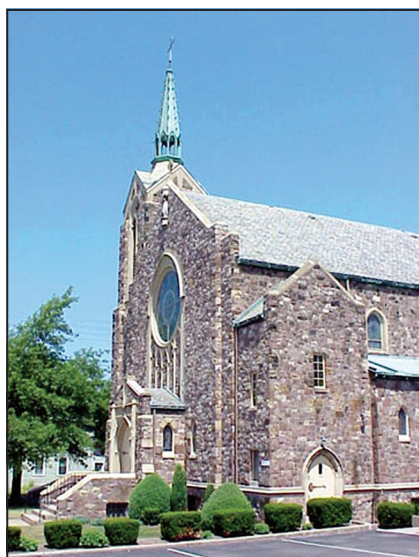


Saint Hedwig Saint Patrick

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

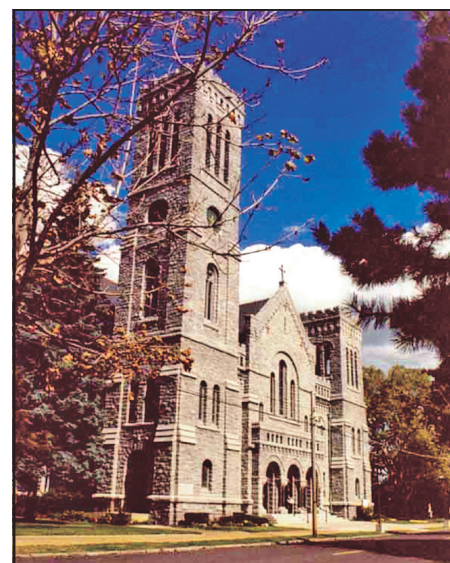
Saint Hedwig 5:30 PM

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

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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 27th Sunday in Ordinary time and we hear from Genesis which sets the stage for the Gospel. Our second reading from Hebrews emphasizes Christ as both human and divine. The gospel is Jesus talking about marriage as well as divorce, but his talking about divorce must be understood in the context of its day when a man could “divorce” or throw a woman out for no reason at all. This is clearly what Jesus is railing against in this case.

Cardinal Carlo Martini was archbishop of Milan, Italy for 20 years and one of the most respected Scripture scholars in the church. A few weeks prior to his recent death, he gave an interview on the church, and let me share some of it with you. “How do you see the situation of the Church?” “The church is tired, in prosperous Europe and America. Our culture is out of date; our churches are big, our religious houses are empty and the bureaucratic apparatus is growing, and our rites and our vestments are pompous. Do such things really express what we are today?.....Prosperity weighs us down. We find ourselves like the rich young man who went away sad when Jesus called him to become his disciple. I know that it’s not easy to leave everything behind. At least we could seek people who are free and closer to their neighbors. Where among us are heroes to inspire us? We must never limit them by institutional bonds””Who can help the Church today?” Fr. Karl Rahner liked to use the image of embers hidden under ashes. I see in the Church today so many ashes above the embers that I’m often assailed by a sense of powerlessness. How can the embers be freed from the ashes in order to rekindle the flame of love? First of all, we have to look for those embers. Where are the individuals full of generosity, like the Good Samaritan? Who have faith like the Roman centurion? Who are as enthusiastic as John the Baptist? Who dare new things, as Paul did? I advise the pope and the bishops to look for twelve people outside the lines for administrative posts—people who are close to the poorest and who are surrounded by young people and are trying out new things. We need that comparison with people who are burning so that the spirit can spread everywhere.

“What means do you advise against the Church’s weariness?” “I have three. The first is conversion: the Church has to recognize its own errors and has to travel a radical journey of change, begin-

ning with the pope and bishops. The scandals of pedophilia are driving us to undertake a journey of conversion. Questions about sexuality and all the themes involving the body are an example of this. They are important for everyone, at times they’re also too important. In this area, is Church still a point of reference or only a caricature in the media?

The second is the Word of God. Vatican II restored the Bible to Catholics. Only someone who receives this Word in his heart can be among those who will help the renewal of the Church and will know how to respond to personal questions wisely. The Word of God is simple and seeks as its companion a heart that is listening. Never the clergy or the Church law can substitute for a person’s inwardness. All the external rules, the laws, the dogmas were given to us in order to clarify the inner voice and to discern the spirits.

For whom are the sacraments? They are the third means of healing. The sacraments are not a disciplinary instrument, but a help for people at moments on their journey and when life makes them weak. Are we bringing the sacraments to those who need a new strength.

