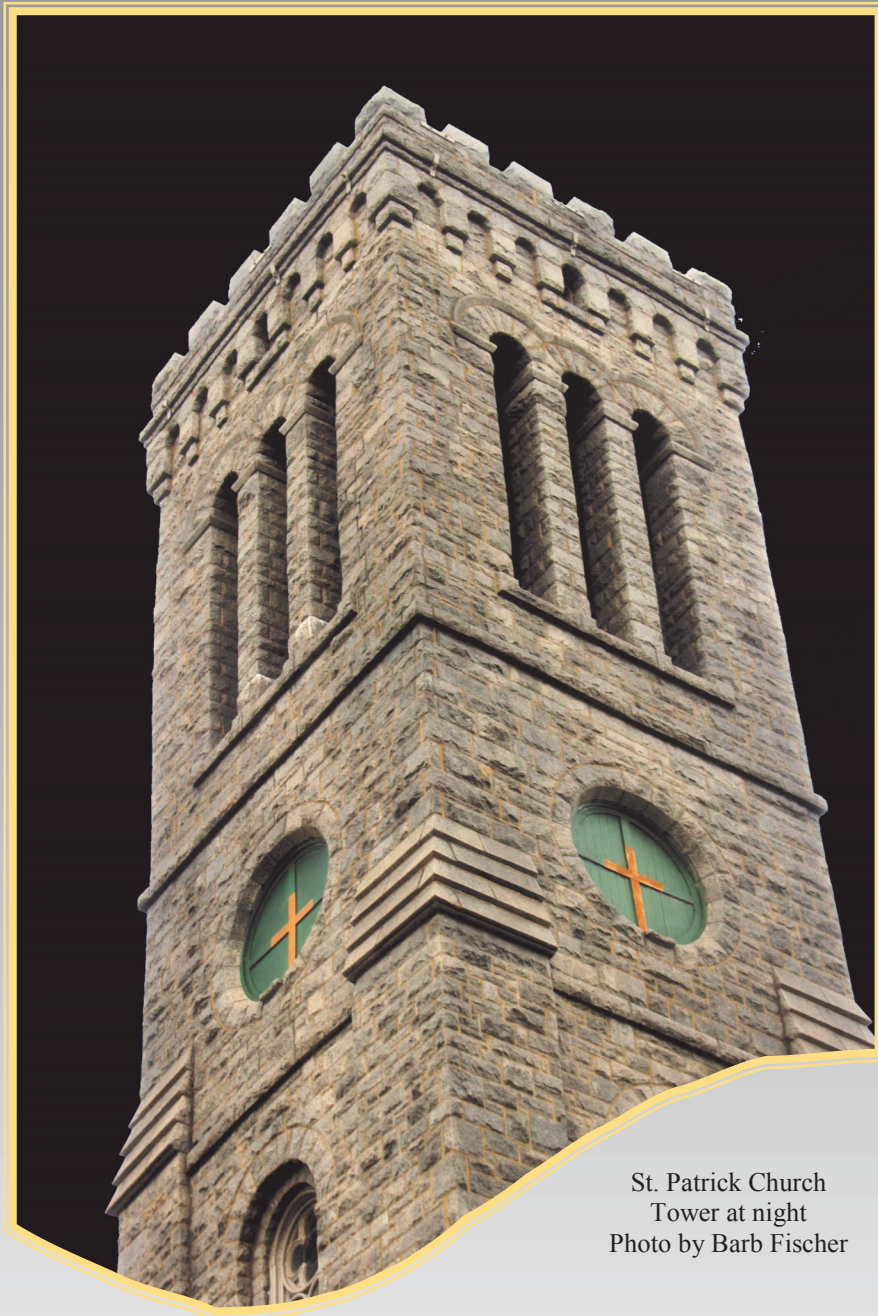


Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 13, 2017



St. Patrick Church  
Tower at night  
Photo by Barb Fischer

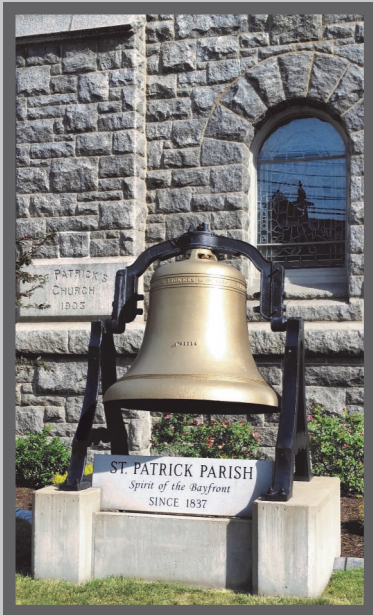
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Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday 8 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5 PM

Sunday: 8 AM & 10:30 AM



### **Saint Patrick Parish**

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#### **MASS SCHEDULE:**

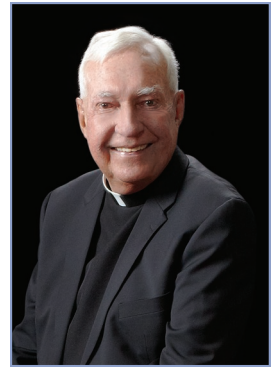
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Saturday Mass: 5:00 PM

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. At Mt. Horeb (later known as Mt. Sinai), Elijah experienced a theophany, a display of God's power and presence. He had been fleeing the wrath of Jezebel, and following the instructions of an angel, traveled forty days to the mountain of God. There he complains about his suffering and God responds by commanding him to come out of his cave to see the Lord pass by. He hears a crushing wind and then feels earthquake and fire, typical of a theophany. But God was not in any of those. After these pass, Elijah hears a single small whisper and he recognizes God's presence, not in awesome phenomena, but in something insignificant. Later Moses would spend forty days on this mountain with the Lord and he, too, experiences a theophany. The clear similarities between Elijah and Moses left people to see Elijah as the fulfillment of God's promise to Moses, "I will raise up a prophet like you" (Deut. 18:18). In reality, Elijah is foreshadowing an even greater prophet in Jesus.

Paul, a devout Jew, laments the fact that the Jews rejected Christ and, while he was a missionary to the Gentiles, he always retained a deep love for his own people. He goes on to list the privileges that God has given to the Jewish people: they are God's adopted children, his covenants with them get renewed each time they fail to live up to them and finally, Christ, the promised anointed one, has come from this people. While he begins with anguish, he ends this excerpt with praise.

