

The Lewis County Catholic Times

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The first reading is taken from the Book of the Prophet Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10. This reading states that this is a people who had wandered from the way of belief in God. The prophet chastises and threatens the priests of the temple.

The second reading is from the first Letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13. St. Paul is especially grateful that the Thessalonians received the word as from God, not men. The preacher of the word of God is well aware of his responsibility in proclaiming and preaching that word for he asks in the prayer before the gospel that the Lord will cleanse his heart and lips as he did Isaiah's for he is aware that it is God's word that is to be preached, not his own, or on his own terms. —

Excerpted from A Celebrants Guide to the New Sacramentary - A Cycle by Kevin W. Irwin

The Gospel is from the Gospel of Matthew 23:1-12. As this picture of the Pharisees is painted by none other than Christ himself, we can have no doubt but that the description given is the truth and nothing but the truth. In spite of their great knowledge of "the law and the prophets"—the divine revelation God had given to the Chosen People—and of their many strict observances of that law, they were not pleasing to God. All their good works and all their learning were spoiled by the vice of pride which made them seek earthly glory for themselves and prevented them from giving glory or thanks to

God. Their religion was an empty external cloak which they used to attract attention and honor to themselves. Internally, they were so full of their own importance that there was no room for God in their hearts.

Our divine Lord warned his disciples, and through them all of us, to avoid that pernicious vice of pride. It should not be hard for any true Christian to avoid this vice. We know that every material and spiritual talent we have has been given us by God, so we must give glory to God for any gifts we possess and not to ourselves. St. Paul reminds us of this fact when he asks us: "What have you that you have not received, and if you have received it why glory in it as if it were your own?" We owe everything we have to God and we should use all the gifts he has given us for his honor and glory, and for that purpose alone.

Do we always do this? Are we never tempted to look down on our less fortunate brothers? If we have got on well in our temporal affairs do we attribute our success to our own skill and



hard work or do we thank God for the opportunities he gave to us and not to others. If, aided by God's grace, we are keeping his commandments, do we show contempt for those who give in to temptations which we did not have to meet? The best of us can profit from an examination of conscience along these lines. If our external observance of the Christian rule of life is motivated solely by love and gratitude to God all is well. But if our hearts are far from God and our motives in our religious behavior is self-glorification, we are in a dangerous position. The sinners and harlots of Christ's day repented and were received into his kingdom; the Pharisees, unable to repent, were left outside.

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

Commentary on the Readings in the Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost



"Render. . .to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's (Gospel).

The "modern" man acts as "monarch of all he surveys" in today's Mass the Church bids us prepare "without offense unto the day of Christ," that is, the day of Final Judgment (Epistle). Hence St. Paul prays with us today that our "charity

may. . .abound in . . .discernment."

Yes, "discernment!" lest we be deceived by the tricky questions of Pharisee friends and foes, or even the Pharisee spirit in our own conscience. Jesus gives the answer: "Render. . .to Caesar the things that are Caesar's" (symbolized by small figures at right), "and to God the things that are God's (symbolized by small figures at left).

On this Sunday, officials and citizens alike may well cry out "from the depths" (Introit) for forgiveness of their failure to prepare.

Excerpted from My Sunday Missal, Confraternity of the Precious Blood

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**November 12
11-2**

**\$10, adult
\$5, children**

**Menu: spaghetti, meatballs,
salad, bread, dessert and drink**

Take out will be available.

For many years the Catholic Daughters and the parish have worked together to prepare Christmas food baskets for people in need. The boxes included supplies for a nice Christmas dinner as well as some staple items like canned goods, cereal, pasta etc. The cost for these items and the cost of the hams are covered by the Catholic Daughters of the

Americas. These funds came from the monies raised through bingo and raffle. However, when all the gambling "hot spots" opened up, **ALL** local charitable bingos and raffles were hit hard. At one time, their were at least 4 weekly bingo games in the county. Now there is one that doesn't run year round. The Catholic Daughters of the Americas have continued their effort to fund the Christmas food baskets but need your help. This year, there will be a spaghetti dinner to offset the expenses.

