from Patricia Donnelly
- ♦ **Cindy McLaughlin** from Deborah Musolff
- ♦ **Our Fathers** from Eugene & Kathleen Polaski
- ♦ **J. David Schmidt & Howard Bailey** from Patricia Schmidt
- ♦ **Mary Chuzie** from Brian & Pat Miller and Cheryl Hirst

Also donations from:

William & Patricia Gloekler, Kathleen Horan,
Rev. John Bauer, Joe & Heather Kimball
Tammy Birkmire, Phillip & Judy Kelly

A Special Thank You!!!

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for their generous donations every week



Let Us *Welcome*

Henry Dennis Schermerhorn

son of

Kevin & Mary (Styn) Schermerhorn

who will be baptized after the

5:00 P.M. Liturgy

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, July 16, 2016 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Jay Habas

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Jay Habas, Carol Habas, Kay Mannino

CUP: Shirley Winschel, Yvonne Gersims

Greeters: Jane Carney, Kathleen Horan

Altar Servers: Ryan Jubulis

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers,
Jim Sertz

Sunday, July 17, 2016 at 8:00 am

Lector: Fred Olds

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathryn Olds

Ushers: John Maloney, Dave Korn

Sunday, July 17, 2016 at 10:30 am

Lector: Michele Wheaton

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Michele Wheaton, Tim Scully,
Forrest Mischler

CUP: Charla Leehmuis, Kathleen Pae

Greeters: Charla Leehmuis, **1 NEEDED**

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

Ushers: Randy Pristello, Dave Wilcox, John Wilcox,
Luke Purvis

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

USHERS NEEDED—

The 8:00 am Mass attendance is growing, if you are interested and you attend this Mass we are looking for additional ushers. Please contact the Parish Office at 454-8085 or email stpats@neo.rr.com. 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.



Marriage Moments—

“Be your partner’s cheerleader, not his/her teacher, supervisor or critic. This creates a partnership rather than a hierarchy.” (Trudy Costa, “How To Create a Satisfying, Lasting Marriage”)

A Family Perspective—

15th Sunday -

Children learn by watching us. Do they see you helping others like the Good Samaritan, or do they see you avoiding others like the Levite in today’s gospel? You should worry more about what your children see in your life than what they see on TV. Think about it.





68 DAYS TO THE IRISH FESTIVAL

SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP, THEN HAVE A GUINNESS

Some come for the food, some for the drink, but this week we honor those who come to shop! Festival shoppers, here's what we've lined up for you so far.

To begin with, perennial favorite **Tipperary West** returns to tempt you with a wide selection of authentic Irish clothing, jewelry, and perfumes. More clothing options? **House of Erin** brings unique and stylish items as well.

All That Glitters will continue to feed your costume jewelry addiction with Irish themed jewelry and their fantastic musical Irish Bears.

Half way to St. Patrick's day is $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way to Christmas, so pick up a beautiful Irish nativity set made from real Irish stone to put under your tree this year, brought to you by **Hoffman's Religious Store**.

And if you're looking to go big this Christmas, **St. Peter's Women's Council** will be selling tickets to raffle off St. Peter's Fontanini nativity set with beautiful foot high statues, valued at over 2,000 dollars.

What better way to show your 2016 Erie Irish Festival pride than with a special charm bracelet with a shamrock on one side and an Erie Irish Festival commemoration on the other? Stop by the **Lighthouse Jewelers** booth.

A new vendor this year is **True Visions of the Southwest**, but don't let the name fool you, they're bringing Irish and other fun-themed lawn flags—must be Southwest Ireland—and who doesn't love lawn flags?

We have two authors this year. **Mary Moodey**, who'll be selling her children's books, doing readings for the leprechauns, and autographing, and **Roseanne Higgins**, Buffalo author of three novels about Irish immigrants in America, *Orphans and Inmates*, *A Whisper of Bones*, and *The Seer and the Scholar*. Roseanne will be autographing and will also give a short talk on Irish immigration to our part of the states, followed by a set of Irish songs about exile and emigration by **County Mayo** on Saturday afternoon.

