

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 28, 2017



The Ascension
Stained Glass Window
St. Patrick Church

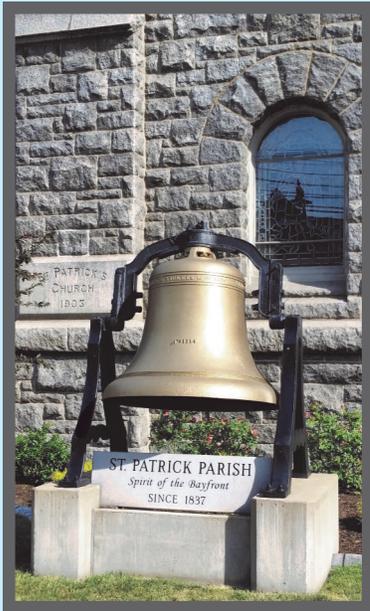
Saint Patrick Parish

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:

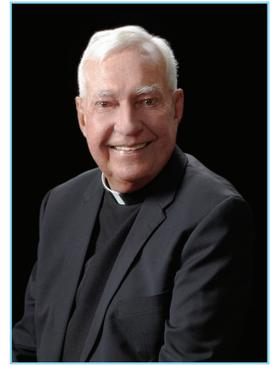
Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM (CHAPEL)

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 a bit of a strange feast. In the universal church, today is the Feast of the Ascension. However, in the northeast United States, and only here, the Ascension is celebrated on this past Thursday and today is the Seventh Sunday of Easter.

In the very early days after the Ascension, the apostles did not go out preaching but instead returned to the Upper Room to pray and await the coming of the Holy Spirit. They were most likely fearful and anxious, uncertain when or how Jesus' promise would be fulfilled. In addition to the eleven apostles, there were a number of other people present, including women. Remember that Jesus defiled the social custom of the day and included women in his entourage and in his ministry. The only woman named today is Mary.

The opening of this exhortation in the Letter of Peter juxtaposes two words that seem to be opposites: rejoicing and suffering. This continues in the next sentence with the pairing of insult and blessing. Peter uses the same word for blessed that Jesus used in the Beatitudes. To be blessed is to be the recipient of God's freely-given kindness, even in the midst of suffering, insults, mourning or persecution. Peter notes that for Christ, as well as for Christians, the other side of suffering is glory. Thus we share not only in the suffering of Christ, but we also share in God's glory.

When Jesus performed his first miracle at Cana, he told his mother, "My hour has not yet come." At that stage, the significance of the hour remained mysterious. Now, as Jesus is gathered with his disciples at a final meal, he prays aloud, "Father, the hour has come." We learn that his hour is a departure out of this world to return to the Father who had sent him. By accomplishing the work the Father gave him, Jesus glorified his Father, and now asks that the Father give glory to him. The profound intimacy of Jesus with his Father radiates out to embrace all those the

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

Father has given him, including ourselves. His gift to us is eternal life. And, finally, this prayer is referred to as Jesus' high priestly prayer, perhaps best understood as his priestly intercession before the Father for all of us.

Our neighbors at the Church of the Nativity are hosting their Russian Festival this weekend. The festival will be open on Sunday from noon until 9 PM, and they will be serving a Russian breakfast from 10 AM until noon for \$10. The church will also be open for tours, and if you have never seen the interior of the building, I encourage you to do so. It is one of the great religious icons of Erie, an absolutely breathtaking interior of icons and paintings.

We've run into a problem at St. Patrick's that an increasing number of parishes are facing: we are out of Mass intentions!! When I was first ordained, every parish had so many Masses that it was difficult to fulfill the obligations. Now, we're finding that, rather than offering a Mass at the time of a death, people are making donations to charities, etc. We have enough Masses for the weekends, but we do not have enough intentions to fulfill during the week. An added difficulty to this is that the Mass stipends are an integral part of a priest's salary. More and more parishes are experiencing this reality as people request fewer and fewer Mass intentions for deceased family. While we have a number of intentions that are scheduled, you will begin to notice days where there is a Mass but with no intention.

