Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 12, 2018



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



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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 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Elijah, disillusioned because of the constant opposition his pro-



phetic work has aroused, was ready to give up. But roused and fed by God, he spent forty days and nights retracing the Israelites' forty-year desert trek, going up Mount Horeb to meet God. This story focuses on the breakfast the angel provided under the shrub, a reviving meal that prefigures Eucharist –food for the journey. We pilgrims traveling toward the eternal inheritance are sustained by the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Mt. Horeb is where Elijah meets God who restored his energy to continue his service. All along the wilderness path the prophet was strengthened by food, and so are we. Thus invigorated, we continue our journey to the mountain of God.

In Chapter 4 of the Letter to the Ephesians, the author has been expounding on the lifestyle expected of a Christian who receives the grace of the Holy Spirit. In this passage, he outlines the effects of the people's incorporation into the Christian community. The phrase, "grieve the Holy Spirit" echoes Isaiah 63:10, speaking of the disobedient Israelites: "they rebelled and grieved the holy spirit." He presents a list of vices to avoid, all of which have their root in anger, about which the author has said "do not let the sun set on your anger" (4:26). After the list of unacceptable behaviors, this principle is laid down: behave toward one another as God behaves toward you. The behavior of the Christian should be kind, compassionate and forgiving. What is remarkable is the degree of perfection that is asked of the Christian-to be all things, not in a mediocre way, but in a way that seems impossible for ordinary people: "forgiving one another as God has forgiven you."

In today's gospel, the audience is not the beneficiary of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes but the "Jews" who murmur, as did the Israelites in the desert. The people John describes may be Galileans who are familiar with Jesus'

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

background and thus conclude that he is just too ordinary to be the Messiah. This passage shows the reasons why the religious authorities, "the Jews," rejected Jesus, and in rejecting him rejected eternal life. They weighed everything by human standards. Because God's message came to them by a simple carpenter, they reject it.

Sometime, most likely in the 1970s, the façade pipes (the large pipes which you see when you look up at the pipe organ) were painted. Unfortunately, they used an oil-based paint and the oil ate through the pipes. When they started to remove them, they discovered how fragile they were. I was utterly shocked when they had me up to the plant to show me the extent of the damage. The restoration of these facade pipes added an additional \$26,000 to the already \$432,000 cost of restoring the pipe organ. Those pipes have been restored and painted, but they will look different in appearance than before. Morgan and Kathy Jacox, who have donated the \$432,000 to restore the pipe organ, have also given me a check for the additional \$26,000 to restore these.

Wednesday of this week is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a holy day of obligation for Catholics and Mass will be celebrated in the main church at noon.

The Pew Research Center just released data on marriage and childbearing in the United States, and it show that the median age for marriage is 29.5 years for men and 27.4 years for women. These are the oldest median marriage ages on record. That has certainly been my experience with all of the weddings here. I don't think I have married anyone younger than 25 in the nine years I have been here. The report also explored cohabitation and concluded that 64.5 percent of participants in a study of Americans age 18-44 had "cohabitated with a romantic partner at some point outside of marriage." Other reports place that percentage at 70 percent. Cohabitating couples are also increasingly likely to have children. There has been a 15 percent increase in cohabitating parents from 1997 to 2017. The report notes that "cohabitation has greatly increased in large measure because, while people are delaying marriage to ever greater ages, they are not delaying sex, living together, or childbearing."

Tuesday is Erie Gives Day, a day created by the Erie Community Foundation in which, if you make a donation to the parish, we share in a larger pool of money donated by the Erie Community Foundation, GE & Erie Insurance. I hope you would consider a gift to the parish that day.

The Sacrament of the Sick is intended to be just that-a sacrament given people who are seriously ill, elderly or before undergoing major surgery. It is NOT the Last Rites. That concept grew in the Middle Ages and was a terrible misunderstanding of the sacrament. If someone in your family fits these categories, I ask you not to wait until they are on their deathbed to call the priest; but to do it because of their age, the degree of their illness or they are undergoing serious surgery. Last year we held an Anointing Service in church with a group of priests to help anoint people. It was very well attended, and we're going to repeat it again this fall. I encourage the elderly, those dealing with chronic illness, etc. to attend and to receive the sacrament.

