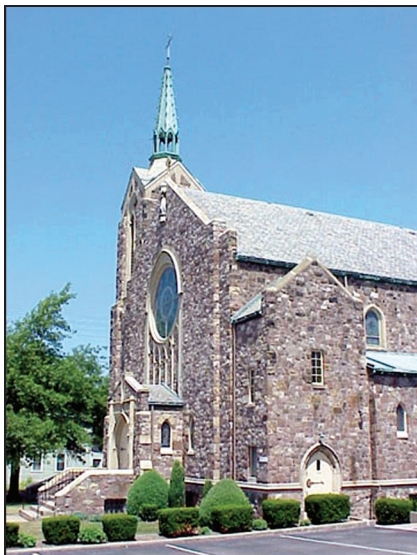


Saint Hedwig Saint Patrick

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 & 10:30 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES

Anticipation

Saint Hedwig 5:30 PM

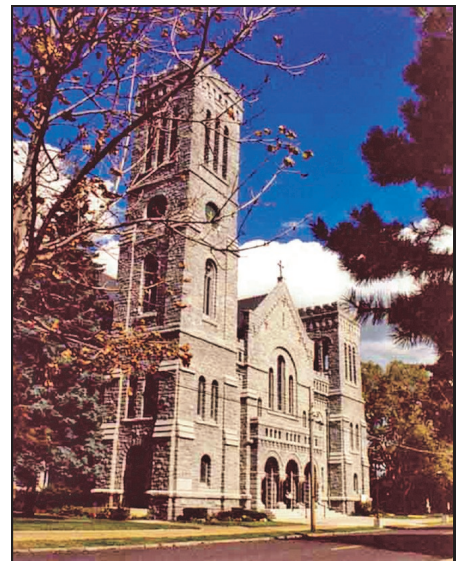
Holy Day

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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Erie, PA 16507

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Saint Patrick Parish

Established 1837

130 East 4th Street

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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 fourth and last Sunday of Advent and we hear again from the prophet Isaiah. Ahaz is prepared to join forces with a hated enemy but Isaiah comes to say "Trust in God rather than the strength of your Assyrian enemy. If you want proof of God's fidelity, just ask for a sign. No matter how spectacular, God will give you what you ask." But Ahaz demurs and hides behind false humility. He would rather put his trust in human military forces than in God. No wonder God is fed up. But Isaiah speaking for God says "You wear everybody down with your lack of faith, must you also wear down God?" We Christians, of course, see in this prophecy the announcement that God's son will be born of a virgin and will be called Emmanuel.

In our second reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans, we read the beginning or salutation. While Paul could have simply said "Greetings from Paul in Rome," he instead floats ten ideas. He notes that he is (1) an apostle, (2) chosen to preach the gospel, (3) which was announced by the prophets, (4) and recorded in Scripture, (5) this all concerns Jesus, (6) a descendant of David (7) who was established as the Son of God, (8) by being raised from the dead, (9) this Jesus made Paul an apostle to the Gentiles (10) which by the way includes all of us. This lengthy sentence structure is very typical of Paul. He could have simply said "hello," but he goes all over the place to make his point.

Our gospel from Matthew is one of our foundational stories that continues to nurture and sustain us and tell us who we are. Like the stories we tell our children of their birth, this story gives us more of the details of where and when. We read of a young woman betrothed and then pregnant but "through the Holy Spirit." Despite the divine intervention we read of shame and divorce. Not till the mention of the angel does the story suddenly slow down. The angel reassures a hurt and frightened Joseph that there is more here than meets the eye. Then suddenly persuasion turns to proclamation when we hear the prophet Isaiah announce the coming of the Messiah. The last sentence speaks of Joseph and Mary's deep faith in facing all of this with little understanding; but deeply convinced that God will provide and allow them to raise Jesus as a member of the house of David.

Why is Christmas celebrated on December 25? That day was the pagan feast of *Natalis solis invicti*, the "rebirth of the unconquered sun," introduced by the Emperor Aurelius in 274. On this day the sun begins to win out over the darkness and each day gets a little longer until the summer solstice. The Chronographer of AD 354 mentions Christmas being celebrated on this date, and other records indicate it was celebrated then as early as 335.

