### DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA NOVEMBER 9, 2014



# Saint Patrick Parish Saint Hedwig Parish

Serving the East Bayfront of Erie since 1837

Daily Mass 8 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM

Sunday 8 AM & 10:30 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass 4 PM

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

Today is the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. There are four major basilicas in Rome: St. Peter's at the Vatican, Santa Maria Maggiore (Saint Mary Major), Saint Paul Without the Walls (outside the walls of the old city of Rome) and St. John Lateran, the cathedral church of Rome. The popes lived at the Lateran Palace until the 1860s when they moved to the Vatican. The basilica is an incredible 4th century building, absolutely enormous with 12 foot high statues of the apostles on each side of the nave. It is at St. John Lateran that the popes usually celebrate Holy Thursday Mass.

Disasters often have a way of becoming seedbeds of hope of a life that surpasses what was known before the time of trial. Such was the time of the Babylonian Exile when Jerusalem and her temple lay in ruin. But a vision was growing in the heart of the prophet Ezekiel which spoke not only of a restoration but of an abundance of life like never seen before. And the source of it is the temple. As God's dwelling place on earth, the temple had great significance for the people of Israel, it's stately columns, its gold, its massive walls and elaborate decoration were not tributes to human artifice but a dim reflection of God.

In our second reading, again a building takes on symbolic significance. Paul is telling the believers at Corinth that they are "God's building," and that their "foundation" is "Jesus Christ." Today's feast proclaims the same truth, for it focuses not simply on the walls of a great basilica in Rome but on the fact that this building is the symbolic home of all Catholics because it is the cathedral church of the pope, who is father and shepherd to all. Paul is addressing divisions at Corinth and is stating that it was he who laid the foundation in Christ. No one can lay a new foundation. Paul states clearly that their only foundation is Christ and that it was Paul who laid that foundation. No one can lay a new one.

This familiar story from John is relevant to today's feast, which as we've seen in the first two readings, uses the figure of a building to focus on much larger issues. Like Ezekiel, Jesus laments the treatment of the temple, which though not in ruins, is ruined nonetheless by the disrespect of the merchants. While Paul asked if we were the temple of God, Jesus is saying you've turned my Father's house into a marketplace. And then he goes on to say that if they destroy it he will rebuild it in three days, a reference of course to his body being the temple. His anger rises because they have reduced God's presence to a physical building and fail to recognize God's presence in his Word, in his prophets and now in the person of Jesus.

Celebrant of the Saturday evening 5 PM Mass at St. Patrick's next weekend will be Father Thomas Fialkowski, retired pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish. Celebrant of the Sunday morning 8 AM and the 10:30 AM Mass next Sunday will be Monsignor Richard Sullivan, retired pastor of St. Andrew's Parish. I am taking a few days off and going to visit friends in Palm Springs, CA and while there will also preside at the wedding of the son of very good friends.

If any high school students in the parish need service hours, I could use a few people on the evening of Wednesday, December 3rd. There will be a 5:30—7:30 reception at the rectory for about 80 people, and I need some students who would take coats, give the person a ticket with a number on it and then take the coats to the second floor and be able to retrieve them when the people are leaving. If anyone is interested, please let me know.

The St. Patrick's Food Pantry distributed 20,045 pounds of food in September at a total cost to the parish of \$1,414.88. During that month we served 911 families for a total of 3,101 people.

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

We are in the process of formalizing a partnership with Saint Martin's Center. They serve the poor of Erie, and I was amazed when I went there at all that they do. I will have a bulletin insert at some point to explain all of that and to hopefully enlist some volunteers. At the present time, they are planning to distribute Christmas gifts to 1,300 children and are about 100 gifts short. Wouldn't it be wonderful if St. Patrick's Parish and St. Hedwig's Parish could make up that difference? We will have stars at church with a child's name, age, sex and suggested gift.

