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20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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There is a lesson, a very necessary one, for all of us in this episode of Christ's public life. It is the necessity of perseverance in our prayers of petition. Prayer is an essential part of our Christian life, and the essential part of prayer is that of adoration and thanksgiving, but prayer of petition has a big part in our daily prayers. We have so many spiritual and temporal needs, needs which we cannot provide by ourselves. Christ himself has told us to ask Him for these needs: "ask and you shall receive."

Do we ask with the fervor and perseverance which prove that we have "great faith"? That faith is the proof which Christ needs before He grants our requests. The Canaanite woman of whom we have just heard is for us an example of that deep-seated faith and trust in Christ's power and Christ's goodness. Even though He ignored her she continued to beseech Him, and when He answered with what seemed a direct refusal, her faith and trust did not waver. She answered His reason for refusal with another statement which showed that the granting of her petition would not in any way interfere with or impede His primary task, His mission to His father's chosen people. This was the proof of great faith which He required. He granted her request.

We must imitate and learn

from this pagan mother. Her love for her child made her ready to undergo every hardship or suffering for the restoration to health of

which is better than what we asked for.

How often do we wonder at or perhaps doubt God's mercy when we see, for example, the young father of a family being taken from his loved and helpless ones, notwithstanding the prayers and tears of his wife and children. Where is God's mercy here? Where is His answer to these sincere prayers? But who are we to question God's mercy? The answer is there and often clear enough: that death brings out in his relatives and neighbors virtues which they would otherwise never have had occasion to practice - virtues that will earn for them eternal life.

It is only when we get to heaven - and getting to heaven is our purpose in life - that we shall see how our prayers, sincere and persevering, were answered by God.



Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

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Parish Prayer List

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

- Those who are sick: Mandy Heater, Margaret Blake (SJM), Robert Fealy (Cleveland Clinic), Amelia Krafft (Ruby) Frank Lydon, Nick Bakas, Jim Bohan, James Carni, Steve Colburn, Luanne Cunningham, Larry Dodson, Rose Determan, Mary Ann Edwards, Nathan Fisher, Carl Ford (Lynne Shaver's step-dad), Marsha Garton, Chuck Gildein (Jim Gildein's father), Mary Groover, Bobby Gill, Jim Kerrigan, Shelly Kraus, Jeff Linger, Scotty McCartney, Matt McCauley, Mary Ann Murray, Betty Reed, Julieta Rilling, Burke Riley, Mike Riley, Tim Rinehart, Greg Walker and Kinley Weaver
- Those who have died: Clara Ann Moran, Madeline Patricia Attanasio, May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
- All Military Personnel: Rob Snuffer, Alan Hamilton, Aaron Hamilton



Catholic Volunteer Network

Mr. Mike McCormick, representing Catholic Volunteer Network, will speak to us as a part of the Diocesan Missionary Cooperation Plan this weekend. Catholic Volunteer Network, and affiliate of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, is the official U.S. Catholic network of nearly 200 lay volunteer mission programs that send missionaries to over 100 countries. Mr. McCormick is a former missionary and currently Catholic Volunteer Network and the faith-based lay mission programs that place women and men of all ages in service to the poor and needy. Because this is our Parish participation in the Diocesan Missionary Cooperation Plan, we are invited to support, with financial contributions, lay mission volunteers and the work of Catholic Volunteer Network. Please be generous to this worthy cause. For more information about CVN, visit catholicvolunteernetwork.org

The collection for Catholic Volunteer Network will be taken at all Masses next weekend.

Religious Education Starting in the Fall

Beginning this September, St. Patrick's will be offering a comprehensive Religious Education program for all children Grades 1-8, High School students, and adults. Grades 1-8 will take the format of a CCD-style classroom program with grade/age-specific material, including Sacramental Preparation for First Holy Communion in 2nd grade. RCIA, RCIC, CCD and Adult Ed. Classes will take place in the school from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. every Sunday before Mass. High School students are invited to attend the meetings of the Dead Theologians Society.

Registration forms are in the vestibule and church office.



Save the Date

The Annual St. Bernard's homecoming has been scheduled for Sunday October 8, 2017. Mass will be at 2:00 p.m. followed by a covered dish dinner at 3:00 p.m.

Ministry Schedule for Next Weekend

Saturday, August 26, 2017

Servers: Ethan Mehr, Ian Droppleman, Jayna Jerden
Reader: Lisa Marlow
EMHC: Valerie Corley, Tom Ruppert, Micki Snyder
Cantor: Brenda Reed

Sunday, August 27, 2017

Servers: Tom and Joe Derico, Ian Riffle
Reader: Michele Turner
EMHC: Jacob Aman, Steve Corley, Paul Derico
Cantor: Brenda Riley

August Linens: Luanne Bowers
August Funeral Greeters: Carol Castillo

Weekly Attendance & Collection

Saturday:	91
Sunday:	152
Latin Mass:	30
General:	\$4126
Loan:	\$955
School:	\$145
Latin	\$179

Upcoming Collections and Appeals

August 26 & 27: Catholic Volunteer Network
(You will not have an envelope for this collection!)

