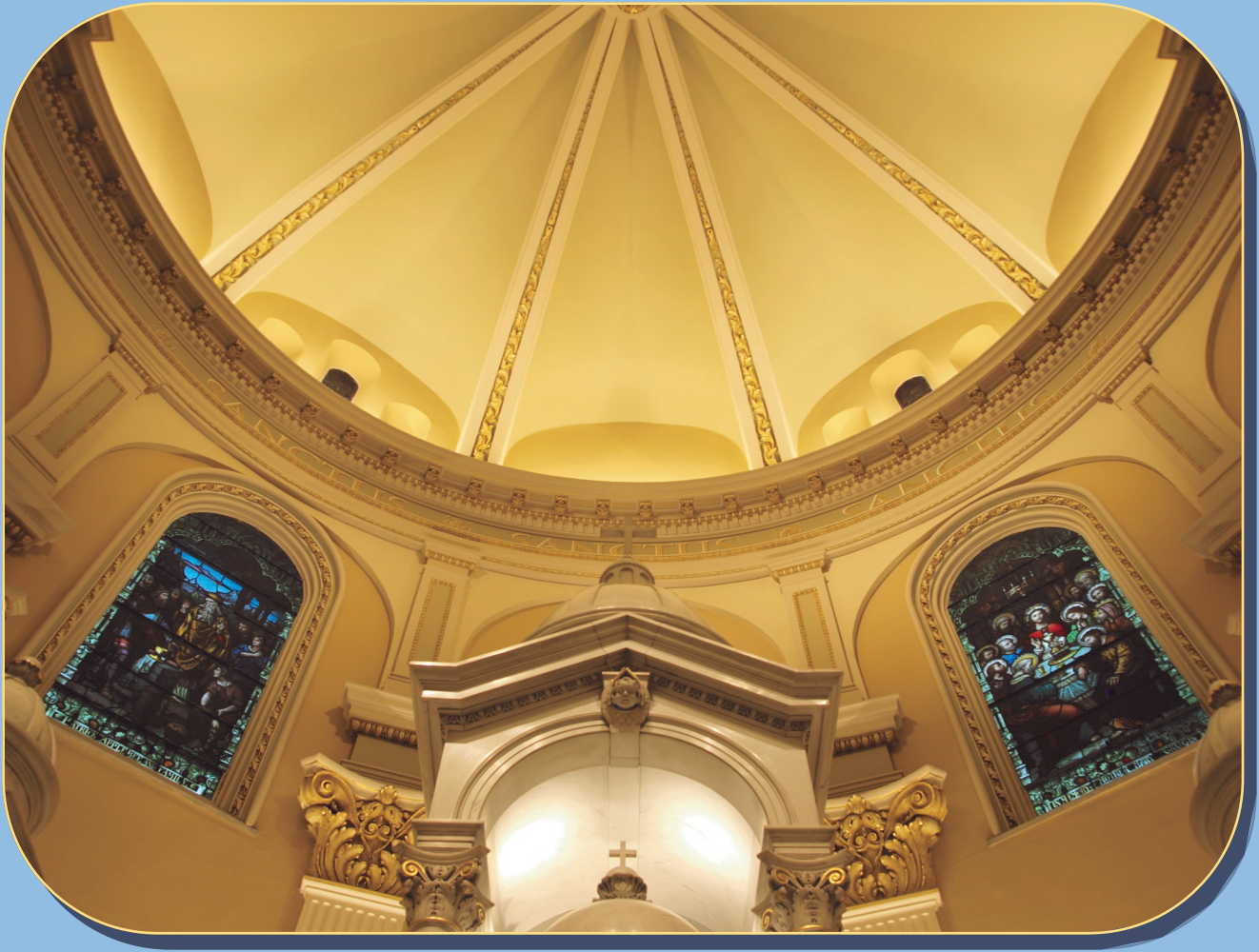


Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 16, 2016



Sanctuary Dome
St. Patrick Church
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Saint Patrick Parish

Saint Hedwig Parish

Serving the East Bayfront of Erie since 1837

Daily Mass 8 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM

Sunday 8 AM & 10:30 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass 4 PM

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From the Pastor's Desk.....

Today is the Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time and we encounter Moses parting the waters so the Israelites can get to the Promised Land. He asks God's help and God responds by giving Israel the victory. Note the weariness of Moses as Aaron and Hur hold up his arms so that he may hold his staff. He is doing all that he can to support Joshua whom he has sent into battle. We find a timely confluence of images: the physical battle of metal meeting metal and a spiritual battle as Moses prays to support the men who give their lives to protect the Promised Land. The words describing that effort ("his hands remained steady till sunset" support today's Gospel message regarding the need for constant prayer.

