

The Lewis County Catholic Times

A Weekly Bulletin for Saint Patrick Catholic Church, Weston, West Virginia

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The Ascension

The death of a member of his family or of a loved friend, must be the saddest event imaginable in the life of an atheist. He is one who really is convinced that there is no God, no future life and therefore that the relative or friend is to turn into dust in the grave, never to be met with again. The thought that every day that passes is bringing him too nearer to that same sad fate, death, which will be the end of all his ambitions, all his enjoyments, the end of everything he thought he was or had, must be something hard to live with.

Thank God, we have the good fortune to know, and reason and faith convince us of this truth, that death is not the end of man. It is rather the real beginning. Today's feast—the Ascension of our Lord in his human nature—to his Father's and our Father's home, is the confirmation and the guarantee of this doctrine of our faith. We shall all rise from the grave with new, glorified bodies and ascend to heaven, as Christ did. There we'll begin our true life of eternal happiness.

While it is true that even for good Christians the death of a beloved one is a cause of sorrow and tears, this is natural as we still are of the earth earthly. Yet the certitude that our beloved one has gone to his true life and will be there to meet us when our turn comes, is always at the back of our minds to console and comfort us. What all human beings want is to live on forever with our dear ones. Death breaks

that continuity but only for a little while. That break is necessary for the new life to begin.

It is only in heaven that this natural desire of an unending life with all those we love can be realized and death on earth is the door to that eternal life.

Look up to heaven today. See Christ ascending to his Father and our Father.



Say : Thank you, God, for creating me, and for giving me, through the Incarnation of your beloved Son, the possibility and the assurance that if I do my part here, when death comes it will not be an enemy but a friend, to speed me on my way to the true, supernatural life which you have, in your love, planned and prepared for me.

It was written, and foretold, that Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory. The servant is not above the Master. I too must suffer. I too must accept the hardships and the trials of this life, if I want, and I do, to enter into the life of glory. Christ, who was sinless, suffered hardship and pain. I have earned many, if not all of my hardships, by my own sins. I should be glad of the opportunity to make some atonement for my past offenses, by willingly accepting the crosses he sends me. These crosses are signs of God's interest in my true welfare. Through him he is giving me a chance to prepare myself for the day of reckoning, for the moment of my death which

will decide my eternal future. For every prayer I say for success in life, I should say three for a successful death, a death free from sin and at peace with God.

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

Did you Know?

The fleur-de-lys is a symbol for the Blessed Virgin Mary and is derived from the Madonna's lily.



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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

Bulletin Deadline

Announcements for the Lewis County
Catholic Times must be submitted by
4pm on Tuesday. Email submissions to:
secretary@spchurchweston.net.

Dear Friends,

Many of you are aware that back in the winter it was announced that Mrs. Maureen Gildein would be stepping down from her position as Principal of our parish school to pursue other interests. After an exhaustive national and local search, the search committee selected Dr. Ian Scheu, to fill her position.

Dr. Scheu comes to us with a diverse educational background. He completed his academic training in central Virginia, including the University of Virginia (Masters in Educational Psychology) and Virginia Commonwealth University (Doctor of Instructional Leadership). He has taught in a variety of educational environments, including rural, urban, public, and private institutions. He was a professor of Education at California Lutheran University, but was called away from that position to attend to family matters following the death of his father. He relocated his family to Key Largo, Florida, in order to help manage the family business, and has been teaching concurrently for the past two years in the Key Largo public school system.

Dr. Scheu is a devout Catholic, and he is not only excited about having the opportunity to work in Catholic education, but he also looks forward to joining our parish community and raising his family in a more wholesome environment than either Key Largo or southern California could provide. His expertise in instructional leadership and curriculum development place our school at a distinct advantage for the future, as we seek to continue to build a solid academic program in our Catholic tradition.

While many of us are often uncomfortable with the unknown, I firmly believe that this is a unique opportunity for our school's programming to be approached with fresh ideas and a healthy sense of what it truly means to be a Catholic institution. I ask that all our parishioners do their very best to make Dr. Scheu and his family feel welcome as members not only of our school, but of our parish family and Lewis County community.

Of your charity, please pray for Dr. Scheu, for Mrs. Gildein, for our school, our parish, and one another. May St. Patrick continue to intercede for us, and may God bless us abundantly.

-Fr. DeViese

Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast

Knights of Columbus Counsel 1415 will host a **FREE** pancake breakfast in the cafeteria, on Sunday, May 13 following the 9:30 Mass.



