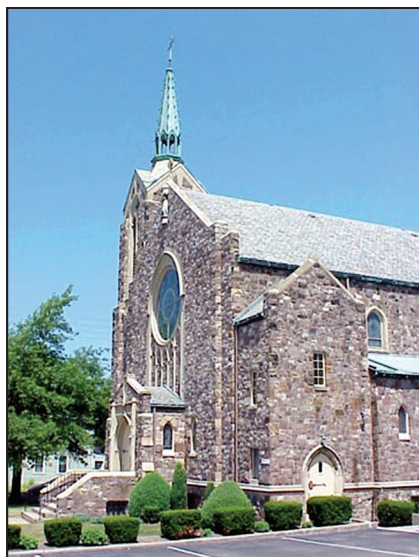


Saint Hedwig Saint Patrick

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 AM & 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



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



Today is the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time and we hear first from the Book of Exodus. We read of Moses' uplifted hands, a sign, not that he gives up his own strength and ability to lead his people in battle, but rather that he recognizes the source of his power and skill. Moses' fatigue shows his humanity. No leader, could hold that pose of his hands raised high for days. The situation is intended to show us that humans are nothing without the Lord. We read how Aaron and Hur assist Moses in holding up his hands for him.

Our second reading continues from Paul's Letter to Timothy. In the verses just preceding this, Paul is warning about the false teachers among them. People are self-centered, they love money, they are proud, haughty, abusive, disobedient, ungrateful and they love pleasure more than God. Paul's advice to Timothy: "Reject them." In today's passage, Paul proposes an alternative to the falsehoods: God's word as found in scripture. This is one of the passages upon which we base our believe in the divine inspiration of the scriptures. Paul is saying that formation in the word of God makes a leader competent to carry out his or her call. In the final passage, Paul makes it clear that Timothy is to "proclaim the word."

Our gospel is the first of two parables on prayer. The second will be next Sunday's gospel. All of today's readings emphasize persistence. If you look to the closing sentence you will see that persistence does not simply mean praying continuously. We're told that when the Son of Man comes he will be looking for faith. The faith of a disciple contrasts that of the Pharisees who sought the strict observance of legal works to showcase their faith. But the faith Jesus seeks is that which trusts in God's gracious love. The two rhetorical questions today interpret the parable for us. In contrast to the deceitful judge, who out of his own fatigue, selfishly responds to the persistent widow so she will stop bothering him, God responds constantly to the disciples own constant prayer. God's justice, unlike the judge's, will not be slow in coming, but will come speedily. And the final question is the climax of this gospel and provides the connection between faith and prayer. The words are haunting as we are asked if, when the Son of Man comes, he will find any faith on the earth.

Just in case you think our Irish Festival goes unnoticed around the world, Cal Pifer received an e-mail last week from a woman in Romania saying that they are organizing the first Irish Festival in that country's history and they would like to develop a partnership with the Erie Irish Festival. When Cal saw the writer was from Transylvania, he backed away!!!

"I believe I have already said that our goal is not to proselytize but to listen to needs, desires and disappointments, despair, hope. We must restore hope to young people, help the old, be open to the future, spread love. Be poor among the poor. We need to include the excluded and preach peace. Vatican II, inspired by Pope Paul VI and John, decided to look to the future with a modern spirit and to be open to modern culture. The Council Fathers knew that being open to modern culture meant religious ecumenism and dialogue with non-believers. But afterwards, very little was done in that direction. I have the humility and ambition to want to do something." *Pope Francis, October 1, 2013.*

Congratulations and welcome to Henry Jonathan Peters, son of Dennis & Jessica Peters who is being baptized at St. Patrick's following the Saturday evening Mass this weekend.

If you are planning on a summer wedding at St. Patrick's for 2014, you would be wise to contact the parish office. We are really filling up with reservations. I think to date we have 26 weddings scheduled. Most of May, June and July is taken. We accommodate non-parishioners (at a fee of \$750), and if we have reserved a non-parishioner for a weekend you as a parishioner want, I would be willing to do two weddings so that we can get our own parishioners in.

Gannon University is sponsoring a lecture on Pope Francis, featuring Father Thomas Rosica of the Holy See's Press Office. The talk is titled, "A Franciscan Revolution: Why Has the Shepherd from the Ends of the Earth Captivated the World?" The event will be held in the Yehl Room on Tues., Oct. 22 at 7:30 PM.