This text, written to Timothy, should echo in our own minds and become the fuel that drives our hearts. Only one who loves God's Word, who has put that Word to use and learned from it could speak with such conviction of the need "for teaching, for refutation, for correction." Add to that the fact that Paul is writing from prison anticipating death and it takes on the tone and urgency of a dying man's final wish. The final lines take a serious tone as Paul reminds Timothy to proclaim the Word. Paul willingly suffered for that task and asks Timothy to be as committed, even as willing to suffer.

How does the theme of persistence jibe with Jesus' other pronouncements regarding the need for simplicity in prayer and his admonition to avoid babbling like pagans who think they will be heard because of their many words. The fit is seamless if we realize that Jesus is calling for persistence in faith, not multiplication of words. We must return to God again and again, not with lone discourses, but with simple faith that in humility of heart and in plain language, places our

needs before Him. If the uncaring and unjust judge rules favorably because of persistence, how much more will the all-merciful God respond to the manifest faith of earnest and humble believers.

Did you ever know how Taps came to be? In 1862 during the Civil War, Union Army Captain Robert Elli was with his men near Harrison's Landing, Virginia. The Confederate Army was on the other side of the narrow strip of land. During the night, Captain Elli heard the moans of a soldier who lay severely wounded on the field. Not knowing if he was Union or Confederate, he crawled on his stomach through the gunfire and reached the soldier. Pulling him toward his encampment, he discovered he was a Confederate soldier but he was dead. When he lit a lantern, the captain went numb with shock—it was his own son. The boy had been studying music in the south and did not tell his father he had enlisted. Heartbroken, the captain asked permission for a full military burial with a band. The request was denied because he was a Confederate, but out of respect for the father, they gave him one musician. He chose a bugler and asked him to play a series of musical notes he found on a piece of paper in the pocket of the dead youth's uniform. The wish was granted and the music became the familiar Taps.

Sunday, November 13, the Diocese will sponsor Family Fest '16 from 11 AM—5 PM at the Ambassador Center. The event will feature national speaker & musician Chris Padgett and the cost is \$10 per person or \$40 per family and will include lunch and a 4 PM Mass. Bishop Persico formed a new Youth Board for the diocese and entrusted them with planning, designing, etc. the event. In the past, adults had been planning their events and they weren't working. If any families are interested, please contact the parish office and we will register you.

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

New guidelines from the diocese state clearly that we are not permitted to "accept any political advertisements of any kind, allow political signs on church property, rent facilities for partisan events or issue statements for or against any party platforms or political candidates."

I recently paid the property taxes for St. Patrick's to the city of Erie. They were \$4,479.

We recently hosted a "thank you" cocktail party at the rectory for the major donors to the Catholic Service Appeal. Over sixty people attended which is an indication of how well the parish generously supported that appeal this year. You may recall our assessment was \$64,000 and we generated over \$102,000, the difference of which remains in the parish. I also have to tell you that it's nice to see this huge old house full of people.

We also recently hosted a similar thank you party for the major sponsors of the Irish Festival. Dennis Michalski, who solicited the ads for the program, and Gary & Becky Johnson joined me in thanking all of these sponsors. In addition, Gary & Becky Johnson hosted all of the Festival Committee chairs and their spouses at a similar party at their home. Finally, Patty Brunner took over all of the finances this year and did an incredible job of tracking when and where we were successful.

We recently put a new back door on St. Patrick's rectory as well as a new door into the house from the side porch. Both of those earlier doors simply had a pane of glass that anyone could have broken and gained entry. Fortunately, we've never had an incident, but the new doors provide much greater safety.

Answers found on second grade test papers. "The first book of the Bible is Guinnessis, in which Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree." "Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark." "Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day and a ball of fire by night." "Unleavened bread is bread made without ingredients." "Moses went to the top of Mount Cyanide to get the Ten Commandments." "The sixth commandment is 'Thou shalt not admit adultery.'" "Solomon had 300 wives and 700 porcupines."

Saint Hedwig News



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of **Peter Joseph Dubowski** from Mrs. Doris Litowkin.

Our Lady's Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Hattie Gleba** from Jack Auer.

