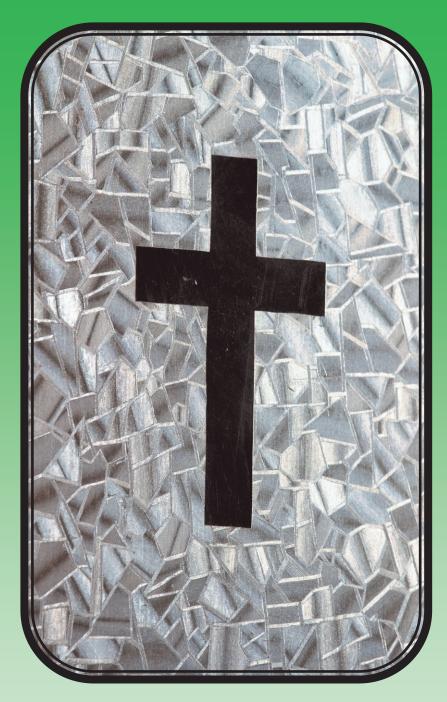
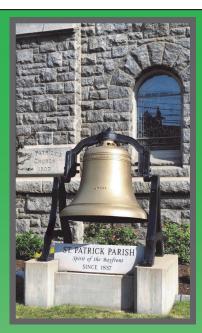
# Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 20, 2017



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



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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. Isaiah is reminding the Jewish community of the covenant obliga-



tions: doing what is right and just is essential to their identity as God's covenant partners. The reminder is timely because God's justice is about to be revealed. Then Isaiah announces that foreigners who join themselves to the Lord in the same way as Jews will also be brought into a saving relationship with God. During the time of exile in Babylon and the return to Zion, many foreigners had close contact with the Jews and became attracted to their religion and way of life. God is making it clear that when they act on this attraction by observing his Law, he will bring them to the holy mountain, Zion. In effect, through Isaiah, God is telling the Chosen People that God has also chosen all men and women who join themselves to him. The final verse expresses the universality of this invitation: God's own house, the Temple, will be a house of prayer for all.

In Isaiah, the prophet spoke to the Jews about including foreigners, or Gentiles, in God's saving plan. In the reading from Romans, we hear an opposite perspective. Here Paul speaks to the Gentiles about how Jews are included in God's plan of salvation. Though the Jewish people had long understood themselves as God's chosen people, Paul is in anguish that most of his own kindred have not accepted the Messiah, apparently making Gentile believers now God's chosen ones. Paul notes his own birth into Judaism and how he is called by God to bring the Good News to Gentiles. Paul maintains he will make his own people jealous, leading some to salvation. He then reminds the Gentiles that just as they once were disobedient, but have received God's mercy, so too will God show mercy to the presently disobedient Jews.

After arguing with the Pharisees on what makes a person clean or unclean, Jesus withdraws into the pagan territory of Tyre and Sidon, an area considered unclean by Jesus' opponents. While

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

it is not surprising that Jesus would encounter Gentiles here, it is surprising that a Canaanite woman would so directly approach Jesus to heal her daughter and moreso, that she would address him by the Jewish title: Son of David. The disciples urge Jesus to send her away because she belongs to a tribe who have long been enemies of the Jews. Jesus even tells her that food for the children ought not be thrown to the dogs. "Dog" was a derogative term often applied to Gentiles. Because Jesus has already crossed a border by entering into pagan territory, the woman boldly asks him to cross another border. She uses Jesus' reference to dogs in another way, that surely the pet dogs can have some of the scraps. Her words and actions show a greatness of faith that stands in sharp contrast to the little faith that Jesus' own disciples have shown.

Things are moving into high gear in anticipation of next month's Irish Festival. Gary and Becky Johnson, co-chairs, have been working daily with committee heads, the parish office, local civic authorities, etc. to secure permits, tents, and most important of all—volunteers. If you have not yet volunteered to help, would you consider doing so? You practically have your choice of what you might want to do; but we do need you.

Thank you for your generous support of Erie Gives. The parish received \$70,000 in donations on that day.

