Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 19, 2018



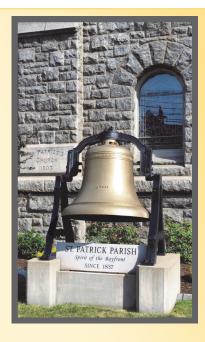
Saint Patrick Parish

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



Saint Patrick Parish

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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 the Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The nine chapter introduction to Proverbs concludes with Ladv



Wisdom's invitation to share her banquet. The seven columns of the house symbolize the perfection of her home, seven being emblematic of perfection. By design the book is composed of seven collections of proverbs, pointing to the completeness of her wisdom. The banquet offers the teaching of the sages, and the person who listens to Wisdom's teaching and eats at her table assimilates her wisdom. The follower of Wisdom will "advance in the way of understanding. Wisdom's banquet prefigures the true Bread of Life that God gives, the body of the Word made flesh.

The new life received in Baptism is characterized by careful consideration, not foolishness. Our aim is to profit from the time God gives to make us holy, to live moderately, and to praise God. This reading summons us to conduct ourselves wisely and to praise God. Together they highlight the purposes for which the new community exists: praise of God's grace and walking in good works. The warning, "Watch carefully how you live," highlights the constant danger that the righteous face in this present age when "the days are evil." Drunkenness and its resulting lack of control are common in lists of vices to avoid. The antithesis of being "drunk" is to be "filled with the Spirit." Praise and thanksgiving are the appropriate response to what God has accomplished in the life of the believer, and "singing and playing" keeps our hearts focused on God.

This gospel has some of the strongest statements from Jesus that can be found. John is instructing us about the value of the Eucharist. It is offered to us in two ways: the first is from the ambo, the altar of the Word that became flesh; the second is from the altar as bread and wine are transformed into the body and blood of the Lamb. The reference to the "bread that came down from heaven" that our ancestors ate on the journey

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

from slavery to freedom is eloquent. The manna nourishes us as we travel toward the Promised Land. In this reading, Jesus offers the new manna to us: the Bread of Life in the form of the Word of God. But there is another element to the feast: the altar of sacrifice. This discourse takes place during Passover, after the multiplication of the five loaves.

Bishop Persico has been incredibly transparent on the subject of clergy sex abuse. The state Attorney General, who conducted the Grand Jury investigation, applauded the bishop and noted that he was the only Pennsylvania bishop to voluntarily go before the Grand Jury. Prior to that encounter, the deputy Attorney General warned the bishop to be prepared. "I want you to be aware, this is a hostile jury," he told the bishop. "And hostile was mild," the bishop said. "I mean they were very angry, and rightly so. What those poor people for two years have gone through listening to victims, listening to abusers," he is quoted as saving in an interview with the Sharon Herald. According to that published interview, the bishop was questioned for about 20 minutes by the DA and then members of the Grand Jury asked their own questions for roughly 40 minutes. "It was exhausting. It was emotionally draining," the bishop said. "But if I had to do it all over again. I would because I think it's important that they hear from me and I hear from them." When asked by a reporter from the paper what his impression of the Grand Jury report was, he said, "I think it will be very sobering. The report is not sanitized. It's very graphic....as wolves disguised as the shepherds themselves, these men stole the innocence of children by sexually preying upon the most innocent and vulnerable members of our society." We are very fortunate to have a bishop as transparent as he is because he is an exception among the bishops.

That Grand Jury report is due to be released soon, but is being held up because about ten of the people who are accused in the report have sued saying they have a right to set the record straight. None of us know what the outcome of that lawsuit will be, but the report will eventually be released.

The bishop of Wurzburg, Germany told spouses

in interdenominational marriages that they are welcome to "join the Lord's table" at Masses in his diocese. "Today I extend the heartfelt invitation to all mixed confessional couples to join the Lord's table," said Bishop Franz Jung.

When they started working on the Food Pantry roof they discovered that the damage was much worse than they anticipated. (Isn't that always the case!!) The wood underneath the roof was completely rotted and needed to be replaced before they could put a new roof on. The original estimate for this work was \$19,000. It is now up to \$25,000.

I'm happy to tell you that St. Andrew's has agreed to sell us a section of pipes that we desperately want to install in our pipe organ. When the organ was originally built in 1906, it lacked this section of pipes which, according to Mark, gives a pipe organ that base, bombastic sound. The pipe organ at St. Andrew's has not played in over 40 years, and they have that section and informed us recently that they are willing to sell it to us. Graciously, Morgan and Kathy Jacox have stepped forward again to pay for it. Organ Supply is moving the pipes here and will install them.

Congratulations and best wishes to parishioners Kevin & Vicke Marz who recently purchased the George Carroll B & B at 4th & Peach. With 7 bedrooms, it would be ideal for wedding guests.

The parish is grateful to the late Renee Calabrese for a bequest in her estate. Have you ever considered remembering the parish In your estate planning? We have the St. Patrick Foundation which exists solely for the maintenance and upkeep of St. Patrick's Church or you can designate a specific purpose for a bequest.

Lying on his deathbed, the rich, miserly old man calls to his long-suffering wife. "I want to take all my money with me," he tells her, "so promise me you'll put it in the casket." After the man dies, the widow attends the memorial service. Just before the funeral director closes the casket, she places a small metal box inside. "Surely," said the funeral director, "you didn't put the money in there." "I promised him I would," said the widow. "So I got it all together, deposited every penny in my account and wrote him a check. If he can cash it, he can have it."



Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

Offertory Collection \$ 9,321.00
Online Giving 1,362.30
Total Income \$10,683.30

Thank you for your generosity!

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

A donation to the Food Pantry was made in honor of **Jerry & Kathy Nichols 50th Wedding Anniversary** from James & Karen Bomba.

Donations to the Food Pantry were made in memory of:

- Father Joseph Willey from Robert & Mildred Biebel
- Thomas Cook from Mark & Candy Bukowski
- Ellen Bator from Mr. & Mrs. Michael Callaghan
- ♦ Jane Ward Carney from Jane Carney
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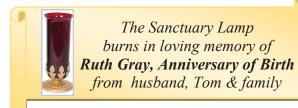
Kathy Anderson, Tyler Cyphert, Leo & Jane Fitzgibbon, John Godish, Dennis & Marie Gritzer, Phil & Judy Kelly, Jay & Carol Habas, Kathleen Horan, Karl & Virginia Kelm, Jodie Laughlin and Patricia & Ken Marchant

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

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.





Ministry Schedule Saturday, August 25, 2018 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Mary Beth Pinto Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Mary Beth Pinto, Anne Scutella,

Steve Scutella

CUP: Ray Fiorelli, Shirley Winschel

Greeters: Mary Anne Ashworth, Mary Tellers

Altar Servers: NEEDED

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers,

Jim Sertz

Sunday, August 26, 2018 at 8:00 am

Lector: Fred Olds

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Golab, Kathryn Olds,

Nancy Andrzejewski

Ushers: John Maloney, Dave Korn, Chuck Straub,

Mike Nies

Sunday, August 26, 2018 at 10:30 am

Lector: Christine Mitchell Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Colleen Welch, Charla Leemhuis, Tim Scully

CUP: Ryan Palm, Kathleen Pae Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin

Altar Servers: NEEDED

Ushers: Dave Taccone, Tom Welch, Jim Wehan,

Paul Balczun

Offertory Counters: Bill Welsh, Cindy Welsh,

Tim Donlin, Kay Sauers

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

LITURGY INTENTIONS

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)

Aug. 20 Monday, Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Aug. 21 Tuesday, Saint Pius X, Pope

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Aug. 22 Wednesday, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Aug. 23 Thursday, Weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Aug. 24 Friday, Saint Bartholomew, Apostle NO COMMUNION SERVICE OR MASS

Aug. 25 Saturday, Vigil: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM BOB MCCARTHY (DIANE & FAMILY)

Aug. 26 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM MARY MCCARTHY (BILL & CAROL REINHOLDT)

10:30 AM RUTH GRAY (FAMILY)

DATES TO REMEMBER

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

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

08/21 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

12:00 PM A.A. - PR 08/22

08/25 4.30 PM Confessions - St P

2018 ZABAWA

The 25th Annual ZABAWA Polish Heritage Festival will be held at Holy Trinity Parish, located at East 23rd & Reed Streets in Erie on August 24, 25, & 26. Festival Hours: Friday, 5-10 pm

Saturday, 12-10 pm and

Sunday, Noon to 6 pm

Polish Heritage Mass on Sunday at 11am with Bishop Lawrence Persico featuring Polish hymns by the Holy Trinity Choir.

Plenty of Polish foods, bakery items and beverages, theme baskets and Polka music

Blessed Sacrament Parish Fall Festival

1626 West 26th St. Erie.

Sunday September 16th Noon -5:00 pm

\$500. Drawing every half hour from 12:30pm-3:00pm At 3:30pm \$1,500...4:00pm \$2,500...4:30pm \$3,000 GRAND PRIZE DRAWING \$5,000. at 5:00pm

Tickets are \$5 each

\$50. Additional prize if winner is present

Children and Adult Games - Bake Sale - Theme Basket Raffle -



26 DAYS TO THE 2018 ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL

🕦 PUT ON YOUR BVD'S.

ake: We still need all kinds of baked goods and your kinds of baked goods are the best! Contact Mary Beth Wachter, mbwachter@gmail.com

olunteer: We still need volunteers for every area. But especially for our dessert bar, our t-shirt booth, and the kitchen. Fill out a volunteer pledge card and write in one of these areas, or contact Eric Albright, soapinerie@netzero.net.

onate: It's not too late. Bring in a bottle of whiskey or some of your gently used jewelry or perhaps some Irish decorations. You can drop anything off at the gift shop before or after mass or during regular hours at the rectory, or contact Gary Johnson, gjohnson@brotolocsouth.com

ponsor: Sponsor an act, or an activity, or a tent, or purchase an ad in the Festival Program. Don't have anything to advertise? Then announce, remember, or brag—a 1/4 page is only \$125. Announce that 75th wedding anniversary your parents are celebrating, tell your kids you're proud of them, tell the grandparents who are no longer with us that you miss them. Tell the world you support the Erie Irish Festival. Contact Susan Sullivan, susan.sullivan@roadrunner.com or inquire at the rectory.

Gary Johnson (My BVDS are firmly in place! How about yours?)

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

And just as a matter of historical record, the original BVD was a brand of both men and women's underwear that was founded in New York City in 1876. The three founders were Bradley, Voorhees, and Day. Today, BVD is owned by Fruit of the Loom.







~Lifting the organ console up to the organ loft~

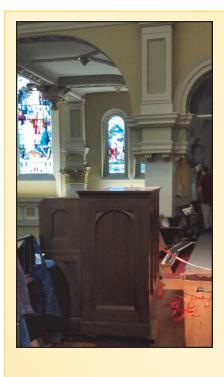














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