

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

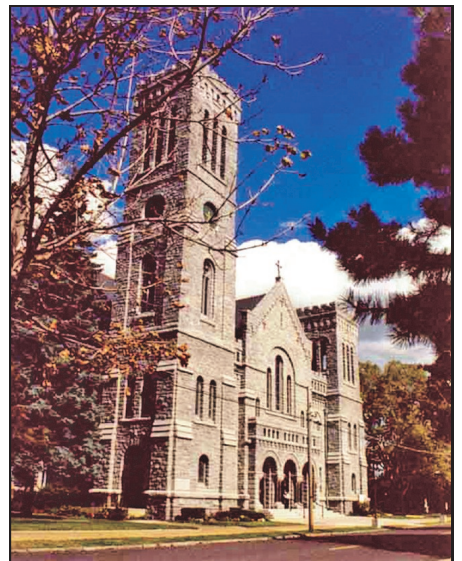
Holy Day

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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Saint Patrick Parish

Established 1837

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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 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time and we hear our first reading from the Book of Wisdom. It attests to the steady, covenant faith of the Israelites, a faith in God's love that prepared them to endure hardship. The author of Wisdom also meditates on

the strange dynamic in which Israel was strengthened by the same events that caused her enemies suffering. The author cites five examples, known as diptychs, because one act provides the hinge or connection from which both the blessing of the Israelites and the punishment of the Egyptians takes place. Those examples include water coming from the rock contrasted with the first plague of the Nile's water turning into blood; God providing quail to nourish his people instead of the plagues of front, gnats and flies; nature raining manna instead of hail, thunder and lightning that punish and finally the saving of Israel's sons during the Passover when the tenth plague put the death the Egyptian sons.

Our second reading comes from Hebrews, and we will read from this letter for the next four Sundays. Its author is unknown, but probably had some connection to Paul, and it dates from very late in the first century. Hebrews has two main themes: the high priesthood of Jesus and the journey of God's people to their heavenly home. Today's passage describes how Abraham embodies faith, using four repetitions of the phrase "By faith" to emphasize that God calls the Hebrews and us today to live in faith, following Abraham's example. The author sees God's gift of returning Abraham's son as a prefiguring of God raising Jesus from the dead. At the bottom line, the reading is telling us that we should be all the more hopeful because we have both the faith of Abraham and the knowledge of Jesus' resurrection to sustain us.

Between the conclusion of last Sunday's gospel and the beginning of today's, Jesus elaborates on the theme of dependence on God. He advises the disciples not to worry about their physical needs, but rather to seek the Kingdom of God. In today's excerpt Jesus gives the disciples three instructions: sell everything, give alms and provide themselves with lasting money bags. Peter, so typically clueless, wants to know if this applies to all or just to church leaders. Jesus responds with a question which he immediately answers.

Jesus also responds by saying that the faithful steward is the one already doing the service that needs to be done.

If you are making a monthly payment on your pledge to the Restoration, you might want to wait until Tuesday, August 13th to make your payment. That is *Erie Gives Day* and we will have the opportunity to share in an additional \$200,000 that has been donated to be prorated among all participants.

Things are gearing up fast for the Irish Festival on September 14 & 15. On Sunday, Sept. 16, we will be serving a full Irish breakfast at Rainbow Gardens from 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM. We're always in need of additional volunteers. Please contact the parish office if you can help. This is our largest fundraiser of the year and the proceeds will go toward paying off the debt on the restoration of St. Patrick's Church. We hope you'll join us for some of the festivities.

I am moving from St. Hedwig's rectory over to St. Patrick's rectory. The only problem at St. Patrick's is that there is no privacy on the first floor. We use the dining room, living room and kitchen every day, and so it would be very uncomfortable to try to live in those rooms. I am taking the entire third floor of the rectory and putting in an apartment where I will have some privacy. There is an elevator which makes access very easy. I'm putting in a small compact kitchen, dining room, bedroom, bath, living room and a study. The building is under utilized on the second and third floors, and this seems a good way to use it as well as a way to have some privacy. I hope to move in by the middle of October. Right now we are installing central air, we're going to pull all of the old carpeting out as there are beautiful oak hardwood floors underneath. Walls need painted and then I should be ready to move.

Payments on pledges to the restoration of the church continue to come in at a very good pace. We had pledges of \$1,1013,584 and to date we have payments of \$713,784. We are repaying the diocese at the rate of \$10,000 + interest each month and presently owe about \$600,000. The balance of payments will all go toward that as will the profits from the Irish Festival. I estimate we should be debt free in five years.

