

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 13, 2019



"Let the Children Come"
Stained Glass Window
St. Patrick Church
photo by Tom Golab

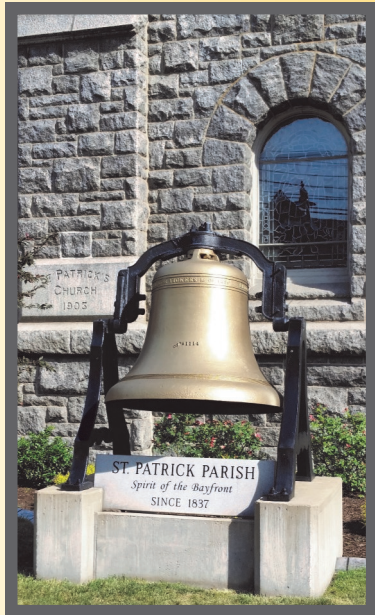
Saint Patrick Parish

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:

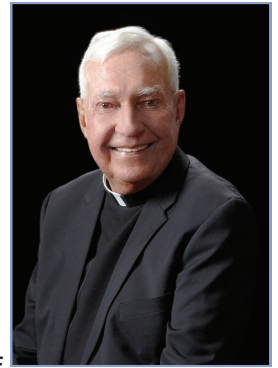
Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM (CHAPEL)

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 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Naaman was a commander of the army of the King of Aram, highly respected and valued even though he was a leper. Having heard there was a prophet in Israel, the Aramean king sent a letter to the king of Israel that he cure Naaman. The Israeli king is filled with fear knowing he has no control over life and death, and sees the request as an excuse for a war. When Naaman met Elisha, the prophet told him to wash in the Jordan seven times, but Naaman's arrogance said the rivers in his country were better than those in Israel. Finally, his servants convinced him and he was cured. Not only was he healed, but his arrogance gave way to humble acceptance of Israel's God.

The Second Reading opens and closes with succinct affirmations of faith. The first one is a short presentation of Paul's own gospel that expresses the core of Christian faith: Jesus Christ raised from the dead. Christ, a descendant of David, is the anointed one who brings to fulfillment all of God's promises. Paul sees his imprisonment as a sharing in the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus. Paul's second affirmation of faith, a trustworthy saying, is a poetic verse with the feel of a liturgical hymn and was probably used at baptism. As Paul does elsewhere, he inserts the hymn into his instructions, drawing on what his audience already knows to reinforce his own teaching. The believers' immersion into Christ's death and resurrection in baptism means that they have died with him and are risen to new life. The remaining verses tell people how they are to live: in perseverance and fidelity.

In the first reading Naaman was a single foreign leper. In the gospel we read today, ten lepers are cured. Having traveled through Samaria and Galilee, Jesus meets these lepers in an unnamed village. While Jews and Samaritans did not associate with one another, their disease groups them together. They stand apart from Jesus as they

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

cry out to him. Jesus' response resonates with Namaan and Elisha—both tell the lepers to go away for their cleansing. And, like Naaman, the Samaritan, a foreigner, is the one to offer thanks. This story is only found in Luke and it develops several important Lukan themes: the role of Jesus as a powerful prophet; the merciful action of God present in Jesus; the praise and thanks due to God; and the inclusion of foreigners in God's saving deeds.

During the month of October each year, every Catholic parish in the United States does what is called the October count. We count the number of people attending each Mass and the number receiving communion and then report those figures to the diocese. Not only does the diocese use the information to track Mass attendance but the information is also shared with the National Conference of Catholic Bishops who are then able to better monitor attendance trends throughout the country.

A group of us recently did a three-day trip to Montreal and then an additional three days in Quebec City. Both are beautiful cities and well worth a visit. Each contain some magnificent churches, some of which are huge. This area was a long-time stalwart of Catholicism and yet today less than ten percent of Catholics in this area attend Mass. These huge magnificent churches sit practically empty on weekends.