Join us on November 12 for a delicious home cooked meal to raise money for this much needed project. If you would like to make a donation to the food baskets, please make your check payable to CDA and note food baskets in the memo line. Last year, 22 families received baskets from St. Patrick Parish and the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. The names of the recipients were provided to us from members of the CDA, St. Patrick Church and faculty and staff of St. Patrick School. Recipients of the baskets are confidential.

Holy Hour For National Vocations Awareness Week

"National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country November 5-11, 2017. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation."

On Sunday, Nov. 5 at 6pm, we will have an hour of Eucharistic Adoration to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Everyone is invited but we would like to extend a special invitation to all middle and high school and students.



**Knights Of
Columbus
Christmas Cards
and Order Forms
have Arrived!**

'Tis the Season! The Knights of Columbus, Council 1415, will be selling Christmas Cards as part of the Keep Christ in Christmas initiative. Parishioners will have a chance to view the cards and purchase either through advance orders or after Mass from the beginning of November until December 17. Order forms are available in the parish office. The cards feature beautiful works of art and a thoroughly Catholic message to help reflect our desire to keep Christ at the center of our Christmas observances.

Order forms are available in the parish office.



**Catholic Daughters
of the Americas**

The Catholic Daughters meet on the 3rd Monday (Nov. 20) of the month in the parish meeting room at 6pm.

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

All members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas are asked to pay their \$30 yearly membership dues. Dues can be mailed to: Catholic Daughters of the Americas, PO Box 764, Weston, WV 26452. Money collected for dues is then forwarded to the state and national courts to pay for state and national projects of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

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Rev. James R. DeViese, Jr., J.C.L.
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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.
Friday, 9:00 to 9:30a.m.

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

Religious Education

CCD and Sacramental Prep
Sunday, 8:30—9:15, school
Introduction to Catholicism/RCIA
Sunday, 8:30—9:15, parish office

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

Parish Office Closed

**The parish office will be closed on Friday,
November 10th in observance of Veterans
Day. We will have Mass at 8:15 that morn-
ing.**

Liturgical Calendar for the Traditional Latin Mass During the Week

11/06	Feria
11/07	Feria
11/08	Feria
11/09	Dedication of the Archbasilica of Our Holy Savior
11/10	St. Andrew Avellino
11/11	Saint Martin of Tours



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This Week's Liturgical Calendar

Saturday— November 4

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop & Confessor

5:00p Confessions

6:00p Anticipated Sunday Mass for Ann Dulay by Tom Ruppert

Sunday — November 5

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:45a Confessions

9:30a Mass for People of the Parish

11:45a Confessions

12:30p Mass (Latin) for †Jeannie Quirk

22nd Sunday after Pentecost*

Monday — November 6

Monday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time

8:15a Mass for †James W. Hines by Junior and Veronica Brumley

Tuesday — November 7

Tuesday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time

8:15a Mass for †Charles Garton by Deborah K. Garton

Wednesday — November 8

Wednesday of the Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time

5:05p Confessions

6:00p Mass for the Intentions of the Donor

Thursday — November 9

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:15a Mass for †Merle Swisher by Diana Kay Thompson

Friday — November 10

Saint Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

8:15a Mass Vocations to the Priesthood

Saturday— November 11

Saint Martin of Tours

5:00p Confessions

6:00p Anticipated Sunday Mass for All Veterans

Sunday — November 12

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45a Confessions

9:30a Mass for †Davita Kisner by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tiano

11:45a Confessions

12:30p Mass (Latin) for Mass for People of the Parish
23rd Sunday after Pentecost*