This was actually reported by a teacher. After Christmas, a teacher asked her young pupils how they spent their holiday. One child wrote the following: We always used to go to grandma and grandpa's. They lived in a big brick house but grandpa got retarded and they moved to Batemans Bay where everyone lives in nice little houses so they don't have to mow the grass anymore. They ride around on their bicycles and scooters and wear name tags because they don't know who they are anymore. They go to a building called a Wrecked Center, but have got it fixed because it is all ok. They do exercises but they don't do them very well. There is a swimming pool and they all jump up and down with their hats on. At the gate, there is a doll house with a little old man sitting in it. He watches all day so nobody can escape. Sometimes they sneak out, and go cruising in their golf carts. Nobody cooks; they just eat out and they eat the same thing every nite-early birds. Some who sneak out bring back food to the Wrecked Center for pot luck. My grandma says that grandpa worked hard to earn his retardment and that I should work hard so I can be retarded someday too. When I earn my retardment, I want to be the man in the doll house. Then I can let people out so they can visit their grandchildren.



Saint Patrick News



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Thank you for your generosity!



Erie Gives Day Tuesday, August 14th! Don't Forget to Support St. Patrick Church

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

The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week by Kathy Alessi.

Donations to the Food Pantry were made in memory of:

- Katie Abbott from Mary Beth Abbott and Elli Veres •
- Those deceased in 2018, Billy Alex, Dennis Cerami, Sue Schoullis-Gurd, Gary Oblywanik, Coach Rupe Stadmiller from St. Patrick School Alumni Association
- Ronald Angelotti from Eric & Deborah Enzbrenner
- **Uncle Jeff Bomba** from Ben & Delainey •
- JoAnne Barber McCormick from Ryan Carey & ٠ Maureen Barber-Carey
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> Special Thank You!!! to PANERA BREAD & **EDIBLE ARRANGEMENT'S HABORCREEK**



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of **Robert Vitron** from Bobbie Vitron

Welcome New Parishioners Julie Mellin Jack & Lisa Nally Greg & Sharon Lampe Marion Townes Jackie Colish Tonv & Jan Scicchitano Chris Antolik

Ministry Schedule Saturday, August 18, 2018 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Bill Power Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Bill Power, Carolyn Power, Kay Mannino CUP: Mary Beth Pinto, Kathy Sertz Greeters: Jane Carney, Kathleen Horan Altar Servers: **NEEDED** Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers, Jim Sertz

Sunday, August 19, 2018 at 8:00 am Lector: Nick Straub Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Golab, Lisa Straub, Joe Schneider

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

Sunday, August 19, 2018 at 10:30 am Lector: Ed Smith Eucharistic Ministers: HOST: Ed Smith, Cyndi Pristello, Mary Kearney CUP: Mary Williams, Forrest Mischler Greeters: NEEDED Altar Servers: Juliette Morales Ushers: Randy Pristello, Dave Wilcox, John Purvis, Chuck Agresti Offertory Counters: Mary Kearney, Mary Williams, Mary Pat Schlaudecker, Barb Miles

<u>NEED PRAYERS?</u> 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

Aug. 11 Saturday, Vigil: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm forrest & gertrude shorts
(JUDY FREIWALD)
Aug. 12 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM DOROTHY COLONY
(MARK & CHELSEY WEISENFLUH)
10:30 AM NANCY JACKSON, ANNIV. (AUDREY METZGAR)
Aug. 13 Monday, Weekday
8:00 AM THOMAS COOK, ANNIV. OF BIRTH
(CHUCK & WNDY WEBER)
Aug. 14 Tuesday, Saint Maximilian Kolbe,
Priest and Martyr
8:00 AM JOYCE MCLANAHAN
(PAUL & EILEEN BALCZUN)
Aug. 15 Wednesday, The Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
12:00 PM PRO POPULO
"FOR THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. PATRICK"
Aug. 16 Thursday, Weekday
8:00 AM MASS
Aug. 17 Friday, Weekday
NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Aug. 18 Saturday, Vigil: 20 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM MARY ANN DISANTI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH
(SANDRA STYN)
Aug. 19 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM BILLY ALEX (DAVE & JOAN HEUBEL)
10:30 AM RON ANGELOTTI (FAMILY)

DATES TO REMEMBER

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

 08/11
 4:30 PM
 Confessions - St.P

 08/14
 11:00 AM
 Food Pantry - PR

 08/15
 12:00 PM
 A.A. - PR

 08/18
 4:30 PM
 Confessions - St.P

The Irish Cultural Society of Erie County

is erecting a monument in the garden on the east side of St. Patrick Church in honor of all immigrants from Erie county.



We invite all parishioners to celebrate their own heritage. Donor's names will be inscribed in the cobblestone which will encircle the Celtic cross.

If interested in sponsoring a cobblestone, please contact Donna (453-5978), Eileen (866-1096) or Kathleen (864-0375).

