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# The Lewis County Catholic Times

A Weekly Bulletin for the parishes of Saint Patrick Catholic Church, Weston,  
Saint Boniface Catholic Church, Camden and Good Shepherd Mission, Glenville, West Virginia  
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## The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Gospel is taken from St. Matthew (5:38-48). The lesson we have to learn from today's gospel hardly needs any emphasizing. We must, if we are truly Christian, forgive those who offend or injure us. We must love all men, whether they be friends or enemies. G. K. Chesterton says : "We are commanded to love our neighbors and our enemies; they are generally the same people." This is very true for all of us. It is very easy for me to love (in a theoretical way) all Japanese, Chinese, Russians and most Europeans—they never come in contact with me and never tread on my corns. But it is my neighbors, those among whom I live and work, who are liable to injure me and thus become my enemies.

Charity begins at home, because it is here that it can and should be learned and practiced. It is first and foremost necessary for Christian peace in the home. Husband and wife must learn to understand and tolerate each other's imperfections and faults. If one offends in what the other would regard as something serious, the offended one should not demand an apology but should show forgiveness before the other has humbly to apologize. No two persons in the world, not even identical twins, can agree on all things, so it is vain and unrealistic to expect even one's married partner to agree with one in all points. Christian charity alone can cover the multitude of faults of both partners.

If there is peace and harmony between husband and wife, as there will be if both are truly charitable, the children will learn too to be understanding and forgiving. Such a home will be a truly happy home even if it has little of the world's riches.

Our charity must spread from the home to our neighbors—to all those with whom we have contact. It is easy to get on with most people, but in every neighborhood and in every village or town there will always be those who are difficult. There will be the dishonest, the tale-bearers, the quarrelsome, the critic of everyone and everything. It is when we have dealings with such people that all our Christian charity is necessary. Most likely we will never be able to change their ways of acting, but charity will enable us to tolerate their faults and will move us to pray for their eternal welfare.

Life for many, if not for most people, has many dark, gloomy and despairing moments. The man or woman who is moved by true Christian charity can bring a beam of sunshine, a ray of hope, into the lives of these people. Fr. Faber in a booklet on kindness has a poem which we could all learn and practice with great profit for ourselves and for a neighbor in need of kindness. He says:

"It was but a sunny smile,  
And little it cost in the giving,  
But it scattered the night like the morning light  
And made the day worth living.

It was but a kindly word,  
A word that was lightly spoken,  
et not in vain for it chilled the pain  
Of a heart that was nearly broken.

It was but a helping hand,  
And it seemed of little availing,  
But its clasp was warm, it saved from harm.

A brother whose strength was failing."

Try the sunny smile of true love, the kindly word of Christian encouragement, the helping hand of true charity, and not only will you brighten the darkness and lighten the load of your brother but you will be imitating in your own small way the perfect Father of love who is in heaven.

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

**Ashes on the Forehead**

The act of applying ashes to our forehead **symbolizes our morality** as well as our need for **on-going repentance**.

Ashes are applied to our forehead in the sign of the cross as the words, "**Remember, you are dust and to dust you shall return**" are spoken to us. The other formula which is used, "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel" emphasizes our call to continual conversion and holiness of life.

Catholic Fortress

## Schedule for Ash Wednesday

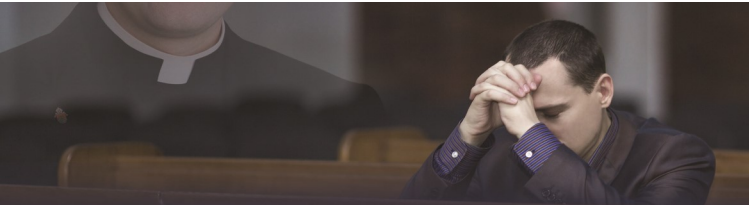
- 8:15 a.m. - Distribution of Ashes, St. Patrick's
- 12:00 p.m. - Distribution of Ashes, Good Shepherd
- 5:30 p.m. - Distribution of Ashes, St. Boniface
- 6:30 p.m. - Mass & Distribution of Ashes, St. Patrick's

**Please note:** Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration will not be held at St. Patrick's on Wednesday, February 26.









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**Psalm 105 - Sing Him songs, belt out hymns, translate His wonders into music!**

### Join Fr. DeViese on a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Scripture will come to life for you as you travel through land and walk where Jesus walked. The tour includes the following and much more!

- Daily Mass.
- Walk the Garden of Gethsemane in the Kidron Valley.
- Visit the Mount of the Beatitudes.
- Walk the Via Dolorosa, the traditional way of the Cross.
- Visit St. Anne's Church and the Pool of Bethesda.
- Walk on the beach of the Sea of Galilee.
- Visit the Upper Room, traditional site of the Last Supper.

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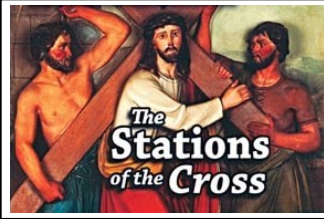
### Catholic Women's Book Club

The next meeting of the Catholic Women's Book Club is Sunday, February 23, 2020 at 2 p.m. in the parish meeting room of St. Patrick Church. All women are invited! The book to be discussed will be, "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary: Unveiling the Mother of the Messiah" by Brant Pitre. This book was given out at the our parishes at Christmas. Copies are available in the parish office if you missed getting on.

The club met on Sunday, January 26 and discussed Scott Hahn's "Joy to the World," giving it 4 out of 5 stars for its insights into the many aspects of the Christmas season that we might normally overlook.

