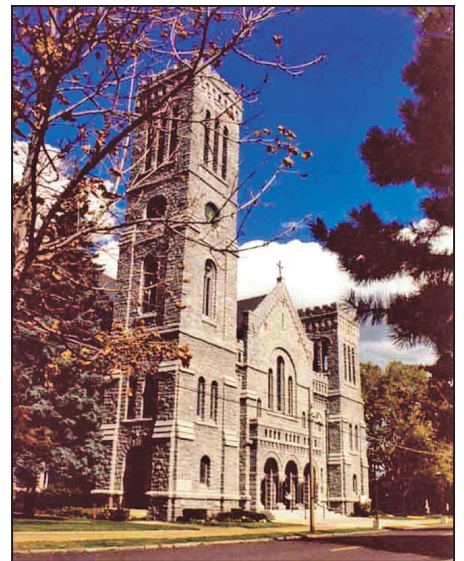
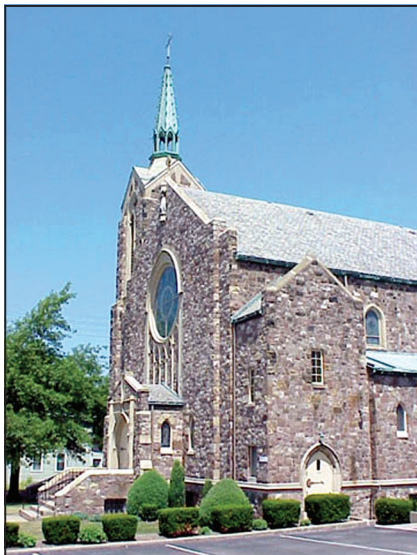


Saint Hedwig Saint Patrick

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 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time and our first reading comes from the Book of Exodus. Even though God has freed them from the Egyptians, the people are still grumbling—at least we had full stomachs before we began this journey they whine. They long for the fleshpots or metal cauldrons in which wealthy Egyptians cooked meat. No longer their hero, Moses is indicted for leading them out into the desert. Almost as amazing as their whining is God's indulgence on them. Without a word from Moses, God promises to rain bread from heaven for them.....Our second reading continues from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians in which he reminds us that we experience new life in Christ and even though we only experience a foretaste of it, it is enough to change us. Unfortunately this reading eliminates two verses which speak of the hardness of heart of those who have not heard the word of God, but he tells his audience, to abandon such corruption and and put on the new self.....Our Gospels for the next few weeks will come from John rather than Mark and we will hear for three weeks what are called Bread of Life passages. Scandalized by what sounds like blasphemy or lunacy, many disciples will abandon Jesus because of this discourse which takes place almost immediately after the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. In John's gospel, signs are meant to signify conversion; but this crowd can't see beyond the sign of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. They see Jesus as a wonder worker. When he asks them to seek food for the soul for eternal life, they ask him to show them how to acquire it. Jesus' simple answer, "Believe in me," generates their response, "What will you do to MAKE us believe?" They are simply looking for another miracle and even suggest that he make something like manna in the desert. And now Jesus starts with some hardcore teaching—it was God, not Moses, who fed them in the desert and he equates himself with the bread that comes down from heaven. They simply can't understand all that he is trying to tell them.....Today we begin our rather historical move with the restoration of St. Patrick's Church. All weekend Masses will now be held in the Cauley Auditorium. There is ample parking and the Cauley is air-conditioned. It's not going to be the greatest comfort, but it's going to help us appreciate the restored St. Patrick's when we do move back in on Christmas Eve..... Week-day Masses are held in the rectory chapel. You can enter through the back door of the rectory, go up the stairs to the second floor or go to the front hall and take the elevator up.....Bear with us as we get used to this change of venue.....If you are planning a wedding at St. Patrick's for 2013 I urge you to get your date reserved as soon as possible. The dates are really filling up fast and once people see the restored church, there is going to be even greater demand.....During the month of June, the St. Patrick's Food Pantry distributed over 19,180 pounds of food to 728 families. Those figures continue to boggle my mind each month. The cost for the month of June to the parish was \$1,078.03. Starting with your next packet of envelopes, you will find an additional envelope for a donation to the Food Pantry. Perhaps you can do it as a memorial to a deceased person or in memory of someone from your own family. Those will be listed in the weekly bulletin. Trust me, a donation to the neediest never goes unrecognized by our God.....Mark your calendars for September 14, 15 & 16 for our Erie Irish Festival and even more than that why not call the parish office and volunteer to help. We desperately need you.....I have often cited studies showing declines of religion in different parts of the world, and there is now a new report out on the state of the Catholic Church in Poland which shows rather dramatic declines in recent years. In 1992, 64% of young Polish Catholics said they go to Mass on Sundays; today 44%. The number who pay attention to the church's teachings on sexuality is absolutely miniscule. Illegal abortions in Poland are in the hundreds of thousands a year.....I'm thrilled to tell you that we have now gone \$3,000 over our \$1 million goal for the restoration of St. Patrick's. That is incredible generosity on the part of a great number of you, and now our dream can be realized. I'm hoping that more pledges continue to come in because we will certainly have cost over runs with the project.....St. Patrick parishioner and architect Chip Wachter and I recently spent a day with Lynn Howard, the lighting consultant from Milwaukee who has designed the new lighting system for the church. I must tell you that the new lighting is as exciting as the new painting will be. It's amazing how brilliantly the room can be lit and how evenly the lighting is spread. There is particularly amazing new lighting for the altars and the Stations of the Cross which will highlight them like they have never been before.....In the vestibule there are three large light fixtures from the former St. Joseph Orphanage chapel. Two additional ones are in the tower rooms. Inside the church, under the choir loft balcony are three smaller light fixtures from the same chapel. We are bring the 5 from the vestibule and tower rooms in and putting them under the balcony to give much more light and putting the three smaller ones in the vestibule. The larger

