We Are Family!

2nd Sunday of Easter, April 3, 2016

Up Front with Mary Hendricks

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Mass Schedule:

Monday: 8am (St. Joseph Chapel) Tuesday: NO MASS Wednesday: 6pm (church) Thursday: 6pm (church) Friday: NO MASS Saturday: 8:30pm (church) Sunday: 9:30am (church)

The Sacraments:

Baptism - By arrangement Marriage - At least nine months' notice. Reconciliation - Wednesday: 5:00 - 5:45 Saturday: 5:00 - 5:45pm Sunday: 9:00 - 9:20am Anytime by request (304-269- 3048)

Pastoral Care of the Sick - Please notify the parish office (304-269-3048) of parishioners who are hospitalized or homebound and wish to receive Eucharist or the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):

RCIA: Wed, 6:30 in the parish meeting room. For more info, contact Mary Hendricks at 304-269-1244.

Sat - 7pm & Sun - 10:30am, church - "After Mass Class."

"Like" on Facebook: St. Pat's RCIA

Counseling: Contact Valerie Corley at 304-476-6009.

Rosary: Weekly: Wed 5:35pm & Thurs: 7:35am (no Mass = no Rosary) Oct. and May: Saturday: 5:30pm, Sunday: 9am

Miraculous Medal Novena: Wed: 5:55pm

Prayer Line: Micki Snyder 304-269-3688 or 304 476-6516

Mission Contact Info: Kim Derico 304 884-6984 or hshcrafts1@yahoo.com.

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John 20:19-31

Today's Gospel is about the impossible becoming possible. Thomas was absent when Jesus appeared to the other apostles. He didn't believe it and wanted to touch Jesus' wounds before he could be certain. When Jesus comes back to grant Thomas' request, all his doubts disappeared.

When the clock ran out at Super Bowl 50, I got this text from my sister-in -law: "We have no idea where Andrew went."

There were 71,000 people at Levi Stadium that day. Yes, Son #1 is 30, but don't tell any mother that her son is lost and expect her not to panic. For the next 30 minutes, I panicked. They had Son #2, but where in San Francisco was Son #1?

Finally this: "Omg. He snuck on the field and touched the trophy. Epic." Wait...what?

Here's what happened: Each person in my brother's Super Bowl group had a post-game on-field pass. When the game ended, they headed down to the field, but Son #1 had to make a pit stop and got separated from them. He realized that he needed to get onto the field and find them. He went up to an event worker and said, "I have this pass. How do I get on the field?" The reply was, "Follow the people in the white coats." I'll let Son #1 pick up the story:

"I followed them like bread crumbs, and pretty soon I was walking through the tunnels. A guy stopped me and said, 'You can't go any farther.' But I knew I had to keep going. So, when he turned his back, I stepped past him and was on the field. Next, I got stuck at a gate where there was a minimum of 200 security guards, shoulder to shoulder, from end zone to end zone. I kicked the gate open and never looked back. All of a sudden, I was mid-field, celebrating with the entire Denver Broncos Super Bowl 50 championship team. I was talking to players, high-fiving everyone, taking pictures with them, slapping them on the shoulder pads. I even said to Peyton Manning, 'Hey, man, you got it done again!' The whole time, I'm thinking, 'I'm going to get thrown out of here.' When I turned around, the Lombardi Trophy was right in front of my face. I reached out as it passed, and I was able to touch it. Mom. I touched the Lombardi Trophy."

His feet not anywhere near close to the ground, Son #1 returned to the hospitality room and found the group. They were wary of his adventure and did not believe one word he was saying. None of them had made it past the gate that Son #1 had kicked open. But, a true millennial, he had the pictures and videos to prove it, also recorded for posterity on Facebook. For the next 20 minutes, he had to explain, blow by blow, what happened and how it happened before they were convinced. What was impossible to the group was proven to be possible.

Thomas, so filled with doubt, had to see to believe. He was being sensible. Never in the history of mankind had a person returned from the dead. But, sensibility has nothing to do with faith. Faith overrides any semblance of reason.

Fr. Steve explained once, "Faith is letting go of control. If you have to control everything, you can't have faith. It is beyond our control." This week, let's see if we can give up that control and have a little faith.

HEY, KIDS!

Interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? We are starting another Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC) group in the very near future. If you are unbaptized and want to know more, tell your parents to call 304-269-3048. Get on board now! This train is leaving the station!!

