

Third Sunday of Easter  
May 5, 2019



St. Patrick Church  
Easter 2019  
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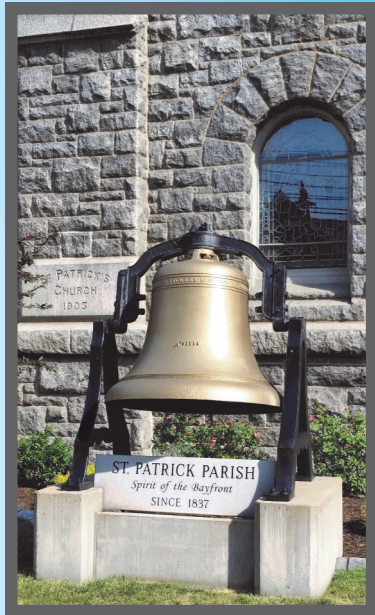
Saint Patrick Parish

*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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Monday-Thursday: 8:30 AM-4:00 PM

#### **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 Third Sunday of Easter. In our first reading, Peter and the apostles pay the price of being jailed and interrogated for their witness to God's salvation. They defend themselves by declaring that such public testimony is more imperative than obedience to human authority, and they rejoice in the ill treatment they received. They remind us that death lasts but a moment; God's love lasts for life eternal.

John's vision in the Book of Revelation offers a dense theology. The slain lamb, recalling the figures of the Suffering Servant and the paschal lamb of the exodus, reveals Christ sacrificed and resurrected, endowed now with the full messianic purpose of saving the world and restoring it to its pristine design. The throne indicates God's absolute sovereignty over history and over all beings, sovereignty now exercised by the risen Christ. The twenty-four elders comprise the ideal church, including the Old and New Covenant (twelve tribes and twelve apostles). The four living creatures are the personified sign of the manifold action of God extending in the four directions of north, south, east and west. Christ, of course, is the slain lamb who, through his sacrifice, gives his life for many; the Lamb who was slain and is "standing" is Christ, once dead, now risen; the "seven horns" refers to the fullness of divine power; the seven eyes are "the seven spirits of God," the fullness of the Spirit. The attributes of the Lamb (power, wealth, etc) are seven, and indicate that the Risen One possesses the fullness of divine virtue.

Fishing may sound to land-dwellers like an appealing trade. Think of the thrill of the catch, the sudden frenzy when the net is full or the bait has been taken. But fishing is not as thrilling as it might sound. There are drawbacks. Fish do not always bite, a school of fish does not always find its way into the nets. It is a grueling task with the damp and cold and the rocking of cramped boats. Is there any wonder that after a night vigil of fishing



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

the disciples were slow to recognize the curious onlooker on the shore? But the beloved disciple had not been daunted by a long night of toil; his gaze was ever on the lookout for the Lord. When he recognizes the bystander, his heart leapt, and he announces, "It is the Lord." Peter puts his clothes on and jumps into the water. The story highlights the personalities of the fervent, impassioned Peter as well as the sublime beloved disciple. Peter, impulsive; the beloved disciple ever watchful and insightful. The beloved disciple was the first to recognize Jesus; Peter the first to go to him (just like Easter morning at the tomb.) The story is all about us.

Two of our children will receive First Communion this weekend. Olivia White will receive during the Saturday evening 5 PM Mass and Tyler Perkins will receive during the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass. I know you join me in congratulating both of them.

I have tried repeatedly to educate people on what the Sacrament for the Sick is and when it should be administered. Many Catholics still believe we give Extreme Unction, the Last Rites, in anticipation of death. That medieval concept was abolished in the mid-1960s during Vatican II and the more appropriate Sacrament for the Sick was re-instituted. The sacrament should be administered to anyone who is going to undergo serious surgery, to anyone who is seriously ill, and to the elderly. We host an annual Anointing Service to which a number of priests are here to anoint people. Parishioners who are elderly, who have chronic health issues, etc. all come for the service and are given the sacrament. If you have an elderly parent or someone at home who is ill, you shouldn't wait until they are near death to call for the priest. I am more than willing to come to your home, to a convalescent home, etc. to administer the sacrament. Just call the rectory and we will set up a time that is convenient for you and give them the sacrament.