Need a culture fix? Both the **Hibernians** and the **Irish Cultural Society** will be on hand, and, in addition to the **Rince Na Tiarna** dancers this year, we're adding **Long's School of Dance**. So both you and the kids can get your Irish on! And of course, the **Knights and Ladies of St. Patrick** will be raffling off their special selection of baskets to help fund the great work that they do.

How about jewelry on a budget? Thanks to our wonderful parishioner's donations, we have our own **Pre-Loved Jewelry and Purse** booth with only the finest and most tasteful jewelry, watches, and purses (we do have a stylish congregation!) at bargain prices—plus a raffle for some high-end fashion accessories such as Coach purses.

Finally, don't forget to wander into our own **St. Patrick's Gift Shop**, located inside the church for that special St. Pat's t-shirt or medal. And then have a Guinness!

Gary and Becky Johnson, Festival Chairs, can be reached at gjohnson@broctolocsouth.com or beckykj@neo.rr.com. Buy too much? We'll help you carry it to your car.

LITURGY INTENTIONS

July 9 *Saturday, Vigil: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM ST. HEDWIG HOLY NAME MEMBERS, -ST.H
LIVING & DECEASED

5:00 PM EDWARD KOSCELNIK - ST.P
(DAVID & JOAN HEUBEL)

July 10 *Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM THERESA MERSKI (RON & PATTY MERSKI)- ST.P

10:30 AM MSGR. ROBERT SCHRIEFER - ST.P
(SUE & DAVID TACCONO)

July 11 *Monday, Saint Benedict, Abbot*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

July 12 *Tuesday, Weekday*

8:00 AM SOPHIE KOWALEWSKI
(DOLORES DOMBKOWSKI)

July 13 *Wednesday, Saint Henry*

8:00 AM TOM BLUMISH (KATHY CROTTY)

July 14 *Thursday, Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin*

8:00 AM LINDA WINKLEMAN (MOTHER, MARGE STUART)

July 15 *Friday, Saint Bonaventure,*

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 AM ST. HEDWIG ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS,
LIVING AND DECEASED

July 16 *Saturday, Vigil: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM ALBERT "MICKEY" MABIE - ST.H
(CHUCK & JOE)

5:00 PM GINNY MCGINNIS - ST.P
(JAMES & JEANNE SIEGEL)

July 17 *Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM JOHN BROOKS - ST. P
(ST. PATRICK SCHOOL, CLASS OF 1957)

10:30 AM DOLLY HIGGINS - ST.P
(AVE MARIA CARE & CONCERN SOCIETY)

DATES TO REMEMBER

St.H=St. Hedwig, St.P=St. Patrick, HR=Holy Rosary

CP=Chapel, PF=Polish Falcons

PR=Pascal Room, R=Rector, CV=Convent

07/09 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

07/12 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

07/13 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

07/16 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H



Calling all Volunteers—

"To Volunteer to work this year's Irish festival, go to the website:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/findasignup>.


Under the "Search By Email" section, type in the email address - fischers6@roadrunner.com. After clicking "Search" you will see the box to click for the Irish Festival sign-ups. Scroll through the days, times and areas for volunteering and check the slots that you wish to work. You will be asked to enter your contact information and will receive email reminders about your time slots."

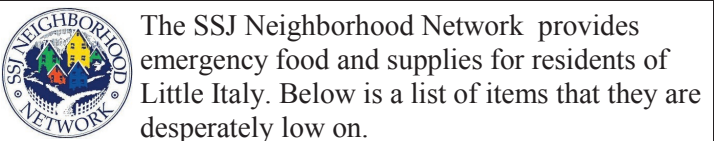
DIOCESAN NEWS AND EVENTS

Eastside Catholic Faith Formation—
It is time to register for the 2016-2017 faith formation classes. Please call the office at 454-6322, or stop by to register your children. Don't forget that students not attending a Catholic high school that wish to be confirmed as 11th graders must attend 9th and 10th grade classes before entering the Confirmation class. Students at Villa Elementary must also register for Sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist at their home parish faith formation program.