(Interested adults can join RCIA any time on any Wednesday, 6:30pm in the parish meeting room!)

Mass Attendance			Weekly	Electronic	Total	Goal	Over/Short			School	Debt Reduction		
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Miraculous Medal novena.

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		The sacrament of Reconciliation is offered						
Day	Date	Time	Intention	Intention Requested By				
S	4/2/16	6:00 PM	Par	Parishioners				
S	4/3/16	9:30 AM	†Walter Shearer	Family	Sat. from 5 - 5:45, and Sun. from 9 - 9:20.			
М	4/4/16	8:00 AM	†Robert C. Shearer	Garry Lynne Shearer				
Т	4/5/16	No Mass	No Mass	No Mass	Light of Life Radio			
W	4/6/16	6:00 PM	†Ed Bush	Scott and Jane Garton	Ministry			
Т	4/7/16	8:00 AM	†Charles Garton	Deborah Garton	Catholic Radio for North			
F	4/8/16	8:15 AM	†Judy Stamper	Parish	Central West Virginia WVUS—AM 1190,			
S	4/9/16	6:00 PM	†Emterio Pedrosa	†Emterio Pedrosa Emma Pascasio				
S	4/10/16	9:30 AM	Par	Parishioners				

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Join us each Friday at 11:30am in the church for the Divine Mercy Chaplet. If you don't know it, don't worry. We will have papers for you to follow.

How to Recite the Chaplet The Chaplet of Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads of five decades. The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Faustina and followed by a closing prayer.



ROSARY CDS

Rosary cds are available by donation. They make a wonderful present at any time. Call the parish office to get yours!

COME PRAY WITH US!								
Tues., 11 am - Scripture study of the Mass readings	Tierney house, 2319 Gee Lick Rd.							
Tues., 1pm - Scripture study of the Mass readings	Parish Meeting Room							
Tues., 6pm - Scripture Study and prayer service	Criss Manor							

Ministry Schedules

DAY	DATE TIME	Greeters	Altar Servers			Readers	Gifts		Eucharistic Ministers	Cantor	
	4/2	Dave and Becky King		Briana Franklin	anklin 1 Barbara King		Mike and Rose		Pam Thompson		
SAT				Blake Francis	2	Brooklyn Queen	Neal & Kami		A. L. Determan	K. Sims	
-	6 PM	Tring					Franklin		Mike Determan		
~	1/2	Sheila West,	А	Payton Aman	1	Manny Robinson		1	Jim Mehr		
SUN	4/3	Ashley West	В	Jordan Aman	2	Sara Robinson	Chad and Megan Westfall & family		Marissa Aman	John Collins	
2	9:30	and family							Judy Foster	0011113	
SAT	4/9	Kelley Skinner and family	А	Kami Franklin	1	Debbie Rittenhouse			Margaret Blake	During	
			В	Gracie Marsh	2 Don Markley		Julia Marsh, Rose Neal		Valerie Corley	Brenda Reed	
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6	4/10	Robinson Family	А	Tom Derico	1	Jimmy Fealy	Stanley and Lisa Marlow		Butch Cain	Brenda Riley	
SUN			В	Brayden Carder	2	Steve Corley			Judy Foster		
	9:30	- I anniy							Paul Derico	TAICY	
	4/16			Deanna Pascasio	1	Daniel Pascasio		1	Tom Ruppert		
SAT		Emma and Karen Pascasio	В	lan Droppleman	2	Rudy Pascasio	Ed and Anita Droppleman		Larry Bowers	Donna Lake	
	6 PM								Luanne Bowers		
SUN	4/17		А	Jack Paugh	1	Brenda Riley			Steve Corley		
		Stanley and Lisa Marlow			2	Judy Jerden	Turner family		Jeremy Garton	Lisa Marlow	
	9:30	IVIATIOW							Jenny Garton		

PLEASE DO NOT CALL, EMAIL, FACEBOOK, TEXT, etc., SANDY, MARY, FR. STEVE or THE PARISH OFFICE—IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO SERVE WHEN SCHEDULED. Please find a substitute!

