

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 22, 2017



The Sanctuary Dome  
St. Patrick Church  
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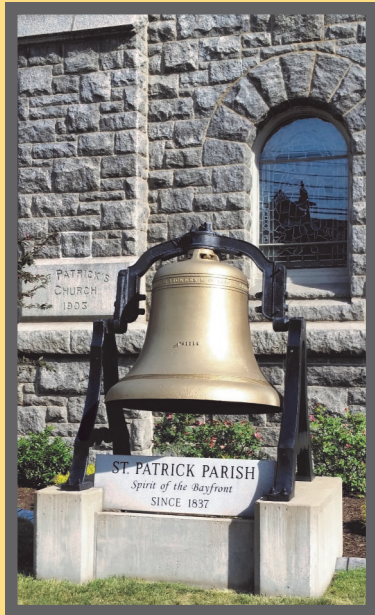
## Saint Patrick Parish

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

#### **MASS SCHEDULE:**

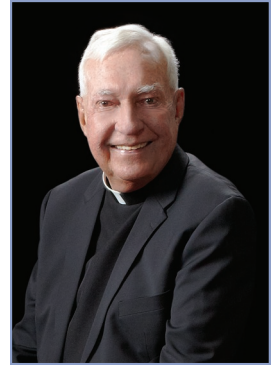
Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM (CHAPEL)

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-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time. God's choice of Cyrus must have been a shock both to Cyrus and Israel. Cyrus had been chosen by the pagan god Marduk, the chief god of the Babylonians, to bring peace and order. When God said he was the only God and there is no other, he took Cyrus by the hand and anointed him. This action would be shocking to the Israelites because only the Davidic kings were anointed. Cyrus did not even know God but was chosen to be his instrument to free the people from their exile in Babylon. When Cyrus allows the exiles to return to Israel, other nations will recognize the power and fidelity of the God of Israel. Thus, the royal title and authority that God gives Cyrus is not for his own sake, but for that of others. The action infers that all people, from the rising of the sun to its setting, all people from east to west, are to know that only the Lord is God.

The first words of Paul's letter tells us that Paul is not engaged in the missionary enterprise alone; he is joined by his companions, Silvanus and Timothy. They greet the community in Thessalonica warmly, affirming that the believers live "in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." At the end of the greeting, Paul also writes of the power of the Holy Spirit. Taken together, we see here one of the earliest foundations of the belief in God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. As Paul and his companions recall the reasons for their gratitude, we hear another important triad: faith, love and hope. The salutation also reminds the church at Thessalonica that they—and Paul—have not lived under easy circumstances but in the midst of their affliction, they have endured in hope.

Today's gospel is the first of four controversies in which Jesus' adversaries question him about the Law, belief and behavior. After Jesus finishes his teaching in parables to some of his harshest critics, the Pharisees initiate their plotting against him. They plan to entrap him and they bring in the Herodians, those who supported the Roman



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

occupation and system of taxation, which the Pharisees disputed. Jesus would be sure to offend one side or the other when the question of taxes to Caesar was at issue. Once again Jesus turns the question back to the Pharisees and leaves them speechless.

St. Mark Seminary has 11 men enrolled this year. This includes five for the Diocese of Erie, five for the Diocese of Buffalo and one for the Diocese of Greensburg. All 11 study at Gannon University. In major seminaries, completing their last four years of theology studies, the diocese has three men at St. Mary's Seminary & University, Baltimore; and three men at St. Vincent Seminary in Latrobe. Two of those men will be ordained priests for the Diocese of Erie next June. As such, the Diocese of Erie has a total of 11 seminarians. Please pray for vocations to the priesthood so that we can keep our parishes open.

We have to replace the boiler in the rectory and some parishioners graciously offered us one that is being removed from a building which they just sold. Unfortunately, the bids to move it came in around \$27,000 and several plumbers spoke to me saying they didn't think it was a good idea because there is no guarantee that it would work properly and there is no warranty. After consulting with people in the know, we decided to buy a brand new boiler and have it installed. It's now in place and works wonderfully.

Twelve more windows were just put in the rectory, all on the second floor. This now only leaves the large windows on the stair landings that yet need to be replaced. We have spent over \$70,000 replacing the windows in the rectory, but we should notice a huge difference this winter.

There are flood lights which light up the church at night and they're on from dusk to dawn. We recently decided to put them on timers and only have them light the building from dark until midnight. Our electric bill has been out of sight, particularly in the summer months with the A/C and all of these lights going. We should notice a big difference in that bill.

We will be several more weeks before we have the final finances put together for the Irish

Festival. Without a doubt, it was by far the largest festival we've ever had. Much of that was due to the weather, but also the fact that the festival is here on the grounds of the church. I think the smartest thing we ever did was move it from Rainbow Gardens to its present location. To give you an idea of how much it was grown, when we were at Rainbow Gardens we averaged 14 kegs of beer for the entire weekend. This year we went through 71 kegs of beer!!!

