

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 22, 2018



St. Patrick Church
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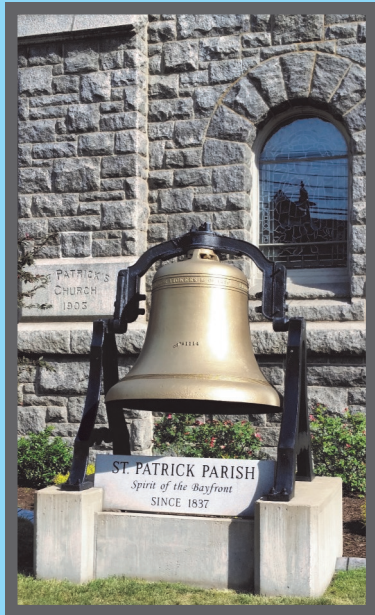
Saint Patrick Parish

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

130 East 4th Street
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MASS SCHEDULE:

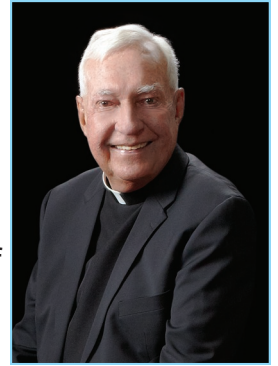
Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM (CHAPEL)

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 of Easter. After the healing of a crippled man, Peter addressed the crowd in a speech we heard last weekend. As he was still speaking, the authorities, annoyed at the apostle's teaching about Jesus' resurrection, arrested both Peter and John. In their interrogation, they ask by whose authority they acted. Peter's answer is another speech, this time to the assembled Jerusalem leaders. He tells them that he healed the man by the power of the Spirit in the name of Jesus. The word Peter uses for healing (sozo) can mean a physical cure or being made well or whole. It is the same word used in the NT to speak of God's ultimate deliverance from sin and death. The physical healing of the crippled man is a sign of God's full, life-giving, saving activity.

The first word in John's letter is "see." Seeing is more than beholding with the eyes; it includes spiritual insight and discernment as well. In asking his audience to see, John is inviting them to be attentive to the reality of God's love that they have experienced. God's love, already revealed through creation and history, took on human flesh in Jesus. God's love is life giving; it brings about a new creation in the believers themselves. John then refers to that part of the world that cannot see, know or accept Jesus. This is the situation that John's audience is now facing. John then invites them to "see" beyond the present age. Risen along with Christ, they will see him and know him in glory.

In the OT, sheep and shepherds were so much a part of daily life that they easily became a means of illustrating the relationship between God and Israel. We're told in the psalm that "The Lord is my shepherd." In contrast, some of Israel's leaders destroyed and scattered the sheep, leaving them as food for wild animals. Jesus applies the metaphor to himself. Just as the God of Israel was totally different from Israel's unfaithful leaders, Jesus is different from hirelings who have no

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

concern for the sheep. In today's reading, Jesus describes himself as the Good Shepherd who will even lay down his life for his sheep. And after speaking of those who are already part of his "flock," Jesus foresees others who do not yet belong and says that he will lead them and they will hear his voice.

I recently signed a contract for \$17,000 for work to be done on the roof of the Food Pantry. We have had trouble with that roof as long as I've been here, and it really needs to be replaced. We have work done on the roof, then we paint and repair inside the Food Pantry and the next big rain storm, we have water coming in again. We have to keep remembering that we're dealing with hundred year old buildings and it is constant maintenance. The area that we use as the Food Pantry was originally an apartment where the maintenance man and his family lived. In fact, the maintenance man's wife gave birth to two babies in that apartment while they were living there. We may be the only church in the diocese where babies were born!!

Today's second collection, the Good Shepherd collection, is to help cover the costs for our 68 retired priests. Last year's appeal generated \$201,051.

