

The Lewis County Catholic Times

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The **first reading** is taken from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah 20:7-9 in which we hear Jeremiah giving voice to this internal anguish of mind; he hates what he has to say to his people, yet he is compelled by God to say it.

The **second reading** is from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans 12:1-2 in which he tells the Roman Christians (converts, for the most part, from paganism) that they must prove themselves worthy of this great favor, they must live truly Christian lives.

The Gospel is from Matt. 16:21-27. From all eternity this was God's plan for mankind. But because sin had entered into the world before the Incarnation took place, the Son of God in his human nature had to suffer the violent death of the cross at the hands of sinners. In this very suffering he became the Lamb of God who took away the sins of the world, as the second-Isaiah had foretold in his "suffering servant" prophecies (Is. 53: 1-7; 42: 1-9 etc). His death, because he was God as well as man, was a sacrifice, an atonement, of infinite value, and therefore obtained forgiveness from the Father for all the sins of the human race.

In foretelling his sufferings and death, which took place some months later, Christ intended to prepare his disciples and other followers for what he knew would be for them a severe crisis of faith. He also took occasion from it to remind his disciples, and all others who would follow him, of what their attitude to suffering and death should be. He told them, and us too, that we must be ever

ready to accept sufferings in this life, and even an untimely death if that should be demanded of us, rather than deny our Christian faith.

To prove their loyalty to their

This daily carrying of our Christian cross can be, and is for many, a prolonged martyrdom. Poverty, ill-health, cruelty and hardheartedness met with in the home and in one's neighbors, are heavy crosses which only a truly Christian shoulder can bear. But, if we were offered health, happiness, peace, wealth and power for the next fifty or seventy years on this earth, in exchange for an eternal heaven after death, what rational one among us would accept that offer?

Christians know that this life is a period of training, which makes us ready hereafter to receive the eternal reward which Christ has won for us. Every trainee knows that one must endure certain hardships and sufferings in order to merit graduation into one's chosen profession or trade. On our Christian graduation day we shall, please God, hear the welcome words: "Well done good and faithful servant; because you have been faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater, come and join in your Master's happiness" (Mt. 25: 21). May God grant that every one of us will hear these words of welcome.

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

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The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston will hold a special collection to assist the victims of Hurricane Harvey

September 16-17



Let us come together now to support our brothers and sisters in Christ who are suffering this horrible loss.

- Bishop Michael J. Bransfield

Most Rev. Michael J. Bransfield, bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, has announced a special collection to assist the victims of Hurricane Harvey in Texas and the surrounding areas.

The collection will be taken September 16-17 at all Catholic churches throughout the Mountain State.

“Our brothers and sisters in the path of Hurricane Harvey are suffering devastating losses,” Bishop Bransfield said. “The recovery and healing will take years.”

Funds given to the collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and will provide pastoral support and rebuilding assistance to impacted dioceses through the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

“As we hold the victims and first responders in our prayers during these critical days,” Bishop Bransfield said, “let us also spend time in prayer and discernment as we prepare for this upcoming collection. As we know from our own experience, it is the poor and the very poor that will suffer the most and are least able to rebuild their lives. I have witnessed many times the generosity of the faithful of our diocese as we come together to help our own families in need. Let us come together now to support our brothers and sisters in Christ who are suffering this horrible loss.”

Parish Prayer List

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

- ◆ **Those who are sick:** Frank Lydon, Robert Fealy (Cleveland Clinic), Amelia Krafft (Ruby) Bob, Fultineer, Valerie Corley, Anita Droppleman, Gerry Donaldson, Nick Bakas, Tom Blake, 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, Mandy Heater, Jim Kerrigan, Shelly Kraus, Jeff Linger, Scotty McCartney, Matt McCauley, Mary Ann Murray, Betty Reed, Julieta Rilling, Burke Riley, Mike Riley, Tim Rinehart, and Kinley Weaver
- ◆ **Those who have died:** 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

Ministry Schedule for Next Weekend

Saturday, September 09, 2017

Servers: Joseph and Hunter Blake, Tom Derico

Reader: Theresa Francis

EMHC: Tom Ruppert, Micki Snyder, Pam Thompson

Sunday, September 10, 2017

Servers: Ian Droppleman, Briana Franklin, Macy Franklin

Reader: Steve Corley

EMHC: Butch Cain, Judy Foster, Betty Hill

September Linens: Kathy Boyle

September and October Funeral Greeters: Veronica Brumley and Scott Garton

Weekly Attendance & Collection

Saturday: 117

Sunday: 177

Latin Mass: 35

General: \$2955

Loan: \$300

School: \$30

Latin Mass: \$376

Catholic Vol. Network: \$868

Upcoming Collections and Appeals

September 16 & 17: Hurricane Harvey Victims

UPCOMING EVENTS

September

3&4: Labor Day, parish office closed

4 Sun: Brief Catechist meeting after Mass

5 Tue: 6:30pm, Knights of Columbus meeting, St. Bernard Church, Loveberry

10 Sun: Commissioning of Catechists

17 Sun: 8:30am, CCD, Adult Religious Education and RCIA begin! (See article for locations.)

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

This Week’s Liturgical Calendar

Saturday— September 2

Saturday of the 21st Week in Ordinary Time

6:00p Anticipated Sunday Mass for †Madeline Attanasio by Junior and Veronica Brumley

RDGS: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday — September 3

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:45a Confessions

9:30a Mass for †Clara Ann Moran by Dot Aman

RDGS: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt. 16:21-270

11:45a Confessions

12:30p Mass (Latin) for People of the Parish

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Monday — September 4 - Labor Day

Monday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

9:30a Mass for All affected by Hurricane Harvey

RDGS: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday — September 5

Tuesday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

8:15a Mass for †Mary "Marc" McLaughlin by John and “Jack” McLaughlin

RDGS: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday — September 6

Wednesday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

5:00p Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

5:05p Confessions

5:30p Rosary and Miraculous Medal Novena

5:45p Benediction

6:00p Mass for †James Blake by family

RDGS: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:34-44

Thursday — September 7

Thursday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

8:15 Mass for †Alicia Rogers by Jackie and Dayna Smith

RDGS: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:38-44

Friday — September 8

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:15a Mass for Most Rev. Michael J. Bransfield

RDGS: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6abc; Mt 1:18-23

Saturday— September 9

Saint Peter Claver, Priest (USA)

5:00p Confessions

6:00p Anticipated Sunday Mass for †Connie Akers by Luanne Bowers

RDGS: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday — September 10

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:45a Confessions

9:30a Mass for People of the Parish

RDGS: Ex 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt. 18:15-20

11:45a Confessions

12:30p Mass (Latin) for Special Intentions of the Tillman Family

Fourteenth 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:

Micki Snyder, 304 269-3688

or 304 476-8819

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Kids' Corner Catechesis

St. Gregory the Great

Feast Day: September 3
Born: 540 : Died: 604

St. Gregory was born in Rome, in Italy. His father was a politician and his mother is a saint, St. Celia. Gregory studied philosophy and when he was still quite young, became the governor of Rome.

When his father died, Gregory made his large house into a monastery. For many years he lived as a good and holy monk (priest).

Then Pope Pelagius made him one of the seven ministers of the Church in Rome. When the pope died, Gregory was chosen to take his place.

He was so holy and wise; everyone knew he would be a good pope. But Gregory was so humble that he did not want that honor at all and disguised himself and hid in a cave. The people soon found him and made him pope anyway.

For fourteen years he ruled the Church. Even though he was always sick, Gregory was one of the greatest popes the Church has ever had.

He wrote many books and was a wonderful preacher. He cared for people all over the world. In fact, he considered himself the servant of all. He was the first pope to use the title "servant of the servants of God." All the popes since have used this title.

St. Gregory took special, loving care of poor people and strangers. Every day he used to feed them a good dinner. He was also very sensitive and understanding when people were treated badly.

Once, when he was still a monk, he saw some blond English boys up for sale in the slave market of Rome. The saint felt a great desire to go to England to bring the love of Jesus to those pagans (who did not believe in God). When he became pope, one of the first things he did was to send some of his best monks to teach the English people and help bring them to Jesus.

This holy pope suffered a lot in the last few years of his life, yet he continued working for his beloved Church until the very end.

Scripture study groups
to resume September 26.

- Tues., 11 am - Resumes on Sept.26, Scripture study of the Mass readings, Tierney house, 2319 Gee Lick Rd, Weston
- Tues., 1pm - Resumes on Sept. 26, Scripture study of the Mass readings, Parish Meeting Room

These two groups will follow *Sunday by Sunday* published by Good Ground Press., since the Quest books which were previously used are no longer available.



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.

Catechists Meeting

Those who are catechist in our religious education program are asked to stay after Mass this Sunday, Sept. 3 for a brief meeting with Fr. DeViese.

Commissioning of Catechists

The Commissioning of Catechists will take place at Mass next Sunday, Sept., 10.

Ministry Schedules are in the Mail

Ministry schedules for Altar Servers, Readers, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion were mailed on Thursday. If you did not receive a schedule and wish to continue in your ministry, please contact the parish office.

Coaches Needed

Coaches are needed for St Patrick School in the following sports: volleyball, girls and boys basketball, cheerleading and track. If interested call Coach McDonald at the school 269-5547.



St. Bernard Church
Mass and
Homecoming

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. Meats, drinks and tableware will be provided.

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 encouraged to register as their own household to help us keep records accurate and up-to-date.



Msgr. McSweeney to
be on Light of Life
Radio

Join us on a tour of Ireland and West Virginia as Msgr. Jeremiah McSweeney tells his vocation and life story on LoL Radio's "Answering the Call" this Sunday at 2PM or anytime at www.LoLradio.org/OnDemand.html

Pope Francis "Tweets"
@ Pontifex

If you pay attention to the heart, you will find you are close to the Lord and to others.

The Dead Theologians Society (High School Youth Program)



"The Dead Theologians Society," which is the catechesis program for all our High School students **kick-off meeting has been postponed to Sunday, September 10, at 6:00 p.m.** We will begin with a brief time of prayer in the Upper Room, followed by a cookout and campfire. All high school students are strongly encouraged to attend. The Dead Theologians Society is a national organization that seeks to engage high school students through prayer, catechesis, and social activity that is rooted in the Catholic tradition and based on the Lives of the Saints. DTS meetings are open to all Catholic high schoolers.

Cantors and Choir Members Wanted

The Music Ministry is looking for individuals interested in joining its ranks. Those who enjoy singing are invited to participate in the choir and cantor programs. If you are one of those individuals come and join us. If you know of someone who likes music, encourage that person to become involved in the Music Ministry. It is not too early to begin thinking about the Advent and Christmas music programs in our parish. Please see Marilyn Bean or Jim Weber after weekend masses in the choir loft.

New CCD /
Religious Education Program

This year, St. Patrick's is pleased to unroll our new Religious Education Program, which will offer comprehensive catechesis to all children in the parish, grades 1 through 12, as well as to adults and those interested in becoming Catholic (RCIA). The program is designed to operate on a grade-level basis in order to ensure that all members of the parish have the opportunity to learn about the Faith in a grade-specific environment. All Sacramental Preparation (First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, Confirmation) will be completed in CCD.

Adults and Grades 1-8 will meet on Sundays at 8:30 a.m. in the School. Grades 9-12 (The Dead Theologians Society) will meet on Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Office.

RCIA will meet on Sundays at 8:30 a.m. in the Parish Office.



Knights of
Columbus

The next **regular monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, September 5 at 6:30** and will be held at **St. Bernard Church in Loveberry**. If you wish to carpool to this meeting, please be in the church parking lot **NO LATER than 6pm!**

In service to One, In service to all.

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**Join us for service, fellowship,
and spiritual growth!**

Commentary on the Readings for
the Thirteenth Sunday
after Pentecost



"Were not the ten (lepers) made clean?
Where are the (other) nine" (Gospel)?

Leprosy, dread disease, meant exile "*afar off*" as a castout from home and city. Man-kind, rejecting Divine Life, became leprous, cast out from Eden here, from heaven hereafter.

How amazing, then, that God should make a "*covenant*" with man as though he were His equal (Epistle)! What is this "*covenant*?" By it God bestows on all "*those who believe*" in Jesus the right to inherit His Life, promised to Abraham; not to those who look merely to "*the Law*" of Moses.

Be not content, as were "*the nine*," with mere health of body but with the "*increase of faith, hope and charity*" (PRAYER). As with the lepers, so our prayer is: "*Have regard, O Lord, to Thy covenant, and forsake not . . . Thy poor . . . (do not) cast us off*" (Introit).

Excerpted from My Sunday Missal, Confraternity of the Precious Blood

Liturgical Calendar for the
Traditional Latin Mass
During the Week

09/04	Feria
09/05	St. Lawrence Justian, <i>Bishop & Confessor</i>
09/06	Feria
09/07	Jesus Christ the High Priest
09/08	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
09/09	St. Peter Claver, <i>Confessor</i>

Need Help? Get Help!

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.*