Weekly Devotions

Wednesday

5:00p Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

5:30p Rosary and Miraculous Medal Novena

5:45p Benediction

Friday

9:00a Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

9:30a Benediction

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

Kids’ Corner Catechesis



St. Bertilla

Feast Day: November 5
Born: (around) 620
Died: 705

Bertilla was born in Soissons, France. When she was just a teenager, she felt the call to grow closer to God. She realized that if she joined a monastery, she could lead the life of prayer and sacrifice that she wanted. She went to her bishop, St. Ouen, and asked his advice. He encouraged her to follow her calling. So her parents sent her to a monastery of nuns who followed the rule of an Irish monk, St. Columban. When she arrived, she knew that she had found peace. Years passed and Bertilla spent her time praying and doing different tasks. She was very good at offering hospitality to travelers and the sick who came to the monastery. She also cared for the children who were being educated at the monastery. St. Bathildis, the queen and wife of King Clovis II, started a new monastery. She asked the abbess at Soissons to send some nuns to begin the community. Bertilla was among those chosen and she was appointed the abbess. She was very surprised, but decided to do the best she could. She knew that the Lord would help her in every way and the community of nuns grew. Queen Bathildis herself became a nun after her husband died. Then, another queen, Hereswitha, widow of the king of the East Angles, became a nun, too. Abbess Bertilla must have been amazed to have two queens in her community. But everyone lived in peace because the queens were as humble as St. Bertilla. Bertilla lived a long life and ruled the monastery of Chelles for forty-six years. Her heart was open and ready to follow wherever the Spirit led her. She died around the year 705.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November

- 5 Sun: 6pm, Holy Hour for Vocations
- 7 Tue: 12:30-5pm, Red Cross Blood Drive, First Baptist Church
- 9 Thu: 9am, Veterans Assembly, gym
- 10 Fri: Parish office closed in Observance of Veteran’s Day
- 11 & 12: Second collection for Community Thanksgiving dinner
- 12 Sun: 11-2, Spaghetti dinner to raise money for the Christmas food baskets, cafeteria
- 12 Sun: 6pm, NET Retreat for High School students
- 14 Tue 6pm, SoulCore, cafeteria
- 16 Thu: 6pm, Pastoral Council meeting, parish meeting room
- 23&24: Parish Office closed
- 23 Thu: 12:30, Thanksgiving dinner, cafeteria
- 28 Tue: 6pm, SoulCore, cafeteria

December

- 11 Mon: 7pm, Advent Penance service
- 12 Tue: Angel Tree gifts deadline

St. Patrick Parish Thanksgiving Dinner

St. Patrick Church will host a Community Thanksgiving lunch in the school cafeteria Thursday, November 23 @ 12:30. We will have a second collection on Nov. 11 and 12 to raise money for groceries and supplies for the dinner. Last year, close to 200 people were served. We need volunteers to help with set-up, clean-up, cooking, serving etc. Please call Judy Foster at 304 884-8192 to volunteer. Thank you.

Ministry Schedule
Saturday, November 11, 2017
Servers: Joseph and Hunter Blake, Drew Moodispaw
Reader: Theresa Francis
EMHC: Larry and Luanne Bowers, Barb King
Cantor Kathy Sims
Sunday, November 12, 2017
Servers: Dylan O’Sullivan, Kami Franklin, Michael Riley
Reader: Jim Mehr
EMHC: Marissa Aman, Steve Corley, Paul Derico
Cantor: John Collins
November Linens: Kathy Boyle
Nov. & Dec. Funeral Greeters: Mary Wagoner and Mary Ellen Rittenhouse

Weekly Attendance & Collection

Saturday:	75
Sunday:	187
Latin Mass:	32
General:	\$3371
Loan:	\$20
School:	\$80
Latin Mass:	\$291
Universal Mission:	\$858.50
Loan Balance (10/31/2017):	\$132,088.28

Upcoming Second and Special Collections

- Nov. 4 & 5: Archdiocese of Military Services
- Nov. 11 & 12: Second collection for Community Thanksgiving Dinner
- Nov. 18 & 19: Campaign for Human Development

THE ANGELS HAVE ARRIVED

We have 18 angels (8 families) that need adopted. They are on the angel tree in the vestibule. If you are able, please adopt the whole family.

