

Twenty Third Sunday Ordinary Time
September 6, 2015



St. Patrick Statue
St. Patrick Church

Saint Patrick Parish

Saint Hedwig Parish

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

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From the Pastor's Desk.....

Today is the Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time and we read from Numbers. The fourth book of the Pentateuch, Numbers is a loose collection of accounts related to the Hebrew's wilderness journey toward the Promised Land. It includes several census lists, a "numbering" of the people that gives the book its name, several trials including lack of water and food and clashes with various peoples the Hebrews met on their way into Canaan. Immediately before today's reading, Moses has grown exasperated with the people; tiring of manna they complain about the lack of meat. Moses in turn laments to God pleading that he cannot carry the burden of the entire people himself. After promising an abundance of meat, God instructs Moses to gather seventy elders around him. When he has done so, the Lord comes down to share his presence with the elders. When two of those who had been called are tardy but also receive the divine spirit, Joshua objects. Moses cautions his young aide to make no attempt to restrict God's spirit.

Today's reading from James shifts from instructions on how to live a righteous life to warnings for those who ignore such teachings. Today he warns those who accumulate great wealth, stressing that the world is transitory. Furthermore, those who have cheated others to gain their wealth will find God on the side of the poor.

Mark structures the middle section of his gospel to stress both Jesus's identity as Messiah who must suffer and die and his disciples failure to grasp this reality. Peter's confession of faith in Jesus as Messiah—and his refusal to connect that identity with Jesus's impending passion marks the beginning of this three-part section. In each part, Jesus announces his coming passion and death, then the disciples show their refusal to believe this and finally concludes with Jesus

giving them more instruction. Today we hear Jesus cautioning John not to try to limit God's power just as we heard Moses cautioning Joshua in our first reading. Then Mark includes a number of sayings. There was an early written collection of Jesus's sayings called "Quelle" which Mark had access to and he is most likely copying from that.

Of all the good things that have happened at St. Patrick's, something happened recently that touches my heart more than anything. Thanks to the initiative and leadership of St. Patrick parishioner and Eucharistic Minister Katie Froehlich, St. Patrick's Parish now has a Young Adults' Group. Katie recently moved back to Erie from Chicago where she was very active in a parish with a Young Adults' Group. She asked me if she could try to form one here. I was thrilled with her request and encouraged her but said to myself, "I don't think there are enough young adults here to form a group." I'm never been happier to be proven wrong. A group has now formed of about 20 people, the group is primarily social in nature, they are going to meet for a monthly happy hour at one of the local pubs, play some sports together, share some trips to nearby areas, etc. They are all young adult Catholics who belong here and want to get together with other young adults who share their faith. I never would have thought we would have a group like this here, and I hope you share my joy at their formation.

We have been repaying the diocese the advance they gave us for the restoration at the rate of \$10,000 plus interest each month. For the past several months, I have been able to pay them \$20,000 plus interest each month. We have reduced that debt from \$720,000 to \$260,000. Thank you for your generous support of this.

Likewise, with pledges of \$95,000 in this year's Catholic Services Appeal, we already have payments of \$75,000.

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

Our Irish Festival is in two weeks and everything appears to be in place thanks to Angie Kontur's leadership and the time and effort of so many who are chairing various committees. I hope that you will purchase tickets on the raffle of a trip to Ireland and return those to the rectory, and I hope that you'll be able to stop at the festival and join in the fun. This year we are not having a brunch on Sunday, but will have the festival itself.

The weekend football games will all be televised in a special tent with beer and food available to any who want to watch the games.

The sidewalk replacement should be completed by now. I still have one section left to do next year. Once we finish with the sidewalks, I'm happy to tell you that both of our buildings and grounds are in excellent condition. Last year we focused on the rectory and repointed the entire exterior, reset all of the windows, etc. On the inside, we have installed central air conditioning, a complete new electrical system, etc. Now it just becomes a matter of keeping up with the maintenance so that we don't fall behind again. Would you believe that the morning after I wrote this, I came down and went into my office to discover that the ceiling is falling down!!! Every time I think we've won the battle, something else comes up. Again, we have to remember that these are 100 year old buildings and these things are to be expected.