A special thanks to parishioner, Michael Pelletier, owner of Commercial Turf Fertilization, who, again this year, is donating 5 fertilization applications plus a preventive grub control application to the grounds at the church and rectory. They have generously done this for the past several years and you can see the results in the lawns.

Homeless Shelter Chairs met recently to review this past year's event and to determine if they will continue to do this. They voted unanimously to continue to provide the February Homeless Shelter with the provision that we provide security from 7 PM until 7 AM the next morning. We are going to seek out some off-duty Erie policemen to be there for that time period. They will have the right to search contents that people are bringing into the shelter, they will have the right to remove anyone who presents a problem and the right to arrest anyone. Fortunately, a parishioner has stepped forward and offered to pay for this added cost. In addition, all of the parish chairpersons are meeting with the Methodist Alliance who oversee the program, provide clean sheets, towels, move all of the cots from one sight to the next, etc. Each parish pays them \$1,000 for their services that week. Angie and several of her fellow chairs are going to ask the Methodist Alliance to also provide a professional person who can deal with the mentally ill because none of our volunteers are professionally trained for that.

I'm grateful that these people are willing to do this again as it is a noble outreach on the part of the parish; though it is not the easiest thing to do. I'm hoping that as we get closer to the event, parishioners will again step forward and volunteer to help. Most of the people we serve in this ministry are people who simply cannot take care of themselves. What is more consistent with the gospel than our stepping forward to help them in their dilemma?

The Irish are always the first ones to come to the aid of their fellow man. Shortly after take-off on an outbound evening Aer Lingus flight from Dublin to Boston, the lead flight attendant nervously made the following painful announcement in her lovely Irish brogue: "Ladies and gentlemen, I'm so very sorry, bit appears that there has been a terrible mix-up by our catering service. I don't know how this happened, but we have 103 passengers on board, and unfortunately, we only received 40 meals for dinner. I truly apologize for this mistake." When the muttering of the passengers died down, she continued, "Anyone who is kind enough to give up their meal so that someone else can eat, will receive free and unlimited drinks for the duration of our ten hour flight. He next announcement came two hours later: "If anyone is hungry, we still have 40 dinners available."



# Saint Patrick News



## Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 7,497.00
Online Giving	<u>1,712.30</u>
Total Income	\$ 9,209.30
Catholic Services Appeal 2019	\$ 87,561.00
Pledged	\$ 87,020.00
Paid	\$ 57,230.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*



## COLLECTION FOR RETIRED PRIESTS—MAY 4/5

The Good Shepherd Collection allows each of us to show our gratitude and support of those priests who have cared for us and our spiritual needs and faithfully served our parishes.



## Congratulations

**Olivia White** who will make her First Communion at the 5:30 PM Mass on Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and **Tyler Perkins** who will make his First Communion at the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

**Mother's Day** carnations provided by People for Life will be available after Masses next weekend. Help celebrate Mother's Day by selecting some beautiful carnations for that special mom in your life. Your donation of \$1 per carnation will help support pro-life educational programs and activities right here in northwestern Pennsylvania



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:

- ♦ **Joseph DeAngelo** from Marjorie Corritore
- ♦ **Rosemarie Bihler & Richard Walach** from Marci Honard
- ♦ **Nylon Warren** from Bill & Patty Jackson
- ♦ **Ray & Olive Blair** from Barbara Rothman
- ♦ **Jack Wilson** from Mark & Susan Sullivan

Also donations from:

Bill & Mary Flanagan, Ken & Pattie Marchant, Karyn Polaski, Mark & Annette Rennie, Patricia Schmidt, Joel Walz and Jill Blaga-Walz