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

ones in the vestibule and tower rooms also match the sanctuary lamp.....As I anticipated, we also find that we have to redo a great deal of the wiring in the attic of the church. It was last put in during the 1920s and is very inadequate and also a fire hazard.....The new lighting system also has the option for dimming the lights for various reasons, something which we do not have today.....I hope you're planning on joining us for the upcoming Irish Festival Sept. 14, 15 & 16 and also joining us for the 17th Anniversary Banquet on Oct. 20 at the Convention Center. Those invitations will be mailed Sept. 3.....A priest waited in line to have his car filled with gas before a long holiday weekend. The attendant worked quickly but there were a number of cars ahead of him. Finally the attendant got to the priest and apologized, "I'm sorry about the delay. It seems as if everyone waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip." The priest smiled and replied, "I know what you mean; it's the same in my business.".....A first grade teacher asked her class, "Name one important thing we have today that we didn't have 10 years ago to which one child promptly answered, "Me!"....An ad actually found in a British newspaper read "Wedding dress for sale. Worn once by mistake. Call Stephanie."....A sign on the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church: "Don't gripe about your church. If it was perfect you couldn't be in it!!"



Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **Ted Widomski** requested by Bill Dzuricky, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Stefania Tyczkowski** requested by family and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Carol Kurpiewski** requested by Charlotte Mabie. Please also remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing homes and the homebound.

Our Offertory Collection for the week of July 28/29 was **\$817.00**. Thank you and God bless.

Catholic Services Appeal

The appeal is ongoing. We are still short **\$2,459.00** of last year's over goal. Please consider the appeal regardless of the amount. Thank you for your support.

Masses recorded for the soul of Theodore Widomski:

Rick & Ron Bolla, Rose Niedzwiecki, Ann & Al Adamczyk, Anne Marie and Eileen Ropelewski, Bob Bolmanski family, Fred Vanos, John Warus, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Widomski, Bill Dzuricky, Daniel Wisinski, Dick & Pat Mielnik, Dorothy Mielnik, Irene Mielnik, Liz Clark (Jarzomski), Nels & Karen White, Peter and Judy Pentz, Ray Przybyszewski, Tom Kurpiewski.

Please Join Us

The Holy Name members will be reciting the rosary before the 9am Mass starting at 8:30am on Sunday, August 12.

