

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
June 18, 2017



The Tabernacle and Chalice
St. Patrick Church

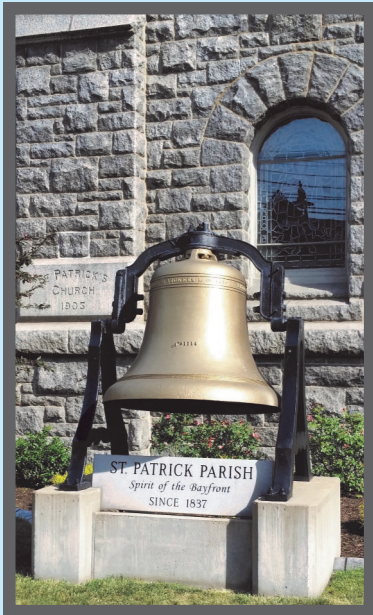
Saint Patrick Parish

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

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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 Feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus, or Corpus Christi in Latin. Our first reading from Deuteronomy is one of several speeches that Moses gave to the Israelites as they prepared to enter the Promised Land. Today's takes place just after he receives the Ten Commandments. He makes note that God provided them with food and water for their desert journey, but that bread alone is not enough for life. Instead we are fed by every word that comes from the mouth of God. The first word of the reading is "remember," and Moses is telling his audience to always remember the word of God for it alone will sustain us.

In the first chapter of I Corinthians, Paul tells his audience that they are called to be a community. And he begins to answer how community is achieved. He tells them that by participating in the Eucharist, we experience the transformation of the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Jesus. By sharing in this food and drink, we have true communion with God and one another. The Church at Corinth was very fractured and divided, and Paul is trying to tell them that sharing a meal always brings people together and how much more so in sharing a meal at the Lord's table. The cup of blessing and the broken bread are both sign and source that can heal their divisions, and transform the community into the very Body of Christ in which they have shared.

Our gospel is part of a long discourse that Jesus gives in John's version immediately following the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. He is telling them that he is the Bread of Life and he expands further today in telling them that the bread he will give is his own flesh for the life of the world. He teaches with a shocking boldness, telling them four times that his flesh is food and his blood is drink. He is telling his audience that through eating and drinking we share in the totality of who he is, in his flesh and blood. By doing so we are given the gift of life, a full life now and a promise of life eternal. A second gift to those

From the Pastor's Desk continued...

who eat and drink is that they remain in Jesus and he remains in them. "Remain" is a word that John uses extensively and it entails more than a physical presence, but indicates a personal, abiding relationship.

Today is Father's Day, and I want to wish a happy day to all of our fathers and grandfathers. Our bulletin contains the names of those fathers and grandfathers, both living and deceased, whom you wish remembered in our Masses this weekend.

Congratulations to parishioner and choir member Pauline Stevens who was recently honored by the American Cancer Society with their Premiere Honoree recognition for her longstanding work with the organization. From 2007-2011 she served on the Trustee Committee and since 2011 has served on the Executive Committee. The award was given at the dinner following their tenth annual golf outing.

The Erie Diocese is not the only one undergoing reconfiguration as a result of Pastoral Planning. In the Archdiocese of Hartford, CT, Archbishop Blair just announced a sweeping reorganization plan, in which the number of active parishes will drop from 212 to 127! As a result of a two-year planning process, 59 parishes will be merged with other parishes, and 26 parishes will be closed. He also noted, as has our own Bishop Persico, that this is merely the first step.

Several representatives from the parish joined me at Our Lady of Peace this past Tuesday evening to begin the next stage of Pastoral Planning: faith formation. The question to be resolved is how do we grow in our faith and how do we pass this faith on to our children. At that meeting, the diocese presented a vision of a new approach to Religious Education. Representatives from the Erie parishes heard the presentation Tuesday evening, and two other presentations were given this past week in other areas of the diocese. Because of our bulletin deadline (noon on Tuesday), I won't have the information to pass on to you about that meeting; but next week's bulletin will include details. Also discussed was the way and age at which we administer the sacraments of First Penance, First Communion and

Confirmation.

The Irish Cultural Society has requested permission to erect a Celtic Cross on the small lawn on the east side of the church. The cross will honor Irish immigrants who settled in Erie to escape famine and oppression. The majority of those immigrants settled here in the First Ward and were members of St. Patrick's Parish. Most of the men worked on the ore boats and many of the women were domestic servants in the homes of middle class Erie families. It was very common in the 1800s for an average family to have a servant who helped with cleaning, cooking, etc.