Our annual Catholic Service Appeal continues. You can see the amount pledged so far is rather amazing, but we've still got a long way to go. Our assessment this year is \$84,000 and we hope to raise money beyond that to replace the tiles in the back of church and the vestibule. Have you considered making a pledge in whatever amount you feel you can? Some people can't afford to do anything, and that is fine; but others are able to step forward and make a pledge. I simply ask that you think about it.

Organ Supply is located in an office park just off of West Grandview and Zuck. They are doing the restoration of our pipe organ and have told us recently that they hope to have the organ in place and functioning by the end of June. They have already brought several ranks of pipes back and have installed them. When I've been up there and see the 3,100 pipes all over the place I keep wondering how they're ever going to put the

whole thing back together again.

We're finally able to do work on the second floor of the rectory. That entire floor has been neglected for years and years. Whole ceilings had to be replaced, large sections of plastered walls had to be replaced, the woodwork hasn't been touched in at least 50 years, etc. We have two guest apartments now finished as well as the large center hall. The chapel on that floor had been kept up. As a matter of fact, I celebrated daily Mass in there every day for the 7 months the church was closed in 2012 for the restoration. I'm told that in the last years when his health was failing, retired Bishop Murphy, who lived at St. Patrick's in retirement, celebrated daily Mass there. We've re-carpeted in the chapel but otherwise it was in fairly good condition. Two large rooms on the second floor are used for the Irish Festival. If anyone ever wants to see any of this completed work or anyplace in the rectory, just stop in and someone will be glad to show you.

Speaking of the Irish Festival, chairperson Eric Albright has already started things rolling. He met earlier this month with all of the chair people of the various committees, etc. I'm grateful that Gary and Becky Johnson, chairs for the past two years, are helping Eric as he learns the ropes. They have been a great help. Under the direction of Patty Dailey, a number of women have been working in a room on the second floor of the rectory putting together displays of jewelry that will be sold at the festival. Mary Beth Watcher is already baking bread for her booth. Parishioner, Laura Chandley has taken over the raffle ticket sales from longtime chairs Eileen Balczun and her twin sister Kathleen Wehan. We've also already received a grant of \$4,600 from the local gaming authority to help get things going for the festival. If you've never been part of the festival in the past, perhaps you would be interested in volunteering this year. As we get closer to the date, we will post all of the volunteer positions so that you might be able to step forward. The real purpose of the festival, in addition to highlighting our Irish heritage, is to build community, to help all of us in the parish to get to know one another better as we continue to grow.

"I love you."

"Is that you talking or is it the wine talking?"

"It's me talking to the wine."



Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

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| Offertory Collection | \$ 8,794.00 |
| Online Giving | <u>1,567.30</u> |
| Total Income | \$ 10,361.30 |
| Catholic Service Appeal (Assessment) | \$ 84,000.00 |
| Total Pledged | \$ 87,395.00 |
| Total Paid | \$ 63,520.00 |
| Total Families | 185 |

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 memory and honor the donations were made:

Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

Donations were made in memory of:

- ♦ **Mary Jean Cioccio** from Hubert Cioccio
- ♦ **John & Marjorie DeBias** from Kevin & Margaret Cohick
- ♦ **Carol & Debra Donnelly** from James Donnelly
- ♦ **Sr. Dorinda Young, SSJ** from Yvonne Gersims
- ♦ **Bill Jerin** from Bill & Patty Jackson
- ♦ **Rosemarie Glennon & Mark Glennon** from Michael & Jill Levandowski
- ♦ **Lynch & McGraw families** from Daniel & Mary Lee Lynch
- ♦ **Matthew Niebauer** from Forrest & Shirley Mischler
- ♦ **Otto & Luigina Pasquale** from Luigi & Sue Ellen Pasquale

Also donations from:

Santo Amendola, Ken & Alice Daub, Ed Chizewick, Ann Downing, Bob & Ann Hayes, Phil & Judy Kelly, John D. & Cynthia Purvis, William & Rebecca Ruprecht, and Mark & Barbara Sargent

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

We ***Congratulate and Welcome***
Logan Levandowski

who will be making his
First Communion
at the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday
&