We are booked for weddings for 2018, and all but two of them are parishioners. That's an indication of how much the parish has grown. We don't take reservations for 2019 until after January 1, 2018. St. Patrick's and the cathedral have more weddings than any other parishes in the diocese. In fact, the number of weddings throughout the diocese has declined sharply over the past twenty years while they have dramatically increased here and at the cathedral.

Another change that is taking place has to do with funerals as more and more families are opting to do a simply service at the funeral home rather than come to church for a funeral Mass. In many cases, none of the children are attending Mass any longer, and so they opt not to have one. So many times at a wedding or a funeral, I will say, "The Lord be with you," and the only person who answers is the cantor. No one in church knows what the responses are any more. We're certainly living in changing times, and I'm not sure what it all means, but God's in charge.

Most of our generation of 60+ were home schooled in many ways. My mother taught me religion. "You better pray that this will come out of the carpet." My father taught me about time. "If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week." My father also taught me logic, "Because I said so, that's why." My mother taught me foresight. "Make sure you wear clean underwear in case you're in an accident." My father taught me the circle of life. "I brought you into this world, and I can take you out." My father taught me irony. "Keep crying and I'll give you something to cry about." My mother taught me about hypocrisy. "If I told you once, I've told you a million times, don't exaggerate." And finally, my father taught me humor. "When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me."



# Saint Patrick News



## Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 8,388.00
Online Giving	<u>1,476.30</u>
Total Income	\$ 9,864.30

*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:

## Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

Donations were made in memory of:

- ♦ **John Fatica** from Ray & Patti Fiorelli, Russ & Susan Forquer, Norb & Marilyn Lechner, Steve & Ann Scutella and Jack & Tracy Wingerter
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**to PANERA BREAD &**  
**HABORCREEK EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS**



**CHILDREN'S BOOKS**  
The Food Pantry is accepting Children's Books for their children's library.

## 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*  
**Tess Kathleen Haslett**

daughter of  
Lucas Scott & Kathleen Renee (Chew) Haslett  
who will be baptized  
after the 5:00 PM Liturgy on Saturday  
and

**Adelaide Elisabeth McCoy**

&

**Silas Zachary McCoy**

children of  
Zachary & Samantha (Wyant) McCoy  
who will be baptized  
after the 10:30 AM Liturgy on Sunday

## Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, October 28, 2017 at 5:00 pm**

Lector: *Mary Beth Pinto*

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** *Mary Beth Pinto, Ann Scutella, Steve Scutella*

**CUP:** *Kay Mannino, Shirley Winschel*

**Greeters:** *Mary Anne Ashworth, Mary Tellers*

**Altar Servers:** *Ryan Jubulis*

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

**Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 8:00 am**

Lector: *Fred Olds*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Tom Golab, Kathryn Olds, Joe Schneider*

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

**Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 10:30 am**

Lector: *Michele Wheaton*

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** *Michele Wheaton, Colleen Welch, Forrest Mischler*

**CUP:** *Dario Cipriani, Kathleen Pae*

**Greeters:** *NEEDED*

**Altar Servers:** *NEEDED*

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

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

The **2018 Lector Books** are available in the Trinity Gift Shop. Be sure to pick up your book today or call the Parish office at 454-8085 to make arrangements for pick up.



### LITURGY INTENTIONS

- Oct. 21** *Saturday, Vigil: 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 5:00 PM JOHN KRAUCHEN, JR., ANNIV. OF BIRTH  
 (BILL & BARBARA KRAUCHEN THOMPSON)
- Oct. 22** *Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 8:00 AM ROSALIE MATTOCKS  
 (RON & FRAN RECTENWALD)  
 10:30 AM ROBERT HERZOG (NANCY HERZOG)
- Oct. 23** *Monday, Saint John of Capistrano, Priest*  
 8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE
- Oct. 24** *Tuesday, Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop*  
 8:00 AM JIMMY HAYES (FAMILY)
- Oct. 25** *Wednesday, Weekday*  
 8:00 AM BERNADINE ZDUNSKI (BOB & MAY LOU MARACCI)
- Oct. 26** *Thursday, Weekday*  
 8:00 AM JOHN & BESSIE WEBER FAMILY
- Oct. 27** *Friday, Weekday*  
 NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
- Oct. 28** *Saturday, Vigil: 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 5:00 PM EMILY & KEVIN BYRNE  
 (EITHNE & PATRICK MURPHY)
- Oct. 29** *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 8:00 AM NICHOLAS KONZEL, SR.  
 (MARK & MONICA BLOOMSTINE)  
 10:30 AM MARIAN BORKOWSKI, ANNIV. OF BIRTH, 11/02  
 (PAT ANTONOPLOS)

### DATES TO REMEMBER

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

- 10/21** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P  
**10/24** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR  
**10/25** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR  
**10/28** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

### **Cathedral Prep and Villa Maria Academy**

present ***Peter and the Starcatcher***

This Tony award winning play upends the century-old story of how a miserable orphan becomes the "boy who wouldn't grow up (a.k.a. Peter Pan). This show is a wildly theatrical adaptation of the best-selling novel. Complete with marauding pirates, jungle tyrants, and unlikely heroes, this show explores the depths of friendship and the bonds of love. Featuring actors playing over 100 unforgettable characters, ***Peter and the Starcatcher*** uses ingenious stage craft and the limitless possibilities of the imagination to bring this story to life. Performances are at the H. David Bowes auditorium at Cathedral Prep Thursday-Saturday, November 2nd, 3rd, and 4th at 7:00 PM and Sunday, November 5th at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors and are available at the door. For additional information call Fr. Mike DeMartinis at 838-2061 ext. 3275



### **Villa Maria Academy to host open house**

Villa Maria Academy, 2403 W. 8th St., Erie, will have an open house Oct. 29 from noon to 3 p.m. Guided tours of the school will include classroom demonstrations, a look at classrooms and science labs, and information on college-credit opportunities and many other activities. Applications will be available; there is no fee to apply. Students in attendance will be entered in a drawing for discounts on tuition.

For more information, call 814-838-2061, ext. 3239.



### **Mercyhurst Preparatory School's Open House** will

be held on Sunday, November 5, from 12-3 p.m. The school is located at 538 East Grandview Blvd. General sessions will be held at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. Sixth, seventh and eighth graders are eligible to enter for a chance to win one of two Instant Film cameras with \$100 worth of film at the session. You must be present to win. If you are an eighth grader and you apply online at [mshslakers.com/admissions](http://mshslakers.com/admissions) on or before November 5, 2017, you become eligible for 1 of 5 drawings for a \$1,000 tuition voucher to Mercyhurst Prep for your freshman year.

### **St. Boniface to host adult formation series—**

The feasts of All Saints and All Souls invite us each year to reflect on the mystery of death. Facing the end of earthly life, either our own or that of loved ones, often raises many questions. Please join us at St. Boniface Church, 9367 Wattsburg Road, Erie, for an adult formation series addressing some of the most common of these questions. The schedule is as follows:

- Oct. 28 at 10 a.m.—Deacon Tim Good and Mary Good, the afterlife and the saints
- Nov. 4 at 10 a.m.—Dennis Schmidt and Austin Brugger, funerals
- Nov. 11 at 10 a.m.—Steve and Jean Urash, estate planning
- Nov. 18 at 10 a.m.—Father John Murphy, end-of-life medical care; and Father Marc Stockton, the funeral liturgy and interment

All sessions will be held in the church (9367 Wattsburg Road, Erie), beginning at 10:00 AM and running approximately 90 minutes. Admission is free, and all are welcome to attend any or all of the sessions. Hope to see you there!





## SAINT PATRICK PARISH

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Fall, 2017

Dear Parishioner –

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

Our bulletin of October 28 & 29 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 remembered, please complete the information below and make sure it is in the parish office no later than Monday, October 24. An offering is optional.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "H. Kriegel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "H" and a long, sweeping tail.

Monsignor Henry Kriegel

In Memory of:

Requested by:

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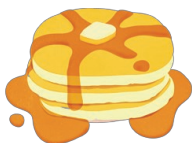
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### Pancake breakfast planned at St. Andrew Church

The Knights of Columbus of St. Andrew Parish in Erie are sponsoring an all-you-can eat pancake breakfast Nov. 5 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parish center, Arundel Hall, 1116 W. 7th St., Erie. The cost is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children 4 to 12, and free to kids under 4. The cost for a family is \$20.



### House of Mercy to host bingo event

Erie's House of Mercy (a ministry of the Sisters of Mercy) will host a TECHNO bingo with 15 large electronic prizes on Nov. 11 at the Harborcreek Social Hall, 7275 Buffalo Road, Harborcreek. Tickets are \$25 each. To purchase tickets, go to <https://www.facebook.com/events/348482782243343/> or contact Sister Michele Schroeck, RSM, at 814-898-0167.



### Come to Bible study at Holy Rosary/St. John

The partnered parishes of Holy Rosary and St. John the Baptist in Erie are hosting "A Biblical Walk through the Mass," a five-part Bible study featuring Dr. Edward Sri, from Nov. 14 through Dec. 12. Participants will come to know and understand the Mass and discover the meanings behind what is said and done in the liturgy. The \$20 fee includes the study book. Financial assistance is available. See the attached registration form, or call the Faith Formation office at 814-454-6322. The schedule options are:



- Tuesdays from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church, 2701 East Ave.
- Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at St. John rectory, 509 E. 26th St.

### Winter guidelines issued by Erie Diocesan Cemeteries

All potted plants, empty pots and containers must be removed from Trinity, Calvary, Gate of Heaven, and Mary, Queen of Peace cemeteries in Erie by Oct. 31. Winter decorations and holiday wreaths are permitted after Nov. 1. Your assistance will help keep the cemetery grounds clean, safe and beautiful during the winter months.

## 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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