

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 9, 2015



Rose window at  
St. Hedwig Church

Saint Patrick Parish

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*Serving the East Bayfront of Erie since 1837*

Daily Mass 8 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM

Saturday Vigil Mass 4 PM

Sunday 8 AM & 10:30 AM

## Monsignor Henry Kriegel, Pastor

### **Saint Patrick Parish**

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

Today is the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time and we read from the first Book of Kings. Last Sunday we read the story of God feeding the Israelites on their desert journey and today we find the prophet Elijah in need of food. Elijah lived during the reign of King Ahab who with his foreign wife Jezebel worshipped the fertility deities Baal and Asherah. Jezebel murdered the Lord's prophets and set up her own. Prior to today's reading, Elijah murders those false prophets that Jezebel had set up. Weary of his struggle he seeks rest under a tree and begs God to take his life. He falls asleep but is awakened by God's messenger bidding him to gather strength from food and water laid before him. When he is about to go back to sleep, the messenger, now identified as God's angel, commands him to take more nourishment. When he does so, he discovers it to be of divine origin, for it strengthens him to journey forty days and nights towards God's mountain.

Our readings from Ephesians continues today with further instruction about how those who are baptized are to conduct themselves. The author reminds them that baptism marks them with the "seal" of the Holy Spirit, a term found elsewhere in the New Testament. It comes from the practice of Roman slave owners' practice of placing a brand or tattoo on their slaves to publicly signify the slave's owner. For Paul, those who choose baptism are marked as slaves of Christ..

Today's gospel is the third portion of the Bread of Life discourse which will conclude next Sunday. At this point, John turns more specifically toward the disbelief of the Jews. There is great difficulty in John's treatment of Jews. Remember he is writing about the year 120 AD, a time when the Jews are expelling the Christians from the temple and there is great animosity. These passages

of anti-Semitism. John reiterates his conviction that Jesus is sent from God and can truly reveal God because he has "seen" the Father. The climax of the passage is the contrast between the bread from God of Judaism's past and Jesus, who nourishes us with his whole person.

Saturday of this week, August 15, is the feast of the Assumption, normally a holy day of obligation for Catholics living in the northeast United States. However, when one of those holydays falls on a Saturday or a Monday, it is not a holyday of obligation, as is the case this year.

I will be on retreat this week at Christ the King Seminary in Buffalo. I remember when I was first ordained, one of our priest retreats would see 60 or 70 of us; this week's retreat has 18 priests.

Tuesday of this week is Erie Gives day. If you make a donation to the parish on that day, your gift will be increased because of a generous gift to the cause from the Erie Community Foundation and General Electric. Last year, St. Patrick's received over \$27,000 in donations, mainly toward the restoration of the church. If you go to the Erie Community Foundation webpage, you will find the instructions for making a gift.

Several young adults in the parish are interested in forming a group of Young Adults open both to single and married people in their 20s and 30s. The purpose of the group is primarily social, to get to know one another, perhaps a Happy Hour once a month at one of the local pubs or bars, volleyball or other sports, etc. One of the young adults will be in the vestibule of the church before and after the Masses next weekend to see if anyone wants to sign up. An organizational meeting will be held in the near future and hopefully a group can get started. If interested in joining, you can also call the parish office (454-8085) and leave contact information.

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

When we moved our Irish Festival from Rainbow Gardens to the area around the church (the best thing we ever did in terms of the festival!), the people who volunteer for the Polish Festival at Holy Trinity were an incredible help. They spent hours helping us understand all that was involved, they lent us cooking equipment, etc. Without their help we would never have been able to pull that off. They are now in need of some help and I'm hoping that some of you might step forward and offer to repay the debt. That parish is aging and do not have enough volunteers to staff their festival. They are in need of additional help and are wondering if some St. Patrick parishioners would be willing to help. If you are so inclined, please call Dave Thiemann at 392-0651 and he can accommodate you. The festival is Sept. 21, 22 & 23.

BEST (Bayfront Eastside Task Force) is sponsoring a farmers market every Friday from noon until 6 PM at East 3rd and Parade Sts. In addition, local artists have items for sale. I hope you would help support our efforts to revitalize this neighborhood.

A Catholic Women's Conference will be held Saturday, October 3, at the Warner Theater. The cost is \$40 per person which includes lunch. There will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the sacrament of reconciliation, Mass with Bishop Persico and national speakers Teresa Tomeo, an author and talk show host as well as Kelly Wahlquist, a writer and editor. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 455-7364.