We've also restored the front entrance way. The storm door was rusting and paint was peeling on the trim, and that has now been replaced. We're hoping before winter to paint the exterior of the Food Pantry. The interior was redone recently and is in great shape.

"Sometimes after playing golf, I reflect on all the beer I drink. I feel ashamed. Then I look into the glass and I think about the workers in the brewery and all of their hopes and dreams. If I didn't drink beer, they might be out of work and their dreams would be shattered. I think, 'It is better to drink this beer and let their dreams come true than be selfish and worry about my liver.'"

Babe Ruth

Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **St. Hedwig Rosary Society Members Living & Deceased.**

Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns for a **Special Intention.**

St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Jeanette Borowy** requested by Leo & Teresa Brugger.

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



Our offertory for last week was **\$865.00**, Assistance to Poland **\$229.00**, Annual Missionary Cooperative Appeal...Yucatan, Mexico **\$200.00**. Thank you and God bless.

Summer Festival Update

We thank everyone who has contributed to the Summer Festival Collection for their continued generosity. We received **\$985.00**. Proceeds are used to cover our regular operating expenses.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

If anyone would like to volunteer at UPMC Hamot, you can contact me at 877-2614 or Fr. Murphy at 877-2336.

Anna Flanagan

UPMC Hamot Care Management/Chaplain Services

Annual Polonaise Ball

The Polonaise Ball is scheduled for Saturday, October 24, 2015 at the Polish Falcons, Nest #610, 431 East 3rd St. The program will consist of dinner, followed by the Polonaise March by the contestants and their escorts, crowning of the new Miss Polonaise and an evening of dancing. Tickets and reservations available by calling Cindy Plizga at 814-868-7924. Cost is \$20 for adults, children 10 & under \$10. Cash bar at 6pm followed by a buffet dinner at 6:30pm.

Saint Hedwig Ministry Schedule

September 12

Saturday

4:00 PM

**Pray the
Rosary**

Lector

Barb Juchno

Eucharist

Tom Zielinski

Ushers

Pete Pentz

Ray Nowosielski

Altar Server

Portia & Yvonne Nowosielski



Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 7,273.00
Mission Co-Op	2,617.79
Online Giving	969.00
Total Income	\$10,859.79

Thank you for your generosity!



Thank you for your generous gifts to the Erie Gives. St. Patrick Parish had the highest support of any Catholic church in Erie County, with 56 donors and a total of \$19,218.25. Thank you all for your support and contributions as this will continue to help with our debt on the restoration of this beautiful church.



It would make our **volunteer** offertory counters jobs much easier if you could **mark** the dollar amount on your envelopes, **do not tape** your envelopes and please **do not make origami** with your dollar bills.

Thank You!!!

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 by the **Ave Maria Care and Concern Society**

Donations to the Food Pantry:

- ♦ In memory of **Helen DeAngelo** from Marjory & Merle Painter
- ♦ In memory of **John B. Purvis** from Cynthia & John D. Purvis
- ♦ In memory of **Carol & Debby Donnelly** from Patricia Donnelly
- ♦ In memory of **Trish; Jerry & Tom Hardner and Lois Paradise** from Jeff Hardner

Also donations from:

Kay Mannino, Mary & Bill Flanagan
Leonard Andrzejewski, Dotty & Michael Schloss

A Special Thank You!!!
to **PANERA BREAD** for their generous donations every week to the Food Pantry.

Marriage Moments

"And people brought Jesus a deaf man who had a speech impediment." (Mark 7:2) Sometimes in marriage it seems like one of us is deaf or at least not listening. Other times the speaker mumbles (or so I tell my husband). Which of you is better at speaking; which at listening? Practice each other's gift.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, September 12, 2015 at 5:00 pm

Lector: *Chris Sanner*

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: *Yvonne Gersims, Patty Dailey, Kathy Sertz*

CUP: *Kay Mannino, Chris Sanner*

Greeters: *Tom & Linda Brunner*

Altar Servers: *Addie & Owen Babinsack*

Ushers: *Chris Lampe, Rob Oliveri, Phil Rewers*

Sunday, September 13, 2015 at 10:30 am

Lector: *Michele Wheaton*

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: *Tim Scully, Charla Leehmuis, Mike Vehec*