UPCOMING EVENTS

August

20 Sun: Preschool and Pre-K open house
21 Mon: K—8th grade open house
21 Mon: 6pm, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, budget meeting, parish meeting room
22 Tue: 6pm, SoulCore
28 Tue: 7pm, Knights of Columbus officers meeting, cafeteria
29 Wed: 7pm: Knights of Columbus installation of officers, cafeteria

September

This Week's Liturgical Calendar

Saturday— August 19

Saint John Eudes, Priest
6:00p Anticipated Sunday Mass for †James Blake by Family
RDGS: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8,11; Mt 19:13-15

Sunday — August 20

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:45a Confessions
9:30a Mass for People of the Parish
RDGS: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Rom 11:13-15,29-32; Mt. 15:21-28
11:45a Confessions
12:30p Mass (Latin) for †Chris Greaser by Robert D'Aurora
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Monday — August 21

Saint Pius X, Pope
8:15a Mass for †Margaret Shea by John and Jack McLaughlin
RDGS: Jgs 2:11-13; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday — August 22

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:15a Mass for Faculty and Staff of St. Patrick School
RDGS: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday — August 23

Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin
5:00p Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5:05p Confessions
5:30p Rosary and Miraculous Medal Novena
5:45p Benediction
6:00p Mass for †Alice Murray by Dan and Sandra Mick
RDGS: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday — August 24

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE
8:15 Mass for Victims of Abortion
RDGS: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Friday — August 25

Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest
8:15a Mass for Students, Faculty and Staff of St. Patrick School
RDGS: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 23:1-12

Saturday— August 26

Saturday of the 20th Week in Ordinary Time
6:00p Anticipated Sunday Mass for †Mike Rafferty by Mary Lou Weber
RDGS: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8,11; Mt 19:13-15

Sunday — August 27

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:45a Confessions
9:30a Mass for People of the Parish
RDGS: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt. 16:13-20
11:45a Confessions
12:30p Mass (Latin) for ††Richard Karberg by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Woodruff
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

MASS INTENTIONS: Please contact the parish office or use one of the envelopes in the vestibule to schedule your Mass Intentions.

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday, 6:00 p.m.,
Sunday, 9:30 a.m.,
12:30 p.m. (Latin)

Reconciliation:

Wednesday and Saturday, 5:00pm,
Sunday, 8:45 & 11:45 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

M, T, Th, F, 8:15 a.m. Wed., 6:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesday, 5:00 to 5:45p.m.

(See Weekly Schedule for any changes to times or location!)

Parish Office Hours:

- Sunday, 10:30 - 12:30
- Monday, 9 - 4
- Tuesday, 9 - 4
- Wednesday, 9 - 1
- Thursday, 1 - 8
- Friday, 9 - 1

Prayer Chain:

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Kids' Corner Catechesis

St. Bernard



Feast Day: August 20
Born: 332 :: Died: 1153

Bernard was born in Dijon, in France. He had six brothers and sisters and they were very well educated. He was only 17 years old when his mother died and his heart was broken.

His lively sister Humbeline did not let him remain sad and she did whatever she could to cheer him up. Soon Bernard became a very popular man. He was handsome and intelligent, full of fun and good humor and people enjoyed being with him.

Then one day, Bernard surprised all his friends by telling them he was going to join the very strict Cistercian order and become a Priest. They did all they could to make him give up the idea. But in the end, Bernard convinced his brothers, an uncle and twenty-six friends to join him.

As Bernard and his brothers left their home, they said to their little brother Nivard, who was playing with other children: "Good-bye, little Nivard. You will now have all the lands and property for yourself." But the boy answered: "What! How can all of you go to heaven and leave me here on earth? Do you call that fair?"

And when Nivard was older he too joined his brothers in the monastery. St. Bernard became a very good monk. After three years, he was sent to start a new Cistercian monastery and to be its abbot (like a parish priest).

The new monastery was in the Valley of Light which in French is called "Clairvaux" and Bernard was the abbot there for the rest of his life.

Although he would have liked to stay working and praying in his monastery, he was called out sometimes for special work. He preached, made peace between rulers, and went to advise the Pope.

He also wrote beautiful spiritual books. He became very famous and people everywhere had great respect for him. But he did not want fame. More than anything else Bernard wanted to be a monk and be close to God.

This saint had a great devotion to the Blessed Mother. It is said that when he passed her statue, he often greeted her with a "Hail Mary." One day, the Blessed Mother returned his greeting: "Hail, Bernard!" And, Our Lady showed how much his love and devotion pleased her.

When St. Bernard died in 1153, people were sad because they would miss his wonderful presence in their life.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas



The Catholic Daughters organizational/budget meeting will be held on Monday, August. 21.

ALL Catholic women 18 and older are invited to join the Catholic Daughters. Meetings are held on the third Monday of the month (September through May) at 6pm in the parish meeting room.

Formed in 1903, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas® is one of the Oldest and Largest Organizations of Catholic Women in the Americas.