The Church is two hundred years behind. Why is it not being stirred? Are we afraid? Afraid, instead of courageous? Faith is the Church’s foundation—faith, confidence, courage. I’m old and ill and depend on the help of others. The good people around me enable me to experience love. This love is stronger than the feeling of discouragement that I sometimes feel in looking at the Church in Europe. Only love conquers weariness. God is love.”

Very interesting comments from one of the most illustrious churchmen of our day.

Bishop Lawrence Persico will be joining us for the 175th Anniversary Banquet on Oct. 20th. It should be a fun evening for all and a chance to meet the new bishop. If you have not yet made your reservation, please do so as soon as possible. I’m grateful to Erin Doolin Fessler for putting together a brief video of parish anecdotes which will be shown that evening. Jeff Rouse, who restored our Stations of the Cross, will speak briefly on the stations. He has also volunteered to come up and clean them after the restoration is done.

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

Today's bulletin contains the financial statements for both St. Patrick's and St. Hedwig's parishes. As you can readily see, we are doing extremely well at St. Patrick's. We undertook a great deal of capital repairs this past year with a complete new electrical system for the church, the work on the exterior of the building and the new air-conditioning. The 2012/2013 statement will not look as good because we will show some debt from the church restoration, but we can absorb that easily. St. Hedwig's expenses fluctuate because of extraordinary repairs that the buildings require. We should be pretty current with those now.

The artists from Conrad Schmitt are working on the ceiling and we can look up through the scaffolding and see some of the gold gilding which they are doing. It's exciting.

Just an update on our capital campaign. We had a goal of \$1 million and to date have pledges of \$1,070,000 and payments of \$405,307. Thank you for your continued generosity.

The new lighting for the interior of the church has arrived and Church Electric will shortly start installing it. One of the things I learned when we went to the Conrad Schmitt Studio in Milwaukee is that lighting is as important as painting.

Muldoon lives alone in the Irish countryside with only a pet dog for company. One day the dog died and Muldoon went to the parish priest and asked, "Father, me dog is dead. Could ya' be saying a funeral Mass for him?" Father Brennan replied, "I'm afraid not; we cannot have services for an animal in church. But there are some Baptists down the lane and there's no telling what they believe. Maybe they'll do something." Muldoon said, "I'll go right away, Father. Do ya' think \$5,000 is enough to donate for the service?" Fr. Brennan replied, "Sweet mother Mary, why didn't ya' tell me the dog was Catholic?"

After explaining the commandment to honor your father and mother, a Sunday school teacher asked her class if there was a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters. One boy, the oldest in his family, immediately answered, "You shalt not kill."

CHRISTMAS AT THE FOOD

PANTRY: Even though it is only October the volunteers at the Sr. Mary Pascal Gray Food Pantry are getting ready for Christmas for their clients. Each year gifts are given to the children who are clients at the Food Pantry. This year there is a need of gifts for children of all ages, but especially the 10-12 year age group. If you would like to donate gifts, please bring them to the porch at the rear of St. Patrick's rectory. The gifts need not be wrapped. The volunteers will wrap the gifts after they assemble them for each client. Thanks for your help!



Sunday Breakfast at St. James

Place, 2622 Buffalo Road. Serving from 8:00 AM until 11:00 AM a breakfast buffet including ham, bacon, sausage, eggs, potatoes, pancakes, coffee and juice. Adults \$6.00, Senior Citizen \$5.50, Children (Ages 6-12) \$4.50, Children (under 6) \$2.00. No

reservations needed. Parking is also available at St. James School.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: Perhaps Jesus' two-fold message in today's gospel is a reminder to married couples to return to the innocence of the early years of their love—like children, loving each other with abandon. Do you know any couple who have recently married? Their love is contagious, and glowing, right? Married couples are called to be a sacramental reflection of God's faithful and selfless love a place where people live and love beyond rules and formulas.

A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Genesis 2:18-24

Reading II: Psalm 128:1-6
Hebrews 2:9-11



Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

In this week's Genesis reading, God reveals that his high purpose for humanity "in the beginning" was unity, not brokenness. While it is a sad fact that marriages do too often fail, God's dream for us remains that we find ourselves in sound, enduring, deep relationships. In our world of radical individuality, secularism, and materialism, this week's scriptures call us beyond brokenness and rupture and to embrace the deep values of unity, partnership, and relationship. What can you do this week to deepen and enrich your relationships in marriage or family?



Saint Hedwig News

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **Ted Mielnik** requested by his wife Irene and family, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp is burning in loving memory of **Richard Dombkowski** requested by his family and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns for **Poor Souls**. Please also remember in your prayers our parishioners who are in the hospital, long term nursing homes and the homebound.