Our gospel is the second episode in Matthew in which Jesus goes away by himself and sends his disciples into a boat. A long tradition sees the church as a boat. "Being tossed about" gives a vivid picture of what the church experiences. Jesus seems to be absent until they see him walking on water and are terrified. Jesus responds by saying, "It is I," the same words God spoke to Moses on Mt. Sinai. Peter obviously has some faith as he calls Jesus "Lord," while Jesus seems

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

to recognize its littleness, addressing Peter as a "man of little faith." Peter calls out to Jesus to save him, the plea of the entire church asking that God protect us against the storms of life.

Tuesday of this week is the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, a holyday of obligation in the north-east United States. Our Mass will be celebrated at noon in the main church.

On Thursday, September 7, we will hold an Anointing Service at 5:30 PM. There will be several priests here to anoint people. It is a relatively brief service to administer the Sacrament of the Sick to the elderly and to anyone who faces health issues. I would encourage you to participate in this service and receive the sacrament. If elderly people are in need of a ride, please call the parish office and we'll find someone to pick you up and take you home.

The Diocese of Manchester, NH last week became the eleventh US diocese to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation in the same ceremony at which they receive First Communion. It is seen by these dioceses as a more proper order of initiation into the church with Eucharist (First Communion) being the most important and final sacrament of initiation. Beginning in the 1970s, many dioceses, our own included, moved Confirmation into high school so that students would continue in Religious Education until they were confirmed. We're finding, however, that growing numbers of young people who come to be married in the church were never confirmed.