CUP: *Kathleen Pae, Katie Froehlich*

Greeters: *Norann Brugger, 1 NEEDED*

Altar Servers: *Logan Kearney*

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

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

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Diocesan Child Protection Policies:

The Diocese of Erie, along with all dioceses of the United States, has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse and to aid in creating safe environments. The diocese is committed to on-going screening and training of paid or volunteer persons who have regular contact with our children and youth under the age of 18. It is also committed to yearly inservicing and training of our children, youth and parents regarding touching-safety and safe environments. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help create safe environments, check out <http://www.eriercd.org/protectyouth.htm>



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.



LITURGY INTENTIONS

Sept. 05 *Saturday, Vigil: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM HELEN ZIELINSKI - ST.H
(ST. HEDWIG ROSARY SOCIETY)

5:00 PM EDWARD & RON ANGELOTTI (FAMILY) - ST.P

Sept. 06 *Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM JOCKO MALONEY - ST.P
(PATTY & RAY FIORELLI)

10:30 AM STEPHEN MAGOC, ANNIV. OF DEATH - ST.P
(MICHELE & ALEX WHEATON)

Sept. 07 *Monday, Weekday*

8:00 AM NO COMMUNION SERVICE OR MASS

Sept. 08 *Tuesday, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Sept. 09 *Wednesday, Saint Peter Claver, Priest*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Sept. 10 *Thursday, Weekday*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Sept. 11 *Friday, Weekday*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Sept. 12 *Saturday, Vigil: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM WALTER & ANNA SCHWARTZ - ST.H
(CHARLOTTE & DAN ANDERSON)

5:00 PM FORREST & GERTRUDE SHORTS (FAMILY) - ST.P

Sept. 13 *Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM GERI CIACCHINI - ST.P
(Q. GREGORY ORLANDO FAMILY)

10:30 AM HARRY & RITA CALDWELL, DEC. WEDDING
ANNIV. (FAMILY) - 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

09/05 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

09/07 **Office Closed—Labor Day**



09/08 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

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

09/12 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

09/13 9:00 AM Rel. Ed Kdg. - Gr. 6 - Holy Rosary

1:00 PM Rel. Gr. 7-10, Opening - Holy Rosary

WELCOME TO ALPHA—Sign up for the 10-week



Alpha program beginning Thursday, September 10, from 6:15 to 8:30 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Parish auditorium, 816 W. 26th St., Erie. Alpha is a meal, talk and discussion that provides an opportunity to explore the basics of our Christian faith in a relaxed and fun setting. Bring a friend. To register, contact Sister Ricarda at rvincent@velocity.net or at 814-456-6256.

ST. JOSEPH/BREAD OF LIFE COMMUNITY'S

OKTOBERFEST 2015 is Sept. 11, 12 and 13 at W. 24th Street between Peach and Sassafras. The 9th annual Oktoberfest begins with Tapping of the Keg on Friday, Sept. 11 at 5:00 pm and continues Saturday, Sept. 12 from noon to 11pm and Sunday, Sept. 13 from noon to 5pm. Visit www.erieoktoberfest.com for more information.



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 lead 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 from 7-8:15 pm 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. For more information contact Deacon Tom via email at deacontom@holyltrinityrc.org or at Holy Trinity Church at 814-456-0671. The next session is Thursday, September 17, 2015.



Consider Engagement Encounter!



Planning for your marriage in 2015/2016? An Engagement Encounter is scheduled for October 16th - 18th at St. Mark Catholic in Erie. EE satisfies requirements for marriage in the church. Space is limited, so please register early by calling 814-824-1261 or by email at: familylife@erieRCD.org. Visit our Website at <http://www.erieRCD.org/familylifeoffice.asp> for more information. Remember, "A wedding is one day, but marriage is for a lifetime". Catholic and interfaith couples are encouraged to attend.



MSGR. KRIEGLER'S HOMILIES ARE ON-LINE IN AUDIO AND VIDEO FORMAT.

