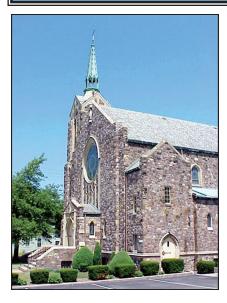


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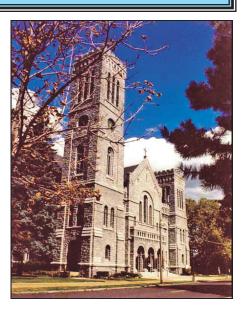
DAILY MASS Saint Patrick 8:00 AM

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

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Saint Patrick Parish

Established 1837 130 East 4th Street Erie, PA 16507 (814) 454-8085 www.saintpatrickparisherie.org



For information on Baptism, Religious Education, Penance, Eucharist, Confirmation, Adult Initiation, Marriage, Prayer or Study Groups, please call either parish office.



Today is the 20th Sunday in Ordinary time and we hear our first reading from Jeremiah as we hear about the Desk & fate of a prophet who calls God's people back to fidelity. The princes demanded Jeremiah's death because

his message demoralized them. But the words of the prophet remained constant: fighting the Babylonians was futile because God has given Jerusalem to them and Jeremiah calls for surrender. Jeremiah's situation in the cistern seems hopeless, and just as we think the princes have sealed his fate, a court attendant speaks to the king about Jeremiah. The king responds by rescuing Jeremiah.

Our second reading is from Hebrews and is something we can all relate to-opposition and struggle are a part of life. The author is suggesting that perseverance is the antidote to the fatalism that often pulls humans off the path into sin. Noah, Abraham, Moses and Jacob are all mentioned in the section just preceding today's reading as examples for us. If we focus on Jesus, we will find the example of what it means to persevere. He "endured" the pain and shame of the cross, trusting in the joy that would follow.

In our gospel today, we hear Jesus proclaiming that he comes to set the earth on fire which means he is engaged in purifying and refining. So necessary and urgent is his mission that he wishes the fire were already burning, and yet he will not fully accomplish this until his death. That is the meaning of the allusion to baptism which he must undergo. He then proceeds to answer the opening question he posed. While we hope he comes to bring peace, he says he comes to bring division, even in family relationships. This idea is surprising since peace is such an important theme in Luke's gospel. But consider the context. Jesus and the disciples are journeying to Jerusalem which helps us understand that peace comes with a cost. It is upon the cross of hope and forgiveness that the refining of the world and relationships take place.

Once each year every Catholic parish in the world is required to host a missionary so that we can participate in the missionary work of the church with better knowledge, our prayer and hopefully, our generosity. Our missionary will be here next weekend and speak at all of the

Masses. Our guest will be Father Mark Tardiff, a PIME missionary from the Detroit area. PIME began in 1960 when Father Columbo needed support for the lepers of Burma. Conditions were horrific and getting worse and refugees were coming to his already crowded leprosarium in search of food, shelter and medical care. He wrote to a priest friend in the United States who presented his case to a small group of mission supporters and they founded the Leprosy Relief Society, now known as PIME. Their work continues to support medical relief in the missions today. Father Tardiff will speak at all Masses at St. Patrick's and St. Hedwig's and we will have a special second collection for his work.

I want to extend a sincere thanks to Barb Juchno. Tom Kurpiewski, Judy Pentz and Jim Gorski for having served a four year term as members of the Finance Council at St. Hedwig's. If anyone is interested in serving on the Council, please contact me. It is a three year term. I am asking Jim Gorski to continue for another year as a transition person.

You may notice high on the east wall at Saint Patrick's that there is water damage. My heart sank when I first saw this. We checked that roof so carefully before we started the interior work, and we replaced the slate on the two side gables because they were in bad condition. Northwest Restoration, which did the work, have been here and have identified the problem. Now we have to first dry out the area before any work can be done. The Conrad Schmitt Studio of Milwaukee, who did the interior work, are going to be back in Erie as they have just been awarded the contract to restore the chapel at Mercyhurst University. Rick Statz, who oversees all of these projects, assures me that once they dry the area out, they will be able to repair it and we will not notice the damage. This is an area where there has constantly been water damage and they've never been able to find the leak, but now we have. As a matter of fact, the capital on that column was so badly damaged that it was completely removed and a fiberglass mold made and put in before the painting was done. Hopefully our insurance will be able to cover all of this.

You probably saw video of Pope Francis in Brazil during World Youth Day. What a breath of fresh

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

air this man is. He chastised the Brazilian bishops because of the loss of Catholics in that country to Pentecostal churches. In 2000, there were 125 million Catholics in the nation, representing about 74% of the population. By 2010, there were 123 million Catholics, accounting for 65% of the population. Brazil's Protestant community has grown from 26 million in 2000 to 42 million in 2010. Brazil's Pentecostal population has grown from 6% of the country's population to 13% in 2010. The pope told the bishops to get out of their palaces, to let go of power and wealth and preach the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Plans are moving into the final stage for the September 14, 15 & 16 Irish Festival. The event will open on Friday evening with bagpipers leading us into Rainbow Gardens. Saturday evening will again be geared toward young people with Irish rock bands, and then we will conclude the festival part of the weekend. Sunday will find us offering a full Irish Breakfast from 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM. Cost is \$9 per person, \$6 for children under 12 and children 5 and under are admitted free. It promises to be another great event, and I hope you've marked your calendar so that you can join us. Moreso, maybe you would be willing to volunteer and help. We need as many volunteers as we can get. If you're interested in helping, you can identify what area you are able to assist us with and simply let the parish office know.