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

## Ministry Schedule

### Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Jay Habas

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Jay Habas, Carol Habas, Diane McCarthy, Ray Fiorelli, **Patty Dailey**

**CUP:** Kathy Sertz, Vickie Lampe

Greeters: Bob & Diane Boeh

Altar Servers: ———

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

### Sunday, May 12, 2019 at 8:00 am

Lector: Dan Bergell

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Golab, Lisa Straub, Bill Gloekler, Patty Gloekler

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

### Sunday, May 12, 2019 at 10:30 am

Lector: Luke Gilmore

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Ryan Palm, Luke Gilmore, Cyndi Pristello, Candy Bukowski, **Mary Williams**

**CUP:** Colleen Welch, Kathleen Pae

Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin

Altar Servers: Juliette Morales, Sarah Pristello

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

Offertory Counters: Bill Welsh, Cindy Welsh, Tim Donlin, Kay Sauers

## 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

**May 4** *Saturday, Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter*

5:00 PM WANDA HABAS (JAY & CAROL HABAS)

**May 5** *Third Sunday of Easter*

8:00 AM ROBERT WEISENFLUH

(MARK & CHELSEY WEISENFLUH)

10:30 AM KATHY SEABROOKE THOMAS

(KATHLEEN & JIM WEHAN)

**May 6** *Monday, Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM MARY DOMOWICZ (FAMILY)

**May 7** *Tuesday, Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM WINONA LIGHTNER, ANNIV. OF BIRTH 4/30

(GREG & SHIRLEY MYERS)

**May 8** *Wednesday, Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM ALICE CARLOTTI, ANNIV. 4/25

(THERESE M. DONOFRIO)

**May 9** *Thursday, Easter Weekday*

8:00 AM MASS

**May 10** *Friday, Easter Weekday*

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

**May 11** *Saturday, Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Easter*

5:00 PM RICHARD VENDETTA, III (BOB & DIANE BOEH)

**May 12** *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

8:00 AM MARY DISANTI (SANDRA STYN)

10:30 AM LORETTA BRUSCHI, ELAYNE COMI (FAMILY)

### **Treat mom to a night out**

Mother's Day is fast approaching. Consider treating your mother to the **Holy Trinity Parish** designer bag and cash bingo event **May 11** at the Harborcreek Fire Department social hall, 7275 Buffalo Road. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with games commencing at 7 p.m. Admission is \$25. Get tickets from any member of the Parish Catholic Education Program, the Holy Trinity Parish office, or by calling 814-450-8135. There will be 10 purse, eight cash and two 50-50 games, as well as a basket auction, raffles, tips and instant games.

### **Healing Mass planned at Holy Rosary Church**

The Son of God Charismatic Prayer Group in Erie is holding a worship service and healing Mass at **Holy Rosary Church**, 2701 East Ave., Erie, on **May 14**. The service begins at 6:15 p.m., followed by Mass at 6:30 p.m. After Mass, priests and deacons will lay hands on anyone seeking physical, spiritual or emotional healing.

### **Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments -**

**Prevalence of Sexual Abuse:** Child sexual abuse is a great deal more prevalent than many imagine. Some studies suggest that as many as one in six boys and one in four girls will be the victim of some form of sexual molestation before the age of 18. That means that, directly or indirectly, child sexual abuse will touch most of us during our lifetime. And although we would like to believe that most accusations are false, the facts tell us that children rarely lie about being molested. In fact, they rarely tell anyone at all. An adult study about the prevalence of sexual abuse found that 42% of the men and 33% of the women who were victimized as children had never told anyone. (Source: Sharon Womak Doty, "Refresher from the Protecting God's Children Program") To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit

<https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/>

### DATES TO REMEMBER

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

**05/04** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**05/07** 9:45 AM Food Pantry - PR

**05/08** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

**05/11** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

## 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 Rectorry**



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Dear Parishioner—

Sunday, May 12, 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 11 and 12 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 MONDAY, MAY 6, 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

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