Catechist for 2016-2017—
It is not too early to think about being a catechist for the 2016-2017 year. We are always in need of adults that want to share their faith with our young people. Spend some time in prayer, listening to God and whether He is calling you to teach our youth. Then call me and I can answer your questions about this great ministry! Mary Hickin 454-6322

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

 **Online Safety Tips for Parents & Kids:** Parents should consider having internet accounts in their name with parents having the primary screen name, controlling passwords and using blocking and/or filtering devices. Children should not complete a profile for a service provider and children's screen names should be nondescript so as not to identify that the user is a child. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help create safe environments, check out <http://www.eriercd.org/protectyouth.htm>



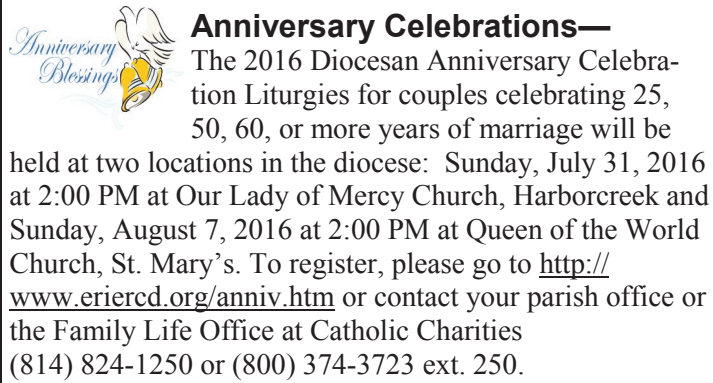
They would appreciate any contribution.

Toilet Paper	<u>Non-perishable food items</u>
Paper Towels	<u>such as:</u>
Multi-Purpose	Ramen Noodles
Window Cleaner	Mac & Cheese
Diapers—all sizes	Canned Food (soup, meals,
Liquid Dish Soap	vegetables, tuna, chicken)
Bath Soap	Spaghetti Sauce
Shampoo	Pasta
Liquid Hand Soap	Large cans of fruit drinks
Deodorant (Men's/Women's)	

Items can be dropped off at the Parish Office,
Monday - Thursday 9-4 or at the SSJNN, 425 W 18th St.,
454-7814.

Middle School Discipleship Camp—
Monday, July 11 is your last chance to register for Discipleship Camp Totus Tuus for Middle School students. Join us for a weekend long camp featuring Discipleship Building Activities, daily Mass, skits, music, games and even a Pymatuning Pontoon Cruise. For more information check out <http://www.onthevine.us/summer-discipleship-camps/> or contact Kathleen Peterson, kpeterson@eriercd.org.

NFP Awareness Week July 24-30, 2016—
 “Natural Family Planning. Love, Mercy, and Life. Opening the Heart of Marriage.” is this year’s theme for Natural Family Planning Awareness Week as designated by Bishop Persico in conjunction with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. NFP is a way of life that incorporates fertility awareness, responsible parenthood and self-mastery into married love. To learn more about this Church teaching: pick up literature from your parish, attend a class, contact your teaching couple, or the Diocesan NFP Office at 8824-1259 or at 1-800-374-3723 ext. 259, or <http://www.eriescd.org/nfp.htm>. Join NFP families from throughout the diocese on Sunday, July 24th at the 11 AM Mass at St. Peter Cathedral in Erie celebrated by Bishop Persico.



The 2016 Diocesan Anniversary Celebration Liturgies for couples celebrating 25, 50, 60, or more years of marriage will be held in the diocese: Sunday, July 31, 2016 at Our Lady of Mercy Church, Harborcreek and Sunday, August 7, 2016 at 2:00 PM at Queen of the World Church, Erie. To register, please go to <http://www.dioceseeerie.org/anniv.htm> or contact your parish office or the Office at Catholic Charities Erie at (800) 374-3723 ext. 250.

Speakers announced for the 3rd Annual 1:38 Women's Conference—
1:38 Women's Conference Speaker line-Up Revealed!

Model and International Public Speaker Leah Darrow, Speaking team Emily Jaminet and Michele Feahnle, Contributors to CatholicMom.com, and Prioress General, Founder and Teacher Mother Mary Assumpta Long, O.P. will join us for a grace-filled day packed with stories and inspiration on Saturday, October 1, 2016 at the Warner Theatre, Erie, PA. Price is \$40 includes lunch.

Register at www.138women.com or call 814-455-7364

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

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☐ Saint Patrick

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