While I was researching the book I wrote in 2012 on the history of St. Patrick's Parish, I discovered an interesting aspect of that early Irish life. Father Peter Cauley was pastor here from 1892 until his death in 1938. A number of old time parishioners told me that every Friday afternoon when the ore boats came in, Father Cauley was waiting on the dock with a pile of envelopes, each one of which had the name of a parish family. As the men were paid in cash, he collected the money, gave each man a nickel with which he could purchase two beers and a sandwich. As the tale goes, Father Cauley then went around the neighborhood and gave the balance to the wives rather than leave it with the husbands who would have spent it in a bar. If I tried that today, they'd have me arrested!

A widow and widower, both in their 80s, had known one another since grade school and at their 60th high school class reunion renewed their friendship. They danced and danced and finally, he asked her, "Will you marry me?" "After about six seconds of consideration, she answered, "Yes." The evening obviously ended on a happy note, but the next morning the widower was deeply troubled. "Did she say 'yes' or did she say 'no,'" he wondered. He couldn't remember. Finally, with fear and trepidation, he picked up the phone and called her. He explained that he often couldn't remember as well as he used to and then asked her, "When I asked if you would marry me, did you say yes or did you say no?" She replied, "You silly man, of course I said yes and I meant it with my whole heart." The widower was delighted, and then the widow added, "And I'm so glad you called. I couldn't remember who asked me."



Saint Patrick News



Stewardship

Offertory Collection:	\$ 8,442.00
Online Giving	<u>1,384.30</u>
Total Income	\$ 9,826.30

Catholic Services Appeal:

Assessment	\$ 74,000.00
Pledges to Date	\$107,661.43
Paid to date	\$ 82,301.43
# of Pledges	239
% of families	26.5%

Thank you for your generosity!



Let Us *Welcome*
Alondra Ann Dunham
 daughter of
 Brian Cohick & Elizabeth Dunham
 who will be baptized
 after the 10:30 AM Liturgy

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 in memory of **Joe Kohler, Jo Johnson, and Bud Johnson** from Gary & Becky Johnson.

Donations were made in memory of:

- ♦ **Janet Klempay** from Barbara Brairton
- ♦ **Rita Dahlkemper Lopus** from May Ellen Dahlkemper
- ♦ **William Lacy** from Leo & Jane Fitzgibbon
- ♦ **Trish; James, Jerry & Tom Hardner and Lois Paradise** from Jeff Hardner
- ♦ **Linda Winkelman, Ed Snyder, David Snyder, Pam Edwards** from Pamela Konieczko
- ♦ **Clarice Euliano** from Dr. & Mrs. Forrest Mischler

Also donations from:

William & Patricia Gloekler, Jay & Carol Habas, Steven & Kelly Karns, John & Cynthia Purvis, and Mark & Barbara Sargent

Special Thank You!!!
 to **PANERA BREAD & HARBORCREEK EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS**

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 24, 2017 at 5:00 pm

Lector: *Mary Pat Schlaudecker*
 Eucharistic Ministers:
HOST: *Kay Mannino, Kathy Sertz, Shirley Winschel*
CUP: *Ann Scutella, Steve Scutella*
 Greeters: *Mary Anne Ashworth, Angie Kontur*
 Altar Servers: **NEEDED**
 Ushers: *Chris Lampe, Rob Oligeri, Phil Rewers, Jim Sertz*

Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 8:00 am

Lector: *Fred Olds*
 Eucharistic Ministers: *Tom Golab, Joe Schneider, Lisa Straub*
 Ushers: *John Maloney, Dave Korn, Chuck Straub, Mike Nies*

Sunday, , 2017 at 10:30 am

Lector: *Ryan Palm*
 Eucharistic Ministers:
HOST: *Ryan Palm, Mary Kearney, Colleen Welch*
CUP: *Mary Williams, Kathleen Pae*
 Greeters: **NEEDED**
 Altar Servers: **NEEDED**
 Ushers: *Dave Taccone, Tom Welch, Jim Wehan, Paul Balczun*
 Offertory Counters: *Mary McCarthy, Mary Kearney, Mary Pat Schlaudecker, Mary Williams*



Looking for resources for your family?