An old man lay sprawled across three entire seats in the movie theater. When the usher came by and noticed this, he whispered to him, "Sorry, sir, but you're only allowed one seat, and you're not allowed to sleep here." The old man groaned but didn't budge. The usher became more impatient. "Sir, if you don't get up from there I'm going to have to call the manager." Once again, the old man just groaned. The usher marched back and in a moment returned with the manager. Together the two of them tried repeatedly to move the old disheveled man, but with no success. Finally, they summoned the police. The officer surveyed the situation and asked, "All right, buddy, what's your name?" "Fred," the old man moaned. "Where you from, Fred?" Asked the officer. With terrible pain in his voice and without moving a muscle, Fred replied, "The balcony."

Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **Clarence Zielinski** requested by his family; Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns for **Mary Juchno** requested by The Juchno Family; St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Edward J. Bukowski** from Larry and Dolly Bargielski. Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing facilities and the homebound.

Our offertory for last week was <u>\$857.00</u> plus <u>\$29.00</u> 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.

MISS POLONAISE 2013-2014 If you are interested in competing for the title of Miss Polonaise you must be of Polish or Slavonic descent, must be proud of heritage, must reside in Erie County, must be of good moral character, must be between 16-20 years of age, must be committed to represent Erie's Polonia at numerous events, have fun and interact with people of all ages for the entire year. For applications, please call **Maria Wawrzyniak** at 814-881-8633. Deadline for entry is August 29th.

Saint Hedwig Ministry Schedule

•	August 24	August 25
	Saturday	Sunday
	4:00 PM	9:00 AM
Lector	Dolly Bargielski	Art Blum
Eucharist	Dolly Bargielski	Tom Zielinski
Ushers	Ron Helminski	Art Blum
	Richard Mielnik	Pete Pentz
Altar Serv	er Nowosielski Fan	nily Cahrlotte Mabie

<u>Remember to Pray</u> <u>the Rosary Everyday</u>





September 13th, 14th, 15th, 2013 **Volunteer Sign-up Sheet Be a SAINT PATRICK V.I.P.!**

NAME:

PHONE: _____(daytime) _____(evening)

EMAIL ADDRESS:

Admission		Games of Chance
Bake Sale		Gift Shop
Beverages (All)	Kitchen
Children's A	irea	Raffle (Grand Prize and Side)
Decorating		Teardown after the Festival
Dining Room	n	Anywhere needed
Food/Drink	Tickets	

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!



Saint Patrick News



Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for last weekend was <u>\$5,822.25</u> and <u>\$698.00</u> from online giving for a total of <u>\$6,520.25</u>. 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 **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week in memory of **Joe Kohler, Jo Johnson and Bud Johnson** from Gary & Becky Johnson; The **Food Pantry** in memory of **Mr. & Mrs. Peter Biebel** from Mildred & Robert Biebel; in memory of **Isabel Boeh** from Kathy & James Sertz; also donations from Fr. Tom Hoderny, Mrs. Patricia Schmidt, Ms. Barbara Armour, Joe and Jill Blaga-Walz, Mrs. Mary Ellen Demyanovich and Mary Beth & Richard Wachter.

Ministry Schedule Saturday, August 24, 2013 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Chris Sanner Eucharistic Ministers: HOST: Carol Habas, Lynne Long, Judy Emling CUP: Kay Mannino, Jay Habas Greeters: Tom and Linda Brunner Altar Servers: NEEDED Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

Sunday, August 25, 2013 at 10:30 am

Lector: Gail Smith Eucharistic Ministers: HOST: Dario Cipriani, Charla Leemhuis, Michelle Tortorelli CUP: Ed Brown, Kathleen Pae Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin Altar Servers: Juliette Morales, Andrew Wilcox Ushers: Jim Wehan, Paul Balczan, John Purvis Luke Purvis Offertory Counters: Dario Cipriani, Donna Cipriani, Gail Smith

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.



Let us **WELCOME** Ethan Baker son of James and Barbara Nealon as he is baptized today

ST. PATRICK'S WELCOMES THESE NEW PARISHIONERS: Rick and Diane Gotkin, Ernest and Kathleen Wright, Cynthia Haibach.

RCIA - If anyone is interested in the RCIA process for the 2013-2014 year for Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation, contact Sr. Marie at 454-8085, ext. 2.

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.



A Family Perspective

Today Jesus warns us his Word will create conflict between parents and children. In a permissive society which advocates individualism and consumerism, parents must continue to teach and live

the gospel values of respect, service to others, forgiveness, generosity and compassion. A Christian family is a countercultural family.