Work was completed this past week to get mold out of a section of the third floor of St. Patrick's Rectory. I've been sick since spring and we finally realized that it has to be the house. We had the area tested where my apartment is only to discover that there is mold in my study and mold in the area of the third floor that is not being used. ServPro came in, sealed the areas, wiped everything down and sprayed. A follow-up test reveals that all of the mold is gone. That stuff just seems to follow me wherever I go. Some men are a chick-magnet; I'm a mold-magnet!

We had an incident after 8 AM Mass last Sunday at St. Patrick's that really disturbs me. A young mother with two beautiful little children came up to me shaking because at the end of Mass a woman told her to get those two brats out and not bring them back because she doesn't come to church to put up with them. I can't believe someone would say something so cruel, and I hope I would never hear such words again. Disgraceful. No place for that in our church.

Three elderly sisters were sitting in the living room chatting about various things. One said, "You know, I'm getting really forgetful. This morning, I was standing at the top of the stairs, and I couldn't remember whether I had just come up or was about to go down." The second sister says, "You think that's bad? The other day, I was sitting on the edge of my bed, and I couldn't remember whether I was going to bed or had just woken up." The third sister smiles smugly, "Well, my memory's just as good as it's always been, knock on wood." She raps on the table and says, "You sit still, I'll answer the door."

## Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week In Memory of Robert Niedzwiecki requested by grandchildren.

Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns In Memory of Boleslaw Tyczkowski requested by family.

St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns for a Special Intention.

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

Our offertory for last week was \$550.00. Thank you and God bless.

Masses celebrated at Priest Retirement Home Hattie Gleba (Mark & Rosemary Durfee). Sigmund Prochowski (Theresa, Barb & Amanda Juchno), Helen Kurpiewski (Caroline Rowinski, Kathy Driggers & Connie Rowinski), Chet Loncki (Mrs. Charlotte Niewolak), Robert T. Niedzwiecki (Jim Valahovic), Richard Dombkowski (Barb Estock), Dorothy Glembocki (the Jendrack family).

TRIUMPH-Talk & Book Signing on Thursday November 20 at 7pm in the St. George Multipurpose Room, 5145 Peach Street. Susan Yurkewicz will share her family's journey through the many unknowns they faced when doctors confirmed her son, John Michael, had Trisomy 18, a rare condition caused by an error in cell division. Join us for this inspirational talk.

### **Sins Against Truth**

A story is told of the saintly Cure d'Ars and a penitent at the confessional, who had confessed having gossiped about an acquaintance. The penitent thought he got off very easily indeed when all the penance he was given was to drop one by one ten blades of straw on the yard before his house, at a distance of five meters apart, then to go back and pick up the ten blades. Going home, he proceeded to perform the penance. But he realized the lesson the priest wished him to learn, when, upon returning to pick up the blades of straw, he could find none: the wind had blown them all awav.

### St. Hedwig Ministry Schedule

November 15 Saturday

4:00 PM

Dave Widomski Lector Eucharist Dave Widomski Ushers Ron Helminski Richard Mielnik

Altar Server

Nowosielski family

PRAY THE ROSARY



## Saint Patrick News



### **Stewardship**

Offertory Collection \$ 8,413.25
Online Giving 952.00
Total Income \$ 9,365.25

Thank you for your generosity!

### Ministry Schedule Saturday, November 15, 2014 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Chris Sanner Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Carol Habas, Jay Habas, Shirley Winschel

CUP: Kay Mannino, Kathy Sertz

Greeters: Jane Carney, Kathleen Horan

Altar Servers: NEEDED

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

### Sunday, November 16, 2014 at 10:30 am

Lector: Ed Brown Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Dario Cipriani, Forrest Mischler, Mary Williams

CUP: Audrey Reigel, Michelle Tortorelli

Greeters: NEEDED

Altar Servers: Juliette Morales

Ushers: Randy Pristello, Dave Wilcox,

John Purvis, Luke Purvis

Offertory Counters: Dario Cipriani & Donna Cipriani.

Gail Smith

Please call the office or email your availability for December and especially Christmas! Thank you!

