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UpFront

with Mary Hendricks

Exodus 17:8-13

Have you read the glass of water story? It's making the rounds on the internet and reminded me of Moses in the first reading.

A teacher raised a glass of water and asked the class, "How heavy is this glass of water?" Answers ranged from eight to 20 ounces. The teacher said, "The absolute weight doesn't matter. It depends on how long you try to hold it.

"If I hold it for a minute, that's not a problem. If I hold it for an hour, I'll have an ache in my arm. If I hold it for a day, you'll have to call ambulance. In each case, it's the same weight, but the longer I hold it, the heavier it becomes."

Today we hear about the battle between Amalek and Israel. The Amalekites had a sneaky war tactic: instead of facing the enemy head-on, the Amalekites attacked Israel's rear ranks. That's were the weak, the young, and the tired soldiers were. The Israelites were losing the battle.

Moses, however, had his own war tactic: prayer. When he held up his hands in prayer, the Israelites were winning. When he dropped his hands, the Amalekites took the lead. "Moses' hands, however, grew tired," we hear, so they sat him on a rock while his brother Aaron and Hur supported his hands. That's why I remembered the glass of water story—his hands must have been shaking and ready to fall off! By sunset, the Israelites had won the battle.

The soldiers could see Moses on the top of the hill where he was standing. They were encouraged, and the sight of their leader in prayer reminded them that God was with them.

I see three lessons here: 1) continue to pray, even if you are tired; 2) when you do want to give up, get someone to help you pray; and 3) our leaders need our prayers.

We've all been frustrated in prayer. One of my favorite verses is from St. Paul's letter to the Thessalonians: "Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus." Even Paul knew times would get tough. Don't give up. God is listening.

When the temptation to guit comes, and it will, find a friend to pray with you. It can be a family member, friend, or another Catholic you admire. This friend can hold you up, just as Moses' friends did.

Finally, pray for our leaders. Here at St. Pat's we are blessed to have a hardworking, dedicated priest. Please keep him and all priests in your prayers. They can't do it alone. Here's an example to get you started:

PRAYER FOR A PRIEST

O Jesus, our great High Priest, Hear my humble prayers on behalf of your priest, Father [name]. Give him a deep faith, a bright and firm hope and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of his priestly life.

In his loneliness, comfort him In his sorrows, strengthen him In his frustrations, point out to him that it is through suffering that the soul is purified, and show him that he is needed by the Church, he is needed by souls, he is needed for the work of redemption.

O loving Mother Mary, Mother of Priests, take to your heart your son who is close to you because of his priestly ordination, and because of the power which he has received to carry on the work of Christ in a world which needs him so much.

Be his comfort, be his joy, be his strength, and especially help him to live and to defend the ideals of consecrated celibacy. Amen.

Pastoral Associate:

Mary Mazza Hendricks (304) 269-1244 pa@spchurchweston.net Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 8:30am - 6pm

Parish Office Manager:

Sandra R. Mick (304) 269-3048 secretary@spchurchweston.net

Mass Schedule:

Monday: 8:15am Tuesday: 8:15am Wednesday: 6pm Thursday: 8:15am Friday: 8:15am Saturday: 6pm Sunday: 9:30am

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays, 9-12

The Sacraments:

Baptism - By arrangement Marriage - At least six 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.

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

Rosary: Weekly: Wed 5:35pm & Thurs:

Oct. and May: Saturday: 5:30pm, Sunday: 9am

Miraculous Medal Novena: Wed, 5:55pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Fri, 11:30am

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

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Stewardship Update - Thank You?

