

# *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**

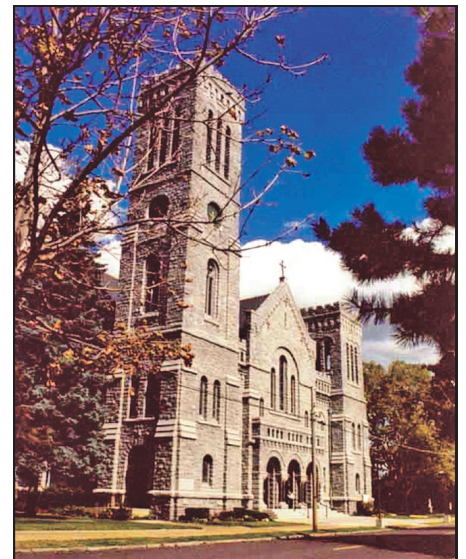
**HOLY DAY MASS**

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



Today is the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time and we hear first from the prophet Jeremiah. Serving in the kingdom of Judah during the reign of Josiah, a reformer king, Jeremiah was called to chastise the people for frequent lapses into idolatry and faithlessness. For this Jeremiah was attacked, beaten and put into stocks. His life was threatened several times, he was imprisoned and even thrown into a cistern. After the humiliation of being put in stocks, Jeremiah openly laments the consequences of his faithful service to God. But he is so keen on doing God's will that he cannot help but remain a mouthpiece for God. Reluctance and compulsion are at war in Jeremiah, causing great tension. In his youth, he left himself be duped. Now, he rails against a "too strong" God who "triumphed" over him. His efforts have earned him "derision and reproach." As soon as he decides to speak no more, the Word sears his heart and he wearies "holding it in."

The brief passage today from Paul's letter to the Romans delivers a powerful message. Make your whole life a worthy sacrifice. We no longer offer in sacrifice the bodies of dead animals; instead, we offer our living selves that are "holy and acceptable." That offering becomes our "spiritual worship." Christians must remember that we are *in* but not *of* the world. Paul reminds us not to conform ourselves to the age in which we live, but to "be transformed."

Like the "word" that burns in Jeremiah, Jesus' mission burns within him. To deny it is to deny his very self. He understands the price of fidelity to the divine will. Because the world is dark and sinful, it will come against the light and innocence of Christ. He knows he must prepare himself for what lies ahead. But Peter doesn't understand this. His divinely granted recognition of Jesus as the Messiah is not matched by intuition regarding the fate that awaits Jesus. So Peter plays Satan and wins Jesus' sharp rebuke for becoming an obstacle to his resolve. Peter is deeply offended. When he proclaimed Jesus as Messiah, he likely pictured the traditional hero riding into battle, not trudging to his death under the weight of the cross. He wants to erase such images from Jesus' mind and his own. Jesus does not need Peter to dilute his resolve and slaps him with a

stinging reprimand. But immediately the criticism turns into a teaching moment as he observes that human and divine thought are worlds apart. And finally, Jesus enunciates the demanding nature of discipleship. His standards are uncompromising. Anything but total surrender to God's kingdom is futile wheel-spinning. Lose your life, if you would find it, he says; deny yourselves, to avoid destroying yourselves.

Next Sunday we will host our annual Mission Appeal and the homilies will be given by Sisters of St. Benedict.

The Parish Office will be closed Monday because of Labor Day.

Thursday, September 11, the Erie County Historical Society is sponsoring a walking tour of the First Ward which will include St. Patrick's Church, rectory and St. Hedwig's Church. I'm in need of a couple of people who would be willing to be in the rectory at St. Patrick's during the tour (from 6-9 PM) as people will be on the first floor. I need someone for the front hall, the dining room, my office and the living room. If anyone is interested, please call the parish office.

During the month of July, the St. Patrick Food Pantry distributed 20,472 pounds of food to 918 families. The cost to the parish was \$3,200.16, all of which has been covered by your generous donations to the Food Pantry. God does not forget those who take care of the less fortunate.

People have asked me where the clients come from at the Food Pantry. They must live in a designated area which has been determined by the First Harvest Food Bank and be of limited income. There are several volunteers each week who verify that clients meet these criteria. As you can imagine, there are always people trying to beat the system, but they don't get past some of our volunteers!!! People who have been verified are also checked at regular intervals to make sure they still qualify.

The new Gannon Rec Center was dedicated this past Friday morning, and what a great addition to our neighborhood. The \$17 million project is state of the art and first class. You need not be a Gannon student or alumni to use the Rec. Center. If

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

interested, just contact the Rec Center for details and pricing.