Visit the Diocese of Erie Family website at:
<http://www.eriecd.org/fam/htm> and discover why families always matter!

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.



If anyone knows of a friend or family member living in a nursing facility, assisted living center or a shut-in that would like a friendly visit, please contact the Parish office at 454-8085.





90 DAYS TO THE IRISH FESTIVAL

A FATHER'S DAY SALUTE TO YET ANOTHER GREAT IRISH-AMERICAN.

After John Martin Feeney read a short story in the Saturday Evening Post in 1933 about a plucky little Irish fellow who was being bullied by his big, loud-mouthed brother-in-law he immediately bought the film rights—for \$10.00. Feeney had gotten his start in silent films working for his talented older brother, Francis, and to fit in better he had changed his last name to the one his brother had adopted when he moved to Hollywood from their home in Maine—Ford.

Born in 1894, the son of Irish immigrants, one of 11 children (only 6 of whom survived to adulthood), John Ford would become the quintessential American film director—winning a record four Oscars for Best Director—and virtually single handedly creating the bigger-than-life western hero, personified by his friend and frequent star, John Wayne.

Ford, who for some reason often claimed his birth name was Sean Aloysius O'Feeny or O'Fearná, didn't get around to making *The Quiet Man* until the early 1950's when he re-wrote the story to better fit his "stock players," John Wayne, Maureen O'Hara, Ward Bond, Victor McLaglen, and the rest. Ford's *Quiet Man* is the story of an Irish-born American boxer from Pittsburgh who, after accidentally killing an opponent in the ring, retires to his idyllic childhood home in Ireland looking for peace. Incredibly, given Ford's stature as a director and the drawing power of his stars, no studio wanted to risk money producing the film. Ford ended up at Republic Pictures, a studio known for inexpensive "B" movies, the ones that were shown at the bottom of a double feature back when there were double features. And then Republic agreed to produce the movie only if Ford would make a Western for them first. Despite their belief that it was a waste of time and money, *The Quiet Man* turned out to be the only Republic movie that was ever nominated for an academy award and was one of the top 10 grossing films of 1952.

One of the few American movies in which you can hear the Irish language spoken, and using many Irish National Theater actors, *The Quiet Man* was mostly shot in Cong, County Mayo, and at Ashford Castle there. The castle is now a 5 star hotel and the town is wealthy on tourist dollars as a result of the movie's enduring popularity. Cohan's Pub, ("Over here we pronounce it co-HAN"), the scene of much of the movie's action, which was actually a combination of a Cong storefront and a Hollywood interior, is now a working pub where you can have a pint and watch *The Quiet Man* on DVD.

If you are one of the few people in America who has never seen *The Quiet Man*, you need to go home immediately and Netflix it or Hulu it or YouTube it or whatever the heck you do these days to watch it. Then set your sights on the 2017 Erie Irish Festival where we'll come up with a reasonable facsimile of Cohan's pub for you to while away a few pleasant hours, with a pint of stout and a dram of whiskey, while you sing "The Wild Colonial Boy" with the arm of an old friend draped around your shoulder.

Happy Father's Day.

Gary and Becky Johnson, Festival Chairs, can be reached at gjohnson@brotolocsouth.com or beckykj@neo.rr.com.

LITURGY INTENTIONS

June 17 *Saturday, Vigil: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

5:00 PM BILL & MARY WHIPPLE (JAY & CAROL HABAS)

June 18 *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

8:00 AM LYNNE LONG (JAY & CAROL HABAS)

10:30 AM BLESSED MOTHER'S OF OUR LADY'S INTENTIONS (PARISHIONER)

June 19 *Monday, Weekday*

8:00 AM PRO PROPOLO

June 20 *Tuesday, Weekday*

8:00 AM DOROTHY GEHLEIN, ANNIV. 5/13 (MARY STEWART)

June 21 *Wednesday, Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious*

8:00 AM JOAN SCHULZ (JOE & NADIA HEIMBOLD)

June 22 *Thursday, Saint Paulinus of Nola; Bishop Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs*

8:00 AM MARY ANN DOMOWICZ (FAMILY)

June 23 *Friday, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*

8:00 AM NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

June 24 *Saturday, Vigil: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 PM NANCY JACKSON, ANNIV. OF BIRTH (AUDREY METZGAR)

June 25 *Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM ROSE SHAFER (BILL & BETTY FILIPKOWSKI)

10:30 AM KATHY MASOLOTTE (TOM & LINDA MISH)

DATES TO REMEMBER

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

06/17 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

06/20 11:00 AM Food Pantry - PR

06/21 12:00 PM A.A. - PR

06/24 4:30 PM Confessions - St.P

A Family Perspective—

Body and Blood of Christ

Parenting is a Eucharistic activity because from the first moment of conception children receive life from us. If we

don't sacrifice ourselves, our children would not have life. This is the paschal mystery of parenting. Christ is present in each self-sacrifice.



