

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 3, 2019



“Archangel”
Stained Glass Window
St. Patrick Church
photo by
Tom Golab

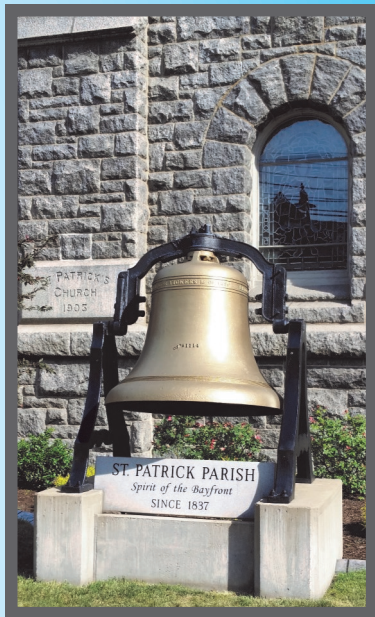
Saint Patrick Parish

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Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday 8 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5 PM

Sunday: 8 AM & 10:30 AM



Saint Patrick Parish

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM (CHAPEL)

Saturday Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Holy Day Mass: 12:00 PM

From the Pastor's Desk...



Today is the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The account of Jeremiah's vocation tells of the prophet's twofold conviction. He is conscious of being an ambassador to foreign nations, even while his own people reject him. The prophet's first task is to trust in God's Word, taught to him from his youth. Throughout his life, he will contend with civil authorities who endanger the people's freedom and with religious authorities who place their trust in the temple and external cult, while Jeremiah preaches a religion of the heart. But he remains faithful to his vocation in the face of adversity. He will doubt, but the believer in him stands up and speaks. And God reassures him, "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you."

Paul's hymn to love adds another layer to this Sunday's themes. No other gift, not even faith or hope, outshines love that will never pass away, because it shares in and expresses God's very life. Love, the foundation of all, never fails; it is patient and enduring. Love allows Jeremiah and Jesus to endure suffering and persecution. Knowledge of God's love, even though seen as "in a mirror," inspires trust in God's rescue and praise of God's justice. In the final analysis, love is what really counts. Paul does not use the Greek word *eros*, understood as possessive desire that seeks its own good. He spells out *agape*, understood as charity of compassion, that is, love that spreads outwards and does not keep for itself.

In the gospel we hear the outrage of people to his placing himself among the prophetic line of Elijah and Elisa, who spared outsiders from starvation and healed a foreigner's leprosy. The reaction is so strong that it will ultimately result in his expulsion from the city, his death on Calvary and his Resurrection. We're told that "Jesus passed through them" and went away. Throughout his ministry, Jesus will face Israel's disbelief; he will extend the gospel beyond the people's customary boundaries. There is a parallel between the

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

the first reading and the gospel. Both Jeremiah and Jesus speak against the tide, as they emphasize the extent of God's goodness; yet they are rejected by many of their audience because they do not flatter them. Today's readings refer to the prophetic vocation. The prophet is one who has an experience of God, so the divine word possesses him or her to such a degree that nothing prevents them from bearing witness.

A new study, "Going, Going, Gone: The Dynamics of Catholic Disaffiliation," studied why young American Catholics are leaving the church. The report says that a third of them leave because of church teaching on matters such as same-sex marriage, which they see as "an issue of social justice and human dignity, not an issue of sexuality." Some 87 percent of respondents to the study said that nothing the church could do would bring them back.

Mass attendance in once all-Catholic Chile has declined from 16 percent in 2010 to eight percent this year. The poll also showed that the number of people identifying as Catholic had fallen from 70 percent in 2006 to 58 percent in 2018. Even more frightening is that only 15 percent of the remaining faithful say they trust the church. The poll involved interviews with 2,011 people. Chile has been racked by perhaps the largest sex abuse scandal in the world.

Our parish Food Pantry served 421 families during the month of December. That number included 197 children and 86 elderly. They distributed 8,223 pounds of food at a cost to the parish of \$260.25. Once again, we did not incur any costs because of your ongoing generous support of the Food Pantry. Thank you for helping some people who simply don't have the skills to help themselves.

Speaking of the Food Pantry, the work is finished on replacing the supports under the floor and the installation of a new laminate floor. They did a beautiful job and it should be good for another hundred years!