A reminder that you should not send someone early to sit on the end of a pew and reserve that pew for the Christmas Eve 5 PM Mass. That is simply not fair to others who come early. Seating is always difficult at that Mass and ushers will seat people in those pews.

The parish office will be closed from noon on Christmas Eve until January 3rd. I'm going to be here the entire time so you can feel free to call me on my private phone 454-4032 or call the regular office number. Please note that there is no Mass during those days.

Christmas music at St. Patrick's will include two newly married parishioners playing Christmas carols on bagpipes before the 5 PM Vigil Mass.

I'm hoping you might consider a little extra "gift" for your parish in the Christmas collection!!

A popular Polish custom is the sharing of the *oplatek* (also known as angel bread) in the last days before Christmas, particularly on Christmas Eve. *Oplatek* is much like a large white host. Family members and friends break off pieces and give them to one another to eat, expressing a blessing upon them and asking forgiveness for any wrongs done. The dead are also remembered by consuming some of the *oplatek* and saying a prayer for them.

The sacramental records at St. Patrick's go back to 1849 and are recorded in very large books. Up until about 1918, all of the records are in Latin. With the interest in genealogy today, Sister Marie spends hours each week pouring through these books searching for records. Understandably, the books are very fragile and the ink is fading and getting more and more difficult to read. As such we are having the books photographed and the

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

information put on a disc so that Sister will now be able to read them on her computer rather than risk damaging the fragile 164 year old pages. Church law is very firm that people are not permitted to go through these records because often they contain information that is very personal. There is a column for "comments" and many times, some of these are not exactly flattering. I remember when I was stationed down in the diocese early in my priesthood, there was an entry in the death register from 1872 that contained this comment in the column: "Kicked in head by horse. Wife should have done it 20 years ago."

"I prefer a church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security. I do not want a church concerned with being at the centre and then ends by being caught up in a web of obsessions and procedures. More than by fear of going astray, my hope is that we will be moved by the fear of remaining shut up within structures which give us a false sense of security, within rules which make us harsh judges, within habits which make us feel safe, while at our door people are starving and Jesus does not tire of saying to us 'Give them something to eat.' (Mk 6:37.)" *Pope Francis in his new encyclical, The Joyful Gospel.*

Thank you to those who decorated both churches for Christmas as well as all of you who donated so that we could afford all of this. A list of flower memorials is in today's bulletin.

At a monastery high in the mountains, the monks have a rigid vow of silence. Only at Christmas, and only by one monk, and only with one sentence, is the vow allowed to be broken. One Christmas, Brother Thomas is allowed to speak and he says, "I like the mashed potatoes we have with the Christmas turkey," and he sits down. Silence ensues for 365 days. The next Christmas, Brother Michael gets his turn and says, "I think the mashed potatoes are lumpy and I hate them." Once again, silence for 366 days (it's leap year!). Finally, it's Brother Paul's turn and he rises and says, "I am fed up with this constant bickering!"

Saint Hedwig News



*Wesołych Świąt Bożego Narodzenia!
Merry Christmas!*

*For a child is born to us, a son is given us;
upon His shoulder dominion rests.
They name Him wonder-Counselor, God-Hero,
Father—Forever, Prince of Peace.*

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory of **Richard Moskel** requested by wife Janice and family, Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns for a **Special Intention** and St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **John Gorski** requested by Jean and family.....This Christmas we remember all of our beloved shut-ins and those in nursing care, those in the hospital, those serving in our military and all those who cannot be with us physically but are with us in spirit. May the newborn Savior grant them their every hope and prayer.

Our offertory for last week was **\$775.00** and **\$130.00** for Christmas Flowers. Thank you and God bless.

