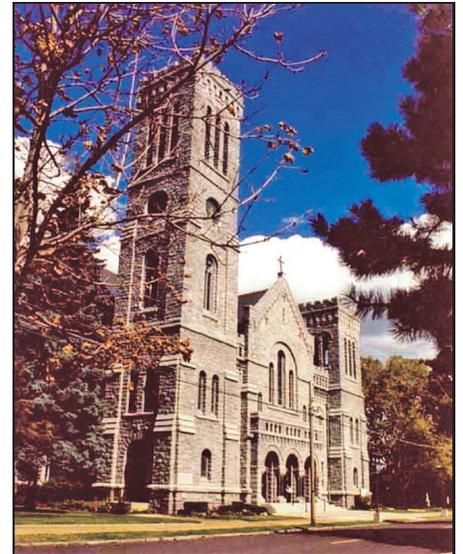
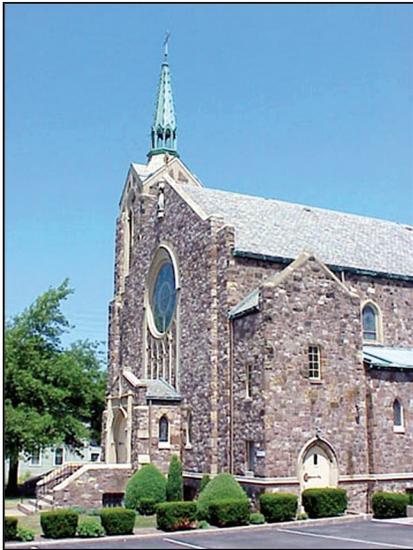


Saint Hedwig Saint Patrick

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 8:00 & 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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Saint Patrick Parish

Established 1837

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Adult Initiation, Marriage, Prayer or Study Groups, please call either parish office.***



Today is the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time and we hear first from the prophet Isaiah. The Bible views God's word as a force, an active agent that effects what it sets out to do. God's word never goes in one ear and out the other. Today's brief verse is taken from a longer passage in which God's voice summons all the thirsty, the poor and the hungry to "come to the water." Those who answer his call will not go away empty. This short, one sentence reading makes a single point: "my word" achieves "the end for which I sent it."

In our second reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans. For Paul, "the sufferings of the present time" were as nothing compared with the "glory" that would come his way because of Christ. Without being blind to the realities around him, Paul imagines the invisible realities God destines for us to share with Christ. A fascinating feature of Paul's teaching is that while creation endures the futility and corruption that are the wages of sin, creation will also enjoy the blessings and glorious freedom of the children of God. Paul concludes with the powerful image of a woman giving birth. "All creation is groaning" as if in labor. In all of life there a sense of more that waits fulfillment. That same awareness is in us, for though we have "the firstfruits of the Spirit" we await the liberation of our bodies from our old and sinful self.

Though saved, we live in an in-between place in which the power of sin still calls us, and where we occasionally fail. But the love of God has claimed us and so ultimately we are his, though we must patiently await our full "adoption" and the "redemption of our bodies."

Among Jesus' parables, this one probably generates the most debate. The parable is simple enough, for it speaks of the miraculous power of God present in the ministry of Jesus. The astonishing success represented by seed that yields a hundredfold (an impossible amount) suggests that divine intervention will overcome opposition to the Gospel and ensure the dramatic growth of the kingdom. There are three distinct movements in this passage. First is the parable itself. Second is Jesus' response to the question of why he speaks in such a cryptic manner. Third is the allegorical interpretation, placed on the lips of Jesus. This gospel presents understanding as a special gift that God bestowed upon true

Disciples but withheld from the crowds. But individuals are held responsible for failing to understand because they "look but do not see and hear but do not listen." At the start of the parable the seed seems to represent God's word and the hearers are the soil into which it falls. But in Jesus' interpretation we realize that the seed represents believers and their various levels of appropriating the Word. We encounter those who embrace the Word, others who eagerly hear it but quickly lose it, and the waning interest of the one worn away by anxiety and seduced by the lure of riches.

We're continuing to work frantically on plans for the Irish Festival. We have done a proposed layout of the area and St. Patrick parishioner Paul Balczun is making a scale model of every booth so that we can make sure everything is going to fit, that there will be room for traffic to flow, etc. We have had additional electricity brought in to accommodate all of the cooking which will be done in an area behind the rectory. The food will be in that same area. The stage and dance floor as well as an area for people to sit and listen to the music will all be held in front of the church. We will erect 30 foot wide tents on East Fourth Street from the driveway just to the west of the rectory to the east side of the church. The street itself is 30 feet wide.

In case of bad weather, everything at the festival will be under tents and we can close the flaps if we need to; but I assure you we're going to have good weather!!!!

We will soon begin asking for volunteers and we are going to need a great deal of them this year, so I'm hoping that everyone will be willing to give some time. There is great excitement about bringing the festival back downtown. It is also going to give us a chance to showcase St. Patrick's Church because many people have not seen it since the restoration. We will need people to be inside the building on one or two hour shifts while the building is open.

