

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 28, 2019



Statue in East Garden  
St. Patrick Church

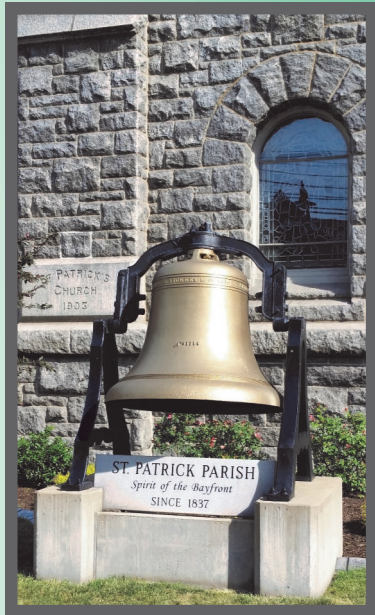
Saint Patrick Parish

*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  
Erie, PA 16507

***Monsignor Henry A. Kriegel—Pastor***

*Janine Carch Sliker—Office Manager*

*Ann Halupczynski—Director of Finances*

*Tom Golab—Sacristan*

*Mark Alloway—Organist, Music Director*

*Jan Gervasi—Wedding Coordinator*

*Anne Causgrove—Baptismal Preparation*

*Mary Pat Schlaudecker—Archivist,  
Genealogy research*

Phone: 814-454-8085

FAX: 814-459-8685

Email: [stpat@neo.rr.com](mailto:stpat@neo.rr.com)

Website: [www.saintpatrickparisherie.org](http://www.saintpatrickparisherie.org)

Office Hours:

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 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Among God's promises to Abraham was that "all the communities of the earth shall find blessing you." In today's reading, Abraham asks God to bless the sinful city, Sodom. In his pleading, Abraham becomes a model of intercession for sinners. Abraham mediates for such a sinful city for the sake of the righteous people living within it, using language that is both boldly insistent and deferential. He seems shocked at the notion that God would act unjustly: "Far be it from you to do such a thing, to make the innocent die with the guilty." Both Abraham and God show future generations what justice entails.

In the short reading from Colossians, Paul gives us a succinct explanation of baptism. The terminology he uses is distinctly Pauline. He uses a new vocabulary to describe a new reality, using a series of compound verbs with the prefix *syn*, meaning *with*; his new vocabulary can be translated as *co-buried*, *co-raised* and *co-living*. The experience of being immersed into Christ at Baptism means that the baptized participate in the Paschal Mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. Those who are baptized have no need of the ritual of circumcision. In Paul's understanding, baptism can be regarded as a spiritual circumcision that accomplished what the physical ritual could not. Though some of the Christian preachers had demanded circumcision for Gentile converts, Paul vehemently rejected the practice. Paul develops his baptismal teaching with another comparison: a bond of debt. Christ's death has cancelled our debt to God.

As Jesus and his disciples make their way to Jerusalem, he has been teaching them by word and example how to follow him on the way. When they see him praying, they ask him to teach them to pray as John the Baptist had taught his disciples. He gives them a three-fold teaching. He begins by telling them "when you pray say," followed by a brief prayer addressed to the Father.

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

Next he presents a parable illustrating the need for persistence. Then he concluded with saying that further develop how a loving father responds to a child who asks. The prayer he teaches is communal, with believers together addressing God as Father. The final segment of teaching reinforces the necessity of repeatedly asking God for what we ask. Ask, seek, knock. The father will not be turned away by such persistence.

A new Gallup poll shows that a narrow majority of Americans now consider abortion "morally unacceptable," while less than 10% disapprove of birth control. Fifty percent of the survey respondents disapproved of abortion, with 42% approving though the poll has a margin of error of four percentage points. At the same time, approval of sexual relations between an unmarried man and woman edged up two points since last year to 71%, which is the highest approval rating Gallup has yet recorded on that issue. Approval for divorce is also at an all-time high, at 77%. The least acceptable scenario for the respondents, with nearly 90% disapproving, was "married men and women having an affair."

Cardinal Walter Kasper, a close theological adviser to Pope Francis, said that if during an upcoming meeting of bishops on the Amazon region the prelates will ask for the ordination of married men, and that the pope would grant their request. Pope Francis has already said that theologians should study the possibility of older married men being ordained.

