

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 2, 2018**



St. Patrick Church  
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Judy Emling

**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

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Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 AM-4:00 PM

#### **MASS SCHEDULE:**

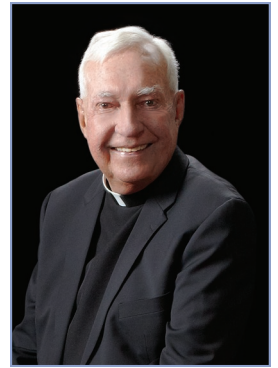
Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM (CHAPEL)

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 Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time. After recalling the desert sojourn from Sinai-Horeb, when God's providence was manifest (the first chapters of Deuteronomy), the author emphasizes the privilege of the Hebrew people, chosen by God from among all peoples to enter into an unprecedented friendship. This passage is part of the prologue, in which the people are urged to fulfill the Law, the history and details of which follow. The main argument for God's might and goodness is his presence among his people. The law, with its commandments, customs and statutes, was understood as the way of life indicated by God for his people. If Israel will comply with the law she will receive her inheritance, understood as peaceful life in the promised land.

The "Father of lights" designates God as creator of the stars and, in keeping with the symbolism of light, the source of everything good. Christians, engendered by God through the word of truth, the Gospel, belong to God as his first fruits. The author specifies that it is not enough to hear the truth, one must listen and put it into practice. The Christian has been chosen out of the world to belong to the light. God's action, His Word, has done this. This Word-in-action inspires the Christian from baptism onward. Fulfilling one's duty to God is best impressed in the care of those in need and in opposition to the forces of evil.

Opposite the Pharisees narrow and legalistic concern about external purification, worship and observance of the commandments, Jesus emphasizes the moral intent of the law, going beyond the literal interpretation. The teaching about contamination coming from within cancels the laws about unclean food and opens the way for unity between Jew and Gentile in the Kingdom. Mark signals this shift by having Jesus leave Galilee territory in the following episodes of the gospel. While the religious leadership emphasizes external cleanliness, Jesus emphasizes that the purity of heart when he says, "from within people,

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

from their hearts, come evil thoughts." Jesus prefers to associate with an amiable, if somewhat untidy, group rather than a clan of critics with clean hands. The scribes' overemphasis on legalism was choking the true sense of friendship with God.

Our parish Food Pantry served 485 families during the month of July which included 659 children and 322 elderly people. We distributed 11,166 pounds of food at a cost to the parish of \$1,020. Once again, that entire expense is covered by your ongoing generosity.

Congratulations to parishioner Sally Kohler who was recently honored for her 35 years of service on the Presque Isle Advisory Board by having Beach 11 renamed Kohler Beach in her honor. She is the mother of parishioner Becky Johnson.

The diocese has asked us to share with you that parishioners at an Erie parish recently received an e-mail from a scam artist claiming to be their pastor and requesting financial help. The Diocese of Erie, 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, please exercise extreme caution.

The number of priests in the United States has declined from 135,225 in 1975 to 45,605 today. The number of Women Religious has declined in that same period from 58,909 to 35,181 with a median age of 75. The number of permanent deacons has increased from 898 in 1975 to 18,287 today. However, the number of deacon candidates has decreased by 16% from its peak in 2010. Thirty-eight of 175 programs in the U.S. report no deacon candidates for 2017-18.

Cardinal Jozef De Kesel of Malines-Brussels last week met with a small delegation of local gay people who requested the meeting. The cardinal spoke of their relationships as couples, distinguishing these from Christian marriage between a man and a woman noting that "it does involve a personal encounter." He suggested that the church initiate some type of a celebration of thanksgiving or prayer. He said that gay couples

in a long term relationship should have some type of pastoral response from the church. He said it could not be a religious marriage nor an "ecclesiastical blessing that too closely resembles the blessing of a marriage." He added that "to the extent that the church has maintained a certain reserve on the issue, it is to preserve the great value of marriage and the family to the greatest extent possible."