PLEASE PRAY FOR... **NOTEWORTHY EVENTS** Those who are sick: Jim Arsenault, Susan Bailey, Joe Boggs, Rose ۲ Determan, Butch Dodson, Robert Fealy, Phoebe Herron, Ed Hubbs, April – Bath Soap Keith Marshall, Mary Ann Murray, Linda Reed (Brenda Reed's sister), LCFRN— Cereal (hot or cold) Burke Riley, Jack Rollins, Lori Saltis, Mike Shaver, Mary Smith (Kathy Linens - Mary Wagoner Boyle's sister), Bob Swiger, Clarence Weber. Funeral Greeters - George Garton and Judy Those who are homebound or in nursing homes! ٠ Foster Those who have died: May the souls of all the faithful departed, ٠ through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen. After Mass Class -Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life Sat. 7pm & Sun. 10:30am, church ٠ **Those in RCIA:** Brad Curtis, Jenny Delgado, Michelle Droppleman, ٠ Ray Jones, Alex Romero, Tammy Stalnaker Adoration: Apr. 8, 15, 22, & 29 All Military Personnel: Eddie Burroughs, Ryan Faulkner 9am til noon, church Our current and past principals: Mrs. Gildein, Mr. Derico, and Sister Bell Choir Practice: Sundays following After Eileen—Thank you for your dedication to our school! Mass Class or GIFT; each Wednesday after 6pm Mass Pope Francis, March 30, 2016 "If we open ourselves up to welcome God's mercy for ourselves, in turn we 5 Tue: 7:35 Knights of Columbus mtg., become capable of forgiveness." pmr 7 Thu: 6pm, Finance Council mtg., pmr ADORATION 9 Sat: 5:30 Elimination Dinner, gym We offer adoration of the Blessed Sacrament EVERY Friday from 9 til 9 & 10: After Mass, Town Hall mtg, noon. Make a visit this week. church 10 Sun: 10:30, Confirmation class, ACCEPTING SCHOOL ENROLLMENT cafeteria П **ELIMINATION DINNER APPLICATIONS FOR 2016-2017** 11 Mon: 7pm, CDA mtg., cafeteria П П Saturday, April 9 Patrick School is accepting St 17 Sun: Bishops Cross Dinner, applications for Kindergarten-7th grade Social hour 5:30 П Morgantown for 2016-2017 school year. You may 24 Sun: Bread Sunday Dinner: 6:30 access paperwork in the school office or 24 Sun: 10:30 GIFT Drawing: 7pm п the school website on at Meal provided by П П www.stpatswv.org. JAWS BBQ П **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** \$25 The Knights of Columbus meet the first Adults only Tuesday of each month at 7:35 in the Tickets are available at the П parish meeting room. school and parish office. **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE** AMERICAS **TEACHERS NEEDED** Catholic Daughters of the Americas St Patrick School is accepting meet the second Monday of each month applications for teaching positions for at 7 in the cafeteria. 2016-2017 school year for the **MAKE IT SHINE** following positions, Pre-School, 7th Community Clean-Up grade Math and English and Spanish April 4 - 8 You may stop by the and Latin. Call the City Building at 304 269-6141 for school office or call 304-269-5547 discarded item pick-up reservation. PRINCIPAL PAID IN 2015: \$84,452.36 Interest Paid in 2015: \$12591.12 I'M IN! CAMPAIGN UPDATE Goal: 345,000.00 123 Pledges to Date: \$236,018.00 12 Other gifts: \$1385.00 Total: \$237,403.00 Needed: \$107,597 Alcoholics Anonymous Your generosity is greatly appreciated! AA - Tues., Thurs., & Sat., 8pm school It's not to late to participate! You can make a one-time gift or pledge for any basement. number of months, make a one-time gift, or give when you have a little extra **Narcotics Anonymous** cash, whatever works best for your situation. NA - Mon., 8pm school basement Use the door on the side of the school "For it is in giving that we receive." building facing the rectory for AA and NA I meetings.

- Francis of Assisi

LATIN MASS

Latin Mass is held at St. Patrick Church on the second Sunday of each month at 4pm. The next Latin Mass will be April 10. The celebrant is Fr. Timothy Grassi. Fr Grassi will also hear confessions beginning at 3:15pm.

At the April 10th Mass we will be having a "Mass Mob" event. One of our Altar Servers, Mr. Tyler Boyd from Buckhannon is discerning a vocation to the priesthood and has selected the Extraordinary Form Mass as part of his senior project for his AP Literature Class which is to focus on community benefit of one's desired vocation of interest.

The "Mass Mob" movement began in the Buffalo, NY area to raise awareness of closing parishes and spur attendance at Catholic Churches with low attendance. Locally, there is an active Mass Mob group in the Pittsburgh, PA area which attends at least one Catholic Church a month. The group highlights the beauty and history of area churches, and attempts to reach out to unchurched persons and Catholics who no longer attend Mass.