This past week was the 100th anniversary of the Millcreek Flood which struck St. Patrick's Parish more than any other in town. We lost 8 parishioners, including First Chief McMahon and a family of four who died when their home collapsed. It was Erie's greatest disaster.

A Sunday school teacher was teaching her class about the difference between right and wrong. "Let's take an example," she said. "If I were to get into a man's pocket and take money out of his wallet, what would I be?" Meghan raised her hand and said, "His wife."

## *Saint Hedwig News*



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **Mary Ciecierski** requested by Lou Ann Nowosielski.

Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Richard Moskel** requested by his wife Janice.

St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns for the intention of **Chuck Mabie** requested by Mom.

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

Our offertory for last week was **\$1,017.00** and **\$118.00** for the Church in Latin America. Thank you and God bless.

**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. Please be generous.

### **History of St. Hedwig Church**

Parishioner, Bobby Sulecki, has created a website on the history of St. Hedwig Church. He is looking for old photos and your memories such as class photos, old neighborhood photos, corner grocery stores memories and your memories of growing up in these neighborhoods. He would like to interview people about growing up Polish in Erie. Anyone wishing to be interviewed, please call Bobby after 3pm at 814-899-2731. His email: [suleckibobby@gmail.com](mailto:suleckibobby@gmail.com)  
Website - <http://www.sthedwighistoryerie.com/>

Families Always Matter: You can check out the monthly reflections on Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive, the preparatory catechesis for the World Meeting of Families.

**Pray the rosary.**



### Saint Hedwig Ministry Schedule

August 15

Saturday

4:00 PM

Lector	Ron Helminski
Eucharist	Ron Helminski
Ushers	Nancy Widomski
	Michelle Moskel

Altar Servers	Portia & Yvonne Nowosielski
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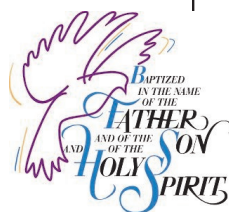
# Saint Patrick News



## Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 10,173.85
Online Giving	1,074.00
Church in Latin America	<u>712.49</u>
Total Income	\$ 11,960.34

*Thank you for your generosity!*



Let Us **Welcome**  
**Mya Rose Fagley**  
 daughter of  
 Justin & Kelly (Marino) Fagley  
 who will be baptized after the  
 10:30 am Mass



*The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory  
 of **Mary Jo Longo Motty**  
 from St. Patrick's Class of 1957*

## Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

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, Bud Johnson** from Gary & Becky Johnson.

Donations to the Food Pantry:

- ♦ In memory of **Emling & Flanagan families** from Judy Emling
- ♦ In memory of **Kaye Louise Cofini** from Yvonne Gersims
- ♦ In memory of **Gretchen Armour** from Barbara Gingenbach
- ♦ In memory of the **Wegner family** from Lynne Long

Also donations from:

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Belczyk, Alice & Ken Daub,  
 Patty & Ray Fiorelli, Thomas Fontecchio, and  
 Mr. & Mrs. William Gloekler

A Special Thank You!!!

to **PANERA BREAD** for their generous donations every week to the Food Pantry.

## Rosary March to be held in August

The Legion of Mary will sponsor a Rosary March on August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption, at St. Casimir Church, 629 Hess Ave., Erie. Bishop Lawrence Persico will celebrate Mass at noon and the march will begin immediately afterward. Refreshments will be served in the church hall at the conclusion of the walk.



## Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, August 15, 2015 at 5:00 pm**

Lector: Stan Malinowski

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Jay Habas, Carolyn Power. Bill Power

**CUP:** Yvonne Gersims, Carol Habas

Greeters: Jane Carney, Kathleen Horan

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

**Sunday, August 16, 2015 at 10:30 am**

Lector: Ed Brown

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Michele Wheaton, Katie Froehlich,  
 Michelle Tortorelli

**CUP:** Charla Leemhuis, Ed Brown

Greeters: Marlene Golab, Mary Alice Hartwell

Altar Servers: Juliette Morales

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

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

Please let us know of your availability. Call the office at 454-8085 or email the office at [stpats@neo.rr.com](mailto:stpats@neo.rr.com).

## SAVE THE DATE FOR ERIE GIVES!!!



**Tuesday, August 11, 2015**

**8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

**[www.ErieGives.org](http://www.ErieGives.org)**

Each participating nonprofit that receives a donation also receives a percentage of the \$220,000 prorated match pool provided by GE Transportation, Erie Insurance, Presque Isle Downs and Casino, Eriez Magnetics, The Erie Community Foundation and an Anonymous Donor.