**Mass at St. Bridget Church in
Goosepen will be
Monday, May 28
at 9:30 a. m.**

Parish Prayer List

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

- ♦ **Those who are sick:** Micki Snyder (SJM), Ed Hubbs (UHC), Sandy Elliott (Jesse Cunningham's grandmother), Barbara Ables, Nick Bakas, Brad Curtis, Rose Determan, Anita Droppleman, James Shaver & Carl Ford (Lynne Shaver's dad and step-dad), Jeff Linger, Fr. Leo Lydon, Frank Lydon, Sam McLaughlin (Matt's brother), Mary Ann Murray, Susan Murray, Emma Pascasio, Burke Riley, Mike Riley, Shane Rowan, Garry Lynne Shearer, Grace Turner (Fred Turner's mother), Sonny Walker, George Whelan, Jane White
- ♦ **Those who have died:** Frances McCauley, Ina Clem (Robbie Clem's mother), 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, Bobby Summers

Arrangements for Frances McCauley are incomplete. Please check the parish Facebook page for updates.

**Backpack Food Program Donations Needed
To cover the next two weeks!**

Thank you to everyone who has given generously to the backpack food program throughout the years. This school year alone, over \$1,900 has gone to help the 67 children who receive the food donations. We have teamed up with the Lewis County Family Resource Network to purchase items at a discounted price to help make our funds go further. The FRN will not place another bulk order before the end of the school year and our supplies are getting low.

Food donations can be dropped off at the parish office or placed in the vestibule of the church. Items needed are individual meals, mac and cheese and other pastas, soups, snacks, breakfast foods, pudding and gelatin, fruit and granola bars, peanut butter, crackers, cookies etc. Items should be individually wrapped.

If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, checks can be made payable to St. Patrick Church and marked for the backpack program. They can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off to the parish office.

Mass Intentions

Having the Holy Sacrifice of Mass offered is more effective than flowers or memorial gifts for your deceased loved ones or as a special intention for a living person or special occasion. Mass Intentions can be placed in a "Mass Intention" envelope and placed in the collection basket or dropped off to the parish office. Please indicate if the person is living or deceased and the date you would like the Mass to be said. Mass dates are filled on a "first come, first serve" basis.

This Week's Liturgical Calendar

Saturday— May 12

Saturday of the Sixth Week of Easter

5:00p Confessions

6:00p Anticipated Sunday Mass or †Mike Rafferty by

Sue and James Rafferty

Sunday — May 13

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8:45a Confessions

9:30a Mass for All Mothers, living and deceased

11:45a Confessions

12:30p Mass for People of the Parish

External Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Monday — May 14

Saint Matthias, Apostle

8:15a Mass for †Marjorie Ruppert by Tom Ruppert

Tuesday — May 15

Saint Isidore

8:15a Mass for †Rev. Patrick Francis Burke by Eileen

Frank

Wednesday — May 16

Wednesday of the Seventh Week of Easter

5:00p Confessions

6:00p Mass for †Ina Clem

Thursday — May 17

Thursday of the Seventh Week of Easter

8:15a Mass for †Geneva Glover by Regina Quesenberry

Friday — May 18

Saint John I, Pope and Martyr

8:15a Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood

Saturday— May 19

Vigil of Pentecost

5:00p Confessions

6:00p Mass for Graduates

Sunday — May 20

PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:45a Confessions

9:30a Mass for †Hank Quattro by Connie Kotarba

12:30p Mass for Confirmandi

3:15a Confessions

4:00p Mass for People of the Parish

Pentecost Sunday

**Liturgical Calendar for the Traditional Latin Mass During
the Week**

5/14 St. Boniface, Martyr

5/15 St. John Baptist de la Salle, Confessor

5/16 St. Ubaldus, Bishop & Confessor

5/17 St. Paschal Baylon, Confessor

5/18 St. Venantius, Martyr

5/19 Vigil of Pentecost

Ministry Schedule for Weekend Masses
May 19 & 20

Saturday, May 19, 2018

Servers: Morgan Turner, Jack Paugh
Reader: Deanna Pascasio
EMHC: Erin Turner, John Weber, Pam Thompson
Cantor: Donna Lake

Sunday, May 20, 2018 9:30 a.m.

Servers: Lily Garton, Dylan O’Sullivan, Hayden Barnette
Reader: Steve Corley
EMHC: Judy Foster, Jim Mehr, Micki Snyder
Cantor: Tommy McKee

Sunday, May 20, 2018 12:30 p.m.

Servers: Ian Riffle, Brady Jordan, Kami Franklin, Jordy Aman, Joe Derico, Joseph Jerden, Joey Aman (Altar servers need to be at the church by 11:00a.m. this day.)

Reader: Confirmandi
EMHC: J. J. Jordan, Larry & Luanne Bowers
Cantor: Jeremy Garton

Please arrive at least 20 minutes prior to the beginning of Mass if you are schedule for a ministry.