Ministry Schedule

	<u>Dec. 24</u>	<u>Dec. 25</u>
	4:30 pm	9:00am
Eucharistic minister	Jim Gorski	Peter Pentz
Reader	Jim Gorski	Peter Pentz
Altar Servers	Nowosielski Family	Charlotte Mabie
	<u>Dec. 28</u>	<u>Dec. 29</u>
	4:30pm	9:00am
Eucharistic minister	Patricia Mielnik	Sharon Zielinski
Reader	Patricia Mielnik	Russell Robison
Altar Servers	Charlotte Mabie	Nick Hayes
Ushers for January	4:30pm Roland Henderson Ray Nowosielski	9:00am Tom Zielinski Sharon Zielinski



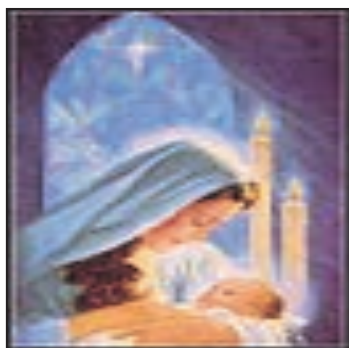
*Jesus has come and
He has made all the
difference.*

St. Hedwig Christmas Flower Memorials



Requested By.....	Intention
Dan & Charlotte Andersen.....	Walter & Anna Schwartz, Thomas Schwartz, Theresa Shreve
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Bargielski	Helen Bargielski, Casimir Bargielski, Emil Waida
Mrs. Evelyn Belczyk.....	Robert A. Belczyk Sr., Gert & John J. Balcerzak,
.....	John F. & Alois Balcerzak
Mrs. Florence Biletnikoff	Martha & Tony Yushkiewicz, Grandma Gool
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Blum	Stanley & Helen Kurpiewski, Delores, Joan, Judy Blum
The Bonty Family	Bob Osmer, Paul Malinowski, Michael Bonty
Mr. David Borowy	Joseph & Mary Borowy, Kuligowski and Borowy families
Miss Jeannette Borowy.....	Jeanne & Chet Tuznik, Annabel & Jim Dailey,
.....	Sally & Eddie Grygier, Chester & Mary Borowy,
.....	Helen & Joseph Borowy, Virginia & Ronald Baker, Louise Borowy
Mrs. Irene Bukowski.....	Deceased Bukowski and Belczyk families
Ms. Chris Buszek.....	Frank, Anna & Patricia Buszek
Corrine J. Cassa	Rita M. Byrne, Thomas P. Byrne (Mom and Dad)
Dolores Dombkowski	Richard Dombkowski, Boleslaw & Stefania Tyczkowski,
.....	Clarence & Mary L. Zielinski
Miss Helen Dombrowski	Dombrowski & Guglielo families
Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Domowicz	the Domowicz family, the Kimmeth family, the Lawson family,
.....	Mabel Dill
Mrs. Helen Dubowski	the Dubowski family, the Patora family
Dan & Terri Dyleski.....	Stanley & Bernice Budney, Walter, Mark & Jeremy Dyleski
Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Fuller	Mr. & Mrs. Edward Klan, Edwin Klan,
.....	Mr. & Mrs. John Zdunski, Helen Rychel
Margaret Gausman.....	Eugene Cieri, Mary Cieri, Shawn Wilson
Mr. James Gorski.....	John Gorski, Tim Kujan, Gorski family, Mielnik Family
Mrs. Genevieve Gorski	John Gorski, George & Josephine Mielnik,
.....	Gorski & Mielnik families, Tim Kujan
J. James & Nancy Griffey.....	Loved ones
Mrs. Florence Heibel.....	The Schmitt family, the Heibel family
Mr. Leonard Heid	Loved ones
Mr. & Mrs. Roland Henderson.....	Sophie & Joseph Kowalewski, Annabel & Howard Henderson,
.....	Joyce Joint, Theresa Shreve, Kowalewski family, Szewczyk family,
.....	Harriet & Joe Michalski, Jennie Pazdziesz
Joe & Angie Hoderny	Norbert & Katherine Bargielski, Ignatious & Helen Hoderny
Mrs. Catherine Jankowski.....	Alfred Jankowski, Ignacy & Bernice Szymula,
.....	Walter & Julia Jankowski, Clara Czernek,
.....	Ceal Knickerbocker, Edward Szymula
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Jarzomski	The Jarzomski family, The Rock family
Barbara Juchno	Amanda, the Juchno family, the Kantorowski family,
.....	The Showers family
Mrs. Theresa Juchno	Amanda Juchno, the Juchno family, the Kantorowski family
Dr. John Kalata	M. Mercedes Kalata (wife)
Mrs. Helen Klan	Edwin Klan, Helen Rychel, Chester Rychel, Edward Klan,
.....	Margaret Klan, John & Jean Zdunski
Mrs. Verna Krineski.....	Joe Krineski