A large scale Dental Clinic will be held Friday, June 16, and Saturday, June 17 in the Gannon University Wellness Center at 130 West 4th St. Treatment is free and it is open to all who cannot afford dental care. Treatment is provided on a first-come, first-served basis. Several hundred people are expected, and it would be wise to come early. Children are welcome as well as adults. The number of patients is limited to 1,000 per day. Patients should be prepared to wait several hours for an appointment.

Congratulations to Father Joseph Wardanski who will celebrate his 50th anniversary of ordination with a special Mass at 2 PM today here in St. Patrick's Church. Father Joe originally taught at

Cathedral Prep and then served as chaplain at St. Mary's Home East for more than thirty years. During a long period of that tenure, he lived in residence here at St. Patrick's Rectory.

The parish office will be closed on Monday for the observance of Memorial Day. Bishop Persico will celebrate Mass for all of the deceased at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, and that Mass is open to the public.

The second stage of Pastoral Planning for the diocese will get underway with meetings scheduled in areas of the diocese in June. We will meet June 13, at Our Lady of Peace for a light supper and a two hour meeting to discuss Faith Formation. The intention is to completely re-think how we do Religious Education, Confirmation, etc. It is clearly obvious that the way we are doing these things today is not working; and hopefully we can come up with better solutions. If anyone is interested in being part of this, contact me, and I'll be glad to include you on our team.

An elderly couple walk into McDonald's on a cold winter evening. The old man walked up to the cash register, placed his order and paid for their meal. They took a table in the back and others noticed there was only one hamburger, one order of french fries and one drink. The old man unwrapped the hamburger and carefully cut it in half. He placed one half in front of his wife. Then he carefully counted out the french fries, divided them in two piles and placed one in front of his wife and the other on his side. He took a sip of the drink, his wife took a sip, and set the cup between them. As the man began to eat, several other people noticed and said, "That poor old couple. All they can afford is one meal between themselves. At that a young man approached them and offered to buy another meal, but the old man replied that they were just fine, that he and his wife share everything. He noticed that the old woman hadn't eaten anything but just sat there watching her husband. Again the young man offered to buy another order, but the old man refused saying we're used to sharing everything together. Finally, the young man couldn't stand it anymore and asked the old woman, "Why aren't you eating? You said you share everything. What is it you're waiting for?" She replied quietly, "The teeth."



Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

Offertory Collection:	\$ 7,249.00
Online Giving	<u>1,639.30</u>
Total Income	\$ 8,888.30

Catholic Services Appeal:

Assessment	\$ 74,000.00
Pledges to Date	\$105,061.43
Paid to date	\$ 75,276.43
# of Pledges	231
% of families	26%

Thank you for your generosity!



We *Congratulate and Welcome*
Quinlan Cullen who is making her
First Communion at the 10:30 AM Mass



Let Us *Welcome*
Levi Steven Jablonski
son of
Joseph Alan & Lisa Ann (Pifer) Jablonski
who will be baptized
after the 10:30 AM Liturgy

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 made in memory of:

- ◆ **Grace Karle** from Nancy Crunk
- ◆ **Carol & Debra Donnelly** from James Donnelly
- ◆ **Carol & Debbi** from Patricia Donnelly
- ◆ **Mary Ellen McGrath** from Kathy Fatica
- ◆ **Susan Lacy** from Leo & Jane Fitzgibbon
- ◆ **George Garfield** from Marilyn Garfield
- ◆ **Felicita Fabrizio** from Mary McCarthy
- ◆ **Norman Murphy, Ruth Janoski, Ronny Chesko, & Joe Deutsch** from Patrick Murphy
- ◆ **Mary Nason** from Deborah Musolff
- ◆ **Helen & Josephine** from Eugene & Kathleen Polaski

Also donations from:

Robert & Mildred Biebel, Mary Ellen Demyanovich,
William & Mary Flanagan, John & Cynthia Purvis

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

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 3, 2017 at 5:00 pm

Lector: *Mary Beth Pinto*

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: *Mary Beth Pinto, Ray Fiorelli, Patty Dailey*

CUP: *Alex Vinesky, Kaleigh Hubert*

Greeters: *Phil & Judy Kelly*

Altar Servers: *Collin & Ryan Hudson*

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

Sunday, June 4, 2017 at 8:00 am

Lector: *Fred Olds*

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

Ushers: *John Maloney, Dave Korn, Chuck Straub,
1 NEEDED*

Sunday, June 4, 2017 at 10:30 am

Lector: *Dario Cipriani*

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: *Dario Cipriani, Michele Wheaton,
Charla Leemhuis*

CUP: *Tim Scully, Cyndi Pristello*

Greeters: *Charla Leemhuis, 1 NEEDED*

Altar Servers: *Juliette Morales, Sarah Pristello*

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

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

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.