Our Offertory Collection for last week will be reported in next week's bulletin. Thank you and God Bless.

Welcome!

We warmly welcome Paul & Melissa Flak to our parish family.

St. Hedwig Pancake Breakfast

Our Annual Pancake Breakfast held last Sunday was a huge success. "Thank You!" to everyone who volunteered, attended, donated items or helped in any way. A special thanks to the Polish Falcons.

Ladies and Friends

St. Hedwig Annual Rosary Meeting this weekend, **Saturday, October 6th** in our church hall following the 4:30pm Mass. A light lunch will be served. Bring a friend. We are always looking for new members to help us grow and to continue our fund-raising efforts (You do not have to be a member of St. Hedwig to join the Rosary Society). Our fund-raisers for the year are two Election Day Bake Sales, a Pancake Breakfast and a Christmas Party. The Christmas Party is a special afternoon with a buffet, a Chinese Auction, 50-50 raffle and a baked goods raffle. For more information call Dolly Bargielski at 825-3856.

Please Join Us

The Holy Name members will be reciting the rosary before the 9am Mass starting at 8:30am on Sunday, October 14th.

Ministry Schedule

	October 13	October 14
	4:30pm	9:00am
Eucharist	Jim Gorski	Tom Zielinski
Reader	Jim Gorski	Frederic Olds
Altar Server	Charlotte Mabie	Nick Hayes



PRAY THE ROSARY

Saint Patrick News



Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for last weekend was **\$5,010.00**. **\$555.00** was given through our on-line giving program. If you would like to enroll in the on-line program, visit our web-site at: saintpatrickparisherie.org and follow the links to sign up. Thank you for your generosity.

At the **Second Harvest Annual Conference**, Chery Heintz received an award on behalf of the Sr. Mary Pascal Gray Food Pantry commemorating 30 years of participation with Second Harvest. The Food Pantry has been in existence for forty years, and has been associated with Second Harvest for 30 years. All of those people who volunteer so much of their time at the Food Pantry deserve recognition and our appreciation for all that they do.

Please remember in your prayers **John Purcell**, who passed away last week. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

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 Restoration Fund** in memory of **Casimir Pietrasewicz** from Bernard & Barbara Pietrasewicz and Joseph and Mary Marschak; **The Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week by the **Ave Maria Care and Concern Society**; **The Food Pantry** in memory of **Donald C. Pastore** from Mr. & Mrs. Donald Pastore.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, October 13, 2012 at 5:00 pm

Lector: *Gary Drapcho*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Judy Emling, Carolyn Power, Bill Power*

Greeters: *Judy Emling, Kathleen Horan*

Altar Servers: *Caroline Power*

Ushers: *Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri*

Sunday, October 14, 2012 at 10:30 am

Lector: *Ed Smith*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Audrey Reigel, Forrest Mischler, Charla Leemhuis*

Greeters: *Gail Arneman, Charla Leemhuis*

Altar Servers: *Ryan Jubulis, Brendan Jubulis*

Ushers: *Tom Welch, John Maloney,*

Randy Pristello, David Taccone

Offertory Counters: *Dario Cipriani, Donna Cipriani, Gail Smith*

**Saint Patrick Parish
Financial Statement 2011/2012**

INCOME

Offertory	\$323,839
Bequests	20,870
Special Gifts	3,411
Investment Income	(1,716)
Capital Fund Drive	249,646
Irish Festival.....	38,364
Rent, Candles, Bus Tours.....	26,961
Catholic Services Appeal.....	(15,728)

TOTAL INCOME \$645,647

EXPENSES

Salaries - Clergy	\$25,214
Benefits - Clergy	11,401
Salaries - Employees.....	66,233
Benefits - Employees.....	42,143
Rectory expense	6,885
Office expense.....	21,477
Altar, Sanctuary, Liturgical.....	23,780
Plant Maintenance & Supply	8,703
Utilities.....	30,582
Insurance & Real Estate Taxes.....	17,965
Capital Fund Drive	4,046
Parish Activities	17,269
Diocesan Fund/FAITH	13,601
Elementary School Subsidy	9,812
Secondary School Subsidy.....	12,132
Religious Education Salaries	31,790
Religious Education - Other.....	324