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.

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE VOLUNTEER FORM AND THE SPONSOR FORM FOR THE FESTIVAL WHICH ARE INCLUDED IN TODAY'S BULLETIN. THE FESTIVAL NEEDS **YOU** TO MAKE IT THE SUCCESS IT HAS BEEN IN THE PAST! THE SPONSOR PROGRAM IS A GREAT WAY TO MEMORIALIZE A LOVED ONE OR CONGRATULATE SOMEONE ON A MILESTONE! CHECK IT OUT!

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 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.

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 CON-CERN—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.



FESTIVAL JEWELRY BOOTH is always accepting jewelry to be sold at the Festival. This booth is one of the most popular, and now is a great time to donate any **UNBROKEN** jewelry to the Festival. You may drop it off at the rectory office or call Gail Smith at 833-9484.

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 a 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. Please call 454-8070 to 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!



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:

> Any questions, contact **Program Chair Dennis Michalski at 456-4979 The deadline has been extended.** The absolute final day is August 22nd!

Zabawa Polish Heritage Festival

The 20th Annual ZABAWA Polish Heritage Festival will be held at Holy Trinity Parish, located at E. 23rd and Reed Streets in Erie on the weekend of August 23, 24 & 25.

Festival hours are Friday from 5 to 10 pm, Saturday from 1 to 10:30 pm, and Sunday from noon to 6 pm. The event includes Polka Masses on Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m., with Bishop Lawrence Persico joining Msgr. Tom McSweeney for the Saturday Mass.

In addition to the Polish <u>bakery</u> and multiple food courts (also available for take-out), festivities include live music on the festival stage, folk dancers, drawings, theme baskets, children's area, adult games of chance and more.

Known for outstanding Polka music, this year's festival features four Polka bands. The entertainment schedule includes:

Friday 6 to 10 p.m. Polka Family Band -- Bloomsburg, PA

Saturday 1 to 4 p.m. Mar-vels -- Erie

Saturday 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Polka Country Musicians -- Connecticut

Sunday 2 to 6 p.m. The Knewz -- Buffalo, NY

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

Admission to the festival grounds is free and all activities are under cover and handicapped accessible. Free additional parking and trolley shuttle service to and from ZABAWA grounds available at Sts. Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church at 34th & Ash Streets (500 block of E.34th St.).

Visit our web site at holytrinityrc.org or call 814-456-0671

Parish Day with the Seawolves

Come see **Bishop Persico** throw out the first pitch on Parish Day at Jerry Uht Park in Erie, Sun., Sept. 1. The choir from the teen Mass at Blessed Sacrament Parish will sing the national anthem. Game begins at 5:05 pm. Tickets are \$8; \$7 for children 12 and under and seniors over 65. Reserve your tickets for section 211 at 814.456.1300 or use the order form on the back of your August edition of Faith magazine!

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.

Retrouvaille: A place to heal marriages.

Don't give up! Register now for the next Retrouvaille weekend October 4 - 6 in Erie. Learn a communications technique and attend follow-up sessions that can help strengthen and renew your marriage. Give your marriage a chance. Retrouvaille is sponsored by Catholic Charities. For more information, call 1-814-437-9377.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LITURGY INTENTIONS

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 Aug. 19 Monday, Weekday, Saint John Eudes, Priest 8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE Aug. 20 Tuesday, Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church 8:00 AM JOSEPH J. CICERO (FAMILY) Aug. 21 Wednesday, Saint Pius X, Pope 8:00 AM ELIZABETH WARD (FAMILY) Aug. 22 Thursday, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00 AM PETER WERNICKI -ST. H (CARMIE HOGAN-MUNSCH) Aug. 23 Friday, Weekday, Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin 8:00 AM ST. HEDWIG ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS Aug. 24 Saturday, Vigil: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:30 PM AL JARZAMSKI (MRS. HELEN DUBOWSKI) - ST.H 5:00 PM HELEN TROCKI (THE LAMPE FAMILY) - ST.P Aug. 25 *Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time* 8:00 AM ELIZABETH WARD (FAMILY) - ST. P 9:00 AM NORBERTO JAGOREN - ST.H (GEMMA NOWOSIELSKI) 10:30 AM RON ANGELOTTI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - ST.P (ANGELOTTI FAMILY)

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

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08/17	3:30 pm	Confessions - St.H
	4:30 pm	Confessions - St.P
08/20	11:00 am	Food Pantry - PR A.A PR Confessions - St.H
08/21	12:00 pm	A.A PR
08/24	3:30 pm	Confessions - St.H
	4:30 pm	Confessions - St.P

A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10

Reading II: Hebrews 12:1-4

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

When Christ, the light of the world, shines forth, his light shows us the way, but it also reveals the dark paths of negativity we sometimes follow. We have two choices: we can avoid the darkness or we can work to bring light. When we do this, we sometimes get caught up in the good feelings it gives us, and we find ourselves doing God's work instead of working with God. We think that it all depends on us! We forget that we are part of a team. When was there a time when you sought to bring unity and instead caused division? What happened?



<u>NEED PRAYERS?</u> 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					
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