Mass Attendance		ttendance Weekly		Monthly			Over/Short	Over/Short		Debt Reduction		
Sat	Sun	Total	Church Offering	Electronic Offering	Total	Goal		Year to Date	School		Electronic Monthly	Total
119	224	343	3,378.00	550	3,928.00	4231.00	-\$303.00	-\$15,080.10	550	1960	460	2420

MASS INTENTIONS								
Day	Day Date Tir		Intention	Requested By				
S	10/15/16	6:00 PM	People of the	e Parish				
S	10/16/16 9:30 A		†John F. Lydon	Lydon family				
М	10/17/16	8:15 AM	†Most Rev. John Joseph Kain, D.D.					
Т	10/18/16	8:15 AM	†Merle Swisher	Rue & Diana Thompson				
W	10/19/16	6:00 PM	†Clarence Weber	Family				
T	10/20/16	8:15 AM	Douglas Faulkner	Jim & Tammy Arsenault				
F	10/21/16	8:15 AM	†Carmelo and Josephine Nacida	Nacida Family				
S	10/22/16	6:00 PM	†Jane Myers	Jackie and Dayna Smith				
S	10/23/16	9:30 AM	People of the	People of the Parish				

SECOND COLLECTIONS

- Oct. 22 & 23: Universal
 World Mission
- •Nov. 6 & 7: Archdiocese of Military Services



The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes prior to every weekend Mass in October and 30 minutes prior to Wed. Mass.

Wednesday Rosary Leaders:								
10/19 10/26								
V. Brumley Micki Snyder								
Rosary begins at 5:35pm each								
Wednesday when Mass is celebrated,								
followed by the Miraculous Medal novena								

Ministry Schedules											
DAY	DATE TIME	Greeters	Altar Servers		Readers		Gifts	Eucharistic Ministers		Cantor	
SAT	40/45			Ian Droppleman	1	Barbara King	Ed and Anita Droppleman	1	Micki Snyder	Bob	
	10/15	Rose Neal and Kami Franklin	В	Briana Franklin	2 Tom Ruppert	2		A. L. Determan			
	6 PM	Naiiii Fiaiikiiii					Dioppleman		Mike Determan	Thompson	
	10/16		Α	Tom Derico	1	Danielle Mick	Chris and Ginger Franklin		Julia Marsh		
NUS		Leslie Butcher	В	Macy Franklin	2	Don Markley			Steve Corley	Jeremy Garton	
	9:30	and Tanya Riley				-			Linda Aman		
	40/00	Karen and		Spencer Davis	1	Teresa Angotti			Julia Marsh	_	
SAT	10/22	Deanna	В	Drew Moodispaw	2	Nancy Law	Bill and Brenda		John Weber	Rudy Pascasio	
_	6 PM	Pascasio					Riley		Pam Thompson		
SUN	10/23	Mary Ann Edwards and	Α	Jacob Aman	1	Sara Robinson	Dave and Nicole Aman & Sydney		Butch Cain	Joe Derico	
			В	Manny Robinson	2	Steve Corley			Judy Foster		
_	9:30	Mikey Linger					& Joey		Danielle Mick		
	10/29	Lynne and Allia Shaver	Α	Zoey Skinner	1	Deanna Pascasio	Kelley Skinner and family		Tom Ruppert	K. Sims	
SAT			В	Garrett Skinner	2	Rudy Pascasio			Margaret Blake		
_	6 PM	- Silavei							Valerie Corley		
	10/30			Drew Bailey	1	Erin Turner			Paul Derico		
SUN		Stanley and Lisa Marlow	В	Caden Kelley	2	Don Markley	Cunningham		Sandy Mick	John Collins	
_	9:30	Mariow					family		Marissa Aman		
SAT	11/5	Ed and Anita Droppleman	Α	Blake Francis	1	Daniel Pascasio	Tom and Margaret Blake		Barbara King	Brenda Reed	
			В	Madison Hall	2	Theresa Francis			Luanne Bowers		
	6 PM	Dioppleman							Larry Bowers		
	11/6	Children's Mass		Dylan O'Sullivan	1	Deanna Pascasio	Children's Mass		Tyler Mehr	Ob italia a it	
NUS				Michael Riley	2	Matthew Linger			Erin Turner	Children's Mass	
_	9:30								Brooklyn Queen	IVIGGG	

