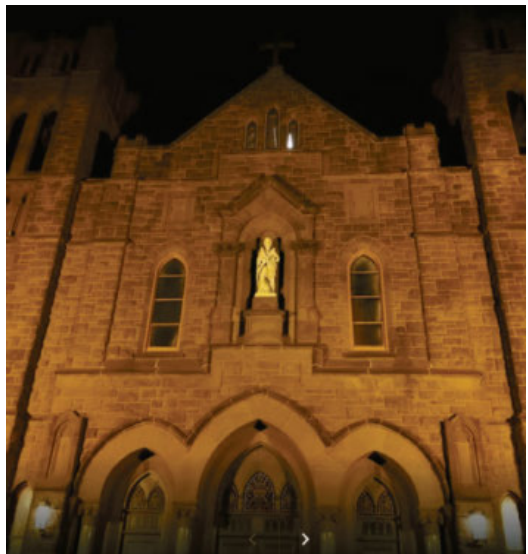


United Catholic Community ~ Sacred Heart, St. Andrew, St. Paul
January 16, 2022 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"SINCE GOD DOES
SO MUCH FOR ME,
WHAT COULD I NOT
DO FOR HIM?"**

ST. EMILY DE VIALAR

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PHONE: 814-456-6256

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Website: www.sacredhearerie.org

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Mailing address: 816 W 26th St, Erie, PA 16508
Carol Hoffman, Faith Formation, 455-5853

St. Paul—1617 Walnut St.
Mailing address: 816 W 26th St, Erie, PA 16508

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at Parish Partnership Information

Welcome to United Catholic Community

We welcome you to Sacred Heart, St. Andrew, and St. Paul churches. We pray that you find warmth and happiness here and we look forward to getting to know you. God bless you and your family. If you would like to become part of our parish family, please call the rectory at 814-456-6256 or email at triparish.secretary816@gmail.com

We're glad you're here!

Weekend Mass and Confession Times

SATURDAY VIGIL Mass at 4:30PM at St. Paul **SUNDAY: 9:00AM** Mass at Sacred Heart (*Rosary beginning at 8:30am*)
 And **11:00AM** Mass at St. Andrew (*Rosary begins at 10:35am*)
To lead the Rosary - there is a sign-up sheet on the lectern by the piano.

Confessions are available on Saturdays at 3:30PM at St. Paul OR after the 9am Mass at Sacred Heart & 11AM Mass at St. Andrew's. OR call Fr. Mark at the rectory to make an appointment.

ALL DAILY MASSES are IN PERSON: 8:30AM, (M, W, T, F) at Sacred Heart or watch on YouTube at Parish Partnership Information

FOOD PANTRY TIMES:

Sacred Heart: Every Tuesday 9-10AM
St. Andrew: Every other Tuesday (Jan 18): 1 to 4 PM
St. Paul : Every Tuesday 9:30- 10:30AM



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Date	Intention	Remembered by:
Mon, Jan 17 8:30 AM	Angel, Tim, & Matt Grosso	<i>Pat Grosso</i>
Wed, Jan 19 8:30AM	Charles "Charlie" Farrell	<i>Tammie Jo Brode</i>
Thurs, Jan 20 8:30 AM	Richard Seymour	<i>Family</i>
Fri, Jan 21 8:30 AM	Elizabeth "Betty" Farrell	<i>Charlie Farrell</i>
Sat, Jan 22 & Sun, Jan 23	Bill Fahey- Friends of Bill Fahey Rosemary Flatley- Jim & Sandy Kennedy Mass for the People	

This week the Sanctuary Candles will burn in memory of:

(SH) Katherine "Katchy" Nuber- Char Michael
(SP) Gerrie DeMarco- Bob & Family

How do I request a memorial for a loved one at church? Call the parish secretary at 814-456-6256 for available dates.

The donation is \$20 for a candle, \$25 for Bread & Wine Memorial, and \$10 for a Mass.

Lenten small groups exploring racial justice now open

The Diocese of Erie is offering two separate small group experiences this Lent exploring racial justice, sponsored by the Offices of Social Justice and Life and Faith Formation Parish Support. Those looking for Christian community, a place to ask big questions, and a way to explore the Gospel call to work for racial justice are invited to learn more and apply by visiting <https://www.eriecd.org/socialjusticelife/racialjustice.html>. **Applications are due January 18th.** Questions can be directed to the Social Justice and Life Office at SJL@ErieRCD.org.