We will hold an Anointing Service on Thursday, September 7, at 5:30 PM. The service is not a Mass but is a relatively brief service and a group of priests will be here to administer the sacrament of the sick. I would encourage the elderly, anyone who faces health issues and anyone who wishes to receive the sacrament to take advantage of this opportunity. You may recall that most of us grew up knowing the Last Rites, but that was a deviation from the real sacrament and was something that emerged in the Middle Ages. It is, instead, the Sacrament of the Sick and should be given to people who are elderly, seriously ill, facing major surgery, etc. We will hold an Anointing Service once a year from now on so that people can receive the sacrament.

I mentioned earlier that UPMC Hamot no longer

has a Catholic chaplain. Thus, if you are a patient there, it is becoming more and more difficult to find a priest to administer the sacrament. Each of us are taking care of our own parishioners.. If you are elderly, going into Hamot for major surgery or facing an ongoing illness, please call me and I will be more than happy to administer the sacrament. In addition, UPMC Hamot is no longer going to furnish parishes with the names of parishioners who are patients. As such, I don't have any way of knowing if you are a patient there unless you or a family member contacts us..

Parish Council and the Finance Council held a combined meeting recently at which they discussed a number of items. We also heard reports from the various parish ministries, ie., Food Pantry, Homeless Shelter, Knights and Ladies of St. Patrick and the Irish Festival.

As part of our lead-up to the festival, Gary & Becky Johnson invited couples whom I married through the years to submit a wedding photo and then come to church to renew their vows. That will take place August 30 and then the couples will come to the rectory for a cocktail party.

A belated congratulations to Patti Sullivan who was recently elected to a two-year term as president of the Knights and Ladies of St. Patrick. An additional congratulations to Mike Malthaner who was elected vice-president and will succeed Patti Sullivan in two years. And, finally, congratulations to Patty Brunner who was elected as treasurer of the organization.

A wife was fixing a breakfast of fried eggs for her husband. Suddenly, her husband burst into the kitchen. "Careful," he said. "Put in some more butter. Wait, you're cooking too many at once. Turn them. Turn them now. We need more butter. Where are we going to get more butter? They're going to stick to the pan. Careful. I said be careful. You NEVER listen to me when you're cooking. Never. Turn them! Hurry up! Are you CRA-ZY? Have you lost your mind.? Don't forget to salt them. You know you always forget to salt them. Use the salt. Now, put salt on them." The wife stared at him, "What in the world is wrong with you? You think I don't know how to fry a couple of eggs?" The husband calmly replied, "I just wanted to show you what it feels like when I'm driving."







## **Stewardship**

Offertory Collection Online Giving Total Income \$ 9,480.47 <u>1,404.30</u> \$ 10,884.77

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:

## Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

The **Food Pantry Truck** is sponsored this week in memory of *Joe Kohler, Jo Johnson, and Bud Johnson* from Gary & Becky Johnson.

Donations were made in memory of:

- Sr. Carol Wilcox, SSJ from Yvonne Gersims
- Stan & Jane Godish from John Godish
- *Rita & John Jackson* from Bill & Patty Jackson
- Norman Murphy, Ruth Janoski and Ronnie Chesko from Patrick Murphy
- Charles Hagmann from Deborah Musolff
- Mrs. Rickie Oligeri from Rob & Patti Oligeri
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- Ray Sullivan, Steve Moretti from Mark & Susan Sullivan
- Lu Yochim from Nancy Yochim

Also donations from:

Mary Ellen Demyanovich, Lawrence & JoElla Gorgacz, Karl & Virginia Kelm, Phil & Denise Rewers, and Mark & Barbara Sargent,

> Special Thank You!!! to Panera Bread & Haborcreek Edible Arrangements

## A Family Perspective—

The mother in today's gospel persisted, even when she was ignored and insulted. She would do whatever was necessary to bring relief to her child. Parent-



ing is more than bringing life into the world; it is also about sacrificing daily for your children.