For several years we've had problems with water coming into the vestibule of the east entrance to the church. The problem is that the parking lot is higher than the entry. In the winter that water freezes and it is dangerous. We also have two drains in that east parking lot that are several inches lower than the asphalt. I recently signed a contract to have the area around that entrance re-graded and then new asphalt. We are also putting lips on those drains and raising them up to the level of the parking lot. Both of those drains are a problem with the festival.

The parish office will be closed on Monday in observance of Labor Day.

You have heard me say recently that we have finally finished restoring the rectory. That building was neglected for years, and we have done extensive work to bring it back to where it should be. The exterior brick was pointed, all of the trim was painted, there are 101 new windows, new heating and air conditioning, And last week a pipe on the second floor burst!! It never ends!!

A large company, feeling it was time for a shakeup, hired a new CEO. The new boss was determined to rid the company of all slackers. On a tour of the facilities, the CEO noticed a guy leaning against a wall. The room was full of workers and he wanted to let them know that he meant business. He asked the guy, "How much money do you make a week?" A little surprised, the young man looked at him and said, "I make \$400 a week. Why?" The CEO said, "Wait right here." He walked back to his office, came back in two minutes, and handed the guy \$1,600 in cash and said, "Here's four weeks pay. Now GET OUT and don't come back." Feeling pretty good about himself the CEO looked around the room and asked, "Does anyone want to tell me what that goof-ball did here?" From across the room, a voice said, "Pizza delivery guy from Dominos."



# Saint Patrick News



## Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 8,749.00
Online Giving	<u>1,357.30</u>
Total Income	\$ 10,106.30

*Thank you for your generosity!*



*The Sanctuary Lamp  
burns in loving memory of  
**Leo A. Hibson, Jr.**  
from the Candela family*

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:

## The Restoration Fund

In memory of  
**Sr. Mary Thomas Downing, SSJ**  
from Yvonne Gersims

## Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

Donations to the Food Pantry were made in memory of:

- ♦ **Julie Dahlkemper Ruckman** from Mary Ellen Dahlkemper
- ♦ **Mike Conway** from Christopher & Anne Lynch
- ♦ **Jack Dalton** from Deborah Musolff
- ♦ **Chris DiLorretto** from Rob & Patti Oligeri
- ♦ **Mary Pontoriero** from Orie & Barbara Pontoriero

Also donations from:

Mary Anne Ashworth, Bill & Mary Flanagan,  
Ken & Jan Gervasi, Eugene & Kathleen Polaski,  
Dave & Julie Sanner, Vikki Scully and  
Joel Walz & Jill Blaga-Walz

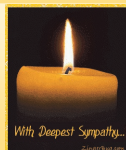
**Special Thank You!!!**  
to PANERA BREAD &  
EDIBLE ARRANGEMENT'S HABORCREEK

## 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.



Let us *Welcome*  
**George Henry Rois &  
Louis Richard Rois**  
children of  
Steve & Laura (Halupczynski) Rois  
who will be baptized  
after the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday



*Our deepest sympathies to the  
family and friends of **Michael Dailey**  
who recently passed away.*

## Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, September 8, 2018 at 5:00 pm**

Lector: Mary Beth Pinto

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Mary Beth Pinto, Ray Fiorelli, Carol Habas

**CUP:** Anne Scutella, Steve Scutella

Greeters: Bob & Diane Boeh

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

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

**Sunday, September 9, 2018 at 8:00 am**

Lector: Nick Straub

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Golab, Lisa Straub,  
Nancy Andrzejewski

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

**Sunday, September 9, 2018 at 10:30 am**

Lector: Mary Duncan

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** Charla Leemhuis, Tim Scully, Mary Williams

**CUP:** Colleen Welch, Michele Wheaton

Greeters: Tom & Linda Brunner

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

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

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

## A Family Perspective—

In today's gospel Jesus warns "what comes from within can defile" a person. Families need to worry about "outside influences" but also about "inside influences." The values our children carry for a life time are learned at home. Habits of the Hearth are the most powerful influences on a child. That can be good or bad news, depending on what's being learned!