Total Operating Expenses 343,357

Extraordinary Repairs

274,451

TOTAL EXPENSES..... 617,808

Income less expenses..... 27,879

**REVIEW OF FINANCES AT
ST. PATRICK'S
FOR THE PAST 5 YEARS**

2008

Income.....	\$346,344
Expenses.....	\$357,747
Deficit	\$ 11,403

2009

Income.....	\$280,816
Expenses.....	\$355,263
Deficit	\$ 77,747

2010

Income.....	\$330,479
Expenses.....	\$313,883
Profit.....	\$ 16,596

2011

Income.....	\$579,288
Expenses.....	\$306,435
Profit.....	\$272,853

2012

Income	\$645,647
Expenses.....	\$617,808
Profit.....	\$ 27,879

**Saint Hedwig Parish
Financial Statement 2011/2012**

INCOME

Offertory..... \$64,062
 Bequests..... 8,575
 Investment Income 104
 Parish Activities 113
 Catholic Services Appeal..... 4,442

Total Income..... \$79,597

EXPENSES

Salaries - Clergy \$ 3,075
 Salaries - Employees..... 20,134
 Benefits - Employees..... 2,787
 Rectory expense..... 7,321
 Office expense..... 4,724
 Altar, Sanctuary, Liturgical..... 4,194
 Plant Maintenance, Repair..... 5,183
 Utilities 10,743
 Insurance & Real Estate Taxes 8,991
 Parish Activities 51
 Secondary School Subsidy 5,419

Total Operating Expenses \$ 72,802

Capital Repairs 2,915

Total Expenses \$75,717

Income less expenses \$ 3,880

**REVIEW OF FINANCES
AT ST. HEDWIG'S
FOR THE PAST 5 YEARS**

2008

Income..... \$119,053
 Sale of property

Expenses..... \$109,230
 Lighting & Electric Repairs

Profit \$ 9,823

2009

Income..... \$ 64,977

Expenses..... \$113,369
 West wall replacement & steeple repairs

Deficit \$ 48,392

2010

Income..... \$105,271
 Bequest

Expenses..... \$ 92,042
 Additional wall repairs

Profit..... \$ 13,229

2011

Income..... \$ 85,148

Expenses..... \$ 87,209

Deficit \$ 2,061

2012

Income..... \$ 79,597

Expenses..... \$ 75,717

Profit..... \$ 3,880

LITURGY INTENTIONS

- Oct. 06 Saturday, Vigil: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 4:30 PM GEORGE MIELNIK, ANNIV. (FAMILY)- ST.H
 5:00 PM MARY CERAMI (BOB OLSEN FAMILY) - ST.P
- Oct. 07 Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 9:00 AM MEMBERS OF THE ST. HEDWIG HOLY NAME SOCIETY—LIVING AND DECEASED - ST.H
 10:30 AM PATRICIA AMENDOLA (LISA HINES) - ST.P
- Oct. 08 Monday, Weekday**
 8:00 AM JOSEPH MESSINA, ANNIV. OF BIRTH (FAMILY)
- Oct. 09 Tuesday, St. Denis, Bishop and Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest**
 8:00 AM JEAN BAGINSKI (GARY & LAURA BOROWY)
- Oct. 10 Wednesday, Weekday**
 8:00 AM MERCEDES KALATA
 MR. & MRS. JOHN J. MCCORMICK, JR.
- Oct. 11 Thursday, Weekday**
 8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE
- Oct. 12 Friday, Weekday**
 8:00 AM AGNES KROLL, ANNIV.
 (TOM & BARB SADASKI)
- Oct. 13 Saturday, Vigil: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 4:30 PM TED MIELNIK (IRENE & FAMILY) - ST.H
 5:00 PM BERTHA MARIELLA, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - ST.P (FAMILY)
- Oct. 14 Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 9:00 AM TED WIDOMSKI (RICK & RON BOLLA) - ST.H
 10:30 AM JAMES KONTUR (WIFE, ANGIE) - 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

- 10/06** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H
 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P
- 10/09** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR
- 10/10** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR
 7:00 PM RCIA - R
- 10/13** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H
 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P
- 10/14** 9:00 AM Rel. Ed. K thru 6 - Holy Rosary
 1:00 PM Rel. Ed. Gr. 7, 8, 9, 10 - Holy Rosary
 1:00 PM Confirmation Session - Holy Rosary

Religious Ed News

VATICAN II: A FRESH LOOK – This October the Church observes the 50th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council – an anniversary that deserves a year long reflection on the gifts that the Church has received because of this Council. As part of this observance you are invited to a series of presentations and reflections on the Council beginning **October 4th – the feast of Francis of Assisi, at Holy Rosary from 6:30 pm to 8 pm.** The series will be offered on the the Thursdays in October: **4th, 11th, 18th and 25th.**

NEW WEBSITE for the Eastside Catholic Faith Formation Ministry – Please check out the new website for the *Eastside Catholic Faith Formation Ministry* at www.eastsidecatholicffm.org! The website has information that will keep you well informed about the catechetical year for 2012-2013.



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