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 **Robert Herzog** from Marjorie Nelson, Barry & Debra Capell, Barbara DePaulis, Virginia & Jim Spoden, Phuong Ha, Lake Shore Country Club, Betsy & Dave Schultz, and Dr. & Mrs. Forrest Mischler, and Barbara Bechtold.

The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week in memory of **Joe Kohler**, **Jo Johnson**, **Bud Johnson** from Gary & Becky Johnson

Donations to the **Food Pantry**:

In memory of **Our Parents** from Roberta & Robert Vitron

In memory of **MK Wright & Tom Yochim** from Nancy Yochim.

A special "thank you" to "Moochie" Zielewski for his numerous donations of paper products and food to the Sr. Mary Pascal Gray Food Pantry! It is his generosity and the generosity of several others who make the food pantry such a success. Thanks!

### **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.

#### MSGR. KRIEGEL'S HOMILIES ON-LINE

Just a reminder that Msgr. Kriegel's homilies are on-line. To listen go to **saintpatrickparisherie.org** Click on "homilies" on the bar to the right. When the homilies page opens, you will be able to navigate to the audio version of the homily on the left. Just click on the date of the homily you would like to hear. If you prefer to watch and listen, click on the "You Tube" feature and scroll through the dates and descriptions.



### Additional All Souls Day Memorials – St. Patrick's 2014

Received fromIn Memory Of	
Jeanne Baker Elizabeth & Leo Baker	
Yvonne Gersims	
Rosemarie McMahon	
Mr. & Mrs. Q. Gregory Orlando Gerrie Ciacchini, Dr. Quentin Orlando, Joseph Ciacchini	
Gerry Valahovic	
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Welch	Welch

### **LITURGY INTENTIONS**

Nov. 8 Saturday, Vigil:

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

 $4:00~\mbox{pm}$  mieczyslaw & felicia purzycki - st.h

(DAUGHTER, HARRIET)

5:00 PM JOSEPHINE ALECCI - ST.P

(RAY & WILDA BORGIA)

**Nov. 9** The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

 $8{:}00~\mbox{am}$   $\;$  Lil marince, anniv. - St.P

(TYLER & EMILY PERKINS)

10:30 AM THOMAS & MILDRED HEUBEL (FAMILY) - ST.P

Nov. 10 Monday, Saint Leo the Great,

Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Nov. 11 Tuesday, Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Nov. 12 Wednesday, Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Nov. 13 Thursday, USA: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini,

Virgin

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Nov. 14 Friday, Weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Nov. 15 Saturday, Vigil: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM ROBERT NIEDZWIECKI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - ST.H

(WIFE & CHILDREN)

5:00 PM TONY & IRENE IZBICKI - ST.P

(DAUGHTERS, MARSHA GENSHIEMER AND

PATTI GRAY)

**Nov. 16** *Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time* 

8:00 AM MARY JEAN CIOCCIO - ST.P

(MR.& MRS. GARY KOBIELSKI)

10:30 am Barbara Korn - St.P

(JOSEPH & JOAN CWIKLINSKI)

### **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

11/08 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**11/09** 9:00 AM Rel. Ed Kdg.- Gr 6 - Holy Rosary

1:00 PM Rel. Ed. Jr./Sr. High - Holy Rosary

1:00 PM Confirmation Session - Holy Rosary

11/11 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

**11/12** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

11/15 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**11/16** 9:00 AM Rel. Ed Kdg.- Gr 6 - Holy Rosary

#### A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12

Gospel: John 2:13-22



Every Catholic diocese in the world has a cathedral, where the bishop of the diocese resides. It is the place from which he exercises his teaching authority. The Lateran Basilica is the cathedral church in Rome, the center of the Pope's authority as bishop of Rome. Today we are challenged to reflect on how we can <u>BE CHURCH</u>. We are called the living stones, which make up the church; full, active participation means that there are no sidelines, since BEING church is not a spectator sport. Today's Gospel invites us to live our faith in union with Jesus. How "full, conscious, and active" is your participation at Mass? How are you involved in the life and mission of your parish?

Saint Hedwig				
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