Leaders of the Catholic dioceses in the province of Atlanta, GA met recently to discuss the need to establish new parishes, expand pastoral outreach and respond to the growing numbers of those moving there both from immigration and those moving into that area from other areas of the country. The growth of the church in this area is countered by the decline of the church in the northeast where parishes are being closed and merged because of dwindling numbers. There is a parish in Charlotte, NC which has over 12,000 families! It is the largest parish in the United States.

A new cathedral was dedicated in Raleigh, NC.

The stained glass windows for the cathedral came from a church in Philadelphia, a huge gothic building long called the Cathedral of Kensington. It was closed a number of years ago, all of the religious artifacts removed and eventually sold. Recently police discovered over a hundred drug addicts living in the building. The photos show needles piled in a former holy water font, mattresses strewn among pews and addicts lying in stupor. It's amazing how life dies in one area and it emerges as new life in another area. The old "cathedral" is now a scene of death and destruction and the windows grace the new cathedral which is filled with life.

Father John Murphy, the chaplain at UPMC Hamot, has retired and Hamot is not going to replace him. As a result, there will no longer be a Catholic chaplain at Hamot. If someone from the parish is going into Hamot for surgery or is seriously ill and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, call me and I will be more than happy to administer the sacrament for you. Remember that we should not wait until someone is on their death bed to call for the sacrament. It is not the Last Rites, the ritual we had all known growing up. That form of the sacrament emerged in the Middle Ages and was a deviation from the real sacrament: The Sacrament of the Sick. The Eucharistic Ministers who take communion to patients are going to continue doing that, and we will consecrate and supply them with the needed hosts.

I know that families are having a difficult time getting a priest to come to Hamot, and if you know you are going into the hospital for something serious, please call me in advance and I will be more than happy to administer the sacrament. Bishop Persico is meeting with all of the priests this week to discuss how we can cover the hospital.

A golfer was sitting in the clubhouse after playing a round. He looked upset, so his friend went over and asked what was wrong. "I've had a terrible day. On the 16th hole I sliced one out onto the freeway and it went through the windshield of a bus, and there was a terrible accident. The bus went out of control and hit a car head-on. There were dead people all over the place." His friend said, "That's awful. What did you do?" "Well, I closed up my stance and shortened my backswing a little."





# Saint Patrick News



## Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 11,659.00
Online Giving	<u>1,589.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 13,248.30

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## The Collection for Latin America—

This collection, taken on the weekend of **August 19-20**, is an essential resource for the Church in Latin America. The proceeds are used in dioceses, parishes, religious congregations, seminaries and other Catholic institutions to assist in the formation of priests, religious, lay ministers, missionaries, catechists and youth ministers.

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 were made in memory of:

- ♦ **Giannina Altadonna** from Frank & Christine Altadonna
- ♦ **Nell Hardy** from Corrine Cassa
- ♦ **John & Marjorie DeBias** from Keven & Margaret Cohick
- ♦ **Carol & Debra Donnelly** from James Donnelly
- ♦ **Robert Romecki** from Val Furey
- ♦ **Linda Winkelman** from Pamela Konieczko
- ♦ **Mike Bowser** from Luigi & Sue Ellen Pasquale
- ♦ **Raymond Blair** from Barbara Rothman
- ♦ **Angie Hoffman, Clara Schenker, and Paul Otto** from Robert & Carolyn Schenker

Also donations from:

Mildred & Robert Biebel, Ray & Patti Fiorelli,  
Rick & Diane Gotkin, Jay & Carol Habas,  
Kathleen Horan, Steven & Kelly Karns,  
Dr. & Mrs. Forrest Mischler and  
Tim & Anne-Marie Welsh

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



Let Us *Welcome*  
**Sydney Pearl Andrzejewski**  
daughter of  
Craig & Nancy (Dunn) Andrzejewski  
who will be baptized  
after the 5:00 PM Liturgy

*The Sanctuary Lamp  
burns in loving memory of  
**Jane Ward Carney**  
from family*



## Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, August 19, 2017 at 5:00 pm**

Lector: **Angie Kontur**

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Chris Sanner, Patty Dailey, Shirley Winschel

