

Feast of the Holy Trinity  
May 27, 2018



The Holy Trinity  
Stained Glass Window  
St. Patrick Church

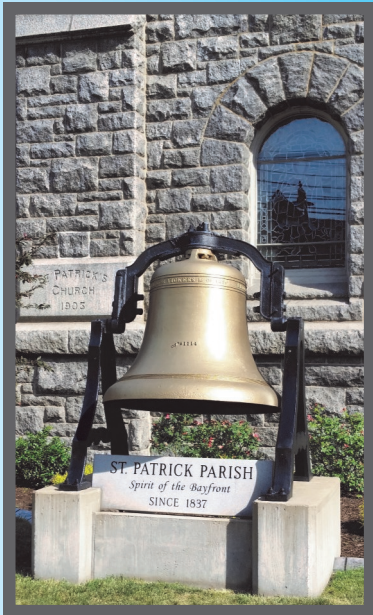
## Saint Patrick Parish

*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 Feast of the Holy Trinity. Today's first reading recalls God's awesome acts in choosing and saving Israel from slavery. This quick review of creation and salvation builds into a creed: "This is why you must now know, and fix in your hearts, that the Lord is God in the heavens above and on earth below, and that there is no other." God grants his people an earthly inheritance and also the guarantee of our inheritance in eternity.

In our second reading, we're told that God's adopted children can address their parent with the same name that Jesus, his beloved Son, uses: Abba—in Aramaic, an affectionate word for father. Paul shows that adoption does not imply a second-class birthright; believers are full heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ. By identifying with him, we participate fully in the benefits won by him. By reason of the Spirit's presence within us, baptized Christians enjoy not only life but also a new relationship with God—that of adopted children and theirs through Christ, whose sufferings and glory we share. "

This final scene in Matthew's gospel takes place in Galilee where Jesus' ministry began. The mountain setting recalls other mountain scenes: the Sermon on the Mount, the Transfiguration, the mountain where Jesus went to pray and the Mount of Olives, where Jesus wept over Jerusalem. Jesus' remark, "they worshipped but they doubted," reminds us of Jesus walking on water, extending his hands to sinking Peter and asking, "Why did you doubt?" "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me," echoes his statement in chapter 11, "All things have been handed over to me by my Father." In these ways, this gospel looks back to Jesus' ministry as a whole and forward to the time of the church, thus linking two periods that have the same Lord and the same mission. Finally, this reading has parallels with the end of Deuteronomy and the beginning of the Book of Joshua that describe God through Moses who commissions his successor, Joshua,

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

to go and observe the law knowing that "the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. Moses then tells Joshua to go into foreign lands and proclaim God's law just as Jesus now commissions his disciples to go into the whole world to teach all the commandments, and he promises his constant presence.

The parish office will be closed on Monday in commemoration of Memorial Day.

The number of Catholics in the United States who attend weekly services is still sliding, continuing a trend since the 1950, while Protestant numbers have plateaued over the last decade, the latest Gallup poll shows. About one in four Catholics said they attended church in the previous seven days. The biggest drop off was witnessed from 1955-75, when weekly attendance started at 75% and fell to under 60%. Since then, the numbers declined at a lower rate for about 40 years before accelerating again in the last 10 years. While Protestants seem to be faring better, with their attendance rate holding steady at around 40 percent over the last six decades, the percentage of American Protestants has wound down sharply.

We are in the process of replacing the roof on the Food Pantry at a cost of \$17,000. We have been repairing this roof for years and every time it rains we get more damage inside. Two roofing companies told us it can no longer be repaired but needs to be replaced. I'm happy to tell you that the Erie Community Foundation has given us a grant to cover 100% of the costs of the new roof. That is incredibly generous of them. If you ever want to invest in the future of Erie, invest in the Erie Community Foundation. No organization in this community does as much outreach as they do and no organization gives more money to the community on a regular basis than does the Erie Community Foundation. I hope they know our gratitude for this grant.