Father's Day

Think of how your life honors your father. Also acknowledge the fathers who come by their role indirectly (foster and adoptive fathers, fathers-in-law, step-fathers, and those who have been like a father to you.) Honor an honorary father this week.



Father's Day Memorials

Received from...

In Memory/Honor Of...

<i>Mary Beth Abbott.....</i>	<i>IMO John Dundon</i>
<i>Eric & Lisa Albright.....</i>	<i>IMO Norman Albright</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>IHO Richard Cassandra</i>
<i>Jeanne Baker.....</i>	<i>IMO Leo C. Baker</i>
<i>Dr. & Mrs. Peter Barzyk.....</i>	<i>IMO Deacon Peter Barzyk Jr., Wesley Taylor</i>
<i>Jeanne Bauman.....</i>	<i>IMO M. John Bauman</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Robert Biebel.....</i>	<i>IMO Peter Biebel</i>
<i>Jill Blaga-Walz.....</i>	<i>IMO Nick Blaga</i>
<i>Robert & Diane Boeh.....</i>	<i>IMO Albert Boeh, Robert Dudenhofer</i>
<i>Ryan Carey & Maureen Barber-Carey.....</i>	<i>IMO Joseph C. Barber</i>
<i>Jane Carney & family.....</i>	<i>IMO William J. Carney</i>
<i>William J. Carney.....</i>	<i>IMO William J. Carney, James Ward,</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>William McDonald, William Carney</i>
<i>Paul & Anne Causgrove.....</i>	<i>IMO Paul M. Causgrove, James Mahoney</i>
<i>Christine Cicero.....</i>	<i>IMO Joseph J. Cicero</i>
<i>Julianna Cicero.....</i>	<i>IMO John Custer, Joseph Cicero</i>
<i>Dario & Donna Cipriani.....</i>	<i>IMO Alfred J. Sokolowski</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>IHO Peter Cipriani</i>
<i>Kevin & Margaret Ann Cohick.....</i>	<i>IMO John DeBias</i>
<i>Donna Cummings.....</i>	<i>IMO Michael J. Cummings, Donald J. Andrews,</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>John C. Cummings</i>
<i>Mary Ellen Dahlkemper.....</i>	<i>IHO Joseph B. Dahlkemper</i>
<i>Michael & Patty Dailey.....</i>	<i>IMO Michael T. Dailey, Anthony DeBello Sr.</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>IHO Michael P. Dailey</i>
<i>Mary Ellen Demyanovich.....</i>	<i>IMO Dr. Donald D. Williams</i>
<i>James Donnelly.....</i>	<i>IMO Daniel Donnelly</i>
<i>Patricia Donnelly.....</i>	<i>IHO James Donnelly</i>
<i>Karen Euliano.....</i>	<i>IMO Dr. Edward Skodinski, Dr. John Euliano, Sr.,</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>Dr. John Euliano, Jr.</i>
<i>Kathy Fatica, Stacy & Alison & family.....</i>	<i>IMO Phil Fatica</i>
<i>Dr. Joanne Finn.....</i>	<i>IMO Walter Kozlowski</i>
<i>Ray & Patti Fiorelli.....</i>	<i>IMO Jocko Maloney & Ray Fiorelli</i>
<i>Bill & Mary Flanagan.....</i>	<i>IMO William M. Flanagan, Dr. John E Waldron</i>
<i>Judy Freiwald.....</i>	<i>IMO Forrest Shorts</i>
<i>Marilyn Garfield.....</i>	<i>IMO George E. Garfield, James M. Garfield,</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>Carl Uht</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>IHO James D. Garfield, Rick Gensheimer,</i>
<i>.....</i>	<i>Gerard Uht</i>