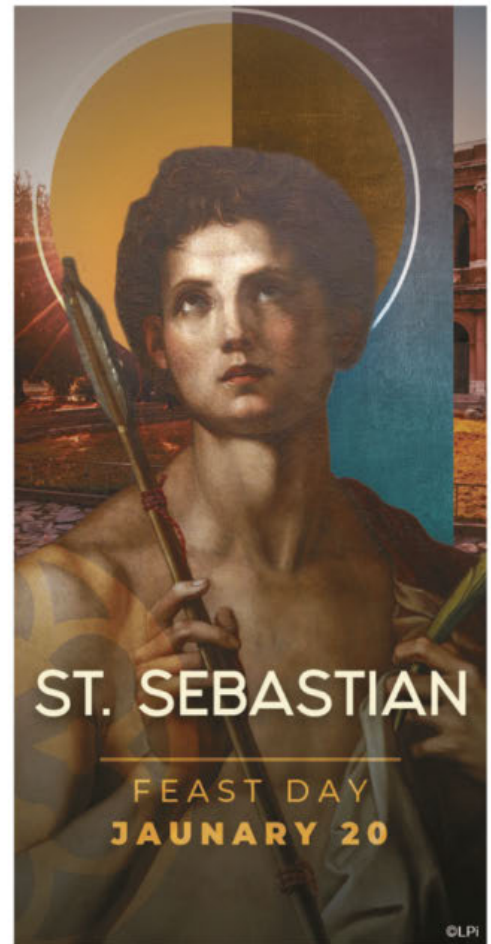
WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

- Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
- Monday:** 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday:** 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday:** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday:** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
- Friday:** 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19
- Saturday:** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
- Next Sunday:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot
- Tuesday:** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- Thursday:** St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr
- Friday:** St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
- Saturday:** Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
- Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

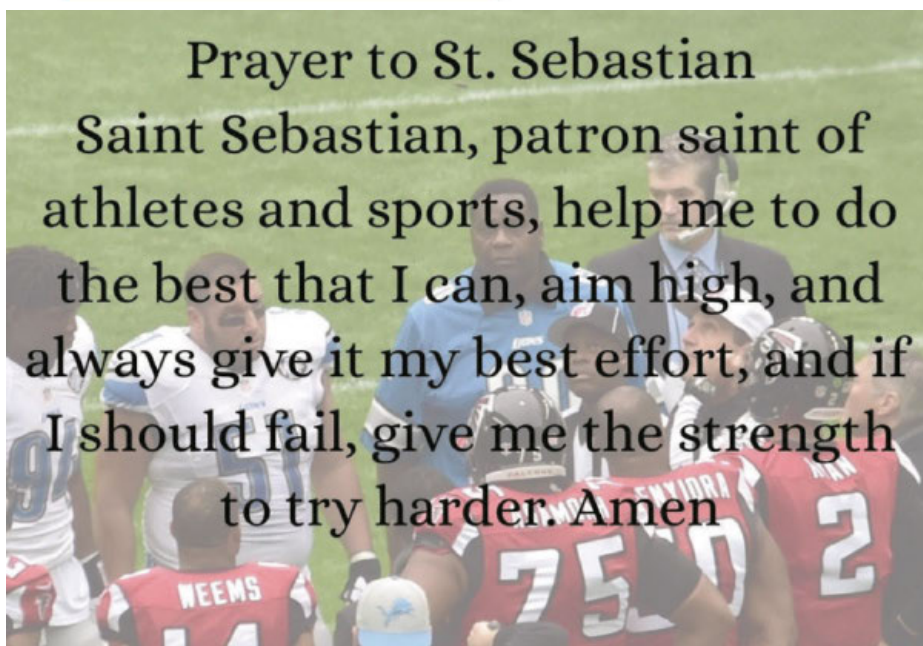


SAINT OF THE WEEK

Not much is known about the life of St. Sebastian (256 – 287), except that he was a Roman martyr whose name has been mentioned throughout history since early 350.

We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni, Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Bruggen. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing suspicion on himself. Eventually he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritanian archers to be shot to death. Pierced with arrows, he was left for dead, but managed to survive. He recovered from his wounds but still refused to leave.

One day, St. Sebastian took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He confronted the emperor, condemning him for his cruelty to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out, and St. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. Today he is the patron saint of athletes.



