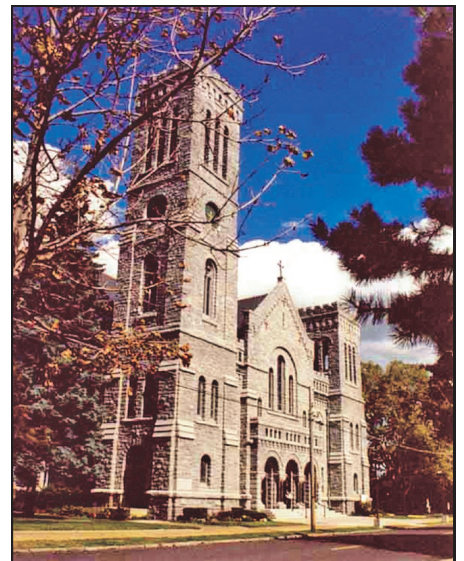


# *Saint Hedwig Saint Patrick*

*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**



## *Saint Hedwig Parish*

Established 1910

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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 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time and we hear first from the Book of Maccabees, the only time in the three year cycle of readings that we read from 2 Maccabees. We hear this passage as the liturgical year draws to a close because of its emphasis on resurrection. Our passage describes the martyrdom of four brothers and their mother for their refusal to disobey God's law and eat pork. In later passages we will hear that the mother witnesses the death of all seven of her sons at the hand of the king, and yet she speaks words of hope. She recognizes that God gave life to her sons and he will give it back to them because they have been faithful to him. While the second son speaks of God raising them to eternal life, it is important to remember that belief in the resurrection was not widespread, even by the time of Jesus. This is one of the very few places in the Old Testament where we find a clear reference. Each of the brothers will make a statement of their belief in God who will restore them to life.

Paul's words to the Thessalonians that we hear today encourage them in prayer. This beautiful benediction proclaims hope and that Paul encourages them to remain faithful until Christ's second coming. He also recognizes that he and his companions need prayer and recognizing that the Thessalonians are living the gospel, he asks them to pray for him and his companions.

In our gospel, Jesus has just entered Jerusalem and is teaching in the temple area when the Sadducees question him. By asking whose wife a childless widow will be at the resurrection, they intend to show Jesus that belief in the resurrection is false. The basis of their question is found in Deuteronomy 25: 5-10 which makes a mockery of belief in the resurrection. Jesus' reply once again turns the tables on the very foundation upon which they ask the question. Referring to Exodus 3: 2, 6, verses with which the Sadducees would be familiar, Jesus explains that rising to life is not about whether one has married or remarried or had children in this world; rather it is about the children of God believing in the living God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, a God not of the dead but of the living. Jesus is here making a very clear reference that there indeed is resurrection and eternal life, something which the Sadducees would deny.

Next Sunday will be the last Sunday in Ordinary Time of this liturgical year. The following Sunday, the last Sunday of every liturgical year, is always the Feast of Christ the King. The following week we will begin the four weeks of Advent and a new liturgical year. Next year our gospels will come from Matthew which was written to Jewish converts to Christianity living in present day Damascus, Syria. Matthew is the only evangelist to tell us the story of the Magi. Mark doesn't mention the birth of Christ and Luke tells us the story of his birth in a stable. I'll use the homily of the first Sunday of Advent to introduce us better to Matthew so that hopefully we can listen carefully to what he tells us.

We would like to start a new ministry in the parish and I'm hoping some of you will volunteer. Abby Lechner, herself the new mother of twins, commented how great it was that people brought in some meals when she first came home from the hospital and she wondered if we could get a list of expectant parents and when the mother comes home from the hospital, we would get some volunteers to prepare a simple dinner for them for the first couple of nights. If interested in helping, contact Abby at 456-6287 or e-mail her at [Abigail.lechner@gmail.com](mailto:Abigail.lechner@gmail.com).

Gary James Restoration is completing some work in the church. We have some damage to an arch in the vestibule, and when Gary went up to look at the little balcony which is above the main entrance to the church he found it to be badly in need of work. He took pictures to show me the extent of the deterioration and has now completed that work. He is now up in the attic above the pillar on the east wall where you can see some water damage and has discovered that the wood is rotted and there is water coming in. I am so glad we have been able to retain this man to seal that building. Gary feels that the water is not coming in from the roof, but through the stone. He has brought in a high lift to get up to that area and examine it and determine what needs to be done.

Speaking of spring, the Farmers Almanac says we will never be so grateful to see a spring in our lives as we will next year. They are predicting a bitter cold winter and higher than normal snowfalls for our area. If you notice a lot of candles

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

in church, I lit them praying that the Almanac is wrong! When I was a child, the family Bible was on a table in the dining room and the Farmers Almanac was right next to it. Though I never dared to ask him, I am afraid if asked, my grandfather would have put them as equal authorities!!