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

Unfortunately, we have to do some additional work on the roof of St. Patrick's Church. I hadn't planned on this, but we certainly don't want water or dampness getting inside the building after the beautiful restoration. We're about half way done with the work which is going to cost over \$70,000. I wish it wasn't so, but that's the cost of old buildings.

The roof on the rectory at St. Hedwig's is in very bad condition and there is a lot of water damage inside the house because of that. There is also a problem with some water damage in the church. You can see if it you look up at the ceiling just before entering the sacristy where water is coming in. The windows in both the church and the rectory are in terrible condition. Some of the stained glass is badly warped and the windows in the house are in terrible condition. Unfortunately there is no money to be able to repair and replace these windows and roofs. My biggest worry at St. Hedwig's is the boiler. Every year when we turn it on, we spend \$3 or \$4,000 putting more band aids on it. I'm afraid one of these years it's simply not going to come on, and then we're in serious trouble.

Have you ever thought of including your parish in your estate planning. You can leave a gift for a particular purpose or for general use. At St. Patrick's, we have established the St. Patrick Foundation whose money can only be used for the maintenance and upkeep of the church. With buildings as old as that church is, upkeep will be an every day affair. You can also name your parish as beneficiary in an insurance policy. Any size gift would make a huge difference.

Some thoughts to get you through the day. "Good health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die." "Give a person a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a person to use the Internet and they won't bother you for weeks, months, maybe even years." "Health nuts are going to feel really stupid someday lying in hospitals dying of nothing." "All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism." "In the 60s, people took acid to make the world weird. Now the world is weird, and people take Prozac to make it normal."

Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **Richard Moskel** requested by wife, Janice ; Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns for Mary **Ciecierski** requested by Lou Ann Nowosielski & Family; St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Albert "Micky" Mabie** requested by son, Chuck Mabie. Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing facilities and the homebound.

Our offertory for last week was **\$764.00** plus **\$26.00** 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.

Saint Hedwig Ministry Schedule

August 14 5:30 PM

Vigil Mass—Feast of the Assumption

Lector	Tom Kurpiewski
Eucharist	
Server	Charlotte Mabie

	<u>August 17</u>	<u>August 18</u>
	Saturday	Sunday
	4:00 PM	9:00 AM
Lector	Jim Gorski	Frederic Olds
Eucharist	Jim Gorski	Sharon Zielinski
Ushers	Ron Helminski	Art Blum
	Richard Mielnik	Pete Pentz
Altar Server	Charlotte Mabie	Nick Hayes

CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIROMENTS - ONLINE SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS & KIDS #6:

Parents should consider having internet account 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 keep children and youth safe, check out:

<http://www.ereicd.org/protectyouth.htm>



Erie Irish Festival

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

September 13, 14 & 15



Save the date
and volunteer to help.
We really need you.

PROGRAM

Our program booklet this year will be much 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. Ad copy should read:

Sponsor information:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

☐ Banner \$500

Please check the size of ad (size based on full page of 8 1/2 X 11)

☐ Full Page \$275

☐ Half Page \$175

☐ Quarter Page \$125

☐ Business Card Size \$ 75

☐ Memorial/Friend Size \$ 25

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



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Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for last weekend was **\$7,954.50** and **\$481.00** for Church in Latin America and **\$663.00** from online giving for a total of **\$9,098.50**. 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 memory of **Grace Dietz** from her co-workers at Matrix Hair Salon; The **Peace Candle** burns this week for all the men and women serving in the military; 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 **Josephine & Lawrence** from Kathleen & Eugene Polaski; in memory of **Quentin R. Orlando** from Nancy & Q. Gregory Orlando; in memory of **Bud Garfield** from Mrs. Marilyn Garfield; in memory of **Alfred Sokolowski** from Mrs. Frances Sokolowski; in memory of the **Wegner Family** from Lynne Long; in memory of **Howard John Gersims** from Mrs. Yvonne Gersims.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, August 17, 2013 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Gary Drapcho

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Kathy Sertz, Kay Mannino, Carol Habas

CUP: Ray Fiorelli, Patty Dailey

Greeters: Kathleen Horan, Jane Carney

Altar Servers: Ryan Jubulis, Brendan Humphrey

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

Sunday, August 18, 2013 at 10:30 am

Lector: Ed Smith

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Michele Wheaton, Cyndi Pristello, Tim Scully

CUP: Mike Vehec, Gerri Valahovic

Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin

Altar Servers: Anna Pristello, Sarah Pristello

Ushers: David Taccone, David Wilcox,

Randy Pristello + 1 NEEDED

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

The August schedule and a copy of the names and phone numbers of all ministers are available in the Trinity Gift Shop. The September schedule is being prepared. Call the office with your availability.