I mentioned earlier that we are finishing up restoring the second floor in the rectory. This area was sadly neglected for years. Window sills were rotted, plaster was coming down everywhere, the carpeting has been the same for 50 years and was in deplorable condition. We used the chapel

on that floor for daily Mass while the church was closed in 2012 for our restoration, but otherwise not much has happened there. Two rooms are pretty much dedicated to the Irish Festival with one room being nothing but jewelry for that booth. In addition, there were two guest suites consisting of a living room, bathroom and bedroom, but no one could use them because they were in such a state of disrepair. We've now finished putting all of that together and restored it. The chapel has been refinished as have two guest suites, a living room and the large central hall. If anyone wants to see that area, just stop at the rectory sometime and one of us will show it to you.

You may notice that the front lawn of the rectory is a bit of a mess. The water line running from the city water line in the middle of Fourth Street into the house sprung a leak and had to be replaced.

I've received the bids for replacing the tiles in the back of church and Finance Council will meet soon to determine what we do. The low bid is in excess of \$50,000.

Organ Supply has made two proposals for us to do extra things in restoring the pipe organ. One is to purchase some pipes from the former pipe organ at St. Andrew's and incorporate them into our pipe organ. The other is to add some additional ranks of pipes. Unfortunately, each one is in the neighborhood of \$20,000 and just too much.

The Men's Room is closed for renovation until June 8. Use the one behind the altar. Enter via the weekday chapel.

George was stopped by a game warden in northern Minnesota leaving a lake well known for its walleye. He had two buckets full of fish. Since it was during the spawning season, the game warden asked, "Do you have a license to catch those fish?" "No," replied George, "these are my pet fish and every night I take them down to the lake, let them swim around for a while. Then I whistle and they jump back in the buckets and I take them home." "That's a bunch of hokey," says the game warden, "fish can't do that." "Okay, I'll show you," says George, and he poured the fish into the lake. After several minutes, the game warden asked, "When are you going to call them back?" "Call who back?" asks George. "The fish." "What fish?"



# Saint Patrick News



## Stewardship

Offertory Collection	\$ 9,060.00
Online Giving	<u>1,740.30</u>
Total Income	\$ 10,800.30
Catholic Service Appeal (Assessment)	\$ 84,000.00
Total Pledged	\$ 105,795.00
Total Paid	\$ 81,860.00
Total Families	242

*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:

### The Restoration Fund

Donations were made in memory of **Thomas Cook** from:

Harold & Jeanne Bender, Ellen Cullen family,  
BJ & Barb Lechner, Carol George & Marina Allen,  
David & Judith Lipsitz, Scott & Kandace Lyon,  
Albert & Kathleen Mastantuono, Martin McCormick,  
Ernest & Marlene Nagle, Lara Schultz,  
Richard Schultz and Leo & Linda Swantek

### Sr. Mary Pascal Food Pantry

Donations were made in memory of:

- ◆ **Mrs. Peter Biebel** from Robert & Mildred Biebel
- ◆ **Buck Cook** from Dan Bukowski
- ◆ **Lois Dahlkemper, Rita Jackson** from Bill & Patty Jackson
- ◆ **Aunt Dasia, Aunt Edith** from Dr. & Mrs. Forrest Mischler
- ◆ **Velma & Bob Smith** from Rob & Patti Oligeri
- ◆ **Peter Cipriani** from Cyndi & Randy Pristello
- ◆ **Luke** from John & Cynthia Purvis
- ◆ **My Mom & Isla** from Robert & Carolyn Schenker
- ◆ **John-Michael McGettigan** from Theresa Stout
- ◆ **Nick Bonta** from Mark & Susan Sullivan

Also donations from:

Patti & Ray Fiorelli, Lawrence & JoElla Gorgacz and  
Mark & Barbara Sargent

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



*The Sanctuary Lamp  
burns in loving memory of  
**William Edwin Doyle**  
(4/14/27-4/11/18)  
from the Candela family*

### Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, June 2, 2018 at 5:00 pm**

Lector: *Bill Power*

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** *Ann Scutella, Steve Scutella, Kathy Sertz*

**CUP:** *Bill Power, Carolyn Power*

*Greeters: Phil & Judy Kelly*

*Altar Servers: Collin & Ryan Hudson*

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

**Sunday, June 3, 2018 at 8:00 am**

Lector: *Nick Straub*

Eucharistic Ministers: *Tom Golab, Lisa Straub,  
Joe Schneider*

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

**Sunday, June 3, 2018 at 10:30 am**

Lector: *Dario Cipriani*

Eucharistic Ministers:

**HOST:** *Dario Cipriani, Tim Scully, Cyndi Pristello*

**CUP:** *Michele Wheaton, Colleen Welch*

*Greeters: NEEDED*

*Altar Servers: Owen Fetzner*

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

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

### A Family Perspective—

In today's gospel Jesus says, "Teach them to observe everything I have commanded you." For parents, this is both mission and ministry as all children form their foundation of faith from their parents. Jesus commands all parents to teach their children "all that I have commanded you."