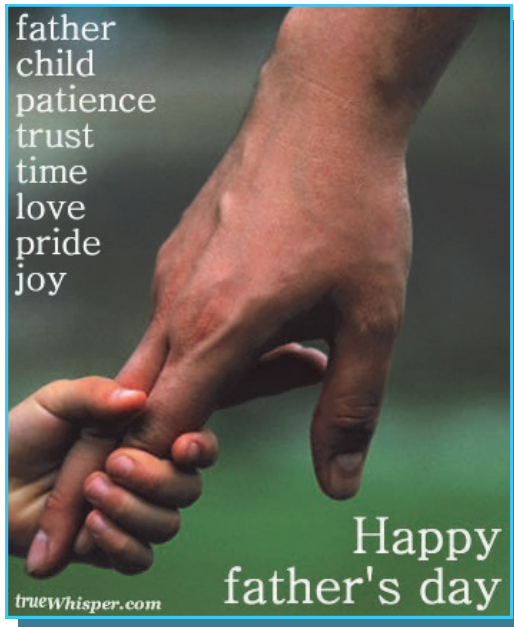
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<i>Yvonne Gersims</i>	<i>IMO Howard J. Gersims, John Gersims</i>
.....	<i>IHO John R. Gersims</i>
<i>Catherine Good</i>	<i>IMO Joseph Nedresky</i>
<i>Tim & Karen Grode</i>	<i>IMO Thomas Chulick II</i>
<i>Jay & Carol Habas</i>	<i>IMO Bill Whiple, Sr.</i>
.....	<i>IHO Joseph Habas</i>
<i>Patricia Heasley</i>	<i>IMO John Barber</i>
<i>David & Joan Heubel</i>	<i>IMO Thomas Heubel, Edward Angelotti</i>
<i>Jerry & Jim Infantino</i>	<i>IMO Angelo Infantino</i>
<i>Gerald & Susan Kanonczyk</i>	<i>IMO Leo Kanonczyk, Thomas D. Lydic</i>
<i>Karl & Virginia Kelm, Jr.</i>	<i>IMO James Villella, Karl G. Kelm, Sr.</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Ken Kierzek</i>	
<i>Ann Kolodziejczak</i>	<i>IMO Max & Antoni Kolodziejczak, Mitch, Max &</i>
.....	<i>Anthony Kolodziejczak, Richard, Ted, Shawn & Tim</i>
.....	<i>Wilson, John Majczyk, Ralph Maloney, Edward</i>
.....	<i>Polaski, Wayne Smith, Tom & Terry Gradler, also</i>
.....	<i>deceased uncles of Majczyk & Kolodziejczak</i>
.....	<i>families</i>
.....	<i>IHO Richard & Tim Kolodziejczak, Anthony Majczyk,</i>
.....	<i>Rich Polaski</i>
<i>Barbara Krauchen Thompson</i>	<i>IMO John J. Krauchen</i>
<i>Bill & Lori Legler</i>	<i>IMO Raymond W. Legler, Sr., Glenn E. Eakin</i>
<i>Kathleen MacMurdy</i>	<i>IMO George MacMurdy</i>
<i>Phyllis & Fred Marchinetti</i>	<i>IMO Frank Baniszewski, Louis Marchinetti,</i>
.....	<i>Robert J. Spinks</i>
<i>Jim & Patty Marnella</i>	<i>IMO Charles Hetherington, Philip Marnella</i>
<i>Kathy, Alex, & Jackie Masek</i>	<i>IMO Edw. Masek</i>
.....	<i>IHO Bill Masek, Donald Sonntag</i>
<i>Diane McCarthy & family</i>	<i>IMO Bob McCarthy, Joseph McCarthy,</i>
.....	<i>William Corcoran</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Charles McCreadie</i>	<i>IMO Thomas F. Costello, I. Allan McCreadie</i>
<i>Rosemarie McMahan</i>	<i>IMO Paul McMahan, Sr.</i>
<i>Dr. & Mrs. Forrest Mischler</i>	<i>IMO J. Lockwood Mischler, Donald Eaton</i>
<i>Kathryn Moylan</i>	<i>IHO George Moylan</i>
<i>Deborah Musolff</i>	<i>IMO Charles Hagmann</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. John Nemergut</i>	<i>IMO Edward Winiarczyk, Steve Nemergut</i>
<i>Don & Maryann Nucerino</i>	<i>IMO John Reiser, Lucian Nucerino</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Q Gregory Orlando</i>	<i>IMO Quentin Orlando</i>
<i>Pauline Osmer</i>	<i>IMO Paul Malinowski</i>
<i>Theresa Paluh</i>	<i>IMO Walter Bubrzyk</i>
<i>Robert & Maria Parisi</i>	<i>IMO Dominick Parisi, John Whitehill</i>

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In Memory/Honor Of...