Minimum gift of \$25.00. Only Visa, MasterCard or Discover accepted. You can give up to 10 nonprofits per transaction.

The more donations made to St. Patrick's Church, the more matching funds will be received!!!

### LITURGY INTENTIONS

**Aug. 8** *Saturday, Vigil: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM FABIN & ZEBROWSKI FAMILIES - ST.H  
(ANGIE ZEBROWSKI)

5:00 PM DICK REIM - ST.P  
(DEACON DAVE & JUDY PRATT)

**Aug. 9** *Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM BARBARA MCCORMICK - ST.P  
(PIERRE & KATHY MCCORMICK)

10:30 AM ALFRED J. SOKOLOWSKI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH-8/04  
(FAMILY) - ST.P

**Aug. 10** *Monday, Saint Lawrence, Deacon*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Aug. 11** *Tuesday, Saint Clare*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Aug. 12** *Wednesday, Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Aug. 13** *Thursday, Saint Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Aug. 14** *Friday, Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Aug. 15** *Saturday, Vigil: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM NORBERTO JAGORIN - ST.H  
(GEMMA NOWOSIELSKI)

5:00 PM SYLVESTER & SARA CARLOW, WEDDING ANNIV.  
(DAUGHTERS) - ST.P

**Aug. 16** *Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM MARY ANN FESLER (FRIENDS) - ST.P

10:30 AM VICTOR & VIRGINIA TORTORELLI, ANNIV.- ST.P  
(MICHELLE TORTORELLI)

### **FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

All Religious Ed and Confirmation registration forms and payments are due now! Books must be ordered, and your registrations help us to know how many are needed. Also, remember that students that would like to be confirmed in grade 11 must have attended Religious Education in grades 9 & 10 OR have attended a Catholic High School.

### **HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT TEACHING, OR SHARING YOUR FAITH?**

Maybe that thought in the back of your mind is God calling you to minister to our young people. We are in need of catechists, and I know some of you would be just the right fit for the program. Please consider sharing your gifts with our children. Apprehensive about this ministry? "If God has called you to it, He will bring you through it." Call me for answers to your questions or information about the program and how you can help: Mary Hicken 454-6322.

### 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

**08/08** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

**08/11** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

**08/12** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

**08/15** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

### FESTIVALS AND FUN AROUND TOWN


**ST. JAMES ANNUAL SUMMER FESTIVAL**— continues August 8th and 9th, 2015 at the St. James School Grounds/St. James Place, 2602/2622 Buffalo Rd. Erie, PA. A full-course turkey dinner will be held on Sunday August 9th from noon to 6:00 pm.

 **ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH ITALIAN FESTIVAL**—continues August 8th & 9th at 16th & Walnut St. Erie, PA grounds open Saturday at 1:00 pm

**HOLY TRINITY- 22 ND ANNUAL ZABAWA POLISH HERITAGE FESTIVAL**— August 21-23, 2015 at Holy Trinity Parish, E. 23rd and Reed Streets. Festival hours are 8/21 from 5-10 pm, 8/22 from 1-10:30 pm, and 8/23 from noon to 6:00 pm. Event features Polka Masses on Saturday at 5 pm and Sunday at 11 am. Bishop Persico will con-celebrate Saturday evening Mass with Fr. Stanley Swacha. For more information, visit [www.holytrinityrc.org](http://www.holytrinityrc.org) or call 456-0671.



### **FATHER PETERSON GOLF TOURNAMENT TO BENEFIT MARIA HOUSE PROJECT**

 Saturday, September 19, 2015 at 9:00 AM at the Union City Country Club, Union City, PA

For more information or to register call 814-438-2810.

Donations are accepted at Maria House Project, P.O. Box 10682, Erie, PA 16514

Maria House Project was started by Fr. Peterson in 1971 while working with the marginalized on the streets of Erie. Today, this ministry includes four residential houses and the Leopold Center. Fr. Pete dedicated his life to the ministry until his death in 2013. In addition to housing, the program requires treatment, counseling, education and hard work on a farm known as "the Lodge".

### 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 \* 2015 \* NEWS



**IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN LADIES & GENTS**—to clean out and recycle your costume jewelry for the Festival Jewelry Booth! We are beginning to organize the jewelry to be sold at the Festival (with all proceeds benefitting the parish). Donations may be dropped off at the Trinity Gift Shop, the Parish Office or by calling Gail Smith at 833-9484.