WELCOME

SAINT PATRICK'S WELCOMES THESE NEW

PARISHIONERS: Karol Martin, Robert and Joan Martter, Helen Rimpa, Mary Lou Rimpa, Theresa Rontunda, Eric Trapp and Erica Osborne, Michael and Jane Angelotti.

A FUNDRAISER FOR GARY KING II, an alumni of St. Patrick School and the son of Deacon Jerry and Joan Peterson, is being held on his behalf due to medical complications as a result of a lung transplant. Contact Deacon Jerry at 456-0639 or Elizabeth Sweeney, choir member, to purchase a chance.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO PARISHIONER,

JEAN DRISCOLL, WHO TURNS 90 YEARS OLD on August 13th. Jean has been a life long member of St. Patrick's. She was always very active in St. Pat's organizations and was a steady volunteer in a number of capacities. Jean volunteered at the Food Pantry until she was 88!

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL ALUMNI donated \$1,400.00 to the Sr. Mary Pascal Gray Food Pantry. To quote from their letter of presentation—"This donation is from the hearts of the people who attended the reunion; a portion of the ticket price and their 50/50 proceeds. This gift is given in the spirit of the St. Patrick tradition that Sister Mary Pascal inspired in all of us. God Bless You All at the Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry and all that you do for others.

Sr. Mary Pascal Gray Food Pantry is in need of two volunteers. The first position requires lifting and stocking The second position is for someone to label bags. Hours for both positions are from 6:00 AM to 9:00 AM.

ROSARY MARCH FOR YEAR OF FAITH - SATURDAY, August 17th Noon to 2 pm at St. Casimir Church, 629 Hess Ave. Refreshments served following the event. For more information call John Kaus at 440-7424, Please plan to attend.



September 13th, 14th, 15th, 2013

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:

_____ Admission
_____ Bake Sale
_____ Beverages (All)
_____ Children's Area
_____ Decorating
_____ Dining Room
_____ Food/Drink Tickets

_____ Games of Chance
_____ Gift Shop
_____ Kitchen
_____ Raffle (Grand Prize and Side)
_____ Teardown after the Festival
_____ Anywhere needed

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH DAYS YOU ARE AVAILABLE TO WORK:

Friday, Sept. 13th _____ Saturday, Sept. 14th _____ Sunday morning, Sept. 15th _____

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!

ST PATRICK FESTIVAL IS FAST APPROACHING

SEPTEMBER 13TH THRU 15TH



Volunteers: We need **YOU** to make this festival a success. There are volunteer forms in this week's bulletin and in the back of church.

There are many areas that need your help. *We especially need a volunteer to coordinate decorations and another for the children's area.* If you have any questions or need further information please contact Kay Cline at the parish office at 454-8085 ext.1 or Ann Halupczynski at 838-2486.

Help is also needed at Celebrate Erie, Thursday, August 15th thru Sunday, August 18th to sell tickets for the Ireland Trip for Two Grand Prize Raffle. To "man a table" to sell tickets, please call Eileen at 866-1096 or Kathleen at 864-0375.

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.



THE AVE MARIA CARE AND CONCERN—Ave Needs Your Help! Once again our Irish Festival will be here before you know it. We will not be doing the baskets this year, but we are having the auction with single items. I am hoping that you could purchase a

gift for the auction. We would like them to be at a value of at least \$15.00 and up. Also, 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. 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. If anyone has any questions please call me, Barb Jones at 899-9358. 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!

The **CHILDREN'S AUCTION** needs donations such as new toys or gift cards. Please no stuffed animals. Your donations may be dropped off at the rectory on the porch at the rear of the building on the weekends and at the rectory office during the week.



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. We will be at Celebrate Erie August 15th thru the 18th selling tickets. Let's make this year's sales the best ever!



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.

Diocesan News

Bus Trip to Christmas Connection Craft Show

Our Lady of Mount Carmel's P.T.C. is sponsoring a bus trip to Christmas Connection Craft show at the I-X Center in Cleveland on November 23. Cost is \$40.00 Anyone interested please contact Peg Liebel at 825-0487. For more information and reservations.

