

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 11, 2018



St. Patrick Church
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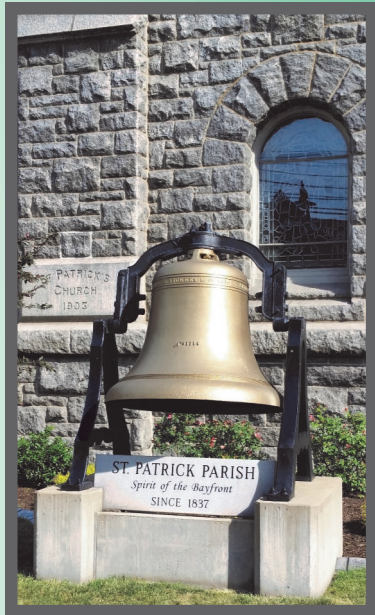
Saint Patrick Parish

Serving the East Bayfront of Erie since 1837

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 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Though set during the time of wandering in the desert before entering the Promised Land, Leviticus is in effect a code of conduct particularly for the priests and Levites who later served in the Jerusalem Temple. The name of the book was assigned by Greek translators because so much of the book deals with priests from the tribe of Levi. Today's reading is from a section which deals with the laws of purity, whether in daily life or ritual actions and deals with leprosy. The separation of lepers from the rest of the community reflected a legitimate concern about the spread of the disease. The unfortunate consequence is that sufferers were isolated from family and were excluded from worshipping with the community. In addition, they were burdened by the widespread thinking that the disease was a divine punishment.

In First Corinthians, Paul addresses many questions posed him by the Christian community about marriage, virginity, idolatry and practical situations such as buying meat that had been offered in a pagan sacrifice. In today's short reading, Paul concludes his advice, giving it a strong theological foundation. He tells his audience "whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." He has already told them that while some actions might not be morally wrong, they should be guided by how the action would affect their neighbors. The glory of God is the first motivation, followed by considering the impact of one's actions on others. When Paul tells them to "be imitators of me, as I am of Christ," he is encouraging them to join him in making Christ the standard of everything they do.

Today's leper crossed the boundary in kneeling before Jesus and begging for healing. Jesus responds with compassion, also crossing a boundary by touching the leper, making himself unclean according to Jewish purity laws. There seems to be no explanation for Mark's Jesus constantly telling those he healed to tell no one. Though the

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

leper does not obey him and tells everyone, the news about Jesus spreads far and wide. Again, in Mark, Jesus remains in an isolated place while people kept coming to him.

The annual Catholic Services Appeal will kick off in our diocese next Sunday, the first Sunday of Lent. This annual appeal raises 60% of the needed income for the diocese. It helps fund Catholic Charities, St. Martin's Center, etc. It provides the funds for the Bishop's Breakfast, a daily hot cooked meal for homeless people that is served to over a hundred people a day.

Each parish is assessed a set amount for the CSA goal and any funds raised above that amount remain in the parish. Our assessment last year was \$74,000 and we generated \$115,000 which meant that \$41,000 remained in the parish. Our assessment this year is \$81,539 and our goal is \$120,000 which will again generate \$39,000 for the parish. I'm hoping that each of you would participate in this appeal to the degree that you can afford. Everyone's situation is different; but I hope you will help with this.

Our assessment this year is the highest of the entire Eastside of Erie. No other parish in the east side even comes close. Only Our Lady of Peace, St. George's and St. Jude's have assessments that are higher than St. Patrick's. That is because we continue to grow as a parish (we are fast approaching a thousand families) and our income continues to grow. As such, we share what we have with the less fortunate; and St. Patrick's has always shined in that area. I know that you will do it once again.

Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Masses will be at 8 AM and 12 noon with ashes distributed after both of those Masses. I will also distribute ashes from 11:40—11:55 AM prior to the noon Mass. I will have to stop at that time to get ready for Mass.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. This means we do not eat meat on either of those days and people between the ages of 18 and 60 should eat only one full meal and two light meals. The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from eating meat.

You can notice an area on the pillar on the east wall of the church just north of the large stained glass window that is peeling. We are going to go up there try to repair it, but we can't figure out what's going on. There is absolutely zero moisture in any of the plaster so that is not the cause. That entire area was rebuilt during the 2012 restoration, so that is not old plaster—it is only six years old. They've checked the entire area for leaks, etc. and we can't find anything. Hopefully we can get it repaired and it will last this time. Someone once told me that St. Patrick's Church is like a beautiful woman—she constantly demands attention!