When we carpeted the balcony, we only carpeted the east and west side and left the area in front of the pipe organ as a wooden floor. The company

who restored the pipe organ strongly recommended our doing this saying that the carpet in the area would absorb too much of the sound of the pipe organ; whereas flooring would allow the sound to bounce off and be better. What we did was put a laminate floor in that area; but we are also blocking that area off so that people are not in there. This allows Mark more freedom to play the organ as well as not having some of the sound absorbed by people's clothing.

At their next meeting, I'm going to ask the Parish Council to approve another concert on the Jacox Memorial Pipe organ, hopefully sometime in the fall. The concert we had this past October with an organist from Chicago was very well received, and we would like to do another one. The same organist is willing to come and play. I think particularly over the Christmas holiday, you had a chance to hear the organ in all its glory. What a great gift this has been to the parish from Morgan and Kathy Jacox.

The German bishops conference will meet in May and the agenda item is an open discussion of celibacy. They have invited a number of professional people to address their gathering on the subject as well as a number of women. These guests are being asked to analyze the subject of celibacy. Last November the lay Central Committee of German Catholics voted by a large majority to abolish mandatory celibacy for priests. Pope Francis said recently that he is not open to optional celibacy but would consider ordaining older married men in areas of extreme shortage. Next October's Synod of Bishops will address the Amazon and high on that agenda is further discussion of celibacy as there is such a shortage of priests in that area of the world.

Moses is praying to God to release his people from bondage when the voice of God booms from the clouds, "Moses, I have good news and bad news." "What's the good news?" asks Moses. "If the Pharaoh will not let my people go, I will send down a rain of frogs, a plague of locusts, and I will turn the Nile to blood." "Wow," says Moses. "And if Pharaoh's army pursues you," continues God, "I shall open a path for you in the Red Sea and then close it again and drown his army." "That's incredible," says Moses, "but what's the bad news?" "Before I can do this, you must write an environmental impact study."



Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 7,665.35
Online Giving	<u>1,387.30</u>
Total Income	\$ 9,042.65

Thank you for your generosity!



Let us *Welcome*
Killian Parker Yaw

child of
Matthew & Kimberly (Ferrick) Yaw
who will be baptized
after the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday

We continue to thank those who make special donations to our parish and we pray for those people in whose memory and honor the donations were made:

Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

Donations to the Food Pantry were made in memory of:

- ♦ **Evelyn Dobberstein** from Frank & Christine Altadonna
- ♦ **Warren Grucza** from Kathy Anderson
- ♦ **Richard & Kathy Miller** from Mary Anne Ashworth
- ♦ **JoAnne Barber McCormick** from Maureen Barber-Carey & Ryan Carey
- ♦ **Mark Bukowski** from Candy Bukowski
- ♦ **Richard DeLuca** from Mary Ellen Dahlkemper
- ♦ **Mangan & Lynch families** from Christopher & Anne Lynch
- ♦ **John C. Jackson, Rita Jackson** from Bill & Patty Jackson
- ♦ **Norman Murphy, Ruth Janoski, Ronnie Chesko** from Patrick Murphy
- ♦ **Bob Osmer** from Pauline Osmer

Also donations from:

Tom & Linda Anderson, Janice Cole, Eric & Deborah Enzbrenner, Jeffrey & Michelle Lawson, Phil & Judy Kelly, Abby Merryman, Rob & Patti Oligeri, Joe & Judy Pitetti, Phil & Denise Rewers and Laith Wardi & Carla Orlando

Special Thank You!!!
to **PANERA BREAD &**
EDIBLE ARRANGEMENT'S HABORCREEK

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 5:00 pm

Lector: **Mary Beth Pinto**

Eucharistic Ministers: **Mary Beth Pinto, Kay Mannino, Roseanne Brown**

Greeters: **NEEDED**

Ushers: **Chris Lampe, Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers, Jim Sertz**

Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 8:00 am

Lector: **Fred Olds**

Eucharistic Ministers: **Tom Golab, Kathryn Olds, Joseph Schneider**

Ushers: **John Maloney, Dave Korn, Chuck Straub, Mike Nies**

Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 10:30 am

Lector: **Ryan Palm**

Eucharistic Ministers: **Ryan Palm, Dario Cipriani, Michele Wheaton**

Greeters: **NEEDED**

Altar Servers: **Juliette Morales**

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

Offertory Counters: **Dario Cipriani, Donna Cipriani, Michele Wheaton, Tim Torrey**

A Family Perspective—

Mary and Joseph must have been proud when their village “all spoke well of Jesus and were amazed at his words.” But they probably felt shame when the same people drove him out of town. Like Mary and Joseph, the highs and lows of parenting are our path to being a Holy Family.

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.



Marriage Moments—

“Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous...” (1 Cor. 13:4) Which of these qualities is your beloved strongest in?

LITURGY INTENTIONS

- Feb. 2** *Saturday, Vigil: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
5:00 PM WANDA HABAS (JAY & CAROL HABAS)
- Feb. 3** *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00 AM ASHWORTH FAMILY (MARY ANNE ASHWORTH)
10:30 AM KATHLEEN WEISENFLUH
(MARK & CHELSEY WEISENFLUH)
- Feb. 4** *Monday, Weekday*
8:00 AM CHARLOTTE SERTZ, ANNIVERSARY OF BIRTH
(FAMILY)
- Feb. 5** *Tuesday, Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr*
8:00 AM DR. FORREST MISCHLER, ANNIV. OF BIRTH
(BOB & BARBARA TIMMONS)
- Feb. 6** *Wednesday, Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs*
8:00 AM JOHN KRAUCHEN, SR., ANNIV. OF BIRTH
(BARBARA THOMPSON)
- Feb. 7** *Thursday, Weekday*
8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE
- Feb. 8** *Friday, Saint Jerome Emiliani;
Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin*
NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
- Feb. 9** *Saturday, Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
5:00 PM WILLIAM SCHLAUDECKER
(MARY ANNE ASHWORTH)
- Feb. 10** *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00 AM HELEN HODAS KIRSCH (JACK KIRSCH)
10:30 AM THOMAS COOK (FAMILY)

ATTENTION ST. PATRICK'S "ON-LINE GIVERS"

Donors can pull their own tax statements in Online Giving.

1. Log in to your Online Giving donor account.
2. Click on "**View My Giving History & Tax Information.**" View a detailed History of your past Online Giving.
3. On the right side, click the "**Print**" button.
4. Set your date range from 1/1/2018 to 12/31/2018.
5. Change the report type to "**Full Detail Report (Tax Purposes).**"
6. Leave the tax filter option checked.
7. Click "**Print.**"
8. Your report will open a new window
9. You will need to export the report to a PDF to print the full report.

To print, click on the PDF link at the top of the screen. This will open the report as a PDF and will let you print the report. Make sure you have your pop-up blocker disabled.

PARISHIONERS WHO USE OFFERTORY

ENVELOPES: We will be sending tax statements to you shortly. If you received a statement last year, you are on our list and will receive one this year. If you have not received one, please call the office and we will get one to you. 454-8085

DATES TO REMEMBER

St.P=St. Patrick, CP=Chapel, PR=Pascal Room, R=Rectory

- 02/02** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P
02/05 9:45 AM Food Pantry - PR
02/06 12:00 PM A.A. - PR
02/10 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Teen Dating Violence and Protecting our Youth:

Teen dating violence is a serious problem in the United States. A national survey found that 10% of teens had been victims of physical dating violence within the past year and approximately 29% reported being verbally or psychologically abused in the previous year. Teen dating violence can be physical, emotional or sexual. Teen dating violence can be prevented through empowering teens to lead healthy lives and establish healthy relationships. Healthy relationships consist of trust, honesty, respect, equality and compromise. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit <https://www.eriescd.org/childprotection/>

ERIE, PA'S ANNUAL

St. Patrick's Day Parade 2019

♣ [SATURDAY] ♣

MARCH 16TH, 2019

step off at 2pm // DOWNTOWN ERIE
[enjoy the parade along state street between 11th & 4th streets]

A day in Ireland ♣

GET READY TO CELEBRATE WITH US

PARADE DAY FEATURES

local community organizations ♣ irish-step dancers
local entertainment groups ♣ irish themed floats & much more
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St Patrick Day
Parade in Erie PA



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Refresh your marriage this February

With Valentine's Day around the corner, now is the perfect time to consider attending a Beloved Night, a special evening offered to married and/or engaged couples of all ages. This opportunity, designed to help couples reconnect amidst the busyness of life, is offered Feb. 10 from 4 to 7 p.m. at each of the following local locations:

- St. Brigid Church, 383 Arch St., Meadville
- St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 East Grandview Blvd., Erie.

Free baby-sitting is offered, with a complimentary dinner provided for children. Couples will enjoy time together, a video with an optional discussion, and a two-hour, off-site date night of their choosing. RSVPs are necessary to provide adequate child care. For more information, go to www.ErieRCD.org/chastity.