May Rosary Leaders:

Wednesday: Sandy Mick
Saturday: Micki Snyder
Sunday: Judy Jerden

May Linens: Kathy Boyle

May Funeral Greeters: Shirley Hubbs, Jim Bohan

Thank you to everyone who faithfully serves St. Patrick Church in various ministries, if you would like to get involved in any ministry, please contact the parish office.

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.



Catholic Daughters

The Catholic Daughters meet the 3rd Monday of the month (Aug through May) in the parish meeting room at 6pm. Our next meeting is May 21.

The annual CDA Birthday celebration will be on Sunday, June 3rd at 4:00 p.m. The picnic will be held at the Berlin Park pavilion on Berlin Rd. Members are asked to bring a covered dish for the picnic and non-perishable food items for the back-pack food program.



Picnic

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By Colleen Carroll Campbell

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UPCOMING EVENTS

May

18 Fri: 6:00 p.m., Pre-School Graduation, gym
19 Sat: 6:00 p.m., Recognition of Graduates
20 Sun: Last Day of CCD classes
20 Sun: 12:30 p.m., Confirmation Mass
21 Mon: 6:00 p.m., Catholic Daughter meeting, parish meeting room
22 Tue: 6:00 p.m., SoulCore, cafeteria
28 May: 9:30, Mass at St. Bridget Church, Goosepen

Knights’ News

The Vocation Chalice Program

This program is to encourage families to pray together for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The program will help to cultivate an increased awareness of God’s plan for our lives and to help cultivate a positive environment to foster future vocations within our parish and Diocese.

The Knights of Columbus and Fr. DeViese are deeply committed to increasing awareness of how critical is it that more young people begin to turn their hearts away from the distractions of the world and to follow God in a more radical way. By God’s grace, we pray that He will raise up from among the youth of our parish a new generation of priests and consecrated religious that will seek to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our Diocese and throughout the world!

Families may inquire about signing up for a week with Jim Gildein: Jim.Gildein@kofc.org

Chalice Schedule

- Sunday, May 13 - Brad Curtis
- Saturday, May 19 - Tom Ruppert
- Sunday, May 27 - Dale & Micki Snyder

Scripture Readings

May 14—May 20, 2018

Monday
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/ Ps 113:1-8/Jn 15:9-17

Tuesday
Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday
Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-36b/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday
Acts 25:13b-21/Ps103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20b/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday
Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/
Rom 8:22-27/ 8:22-27/
Jn 7:37-39

Sunday
Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30,31, 34/1
Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Weekly Devotions

Wednesday
4:55p Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5:20p Rosary and Miraculous Medal Novena
5:45p Benediction

Friday
(When students are present.)
9:00a Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9:30a Benediction

Old and Broken Rosaries Needed

We are collecting old and broken rosaries for Fr. Tim Grassi. He will repair and send them with a Franciscan graduate taking a mission trip next year.

Please place all rosaries to be donated in a paper or plastic bag and drop them off at the parish office, or put them in the box in the vestibule marked, *Rosaries for Fr. Grassi*.

Choir Practice

The Adult Choir will begin practice for Pentecost and the Parish's Celebration of Confirmation on Saturdays following the evening mass. All parishioners and interested persons are invited to join the choir in proclaiming our Faith and honoring the Holy Spirit.

Mass Schedule for the Weekend of May 19 & 20

- 6:00 p.m., Mass, Recognition of Graduates
- 9:30 a.m., Mass
- 12:30 p.m., Confirmation Mass with Bishop Michael J. Bransfield (All parishioners are strongly encouraged to attend this Mass.)
- 4:00 p.m., **Latin Mass**

2018 Catholic Sharing Appeal
Almost Heaven

We have reached 22% of our goal in the first couple weeks of the appeal. Fourteen donors have contributed \$4162 to our \$19245 goal. With the money raised through the Catholic Sharing Appeal in 2017, we were able to install a HVAC system in the gym. Coincidentally, it really came in handy when the gas was off for a few days in December. Last year we surpassed our goal by 477%. This year, funds returned to the church through the CSA will go to upgrade the schools kitchen. Donations can be made online at <http://csa.dwcministries.org/>.

Weekly Attendance & Collection

Saturday: 83
Sunday: 184
Latin Mass: 32

General: \$3263
Loan: \$386
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Latin Mass: \$390

Upcoming Special & Second Collections

- May 19 & 20: Peter’s Pence

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Prayer to the Mother of the Lord for all mothers

Mary, on this day when we honor all mothers, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood. Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace. Dear Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which brought heaven to earth and changed human history. You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

Dear mother, intercede for all of our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love so that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat." May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love- the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son.

On this Mothers day, Mother of the Word Incarnate, pray for us who have recourse to you...

In the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.