**CUP:** Kathy Sertz, Ray Fiorelli

Greeters: Jane Carney, Kathleen Horan

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

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

**Sunday, August 20, 2017 at 8:00 am**

Lector: **Mary Ellen Dahlkemper**

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Golab, Lisa Straub,  
Nancy Andrzejewski

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

**Sunday, August 20, 2017 at 10:30 am**

Lector: **Ed Smith**

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Ed Smith, Kathleen Pae, Charla Leemhuis

**CUP:** Colleen Welch, Tim Scully

Greeters: Tom & Linda Brunner

Altar Servers: **Juliette Morales**

Ushers: Dave Taccone, Tom Welch, Jim Wehan,  
Chuck Agresti

Offertory Counters: Tom Brunner, Linda Brunner,  
Mary Duncan, Deb Slusarz

## A Family Perspective—

The demands of family can be so overwhelming we feel walking on water would be easier. When Jesus was pressured, He dismissed everyone, so he could be by Himself and pray.” When overwhelmed and stressed, go to a quiet place and surrender your pressured feeling to the Lord using Peter’s prayer in today’s gospel: “Lord, save me.”



## 33 DAYS TO THE 2017 ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL NOTHIN' SAYS LOVIN'....

We saw a poster once that was a drawing of a cupcake with a cherry on top and above the cupcake it said:

### **Baking is love made edible.**

Is there anything truer? Because baking gratifies both the baker and the eater. It also gratifies anyone with a nose who happens to be around the kitchen. It's a task that requires attention to detail, a willingness to follow directions, and patience. It is, perhaps, the most selfless of endeavors that feeds the senses and the soul, because no one bakes one cookie. We bake dozens and we share them. Baking, like love, is all about giving. It's no coincidence that Jesus served bread at the last supper.

This week we are asking you to feed senses and soul by baking and giving—by donating your very best efforts to the Erie Irish Festival Bake Sale. You will find in the pages of this bulletin a full page outlining when, where, and how. You know why.

Pick that one thing that you bake best (everyone loves your sticky buns) or pick that one thing you've never tried before (flourless chocolate torte with raspberry ganache), or make some Irish Soda Bread—we can always use that. If you need a soda bread recipe, Google "Ina Garten Soda Bread." Her recipe is really good, but Bake Sale Maven, Mary Beth Wachter, suggests you make two smaller loaves instead of one large loaf—same effort, twice the love. And don't be tempted to use raisins instead of currants—spring for the SunMaid Currants. Remember that baking is love made edible, and love is not love which alters when it alteration finds. Oh no, like a baking recipe, it is an ever fixed mark.

Thanks.

Gary and Becky Johnson, Festival Chairs, can be reached at [gjohnson@brotolocsouth.com](mailto:gjohnson@brotolocsouth.com) or [beckykj@neo.rr.com](mailto:beckykj@neo.rr.com). This is one idea of ours that is not half baked. Special thanks to W.S.

### **LITURGY INTENTIONS**

- Aug. 12** *Saturday, Vigil: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
5:00 PM NANCY JACKSON, ANNIV.  
(LAWRENCE & JANICE KOSIN )
- Aug. 13** *Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8:00 AM PAUL RENNIE (FAMILY)  
10:30 AM BOB MCCARTHY (GARY & MARIE PETERSON)
- Aug. 14** *Monday, Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr*  
8:00 AM JOHN PAPE (VERA PAPE)
- Aug. 15** *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
12:00 PM DOROTHY COLONY  
(MARK & CHELSEY WEISENFLUH)
- Aug. 16** *Wednesday, Weekday*  
8:00 AM MICHAEL & ELIZABETH BROSS,  
WEDDING ANNIV. (JIM SPIEGEL)
- Aug. 17** *Thursday, Weekday*  
8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE
- Aug. 18** *Friday, Weekday*  
8:00 AM NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
- Aug. 19** *Saturday, Vigil: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
5:00 PM RON ANGELOTTI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH (FAMILY)
- Aug. 20** *Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8:00 AM JOSEPH GORZYNSKI  
(FRAN & RON RECTENWALD)  
10:30 AM KATHY MASOLOTTE  
(VICTOR & SANDRA WHEELER)

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

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

- 08/12** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P  
**08/15** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR  
**08/16** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR  
**08/19** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

### **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.



### **Kriegel's Kouples**

Vow renewal **August 30<sup>th</sup>** at 5:30 p.m. in the church. Cocktail Reception to follow.