We developed a very bad leak in the weekday chapel at St. Patrick's, and hopefully it is repaired. A section of the ceiling started to come down from all of the heavy rain that we had. There is a downspout just above the area and it

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

seems that is the problem. It is never ending with these old buildings. We are also having a problem again with bats in St. Hedwig's Rectory. I had them all of the time I was living there. They somehow get in under the front porch roof, and we've tried everything to seal that area, but they are smarter than we are.

I hosted both bishops and about 25 priests for a retirement party for Monsignor Tom McSweeney at St. Patrick's recently. Seeing all of those priests in the house reminded me of the times when I was a young priest and Father Plunket would host Friday evening open house for all of the priests. There would be 50 to 75 of us in here. The area on the first floor of the rectory that we use as a copy room was a bar in the original house, and that was always well stocked. The dining room table was piled high with cold cuts, potato salad, etc. It made for great camaraderie among the priests and all of that is gone today. With so many of us having two and three parishes, there simply isn't time to get together with one another.

We welcome Ryan Palm as a new lector at St. Patrick's. Ryan is in Development at Mercyhurst University and he and his wife Sarah are the parents of two beautiful children. I'm always looking for more lectors.

Walking down the street in Dublin, Father Flaherty met a woman and said, "Top o' the mornin' to ye! Aren't you Mrs. Donovan and didn't I marry ye and your hoosband two years ago?" She replied, "Aye, that ye did, Father." Father then asked, "And be there any wee ones yet?" "No, not yet," she replied. "Well, then," said Father Flaherty, "I'm going to Rome next week and I'll light a fertility candle for ye and yer hoosband." "Oh, thank ye, Father," she replied and they parted ways. Some years later they met again and Father asked, "Well, now Mrs. Donovan, how are ye these days?" "Oh, very well," she replied. And then he asked, "And tell me, have ye any wee ones yet?" She replied, "Oh yes, Father, two sets of twins and six singles. Ten in all." Father replied, "That's wonderful, and how is your husband doing?" She replied, "E's gone to Rome to blow out your damn candle."

Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **Raymond Kantorowski** requested by the Juchno family, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Metro and Anna Moskel** requested by Janice and family and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Jeanette Borowy** requested by Gloria Sullivan. Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing care, the military and the homebound.

Our offertory for last week was **\$1,018.00**. Thank you and God bless.

Our Sunday 9:00am Mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick's until the end of August.

The Summer Festival is still ongoing. 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.

Our Lady of Czestochowa Celebration

Mass on Tuesday, August 26, 2014 at St. Paul's Cathedral, 108 N. Dithridge Rd., Pgh, Pa. 15213. Confessions-Polish/English from 6 until 6:45pm. Mass at 7:00pm. The Mass is being held in remembrance of the 70th anniversary of the Warsaw Uprising. Starting at 6:30pm Radoslaw Fizek will perform Polish patriotic selections. Sponsored by the Polish Falcons of American and the Polish clergy of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. More information at 1.800.535.2071 or visit polishfalcons.org

St. James Summer Festival

St. James Festival will be held on Friday, August 1 through Sunday, August 3. There is a pasta dinner on Friday (Chuck & Ginny's Sauce), a full-course Turkey Dinner on Sunday following the 11:30am Polka Mass; also food, games, prizes, pony rides, Bingo, Casino Tent, Money Mania Drawing.

Everybody, soon or later, sits down to a banquet of consequences. Robert Louis Stevenson

Pray the Rosary Daily

St. Hedwig Ministry Schedule

	<u>July 19</u>	<u>July 20</u>
	Saturday	Sunday
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM (St. Pat's)
Lectors	Jim Gorski	Art Blum
Eucharist	Jim Gorski	Tom Zielinski
Ushers	Roland Henderson	Dan Jarzomski
	Ray Nowosielski	Pete Pentz
Altar Servers	Charlotte Mabie	

ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL

September 19, 20, 21, 2014
Volunteer Sign-up Sheet
Be a SAINT PATRICK V.I.P.!

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ (daytime) _____ (evening)

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH AREAS YOU ARE WILLING TO WORK:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Admission | <input type="checkbox"/> Games of Chance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bake Sale | <input type="checkbox"/> Gift Shop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beverages (All) | <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Area | <input type="checkbox"/> Raffle (Grand Prize and Side) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorating | <input type="checkbox"/> Teardown after the Festival |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dining Room | <input type="checkbox"/> Anywhere needed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food/Drink Tickets | |

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH DAYS YOU ARE AVAILABLE TO WORK:

Friday, Sept. 19th _____ Saturday, Sept. 20th _____ Sunday morning, Sept. 21st _____
You will be contacted concerning your choice of area and your hours of service.