## LITURGY INTENTIONS

**Sept. 1** *Saturday, Vigil: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 PM MARY WALKER (JOANNE & PETER LYONS)

**Sept. 2** *Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM JIM AQUINO & ROSEMARIE BIHLER  
(HONARD FAMILY)

10:30 AM PEG BOGARDUS, ANNIV. OF BIRTH  
(VAL SHERMAN)

**Sept. 3** *Monday, Saint Gregory the Great,  
Pope and Doctor of the Church*  
NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

**Sept. 4** *Tuesday, Weekday*

8:00 AM IRENE CATHERINE ZELAZNY MCCLELLAN,  
ANNIV. OF BIRTH (BILL & BETTY FILIPKOWSKI)

**Sept. 5** *Wednesday, Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Religious*

8:00 AM MARY MCCARTHY  
(FRANK & MARY THERESE RILEY)

**Sept. 6** *Thursday, Weekday*

8:00 AM BERNADINE ZDUNSKI (FAMILY)

**Sept. 7** *Friday, Weekday*

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

**Sept. 8** *Saturday, Vigil: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 PM EDWARD ANGELOTTI (HEUBEL FAMILY)

**Sept. 9** *Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM PRO POULO  
"FOR THE PARISHIONER'S OF ST. PATRICK"

10:30 AM NANCY CRUNK (CORTES FAMILY)

## DATES TO REMEMBER

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

**09/01** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**09/03** **Labor Day—Church and Office Closed**

**09/04** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

**09/05** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

**09/08** 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).



## **Erie Irish Festival Vacation for 2 to Ireland**

Raffle Tickets will be sold in the back of  
the Church at Masses the weekend of  
September 8 & 9.

**\$5 each or 3 for \$10**



## 12 DAYS TO THE 2018 ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL

## **COME BACK TO ERIN, MAVOURNEEN, MAVOURNEEN!**

Mother Machree! In only 12 days all Erin breaks loose on the streets of Erie again. You need to come back, mavourneen. And here's why:

**EAT:** You know how good the Harp beer battered fish and chips is, with that fresh local sweet corn, a dollop of our own cole slaw, and a hunk of fresh baked Irish soda bread with real Irish butter? Its Friday only and when it's gone, you wait another year. But if you miss it, don't fret yourself—our entire menu is fantastic!

**DRINK:** Our home-made Irish cream liqueur, sipped slowly and followed by a pint of Guinness or perhaps our own Irish Red Ale. A dram of Irish whiskey more to your liking? Or a nice Irish coffee to take the chill off a brisk September morn? We've got it all and more and we never judge.

**REVEL:** Non-stop pub bands, trad bands, dancers, and Erie's First and Only Ever Irish Polka Party (Saturday at 2:00—and we have Irish Vodka, folks, who else has that?) Check the schedule online—it's a great one.

**BUY:** Our vendor village is back with fashion, fun, bling, and our brand new Official Irish Festival T Shirt booth and jewelry sale.

**INDULGE:** Our fabulous bake sale booth and dessert bar are full of scrumptious, decadent, ooey gooey chewey treats. You'll want to visit more than once or twice and remember, we never judge.

**PLAY:** Our fabulous Leprechaun Village is back with more fun, crafts, magic, and enchantment for the child in all of us and, thanks to our great sponsors, it's all free. Check the schedule of activities online.

Gary Johnson (I'm coming back, Mavourneen!)

So, FYI, "Come Back to Erin" was a song made famous by the great Irish tenor, John McCormack, of whom we have spoken. It was written in the 1860's by Charlotte Arlington Pye Barnard, an English woman who wrote under the pseudonym, "Claribel." "Mavourneen" comes from the Irish "mo mhuirnin," which means "my beloved." You can hear John sing the song on You Tube—a recording over 100 years old.