We are also finally going to get moving on remodeling the men's room in church. You may recall, we remodeled the women's restroom several years ago and intended to then start on the men's, but it just seems something got in the way every time. Hundred year old buildings have a way of reminding us of their age!!! At any rate, I hope we can get started soon. While that room is under construction, there is an additional rest room behind the high altar. Just go into the weekday chapel and follow the hallway behind the altar.

Cardinal Parolin, the Vatican Secretary of State, and the highest ranking cardinal in the church, spoke recently to Vatican News about *Amoris Laetitia*, the controversial letter of Pope Francis allowing some divorced and remarried to receive communion. He said the document "resulted from a new paradigm which Pope Francis is carrying forward with wisdom, prudence and patience." He said that the difficulties some have with the document "are due to this change of attitude the pope is asking of us."

A group of guys are in the locker room after a game of golf when a cell phone that is sitting on a bench rings. One of them picks it up. *Man*: "Hello." *Woman*: "Honey, it's me. Are you at the club?" *Man*: "Yes." *Woman*: "Well, I have news. The house we wanted is back on the market. They're asking \$950,000." *Man*: "Well, then go ahead and make an offer, but make it for one million so we'll be sure to get it." *Woman*: "Okay. I'll see you later. Love you." *Man*: "Bye, I love you too." The man hangs up and turns to his buddies and asks, "Does anyone know whose phone this is?"



Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 8,353.00
Online Giving	<u>1,657.30</u>
Total Income	\$10,040.30

Thank you for your generosity!



Let Us *Welcome*

Francesca Jane Kapuscinski

daughter of

Christopher & Chelsea (Hatheway) Kapuscinski
who will be baptized
after the 10:30 AM Liturgy on Sunday

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 were made in memory of:

- ♦ **Katie & Drew** from Mary Anne Ashworth
- ♦ **Mary Corbert** from Richard & Margaret Bonniger
- ♦ **JoAnne Barber McCormick** from Ryan Carey & Maureen Barber-Carey
- ♦ **Susan Allison** from Jane Carney
- ♦ **James Lieb** from Corrine Cassa
- ♦ **John & Marjorie DeBias** from Kevin & Margaret Cohick
- ♦ **Jackie Vommaro** from Ken & Alice Daub
- ♦ **Kevin Misko** from Ray & Patti Fiorelli
- ♦ **John Black** from Frances Sokolowski
- ♦ **Margaret Zgainer Stewart** from Tim & Anne-Marie Welsh

Also donations from:

Mark & Candy Bukowski, Michael & Noelle Colpoys,
Kathy Fatica and William & Patricia Gloekler

**Special Thank You!!!
to PANERA BREAD &
HABORCREEK EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS**

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, February 17, 2018 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Rick Filippi

Eucharistic Ministers: Shirley Winschel,
Jay Habas, Carol Habas

Greeters: Jane Carney, Kathleen Horan

Altar Servers: Emilio & Gemma Filippi

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers,

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Sunday, February 18, 2018 at 8:00 am

Lector: Nick Straub

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Golab, Lisa Straub,
Nancy Andrzejewski

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

Sunday, February 18, 2018 at 10:30 am

Lector: Dario Cipriani

Eucharistic Ministers: Dario Cipriani, Cyndi Pristello,
Ed Smith

Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

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

Offertory Counters: Mary Kearney, Mary Williams,
Mary Pat Schlaudecker, Tim Torrey

Scripture classes—

Fr. Mike DeMartinis will be conducting a *Scripture Class* during Lent:

Thursday, March 1, Thursday, March 8 and Thursday, March 15 from 10-11 am in the church. Please call the parish office so that we know how many will attend. 454-8085

MARRIAGE MOMENTS—

This year Ash Wednesday and Valentine's are both on February 14. How might we reconcile these two seemingly opposite themes? The Ash Wednesday reading beckons you to "Return to me with your whole heart. (Joel 2:12) The "me" can be God or the Spirit of God within your beloved.

The Food Pantry is in need of packaged diapers—

They can be dropped off at all Masses and left in the vestibule or at the Parish Office. Thank you !!!