A new study reveals that the average age at which a male college graduate gets married is age 29.8. The average age for a female college graduate is 27.8. In 1960, the average age for a male was 22.8 and 23.3 for a female. Interestingly, in 1890, the average age for a male was 26.1 and for a female 22. The marriage rate among American Catholics (52% of all adults) was close to that of the overall U. S. population (48% of all adults). The survey also found that among adults, ages 40 to 59, Catholics had an average of 2.3 children, only slightly above the average of 2.1 children for all U. S. adults in that age range.

Another interesting figure in the report is that 58 percent of the bachelor and masters degrees awarded in the United States go to women who now are attaining higher education than men.

We are now in the Faith Formation stage of Pastoral Planning for the diocese. This is why the get-together that Jim & Julie Fetzner extended an invitation to young couples and their children to come together and share their faith is so important. On November 7 from 6:30—8 PM, the Faith Formation office of the diocese will host an informational meeting at St. James Place (directly across from St. James Church on Buffalo Road). The meeting will attempt to inform people how we can form faith formation in our individual parishes. If anyone in the parish would be interested in attending, please contact me and I will put you on the list. Each parish is asked to bring 5—7 people.

We are now at the stage where we can compile some figures on our September Irish Festival. It was certainly the most successful to date. Our revenue was up almost \$10,000 over last year and the crowds were even larger than last year. We never had crowds like we had on Saturday night this year. And when we closed at 10:30 there were probably 150 people still standing around talking in front of the church. The most staggering figure of all is the number of people who were here. Last year we had about 11,000 and this year we were close to 13,000!!!! That is incredible particularly when you realize that Erie has less than a hundred thousand people. Two of the entertainers brought people from Cleveland, Pittsburgh, etc. and we will continue to book these groups as they were a definite draw. Our only drawback is that we need younger people to volunteer to help. Our volunteers are getting older and it's difficult for them to keep this pace.

A drunk stumbles along a baptismal service on a Sunday afternoon, down by the river. He walks down and stands next to the preacher who asks, "Mister, are you ready to find Jesus?" The drunk replies, "I sure am." The minister then dunks the fellow under the water and pulls him right back up. "Have you found Jesus," he asks. "No, I didn't," replied the drunk. The preacher then dunks him under for quite a bit longer, brings him up and asks, "Now, brother, have you found Jesus?" "No," replied the drunk. The preacher holds the man under water for at least 30 seconds this time, brings him up and asks in a harsh tone, "My good man, have you found Jesus?" The old drunk wipes his eyes and asks the preacher, "Are you sure this is where he fell in?"



Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 10,180.00
Online Giving	<u>2,162.30</u>
Total Income	\$ 12,342.30

Thank you for your generosity!



Let us *Welcome*
Ellis Emmett Ogden
child of
Jonathan & Stephanie (Kelley) Ogden
who will be baptized
after the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday

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:

- ♦ **Theresa Callaghan, Francis Gehringer** from Michael & Mary Callaghan
- ♦ **Carney, Ward and McDonald families, Charles Froehlich** from Jane Carney
- ♦ **Ed Snyder, Linda Winkelman** from Pamela Konieczko
- ♦ **Barbara Korn** from David Korn
- ♦ **Dorothy Palkovic** from Tim & Sheila Mack
- ♦ **Rich Miller** from Lynne Miller
- ♦ **Myrtle Musolff, Jeanne Hagmann** from Deborah Musolff
- ♦ **Luke** from John & Cynthia Purvis
- ♦ **James T. Rennie** from Dorothy Rennie
- ♦ **Rob Vitron** from Bobbie Vitron

Also donations from:

Ray & Patti Fiorelli, Bill & Mary Flanagan, John Godish, Francis Hart, Steven & Kelly Karns, Joe & Heather Kimball, Robert & Carolyn Schenker, Lee & Lori Steadman and Laith Wardi & Carla Orlando

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



The Sanctuary Lamp
burns in loving memory of
Helen Hodas Kirsch
from Eileen & Jim McLaughlin family

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, October 19, 2019 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Jay Habas