All couples who submitted their photo and donation are welcome!!!

It's not too late to submit—if you were married by Fr. K., drop a photo of yourselves plus \$1.00 for every year of marriage in the collection basket, BUT do it now!!! Or email: [gjohnson@brotolocsouth.com](mailto:gjohnson@brotolocsouth.com)





# ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL

September 15, 16, and 17



## BAKED GOODS ARE NEEDED!!! FOR THE BAKE SALE

It's that time of year again to put  
on your aprons and start  
baking!!!

The *2017 Erie Irish Festival* needs  
your help for the BAKE SALE.

Feel free to bring your baked goods  
in at anytime during the weekend!!!

Limited freezer space is available if  
you would like to get started early!!!

## Irish Sweet Treats!!!

BROWNIES, COOKIES (chocolate  
chip, oatmeal, peanut butter, layer),  
CUPCAKES, CAKE POPS,  
NO-BAKES, MUFFINS, SCONES  
PIES and of course  
IRISH SODA BREAD, and  
IRISH BROWN BREAD

Irish them up with a little green  
sprinkle and sparkle!!!

Think GREEN and IRISH!!!

Any questions??? Please call  
Mary Beth Wachter at 454-6140 or  
email: [mbwachter@gmail.com](mailto:mbwachter@gmail.com)



**Take Me to Worship comes to Our Diocese—**

Parishioners, please be aware that the Diocese of Erie is in support of the Take Me to Worship Campaign that will be running in the community from August 15-October 30, 2017. The Bishop believes that the data about the positive impact that regular, weekly participation at Mass has on children of all ages is a good reason for our parishes in Erie County to jump aboard and promote this initiative. It is the hope of the diocese that more and more families will come back to their Catholic faith and /or bring about the conversion to Catholicism for those without a faith community. Please visit [www.taketometoworship.org](http://www.taketometoworship.org) or contact the Family Life Office with additional questions at 814-824-1261 or [familylife@eriercd.org](mailto:familylife@eriercd.org).

**Legion of Mary Rosary March scheduled Aug. 19**

Bishop Lawrence Persico will celebrate Mass and lead the Legion of Mary Rosary March Aug. 19 at St. Casimir Church, 629 Hess Ave., Erie. Mass is at noon, followed immediately by the march. Refreshments will be served following the event.

**Zabawa Festival celebrates Polish heritage**

Holy Trinity Parish, E. 23rd and Reed streets, Erie, will host its 24th annual Zabawa Polish Heritage Festival Aug. 25-27. Festival hours are Friday from 5 to 10 p.m., Saturday from noon to 10 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. There will be two polka Masses: Saturday at 5 p.m. with Bishop Lawrence Persico officiating, and Sunday at 11 a.m. Free admission, with free additional parking and shuttle service from Ss. Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church, E. 34th and Ash streets. For more information, go to [www.holytrinityrc.org](http://www.holytrinityrc.org) or call 814-456-0671.

Festivities will include dancing, theme baskets, a children's area, and five polka bands. The entertainment schedule is as follows:

- Friday from 6 to 10 p.m.—Dyna Brass, Detroit, Mich.
- Saturday from noon to 4 p.m.—Lil John & the ATM Band, Latrobe, Pa., and the Mar-Vels, Erie
- Saturday from 6:30 to 10 p.m.—The Boys, Baltimore, Md.
- Sunday—Henny & the Versa J's, Pittsburgh.

## NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

### Saint Patrick Parish

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STREET: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

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CHILD _____	BIRTHDATE: _____
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PLEASE CIRCLE ONE BELOW:

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Want Envelopes

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

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