**THE AVE MARIA CARE AND CONCERN**—Ave Needs Your Help! Once again our Irish Festival will be here before you know it. If you would like to purchase a gift for the auction, we would like them to be at a value of at least \$20.00. 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. Examples of items needed are: small appliances, bedding, sheet sets with pillow covers, quilts, nice blankets, decorative items, and jewelry. 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. We are also going to need help with set up and we need volunteers to work during the festival.

If anyone has any questions please call Mary Pat Ringhand at 871-2926. Thank You.



**PROGRAM SPONSOR** There is an additional page in today's bulletin for anyone who would like to be a sponsor for the festival booklet. It is the perfect opportunity to memorialize a loved one or to say congratulations to someone who has entered college, high school or a new job. Any reason to give credit and attention to a loved one! Check it out !



**RAFFLE TICKETS:** Don't miss your chance to win a **trip to Ireland** for two. Raffle tickets have been sent to parishioners. You may return them via the offertory basket, mail or drop them off at the rectory. The office has more if you need them. We will be at Celebrate Erie August 13th thru the 16th selling tickets. Last year's winner purchased his winning ticket at Celebrate Erie. Let's make this year's sales the best ever!



**BAKE SALE:** Who doesn't like **COOKIES, PIES and CAKES** for dessert! If you would like to donate to the Festival Bake Sale with all proceeds benefitting St. Patrick's Church, we would love to have them. 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 and Sunday. They are also looking for volunteers to work the booth.

Please contact Mary Beth Wachter at 454-6140 for more information.



**VOLUNTEERS:** We can't do it without YOU! Look for the volunteer form in this week's bulletin and check the place where you would like to work! Many positions available. Join the fun and meet parishioners and make new friends!



# ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL



Friday, Saturday and Sunday

September 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, & 20<sup>th</sup>

## PROGRAM

Our program booklet this year will again be the larger (8 1/2 x 11) with a color cover and the opportunity for you to memorialize deceased family members, etc. with an ad and a photograph (black and white). Please use the form below to list the message as you wish it to appear. If you are honoring the memory of a deceased love one, your message may read, "In memory of my parents (insert name) who were called to their Eternal Rest on (insert date). Or you might mention that someone was baptized or married at St. Patrick's. The ad copy should read:

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### Sponsor Information:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Banner \$500

Please check the size of ad (size is based on full page of 8 ½ x 11)

( ) Full Page \$200

( ) half Page \$175

( ) Quarter Page \$125

( ) Business Card Size \$ 75

( ) Memorial / Friend Size \$ 25

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

# Erie Irish Festival

September 18, 19, 20, 2015

## 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:

- |                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| _____ Food Service                    | _____ Bake Sale  |
| _____ Raffle Ticket Sales             | _____ Decorating (Thurs. Morning)                            |
| _____ Food & Beverage Ticket Sales    | _____ ID Checking  |
| _____ Volunteer Check-In              | _____ Gift Shop  |
| _____ Church Guides                   | _____ Desserts (RB Floats, Ice Cream Sundaes, Bread Pudding) |
| _____ Set-Up (Wed. & Thurs. 9am-12pm) | _____ Anywhere Needed  |
| _____ Tear Down (After Festival)      |  |

### PLEASE INDICATE WHEN YOU ARE AVAILABLE

Friday, Sept. 18th \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, Sept. 19th \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday, Sept. 20th \_\_\_\_\_  
*Time Time Time*

*You will be contacted concerning your choice of area and your hours of service.*

### I WOULD LIKE TO DONATE:

\_\_\_\_\_ Irish Auction Prize \_\_\_\_\_ Baked Goods \_\_\_\_\_ Gently Used Jewelry

\_\_\_\_\_ A money donation towards Publicity /Advertising

\_\_\_\_\_ \$250 \_\_\_\_\_ \$150 \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 \_\_\_\_\_ Other

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

*Thank you for your generous support!*

Contact Volunteer Coordinator, Barb Fischer with questions—[fischers6@roadrunner.com](mailto:fischers6@roadrunner.com) or 814-833-1638



# NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

☐ Saint Hedwig

☐ Saint Patrick

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CHILD \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_

CHILD \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE CIRCLE ONE BELOW:

New Registration

Change of Address

Moving

Want Envelopes

PLEASE DROP THIS INFORMATION INTO Offertory Basket or mail to Rectory

**Advertiser of the Week:**

We thank **ORLANDO**

**FAMILY DENTISTRY**

3235 West 38th St., Erie, PA 814-833-8860

For advertising in our parish bulletin.