Be sure to check out St. Patrick's web-page to listen to Msgr. Kriegel's homilies. Go to saintpatrickparisherie.org Click on "homilies" on the bar to the right, For the audio version just click on the date of the homily you want to hear. The video homilies are available on "you tube" and can be watched by clicking on the bar that says "You Tube" on that page.



FESTIVAL NEWS *2015*

Twelve Days until the Festival !!



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! 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.



RAFFLE TICKETS: Don't miss your chance to win a **trip to Ireland** for two. Raffle tickets have been sent to parishioners. **Please** return them via the offertory basket, mail or drop them off at the rectory. **YOU** may be the winner! But you can't win if you don't turn in your tickets. Let's make this year's winner a member of St. Patrick's! The office has more tickets if you need them. 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!

NOTICE -- During the Irish festival, **THE KNIGHTS & LADIES OF ST. PATRICK** will be collecting donations of personal hygiene toiletry items for use at the homeless shelter. The baskets will be located at the entrance where tickets are sold. We'd appreciate your contributions. A basket will also be located in the church entrance beginning next week if you would like to drop off items prior to the festival. Thank you for your generosity.



For more information on the festival—entertainment, food, activities, vendors, times, etc., please visit our web-site at <http://www.erieirishfestival.com/> Special "thank you" to Deb Brunner for keeping this web-site and our facebook page up-to-date! Get the word out there! "Like" us on facebook at [Erie Irish Festival](#) or at the 2nd page [St-Patricks-Irish-Festival](#)

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:

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| _____ Food Service | _____ Bake Sale |
| _____ Raffle Ticket Sales | _____ Decorating (Thursday 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 |
| _____ Teardown after the Festival | |

PLEASE INDICATE WHEN YOU ARE AVAILABLE TO WORK:

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 or 814-833-1638



An Irish Weekend back in
our Irish Neighborhood
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St. Patrick Church
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Friday, 9/18 :: 5pm-11pm
Saturday, 9/19 :: Noon-11pm
Sunday, 9/20 :: 11am - 4pm

music line up

Friday, September 18, 2015

5:00 pm: Bagpipers Opening Ceremony
5:45 pm: Rince na Tiarna Irish Dancers
6:15 pm: City Fiddle
8:00 pm: Glenwood Hillbillies
9:30 pm: The Tradesmen

Saturday, September 19, 2015

12:00 pm: Celtic Creek
1:45 pm: Michael DeRushie, Puppeteer
2:30 pm: Emily Ann Thompson
4:15 pm: Michael DeRushie, Puppeteer
5:30 pm: Rince na Tiarna Irish Dancers
6:15 pm: Gabe Donohue, Irish Tenor
8:00 pm: Brokenstraw
9:30 pm: Mulligans

Sunday, September 20, 2015

11:00 am: Rince na Tiarna Irish Dancers
11:30 am: Helen Hammett, ventriloquist
12:00 pm: Donal O'Shaughnessy
1:45 pm: Step In Time
3:15 pm: Helen Hammett, ventriloquist
3:45 pm: Donal O'Shaughnessy

*Please Note: this schedule is subject to change.

new sports bar
watch the games
all weekend at
the festival!

TELEVISING BOTH
COLLEGE & NFL
Football Games

new box o' lunch

Enjoy an Irish Lunch ONLY available on FRIDAY
September 18th, 2015 | from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

✱ reuben sandwich
✱ bag o' chips
✱ water or soda

\$10

Stop by the tent in front of St. Patrick Church
Enjoy lunch in our tent or take it to-go...during your lunch hour!



Enter to Win
A TRIP FOR 2
to Ireland

FREE ADMISSION • FREE PARKING • IRISH BAKE SALE
AUTHENTIC IRISH FOOD • WHISKEY TASTING • IRISH DANCERS
RAFFLES • PRIZES • VENDORS • JEWELRY & MORE

..... for complete weekend details visit :: erieirishfestival.com

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 **FRONTIER PHARMACY**
Keeping Healthcare Affordable
1216 West 6th Street - 814-452-2347
For advertising in our parish bulletin.