In addition to the Mass time and Confession previously mentioned; the Rosary will be said beginning at 3:30p.m. and there will also be a question and answer session with light refreshments following the Mass for those with questions about the Latin Mass, Priesthood, or Catholicism in general.

9th ANNUAL WESTON 5K RUN AND WELLNESS WALK 10 am, April 16

Awards ceremony to follow in St. Pat's gym! Join us for our 9th Annual Weston 5K Run and Wellness Walk to provide a healthy opportunity for our family and friends in Lewis County. Sponsored by the City of Weston, Saint Patrick Catholic Church/School, and Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital. \$15 pre-registered, \$20 day of. Scholarships available for Lewis County students.

TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR HEALTH EMPOWER YOURSELF - KNOW YOUR VITAL SIGNS TO IMPROVE YOUR HEALTH

The Weston Rotary, in partnership with Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital, will host a Health Fair and Screening on April 9 from 6:30 - 10 am at SJMH.

The tests are sent to you and provide a record of your overall health that can be taken to your doctor or kept for reference from year to year.

THE TESTS OFFERED ARE:

- Health Care Panel (46 different tests) \$35.00
- PSA (PROSTATE EXAM) \$20.00
- Thyroid Panel \$15.00
- Hemoglobin A1C \$15.00
- Blood Typing \$10.00

MEALS FOR RCIA NEEDED

If you would like to provide an RCIA meal, a sign-up sheet is in the vestibule or you may call Danielle at 304 517-0269. You do not have to cook to provide the meal— takeout is always an antian West

out is always an option! We need
enough food for 12 - 14 people
(Fr. Steve, Mary, Sandy, 7 RCIA
participants and sponsors,
helpers, etc.). Thank you for your
generosity and kindness!RCIA MEAL
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Just wanted to let everyone know our parish teens and families continue to help at the Clarksburg Mission. Last month was our most successful and rewarding visit. They absolutely loved the food served. We normally prepare tons of food, so there are always leftovers. We decided to change the menu up a little for Lent, and it was hugely successful! We served more than 100 pieces of fish (about 85 fish sandwiches), an enormous pan of tater tots, a huge pan of green beans, 1 1/2 large containers of cottage cheese, six pounds of cole slaw, three pounds of potato salad, 60 cups of homemade fruit delight, and fresh fruit (apples, oranges, and bananas). Almost nothing was left. A big thank you to the faithful teenagers and their parents/loved ones for helping us every other month!

For more information and to volunteer, contact Lesley White @ 269-3632.

SCRIP

Don't forget, some scrip cards are available at any time. So if you find yourself in need of last minute gift, call the parish office to see what is available! Scrip makes the perfect gift!

CELEBRATING BREAD SUNDAY APRIL 24

On "Bread Sunday" the First Communion Class of St. Patrick Church and School seek prayer support by presenting a homemade loaf of bread to a member of the parish during Mass. Parishioners receiving the loaves are asked to pray for the student as he/she prepares for the Sacrament of the Eucharist on Sunday, May 1. "Bread Sunday" is set for April 24. This is the 7th year our parish has celebrated bread Sunday!

REV. MR. CODY FORD TO BE ORDAINED A PRIEST

Cody was a seminarian at our church during the summer of 2006. After much discernment, spiritual growth, and study, he will be ordained a priest on Saturday, June 4, at 11am at St. Joseph Cathedral in Wheeling. Cody is a native of Poca, WV, Rev. Mr. Brian Crenwelge from Greenbelt, MD, will be ordained also.

Please add these two men to your prayers, and pray for more local vocations to the priesthood!

BENEFACTOR(S) NEEDED

Would you like to make a generous donation to pay for mileage and gas for Sr. Mary Irene, when she travels to our parish for Spiritual Direction? Make check payable to: WV Institute for Spirituality. \$200 pays for one month, and any amount is welcome. Please contact the parish office to find out more.

Weston Vicariate C.A.M.P. (Catholic Awareness Mid-summer Program) Merciful Like the Father July 31 - August 6! COST: \$200 Families with more than one child attending will pay \$100 for each additional child.

THIS IS THE CAMP THAT SANDY ATTENDS!

Registration forms are in the vestibule and church office. Spots are filled on a first come, first serve basis! REGISTER TODAY! Held at Camp Bosco in Huttonsville.