Parish Store

Don't forget to check out our parish store, located in the Parish Office Building! There are many religious articles, books, rosaries, statues, etc. available. Catalogs are available for ordering.

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(When the parish office is open.)
Sunday: 10:30 - 12:30, Monday: 9 - 4, Tuesday: 9 - 4, Wednesday: 9 - 1, Thursday: 1 - 8, Friday: 9 - 1

Shut-in, Homebound, and Hospitalized Catholics of our parish wishing to receive Holy Communion should call the parish office at 304-269-3048. If you or a loved one is hospitalized in another county, please make sure the hospital knows you wish to receive Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick. Please don't assume that we are aware of these individuals or circumstances. If you know of someone who is currently homebound—regardless of whether they are currently being visited by one of our ministers—please contact the parish office with their name and contact information.

Let us all continue to pray for our sick and homebound parishioners, that God will grant them healing and strength, and that they will one day soon return to gather with us around the Altar of the Lord!

How Can I Help?

The following items are collected continually at our church.

- Snack food items for our back-pack food program.
- Box tops, Coke reward points for the school.
- Can tabs for Ronald McDonald House.
- Old towels, sheets, and blankets for animal rescues, shelters, and vet offices.
- Used ink cartridges
- NEW socks collected by the Catholic Daughters to be donated to homeless shelters.

Parish Membership & Benefits:

To be considered an "active" member of the parish (and thus eligible for Sacraments, sponsor eligibility, and the "Catholic tuition" rate at St. Patrick's School), the parish takes into account family & individual involvement in parish life and ministries, and Mass attendance. Mass attendance is only able to be tracked accurately via collection envelopes. If you are not receiving envelopes currently, please contact the parish office. Parishioners over 18 are

15th Annual St. Patrick School Golf Tournament



The annual St. Patrick school golf fundraiser will be held at Deerfield Country Club located on Jackson's Mill Road, Saturday, October 7. Registration begins at 7am with a shotgun start at 8am. First place receives \$1,000, second receives \$500 and third receives \$250 in cash. Registration is \$60 per person and includes: Skins Game, Closest to Pin, Longest Drive and Longest Putt.

For more information or to register, call Jimmy Fealy at 304-444-3442 or Kathy Boyle 304-844-7987.

Dear St. Patrick Church families,

We are so excited for this new school year to begin. The new year always begins with excitement and the opportunity for a fresh start. We are a Catholic school where academics and faith formation are our concern.

We welcome the following new teachers this year.

- Mrs. Diana Hunte-2nd grade
- Ms. Danielle Mick-4th grade
- Ms. Anna Hillman-Language Arts/Religion-6th-8th
- Mr. Thomas McKee-Science/Math-6th-8th

We have had a few moves internally.

- Mrs. Shelly Kraus-Tutor
- Mrs. Sherri Jackson-3rd grade
- Mrs. Lisa Darby-Spanish & Social Studies-6th-8th
- Mrs. Mary Catherine Atchison-Pre-K

We are blessed to have such a hardworking and dedicated faculty.

This summer, the Knights of Columbus cleaned and stained our playground. They worked very hard and we are grateful-it looks like a new playground. We installed a new check in/out system in the library, making improvements to restrooms, painted classrooms and waxed all floors in the school and gym. From the Bishop's Merit Grant funds, we purchased new furniture and writing centers and Fitbits for all the students. We purchased 21 new Chromebooks for third grade through a gracious donation from the Parent/Teacher Organization.

We look forward to a fabulous school year. We pray for all our children, families, and faculty so that each person receives the blessings of love and faith.

Peace and Blessings,
Maureen K. Gildein, M.Ed.

Commentary on the Readings for the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

"They brought to Him one deaf and dumb. . . And his ears were at once opened, and. . . his tongue was loosed, and he began to speak correctly" (Gospel).



May your ears tune in on God (symbolized by kneeling figures at left). May your tongue broadcast His Gospel (indicated by figure of "speaker" to the right), in the "holy place" of your parish activities, in the "house" of your family, among the "people" of your acquaintance (Introit).

If we are "to hear" His Voice, we must go "aside from the crowd" at our Sunday Mass, for at least one uninterrupted hour. Only then, like the cured deaf-mute, shall we return and gladly "publish" the truth (Gospel).

St. Paul relates how he received "the gospel"; how he then passed it on to others. "Hold it fast as I preached it to you" (Epistle).

Excerpted from *My Sunday Missal*, Confraternity of the Precious Blood

Liturgical Calendar for the Traditional Latin Mass During the Week

08/21	St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Widow
08/22	Immaculate Heart of Mary
08/23	St. Philip Benizi, Confessor
08/24	St. Bartholomew, Apostle
08/25	St. Louis IX, King & Confessor
08/26	St. Zephyrinus, Pope & Martyr

Pope Francis "Tweets" @ Pontifex

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AA - Tues., Thurs., & Sat.,
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Narcotics Anonymous

NA - Mon., 8pm school basement

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