Remember to fill out the adoption form in the gray binder next to the angel tree. Please wrap all Angel presents and return to the parish office before Dec. 12.



Catholic Sharing Appeal and HVAC Installation Update

Thank you to everyone how has given to the 2017 campaign for the Catholic Sharing Appeal. We raised, \$84,990.00 and surpassed our goal of \$19,180.00 by 443%!!! How awesome is that? Our portion of the money raised through the Catholic Sharing Appeal is being used for the replacement of the gym boiler. The new system, an HVAC system, will be more economical as heat ducts will be placed through-out the building instead of just the gymnasium area as it is now. The addition of air conditioning will enable the use of the gym in the summer months. The installation has begun. Childers Enterprises of Beckley and King Electric of Weston are working on the project. We ask for your prayers that everything go according to schedule and for the safety of those doing the work.

New Parish Phone System

Some of you may have noticed a change that took place to the parish’s phone service over the summer. While our direct number has not changed (304-269-3048), some other adjustments have been made in order to help us better serve our parishioners. The number 304-269-1244 is now a dedicated FAX line. When you call 269-3048, you’ll be instructed to Press 9 in order to complete the call. This minor inconvenience is set up to keep our phone lines free of spam and robocalls, and will rout you through to one of our volunteer receptionists or to Sandy’s office if no receptionist is available. When the office is closed, you will be directed to a series of options in order to make sure that you get connected to the right person. The options to reach Sandy and Fr. DeViese will put you through to their office lines. But if the office is closed, they may not be in the office to answer. The most important option here is for Sacramental Emergencies. If you Press 7, your call will be directly routed to either Fr. DeViese or to another on-call priest. This option is available so that parishioners who are dying, are being taken to the hospital or otherwise have an emergency that requires a priest for absolution, Anointing of the Sick, or Last Rites. Please use this option if you or your loved one are to be hospitalized or are dying! Father is both able and willing to provide Sacramental ministry to those who require it.

Parish Prayer List

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

- Those who are sick: Jane White (Mon. General), Ed Hubbs (Ruby), Amanda Smith Burcham, Cathy Snuffer, Jimmy Butcher, Robert Fealy, Seth Fishbaugh (Laura Determan’s cousin), Bob Fultineer, Anita Droppleman, Gerry Donaldson, Nick Bakas, Jim Bohan, James Carni, Steve Colburn, Larry Dodson, Rose Determan, Nathan Fisher, Carl Ford (Lynne Shaver’s step-dad), Marsha Garton, Mary Groover, Bobby Gill, Mandy Heater, Jim Kerrigan, Shelly Kraus, Jeff Linger, Matt McCauley, Mary Ann Murray, Burke Riley, Mike Riley, Tim Rinehart, and Kinley Weaver
- Those who have died: Braylee Talbott (Cousin of Brandi Francis) 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: Alan Hamilton, Aaron Hamilton, Fred Turner

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Who Am I to Judge?

Presented By Dr. Edward Sri

How can we stand up for truth in a world that says there is no truth?

How can we explain moral convictions without being labeled “judgmental?” Join Dr. Edward Sri as he explores what the Church teaches about truth and learn how to better explain it without fear of being “intolerant.”

Scripture Readings Nov. 5 - 12

- Monday
Rom 11:29-36; Ps 9:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14
- Tuesday
Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1 cde, 2-3; Lk 14:15-24
- Wednesday
Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
- Thursday
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
- Friday
Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
- Saturday
Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15
- Sunday
Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13

NET Retreat

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9th - 12 grades

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FOR GENERAL INFORMATION-Call 304-924-5610 or the Church Office-304-269-3048.

COME CELEBRATE the BIRTH of CHRIST!

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.