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Jay Habas, Carol Habas, Phyllis Marchinetti, Vickie Lampe, Diane McCarthy

CUP: Ray Fiorelli, Patty Dailey

Greeters: Jane Carney, Kathleen Horan

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

Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 8:00 am

Lector: Lisa Straub

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Golab, Lisa Straub, Nancy Andrzejewski, Barb Fischer

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

Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 10:30 am

Lector: Karyn Polaski

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Dario Cipriani, Candy Bukowski, Tim Scully, Erin Wachter, Ryan Palm

CUP: Michele Wheaton, Dotty Schloss

Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin

Altar Servers: Juliette Morales

Ushers: Randy Pristello, David Wilcox, John Purvis, Chuck Agresti

Offertory Counters: Dario Cipriani, Donna Cipriani, Michele Wheaton, Tim Torrey

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.



An organ concert will be offered on **Sunday, October 20, at 4 PM at St. Patrick Church**, Erie. The church's pipe organ was installed in 1906 and was recently completely refurbished this past year at a cost in excess of \$600,000. Chicago organist, Peter Knippel will play the 3,100 pipe instrument. The concert is open to the public at no charge.

LITURGY INTENTIONS

Oct. 12 Saturday, Vigil: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM JOHN EULIANO, JR., ANNIV (KAREN EULIANO)

Oct. 13 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM TRISH HARDNER, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - 10/16

(FAMILY)

10:30 AM HELEN HODAS KIRSCH, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - 10/17

EILEEN & JIM MCLAUGHLIN FAMILY

Oct. 14 Monday, Weekday

8:00 AM BERTHA MARIELLA, ANNIV. OF BIRTH (FAMILY)

Oct. 15 Tuesday, Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

8:00 AM JAMES KONTUR, ANNIV. OF BIRTH - 10/14

(ANGIE KONTUR)

Oct. 16 Wednesday, Weekday

8:00 AM BARBARA SHIELDS (DAVE & JOAN HEUBEL)

Oct. 17 Thursday, Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Oct. 18 Friday, Saint Luke, Evangelist

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

Oct. 19 Saturday, Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM ROBERT HERZOG (NANCY HERZOG)

Oct. 20 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM DR. FORREST MISCHLER, ANNIV.

(KAREN EULIANO)

10:30 AM JIMMY HAYES, ANNIV. OF BIRTH 10/23

(FAMILY)

25th Annual Erie Diocesan Rosary March—

Plan now to attend the 25th annual *Erie Diocesan Rosary March*. This year marks Fatima's 102-year anniversary. The event will begin October 13 at St. Pater Cathedral, 10th and Sassafras Streets, Erie, PA at 2:00 p.m.



Speaker is Msgr. Edward Lohse. For more information, please call John Walsh 814-868-1100. Sponsored by the World Apostolate of Fatima

Fairview parish to host series on

'The Church in Crisis'

Holy Cross Parish, 7100 West Ridge Road, Fairview, will hold a fall speaker series titled, "*The Church in Crisis: Finding Hope in the Midst of Pain*." On Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m., Father Donald Cozzens, a priest of the Diocese of Cleveland, will discuss clericalism and show how we might move beyond it. On Oct. 22 at 6:30 p.m., Sister Dorothy Stoner, OSB, will reflect on the arms race and gun control, the persecution of Christians worldwide and care for the environment.

Erie parish to host *Laudato Si'* seminar

St. George Parish, 5145 Peach St., Erie, will host another seminar on Pope Francis' environmental encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, on Oct. 19 from 1 to 3 p.m. in the parish meeting room. Tom DiVecchio, senior meteorologist for WJET-TV, will be the featured presenter. He will speak about climate change from a meteorologist's point of view. Time permitting, a video on meteorology and climate change may be shown. To make a reservation, call Chris Zurawski at 814-679-4102.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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

10/12 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

10/15 9:45 AM Food Pantry - PR

10/16 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

10/19 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P



CASH BINGO

Polish Falcons Club

431 East 3rd. St.

-benefits-

Saint Benedict Academy Alumnae Association

Sunday, October 13th & Sunday November 10th

Doors open at Noon, **BINGO** starts at 1 PM

Kitchen and Bar will be open

ALL GAMES PLAYED FOR CASH

\$20.00 per pack and only \$5.00 for additional packs

Instants and 50/50 split games played as well!