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

- ◆ Those who are sick: Tina Barnette, Megan Westfall, Merle Watson, Randy Campbell, Sal Carmona, Rose Determan, Robert Fealy, Ed Hubbs, Rose Mazza, Mary Ann Murray, Burke Riley, Jane Taylor, Fred Turner Sr. (Fred Turner's father), and Jane White.
- ♦Those who are homebound or in nursing homes!
- ◆Those who have died: Jane Myers, Merrie Grace Robison (Karen Pascasio's sister), Doneta Rigdon (Sheri Murray's mother, Marlena Reed's grandmother). May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- ♦ Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
- ◆Those in RCIA: Brad Curtis, Jenny Delgado, Michelle Droppleman, Brandi Francis.
- ◆ All Military Personnel: Ryan Faulkner, Fr Jeff Paveglio, Alan Hamilton



Pope Francis "Tweets" @ Pontifex

October 11, 2016: To live joyfully we must let go of anger, wrath, violence, and revenge.

Training for Liturgical Ministers

Throughout the month of October there will be *mandatory* training sessions for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) and Readers who wish to continue in their ministry. Those who would like to become Communion Ministers or Readers should come to the sessions as well. *All interested parties must have already received the Sacrament of Confirmation.*

Readers: October 17, 25 EMHCs: October 18, 24

These trainings are for Extraordinary Ministers to the homebound as well! All training sessions begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Church. You need only attend <u>one</u>

OUR FINAL DAYS

To live in a manner worthy of our human dignity, and to spend our final days on this earth in peace and comfort, surrounded by loved ones—that is the hope of each of us. In particular, Christian hope sees these final days as a time to prepare for our eternal destiny.

Today, however, many people fear the dying process. They are afraid of being kept alive past life's natural limits by burdensome medical technology. They fear experiencing intolerable pain and suffering, losing control over bodily functions, or lingering with severe dementia. They worry about being abandoned or becoming a burden on others.

Our society can be judged by how we respond to these fears. A caring community devotes more attention, not less, to members facing the most vulnerable times in their lives. When people are tempted to see their own lives as diminished in value or meaning, they most need the love and assistance of others to assure them of their inherent worth.

I'M IN! CAMPAIGN UPDATE Goal: \$345,000.00

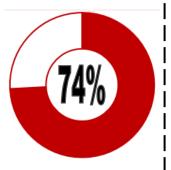
127 Pledges to Date: \$254,443.00

17 Other gifts: \$1385.00 Total: \$255,828.00

Pledges Needed to complete campaign: \$89,172

If you prefer not to make a pledge, please give through the diocese to the Catholic Sharing Appeal. Since we have reached the 50% mark of that goal, all donations given will be returned **100%** to our parish throughout the coming months.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



NOTEWORTHY EVENTS

October – Tissues LCFRN—Canned Veggies

Linens - Mary Wagoner

Funeral Greeters - Veronica Brumley & Scott Garton

15 & 16: After Mass, Pumpkin/Garden Sale, outside church

17 Mon: 6pm, Catholic Daughter meeting, parish meeting room

17 Mon: 6pm, Reader training, church 18 Tue: 6pm, EMHC training, church 22 & 23: After Mass, Pumpkin/Garden

Sale, outside church

24 Mon: 6pm, EMHC training, church 25 Tue: 6pm, Reader training, church 27 Thu: 5:30-6:30,Trunk or Treat, for more info, please contact Mrs. Gildein at 304 265-5547

November – Deodorant LCFRN—Pie crust and pumpkin pie mix

Linens - Kathy Boyle
Funeral Greeters - Mary Wagoner, Mary
Ellen Rittenhouse

Tuesday, November 1 is All Saints Day, a holy day of obligation. Mass times will be announced in the coming weeks.

CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL UPDATE:

53 gifts = \$10,607 62% of goal

Because we have surpassed 50% of our goal, from now until the end of the campaign 100% of the funds generated will return to St. Patrick's! **The next collection for the Catholic Sharing Appeal will be November 5-6.** Please prayerfully consider how you can

Alcoholics Anonymous

AA - Tues., Thurs., & Sat., 8pm school basement.

Narcotics Anonymous

NA - Mon., 8pm school basement
Use the door on the side of the school building facing the rectory for AA and NA meetings.

MISC. COLLECTION ITEMS

- •Snack food items for our back-pack food program.
- •Box tops, and Coke reward points for the school.
- Used ink cartridges and can tabs for Ronald McDonald House.
- •Old towels, sheets, and blankets for animal rescues, shelters, and vet offices.



TRUNK OR TREAT

Come to the church and school parking lots on Thursday, October 27, for an Annual Trunk or Treat event. Adults get in on the fun by decorating their car trunks and passing out treats to the little ones. Many adults also dress for the occasion. Please join us for this fun community event. Trunk

or Treat is held from 5:30-6:30pm. Please have your car in the church or school parking lot by 5:15pm. Once truck or treat starts, it is hard to safely move a car into the lot with all the children, especially the little ones, moving around. Call the school to reserve your space: 304-269-5547.

CDA MEETING OCT. 17

In an effort to help increase attendance to the Catholic Daughter meetings, Court Victory 379 voted to change the place, date, and time of meetings to make it more handicap-accessible, comfortable and time friendly. *The*



meetings will now take place at the St. Patrick Church office, in the parish meeting room, and on the third Monday of each month beginning promptly at 6pm with the October 17 meeting.

Also, Daughters are reminded that dues may be paid now. Annual dues are \$30, all of which is forwarded to National headquarters for charitable CDA activities. Make checks payable to: CDA Court Victory #379.



PUMPKIN/GARDEN SALE

The Knights of Columbus are having a Pumpkin Garden Sale after Mass on Saturday and Sunday, 10/15 & 16 and 10/22 & 23. The sale includes corn stalks, gourds and freshly picked pumpkins great for pies, carving Jack-O-Lantern and for decorating during fall. This brief project will help various charitable works and parish activities that KOC undertakes throughout the year. Come to Mass, then afterwards, stop at one of the location gardens in the front and sides of the church, to support your local Council.

MEETING DATES: The Knights of Columbus regular monthly meeting will be on Tues., Nov. 2, at 7 in the cafeteria.

The monthly board meeting will be on Tues., Oct. 25, at 7 at the Hickory House Event Center. All officers and members are invited!

Dear Padre

OCTOBER 16, 2016

I am a devoted Catholic who likes to read and study the Bible. My parish offers no Bible classes, so several friends

and I go to a neighboring Protestant church that offers Bible study. Is this OK?

It's wonderful that you enjoy being close to Scripture. It's unfortunate that your parish doesn't offer a Bible-based ministry,

but this is not always possible. I imagine

you have spoken to your pastor about this; if you haven't, please do. He may be

willing to arrange a study if he knows that

parishioners are interested.

As for whether you should participate in a Protestant Bible study, discussing Scripture can be an opportunity to share

your faith with others. If such discussions

cause confusion or uncertainty, however,

you should discuss the situation with your priest. You must be cautious about interpretations that directly bear on Catholic beliefs, such as the perpetual virginity of Mary or her immaculate conception.

Some may try to demonstrate that such teachings are false. Remember: As Catholics, we believe that revelation comes

through Scripture and Tradition. It would not be right to place yourself in a position that could weaken your faith.

Assuming your current study doesn't do this, there is nothing wrong with pursuing

it. If your priest has reservations about this, perhaps he can recommend other ways that you and your friends can explore

Calendar

Monday

OCTOBER 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr Eph 2:1–10 Lk 12:13–21

Tuesday

OCTOBER 18 St. Luke, Evangelist 2 Tm 4:10–17b Lk 10:1–9

Wednesday

OCTOBER 19 Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs Eph 3:2–12 Lk 12:39–48

Thursday

OCTOBER 20 *Weekday* Eph 3:14–21 Lk 12:49–53

Friday

OCTOBER 21 Weekday Eph 4:1–6 Lk 12:54–59

Saturday

OCTOBER 22 Weekday Eph 4:7–16 Lk 13:1–9

Sunday

OCTOBER 23 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 35:12–14, 16–18 2Tm 4:6–8,16–18

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