Let Us *Welcome Lena Grace Lindahl* daughter of Travis & Anna Lynn (Signs) Lindahl who will be baptized after the 5:00 PM Liturgy

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of **Bernadine Zdunski** from Bob & Mary Lou Maracci



## Ministry Schedule Saturday, August 26, 2017 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Rick Filippi Eucharistic Ministers: **HOST:** Carol Habas, Ann Scutella, Steve Scutella **CUP:** Jay Habas, Kay Mannino Greeters: Mary Anne Ashworth, Mary Tellers Altar Servers: Emilio & Gemma Filippi Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers, Jim Sertz

Sunday, August 27, 2017 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 27, 2017 at 10:30 am Lector: Mary Williams Eucharistic Ministers: HOST: Mary Kearney, Kathleen Pae, Forrest Mischler CUP: Mary Williams, Ed Brown Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin Altar Servers: Ryan Jubulis, Owen Fetzner Ushers: Randy Pristello, Dave Wilcox, John Purvis, Chuck Agresti Offertory Counters: Mary McCarthy, Mary Kearney, Mary Pat Schlaudecker, Mary Williams

## 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.





## 26 DAYS TO THE 2017 ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL WOW!

**WOW.** We got a lot of volunteer pledge cards back so we have to say a big thank you to all of you who volunteered to help out. We're sorting and contacting and working to fit all of you into the festival schedule. AND we're still accepting volunteers! Its never too late. Many hands make light work.

**WOW.** 26 couples who were married by Father K signed up to renew their wedding vows on August 30—between them a total of 467 years of wedded bliss (which means 467 dollar bills towards a magical festival). Their photos can be found in the church foyer. check them out.

**WOW.** People are baking and we hope you are one of them. One wonderful baker turned out over 600 cookies for us all by herself! But we need more. The bake sale is very very popular every year and we would hate to run out of our scrumptious offerings just before you step up to the counter to place your order. We can imagine the disappointment on your face and it makes us sad.

WOW. You should see the beautiful jewelry and fabulous purses that are waiting for you at bargain prices at the Jewelry Sale this year. So much and many that we are doubling the size of the booth! And of course while you bling up and make yourselves beautiful, all of the proceeds go to keeping St. Patrick's beautiful as well.

**WOW.** We're getting so close we can almost taste the Guinness Beer Cheese Sauce on our Irish Nachos and smell the Shepherds Pie, not to mention the Guinness that's not in the Cheese Sauce and the Irish Red Ale that's brewed just for us.

**WOW.** Our toes are already tapping in anticipation of those great Irish bands and our sides are already splitting in anticipation of Sean Finnerty, our Irish comedian. This year's entertainment will be awesome! You won't want to miss any of it.

**WOW.** Wait 'til you see the great Erie Irish Festival tee shirts we'll have for sale this year. You can wear your pride and keep that festival spirit going all year long.

Gary and Becky Johnson, Festival Chairs, can be reached at gjohnson@brotolocsouth.com or beckykj@neo.rr.com. See you in 26 days.

## LITURGY INTENTIONS

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) Aug. 21 Monday, Saint Pius X, Pope 8:00 AM JOSEPH J. CICERO (FAMILY) Aug. 22 Tuesday, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00 AM PRO POULO "FOR ST. PATRICK PARISHIONERS" Aug. 23 Wednesday, Weekday 8:00 AM THE JOHN & BESSIE WEBER FAMILY Aug. 24 Thursday, Saint Bartholomew 8:00 AM MASS Aug. 25 Friday, Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE Aug. 26 Saturday, Vigil: 21<sup>st</sup> in Ordinary Time 5:00 PM WANDA HABAS (JAY & CAROL HABAS) Aug. 27 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM MARY ROSELLA BURGOYNE (DAUGHTER, MONICA ZABOROC) 10:30 AM JAMES KUBANEY (DIANE MCCARTHY & FAMILY)

## DATES TO REMEMBER

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

08/19	4:30 pm	Confessions - St.P
08/22	11:00 am	Food Pantry - PR
08/23	12:00 pm	A.A PR
08/26	4:30 pm	Confessions - St.P

## 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 vourselves

plus \$1.00 for every year of marriage in the collection basket, BUT do it now !!! Or email: aiohnson@brotolocsouth.com



#### TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### AUGUST 20, 2017

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.takemetoworship.org or contact the Family Life Office with additional questions at 814-824-1261 or familylife@eriercd.org.

## 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 Fridav 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 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.