A new study by the Ruth Institute shows a rise in the number of complaints of sexual abuse by Catholic priests in the U.S. After peaking in the 1980s, the reported incidents fell dramatically; but the new study shows a small but potentially significant climb since 2010. The study also revealed that the new cases of reported abuse were more likely to involve female victims. The study also shows that most of the priests accused of abuse in recent years have been older clerics; 52% have been ordained for at least 30 years.

Because of immigrants there are now more churches in Great Britain than there are pubs!! While the number of Anglicans, Catholics and Presbyterians—who make up 60 percent of the

church member in the UK—have shrunk by 16 percent in the past five years. The influx of immigrants has seen the population of London rise from 7 million to 8 million over the last decade, and these immigrants are opening new churches at an alarming rate with two new ones opening every week. The Redeemed Church of God, which hails from West Africa, has opened over 800 churches in the UK since 1992. As a result, there are now more churches than the 39,000 pubs left in the island nation.

Congratulations to St. Patrick parishioner Andy Sisinni who was recently inducted into the Metro Erie Chapter of the Pennsylvania Hall of Fame.

Father Probo Vaccarini turned 100 on June 4 and he celebrated the occasion by concelebrating Mass with his four sons who are also priests. Vaccarini was born in Italy in 1919. He was sent to fight in WW I and upon returning became a disciple of Padre Pio. He married a high school sweetheart and they had 7 children, 4 boys and 3 girls. He eventually became a permanent deacon and following the death of his wife was ordained a priest in 1988 at the age of 69.

The billionaire donors who publicly proclaimed they would give hundreds of millions to rebuild Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris have not yet paid a penny toward the restoration of the French national monument. Instead it's mainly American and French individuals, via Notre Dame charitable foundations, that are behind the first contributors paying the bills and salaries for up to 150 workers. This month they are handing over the first private payment for the cathedral's reconstruction of 3.6 million euros (\$4 million). Almost one billion was promised. "The big donors haven't paid. Not a cent," said Andre Finot, senior press official at Notre Dame. He added that 90% of the donations received to date are from Americans.

A few random thoughts.....How to prepare Tofu: Throw it in the trash and grill some meat.....A recent study has found women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it. ....Remember back when we were kids and every time it was below zero they closed school? Me neither.....Just remember, once you're over the hill you begin to pick up speed....I think I'll just put an "Out of Order" sticker on my forehead and call it a day.





# Saint Patrick News



## Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 9,157.00
Online Giving	<u>1,817.30</u>
Total Income	\$ 10,649.30

*Thank you for your generosity!*



*The Sanctuary Lamp  
burns in loving memory of  
**Pudge Williams**  
from Bill & Mary Flanagan*

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:

- ♦ **Michael P. Drobish** from Victoria Abbott
- ♦ **Mary Tellers** from Mary Anne Ashworth
- ♦ **Emory Lang** from Mary Atzert
- ♦ **JoAnne Barber McCormick** from Ryan Carey & Maureen Barber-Carey
- ♦ **Mildred Biebel** from Robert Biebel
- ♦ **Dorothy Chessario** from Michael & Mary Callaghan
- ♦ **Ann Greene** from Jane Carney
- ♦ **Tom Byrne** from Corrine Cassa
- ♦ **Patrick Chandley** from Laura Chandley
- ♦ **John & Marjorie DeBias** from Kevin & Margaret Cohick
- ♦ **Barbara Mack** from Tim & Sheila Mack
- ♦ **Bill Dougherty** from Jim & Kathy Sertz
- ♦ **Helen Grande, Chuck Thomas** from Andrea Valerio-Malone

Also donations from:

Janice Cole, Ken & Alice Daub, Nick & Terre DeSantis, Paul & Nancy Ditmore, Ann Downing, Dennis & Marie Gritzer, Jay & Carol Habas, Ed & Bonnie Han-nold, Francis Hart, Carlee J. Pentz, Randy & Cyndi Pristello and Dave & Julie Sanner

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



Let us *Welcome*  
**Lilianna Rose Pearson**  
and  
**Ayden Michael Pearson**  
children of  
Cameron and Alexandra (Baker) Pearson  
who will be baptized  
after the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday

## Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, August 3, 2019 at 5:00 pm**

Lector: Jay Habas

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Jay Habas , Carol Habas , Ray Fiorelli,  
Kathy Sertz, Diane McCarthy