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES: January 22/23

SATURDAY– St. Paul at 4:30PM

LECTOR: Roy Sambuchino



SUNDAY– Sacred Heart at 9:00 AM

LECTOR: Chuck Priestap

EM: Sam Petruso, Phil & Mary Temple



SUNDAY-St. Andrew at 11:00 AM***

LECTOR: Marilyn Gebhardt **EM:** Mark Maloney

USHERS: Chris Clark, Jen Wilson, Paul Gnacinski

SUNDAY COLLECTION COUNTERS:

SACRED HEART & ST. PAUL: Kehl & Granetto Team

ST. ANDREW: Lillis & Baldwin

SACRED HEART CLEANING TEAM Sat, January 22:

TEAM 6-Maureen Haraczy



*****Attention: ST ANDREW LITURGICAL MINISTERS (EM's, LECTORS, and USHERS):**

For the spring schedule, I need the dates that you are not available in the months of March, April, and May. Text 814-602-0558 or email jnkbaldwin@gmail.com by Feb 6, 2022. Thank you. Kathy



Meetings this week-WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

6:00 PM-Holy Name Society at St. Paul's Center
7:00 PM- Sacred Heart Prayer Shawl will meet on Wednesday, January 19th at 7 PM in the Findlay Room.
7:00 PM-St. Andrew Knights of Columbus meeting in the The Knights Room at St. Andrew

thank you

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Thank you for your generous support of our United Catholic Community!

Offertory	Christmas	January 2	Weekly Expenses
Sacred Heart	\$4,089.00	\$5,012.17	\$6,888.00
St. Andrew	\$4,578.00	\$3,382.00	\$6,691.00
St. Paul	\$1,440.00	\$1,836.00	\$3,281.00

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

January 3, 2022



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
I am grateful every day for the resources we have to help spread the Gospel message. Imagine how different our experience of the pandemic would be if we did not have the ability to Zoom or to livestream. It is changing the way we approach so many aspects of our lives.

At the heart of all that communicating is strong content. That's why the Diocese of Erie continues to invest in a team dedicated to providing you with thoughtful publications, social media posts, web resources and more, all designed to help me in my role as shepherd of the Diocese of Erie. Some of it comes right to your mailbox in the form of Faith Magazine and we have have used this resource to provide encouragement and updates.

When I emphasize the need for strong communications, I am thinking first and foremost of you. My work is done in service to Christ and to you. I strive to take full advantage of every tool at our disposal to keep you informed about what is happening with the Catholic Church worldwide, across the United States, and here in northwest Pennsylvania.

This year we've reported on all this and more in Faith, in the weekly Diocese of ErieEnews, at www.ErieRCD.org and on our social media platforms. Thanks to your generous support, all of it remains available free of charge. Please consider participating in the 2022 Help Spread the Faith collection scheduled for the weekend of January 22nd – 23rd . It's one important way to fulfill Jesus' command to go forth and make disciples of all nations.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
+The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie

St. Andrew Thirty-One Club

Daily listing Sunday to Saturday:

16-Kathy Baldwin 17-Penny Decker
18-Tom Hoffman 19-Pat Whitehill
20-Sara Lichtenwalter 21-Gary & Evie Wesman
22-Michelle & Pat Barron

Special thanks to the members of the 31 Club who agree to go to Mass and/or offer prayers on a particular day every month for an increase of vocations to the Church. Pray for vocations.

College Care Package Donations:

We are looking for donations for the college care package program. We collect single serving size treats for the students. Over the years they have enjoyed fruit snacks, granola, trail mix, cheese crackers, cookies, popcorn, chips, and candy. The students also enjoy some stationary items such as post its, pens, mechanical pencils, and highlighters. The students appreciate your generosity. We deliver the care packages to them the week before their finals so they can have a quick snack. We also accept monetary donations for shipping the boxes of treats. Donations will be accepted at the parish office at Sacred Heart or by contacting Sara Comi to pick up (814) 323-4718. Donations are greatly appreciated and allow this program to continue. Please contact Sara Comi with any questions. Thank you!!!!



50/50s on sale-Mike Lombardozzi Fund Raiser

The Knights of Columbus of St. Andrew and St. Andrew Parish are selling 50/50 Raffle tickets to benefit Mike "Lombo" Lombardozzi. You can help by buying some 50/50s with proceeds going to the Lombardozzi Family. **If you did not receive tickets in the mail or need more, please contact any St. Andrew K of C Knight and we'll get the tickets to you.** Tickets are available after the 11AM Mass and are \$1 each and will continue until the drawing on February 6, 2022 during the "Salisbury Steak Dinner" honoring Mike.