Volunteers needed for the Trinity Gift Shop— The St. Patrick Trinity Gift Shop is looking for volunteers for the Saturday evening Mass time. For more information contact Alice Daub at 725-1802 or stop in the Gift Shop.

St. Martin Early Learning Center hiring full-time teachers

The St. Martin Early Learning Center in Erie is currently hiring four full-time teachers: two for its infant room, a float teacher and one for school-age children. All positions include an excellent benefit package. A degree in education, early childhood education or human services is required. Applicants must also be able to obtain all necessary clearances, pass a physical with TB testing, be able to lift at least 25 pounds, and possess a driver's license. Apply in person at 1727 State St., Erie, or email arentschler@stmartincenter.org.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM
Saint Patrick Parish

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33 DAYS TO THE 2018 ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL

#therealanniemoore

The first of 12,000,000 immigrants to pass through Ellis Island was young Annie Moore of County Cork, Ireland. It was January 1, 1892, her 15th birthday, and with the help of her two younger brothers and an Irish longshoreman, she was hustled past a large German fellow down the gangplank of the SS Nevada and was given a \$10 gold piece as a token of her status as the first immigrant registered on the opening day of the facility. There are statues of her in the harbor at Cobh, County Cork and at the Ellis Island Museum. But the statues are probably of the wrong Annie Moore. You see, when Annie walked through the doors of Ellis Island in 1892, after a 12 day journey in steerage alone with her two younger brothers, to join her parents in New York City, she walked straight into 100 years of myth and legend.

It was, for 114 years, believed that Annie had, as Horace Greeley is supposed to have suggested, gone west, settling in Texas where she married a descendent of Daniel O'Connell, the Irish liberator, and that she was struck by a street car in New Mexico and killed at the age of 46. Her descendants were often invited to celebrations and dedications at Ellis Island and even in Ireland. A photo of her was apparently used as a model for the statues in New York and County Cork. But in 2006, it was discovered that the Annie Moore who lived in Texas was not the Annie Moore who was the first immigrant to pass through Ellis Island. The Texas Annie Moore was not an immigrant at all, but had been born in Illinois.

In 2006, through some amazing detective work and good luck, a genealogist discovered that the "real" Annie Moore lived her entire life within a few block radius in New York's Lower East Side tenements, marrying a bakery worker, and giving birth to 11 children, only 5 of whom survived into adulthood. She died at age 50 of heart failure and is buried with 6 of her children in Calvary Cemetery in Queens, in what, until recently, was an unmarked grave. The grave now bears a Celtic cross made of Irish limestone and President Obama, also of Irish descent, sent a message of remembrance to its dedication. Annie's is a real American story—a poor immigrant woman who sacrificed herself for future generations--her descendants have Irish, Jewish, Italian, and Scandinavian surnames and include an investment counselor and a PhD. An all-American family.

The 2018 Erie Irish Festival is a three day street celebration of all the Annie Moores and all the little brothers that made the long, difficult journey to a new life in a new world. Annie would be proud if you volunteered to help in this celebration. Won't you fill out your volunteer pledge card today? And while you're at it, drink a little toast to Annie.

Gary Johnson (I filled out my pledge card! Here's to you, Annie!)

Festival Chairman, Eric Albright, can be reached at soapinerie@netzero.net. Reach out

ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL

WANTED:

Tee Shirt Sales Associates.

This year we have the all-new Erie Irish Festival Tee Shirt booth loaded with new styles and sizes for every age and size and we're looking for a few good sales people. Must like tee shirts and selling them to people. Handle cash and credit cards—no experience necessary, will train. It's easy, a great way to volunteer and to meet people. This would be a great job for responsible high school students. Check the T-Shirt box on the volunteer pledge

card or contact Gary Johnson, gjohnson@brotolocsouth.com. MTEIFGA!

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ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL

WANTED:

Dessert Bar Helpers.

Best job at the festival! Scoop ice cream onto warm bread pudding and then lace it with drunken raisins, make Irish ice cream floats, pop popcorn, & make lots of new friends in the bargain. No experience necessary. Must like children and old people with sweet tooths. (Sweet teeths?)

Write in "Dessert Bar" on the volunteer pledge form at the back of church or contact

Sue Taccone, sue_taccone@roadrunner.com.

ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL

WANTED:

Church Docents.

Anyone interested in showing off and sharing the magnificent beauty and history of St. Patrick Church during the festival, please stop in the Trinity Gift Shop during the weekend hours to see Alice or Ken Daub or call at 725-1802

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