Attention **Our Lady's Christian School** alumni, parents, faculty and staff, past and present - we are in search of OLCs memorabilia for a historical exhibit that will be curated by current St. Jude students and be on display during Catholic Schools week in late January.

Items could be anything that illustrate day-to-day life at OLC, such as apparel, school projects, photos, commemorative objects and prizes, sacramental and religious education items, etc. If you have something in your attic, we want it! All items will be used for a temporary exhibit and will be returned to their owners.

For more information, and if you have items you are willing to share, please contact Tiggy McLaughlin, tiggy.mclaughlin@gmail.com. Thank you!

Cathedral Prep's Open House will be held on Sunday, October 20th from 12:00 - 3:00pm. Guided tours will include interactive classroom demonstrations, a hands-on look at our STEM Offerings, advanced science experiments, performances by our MVP program, access to our 3-D printers, info on how to graduate high school with a semester or more of college completed, and more! Students in attendance will be entered in a drawing for tuition discounts. Cathedral Prep is located at 225 W 9th St., Erie, PA . Please call 814-453-7737 ext. 3 with questions.



Pro-life holy hour scheduled Oct. 27
The pro-life community of **St. Stanislaus Church** in Erie will hold a pro-life holy hour Oct. 27 beginning at 2 p.m. at St. Stanislaus Church, E. 13th and Wallace streets. All are welcome to pray before the Blessed Sacrament for a greater respect for all human life. There will be various special intentions, including prayers for victims of sexual abuse, babies in the womb, the elderly, the sick, and an end to embryonic stem cell research and human cloning.

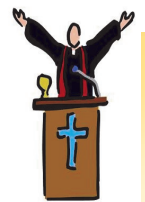
Villa Maria Academy's Open House will be held on Sunday, October 27th from 12:00-3:00pm. Guided tours of the school will include interactive classroom demonstrations, a hands-on look at our art and dance programs, advanced science experiments, info on how to graduate high school with a semester of college completed, access to Villa's 3-D printers, dance studio, fitness center, student café, and more! Students in attendance will be entered in a drawing for discounts on tuition. Villa Maria Academy is located at 2403 W 8th Street, Erie, PA. If you have any questions, please call 838-2061, ext.3239



Fall Craft Show St. James will hold its Annual Craft Show on **Saturday and Sunday, November 2 and 3, 2019 from 10 am to 4 pm** at St. James Place, 2622 Buffalo Road. There are many new and exciting crafters. Come and get an early start on your Christmas shopping. FREE admission and FREE parking. For additional information, please contact St. James Rectory at 899-6178.



MSGR. KRIEGLER'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.



NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

Saint Patrick Parish

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

STREET: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____

HEAD _____	BIRTHDATE: _____
SPOUSE _____	BIRTHDATE: _____
CHILD _____	BIRTHDATE: _____
CHILD _____	BIRTHDATE: _____

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New Registration

Change of Address

Moving

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PLEASE DROP THIS INFORMATION INTO Offertory Basket or mail to Rectory



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Fall, 2019

Dear Parishioner—

November begins with the Feast of All Saints on the 1st and the Feast of All Souls on November 2nd. Traditionally, the Church has set aside November as a particular time to remember the dead in prayer.

Our bulletin of November 2nd & 3rd will contain a listing of any deceased members of your family whom you wish to be remembered during the month. That list will remain on the altar throughout the month so that we can remember them at every Mass celebrated here.

If you wish someone be remembered, please complete the information below and make sure it is in the parish office no later than Monday October 28th. An offering is optional.

Sincerely,

Msgr. Henry Kriegel

Monsignor Henry Kriegel

In Memory of:

Requested by:
