# Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time November 3, 2019



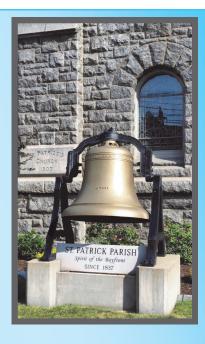
# Saint Patrick Parish

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 Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Book of Wisdom was written in the first century before



Christ to a Jewish audience living in Alexandra, Egypt. The author displays a profound knowledge of their scriptures and skillfully presents them for his Hellenistic audience. Today's reading is from a lengthy section in which the author speaks to God. As he addresses God, he instructs his audience about the divine nature, the relationship of God with all of creation, what his audience is to believe and how they are to behave. The Lord shows mercy on all, loves everything that he has created and spares all things. Woven into this portrait of God are signs of how God's people are to live. They should repent of their sins, abandon wickedness and believe in God.

At the beginning of the Second Letter to the Thessalonians, Paul offers a prayer of thanks for the community, grateful for the growth of their faith and the increase of their love for one another. The God who called them to faith in the beginning is the one who will bring their efforts to fulfillment. He reminds them that God's action within them is not for their sake alone, but so that the name of the Lord Jesus may be glorified in them. In the second part of the reading, he corrects their misunderstanding about the second coming of Jesus. The community faced much hardship which was seen as a sign of the end of time, of God's final conquering of evil, or the second coming of Jesus. Paul addresses their exaggerated focus on Christ's future coming. Those who claim that the day of the Lord is at hand are creating fear, not hope. Paul writes that faith and love are the best way to prepare for his coming.

The story of Zacchaeus and Jesus is filled with picturesque details. As a tax collector he would have been hated, but he wants to see Jesus and climbs a tree, but it is Jesus who sees Zacchaeus in his lofty perch. Jesus calls him to come down quickly and uses two words that highlight important themes in Luke's gospel: "must" and

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

"today." God's plan is to bring the good news to all people. Beginning with the announcement of the birth of the savior, the word today signals the inauguration of God's saving action in the present. When Zacchaeus welcomes Jesus he announces that he will give half his possessions to the poor. Neither Jesus nor Zacchaeus deny that he is a sinner. The important thing is that today salvation has come to the house, fulfilling Jesus' mission of seeking and saving the lost.

We are finding throughout the diocese that more and more families opt not to have a funeral Mass in church, but, instead, either a service at the funeral home or, in many cases, nothing more than a committal service at the cemetery. Many times I will bury an outstanding Catholic member of the parish, but none of the children attend Mass.. When I say, "The Lord be with you," often times the only one responding is the cantor.

One other option that is open to people is to have the wake for an hour before the funeral Mass and to have the wake in church. The casket can be open, or in the case of cremation, the urn can be there and it is an opportunity for people to pay their respects and also stay for the funeral Mass. Every time a family has requested this, they have commented to me on how nicely it worked for everyone. It's worth thinking about. I think the current statistic for cremations in Erie is about 50%. When I was in California, I only had one in ground burial in ten years. Almost everyone was cremated.

A Synod of Bishops has been underway at the Vatican discussing the Amazon in terms of its relationship to global warming as well as the unique challenges the church faces in that area. Among suggestions made by bishops are the ordination of women to the diaconate, the ordination of married men, etc. With concern to the ordination of married men, the Synod bishops spoke in terms of "viri probati," that is, older men of proven virtue. There is such a vast shortage of priests in the region that people often do not receive the sacraments every few months. Speaking to environmental problems in the Amazon, they talked about the detrimental effects of illegal and violent mining activities as well as human rights issues and other social injustices affecting indigenous

people living in the region. At the conclusion of the Synod, they will present a document summarizing their recommendations to Pope Francis who will then act upon it.

The Synod of Bishops was started by Pope Paul VI in the early 1970s. After the Council and until Pope Francis came to the papacy it was nothing more than a rubber stamp of documents already prepared by the Vatican. Pope Francis has changed that with his principal of synodality, ie., everyone has a say in determining the future direction of the church. As Pope Francis has spoken of this concept, he has noted that it will help erase clericalism, the idea that the clergy are more important than others.

For the first time in its history, the Catholic bishops conference of France will open its plenary assembly to non-bishops. All of the bishops attending the Nov. 5 & 6 meeting can be accompanied by two baptized people, man or woman, lay, deacon or priest. At the assembly, everyone will be mixed together to allow for greater dialogue. The purpose of the change is to open the doors of the assembly for a turn of "consultation, mutual listening, gathering experiences and a taste for a shared mission". The approach is in line with Pope Francis' call to take greater account of the laity and to put an end to clericalism. The bishops will meet a large number of young people and have vowed to "let ourselves by pushed by them."

I mentioned earlier that we have a leak above the Sixth Station of the Cross. There is a vent up there and that is the cause of the leak. It has been repaired and should be fine. We now simply have to wait for the affected area to completely dry before painting it. We also discovered that the roof on those sections of the church above many of the Stations are not slate like the main church roof, but are shingles.

An Englishman, a Swede and a Russian are looking at a painting of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. "Look at that beautiful garden," says the Englishman. "Only an Englishman could grow a garden as beautiful as that." "Nonsense," says the Swede. "They're naked and unashamed. They must be Scandinavian." "Rubbish," says the Russian. "No clothes, no house, one apple between them, and they're told it's paradise. They are definitely Russian."



# Saint Patrick News



## **Stewardship**

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Offertory Collection} & \$ \ 7,596.00 \\ \text{Online Giving} & \underline{1,477.30} \\ \text{Total Income} & \$ \ 9,073.30 \\ \end{array}$ 

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 made:

### Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

Donations made to the Food Pantry were made in memory of:

- Mildred Biebel from Robert Biebel
- ◆ Jeffrey Bomba from Mom, Dad, Megan, Luke, Ben, Delainey & Norah
- Beverly Feeley from Barbara Brairton and Scott
   & Jane Lightner
- Marilyn Lechner from Mary Ellen Dahlkemper, Karen Euliano, Catherine Good and Ed & Jennifer Smith
- "Pudge" Williams from Mary Ellen Demyanovich
- Deceased members of the Stephany, Theiss and Lyons families from Tom & May Lyons
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Also donation from:

Frank & Christine Altadonna, Janice Cole, Joe & Judy Pitetti, William & Rebecca Ruprecht, Dave & Julie Sanner, David & Kathy Wagner and Matthew & Kimberly Yaw

> 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
Carter Patrick Grab
child of
Patrick & Emily (Taccone) Grab
who will be baptized
after the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of **Helen Hodas Kirsh, Anniversary** from Eileen & Jim McLaughlin family

#### Ministry Schedule Saturday, November 9, 2019 at 5:00 pm

Lector: Angie Kontur Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Jay Habas, Carol Habas, Phyllis Marchinetti,

Vickie Lampe

CUP: Kathy Sertz, Shirley Winschel

Greeters: Bob & Diane Boeh

Ushers: Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers,

Jim Sertz

#### Sunday, November 10, 2019 at 8:00 am

Lector: Dan Bergell

Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Golab, Joseph Schneider,

Christopher Sofranko

Ushers: John Maloney, David Korn, Chucks Straub,

Mike Nies

#### Sunday, November 10, 2019 at 10:30 am

Lector: Luke Gilmore Eucharistic Ministers:

HOST: Luke Gilmore, Mary Williams, Erin Wachter,

Mary Kearney

**CUP:** Kathleen Pae, Colleen Welch Greeters: Arlene Miller, Tim Donlin

Altar Servers: ------

Ushers: Dave Taccone, Tom Welch, Jim Wehan,

Paul Balczun

Offertory Counters: Bill Welsh, Cindy Welsh,

Tim Donlin, Kay Sauers

#### The 2020 Lector Workbooks

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

Nov. 2 Saturday, Vigil: All Soul's Day

5:00 PM BOB SAUERS (CHUCK & WENDY WEBER)

Nov. 3 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am James & Carol Donnelly

(ST. VINCENT ICU)

10:30 AM HAROLD E. DOWNEY (BILL & KATHY MASEK)

Nov. 4 Monday, Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Nov. 5 Tuesday, Weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Nov. 6 Wednesday, Weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Nov. 7 Thursday, Weekday

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Nov. 8 Friday, Weekday

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

Nov. 9 Saturday, Vigil: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM JOE DEANGELO (BOB & DIANE BOEH)

Nov. 10 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Bob Sauers, anniv. of Birth - 11/7

(KAY SAUERS)

10:30 AM MILDRED & TOM HEUBEL, ANNIVERSARY (FAMILY)

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

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

**11/02** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

**11/05** 9:45 AM Food Pantry - PR

**11/06** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

**11/09** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P





COLLECTION OF PERSONAL CARE ITEMS FOR THE OVERFLOW HOME-LESS SHELTER. St. Patrick's Parish will be hosting the overflow homeless shelter at the Russian Church of the Nativity Social Center from January 29 to February 5. We are collecting personal hygiene toiletry

items (shampoo, bath products, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, combs, brushes, feminine hygiene products & hand sanitizers), as well as cough drops, lip balm and hand warmers. PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE ARE THE ONLY ITEMS WE CAN ACCEPT. Collection bins will be located inside the church's main entrance before each mass during the months of November and December. Items can also be placed in the storage bin located outside the entrance to the rectory's side porch. IN ADDITION, MONETARY DONATIONS ARE NEEDED. We greatly appreciate your donations. The response the past few years has been amazing. Thank you very much for your generosity.

#### Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments— Homeless Youth and Protecting our Youth:

We consider our homes to be safe places for our children, but 1.7 million US youth experience homelessness every year. 50,000 youth sleep on the streets for six months or more each year. One of the main causes of youth homelessness is family instability, which includes child abuse and/or neglect, domestic violence, parental substance abuse and family conflict. The website of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network (www.ncmec.org) offers information on a range of child safety topics. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit <a href="https://wwweriercd.org/childprotection/">https://wwweriercd.org/childprotection/</a>

## 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

## All Souls Day Memorials

Received from	In Memory Of
Mary Abbott	Katie Abbott, Jillian Abbott, Dundon family, Mary Jane Clark,
	Michele Hertel
	Barbara Drobish, Michael J. Drobish, Michael P. Drobish,
Eric & Lisa Albright	Ruth Cassandra, Norman & Dorothy Albright
Mary Lynn Angelotti	Edward & Katheryn Angelotti, Ronald Angelotti, Richard Eccher,
	John Batkiewicz, Barbara Sadoski, Peter Warnoff
Mary Anne Ashworth	
	Albert & Isabel Boeh, Robert & Mary Dudenhofer
	Jack & Lois Flanagan, John & Dorothy Bomba
Mom, Dad, Megan, Luke, Ben, Delainey & Nord	
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Calabrese	John P. Calabrese, Carl A. Dietz, Grace A. Dietz
The Carlow family	Sylvester & Sara Carlow, Charles & Laura Bohen,
	Clifford & Margaret Zilch
William J. Carney	William J. & Jane M. Ward Carney, James & Margaret Ward, William
	& Lillian Carney McDonald, Owen & Mary Gallagher, William Carney
Corrine Byrne Cassa	Ernest Bragdon, Marion Byrne Santos, Edward Santos, Thomas P.
	Byrne, Rita M. Byrne, Thomas P. Byrne III (Bud)
Tom & Jan Clancey, Steve & Diane Merski	Marian & Al Dilley, Ruth & Al Clancey, Mildred & Bob Merski
Kevin & Margaret Cohick	John & Marjorie DeBias, Anthony & Adeline DeBias,
-	Raymond & Mare Peplinsky
Donna Cummings	Michael J. Cummings, Donald J. Andrews, Kathleen & John Cummings
Theresa Rotunda & Mary Cuneo	Victor Rotunda, John & Francis Aloiz, Joseph & Jennie Rotunda
Kevin & Mary Cuneo	Gene & Patricia Cuneo
Dann, Sean & Joseph Cuneo	
Dailey family	
DeBello family	Mr. & Mrs. Anthony DeBello, Sr., Anthony DeBello, Jr.
Mary Ellen Demyanovich	Dr. & Mrs. Donald Williams, "Pudge" Billy & Bobby Williams
Jim & Mary Duncan	Mary L. Duncan, James G. Duncan, Vera Hanchett, Kelly family
Dan & Terri Dyleski	Stan & Bernice Budney, Walt & Helen Dyleski, Mark Dyleski
Fr. Tom Fialkowski	John & Marcella Fialkowski
Bill & Betty Ann Filipkowski	Harold Tower Anne Tower, David Tower, William Filipkowski, Sr.,
	Jane Filipkowski, Robert Filipkowski
Joanne Finn	Deceased membes of the Kalata, Kozlowski & Lowry families
Bill & Mary Flanagan	William M. & Betty Flanagan, John E. & Violet S. Waldron
Betty Gama	Andrew Gama, Marcene G. Fabin, Marie & Walter Weber,
	Walter Weber, Jr., Bob, Jean, Audrey, & Shirley
Joe Giles	Dolores Giles, Kerry Giles, Mary Mead, Therese Cabelof
Luke, Megan, Ben, Delainey & Norah Gilmore.	Jeff Bomba, Jack & Lois Flanagan, John & Dorothy Bomba,
	Loren & Lucille Wright, TJ Bomba
Tim & Karen Grode	Theresa Chulick, Thomas Chulick, II, Jean Grode
Carol & Jay Habas	Mary Whipple, Bill Whipple, Sr., Bill Whipple, Jr., Wanda Habas
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Patricia Heasley	_ · ·
•	Mildred, Thomas, Edward J., Edward M. Heubel, Barb & Lou Shields,
James & Michele Hubert	
	Robert & Patricia Baughman, John "Jack" Johnson, Sr.
Patty Joint-Lipchik	
Kearney family	

	JoAnn Murray Causgrove & Leo Causgrove, Bill Murray &
Cathy & Dat Vlacakay	·
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	Max & Tessie Kolodziejczak, Mitch, Max & Anthony
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	Mojodziejczak, Antonio & Mary Rojodziejczak, som & Marceia Majczyk, Richard & Marsha Wilson, Tim ,Ted & Shawn Wilson, Ralph &
	Caroline Maloney, Ed, Shirley & Ron Polaski, Tom, Terry, & Nancy
	Gradler, Stella Abbatto, also all deceased relatives of Kolodziejczak &
	Edward Snyder, Linda Winkelman, David Snyder,
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	Pauline & Arthur Riazzi, Bette & Joseph Masterson, John Masterson,
Burry & Deoby Musicison	•
	Frances & Sam Rose Family and friends of Bob & Diane (Figurski) McCarthy
Miller family	
	Dr. Forrest Mischler, Kenneth Eaton, John Niebauer
	Carl M. Monella, Jr., John E. "Jack" Weaver
	Deacon & Betty Jones, John & Barbara Poux
	Matthew & Mary Blackburn, Dawn Blackburn, deceased family
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Mike & JoAnne Samsel	
The Schloss family	
	David C. Schmidt, Howard & Dorothy Bailey, Dennis Bailey, Russell &
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Kaimeen (Kaye) Teabert, Rich Vogi	
	John & Mildred Krauchen & son, John, Bill Thompson
Delene Thompson	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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Bobbie Vitron	
	Edward & Katheryn Angelotti, Frank & Santa Vona, Dominick &
Trank & Carol vona	
	Richard & Anna Collins, Edward & Doris Wehan, Jimmy Hayes
	Toni & Bill Welsh, Mary Ann Welsh, Ginny Eisenberg, Ginny Eisenberg,
Cinay & But Weish	
Jack & Patty Welther	
	Darlene Kay Brock James Wheeler, Mary Anne Hickock, Norma L. &
Booby & Latricia wheeler	
	Frank, Kathryn & Nina Messina, Joseph & Rose Wier
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