Divorced? Separated? Widowed? You don't have to feel alone.

Transitions, a monthly support group for Separated, Divorced and Widowed persons will meet on Sunday, August 25th from 2 – 4 pm at St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd. Program includes a short presentation, discussion, followed by refreshments. This month's topic is: "Single Parenting". For more information call 814 – 824-1265 or email at: familylife@erieRCD.org. Visit us at: www.eriecd.org/transitions.asp

YCEA-Young Church Eucharistic Adoration

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Held at St. Mark Catholic Center

429 E. Grandview, Erie

School Year Kick Off! August 14, 7-8:30pm

Vigil Mass for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Satisfies Holy Day of Obligation)

Fellowship and food to follow!

Visit onthevine.use for other date/locations

A Family Perspective

In today's gospel a servant WAITED for the master to return. Waiting is a normal part of family life. We wait for a child's birth, then for small legs to catch up. Later we wait for teenagers to return home safely. Finally we wait alone anticipating a call or visit from an adult child. Waiting is sacred time, for even in the waiting we are connected.

Collection for the Church in Latin America

Thank you for your generous donations to the Collection for the Church in Latin America/Mission of Friendship. Your gifts will help to continue the work of the Diocese's own Mission of Friendship in Yucatán, Mexico, and to support evangelization, develop lay leadership programs and strengthen religious and seminarian formation in Latin America. The future of the region's Church is brighter today because of your help.

Help Pick Garden Produce

The Second Harvest Food Bank is looking for volunteers to help pick fresh produce during harvest season. This will begin in July and continue until November. You can volunteer one time or multiple times and groups are encouraged. You will get to enjoy the great outdoors while helping to feed the hungry in an eleven-county service area. Kids must be at least 12 years old. Please contact Mariana Skonieczka at 459-3663 ext. 109.

PALS Support Group

PALS Support Group (People After Loss from Suicide) is a grief support group that offers encouragement and education to all who suffer from the loss of a loved one by suicide. PALS meetings are held every 3rd Tuesday from 7 pm to 9 pm at St. Marks Catholic Center, 429 East Grandview Blvd. in Erie in the Bishop Michael J. Murphy Conference Room (entrance located in the back of the building on the west side. For more information contact the Catholic Charities Office at 814/824-1250. Our next session is Tuesday, August 20, 2013.

LITURGY INTENTIONS**Aug. 10** *Saturday, Vigil: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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

5:00 PM MARLENE PACINELLI (ALPHONSO YEZZI) - ST.P

Aug. 11 *Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM SOPHIE L. CRABB (SISTER, VIKI) - ST.P

9:00 AM BABY JOHN PENTZ (CHARLOTTE MABIE) - ST.P

10:30 AM ROBERT DUNSMORE - ST.P

(CAROL & FRANK VONA)

Aug. 12 *Monday, Weekday, Saint Jane Francis de Chantal, Religious*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Aug. 13 *Tuesday, Weekday, Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs*

8:00 AM CONNIE CONWAY (DIANE PENNY)

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

8:00 AM NO MASS

VIGIL MASS FOR THE FEAST OF THE BVM

5:30 PM ALBERT (MICKEY) MABIE (SON, CHUCK) - ST.P

Aug. 15 *Thursday, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

12:05 PM PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS - ST.P

Aug. 16 *Friday, Weekday, Saint Stephen of Hungary*

8:00 AM STEFANIA TYCZKOWSKI (FAMILY) - ST. H

Aug. 17 *Saturday, Vigil: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:30 PM JOHN GORSKI, ANNIV. (JIM GORSKI) - ST.H

5:00 PM GERTRUDE MUNCH (EMMA KLAN) - ST.P

Aug. 18 *Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM INTENTIONS OF THE BLESSED MOTHER - ST. P

9:00 AM CAROL KURPIEWSKI (MICHELLE MOSKEL & FAMILY) - ST.H

10:30 AM LOTTIE OILER (JIM & BETH RESPECKI) - 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=Rectory, CV=Convent

08/10 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

08/11 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR**08/13** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR**08/17** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Wisdom 18:6-9

Reading II: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48



Realistically, we all know that our life on earth is finite. But we also believe that we will have more time to do all that we want to do. We hope that God will understand how time got away from us, and how here and now, we are not ready. Periodically, we need to stop and ask ourselves what am I doing...and what am I not doing. If Christ came today, how satisfied would you be with how you have lived your life?

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.

**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