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

Feb. 10 Saturday, Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM SARA CARLOW (CARLOW FAMILY)

Feb. 11 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM PRO POPULO

"FOR THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. PATRICK"

10:30 AM MARILYN WAYLAND (DAVE & JOAN HEUBEL)

Feb. 12 Monday, Weekday

8:00 AM EDWARD L. HARMLE (MARCELLA HARMLE)

Feb. 13 Tuesday, Weekday

8:00 AM BOB ADAMS (CONNECTING HANDS)

Feb. 14 Wednesday, Ash Wednesday

8:00 AM CHARLOTTE SERTZ, ANNIV. OF BIRTH., 2/04
(JIM & KATHY SERTZ)

12:00 PM BERNADINE ZDUNSKI, ANNIV., 2/21

(BOB & MARY LOU MARACCI)

Feb. 15 Thursday after Ash Wednesday

8:00 AM MASS

Feb. 16 Friday after Ash Wednesday

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

Feb. 17 Saturday, Vigil: First Sunday of Lent

5:00 PM MARY WALKER & THOMAS ANDREW WALKER
(PETER & JOANNE LYONS)

Feb. 18 First Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM PRO POPULO

"FOR THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. PATRICK"

10:30 AM DR. ANGELINA FABRIZIO, ANNIV. OF BIRTH
(SISTER, MARY MCCARTHY)

DATES TO REMEMBER

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

02/10 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

02/13 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

02/14 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

02/17 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

02/19 President's Day - OFFICE & CHURCH CLOSED

Women invited to Lenten program—

All women 18 and older are invited to join the Women of Grace study program, "**Full of Grace: Women and the Abundant Life**," developed by EWTN's Johnette Benkovic and presented by St. Joseph Parish, 147 W. 24th St., and St. Jude the Apostle Parish, 2806 W. 6th St., both in Erie. Be strengthened for holiness and find God's purpose and mission for you in the world today. A morning group will start Feb. 14, meeting for nine Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the St. Joseph Parish Community Center (second floor). Text or call Katy McGovern at 814-440-8792 to register for this group. An evening group will start Feb. 15 and meet for nine Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Founder's Room at St. Jude the Apostle Parish. Text or call Carmen Schattner at 517-442-5552 or email at clshattner@gmail.com to register for this group. The cost is \$45 for materials. Financial assistance is available.



Benedictines to share Lenten reflections



The Benedictine Sisters of Erie are hosting Lenten vigils in the chapel at Mount Saint Benedict Monastery, 6101 East

Lake Road, Erie. The public is invited to attend each Saturday vigil beginning at 7 p.m. with the following women offering reflections:

- Dr. Mary Hembrow Snyder, Oblate, Feb. 17
- Sister Janet Goetz, OSB, Feb. 24
- Sister Margaret Zeller, OSB, March 3
- Sister Susan Doubet, OSB, March 10
- Sister Ann Hoffman, OSB, March 17
- Sister Mary Lou Kownacki, OSB, March 24.

Erie parishes host viewings of television program—

joan of arcadia

The parishes of *St. Andrew, St. Paul and Sacred Heart* presents *Our Lenten Series and Discussion:*

Joan of Arcadia, finding God in the details

Please join us for soup, community and discussion as we explore episodes of Joan of Arcadia. Soup will be served, followed by a 40 min episode and the discussion dialogue led by Fr. Mark & Jesse Spanogle. We invite families with teens or anyone over 13 years or older. Please consider attending this to strengthen your Lenten journey and open your mind and heart.

At St. Andrew Mary Arundel Hall (6th & Raspberry in the Parish Center), Wednesdays starting February 21st from 6:30-8:30. For more information or to RSVP call Beth at 454-2486

Erie's Best Coffee fundraiser to benefit St. Martin Center, Inc.

St. Martin Center, Inc. will host Erie's Best Coffee fundraiser Feb. 25 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bel-Aire Clarion Hotel & Conference Center, 2800 W.

Eighth St., Erie. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door (kids ages 12 and under are free). Tickets can be purchased at the Erie Federal Credit Union, 3503 Peach St., Erie, or online at www.stmartincenter.org under the "What's New" headline. Many coffee shops will provide samples and treats. Those who attend may vote for their choice of Erie's best coffee. Members of a celebrity panel, including Father Christopher Singer, chancellor, also will cast their votes.



THE *A special message from...*
Knights & Ladies
OF ST. PATRICK **EST. 1978**

Hello Parishioners!!!