Elena Doyle
Maria Doyle
Owen Fetzner
Oliver Pfarr

Richard "Fritz" Wachter
who made their First Communion on
Sunday, April 15, 2018



The Sanctuary Lamp
burns in loving memory of
Richard Kubiak
from Ron & Patty Merski



Ministry Schedule

Saturday, April 28, 2018 at 5:00 pm

Lector: *Bill Power*

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: *Steve Scutella, Ann Scutella, Kay Mannino*

CUP: *Bill Power, Carolyn Power*

Greeters: Mary Anne Ashworth, Mary Tellers

Altar Servers: NEEDED

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

Sunday, April 29, 2018 at 8:00 am

Lector: *Nick Straub*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Tom Golab, Lisa Straub,
Nancy Andrzejewski*

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

Sunday, April 29, 2018 at 10:30 am

Lector: *Dario Cipriani*

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: *Michele Wheaton, Charla Leemhuis,
Forrest Mischler*

CUP: *Dario Cipriani, Mary Kearney*

Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin

Altar Servers: Ryan Jubulis, Owen Fetzner

*Ushers: Randy Pristello, Dave Wilcox, John Purvis,
Chuck Agresti*

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



CHILDREN'S BOOKS

The Food Pantry is accepting
Children's Books for their
children's library.

LITURGY INTENTIONS

April 21 Saturday, Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Easter

5:00 PM KATHY LUCAS (JIM & KATHY SERTZ)

April 22 Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM THOMAS KLAUS (DON & PAT GEHRLEIN)

10:30 AM STEPHEN MILLER (BILL & KATHY MASEK)

April 23 Monday, Easter Weekday

8:00 AM PRO POPULO

"FOR THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. PATRICK"

April 24 Tuesday, Easter Weekday

8:00 AM NADINE TOSKIN (DAVE & JOAN HUEBEL)

April 25 Wednesday, Saint Mark, Evangelist

8:00 AM JOHN & BESSIE WEBER FAMILY

April 26 Thursday, Easter Weekday

8:00 AM MASS

April 27 Friday, Easter Weekday

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

April 28 Saturday, Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Easter

5:00 PM DR. THOMAS KLAUS (FAMILY)

April 29 Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM GAIL JACOBOWSKI

(MICHAEL & KATHLEEN CRANE)

10:30 AM RENEE CALABRESE (YVONNE GERSIMS)

DATES TO REMEMBER

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

04/21 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

04/24 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

04/25 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

04/28 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments Child Abuse Prevention Month: What Happens When Abuse is Reported?

People who hold positions of trust in Catholic institutions are mandated by Pennsylvania law to report child abuse. Teachers, teacher's aides, and counselors in our schools; therapists and social workers in our counseling agencies; clergy, parish employees, and volunteers in schools and parishes all have the obligation to report the reasonable suspicion of child abuse to ChildLine, the local police, or other appropriate agency. To see the specific reporting procedure for the Diocese and to see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help create safe environments, check out <http://www.eriercd.org/protectyouth.htm>

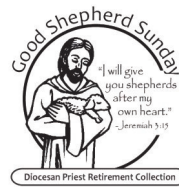
Families Always Matter in the Diocese of Erie



Get resources and suggestions for your family at the Diocese of Erie's family website, www.ErieRCD.org/fam.htm. Feel

supported, encouraged, and blessed whether your family is a traditional, single-parent, blended, military, or an adoptive/foster family. Go families!

Good Shepherd Collection—



This weekend all parishes and missions in the Diocese of Erie are taking a special collection to support the needs of our retired diocesan priests.

This special collection on Good Shepherd Sunday will assist those dedicated priests who are elderly, seriously ill or incapacitated, and in need of supplementary assistance for expenses such as non-insured medical costs, nursing home and long-term care assistance.

As the number of retired priests increases in the upcoming years, the Priest Retirement Plan will need to be adequately funded to meet their future needs. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of priests who have served faithfully and who serve now. It is a "thank you" for their many years of faithful service. Help provide them the same love and generosity they provided us for generations.