AND MARK YOUR CALENDARS for FEBRUARY 6, 2022

SALISBURY STEAK DINNER at the
MSGR JAMES GANNON AUDITORIUM-*details coming soon*

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**SPECIAL THANKS to COPY KING** for their generous donation to this 50/50 raffle!

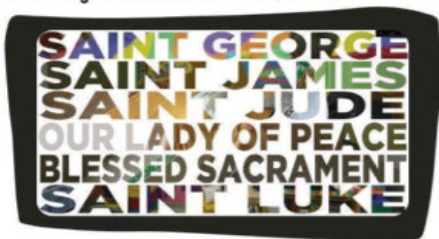
### "Say Yes! to the 7th Annual 138 Women's Conference.

The conference will be held from 8:30-12:30 on March 12, 2022. You may attend live at St. Jude Parish in Erie, PA, virtually at satellite parishes via zoom or in your own home via zoom. The cost is \$20. This years conference will feature national speakers Lisa Hendey, best selling author and founder of CatholicMom.com and Patricia Breen who writes online for Blessed is She, Fem Catholic, Grotto Network and Catholic-Match. Visit our website at [www.138women.com](http://www.138women.com) for more information and to register."

### Watch & Share Erie Catholic School System's New Video

We are SO excited to share Erie Catholic's new video

- View at <https://bit.ly/ECSSvideo>
- Watch our video, share with your family and friends #FaithInOurFuture
- A random winner will be selected during Catholic Schools Week and win a school swag item from Milagaro School Uniforms & Goods



### Grocery Cards Available for Sale Here at Sacred Heart

Grocery Cards are available for Tops in \$20, \$50, and \$100 amounts, and Giant Eagle in \$25, \$50, or \$100 amounts. You can use these cards at Tops and Giant Eagle for groceries, prescriptions, gas, and whatever else you buy at these supermarkets. And they make great gifts. Who doesn't like groceries or needs gas money?

Grocery Cards are for sale at Sacred Heart Church after Sunday's 9AM Mass and at the rectory during regular office hours. (M-F, 9-3) Or, send us a note with your order and enclose your payment and a self-addressed stamped envelope and we will process your order and send them back. Our address:

816 West 26th St, Erie, PA 16508.



### The Knights of Columbus, St. Andrew Council

"Calling all men of St. Andrew Parish."

The Knights are in need of new members. The Knight's goal is to support the needs of the parish. If this is something you would like to be a part of please contact Grand Knight, Tom Klemm, 814-323-5222; Deputy Grand Knight, Tim Sexauer, 720-775-9986; Fin Sec, Pat Nenzo, 814-812-4238. We look forward to making our Council a stronger one.



### Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart

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**The Erie Cursillo Movement is currently planning and accepting candidate applications for a Men's Cursillo from February 11 to 13, 2022 and a Woman's Cursillo from April 29 to May 1, 2022. Applications can be found on the Cursillo Website at [eriecursillo.org](http://eriecursillo.org), calling the Cursillo office at 814-824-1119, or by asking someone you may know who has completed a Cursillo weekend who would be willing to serve as your sponsor.**



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## DEACON DABBLINGS...

### The black dot

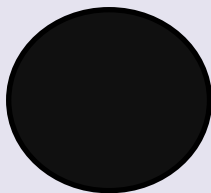
One day, a professor entered his classroom and asked his students to prepare for a surprise test. They all waited anxiously at their desks for the exam to begin. The professor handed out the exams with the text facing down, as usual. Once he handed them all out, he asked the students to turn over the papers. To everyone's surprise, there were no questions—just a black dot in the center of the paper. The professor, seeing the expression on everyone's faces, told them the following: "I want you to write about what you see there." The students, confused, got started on the inexplicable task. At the end of the class, the professor took all the exams, and started reading each one of them out loud in front of all the students. All of them, with no exception, defined the black dot, trying to explain its position in the center of the sheet. After all had been read, the classroom silent, the professor started to explain: "I'm not going to grade you on this, I just wanted to give you something to think about. No one wrote about the white part of the paper. Everyone focused on the black dot.