CUP: Patty Dailey, Shirley Winschel

Greeters: **NEEDED**

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

**Sunday, August 4, 2019 at 8:00 am**

Lector: Nick Straub

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Golab, Nancy Andrzejewski,  
Barb Fischer, Pattie Marchant

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

**Sunday, August 4, 2019 at 10:30 am**

Lector: Karyn Polaski

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Mary Williams, Megan Gilmore,  
Colleen Welch, Cyndi Pristello, Dotty Schloss

CUP: Mary Kearney, Candy Bukowski

Greeters: **NEEDED**

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

Offertory Counters: Mary Kearney, Mary Williams,  
Mary Pat Schlaudecker. Phil & Denise Rewers

## Jewelry/Purse Raffle Basket

**Featuring designer purses and jewelry**

Tickets will be sold at all Masses  
this weekend for the  
raffle basket that benefits

St. Patrick Church, Erie Irish Festival

**Tickets are 6 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each**

## LITURGY INTENTIONS

**July 27** *Saturday, Vigil: 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 PM THOMAS COOK, WEDDING ANNIVERSARY  
(BOB LAFARO)

**July 28** *Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. PATRICK  
10:30 AM BOB SAUERS (JIM SPIEGEL)

**July 29** *Monday, Saint Martha*

8:00 AM MASS

**July 30** *Tuesday, Saint Bridget, Religious*

8:00 AM JOHN KRAUCHEN, JR., ANNIV.  
(BARBARA THOMPSON)

**July 31** *Wednesday, Weekday*

8:00 AM JOHN & BESSIE WEBER FAMILY (ESTATE)

**Aug. 1** *Thursday, Saint James, Apostle*

8:00 AM MASS

**Aug. 2** *Friday, Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the  
Blesses Virgin Mary*

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

**Aug. 3** *Saturday, Vigil: 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 PM MICHAEL DAILEY, WEDDING ANNIV. 7/29  
(WIFE, PATTY)

**Aug. 4** *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM KATHLEEN LOREI  
(VINNIE & ANN HALUPCZYNSKI)  
10:30 AM NANCY JACKSON, ANNIV. (FAMILY)

## DATES TO REMEMBER

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

**07/27** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**07/30** 9:45 AM Food Pantry - PR

**07/31** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

**08/03** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P



## Save the Date

Don't Forget to Support  
**St. Patrick Church!!**

There are **TWO** ways donors can make gifts for **Erie Gives** this year. In addition to online giving on **Tuesday, August 13**, the Foundation will now accept checks on Monday, August 12.

### **Check Donation Details:**

- Checks must be made out to The Erie Community Foundation.
- All check donations must be accompanied by a **Check Donation Form** ([www.eriegives.org](http://www.eriegives.org) to download form)
- Checks must be delivered to The Erie Community Foundation (459 West 6th Street, Erie, PA 16507) no later than Monday, August 12.

### **Online Donation Details:**

On Tuesday, August 13, visit [www.ErieGives.org](http://www.ErieGives.org)  
Donate \$25 or more to your favorite nonprofit(s) using your debit or credit card.

## **47 DAYS TO THE 2019 ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL**



### **WHAT A FOOL BELIEVES**

I have an otherwise intelligent cousin, Tony Scialdone, who believes that the Doobie Brother's song, "What a Fool Believes" is the greatest rock song of all time. In actual point of fact, what a fool believes is that "What a Fool Believes" is the greatest rock song of all time. A wise man has the power to know that "Bell Bottom Blues" by Derek and the Dominoes is actually the greatest rock song of all time.

Here are some more things that a fool believes.

1. Volunteering at the Erie Irish Festival is work.
2. Going to festivals can be a real pain in the pew-warmer.
3. Festival Fever is a disease to be avoided at all costs.
4. You have to be a St. Patrick's parishioner to volunteer at the Erie Irish Festival.

Now, we all know that Father Kriegel don't preach to no fools in this here parish, so we know that you know that:

1. Volunteering is fun! We all get to do stuff we don't normally do and meet folks we don't normally meet and everyone is pulling together on the same rope in the same direction like a team.
2. Coming to the Erie Irish Festival is not only painless because of the ample free parking, free admission, free children's activities, and great free entertainment, it's more fun than a barrel of Irish monkeys. If you don't come, we'll miss you.
3. Festival Fever, though highly contagious, is not at all painful and will resolve itself by September 16 with only a short course of Irish Red Ale, Guinness, Shepard's Pie, Reubens, and our proprietary Guinness Beer Cheese Sauce slathered on everything.
4. This is the **ERIE** Irish Festival and everyone and anyone can volunteer—we even have folks from Pittsburgh--and Ohio! Tell your friends to volunteer.
5. My cousin, Tony Scialdone, doesn't know thing one about what makes a great rock song. "What a Fool Believes"—give us a break!

**There are volunteer pledge cards at the back of church. Grab one. We're counting on you.**

But, if you can't volunteer, we're counting on you to come to the festival and have a great time.

Because, hey, there ain't no fools in this house, believe that!

Gary Johnson, Entertainment Chair.

### Zabawa needs volunteers

Looking for a great opportunity to help out over the summer and be involved in one of the most well-attended events in the Diocese of Erie? Holy Trinity's Zabawa festival needs help with serving food. Organizers are looking for 10 to 12 energetic volunteers (teenagers and up) for each shift. Sign up for as many hours as you'd like by contacting Sarah at [scher-mack@eriefamilylaw.com](mailto:scher-mack@eriefamilylaw.com). High school students in need of service hours are welcome.



### Be cautious about sharing personal information

*In this age when personal data can be misused by scam artists, please be aware that the Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, its clergy, and entities such as parishes and schools will never solicit your personal or business information by any method unless initiated by you. Should you receive an unsolicited request for such information – including a request for gift cards of any type – exercise extreme caution. Contact the person or entity by using official contact information only. Do not use contact information provided in the potential fraudulent request.*

### 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.



The *St. James Annual Summer Festival* will be held **summer festival** on **August 2, 3, and 4, 2019**, at 2602/2622 Buffalo Road. Grounds open at 5 pm on Friday and Saturday, and at Noon on Sunday. Festivities continue until 10 pm each night. Pony rides, games of chance, casino and BINGO each day. On Friday an Authentic Italian Dinner featuring Chuck & Ginny's famous sauce begins at 5 pm. Cost: Adults - \$9/Children 12 & Under \$4. A full-course Turkey Dinner will be held on Sunday from Noon-6 pm. Cost: Adults - \$10/Children 6-12 \$6/Under 6 \$3. Join us for the Polka Mass at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday. DJ Ken Olowin plays all three nights. For additional information call 899-6178

### Spaghetti dinner/car show scheduled at St. Boniface



Save the date for a spaghetti dinner and car show **Aug. 10 at St. Boniface Church**, 9363 Wattsburg Road, Erie. Dinner will be served from 4 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. A car cruise-in also will be featured. Cars will line up at 3 p.m. There is a \$5 admission fee for exhibitors; free for spectators. Vote for your favorite car. Rain or shine.

### Bowling with JOY Ministries-

Please join JOY Ministries for an evening of bowling, pizza, and friendship at Eastway Lanes, 4110 Buffalo Rd., Erie PA 16510 on **Friday, August 23rd** from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Price for the event is \$3.00 per person payable at the time of the event. Reservations need to be made by Tuesday, August 20th to Michele Inter at 814-824-1257 or [minter@eriercd.org](mailto:minter@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

**PLEASE DROP THIS INFORMATION INTO Offertory Basket or mail to Rectory**



## ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL SPONSORSHIP FORM

Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:

- |                          |   |          |
|--------------------------|---|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Corporate Entertainment Sponsor Full<br>Page Ad, Signage at Event | \$600.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Full Page   | \$275.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1/2 Page  | \$175.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1/4 Page  | \$125.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Business Card   | \$ 75.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Memorial or Friend  | \$ 25.00 |

Make your check payable to **ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL**. Send this form and check to:

Erie Irish Festival  
130 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Erie, PA 16507

Please see the attached for specifications and sizes of advertisements. Please indicate if you are sending in new artwork or using a previous year's artwork for the advertisement.

- ☐ I am emailing new artwork to [stpats@neo.rr.com](mailto:stpats@neo.rr.com)
- ☐ Please reuse last year's artwork for my advertisement

Any questions, contact **Program Chair Susan Sullivan at 881-4319**. All Sponsorship Forms must be received by **August 16, 2019**.