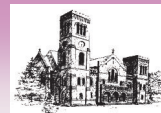
Mr. Thomas Kurpiewski	Carol Kurpiewski, Stanley & Helen Kurpiewski, Albert & Mary Skibicki
Mrs. Betty Krysiak	Thomas Krysiak
Mrs. Regina Loncki	Chester Loncki, the Loncki family, the Mielnik family
Charlotte Mabie	Mickey Mabie, Elizabeth Foley, Maurice Foley, Rome & Anna Mabie, Norm Mabie, Chuck Mabie, Becky Church, Charles & Charlene Foley
Dorothy Mielnik	the Mielnik family
Mrs. Irene Mielnik	Ted Mielnik, George & Josephine Mielnik, Stan & Sophie Wieczorek, Albert Mielnik
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Mielnik	the Mielnik and Pawlak families
Wife Stella and family	Harry A. Mikolajewski
Mr. Donald C. Moehler	John Moehler, Martha Moehler, Chester Moehler, Rita Clacher
Mrs. Janice Moskel	Richard Moskel, Metro & Anna Moskel, Stanley & Elinor Flowers
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Niedzwiecki	Niedzwiecki and Szymanski families
Mrs. Rose Niedzwiecki	Robert Niedzwiecki, Robert T. Niedzwiecki, the Stawniak family the McShane family
Mrs. Charlotte Niewolak	the Prochowski family, the Niewolak family
Mrs. Lou Ann Nowosielski	Daniel Nowosielski, Nowosielski families, Miller families, Kraus families, Mary Ciecierski
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Nowosielski	Norberto Jagorin, Daniel Nowosielski
Pauline Osmer	Emily & Paul Malinowski, Robert "Bob" Osmer, Kathy Dougherty
Mrs. Theresa Paluh	Victoria & Walter Bubrzyk, Sylvia & Michael Bubrzyk
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Pentz	Matt & Rose Plizga, Bernard & Teofila Donikowski
Miss Harriet Purzycki	Mieczyslaw & Felicia Purzycki, Matthew Purzycki, Bro. Ramon CSC, Peter & Mary Purzycki, Stanley Purzycki, Rose Purzycki
Russell Robison	My loving father, Robbie Robison
Dino & Emily Sorbara	Departed family and friends
Mrs. Genevieve Sulecki	Richard Sulecki, Regina & Leo Lipinski Kormanik, Bolla family, Sulecki family
Mrs. Irene Szymanski	the Wanat family
Ken & Cindy Tome	Ken & Angie Tome
Torbic family	Bernard & Jane Kutz, Adam & Mary & Adam Nowosielski, George & Mary Torbic, Frank Chesny
Mrs. Delphine M. Trambly	Mr. & Mrs. E. Respecki, G. Crynock, C. Trambly, Fr. J. Barr
Mr. Anthony Wernicki	Deceased Wernicki family members
Miss Patricia Wernicki	Joseph & Sophie Wernicki, Peter & Paul Wernicki
Mr. & Mrs. David Widomski	Vittorio & Maria Snidarich, Jean & Ted Widomski, Julia Anysz, Barbara Laneve
Mrs. Helen Zielinski	Peter Zielinski, the Zielinski & Michalski families
Thomas & Sharon Zielinski	Peter Zielinski, Raymond Ruffley Sr., Rose Ruffley, Raymond Ruffley, Jr.



Christ the Lord



Saint Patrick News



Parish Stewardship: Our offertory for the weekend of December 15th was **\$4,675.00, and \$685.00** from online giving for a total of **\$5,360.00**. 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 **Sanctuary Lamp** burns in memory of **Aurelia "Irish" Ardery** from Mary Lou & Dick Foran; The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week in memory of **Justine Burger & Agnes O'Brien** from Chuck Burger; The **Food Pantry** is sponsored in memory of **Wegner Family** from Lynne Long; in memory of **Cindy Soltys & Jake Samusenko** from Mary Beth & Tom Galla; in memory of **Iavina Wenrick** from Kimberly & Joseph Bohrer; in memory of **Jocko & Issy Maloney & Ray and Rose Fiorelli** from Patricia & Ray Fiorelli; in memory of **Chet Bukowski** from Karen Bukowski; in honor of the wedding of **Karen & Tim Grode** also donations from Mildred & Robert Biebel, Dr. & Mrs. Leo Fitzgibbon, Mary Beth & Richard Wachter, and Mr. William Hertel.