People sometimes complain about all of the non-profits we have in downtown Erie, ie., Gannon, Hamot, etc. But we also have to ask the question, "What would downtown Erie be without them?" Along with Erie Insurance, these non-profits are the anchors that hold the downtown area together. Look at some of the other areas of downtown and then look at what Gannon, Hamot and others have done to stabilize the area.

Congratulations to St. Patrick parishioners Don and Janie Pastore who just recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

The Irish Festival is fast approaching and the volunteers have been incredibly busy getting ready. I think we are pretty well prepared. There is a genuine sense of excitement about moving the festival back to the church grounds, but we know there will be some mishaps as we do this for the first time, so I ask everyone—both volunteers and people attending—to be patient. We'll work out all of the kinks and by next year it will be as smooth as can be.

Our maintenance staff has been painting the eaves and second and third floor windows in the rectory for the past several months. None of us realized until they got up there in a highlift, just how much copper there is up on the building. It's so high with three stories that no one has been up there to do any painting or repair work for years, but we hope to finish it this summer. We are also going to replace most of the shrubbery in the front of the rectory.

A woman in a movie theater noticed that the man in front of her was sitting next to a large dog. Throughout the film, the man would lean over and whisper to the dog, and the dog would nod in response. Not only that, but funny scenes elicited from the dog, a noise that sounded like laughter. The dog even whimpered at the sad ending. The woman leaned forward and said, "Excuse me, sir, but I just can't get over your dog's behavior." "Frankly, neither can I," the man replied. "He hated the book."

## Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **William Hayes** requested by Joe & Collette Vahey and family, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Genevieve Gorski** requested by Charlotte Mabie and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Amanda Juchno** requested by the Pentz family. Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing care, the military and the homebound.

Our offertory for last week was \$709.00 plus Catholic Services Update \$12,665.00. Thank you and God bless.

### Welcoming Ceremony

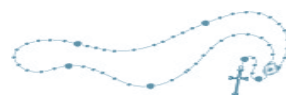
Our St. Hedwig's parishioners, Mary and Tom Lyons, have completed a year-long formation and will be welcomed as Associates of the Sister of St. Joseph at a special welcoming ceremony on September 7th, 2014. The Welcoming liturgy will be in the Chapel of the Community Living Center, 5031 West Ridge Road, at 2:00pm.

### Mark Your Calendar

Sts. Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church, 3415 Wallace St, Erie will hold their Annual Slavic Food Festival on Sunday, September 14 from Noon until 7pm. Ethnic foods, music by the Mar-vels & Polka Relations, dance performances by Wiwaty Folk Dancers & Living Traditions. Gift basket raffles, cash giveaway, trip for two to Fairway Suites at Peek'n Peak.

### Spiritual Reflection

In faith, Jesus is the Word made flesh. In faith, we see Jesus in the Eucharist. In faith, we come to see Him in the poor, the destitute, the lonely and the forgotten. Where are they? You say, "Look in faith and you will see them." It is a miracle to see them; otherwise, our selfishness shuts them out. In faith, where have I seen those to whom I need to be EUCHARIST to?

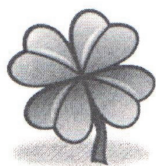


**PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY**

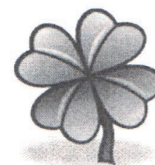
### St. Hedwig Ministry Schedule

	<u>September 6</u>	<u>September 7</u>
	Saturday	Sunday
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM
Lectors	Patricia Mielnik	Peter Pentz
Eucharist	Patricia Mielnik	Peter Pentz
Ushers	Nancy Widomski	Tom Zielinski
	Michelle Moskel	Sharon Zielinski
Altar	Portia & Yvonne	Charlotte Mabie
	Nowosielski	





**Erie Irish Festival**  
**Friday, Saturday and Sunday**  
**September 19, 20, & 21**



**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. Ad copy should read:

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**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**

**DEADLINE FOR THE ADS/MEMORIALS**  
**HAS BEEN MOVED TO**  
**AUGUST 30TH.**



# Saint Patrick News



## Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 6,343.50
Online Giving	<u>807.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 7,150.50

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Please make a special effort to remember in your daily prayers the members of our parish who are hospitalized, in Long Term Nursing Care, or home-bound.

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 **Deceased Family Members** from Kathy Alessi; The **Food Pantry** is sponsored in memory of **Wegner Family** from Lynne Long, in memory of **Jax** from Barbara & John Reiting, in memory of **Grandma, Julie Fetzner** from Laura & Richard Fetzner, in memory of **MK Wright** from Nancy Yochim, in memory of **Denise Clement** from Andrea Renee Morrow, in honor of **Pat Tellers' Birthday** from Barbara & BJ Lechner also donations from David Romanowicz, Margo & James Kuhn, Judy & Philip Kelly, Theresa Rotunda, Susan & Mark Sullivan, Barbara & Mark Sargent.

## Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, September 6, 2014 at 5:00 pm**

Lector: Mary Pat Schlaudecker

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Shirley Winschel, Kathy Sertz, Kay Mannino

**CUP:** Lynne Long, Yvonne Gersims

Greeters: Judy Kelly

Altar Servers: Gemma & Emilio Filippi

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

**Sunday, September 7, 2014 at 10:30 am**

Lector: Gail Smith

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Charla Leemhuis, Dario Cipriani,  
Kathleen Pae

**CUP:** Cyndi Pristello, Mary Kearney

Greeters: Mary Alice Hartwell, Marlene Golab

Altar Servers: Juliette Morales, Sarah Pristello

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

Offertory Counters: Dario Cipriani, Donna Cipriani,  
Gail Smith



**TO ST. PATRICK'S PARISHIONER, GRETCHEN GALLAGHER DUNEY**, has completed a year-long formation and will be welcomed as an Associate of the Sisters of St. Joseph at a special welcoming ceremony on September 7th, 2014. The Welcoming liturgy will be in the Chapel of the Community Living Center, 5031 West Ridge Road, at 2:00 PM.

**FESTIVAL MEETING:** Sunday, Sept. 7 after 10:30 Mass. Purpose of the meeting is to go over info that would pertain to all areas of the festival - volunteer sign-in, ticket policy, ID plan, security, trash removal, take down responsibilities. etc. Please attend this meeting!

**AVE MARIA CARE AND CONCERN:** will have a meeting on Sunday, September 7th at McGarrey's Oakwood Café at 1624 West 38th Street at 12:00 Noon.

## Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments Online Safety Tips for Parents & Kids:

Parents should consider having internet accounts 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 help create safe environments, check out: <http://www.eriecd.org/protectyouth.htm>

**TEA PARTY!** The St. Peter Cathedral Women's Council invites all ladies ages 5 to 95 to join in the fun at the Third Annual Tea Cups for Charity...**"Magical" Tea Party** on September 14<sup>th</sup>, 1 pm at the Ambassador Banquet and Conference Center. Three grand prizes will be awarded: A Patio Fire Table from the Patio Shop, Peek 'n Peak Spa Overnight for golf or skiing and Splash Lagoon Tidal Wave Party for 10. For information and reservations, please contact Noel Burgoyne at 868-3525 or [ncburg35@aol.com](mailto:ncburg35@aol.com)

## 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.



# 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:**

- |                                             |                                                        |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ID Checking        | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Sign In             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bake Sale          | <input type="checkbox"/> Games of Chance               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beverages (All)    | <input type="checkbox"/> Gift Shop                     |
| <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. 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!*

## **Say “Yes” to God’s call at first annual Catholic women’s conference**

Don’t let the busy fall schedule get away from you—sign up today to take part in the inaugural 1:38 Women conference planned at the Warner Theater in Erie for Sat., Oct. 4 from 9 am to 3:30 pm. Hear inspiring national speakers including Scripture author and teacher Sonja Corbitt; enjoy fellowship with women from around the Diocese of Erie and beyond, find renewal through prayer, adoration and reconciliation. The day will conclude with Mass offered by Bishop Lawrence Persico. Discounts are available for groups of eight—get your friends together for this special opportunity. Visit [www.138Women.com](http://www.138Women.com) or call (814) 455-7364 to learn more about this event, designed around the theme of Mary’s “Yes” to God found in Luke 1:38.

## **A Family Perspective**

Relationships live in a careful balance. If a person changes, the balance is altered requiring a shift in the relationship. In today’s gospel Jesus announced a change and Peter resisted. Sometimes, those we count on for support may actually get in the way. Jesus told Peter: “You are an obstacle to me.”

## **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, September 16, 2014.

## **Attention Engaged Couples:**

The 2014-2015 marriage preparation schedules for Pre-Cana, Engagement Encounter and NOVA are now uploaded onto the Family Life website. Visit [www.erieRCD.org/familylifeoffice.asp](http://www.erieRCD.org/familylifeoffice.asp) for more information. Be sure to contact your pastor before registering for any marriage preparation program. Congratulations and best wishes!

## **Cancer Support Group**

Individuals and families dealing with cancer are invited to share thoughts, hopes, angers and fears about cancer. The Cancer Support Group is led by Deacon Tom Matusiak who was a cancer caregiver. It is open to all people who are open to God’s presence in their lives. The Cancer Support Group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 East Grandview Blvd., Erie in the Bishop Michael J. Murphy Conference Room (entrance located in the back of the building on the west side and look for the big red “C” on the door. We meet from 7 pm until 8:15 pm. For more information contact Deacon Tom via email at [deacontom@holytrinityrc.org](mailto:deacontom@holytrinityrc.org) or at Holy Trinity Church at 814/456-0671. Our next session is Thursday, September 18, 2014.