If anyone knows of a friend or family member living in a nursing facility, assisted living center or a shut-in that would like a friendly visit, please contact the Parish office at 454-8085.





111 DAYS TO THE IRISH FESTIVAL

Mc-Mac-O

A thousand and more years ago, lineage—who was who's son—was much more important than it is today because rights and possessions, including land, passed from father to son in a rather strict order. Back then nobody much wrote anything down, so they needed a way to keep track of who belonged to whom. Most cultures back then had a way of naming people so they could keep track of lineage. If you had been born back then, you would have been given a unique first name and a second name that identified your father—a name called a “patronymic.” In Russia, those are the “vich” names—if you were Nikolai, son of Ivan, you would be Nikolai Ivanovich. In Israel, they are the “ben” names—David Ben Gurion is David, the son of Gurion. In English, they were the “son” names. Gary Johnson would have been John's son, Gary. And in Ireland, of course, they are the “Mac” names.

“Mac,” originally meant “son of” in Irish. It was often shortened to “Mc” and sometimes to “M.” So Paddy McDermot was Dermot's son, Paddy. “O” originally meant “grandson of,” so Michael O'Brian was Brian's grandson, Michael. Eventually, the two simply came to mean “descendent of.” In old Ireland, the naming convention was so strong that early settlers to Ireland like the Vikings often added a “Mac” to their names to better fit in. The modern name, MacAuliffe, comes from “son of Olaf.”

Tracing your Irish name can become rather a challenge for a number of reasons. The “Mac” names went in and out of fashion, depending on who ruled in Ireland or where your allegiances lay. Many an Irishman would drop the “Mc” from his name when dealing with the English courts or landlords, only to add it back when hanging out with his friends. And census takers often shortened “Mac” to “Mc” just to save time and pencil lead. In some cases, the “Mc” would be dropped for a generation or two, only to be added back later when the political climate or fashion changed. Sometimes, a “Mc” would be added back wrong—as a “Mac” or even as an “O.” Or not added back at all. And, contrary to popular belief, “Mac” is not Scottish and “Mc” Irish. “Mc” is just a short “Mac.”

An expert on Irish names, Michael O'Laughlin, has a rather interesting example of just how difficult tracing your Irish name can be—one close to our hearts. If the founding Fathers of our St. Patrick's, the Cauley brothers, went looking for their ancestors in Ireland, they might find that they were originally named MacAmhlaoibh, or McAuley, M'Auly, M'Ouly, MacCauley, MacCalley, Magawley, Cawley, or even O'Cauley. Or, at one point or another, all of those.

The good news for us is that the “Mc” is back in fashion! So we suggest that, for a few days in September, you all add a “Mc” to your name and hurry down to our little piece of Ireland. You'll be joining the likes of Dave McTacone, Abby McLechner, Chuck McAgresti, Linda McPfeffer, Mary McWegelin, Scott McLightner, Father McKriegel—and Mc-everyone else who is working so hard to make this year's festival the greatest celebration of Irish-American Culture the city has ever seen.

Everyone is Irish at the Festival. Gary and Becky McJohnson, Festival Chairs, can be reached at gjohnson@brotolocsouth.com or beckyjkj@neo.rr.com.

LITURGY INTENTIONS

May 27 Saturday, Vigil: Seventh Sunday of Easter

5:00 PM BOB MCCARTHY

(MICHELE & JIM OVERDORF)

May 28 Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM JOHN KRAUCHEN, SR., ANNIV.