I WOULD LIKE TO DONATE:

Irish Auction Prize Baked Goods Children's Auction Prize
 A money donation towards Publicity /Advertising
 \$250 \$150 \$100 \$50 \$20 Other

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE RECTORY OR PLACE IN THE OFFERTORY BASKET.

Thank you for your generous support!



Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 9,112.69
Online Giving	937.00
Total Income	\$10,049.69



Let us **WELCOME**
 Grady Robert Linse son of
 Matthew & Kimberly Wheeler Linse
 who will be baptized after the
 10:30 Mass today.

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 **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week in memory of **Joe Kohler, Jo Johnson and Bud Johnson** from Gary & Becky Johnson; The **Food Pantry** is sponsored in memory of **Kristy Spinks Newlin** from Phyllis & Fred Marchinetti, in memory of **John & Barb Jacquell, George Zack & Gary King** from Phyllis Zack, in memory of **James Fitzgibbon** from Jane & Leo Fitzgibbon, in memory of **Norma Jean Clement** from Patricia & John Mowry, also donations from Alice & Ken Daub, David Romanowicz, Carolyn & Robert Schenker and Nancy & Lawrence Fatica.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, July 19, 2014 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Angie Kontur

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Ray Fiorelli, Jay Habas, Lynne Long

CUP: Carol Habas, Tom Golab

Greeters: Jane Carney, Kathleen Horan

Altar Servers: Anna & Sarah Pristello

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

Sunday, July 20, 2014 at 10:30 am

Lector: Mary Kearney

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Charla Leemhuis, Tim Scully, Kathleen Pae

CUP: Colleen Welch, Michelle Tortorelli

Greeters: Norann Brugger, Charla Leemhuis

Altar Servers: Logan Kearney

Ushers: Dave Taccone, Tom Welch, Jim Wehan,
 Paul Balczun

Offertory Counters: Mary McCarthy, Mary Kearney
 Tim Torrey

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.



FESTIVAL NEWS

Please join us after the 10:30 Mass for a meeting in the Pascal Room. Plans to bring the Festival downtown to St. Patrick's property are moving right along! We need everyone to be well informed and we need **YOU** to make it a success!

We are in need of a chairperson for the festival **tear down** committee. We will have plenty of volunteers who will do the physical work of taking down chairs, tables, etc. We need someone to oversee the process. If you are willing to consider this please contact Angie Kontur at angie.k1@verizon.net or **434-9653**.



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.

A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Isaiah 55:10-11

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23



How differently each person responds to the gift of God's life. To become who God created us to become, we need to nourish our relationship with God through prayer and a community of believers. We are called to do this in different ways and by using different methods. And sometimes God calls us in spite of ourselves and our errant ways. How has God's Word takes root in you over the years?

FOUND: A charm to a Pandora bracelet has been found near St. Patrick's. Call the rectory to identify. 454-8085, ext.1.

PLEASE NOTE!! St. Patrick's Offices will be closed on Thursday, July 17th and Friday, July 18th to allow for workers to restore the hardwood floors in the lobby.

SPONSORSHIP FORM

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Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____

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Please check one:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Corporate Sponsor Banner | \$500.00 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Full Page | \$275.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1/2 Page | \$175.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1/4 Page | \$125.00 |
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Send this form, your proposed advertisement and check to:

Saint Patrick Church
130 East 4th Street
Erie, PA 16507

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stpats@neo.rr.com

Any questions, contact **Program Chair Dennis Michalski at 456-4979**.

All Sponsorship Forms must be received by **AUGUST 16, 2014**.

LITURGY INTENTIONS

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,
LIVING & DECEASED

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

July 14 *Monday, USA: Saint Kateri Telakwitha, Virgin*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

July 15 *Tuesday, Saint Bonaventure,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

8:00 AM AMELIA WEBER & SOPHIE CRABB (SISTER, VIKI)

July 16 *Wednesday, Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

8:00 AM FOR THE INTENTION OF CHRISTINA MURNOCK
(TREVOR MURNOCK)

July 17 *Thursday, Weekday*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

July 18 *Friday, Weekday*

8:00 AM ST. HEDWIG ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS

July 19 *Saturday, Vigil: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:30 PM FRANK OLSZEWSKI (LOU & IRENE DART) - ST.H

5:00 PM JOSEPHINE ALECCI (ISABEL GRAZINO)- ST.P

July 20 *Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM BARBARA O'LEARY
(JOE & KRISTIN LEONE) - ST.P

9:00 AM CHET LONCKI
(JAMES & NANCY GRIFFEY) - ST.H

10:30 AM ALEX BARLEKOFF, ANNIV

(ARLENE BARLEKOFF) - 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=Rectorry, CV=Convent

07/12 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

07/13 11:30 AM Festival Mtg. - PR

07/15 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

07/16 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

07/17 **St. Patrick Office Closed**

07/18 **St. Patrick Office Closed**

07/19 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

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 School.**

CANDIDATES for the SACRAMENT of CONFIRMATION– 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.

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

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