CHRISTMAS AT ST. PATRICK'S Christmas Eve

5:00 pm - Family Mass

Prelude begins at 4:30 pm with bagpipes, piano and choir. Also trumpet, tympani and organ.

9:00pm - Mass

**Prelude begins at 8:25 pm
Christmas Choir Cantata
"Let the Whole World Sing"
with trumpet, tympani and organ.**

Christmas Day

10:30 am Mass

Prelude begins at 10:10 am with organ and choir. Also trumpet and tympani.

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.



Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, December 24, 2013 at 5:00 PM

Lector: Ed Smith

Eucharistic Ministers: Carolyn Power, Bill Power, Forrest Mischler, Mary Kearney, Shirley Winschel, Patty Daily, Jay Habas, Carol Habas.

Greeters: 4 NEEDED

Altar Servers: Caroline Power, Logan Kearney

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers, Tom Welch, Jim Wehan, Paul Balczun, Randy Pristello, & 1 NEEDED

Tuesday, December 24, 2013 at 9:00PM

Lector: Mary Williams

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Golab, Mary Williams, & 1 NEEDED

Greeters: Marlene Golab

Altar Server:

Ushers: John & Luke Purvis, & 2 NEEDED

Wednesday, December 25, 2013 at 10:30 AM

Lector: Dario Cipriani

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathleen Pae, Lynne Long, Charla Leemhuis

Greeters: Charla Leemhuis, & 1 NEEDED

Altar Servers: 1 NEEDED

Ushers: 4 NEEDED

Saturday, December 28, 2013 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Kathleen Haslett

Eucharistic Ministers: Ray Fiorelli, Lynne Long, Chris Sanner

Greeters: Tom & Linda Brunner

Altar Servers: NEEDED

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers

Sunday, December 29, 2013 at 10:30 am

Lector: Mary Pat Schlaudecker

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Kearney, Colleen Welch, Cyndi Pristello

Greeters: Marlene Golab, Mary Alice Hartwell

Altar Servers: Anna & Sarah Pristello

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

Offertory Counters: Mary Pat Schlaudecker, Mary McCarthy, Mary Kearney,

Nollaig Shona Dhuit!

Celtic—Happy Christmas!

Christmas Flower Memorials



Received from...

In Memory Of/ In Honor Of...