Two young parishioners who were married here this summer are both bagpipers. One of them played for a recent wedding, and Mark Alloway has retained him to play some Christmas carols before the 5 PM Christmas Eve Mass. We are also going to have full tympani again for the Christmas Eve Masses. I can't believe we're talking about Christmas already—where does time go?

I am continuing the Sunday morning 8 AM Mass at St. Patrick's. None of those early Masses draw a large crowd, but there are obviously enough people who prefer an early Mass that we will continue it. There is no lector nor music as I have to be at St. Hedwig's in time to celebrate the 9 AM Mass there.

Paddy staggered home late after another evening of drinking with his buddies. He took off his shoes and tiptoed to avoid waking his wife, Kathleen. He tiptoed as quietly as he could toward the stairs, but misjudged the bottom step. As he caught himself by grabbing the banister, his body swung around he landed heavily on his rump. A whiskey bottle in each back pocket broke and made the landing more painful. Managing not to yell, he pulled down his pants and looked in the hall mirror to see that his cheeks were cut and bleeding. He managed to quietly find a full box of band-aids and began putting a band-aid as best he could on each place he saw blood. He then hid the empty box and stumbled his way into bed. In the morning when he awoke, with searing pain in both his head and his butt, he saw Kathleen staring at him from across the room. "You were drunk again last nite, weren't you?" she said. Paddy said, "Why do you say such a mean thing?" "Well," Kathleen said, "it could be the open front door, it could be the broken glass at the bottom of the stairs, it could be the drops of blood trailing from there to the bed, it could be your bloodshot eyes, but mostly, it's all those band-aids stuck on the hall mirror."

## Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **Boleslaw Tyczkowski** requested by his family, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Amanda Juchno** requested by D. Dombkowski and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Robert Niedzwiecki** requested by Grandchildren. Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing care and the home-bound.

Our offertory for last week was **\$1,135.00** and **\$100.00** for All Saints Day. Thank you and God bless.

### St. Hedwig Rosary Society Christmas Party

The Rosary Society will hold their annual Christmas Party on Sunday, December 1st at the 3rd Street Polish Falcons from 1 until 5pm. All Rosary members have already received information concerning the party and we would like to extend the invitation to all our ladies and friends from St. Hedwig and St. Patrick (you don't have to be a member to join us). The party will set the mood for a wonderful Christmas season beginning with a lot of prizes, Christmas spirit, delicious food and pleasant company. Admission is only \$7.00 which includes a great buffet. We must have reservations by **November 25** so that enough food can be prepared. Tickets will be sold before and after Mass the weekend of November 16/17. We will also accept member dues and raffle ticket returns at that time. **No tickets will be sold at the door.** For more information call Dolly Bargielski at 825-3856. Tickets will also be sold for a Special Raffle **Christmas Wreath of Gift Cards** totaling **\$450.00**. Ticket are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

Please bring Chinese Auction donations before or after Mass as soon as you can.

We should be most careful not to form a habit of *faultfinding or backbiting*, however much we are provoked. "See that no one renders evil for evil to any man; but always strive after good towards one another and towards all men" (1 Thess. 5:15)

### St. Hedwig Ministry Schedule

	<u>November 16</u>	<u>November 17</u>
	Saturday	Sunday
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM
Lectors	Dolly Bargielski	Peter Pentz
Eucharist	Dolly Bargielski	Tom Zielinski
Ushers	Ron Helminski	Dan Jarzomski
	Richard Mielnik	Pete Pentz
Altar Servers	Nowosielski Family	Charlotte Mabie





# Saint Patrick News



Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for last weekend was **\$7,579.32** and **\$673.00** for online giving for a total of **\$8,252.32**. Thank you for your generosity.

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 Thomas & Barbara Cwiklinski, Terry & Janine Sliker, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Mayberry and Erie Insurance Employee Activities Association; The **Peace Candle** burns this week for all the men and women serving in the military; The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week in memory of **Joe Kohler, Jo Johnson and Bud Johnson** from Gary & Becky Johnson; The **Food Pantry** is sponsored in memory of **Ida & Carl Weber** from Sue & Warren Weber, in memory of **Cecelia Vitron** from Roberta & Robert Vitron, in memory of **Joe McClellan** from Marilyn McClellan, in memory of **AJO** from Laura Reitingier, in memory of **Helen Starner Larocca** from Janis & Greg Patterson.

Let us **WELCOME** Michael Joseph Murray son of Kevin and Lisa Murray who will be baptized after 10:30 AM Liturgy.



## Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, November 16, 2013 at 5:00 pm**

Lector: Mary Pat Schlaudecker

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Ray Fiorelli, Chris Sanner, Lynne Long

CUP: Kay Mannino, Jay Habas

Greeters: Jane Carney, Kathleen Horan

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

**Sunday, November 17, 2013 at 10:30 am**

Lector: Ed Smith

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Dario Cipriani, Michelle Tortorelli,

Michele Wheaton

CUP: Ed Brown, Tim Scully

Greeters: Marlene Golab, Mary Alice Hartwell

Altar Servers: Alex Wheaton

Ushers: Dave Taccone, Tom Welch, Jim Wehan  
Paul Balczun

Offertory Counters: Bill Welsh, Cindy Welsh,  
Tim Donlin

**THE NEW LECTOR BOOKS CAN BE PICKED UP IN THE TRINITY GIFT SHOP. DECEMBER 1ST BEGINS THE NEW LITURGICAL YEAR.**



The **Upper Room** will hold its 18th annual "Blizzard of Blankets" collection at the Perry Square Gazebo on November 23rd during National Homeless Awareness week, from 9:00 - 3:00.

They are asking for used blankets in clean, usable condition. **Please, no bedspreads, pillows, mattress pads, sheets, or crocheted items.** They will also gladly accept cash donations towards their heating costs, or warm winter clothing. Items received will be distributed free to needy individuals and cooperating ministries. If you wish to make a donation, you may drop off the items on the rectory porch or take them directly to the gazebo. Parking around the gazebo will be free, courtesy of the City of Erie.

## A Moment of Reflection

Reading I: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

Reading II: 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5

Gospel: Luke 20:27-38



This week Jesus cuts through the Sadducees' manipulative questioning with a forthright affirmation. Perhaps you know someone who loves to play mind games and enjoys trying to ridicule your or someone else's belief system by bringing up possible, but highly improbable situations. That is what the Sadducees were trying to do, to trip up Jesus. But Jesus did not respond to them. Instead, he uses a question as a springboard to talk about God being a God of the living and not of the dead. How is your faith, more like staying the course in difficult situations and maintaining trust in God, rather than simply believing in a doctrine?

## Additional All Souls Day Memorials:

### Received from:

Bill & Barbara (Krauchen) .....  
Thompson

Patricia Villella .....

The Power Family.....

Rosemarie McMahon.....

Yvonne Gersims.....

Mr. & Mrs Eugene Polaski.....Family

### In Memory of :

John & Mildred Krauchen  
and son, John

Jerry Ras & Pearl Ras,  
Stella & Stanley Lubomski

James Pace, Charlotte  
Brackett, Maureen &  
Richard Power, Elsie Vollrath

Dorothy & Paul McMahon,  
Cora & Jack Parris, Anna  
Page, Irene Loudon,

Dolores Paterniti, Richard  
McMahon, Jerry McMahon

Howard John Gersims, Sandra  
Lee Gersims, Kathryn L. Miller  
James R. Miller, John & Veron  
ica Gersims, Gary King

**LITURGY INTENTIONS****Nov. 9** *Saturday, Vigil: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:30 PM JOHN GORSKI (PEGGY GAUSMAN) - ST.H

5:00 PM MARY MESSING, ANNIV. (FAMILY) - ST.P

**Nov. 10** *Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM FORREST SHORTS (WEBER FAMILY) - ST.P

9:00 AM EMILY MALINOWSKI - ST.H  
(RON & BARB ARTHUR)

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

**Nov. 11** *Monday, Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Nov. 12** *Tuesday, Saint Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Nov. 13** *Wednesday, Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Nov. 14** *Thursday, Weekday*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Nov. 15** *Friday, Saint Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

**Nov. 16** *Saturday, Vigil: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*4:30 PM ROBERT NIEDZWIECKI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - ST.H  
(WIFE & CHILDREN)5:00 PM WILLIAM J. & JANE M. WARD CARNEY - ST.P  
(FAMILY)**Nov. 17** *Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*8:00 AM GARY A. KING, II - ST.P  
(MARY ELLEN & ED BROWN)

9:00 AM THERESA SHREVE (ROSARY SOCIETY) - ST.H

10:30 AM CATHERINE FITZGERALD, ANNIV. OF BIRTH  
(JOE, KAREN & COREY ABATE) - 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

**11/09** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**11/10** 9:00 AM Rel. Ed Grades Kdg.-6th - Holy Rosary

1:00 PM Rel. Ed Grades 7-10 - Holy Rosary

1:00 PM Confirmation Session - Holy Rosary

**11/12** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR**11/13** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR**11/16** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**11/17** 9:00 AM Rel. Ed Grades Kdg.-6th - Holy Rosary

1:00 PM Rel. Ed Grades 7-10 - Holy Rosary

**11/17** 1:00 pm Confirmation Session - Meet with  
Sponsor - Holy Rosary

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU to the parents and children of our Eastside Catholic Faith Formation ministry who helped plan and participated in the Family Mass, Sunday, October 27th! From St Patrick Parish – Autumn Atzert and son, Owen.**

A donation has been made of **\$126.00** to the **Sr. Mary Pascal Gray Food Pantry** from the Eastside Faith Formation Program. This money was made from bake sales and distributed to the parishes who participated in the mission giving projects.

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

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