St. Joseph Shrine Lamp burns in loving memory of **Theodore Widomski** Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Widomski

Please remember in your prayers those in the hospital, nursing care, the military and the homebound.

The offertory for last weekend was \$480.00.

All Soul Memorials—

Please use your envelopes or plain white envelopes to submit the names of your loved ones for the October 29/30th bulletin. Deadline for submission is, Monday October 24th.

October is Polish Heritage Month

Panna Maria (meaning Virgin Mary) is the oldest Polish settlement in the United states. Panna Maria was founded by Father Leopold Moczygemba and about 100 Silesian families from Pluznica and surrounding villages of Silesia, Poland.

They left Poland and after a nine-week voyage at sea, they reached the Port of Galveston. They hired carts to carry their belongings and walked to the junction of the San Antonio River and the Cibolo Creek where they celebrated their first Mass on December 24, 1854 under an oak tree. In 1855, they built their first Church next to the oak tree and dedicated it to the Virgin Mother.

"The Church's foundation is unshakeable and firm against the assaults of the raging sea. Although the elements of the world crash against it and batter it, the Church offers the safest harbor of salvation for all in distress."

St. Ambrose

St. Hedwig Ministry Schedule

October 22, 2016 at 4:00 PM

Saturday

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| Lector | Barb Juchno |
| Eucharist | Charlotte Mabie |
| Ushers | Nancy Widomski |
| | Art Blum |
| Altar Servers | Nowosielski Family |





Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

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| Offertory Collection | \$ 9,304.60 |
| Online Giving | <u>1,050.00</u> |
| Total Income | \$ 10,354.60 |

Thank you for your generosity!

Today, Oct. 16 is **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY!** Along with Catholics around the world, we are called to offer our prayers and our financial support, through the Propagation of the Faith, to help those who generously offer talents, creativity and experience in missionary work.

Missionaries bring the message of God's compassion to the entire human family. The Church is commissioned to announce the mercy of God and proclaim mercy in every corner of the world! 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 honor and memory the donations were made:

Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

The Food Pantry Truck is sponsored this week by **Kathy Alessi**.

- ♦ **Msgr. William Biebel** from Paul & Eileen Balczun
- ♦ **Gerrie Ciacchini & Quentin Orlando** from Q Gregory and Nancy Orlando
- ♦ **Jacqueline Iavarone** from Mark & Annette Rennie
- ♦ **Martin "Marty" Schloss** from Robert & Carolyn Schenker
- ♦ **Alfred Sokolowski** from Frances Sokolowski
- ♦ **Pat & Jack Wilson** from Mark & Susan Sullivan
- ♦ **Deceased Family Members** from Gerald & Patricia Wolf
- ♦ **Madeline Stephany & Joanne Kerr** from Michael & Cheryl Stephany
- ♦ **Harry Hahn** from Judy Emling

Also donations from:

Phil & Denise Rewers, Michael & Dotty Schloss.
Theresa Rotunda, Joel Walz & Jill Blaga-Walz, and
Dr. & Mrs. Don Zone

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



*The Sanctuary Lamp burns
in memory of
Katheryn Angelotti, Anniversary
from Family*

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, October 22, 2016 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Jay Habas

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Jay Habas, Carol Habas, Yvonne Gersims

CUP: Ray Forelli, Kay Mannino

Greeters: Mary Anne Ashworth, **1 NEEDED**

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

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

Sunday, October 23, 2016 at 8:00 am

Lector: Mary Ellen Dahlkemper

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathryn Olds, Audrey Reigel

Ushers: Dave Korn, Chuck Straub

Sunday, October 23, 2016 at 10:30 am

Lector: Mary Williams

Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Mary Williams, Colleen Welch,
Charla Leehmuis

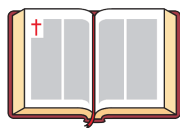
CUP: Mary Kearney, Kathleen Pae

Greeters: Charla Leehmuis, **1 NEEDED**

Altar Servers: **NEEDED**

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

Offertory Counters: Mary McCarthy, Mary Kearney,
Mary Pat Schlaudecker, Mary Williams



The **2017 Lector Books** are available in the Trinity Gift Shop. The readings begin November 27 th, the First Sunday of Advent. Be sure to pick up your book today!

We are looking for an additional **Offertory Counter** to join our team. You are on a rotating schedule and will be scheduled with 3 other counters after the Sunday, 10:30 AM Mass. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office at 454-8085.

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.