Angela Abbato	John J. Abbato, Dom & Army Raymond, Alice Liberatore,
.....	Anne & Pete Bechtos, Maria & John Abbato, Joe Corsale
Isabelle Abbato	Emelio & Angeline Abbato, Mary Sciarrilli, Rose & Nell Cimino,
.....	Patsy & Isabelle Raymond, Anne, Frank, Judy & Patricia
.....	Zemanek, Lottie & Frank Stumpo, Marsha, Dick, Shawn & Teddy Wilson
Patty Abbato	Louis P. Abbato, Mary & John Ferl, Joe & Evelyn Raymond,
.....	Connie & Joe Kopcznski, Randy Ferl
Stella Abbato	Bertha & Vincent Orelski, Jennie & Jack Pelkowski,
.....	Josephine & Angelo LaPaglia, Joe & Irene Orelski,
.....	Leo & Emma Orelski, James Orelski
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Agresti	
Billy Alex	IMO Joseph Fisher
Mr. Daniel Amendola	IMO Alfred & Celia Amendola, Nord A. Cofini,
.....	Mary Emma Cofini, Ann S. Cofini
Nancy Andrejewski Family	IMO Stanley & Pearl Andrejewski, Noreen & Tommy
.....	Andrejewski, Jean & Louie Wisinski and Edward Dunn
Mary Lynn Angelotti	IMO Ronald Angelotti
Chuck & Carole Arnold	IMO Helen Arnold, Lee & Mary Goss
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Babinsack & Family	Susan Simonetti
Ms. Jean Baker	IMO Elizabeth & Leo Baker
Paul & Eileen Balczun	IMO Richard & Anna Collins, Ed & Helen Balczun,
.....	James Hayes IV & V, Rosmary Balczun
Maureen Barber-Carey & Ryan Carey	IMO JoAnne Barber McCormick, Barber & Pfadt Families
Mr. & Mrs. Scott Baldi & Family	IMO Mr. James & Antoinette Baldi, Clara Baldi, Roy Boyle,
.....	Rochelle "Ritzi" Timon, Margie Shaw, Frank Suppa,
.....	Charles Smith
Dr. & Mrs. Peter Barzyk	IMO Deacon Peter Paul Barzyk, Julia Barzyk,
.....	Richard Barzyk, Varina Taylor, Wesley Taylor,
.....	Stanley Barzyk S.J.
Jeanne Bauman	IMO Janet Bauman Grun, Eva Hoden Bauman,
.....	M. John Bauman
Harold & Jeanne Bender	IMO Anna Mary & John Bricher, Lucille & John Bender & Family
Robert & Diane Boeh	IMO Albert J. Boeh, Isabel Boeh,
.....	Robert F. Dudenhofer
Barbara Brairton	IMO Dick & Margaret Brairton
Richard & Norann Brugger	IMO Our Godparents
Karen Bukowski	IMO Chet Bukowski
The Bujnowski Family	IMO Bessie Bujnowski
Tom & Paula Calabrese	IMO The Calabrese & Dietz Families
Renee Calabrese	Harry & Rita Caldwell, Gerry Calabrese,
.....	Eric Hartwell, Meade & Ann Calabrese
Thomas Capozziello	IMO Joseph Magliocco, John Trocki, Shawn Wilson
Jane Carney & Family	IMO Carney, Ward, McDonald and Froehlich Families
William Carney	IMO William J. & Jane Ward Carney,
.....	Carmelita & Mary McDonald, Margaret Carney McGraw
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Causgrove	IMO Paul & Norma Causgrove,
.....	James & Mary Ann Mahoney
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Chimenti	Chimenti & Osborn Families
Family	IMO Attilio (Art) Chimenti, Helen Chimenti DeAngelo
Carol Cicero	IMO Ray, Pearl & Jimmy Cicero
Julie Cicero	IMO Deceased Members of the Cicero & Custer Families
Dario & Donna Cipriani	IMO Deceased Members of the Cipriani & Sokolowski Families
Norma Strand Clement & Family	IMO Bernard Clement, Denise Clement, The Strand Family