We encourage you to stop out for **PARADE DAY!**

*Advertising, Sponsorship & Parade Participant
Opportunities are still available, email us for all the details,
ErieStPatricksParade@yahoo.com :: See you there!!!*

**ERIE, PA'S ANNUAL
St. Patrick's Day
Parade 2018**

**SATURDAY
MARCH 10th
Starts at 2pm
Parade Route is
along State Street!**

*We welcome you to attend our
Annual Knights & Ladies Dinner
commemorating 40 years!*

We're honoring deceased
members with a special memorial.
*New this year is our **Silent Auction.***

*All proceeds will benefit the
St. Patrick's Food Pantry.*

Please contact us if you are
interested in our dinner or hearing
more details about the memorial...
knightsandladies1978@yahoo.com

*An evening *
in Ireland*

K&L
EST. 1978

**SATURDAY
MARCH 17th**

*Following 5pm mass
at St. Patrick Church*

**follow
us!**



**St Patrick Day
Parade in Erie PA**



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LENTEN FISH DINNERS

All Saints

11264 Route 97 N., Waterford

Feb. 16, 23 and MARCH 2, 9, 23; 4:30-7:00 pm

BAKED or FRIED WHITE FISH

Adult: \$9, Child (12 and under): \$4

Toddlers FREE! Includes sides, drink and home-made dessert. *Take-outs available (814) 796-3023

Blessed Sacrament

Cafeteria, 1626 W. 26th St., Erie

Feb. 16 and MARCH 2, 16; 4:30-7:00 pm

BAKED SCROD or CHEESE RAVIOLI

Adult: \$9, Child under 12: \$5

MAC AND CHEESE

Adult: \$5, Child: \$3

Includes sides, drink and sherbet. **Bake sale!**

*Take-outs available (814) 454-0171

Holy Cross

Reilly Center, 7100 W. Ridge Road, Fairview

Feb. 16, 23 and MARCH 2, 9, 23; 4:30-7:00 pm

FISH, SHRIMP or COMBO

Adult: \$10, Child: \$5

FISH SANDWICH \$8

MAC AND CHEESE \$5

All dinners include sides, drink and dessert.

*Take-outs available (814) 474-2605

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Scheffner Hall, 1553 E. Grandview Blvd., Erie

Feb. 23 and MARCH 9, 23; 4:00 -7:00 pm

FRIED FISH AND/OR CHEESE PIEROGI

Adult: \$10, Child: \$5. Includes sides and ice cream.

*Take-outs 50 cents more. (814) 825-7313

Our Lady of the Lake

Social Hall, 128 Sunset Drive, Edinboro

Feb. 16, 23 and MARCH 2, 9, 23; 5:00-7:00 pm

Knights of Columbus FISH FRY

Adult: \$10, Child: \$5

Includes sides, drink and dessert.

*Tickets and take-outs at the door.

Ss. Peter and Paul Byzantine

Social Hall, 3415 Wallace St., Erie

Feb. 16 and MARCH 2, 16; 4:30-7:00 pm

BAKED COD AND/OR PIEROGI

Adult: \$10, Child (6-12): \$5, Child under 6: FREE!

Nut roll bake sale!

*Take-outs (814) 825-8140

St. Luke

School Cafeteria, 421 E. 38th St., Erie

Knights of Columbus

Msgr. Robert Goodill Council #11229

Feb. 16, 23 and MARCH 2, 9

5:00-7:00 pm

ICELANDIC COD, PIEROGI, SHRIMP OR

MAC AND CHEESE

Adult: \$10, Child (6-12): \$5.50

5 and under: FREE!

Includes French fries and green beans.

SHRIMP BASKET: \$7

CAPTAINS PLATTER: \$12

*Take-outs begin at 4:45 pm

St. Stanislaus

516 E. 13th St., Erie

Feb. 16 and MARCH 2, 16; 4:00-7:00 pm

FISH or PIEROGI

Adult: \$10, Child (6-10): \$5

Under 6: FREE!

*Take-outs \$10.25 (814) 452-6606

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

Saint Patrick Parish

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

STREET: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____

HEAD _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

SPOUSE _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

CHILD _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

CHILD _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

PLEASE CIRCLE ONE BELOW:

New Registration

Change of Address

Moving

Want Envelopes

PLEASE DROP THIS INFORMATION INTO Offertory Basket or mail to Rectory