(BILL & BARBARA KRAUCHEN THOMPSON)

10:30 AM LUKE PURVIS (DAVID & SUE TACCONE)

May 29 Monday, Easter Weekday, Memorial Day

8:00 AM NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

May 30 Tuesday, Easter Weekday

8:00 AM PAUL PASTORE (ROGER & ANITA AMENDOLA)

May 31 Wednesday, The Visitation of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM MATT LYDEN (BILL & RENEE LYDEN)

June 1 Thursday, Saint Justin, Martyr

8:00 AM MARION BORKOWSKI, ANNIV.

(DAUGHTER, PATRICIA ANTONOPLOS)

June 2 Friday, Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

8:00 AM NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

June 3 Saturday, Vigil: Pentecost Sunday

5:00 PM JIM KAVENEY (ANNIE & MARTY KAVERMAN)

June 4 Pentecost Sunday

8:00 AM AURELIA “IRISH” ARDERY (FAMILY)

10:30 AM PATRICK DOYLE (CARLOW SISTERS)

DATES TO REMEMBER

St.P=St. Patrick, HR=Holy Rosary

CP=Chapel, PR=Pascal Room, R=Rectory

05/28 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

05/29 Office closed—Memorial Day

05/30 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

05/31 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

06/03 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

Jewelry and Purse Raffle—

*featuring designer
purses and jewelry*

Tickets will be sold at all
Masses

Saturday, June 3 and
Sunday, June 4.

Tickets are 6 for \$5 or
\$1 each

All proceeds benefits
St. Patrick

Erie Irish Festival

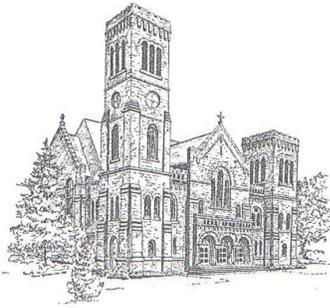


Russian Orthodox Church of the Nativity TROIKA Russian Festival

Sunday, May 28, 2017 - Noon to 9 p.m.

Church of the Nativity Community Center

109 German Street, Erie, PA 16507



SAINT PATRICK PARISH

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FAX: 814/459-8685

Dear Parishioner –

Sunday, June 18, is Father’s Day, a day set aside to particularly remember these wonderful men who not only gave us life but nurtured and nourished us as well.

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

Our bulletin on June 17 & 18 will include an insert listing the names of any living or deceased father or grandfather 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, June 9, so that we can include these names in that bulletin.

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely,

Monsignor Henry Kriegel

In Memory of or in Honor of

From

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Gannon to host free dental care clinic

Volunteers with MOM-n-PA Dental Missions, a clinic that provides free dental care to the underprivileged, will offer services June 16-17 at Gannon University's Recreation and Wellness Center, 130 W. 4th St., Erie. Doors open each day at 6 a.m. Treatment will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis. No need to show medical/insurance cards or identification. To help volunteer for this event in any capacity, go to <http://www.mom-n-pa.com/> or call Gannon's Recreation and Wellness Center at 814-871-7770.

Summer camps offered at Gannon University

Gannon University is Erie offers a summer camp for youth ages 6 to 18 on topics ranging from baseball to theater, criminal investigation to environmental health. Go to <http://camps.gannon.edu/> for more information.

**Couples celebrating 25, 50, 60 or more years of marriage are invited to event**

The 2017 Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration Liturgies for couples celebrating 25, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2017 will be held at two locations: St. Leo Magnus, Ridgway on August 6, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. and St. Jude the Apostle, Erie on August 13, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. Bishop Persico will preside at the Erie liturgy and Bishop Emeritus Trautman will preside in Ridgway. Liturgy will include presentation of scrolls to each anniversary couple. A light reception in the parish social hall will follow. Couples can register online at

<http://www.ErieRCD.org/anniv.htm>.

Hard-copy registration forms are to be mailed to: Family Life Office, St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd, Erie, PA 16504; or faxed to 814-824-1264. For further questions, call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1250, or email chess@ErieRCD.org.

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

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Dr. Maria Orlando & Dr. Carla Orlando
 3235 West 38th St., Erie, PA 814-833-8860
 for advertising in our parish bulletin.