Received from	In Memory Of / In Honor Of...
Jeannette Confer	IMO John J. Bujnowski Loving Family
Kevin & Mary Cuneo	IMO Gene & Patricia Cuneo
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Dailey	IMO Mr. & Mrs. Anthony DeBello Sr., Mr. Anthony DeBello Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Doyle	IMO Harriet Evelyn Eldred Shorts, Donald Carmen Pastore, Elroy "Chubbs" Doyle
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Dreslinski	IMO Andrew Dreslinski, Angel Dreslinski, Passat Rimnongrua
Miss Jean Driscoll	IMO Murray & Driscoll Families
Jim & Mary Duncan	IMO Mary L Duncan, The Kelly Family
Judy Emling	IMO The Emling & Flanagan Families
Karen Euliano	IMO John Euliano, Jr., John Euliano, Sr., Cecilia Skudinski Edward Skudinski
Richard E. Filippi Family	IMO Ines Filippi, Art & Ann Hinchberger
JoAnne Finn & Nellie Kozlowski	IMO Members of the Kalata, Kozlowski & Lowry Families
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Fiorelli	IMO Jacko & Issy Maloney, Ray & Rose Fiorelli
Paul D. Francis	IMO Paul & Monica Francis, Kevin Francis
Mr. & Mrs. Fred Gabler	IMO Alice & Clyde Garity, Fred & Dorothy Gabler, Gina Garity, Sarah Miniaci
Annette Gardner	IMO Mary Ball
Marilyn Garfield	IMO George Garfield, Mary & Carl Uht, James Uht Nora & James Garfield
Marcia Gensheimer	IMO Tony & Irene Izbicki
Mrs. Yvonne Gersims	
Megan & Kuke Gilmore	IMO John & Lois Flanagan, John & Dorothy Bomba, Loren & Lucille Wright
Ms. Barbara Gingenbach	IMO Susan Mae Gerard, Melvin F. Gingenbach Barbara M. Gingenbach
Catherine Good & Family	IMO Joseph & Kay Nedresky, Lee Soccoccio
Larry Gorgacz	IMO Stanley & Madeline Gorgacz
Tim & Karen Grode	IMO Theresa Chulick, Jean Grode
Elisa Guida	IMO Emilio Guida
Carol & Jay Habas	IMO Bill & Mary Whipple, Bill Whipple, Jr.
Jeff Hardner	IMO Trish Hardner, James, Jerry, & Tom Hardner, Lois Paradise
Dave & Joan Heubel	IMO Tom & Mildred Heubel, Edward Heubel
Jim & Ameer Herzik Family	IMO Josephine Herdzik, Chet Herdzik, Ron Costello, Roger Scolio, John & Elizabeth Nieuhard
Tom & Sheila Higgins	IMO Jane Sullivan, Joseph Sullivan, Joseph C. Higgins, Margaret Higgins, Richard Higgins, Joseph J. Higgins
Dolly Higgins, Ken & Kathy Stablein	IMO Joseph C. Higgins, Joe Higgins, Baby Stablein
Carole Jakubowski	IMO Ruth W. Bayne, Carlyn Williams, Kenneth Jakubowski, Bill Swanson, Joseph F. Allison
Gary & Becky Johnson	IMO Joe Kohler, Bud & Jo Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Kearney	IMO Patricia Trapp, Hugh Kearney
Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Klaus	IMO Charles & Bertha Klaus, Charles & Virginia Bauder
Ann Kolodziejczak	IMO Max & Tessie, Antoni & Mary, Mitchell, Max & Anthony Kolodziejczak, John & Marcella Majczyk, Richard & Marsha, Teddy & Shawn Wilson, Ralph & Carolyn Maloney, Deceased Relatives of Kolodziejczak & Majczyk Families
David P. Korn	IMO Barbara Korn
Jackie Kuhn & Family	IMO Edward G. Kuhn
The Family	IMO Carl & Florence Kuhn, Jack Patrick Kuhn
BJ & Barb Lechner	IMO Dorothy & Vincent Lechner, Josephine & Jack Rodeno
Norb & Marilyn Lechner	IMO Lechner, Perkins & Crane Families
Charla Leemhuis	IMO Deceased Members of Leemhuis & Phillips Families