## **Divorced? Separated? Widowed?**

Transitions, a monthly support group for Separated, Divorced and Widowed persons will meet on Sunday, August 27, 2017 from 2-4 pm at St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd. Program includes a short presentation, discussion, followed by refreshments. This month's topic is: "Why Am I Afraid to Tell You Who I Am?" For more information call 814-824-1265 or email at familylife@erieRCD.org. Visit us at: www.eriercd.org/ transitions.htm

#### CATHOLIC'S DIVORCE SURVIVAL GUIDE—



DIVORCED? The Catholic's Divorce Sur-**DIVORCE** SURVIVAL vival Guide CDSG) 12-week group begins on Wednesday, September 6, 2017. 6:30 p.m.-8:00p.m. at St. Mark Catholic Center in Erie. (NEW LOCATION) Cost \$15 per

person includes "Personal Survival Guide" and all material for 12 weeks. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic teachings. Call the Family Life Office, 814-824-1250, email familylife@eriercd.org, or visit www.eriercd.org/cdsg.htm for more information or to register.

#### Got questions about life?

Save the date for the Alpha series, a 10-part interactive program on the basics of the Christian faith, beginning Sept. 7 from 6:15 to 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Sacred Heart Parish, 816 W. 26th St., Erie. Father Raniero Cantalamessa, official preacher of the papal household, says the Alpha course "accomplishes an incredible task in making people interested in faith and in making faith relevant to the modern person." To learn more about Alpha, go to www.Alphausa.org/Catholic. For more details about the schedule or for other questions on the series, contact Sister Ricarda Vincent, SSJ, at rvincent@velocity.net or at 814-456-6256.

#### **Consider Engagement Encounter!**



Planning for your marriage in 2017 or 2018? An Engagement Encounter is scheduled for September 22nd through 24th at St. Mark Catholic Center in Erie. EE satisfies diocesan requirements for marriage in the

Church. Space is limited, so please register early by calling 814-824-1261 or by email at: family life@erieRCD.org. Visit our Web Site at http:// www.eriercd.org/ee.htm for more information or to register. Remember, "A wedding is one day, but marriage is for a lifetime." Catholic and interfaith couples are encouraged to attend.

## PREPARING FOR REMARRIAGE IN THE CHURCH?

NOVA is a one-day marriage preparation program specifically designed for couples free to remarry in the Catholic Church. Topics include adjusting to remarriage, blending families, legal issues and others. Pre-



registration is required. Call the Family Life Office at 814/824-1261 or 800/374-3723 ext. 261 to register. The next NOVA is scheduled for Saturday, September 30th in Erie.

## 2017 Great Lakes Hospice Support Groups—



Meetings are free of charge and open to the public, doors open at 5:00 pm; meeting starts promptly at 5:30 pm and ends at 6:30 pm. Dinner will be pport served, courtesy of Hamot Health

Foundation, promptly from 5-5:30 pm the first of every month. Please RSVP by calling Cathy McKenzie at 814/877-6527 no later than the day before the scheduled meeting.

Scheduled meetings:

- September 7th (dinner), September 21st (snack)
- October 5th (dinner), October 19th (snack) •
- November 2nd (dinner), November 16th (snack)

## **Register for September retreat featuring** Trappist monk—

St. George and Our Lady of Mercy parishes in Erie, and Mount St. Benedict Monasterv are sponsoring "The Loving Search for God," a twoday retreat with Father William Meninger, a Trappist Monk from Snowmass, Colo. Father Meninaer will discuss the three levels in the arowth of the child of God. Meals are included. For more information or to register for the Sept. 15-16 retreat, go to https://membership.faithdirect.net/ events/details/782.

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Looking for resources for you family? Visit the Diocese of Erie Family website at: http://www.eriercd.org/ fam.htm and discover why AMILIES MATTER families always matter.



#### MSGR. KRIEGEL'S HOMILIES ARE ON-LINE IN AUDIO AND VIDEO FORMAT.

Be sure to check out St. Patrick's web-page to listen to Msgr. Kriegel's homilies. Go to **saintpatrickparisherie.org** Click on "homilies" on the bar to the right, For the audio version just click on the date of the homily you want to hear. The video homilies are available on "You Tube" and can be watched by clicking on the bar that says "You Tube" on that page.

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