Summer Festival Collection

Update: We received \$800.00 to date. St. Hedwig's does not have a festival. We depend on your generosity to give as if you were buying a raffle ticket or playing games of chance. This collection will continue throughout the summer. Thank you in advance.

Ministry Schedule

	August 11 4:30pm	August 12 9:00am
Eucharistic Minister	Charlotte Mabie	Tom Zielinski
Reader	Ron Rossi	Don Moehler
Altar servers	Portia & Yvonne Nowosielski	Charlotte Mabie

Pray the Rosary Daily





Saint Patrick News



Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for last weekend was **\$5,351.00**. 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 honor of the marriage of **Paul & Dipti** on August 11, 2012: The **Peace Candle** burns this week for all the men and women serving in the military; The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week by the **Ave Maria Care and Concern Society**; The **Food Pantry** in memory of **Casimir Pietrasiewicz** from Yvonne and the Monday Novena friends.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, August 11, 2012 at 5:00 pm

Lector: *Rick Filippi*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Kathy Sertz, Judy Emling, Kay Mannino*

Greeters: *Judy Kelly, Judy Emling*

Altar Servers: *Emilio Filippi, Brendan Humphrey*

Ushers: *Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri*

Sunday, August 12, 2012 at 10:30 am

Lector: *Mary Kearney*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Forrest Mischler, Audrey Reigel, Charla Leemhuis*

Greeters: *Charla Leemhuis, Arlene Miller*

Altar Servers: *Logan Kearney, Kiely Kearney*

Ushers: *Jim Wehan, Paul Balczun, John Purvis, Luke Purvis*

Offertory Counters: *Mary McCarthy, Mary Kearney*

A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

Reading II: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Gospel: John 6: 24-35



This week Jesus offers to feed our deepest hunger and desires. The average American supermarket is about 46,000 square feet, with an average of almost 39,000 items for sale. The average American eats seventy-one and a half loaves of bread every year. The American population numbers 307,006,550. That's 24,407,020,727 loaves of bread. That's a lot of dough! Despite all the selection available in the in the modern supermarket, we often wander the aisles with nothing whetting our appetites. What really will satisfy is my relationship with God, celebrated in prayer, Eucharist, and in service. What empty space in your life do you try to fill with food even when you are not hungry? What emptiness do you ask Jesus to fill for you? How satisfying is your relationship with God?

THE FESTIVAL IS FAST APPROACHING:



The Ave Maria Care and Concern are asking for your help for their—"Irish Auction!" Feel creative? Get together and make up a Theme Basket or donate unused items and/or gift certificates and the Ave Maria Society ladies will make up the baskets. Another option - donate money and items will be purchased for the baskets. The Irish Auction has always been a popular booth at the festival with its display of attractive Theme Baskets. Donations will be accepted at the Rectory during 9—3 Monday thru Friday. Monetary donations may be put in the collection marked "AVE – Irish Auction". All donations must be in by August 31st. All proceeds go to the parish! As always, we are grateful for your support! Last year's booth was outstanding! Everyone is excited for this year! Questions? Call Renee Calabrese 459-6004.



The Jewelry Booth, chaired by Gail Smith, is accepting jewelry to be sold at the Festival. This booth is one of the most popular. So now is a great time to clean out your jewelry drawers or boxes and donate your old jewelry to the Festival. You may drop it off at the rectory office. Also needed are small gift bags for the jewelry.

Volunteers: We need **YOU** to make this festival a success. There are volunteer forms in this week's bulletin. There are many areas that need your help. Think about where you would like to volunteer. Peruse the form and choose the areas that interest you the most. You may drop the form in the offertory basket or at the rectory.

Program Sponsors: Festival Program sponsorship forms are also included in the bulletin. These are for the program booklet for the festival and we are soliciting advertisements to help pay the cost of printing. There is a special line that you may check to have a memorial for a loved one.

The Bake Sale Booth is always a popular spot! If you would like to donate to this area, we would love to have your items. All items do not need to be brought to the Festival on the first day. It would help to have some items arrive on Saturday. Let us know when you will be bringing your item, so we can plan accordingly. Thanks!