LITURGY INTENTIONS

Oct. 15 *Saturday, Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM THEODORE WIDOMSKI - ST.H

(BOB BOLMANSKI & FAMILY)

5:00 PM FORREST & GERTRUDE SHORTS (FAMILY) - ST.P

Oct. 16 *Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM TONY & IRENE IZBICKI (DAUGHTERS) - ST.P

10:30 AM MICHAEL CUMMINGS, ANNIV OF BIRTH - ST.P

(JOE & DIANNE YOCHIM)

Oct. 17 *Monday, Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr*

8:00 AM JOHN KRAUCHEN, JR., ANNIV. OF BIRTH

(BILL & BARBARA KRAUCHEN THOMPSON)

Oct. 18 *Tuesday, Saint Luke, Evangelist*

8:00 AM ELIZABETH BROSS (JIM SPIEGEL)

Oct. 19 *Wednesday, Saints John de Brébeuf and*

Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

8:00 AM IRMA LYDEN (BILL & RENEE LYDEN)

Oct. 20 *Thursday, Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest*

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Oct. 21 *Friday, Weekday*

8:00 AM NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

Oct. 22 *Saturday, Vigil: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 PM ANTHONY WERNICKI - ST.H

(JOE & MARY SETCABAGE)

5:00 PM GENEVIEVE TACCONI - ST.P

(MR. & MRS. PETER PENTZ)

Oct. 23 *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM MARY CHUZIE (FAMILY) - ST.P

10:30 AM ROBERT HERZOG, ANNIV. (WIFE, NANCY) - ST.P

DATES TO REMEMBER

St.H=St. Hedwig, St.P=St. Patrick, HR=Holy Rosary

CP=Chapel, PF=Polish Falcons

PR=Pascal Room, R=Rector, CV=Convent

10/15 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

10/16 NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

10/18 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

10/19 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

10/22 3:30 PM Confessions - St.H

4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

10/23 9:30 AM Rel. Ed Kdg. - Gr. 6 - Holy Rosary

1:00 PM Rel. Ed 7 - 10 Holy Rosary

Special Presentation scheduled for Year of Mercy—

Dr. Michael Coulter, professor of political science and humanities at Grove City College, will deliver a talk, titled "Mercy and Catholic Social Teaching," on Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. at the St. Mark Catholic Center Auditorium, 429 E Grandview Blvd., Erie. Refreshments will follow. This is a special presentation to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Mercy. For more information, call Sr. Kathleen Dietz, FSO, at 814-824-1135.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ladies' Guild will



hold its **Annual Fall Luncheon and Auction** on Sunday, October 23 from 2-5pm at Scheffner Hall, 1531 East Grandview Blvd. Tickets

are \$6 in advance (not guaranteed at the door), and include lunch and entertainment by Hultman & Barb Duo. Also on tap—a HUGE Chinese Auction, Dessert Auction, Vera Bradley raffles, and a 50/50 drawing. For tickets or more information contact Michele at 814-602-8107.

St. James Annual Craft Show—

St. James will hold its Annual Craft Show on Sat. & Sun., Nov. 5th & 6th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 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.



Registration now open for Family Fest '16—

Registration is now open for Family Fest '16, scheduled for Nov. 13 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Ambassador

#Blazing Mercy

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world ablaze!" St. Catherine of Siena

The Family Fest is a day for celebrating the Catholic family and open to all youth and their parents. There will something for all ages! (Note: babysitting is not available).

Registration includes:

+Powerful messages for both youth and parents by national speaker, Chris Padgett, www.chrispadgett.com

+A Vendor and Vocations area

+Retail Catholic shops

+Family Challenge Area with your Passport to Mercy

+Socks of Love Service Project

+Mercy Chapel with Eucharistic Adoration and Confession throughout the day

+Fun Festival Food Carts for lunch

+Each family who registers receives a Family Faith Bag with a family candle, prayer book and DVD on the family.

Registration is \$10.00 per person or \$40.00 for your entire family!

REGISTER NOW: www.CatholicFamilyFest.com

This event is being organized and facilitated by the Diocesan Youth Board and the Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry. Contact Kathleen Peterson with questions, kpeterson@eriercd.org, 814-824-1218.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

☐ Saint Hedwig

☐ Saint Patrick

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

STREET: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____ 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

Advertiser of the Week:

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Funeral Homes & Crematory, LLP
Austin Brugger, Supervisor
Pine Ave Branch—845 E 38th St. * 825-2500
for advertising in our parish bulletin.