Prep Open House today from noon-3 PM

Dennis Michalski took over the festival program

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

years ago and has done an incredible job with it. The revenue from the program has more than doubled since he took it over, and we are beginning now to pick up more and more memorial ads which many festival programs include. Dennis would like next year to be his last year of doing this, and I'm looking for someone who might be interested in working with him next year to learn the tricks of the trade and then take it over the following year. Dennis has told me he will be available to following year to help if that person has questions, etc. It involves working out of the rectory, calling all of the people who have advertised in the past to see if they will continue, and seeking new ads. If anyone is interested, please contact me.

I mentioned in an earlier bulletin that we are thinking if it would be possible to move the festival back to the neighborhood. It would give us a chance to showcase the church, get people into the neighborhood, etc. We're simply doing a lot of discussion about it because there are some major logistical problems, mainly the food. How do we set up a kitchen to serve all of that food? We certainly want to continue to have Calamari's do the food as they do such an outstanding job at it (and the bill we get each year is so low that I can't believe they are making any profit.) Another issue would be security, but we're exploring every avenue. Rainbow Gardens is very expensive (over \$7,000), the facility is desperately in need of updating, etc. On the other hand, we have it down to a tee out there; everyone knows what they are doing, etc.

A little boy was overheard praying, "Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am.".... A Sunday school teacher asked her little children, "Why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because everybody's sleeping.".....The preacher was wired for sound with a lapel mike and as he preached, he moved briskly about the stage, jerking the mike cord as he went. Then he moved to one side, getting wound up in the cord and nearly tripping before jerking it again. After several circles and jerks, a little girl in the third pew leaned to her mother and whispered, "If he gets loose, will he hurt us?"

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Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for a **Special Intention**, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Mary L. Zielinski** requested by Charlotte Mabie and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Robert R. Purzycki** requested by D. Dombkowski. Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing care and the home-bound.

Our offertory for last week was **\$675.00**. Thank you and God bless.

Rosary Society Bake Sale

Election Day is November 5th. We are asking the ladies and men of the parish, who are able, to bring their special items to the sacristy on Tuesday morning. Tickets for the 2 large boxes of bakery items will be sold the weekends of October 26/27 and November 2/3 for \$1.00 each in the vestibule of the church before and after Mass.

Mount Calvary's Harvest Ladle

All the homemade soup and salad you can eat, Friday October 25 from 4:30pm to 7:30pm. Homemade soups, tossed salad, bread, beverages, dessert and pizza for the children. Cost is \$7.00 per adult, \$4.00 for children under 12. Check out the amazing theme basket raffle. For more information call 454-0061.

How are we to attain the happiness Christ promises to those who respond to His call?

Christ's entire body of preaching and teaching calls us to reorganize our priorities and adapt in our lives what matters to God. This process is sometimes painful, and is called *conversion, repentance, and turning to God*. A clear summary of Christ's call is found in the Beatitudes, a series of blessings pronounced upon those who turn to Christ (Matthew 5:1-12).

October....month of the Holy Rosary

Saint Hedwig Ministry Schedule

	October 26	October 27
	Saturday	Sunday
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM
Lectors	Ron Rossi	Russell Robison
Eucharist	Charlotte Mabie	Judy Pentz
Ushers	Roland Henderdson	Tom Kurpiewski
	Ray Nowosielski	Tony Wernicki
Altar Servers	Charlotte Mabie	Nick Hayes



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Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for last weekend was **\$5526.00 and \$768.00 from online giving for a total of \$6,294.00.** 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 Restoration Fund** in memory of **Barbara Korn** from John & Georgia Delfreo, Lawrence & Marsha Kisielewski, Michael & Denise Evans, Rupert & Marilyn Stadmler, James & Lois Ross, James & Mary Ann Toohey; **The Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week by Francis Silay, Food Pantry volunteer; **The Food Pantry** is In memory of **Barbara Korn** from husband, David and Kathy & James Sertz; In memory of **Helen Starner Larocca** from Cathy & Bill Taylor and Yvonne Gersims; In memory of **L. Ronald Roebuck** and **Jon & Eleanor Smith** from Jennifer & Ed Smith; In memory of **Trish Hardner** from Jeffrey Hardner; also donations from Mildred & Robert Biebel, Dr. & Mrs. William Brereton, Kathleen Horan and Dotty & Michael Schloss.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, October 26, 2013 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Lynne Long

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Shirley Winschel, Carol Habas, Judy Emling

CUP: Jay Habas, Kay Mannino

Greeters: Angie Kontur

Altar Servers: Brendan Humphrey

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

Sunday, October 27, 2013 at 10:30 am

Lector: Gary Drapcho

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Charla Leemhuis, Michele Wheaton,
Colleen Welch

CUP: Tom Golab, Yvonne Gersims

Greeters: Tim Donlin, Arlene Miller

Altar Servers: Logan Kearney, Juliette Morales

Ushers: John Purvis, Luke Purvis,

Randy Pristello, Dave Wilcox

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



Let us WELCOME

Henry Jonathan Peters, son of Dennis & Jessica Peters, who will be baptized Saturday, October 19, 2013 after the 5:00 Mass.

ST. JUDE PARISH at 2801 West 6th St. is sponsoring a Novena to St. Jude on October 22 thru the 28th. There will be a program each evening at 7:30 PM with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a reading from Matthew 25, evening prayer, guest speakers featuring Joe Tarquinio, Bishop Dwane Brock, Pastor Rick Crocker, Chris Tombach, Sr. Mary Fromknecht and Fr. Larry Richards, Benediction and music and a question and answer period. Further details at St. Jude Parish office.

St. Boniface to hold fall festival:

All are welcome to attend St. Boniface Parish's popular fall festival and pork and sauerkraut dinner at Coleman Hall, 9363 Wattsburg Road, Erie, on Sunday, Nov. 3, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Festivities will include a bake sale, a gift auction and raffles, bingo, and the sale of soup mixes, canned jams and jellies, vegetables, and home décor. Dinner costs are: \$9 for adults, \$4 for children 12 and under, and \$25 for families (two adults/two children). No take-out for family rate.

Today, **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**, we are called to offer with Catholics around the world our prayers and our financial support, through the Propagation of the Faith, to continue the mission of our Lord: to help the poor and suffering experience the healing love and peace of Jesus. Thank you for your generosity.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: The widow in today's gospel is praised for her perseverance. In our homes perseverance is a critical ingredient to resolving differences in marriage, and teaching lessons and skills to children. Perseverance is always an act of faith and trust in the goodness of the other person.



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

Oct. 19 *Saturday, Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:30 PM ANNA SCHWARTZ, ANNIV. - ST.H
(CHARLOTTE & DAN ANDERSEN)

5:00 PM GERTRUDE MUNCH (ANGIE HAYES) - ST.P

Oct. 20 *Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM DEBORAH STEINER (JANET GILBERT) - ST. P

9:00 AM MARY L. ZIELINSKI - ST. H
(REV. MSGR. JOSEPH WARDANSKI)

10:30 AM KATHERYN ANGELOTTI, ANNIV. (FAMILY) -ST.P

Oct. 21 *Monday, Weekday*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Oct. 22 *Tuesday, Bl. John Paul II, Pope*

8:00 AM ANTHONY KOLODZIEJCZAK, ANNIV.
(SISTER, ANN)

Oct. 23 *Wednesday, Saint John of Capistrano, Priest*

8:00 AM HELEN RYCHEL (GEORGE TROST)

Oct. 24 *Thursday, Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop*

8:00 AM CORNELIUS VANDERWIEL
(JIM & KATHLEEN WEHAN)

Oct. 25 *Friday, Weekday*

8:00 AM PETER WERNICKI (KAREN DODSON)

Oct. 26 *Saturday, Vigil: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:30 PM PATRICIA BUSZEK - ST.H
(EILEEN & ANN MARIE ROPLAWSKI)

5:00 PM PATRICK & LILLIAN WALSH - ST.P
(DON ROPEWSKI)

Oct. 27 *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM RITA SUSAN CATON (JANET GILBERT) - ST.P

9:00 AM ROBERT "BOB" OSMER - ST.H
(WIFE, PAULINE 6 YR ANNIV.)

10:30 AM SOPHIE CRABB, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - ST.P
(SISTER, VIKI)

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

10/20 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H
4:30 PM Confessions - St.P
9:00 AM Rel. Ed Grades Kdg.-6th - Holy Rosary
1:00 PM Grade 7-10 - Field Trip to St. Patrick Church
10/22 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR
10/23 12:00 PM A.A. - PR
10/26 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H
4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Exodus 17:8-13

Reading II: 2 Timothy 3:14-42

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8



This week's scriptures tell us that persistence is essential in our relationship with God. The last sentence in the Gospel implies that if faith is anything at all, it is confident persistence in prayer even when our prayers seem unanswered. Faith enables us to wait quietly on the Lord no matter what. How do you strike a balance between "my will be done" and "thy will be done" when you pray as Jesus taught us?



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