### Learn about small faith groups for married couples

Do you want a better marriage? Do you want to grow in your faith? Do you want to have fellowship with other Catholic couples? Then come to St. Jude Church, 2801 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Erie, on Sept. 9 after the 10:30 a.m. Mass to learn more about Teams of Our Lady, an international Catholic lay movement of married couples whose aim is to strengthen marriages and families. One team is made up of five to seven couples who meet monthly to share a meal, pray and discuss a study topic. For more information on Teams of Our Lady, go to [www.teamsofourlady.org](http://www.teamsofourlady.org).

### Neighborhood Art House to host fundraising event

The children of the Neighborhood Art House, a ministry of the Benedictine Sisters of Erie, welcome the public to the 2018 "Taste of the Arts" event at 201 E. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Erie, Sept. 11 at 5 p.m. All proceeds fund the after-school and summer arts programs for inner-city youth. For more details and to register, visit [www.neighborhoodarthouse.org/](http://www.neighborhoodarthouse.org/).



### Advertiser of the Week:

We thank **RICHARD E. FILIPPI**  
*Attorney at Law*  
504 State Street, Erie 874-0558  
for advertising in our parish bulletin.

### BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH FALL FESTIVAL

1626 West 26<sup>th</sup> Street, Erie, Pa

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th**

**Noon – 5:00PM**

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

\$500. Drawing every half hour from  
12:30pm to 3:00pm

At 3:30pm \$1,500...4:00pm \$2,500...4:30pm \$3,000

GRAND PRIZE DRAWING \$5,000. at 5:00pm

\$50. Additional prize if winner is present

Tickets are \$5 each

Flu Shots available

Noon - 4:00pm

Blood Mobile available

Noon – 3:00pm



### ECSS to hold All-American Classic Auto Show

Save the date for the Erie Catholic School System's All-American Classic Auto Show Sept. 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Jude the Apostle Church, 2801 W. 6th St., Erie. This event is sponsored by GTS Classic Motors, with proceeds benefiting the Erie Catholic Education Fund that supports families that need tuition assistance. More information and sponsorship and donation opportunities can be found at [www.eriecatholic.org/advancement/all-american-classic-auto-show](http://www.eriecatholic.org/advancement/all-american-classic-auto-show).



## 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



# 3 Great Days Fun & Food & Drink



**Friday, September 14, 5:00 to 11:00**  
**Saturday, September 15, 11:00 to 11:00**  
**Sunday, September 16, 11:00 to 5:00**

## Great Entertainment

Erie's First and Only Irish Polka Party  
with *Celtic Moon*

Plus Irish Pierogi and Irish Vodka—Saturday Only

Pittsburgh's Hottest Irish Band Returns

*Corned Beef and Curry* for 2 shows!

Ohio Trad Band *Ballinloch*

Perennial Pub Favorites *County Mayo*

And so much more!

## Great Food

Our Famous Irish-American Fusion Menu  
anchored by our own Guinness Stout and Cheddar Sauce. Have some on Irish  
Mac and Cheese, Irish Nachos, or a Paddy Melt. Plus all of your Irish Favorites—  
Reubens, Irish Stew, Shepherd's Pie, Rachels and more.

*Friday Night Only* Harp Battered Fish and Chips with Fresh Local Sweet Corn!

## Sports Bar

Catch all of your favorite games while enjoying our great pub grub!  
Sunday watch the Steelers, Browns, and Bills on our big screens and  
get \$1.00 off our Irish Red or Bayfront Blonde Ale.

## Great Irish Beverages

**Guinness**, Harp, Smithwicks! Irish Whiskey and Our Own Homemade Irish Cream  
Liqueur! And *Erie Brewing Company's Irish Red Ale*, brewed especially for the  
Festival and only available here!

**Free Admission, Free Parking, Rain or Shine, enter at 4th and French, downtown.**  
**[www.erieirishfestival.com](http://www.erieirishfestival.com) or visit us on Facebook.**