Received from	In Memory Of / In Honor Of...
<i>Lynne Long.....</i>	<i>IMO Wegner, Griswold, Pankratz, Voreck, Zink Families & Sr. M. Theophilus</i>
<i>Kathleen MacMurdy</i>	<i>IMO The George MacMurdy Family & The Wm. Van Wert Family</i>
<i>John & Karen Malone.....</i>	<i>IMO Philip & Edna Malone, Mary Lu Sprake, Frank Pennock, Dr. Joe McClellan</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Fred Marchinetti.....</i>	<i>IMO Robert J. Spinks, Kristy Spinks Newlin, Frank & Stella Baniszewski, Molly & Geno Marchinetti</i>
<i>William & Kathy Masek & Family.....</i>	<i>IMO Edw. A. Masek, Sr., Wm. & Helen Shade, Jos. & Anna Masek, Phillip Sontag, Louse McNulty, James & Marie McNulty, Wm. & Mary Sonntag</i>
<i>Mrs. Mary McCarthy</i>	<i>IMO Husband, James McCarthy</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. William McGinnis.....</i>	<i>IMO Thomas & Margaret McGinnis, Ron Sundy, Thomas & Marion Cornell</i>
<i>Miss Rosemarie McMahon.....</i>	<i>IHO Debbie Mussett</i>
<i>Forrest & Shirley Mischler.....</i>	<i>IMO Helen & Donald Eaton, Margaret Schau, Edith Eaton, J. Lockwood & Winifred Mischler, Daisia Bayle, M. Lawrence Brockmyer</i>
<i>Michael & GERALYNN Nies</i>	<i>IMO Trish Hardner, Therese, Jeffrey & Francis Nies, Scott Hess, Mary Nies</i>
<i>Don & Maryann Nucerino</i>	<i>IMO John & Grayce-Marie Reiser, Lucian & Rose Nucerino</i>
<i>Q. Gregory & Nancy Orlando Family</i>	<i>IMO Mrs. Gerrie Ciacchini, Dr. Quentin Orlando, Joseph, Lisena, & Alberto Ciacchini</i>
<i>Kathleen B. Pae.....</i>	<i>IMO Matt & Mary Blackburn</i>
<i>Dolores Palmer</i>	<i>IMO The Romansik Family, (husband) Leon Palmer</i>
<i>Jane Pamula.....</i>	<i>IMO Pamula Family, Mazurski Family, Ray Rapela</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Donald Pastore.....</i>	<i>IMO Donald C. Pastore</i>
<i>Mrs. Maureen Plunkett</i>	<i>IMO Thomas M. Plunkett, The Cauley Fathers, Msgr. Charles Crowley, James O' Connor, John & Dorothy Garvey</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Polaski</i>	<i>IMO Ed & Helen Wright, Lawrence & Josephine Polaski</i>
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LITURGY INTENTIONS**Dec. 21** *Saturday, Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Advent*

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

5:00 PM MILDRED KRAUCHEN, ANNIV OF BIRTH - ST.P
(BILL & BARBARA KRAUCHEN THOMPSON)**Dec. 22** *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

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

9:00 AM ROBERT NIEDEWIECKI (WIFE & CHILDREN)-ST.H

10:30 AM BEV HARTIGAN, ANNIV.(HUSBAND, JOHN)-ST.P

Dec. 23 *Monday, Saint John of Kanty, Priest*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Dec. 24 *Tuesday, Christmas Eve*

4:30 PM PETER WERNICKI (FAMILY) - ST. H

5:00 PM PHIL SONTAG - ST. P
(ALEXANDRA & JACQUELINE MASEK)9:00 PM RONALD ANGELOTTI - ST.P
(TOM & LINDA BRUNNER)**Dec. 25** *Wednesday, The Nativity of the Lord - Christmas*

9:00 AM MARY L. ZIELINSKI (FAMILY) - ST. H

10:30 AM ANTHONY POL, ANNIV OF BIRTH AND - ST.P
,
RITA SCULLY POL (POL & CHASE FAMILIES)**Dec. 26** *Thursday, Saint Stephen, The First Martyr*

8:00 AM NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

Dec. 27 *Friday, Saint John, Apostle & Evangelist*

8:00 AM NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

Dec. 28 *Vigil: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph*

4:30 PM TED MIELNIK (IRENE & FAMILY) - ST.H

5:00 PM RICHARD ALLAN PURCELL - ST.P
(JOHN PURCELL)**Dec. 29** *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

8:00 AM GARY A. KING (MARY SHCHOUCHKOFF) - ST.P

9:00 AM PETER JOSEPH DUBOWSKI - ST.H
(JEANETTE BOROWY)

10:30 AM JOSEPH MESSINA, 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=Rectory, CV=Convent

12/21 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

12/22 NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**12/26 - 01/3** OFFICE CLOSED**12/27** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR**12/28** 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

12/29 NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES***A Moment of Reflection***

Reading I: Isaiah 7:10-14

Reading II: Romans 1:1-7

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24



This week we stand with Joseph as he encounters the miracle of incarnation. We listen for his response and for our own response when God asks us to do something beyond our imagining. In a special way, God became what we are, in the person of Jesus, so that eventually we could be transformed into what God is. Joseph's experience tells us that in his miracles, indeed in all his actions, that God speaks to our hearts, transforming our religion from a set of beliefs we might think about from time to time, into the foundation of a new way of feeling and acting. At their root, all miracles are powerful manifestations of God's extravagant, personal love, and they are meant to transform us. How does saying "Yes" to God shape and change your life?

Happy Holidays

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