<i>June Pettys</i>	<i>IMO John T. Shrefler</i>
<i>Mary Beth & Jeff Pinto & family</i>	<i>IMO Joseph C. Barber, Adrian Silva Pinto</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Polaski</i>	<i>IMO Lawrence Polaski, Edwin Wright</i>
<i>Jean Reichert</i>	<i>IMO Carl Braun</i>
<i>Jeff, Tim, Tom</i>	<i>IMO Richard Reichert</i>
<i>Dorothy Rennie</i>	<i>IMO William & Rennie</i>
<i>Mark & Annette Rennie</i>	<i>IMO Nick Iavarone, William J. Rennie</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Michael Reske</i>	<i>IMO Bernard Reske, Paul Kulich</i>
<i>Barbara Rothman</i>	<i>IMO Ray Blair, Sr.</i>
<i>Robert & Carolyn Schenker</i>	<i>IMO Joseph R. Novotny, Henry Schenker</i>
<i>Pat Schmidt</i>	<i>IMO David C. Schmidt, Howard C. Bailey,</i>
.....	<i>Russell Schmidt</i>
.....	<i>IHO Patrick McGuinness, Joe Ferari, John Hersch,</i>
.....	<i>Dennis Schmidt</i>
<i>Ed & Jennifer Smith</i>	<i>IMO L. Ronald Roeback, John K Smith,</i>
.....	<i>R. Wesley Thompson, Bud North</i>
<i>Mrs. Frances Sokolowski</i>	<i>IMO John Black</i>
<i>Michael & Cheryl Stephany</i>	<i>IMO John Francis Stephany</i>
.....	<i>IHO Virgil Kerr</i>
<i>Chuck & Lisa Straub</i>	<i>IMO William Straub, Bruce Root</i>
<i>Nick Straub</i>	<i>IHO Charles G. Straub</i>
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Mark Sullivan</i>	<i>IMO Ray Sullivan, Jack Wilson</i>
<i>Tim Torrey</i>	<i>IMO R. James Torrey</i>
<i>Tom & Colleen Welch</i>	<i>IMO Thomas L. Welch, Anthony Spinik</i>
<i>Robert & Patricia Wheeler</i>	<i>IMO Paul M. Causgrove, Leo Causgrove,</i>
.....	<i>M. James Wheeler</i>
<i>Mary & Peter Wier</i>	<i>IMO Frank Messina, Joseph Wier</i>
<i>Jerry & Patty Wolf</i>	<i>IMO Al Wolf, Bill Detisch, Steve Batcho</i>





June 5, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On June 29th, the Church will celebrate the Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul, the two Apostles who shed their blood for Christ in Rome. Every year, the Peter's Pence Collection is taken throughout the Church on or near that Solemnity. The collection will be taken in our parishes this year on the weekend of June 24 - 25.

Your support of this collection helps make it possible for Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, to carry out his charitable works around the world, assisting victims of war, natural disasters, and other difficult situations.

Peter's Pence also helps our Holy Father support seminaries and religious houses, orphanages, AIDS treatment centers, and other medical facilities in developing nations, as well as many other charitable works.

From the beginning the Church has made it a priority to help the most needy of our brothers and sisters in the human family. Your prayers and contributions will allow this important work to continue. Please be as generous as you can.

Through our support of the Peter's Pence Collection, all of us here in the Diocese of Erie are also helping to strengthen the ties that bind us together as the Family of God. Please know of my gratitude for your generosity.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie



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Fortnight for Freedom Resources—

Each year, dioceses around the country arrange special events to highlight the importance of defending religious freedom. This year's Fortnight for Freedom, sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, will be celebrated June 21 to July 4. Please visit <http://www.ErieRCD.org/fortnight.htm> for more information and resources that can be used by individuals and/or parishes.