## **Luke Live at St. George Church**

Paulist Fr. James DiLuzio will give a dynamic presentation of the Gospel of Luke, chapters 1 and 2 on Tuesday, September 30 at 7 p.m. at St. George Church, 5145 Peach St., Erie. Also: Tuesday after the 8 am. Mass at 8:30 to 10 a.m. Please plan now to attend. Call 814-864-0622 for further information.

## **Fr. Peterson Golf Tournament to Benefit Maria House Project**

Saturday, September 20, 2014. Scramble format with shotgun start at 9:00 am. Proceeds benefit Maria House Project. \$65.00 per person; \$260 per foursome. Hole-in-one contest. Maria House Project, founded by Fr. Peterson, provides spirituality and recovery for men struggling with homelessness, past incarcerations, and/or substance dependency. Contact [www.unioncitygolfclub.com](http://www.unioncitygolfclub.com) or 814-438-2810.





# ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL 2014



**IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN LADIES**—to clean out and recycle your costume jewelry items for the Festival Jewelry Booth! We are organizing 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.

**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. If you would like to purchase a gift for the auction, we would like them to be at a value of at least \$15.00 and up. 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. 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 !

**TOYS, GAMES AND PRIZES** are needed for the Children's Area. Cyndi Pristello and her committee are collecting items to be used for prizes in the children's area. No used stuffed animals please. Items may be brought to the rectory and left on the rear porch.



**We need you!** The St. Patrick's Erie Irish Festival will be held on Friday, September 19 through Sunday, September 21. "Many hands make light work." Please consider filling out a volunteer form and donating time, baked goods, etc... Volunteer forms are in the bulletin and extra copies are on the tables at the back of church. Fill out the form indicating where you would like to work and your availability and the volunteer coordinator will contact you.



**RAFFLE TICKETS:** Don't miss your chance to win a **trip to Ireland** for two. Raffle tickets have been sent to you in the mail. 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!

**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!





**LITURGY INTENTIONS**

**Aug. 30 Saturday, Vigil: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM TED MIELNIK (IRENE & FAMILY) - ST.H  
5:00 PM BARBARA KORN, WEDDING ANNIV. - ST.P  
(JAN RUSSELL)

**Aug. 31 Twenty -Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM MARILYN WAYLAND - ST. P  
(SOPHIE MALY & NICOLETTE AZICRI)  
9:00 AM THEODORE WIDOMSKI (LIZ JAROMSKI) - ST.H  
10:30 AM BEATRICE CROSS - ST.P  
(BARBARA & MIKE CROSS)

**Sept. 1 Monday, Weekday, Labor Day**

8:00 AM NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

**Sept. 2 Tuesday, Weekday**

8:00 AM FRANK OLSZEWSKI (CHARLOTTE NIEWOLAK)

**Sept. 3 Wednesday, Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church**

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

**Sept. 4 Thursday, Weekday**

8:00 AM RALPH FILIPKOWSKI  
(BILL & BETTY FILIPKOWSKI)

**Sept. 5 Friday, Bl. Teresa of Calcutta, Religious**

8:00 am ST HEDWIG ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS

**Sept. 6 Saturday, Vigil: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM JEAN GORSKI (FAMILY) - ST.H  
5:00 PM JOSEPHINE ALECCI  
(KEVIN & PEG KENDZIOR) - ST.P

**Sept. 7 Twenty -Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM JOCKO MALONEY, ANNIV. OF BIRTH  
(RAY & PATTY FIORELLI) - ST.P  
9:00 AM PETER ZIELINSKI (THERESA JUCHNO) - ST.H  
10:30 AM MARIAN GLAZ, ANNIV. OF BIRTH, 9/12  
(WALT & DARLENE MIENTKIEWICZ) - 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=Rector, CV=Convent

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

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**09/01** **LABOR DAY - OFFICE CLOSED**

**09/02** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

**09/03** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

**09/06** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**09/07** 11:30 AM Festival Mtg. - PR

**09/07** 12:00 PM Ave Mtg. - McGarrey's Oakwood Café

***A Moment of Reflection***

Reading I: Jeremiah 20:7-9

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27



God's ways are not always our ways. When I read the words "deny himself", I do not want to deny what I believe is right for me. Taking up Christ's cross and following him brings fear and the sense of a lack of control. Many times it is necessary to deny ourselves in order to bring about good for others. It is the same with our relationship with Christ. By choosing Jesus and letting go of our own will, we find our true selves. When have you had to deny yourself to follow Christ?

**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**