SAINT OF THE WEEK St. Julie BilliartFeast day: April 8 (1751-1816)

St. Julie (Julia) Billiart was born in 1751 and died in 1816. As a child, playing "school" was Julie's favorite game. When she was sixteen, to help support her family, she began to teach "for real". She sat on a haystack during the noon recess and told the biblical parables to the workers. Julie carried on this mission of teaching throughout her life, and the Congregation she founded continues her work.

Julie was the fifth of seven children. She attended a little one room school in Cuvilly. She enjoyed all of her studies, but she was particularly attracted to the religion lessons taught by the parish priest. Recognizing something "special" in Julie, the priest secretly allowed her to make her First Communion at the age of nine, when the normal age at that time, was thirteen. She learned to make short mental prayers and to develop a great love for Jesus in the Eucharist.

A murder attempt on her father shocked her nervous system badly. A period of extremely poor heath for Julie began, and was to last for thirty years. For twenty-two of these years she was completely paralyzed. All of her sufferings and pain she offered up to God.

When the French Revolution broke out, Julie offered her home as a hiding place for loyal priests. Because of this, Julie became a hunted prey. Five times in three years she was forced to flee in secret to avoid compromising her friends who were hiding her.

At this time she was privileged to receive a vision. She saw her crucified Lord surrounded by a large group of religious women dressed in a habit she had never seen before. An inner voice told her that these would be her daughters and that she would begin an institute for the Christian education of young girls. She and a rich young woman founded the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

At Amiens, the two women and a few companions began living a religious life in 1803. In 1804, Julie was miraculously cured of her illness and walked for the first time in twenty-two years. In 1805, Julie and three companions made their profession and took their final vows. She was elected as Mother General of the young Congregation.

In 1815, Mother taxed her ever poor health by nursing the wounded and feeding the starving left from the battle of Waterloo. For the last three months of her life, she again suffered much. She died peacefully on April 8, 1816 at 64 years of age. Julie was beatified on May 13, 1906, and was canonized by Pope Paul VI in 1969. Her feast day is April 8th.

Exploring our Irish Roots THE BEST OF IRELAND 11 DAYS: SEPTEMBER 12—22, 2016

Visiting

Dublin * Waterford * Blarney Castle * Killarney * Galway * Ring of Kerry * Connemara * Knock * Hills of Donegal

\$2759 from Washington, D. C. (Air/land tour price is only \$2419 plus \$336 government taxes/airline imposed surcharges)

Brochures are in the church vestibule, online, and in the parish office!

Dear Padre

April 3, 2016

Why Blessings Are Given Why won't my priest bless my Bible?

Don't Catholics bless objects all the time?

"Through all the words of sacred Scripture, God speaks only one single Word, his one Utterance in whom he expresses himself completely... For this reason, the Church has always venerated the Scriptures as she venerates the Lord's Body" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 102–103).

The Bible as the inspired word of God is living and holy. Technically, it does not need a ritual blessing; it is inherently a "sacramental" and set aside for God's purposes. Perhaps it is this unique, sacred nature of the Bible that caused your priest to deny your request. Moreover, some view the Bible as the source of all blessings, since blessings derive meaning and effectiveness from the word of God.

That said, "every baptized person is called to be a 'blessing,' and to bless... Among sacramentals blessings (of persons, meals, objects, and places) come first. Every blessing praises God and prays for his gifts" (CCC 1669, 1671). To that end, ordained ministers who wish to give praise and bestow benefit to adults and children preparing for the sacraments- their catechists, or liturgical ministers, for example—may choose to bless such persons, giving thanks for the gift of God's word and its work in their lives. Blessings, after all, "are invoked always with a view to the people who use the objects to be blessed" (Book of Blessings, General Introduction, 12).

Monday APRIL 4 Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10–14; 8:10 Heb 10:4–10 Lk 1:26–38

Tuesday APRIL 5 Easter Weekday Acts 4:32–37 Jn 3:7b–15

Wednesday APRIL 6 Easter Weekday Acts 5:17–26 Jn 3:16–21

> Thursday APRIL 7

St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest Acts 5:27–33 Jn 3:31–36

Friday APRIL 8 Easter Weekday

Acts 5:34–42 Jn 6:1–15

Saturday APRIL 9 Easter Weekday Acts 6:1–7 Jn 6:16–21

Sunday APRIL 10 Third Sunday of Easter Acts 5:27–32, 40b–41 Rv 5:11– 14 Jn 21:1–19 or 21:1–14

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