Religious Freedom Rallies to be held in Erie

Plan now to attend a Religious Freedom Rally in Erie. June 22, 1 p.m. outside the Federal Building, 7th and State Streets.
July 3rs, 1 p.m. outside the Federal Building, 7th and State Streets.

Openings for NOVA—

Openings remain for NOVA, scheduled for Saturday, June 24. NOVA is a one-day premarital program designed for couples seeking remarriage or convalidation in the Catholic Church. Topics covered include communication, blending families, legal issues and others. Call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1261 or by email at: familylife@erieRCD.org to register.

Divorced? Separated? Widowed?

Transitions, a monthly support group for Separated, Divorced and Widowed persons will meet on Sunday, June 25, 2017 from 2-4 pm at St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd. Program includes a short presentation, discussion, followed by refreshments. This month's topic is: "The Journey of Grief." For more information call 814-824-1265 or email at: familylife@erieRCD.org. Visit us at www.erieRCD.org/transitions.htm.

Diocesan Discipleship Summer Camp:

The Catholic Diocese of Erie is sponsoring Totus Tuus summer camp for middle school youth again this year. *Totus Tuus* is a Latin phrase meaning "totally thine." The camp is for young people who want a different but challenging experience this summer, and will help you strengthen your relationship with Jesus Christ. Camp is July 16-July 19 and the cost is \$175. **Financial assistance is available!** Call the Diocesan Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry at 824-1219 or the Faith Formation office at 454-6322 for more information. You can also check it out online at: <http://www.onthevine.us/>.

Couples celebrating 25, 50, 60 or more years of marriage are invited to event

The 2017 Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration Liturgies for couples celebrating 25, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2017 will be held at 2:00 p.m. and St. Jude the Apostle, Erie on August 13, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. Bishop Persico will preside at the Erie liturgy. Liturgy will include presentation of scrolls to each anniversary couple. A light reception in the parish social hall will follow. Couples can register online at <http://www.ErieRCD.org/anniv.htm>. Hard-copy registration forms are to be mailed to: Family Life Office, St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd, Erie, PA 16504; or faxed to 814-824-1264. For further questions, call the Family Life Office at 814-824-1250, or email chess@ErieRCD.org.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

As Pope Francis emphasizes the importance of marriage and family, why not take this opportunity to enrich your marriage and family life by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend?

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held June 23-25, 2017.

Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Registration information can be found by visiting: www.yourmarriageisworthit.org

National Catholic Youth Conference:

The largest single gathering of Catholic young people in the US! Held in Indianapolis, November 16-18, it is a powerful experience of prayer, community and empowerment for high school teenagers. In 2013, more than 23,000 young people and chaperones attended. The Diocese of Erie is traveling together as a delegation. The cost is \$500 per person, and the Diocese has approved an endowment fund to bring the cost down to \$300 per person. There is also financial assistance available from the Faith Formation office. **The first deposit is due July 1.** So call for more information or to get a registration form. Chaperones are needed too! Call 454-6322 or check out the Diocese web page for more information: <http://www.onthevine.us/>

Catholic Daughters of the Americas



The Catholic Daughters of the Americas extends an invitation to enthusiastic Catholic women, at least 18 years of age, to join one of the oldest and largest Catholic women's organizations in the world. We do charitable works to help the quality of life for people in our community. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Arundel Room at St. Andrew's Church, 1116 West 7th Street at 5:30 PM. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Vitron, Membership Chairman at 814-838-7270 or email Mary E. May, Regent at Focus11@neo.r.com

2017 Great Lakes Hospice Support Groups—



Meetings are free of charge and open to the public, doors open at 5:00 pm; meeting starts promptly at 5:30 pm and ends at 6:30 pm. Dinner will be served, courtesy of Hamot Health Foundation, promptly from 5-5:30 pm the first of every month. Please RSVP by calling Cathy McKenzie at 814/877-6527 no later than the day before the scheduled meeting.

Scheduled meetings:

- July 6th (dinner), July 20th (snack)
- August 3rd (dinner), August 17th (snack)
- September 7th (dinner), September 21st (snack)
- October 5th (dinner), October 19th (snack)
- November 2nd (dinner), November 16th (snack)

MSGR. KRIEDEL'S HOMILIES ARE ON-LINE IN AUDIO AND VIDEO FORMAT.

Be sure to check out St. Patrick's web-page to listen to Msgr. Kriedel'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.



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