### 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

**May 26** *Saturday, Vigil: The Most Holy Trinity*

5:00 PM ROBERT VITRON  
(MR. & MRS. RALPH GARBER)

**May 27** *The Most Holy Trinity*

8:00 AM SEAN SULLIVAN JOHNSON &  
THERESA CARNEY JOHNSON  
(RICHARD J. JOHNSON & FAMILY)

10:30 AM BOB MCCARTHY, ANNIV. OF BIRTH  
(DIANE MCCARTHY FAMILY)

**May 28** *Monday, Memorial Day*

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

**May 29** *Tuesday, Weekday*

8:00 AM JOAN GLOEKLER (MARY PAT SCHLAUDECKER)

**May 30** *Wednesday, Weekday*

8:00 AM JOHN & BESSIE WEBER FAMILY

**May 31** *Thursday, The Visitation of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00 AM MASS

**June 1** *Friday, Saint Justin, Martyr*

NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

**June 2** *Saturday, Vigil: The Most Holy Body and Blood  
of Christ*

5:00 PM SANDY NEUMEIR (JIM & KATHY SERTZ)

**June 3** *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

8:00 AM MARY MCCARTHY (MARY LOU SCOTTINO)

10:30 AM STEPHEN MILLER (BILL & KATHY MASEK)

## DATES TO REMEMBER

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

- 05/26** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P  
**05/28** **Memorial Day, Church and Office -CLOSED**  
**05/29** 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR  
**05/30** 12:00 PM A.A. - PR  
**06/02** 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

## **Bishop to preside at Memorial Day Mass**

The 42nd annual Memorial Day Mass will be held at **Gate of Heaven Cemetery**, 5711 West Lake Road, Erie, on May 28 at 9 a.m. Bishop Lawrence Persico will preside.

## Russian Orthodox **Church of the Nativity** Presents the 10th Annual



### **TROIKA Russian Festival**

Friday, June 1, 2018: 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.  
Saturday, June 2, 2018: Noon to 6 p.m.  
Sunday, June 3, 2018: Noon to 8 p.m.

Church of the Nativity Community Center  
109 German Street, Erie, PA 16507  
[www.churchofthenativity.net/troika](http://www.churchofthenativity.net/troika)

Russian Food \* Vodka Ice Bar \* Russian Breakfast  
on Sunday from 10 a.m. until Noon \*  
Children's Area \* Free Admission & Free Parking



## 103 DAYS TO THE 2018 ERIE IRISH FESTIVAL

### **GOLF SEASON: TIME FOR A MULLIGAN.**



If you're a golfer, you probably re-hit a bad shot every now and then. And when you do, you probably say, "I'm talking a mulligan." Ever wonder why we call a do-over in golf a "mulligan?" Well, no one really knows, but there are some theories.

Mulligan is obviously an Irish name. "O'Maolagain" literally means "grandson of the bald man." This somewhat strange fact seems, however, unrelated to the golf do-over despite the obvious similarity between a bald head and a golf ball.

The United States Golf Association Museum mentions a fellow named David Mulligan, a Canadian who was locally famous for taking a "correction shot" at his country club. The other members began referring to the correction shot as a "Mulligan." Or, it could have been a "Buddy" Mulligan from New Jersey who was also famous in the 1930's for his frequent do-overs. Or, it could be an ethnic slur that refers to the supposed poor golfing abilities of Irish immigrants in the more exclusive golf clubs of the North East. Or, it could refer to the practice by some bars of offering free whiskey which was also called a mulligan—in essence a freebie. (But why was the free whiskey called a mulligan?—who knows, but strangely apropos of the request to follow.)

**Because we need a parish whiskey mulligan!** Back around St. Patrick's Day we asked you to bring a bottle of whiskey to mass to help rebuild our stock for the Irish Festival Whiskey bar. Well, the result was—what's a kind way to put it? A hook shot into the woods. The Saturday Night mass folks brought in a couple of dozen—great job, the Sunday Morning folks didn't even break double digits! So let's tee it up again.

### Next weekend, June 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, will be the **BRING A BOTTLE TO CHURCH MULLIGAN EVENT.**

Chuck Agresti and Ron Brown, the Irish Whiskey Fairies, will be here at each mass to collect your donations of Irish Whiskey (unopened bottles if you please). They are especially keen to have donations of Jameson, Jameson Caskmate, Bushmills Regular or Black, Tullamore Dew, and John Powers, but we'll accept a bottle of your particular favorite with a big smile as well. Or maybe a gift card to the liquor store. It's your donations that make this whole thing work, so take your mulligan and bring us a bottle or two next weekend.





St. Patrick Parish  
 130 East Fourth Street  
 Erie, PA 16507  
 814-454-8085

Dear Parishioner—

Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, is Father's Day, a day set aside to particularly remember these wonderful men who not only gave us life but nurtured and nourished us as well.

In many instances, your father has already gone to his eternal reward and you have no way of once again telling him of your love for him.

Our bulletin on June 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> will include an insert listing the names of any living or deceased father or grandfather whom you wish particularly remembered in our Masses that weekend.

If you would like to include someone in that list, please return this listing NO LATER THAN MONDAY, JUNE 11<sup>th</sup>, so that we can include these names in that bulletin.

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely,

*Msr. Henry Kriegel*

Monsignor Henry Kriegel

In Memory of or in Honor of

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**Erie parish to host card party** ♥♣♦♠

The St. Casimir Rosary Society of **St. Casimir Church**, 629 Hess Ave., Erie, is sponsoring its Blossom Time Card Party May 30 at 6 p.m. at the church social hall. There will be a luncheon, raffles, door prizes and a gift auction. A \$7 donation is requested to attend.

**Scramble scheduled at Venango Valley Golf Course**



Join the ninth annual **Holy Rosary (Erie) Golf Scramble** June 27 at Venango Valley Golf Course in Venango, Erie County. The cost is \$80 per person. The event is open to women and men over 21 years of age. Sign in at 11 a.m., enjoy lunch and be ready for the shotgun start at noon. A goodie bag will be provided for all players. There will be skill prizes, a skins game and raffle baskets. Dinner and more prizes will be at 5 p.m. For more information, contact Ken Kendziora at 814-825-7375.

**St. Boniface Summer Festival**  
Coleman Center, 9363 Wattsburg Rd., Erie PA 16509

**Saturday, June 2 from 6 pm - 10 pm**

Live music by

The Barefoot Fisherman and the Hodapp Family Band

Pennsylvania Craft Beer ~ Pulled Pork  
Sausage Sandwiches ~ Hot Dogs

**Sunday, June 3 from, 11:30 am - 2:30 pm**

Traditional Family Style Chicken Dinner

Bake Sale ~ Basket Auction ~ Country Cupboard  
Cash Prizes ~ Kids Games

A portion of the proceeds to benefit  
St. Joseph Neighborhood Garden and  
the Greene Township Playground Remodel

**Don't forget St. Peter's 125<sup>th</sup> gala**

All are invited to attend the 125th anniversary gala of St. Peter Cathedral, the mother church of the Diocese of Erie, on June 30 at Gannon University's Waldron Campus Center, Yehl Ballroom. Cocktails begin at 5 p.m.; dinner and live music begin at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$65 per person and \$125 per couple. For more information or to reserve tickets, go to <https://stpetercathedral.com/>.

**Advertiser of the Week:**

We thank Attorney Edwin W. Smith  
305 West 6th Street, Erie, PA 16507  
814-452-6800  
for advertising in our parish bulletin.

**2018 Diocesan Anniversary Celebration Liturgies**

The 2018 Diocesan Anniversary Celebration Liturgies for couples celebrating 25, 50, 60 or more years of marriage will be held at two locations in the diocese: Sunday, August 5, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at St. George in Erie and Sunday, August 5, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at Ss. Cosmas and Damian in Punxsutawney. To register, please go online to <http://www.eriecd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html> or contact the Family Life Office at Catholic Charities (814) 824-1250 or (800)374-3723 ext. 250.

**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**