RAFFLE TICKETS: Don't miss your chance to win a trip to Ireland for two. If you haven't purchased the raffle tickets that were sent to you in the mail, **don't delay any longer!** You may return them via the offertory basket, mail or drop them off at the rectory. The office has more if you need them. Let's make this year's sales the best ever!

ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL

September 14th, 15th, 16th, 2012

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:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <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"/> Irish Auction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Area | <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorating | <input type="checkbox"/> Raffle (Grand Prize and Side) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dining Room | <input type="checkbox"/> Teardown after the Festival |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food/Drink/Tickets | <input type="checkbox"/> Anywhere needed |

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH DAYS YOU ARE AVAILABLE TO WORK:

Friday, Sept. 14th _____ Saturday, Sept. 15th _____ Sunday, Sept. 16th _____

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 FESTIVAL BOOTH IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE
CHURCH OR PLACE IN THE OFFERTORY BASKET.**

Thank you for your generous support!

LITURGY INTENTIONS**Aug. 04 Saturday, Vigil: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM BILL ZDUNSKI (BARB & RICH GRASSO) - ST.H

5:00 PM ALFRED SOKOLOWSKI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH
(FAMILY) - ST.P**Aug. 05 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**9:00 AM RAYMOND RUFFLEY, SR. - ST.H
(NANCY & FRANK HODAS)10:30 AM KATHLEEN LOREI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - ST.P
(FAMILY)**Aug. 06 Monday, The Transfiguration of the Lord**8:00 AM MARY CIECIERSKI
(ST. HEDWIG ROSARY SOCIETY)**Aug. 07 Tuesday, St. Sixtus II, Pope & Companions,
Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest**

8:00 AM JIMMY HAYES, ANNIV. (FAMILY)

Aug. 08 Wednesday, St. Dominis, Priest

8:00 AM MARLENE PACINELLI (VICTORIA CORAPI)

**Aug. 09 Thursday, St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross,
Virgin and Martyr**

8:00 AM NO MASS—NO COMMUNION SERVICE

Aug. 10 Friday, St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

8:00 AM TED MIELNIK (BROTHER & SISTERS)

Aug. 11 Saturday, Vigil: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM RICHARD MOSKEL (WIFE, JANICE) - ST.H

5:00 PM EDITH CICHETTI - ST.P
(ALICE & CARL CARLOTTI)**Aug. 12 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM EDWARD BUKOWSKI (IRENE MIELNIK) - ST.H

10:30 AM MARY CERAMI (BOB OLSEN FAMILY) - ST.P

DATES TO REMEMBERSt.H=St. Hedwig, St.P=St. Patrick, HR=Holy Rosary
CP=Chapel, PF=Polish Falcons
PR=Pascal Room, R=Rector, CV=Convent**08/04** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

08/07 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR**08/08** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR**08/11** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

ZABAWA - HOLY TRINITY PARISH

at East 23rd & Reed Streets August 24, 25, & 26.
Festival hours are Friday 5 to 10; Saturday 1 to 10:30;
and Sunday noon to 6 pm. Polish bakery, and multi-
ple food courts, Polka Mass on Sat. at 5:00 p.m. and
Sun. at 11:00 a.m.; live music on the festival stage,
folk dancers, drawings, theme baskets, children's
area, adult games of chance and more...Admission is
free; handicap accessible; additional parking and trol-
ley service to and from available at Sts. Peter & Paul
Church at 34th & Ash Streets (500 block of E. 34th
St.)

Friday 6 to 10 p.m:

"Polka Family Band" - Bloomsburg, PA

Saturday 1 to 4 p.m:

"Marvels" - Erie

Saturday 6:30 to 10:30 p.m:

"Lenny Gomulka & Chicago Push: - Ludlow, MA

Sunday 1 p.m: Wiwaty Polish Folk Dancers of Erie

Sunday 2 to 6 p.m:

"John Gora Band"- Ontario, Canada



NEED PRAYERS? Please call **Mary Alice Hart-**
well 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.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM
☐

Saint Hedwig

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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 Rector