Doesn't the same thing happen in our lives? We get up in the morning facing another day and we begin to think about things that bother us; health issues, financial problems, concerns about family relationships and so on. What we are doing is concentrating on the black dot instead of recognizing the blessings that we enjoy. True, for some of us the black dots on our white sheet are bigger than others but when compared to everything we have in our lives, they are but a small in comparison to the God's gifts of grace, mercy and love. Unfortunately, we often choose to focus on our problems rather than emphasizing the positive.

We need to take our eyes away from the black dots in our lives. We do this by bringing Christ into the center of our very existence. Jesus tells us, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." (MT 11:28-30)

Don't be like the students in the professor's class focusing only on the difficulties in your life. Reach out to Christ through prayer and in the Eucharist; let Him enter into your heart and enjoy all of your blessings and live a life filled with love!"

*Peace of Christ,  
Deacon Tony*



### 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Bus Trip to the March for Life in Washington, DC.

Buses leave Erie at 11 p.m. on January 20 and return at approximately 1:30 a.m. on January 22.

The March for Life will officially get underway at noon on Jan 21 with the traditional Rally on the National Mall.

Bus seats are \$60, but sponsorship assistance is available.

Payments can be made by cash, check or credit card, in person, over the phone or online at

<https://peopleforlife.org/january2022/bustrip2022.html>.

### Erie March for Life

Saturday, January 29, 2022—11AM

Arrive at Perry Square Pavilion in downtown Erie by 10:45 am

The event concludes by 12:30 p.m.

### Hats & Gloves & Scarves, Oh My! Kinship Ministry Collection

500 years ago, St. Rose of Lima wrote "When we serve the poor and sick, we serve Jesus. We must not fail to help our neighbors because in them we serve Jesus." Those words are still true today. There are numerous agencies in Erie that are trying to address the needs of the sick and poor in our community. One of those agencies is the Erie City Mission. During the month of January, we will be **collecting men's, women's and children's winter hats, gloves, scarves, socks, and individual sized personal care items** for distribution at the Mission. This distribution is part of our recycled plastic bag ministry and mirrors the collection that we concluded 2 years ago with the Erie police department. The ministry will be setting up outside the Mission a couple of times during the month of January where they will distribute the bags we weave and asking those present if they need any of the aforementioned items. Items may be placed in the box under the Holy Family statue at Sacred Heart Church or dropped off at the church office.

*The Kinship Ministry is striving to broaden our work across the city of Erie.*



### Mark your calendars for...

**WHAT?** BAG MAT MINISTRY!!

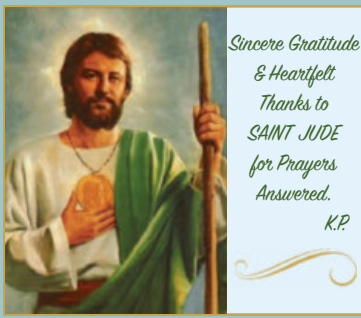
**WHEN?** January 22nd —NEW TIME-2:30 TO 4:00

**WHERE?** in the Sacred Heart Auditorium

**WHY?** the first meeting of the Bag Mat Ministry of 2022!!

**BAGS TO MATS**  
Read all about it!

We need any available hands to learn the craft of turning plastic shopping bags into usable sturdy totes to load with items that we distribute to the needy in our community! *No prior skills are really needed* as we will teach the steps like flattening, stacking, cutting, looping, and yes even crocheting the strips of plastic into tote bags!! We will have everything needed for you to learn but if you have your own rotary cutter and/or pair of scissors please bring them along!! Please consider stopping anytime from 1 - 2:30 and stay for as long as you like. It's super fun! We look forward to coming together as a tri-parish family to help meet the needs of our community!! Any questions or concerns call Sharon Bond at (814) 450- 7748!! Thanks and God Bless!!!!



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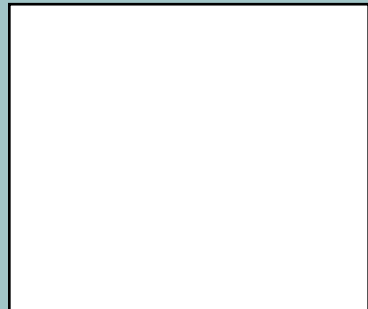
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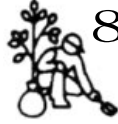
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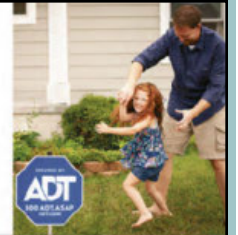
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