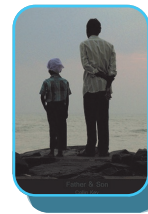
Ladies, consider taking your Lenten journey with us!

Lent is a season of renewal, rebirth, regeneration, and recommitment.

All women 18 years and older are invited to join in Women of Grace Study Program, "Full of Grace: Women and the Abundant Life", developed by EWTN's Johnette Benkovic. Take your Lenten journey with us to be strengthened for holiness and finding God's awesome purpose and mission for you in the world today. **A morning group (9:30-11:30) and evening group (6:30-8:30) will start on February 12th** and will meet for 9 Tuesdays. It will be held at **St. Jude the Apostle Church office in the Founder's Room**. To register for this group, please text or call Carmen Schattner at (517) 442-5552 or email at clschattner@gmail.com. **A morning group (9:15-11:15) will start on February 13th** and will meet for 9 Wednesdays, **at St. Joe's Community Center on the second floor**. Text or call Kathy McGovern at 814-440-8792 to register for this group. Cost is \$54 for materials (there is a reduced cost for Kindle). Financial assistance is available.

Father-Son Program offered in February

All fathers (or male role models) and their sons, ages 11 to 13, are welcome to attend the Father-Son Program Feb. 16 from 9 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. at Our Lady of the Lake Parish social hall, 128 Sunset Drive, Edinboro. The Chastity Education Office of the Diocese of Erie sponsors this annual event, which includes activities centered on such topics as navigating adolescence, tools for manhood, and listening to God's call. Registration includes food, time for discussion and games. For more information and to register, go to www.ErieRCD.org/chastity. To register by phone, call Kate at 814-824-1259.

**Alpha training offered in Erie**

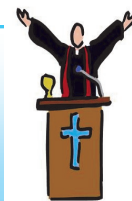
Alpha is an internationally known evangelization tool that reaches those who may be away from the church or who are struggling with their faith in general. April Blum will be at St. Joseph/Bread of Life, 147 W. 24th St., Erie, on Feb. 16 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to conduct an interactive training session for those interested in learning more about Alpha and how to implement it at your parish. For more information, see the attachment and/or register at www.alphausa.org/runalphaeriepa.

Paulist priest featured at parish mission

A parish mission on the Gospel of Luke will be held Feb. 18-20 at St. Jude the Apostle Church, 2801 W. 6th St., Erie. The mission begins at 7 p.m. each day. Father James DiLuzio, a Paulist priest, missionary and actor, will give a powerful recitation of Luke's Gospel. For more details, see the Luke Live website at www.LukeLive.com.

MSGR. KRIEGLER'S HOMILIES ARE ON-LINE IN AUDIO AND VIDEO FORMAT.

Be sure to check out St. Patrick's web-page to listen to Msgr. Kriegel's homilies. Go to saintpatrickparisherie.org Click on "homilies" on the bar to the right, For the audio version just click on the date of the homily you want to hear. The video homilies are available on "You Tube" and can be watched by clicking on the bar that says "You Tube" on that page.



Please join the Saint Jude PTO on **Sunday, February 24th** for a fun afternoon of **Purse BINGO**. All funds raised from this fun afternoon will support the faculty, staff, students and programs at Saint Jude School.



Doors Open at 11:30 am and Games begin at 1pm.

Saga Club of Erie ~ 3828 Washington Ave., Erie PA 16509

Tickets go on sale Monday, January 14, 2019. Only 250 seats available so call now for you ticket. To purchase contact Colleen Miller @ 814-392-1827 or visit www.eventbrite.com/e/st-jude-school-ptu-purse-bingo-tickets-54304117076. Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door if available. Tables of 8 may be purchased in advance, **MUST** be purchased as 1 transaction for \$200 a table.

Prioritize your marriage by celebrating National Marriage Week, 2/7-2/14. Get inspired by going to www.eriercd.org and searching for *DIY Marriage Tune-Up*. Your marriage is worth it! Contact the Family Life Office with questions, familylife@eriercd.org or 814-824-1261.

NOVA—a remarriage preparation designed *specifically* for couples planning remarriage in the Catholic Church. Topics include blending families, expectation, legal issues and others. *Pre-registration is required*. Call The Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 to register. The next NOVA is scheduled for Saturday, **March 2nd** in Erie.

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Tickets can be purchased at Tipperary West

FOR MORE INFORMATION, Contact Cheryl Heintz at 814-882-6912 or cheryl@tipperaryirishstours.com

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