March 17, Saint Patrick

Saint Patrick is the Patron of the Diocese of Erie. This gives his liturgical celebration on March 17th the rank of feast everywhere in the diocese. In parish churches that bear his name, the rank would be that of solemnity.

- Vestment color is white.
- The Gloria is sung or said.
- The Collect is from the Proper of Saints under March 17th.
- The Prayer Over the Offerings and the Prayer after Communion are from the Common of Pastors, for Missionaries, or for Bishops.
- If celebrating this liturgy as a solemnity, the Nicene Creed is added.
- The preface is the Preface of Holy Pastors.
- The scripture readings are found in the Lectionary, no. 541:
 - 1 Peter 4:7b-11
 - Psalm 96: 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8b, 10
 - Luke 5:1-11