For more details, go to

<http://www.eriercd.org/goodshepherd.htm>. The site contains lists with the residence of our retired priests, their birthdays and anniversary dates of their ordination to priesthood. May we suggest sending a priest who has touched your life a note or a card sometime this year. Let him know you still remember him. Consider adopting one of our priests as a prayer partner and pray for them and send an occasional note.

Catholic Charities Club CC Night

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Erie invites you to enjoy Club CC Night, a celebration and continuation of the good works of the Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Erie, on May 12 at the Bayfront Convention Center in Erie. The lounge-like setting will feature food and drinks, dancing and entertainment, all for a wonderful cause. Local comedienne Lisa Chimenti-Foster will portray Sister Agnes as the evening's toastmistress. Cleveland Nightclub DJ Brent Schmidt will offer music covering everything from Rat Pack through today's hits.

Ann and Charlie Rutkowski will be honored with the Helping Hands Award, given for outstanding service to both church and community. Tickets are \$100 per person and must be purchased in advance. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.ClubCCNight.com or call 814-824-4251. Proceeds benefit people in need across the 13 counties of the Diocese of Erie.

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.



Transitions: A Support Group

Are you Widowed, Separated or Divorced? Consider attending Transitions, a peer support group offered monthly at St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd. Call 814-824-1265 or email: familylife@erieRCD.org for more information. The next meeting is Sunday, April 29, 2018 from 2-4 pm. This month's topic is: "TRIGGERS: Turning Negative Memories into Positive Outcomes." Visit our website at: www.erieRCD.org/transitions.htm

Public welcome to healing Mass

The Son of God Prayer Group in Erie invites everyone to a healing Mass on May 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church, 2701 East Ave., Erie, with Father Richard Toohey, Father Kyle Seyler and Deacon Jerry Peterson. Music will be provided by St. Joseph/Bread of Life Community. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. to provide time to write petitions on a simulated brick wall, which will be presented at the offertory procession. For more information, call Pat at 814-823-3968.

Advertiser of the Week:

We thank **George Winston Company**
Plumbers on Plum St.
georgewinstonplumbing.com - 454-0752
for advertising in our parish bulletin.

Golf and sports raffle to benefit parish

Our Lady of Mercy Parish in Harborcreek and its Knights of Columbus will hold their annual golf and sports raffle May 11 from 6 to 11 p.m. at Our Lady of Mercy Parish, 837 Bartlett Road. Tickets are available in the parish office Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., or by calling 814-899-5342. Tickets also are available at the door the night of the raffle. The cost is \$10 per ticket and includes food, beverages and a chance to win 19 great prizes. The grand prize is a cruise trip for two to Bermuda.

*Opening Hearts and Homes**-Become a Host Family-*

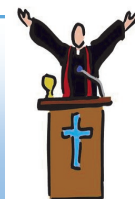
EHCA's Life Sharing program is currently searching for host families who would be interested in providing a loving home to a person with an intellectual disability.

If you would like to open your heart and home, please contact Melissa Love at 814-315-1747 or email her at Melissa.lve@ehca.org.

Erie Homes for Children and Adults, 226 East 27th Street, Erie, PA 16504 * 814-454-1534 * www.ehca.org

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.



NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

Saint Patrick Parish

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

STREET: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____

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| 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



St. Patrick Parish
130 East Fourth Street
Erie, PA 16507
814-454-8085

Dear Parishioner –

Sunday, May 13, is Mother's Day, a day set aside to particularly remember these wonderful women who not only gave us life but nurtured and nourished us as well.

In many instances, your mother has already gone to her eternal reward and you have no way of once again telling her of your love for her.

Our bulletin of May 12 and 13 will include an insert listing the names of any living or deceased mother or grandmother whom you wish particularly remembered in our Masses that weekend.

If you would like to include someone in that list, please return this listing NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MAY 4, so that we can include these names in that bulletin.

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely,

Msgr. Henry Kriegel

Monsignor Henry Kriegel

In Memory of or in Honor of

From