Contact Christina Crim at christistinacrim@yahoo.com with questions.

Calendar Cash Winners		
Feb 17	Kelsey Hall	Sold by: N. Power
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Feb 22	Donnie Gum	Sold by: E. Gum
Feb 23	Leona Swisher	Sold by: C. Jordan




### Stations of the Cross

Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m., St. Boniface  
(March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, and 8)  
Fridays, 6:00 p.m., St. Patrick's  
(February 28, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3)

### Area Lenten Penance Services

- Thursday, March 5, 7:00 p.m. – St. Boniface Church, Camden
- Tuesday, March 17, 7:00 p.m.—Holy Rosary Church, Buckhannon
- Monday, March 23, 7:00 p.m.—St. Brendan's Church, Elkins
- Tuesday, March 24, 7:00 p.m. – St. Patrick's Church, Weston (There will not be Adoration, Confessions or Mass at St. Boniface on this day.)
- Thursday, April 2, 7:00 p.m. – Good Shepherd Mission, Glenville



**"DO NOT BE AFRAID OF CONFESSION"**  
POPE FRANCIS

### Do you think you might be called to the Permanent Diaconate? Or do you know someone you think would be a good Permanent Deacon?

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston will be holding presentations for Catholic men (age 31 and older) discerning a call to the Permanent Diaconate in all six Vicariates during the next few weeks. Please look at the schedule below for times and locations near you. The hour-long presentation will explain the basics of the diaconate and formation process. Applications will be available at each presentation. **All potential diaconate candidates and their wives are welcome to attend.**

Beckley Vicariate:	March 11 - 6:30pm - St. Francis De Sale Parish; Beckley
Charleston Vicariate:	March 2 - 7:00pm - Pope Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center; Charleston
Clarksburg Vicariate:	<b>March 4 – after 6:00pm Mass – St. Patrick's Church; Weston</b>
	March 9 - 6:30pm - St. Francis de Sales Parish; Morgantown
	March 10 - 6:30pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish; Stonewood
Parkersburg Vicariate:	March 1 - 3:00pm - St. Margaret Mary Parish Hall; Parkersburg
Martinsburg Vicariate:	March 2 – 7:00pm - Epiphany of the Lord Parish; Moorefield
	March 4 – 7:00pm - Saint James Parish; Charles Town
	March 2 - 3:00pm - Saint Joseph the Worker Parish; Weirton
	March 2 - 6:30pm - Saint Joseph the Worker Parish; Weirton
	March 4 - 2:00pm - Saint John Church; Benwood
	March 4 - 6:30pm - Saint John Church; Benwood
	March 5 - 2:00pm - Saint Vincent de Paul Parish; Wheeling
	March 5 - 6:30pm - Saint Vincent de Paul Parish; Wheeling

### Knights of Columbus Fish Fry



This year, the Knights of Columbus will host one large fish fry on Friday, April 3 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. They will purchase a better quality fish from Coleman's Fish Market in Wheeling. The sides will be homemade French fries and homemade coleslaw. Please put it on your calendar now and come out and support the Knights of Columbus.

### Latin Mass Community Pot Luck Luncheon

A pot luck luncheon will follow Latin Mass on Sunday March 8th for the Latin Mass community. It will be in the school cafeteria. For ideas on what to bring and to RSVP, please contact Rachel Lanham at remlanham@yahoo.com or 412.863.3459 (call/text).

### Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Victory 379

**Next Meeting: March 16, 6:00 p.m., St. Boniface Church hall**

All members are urged to bring a potential new member to our next meeting. If you are interested in joining the Daughters but don't personally know any of the members, please come to the next meeting!





## DIocese of Wheeling-Charleston

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Lent 2020

Dear People of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston,

The season of Lent is fast approaching. Once again the Church provides us an opportunity to become all that God calls us to be. The Gospel passage proclaimed on Ash Wednesday calls us to embrace the traditional practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. As we enter Lent, I encourage you to look at these traditional practices to formulate a personal plan, as I will do, that will enable us to grow as faithful followers of the Lord Jesus.

Certainly, we may increase the amount of time we give to prayer. Perhaps, more importantly, we can look at how we pray – the quality of our prayer. It is appropriate to make known our needs and the needs of others in prayer – that's intercessory prayer.

At the heart of prayer is opening ourselves up to the Father's love, wisdom and guidance. What is more important: that God hears us or that we hear God? I am sure you would respond the latter. If that is the case, why is it that we do so much talking and so little listening when we pray? God knows our needs. We need to discover his will and his plan. Let us take time for reflective prayer and for disciplined silence. Let us hear with our minds and hearts the words we pray. The scriptures, in particular, the Gospel for the day, are an excellent source for reflective prayer. Let us celebrate Mass, the heart of who we are as a community of faith, more deeply and frequently. Plan now to celebrate the Sacred Triduum – Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Fasting is a discipline that strengthens our wills. It helps us to say no not only to what is wrong but also to what is good for a greater good. Lent invites us to fasting and abstinence. It calls us to forego self-satisfaction for the sake of building the Kingdom of God. More important than fasting from food is fasting from evil. As we begin Lent, it is a good time to look at what we are doing that we should not be doing and the good we could be doing that we have avoided doing. The major part of our Lenten fast and abstinence should be turning away from sin so that we may live the Gospel more fully.

Lent is also a time for almsgiving. It is an opportunity to focus on the needs of others, particularly the poorest and most vulnerable. It is a time to share ourselves and our resources in the service of others. We live in a world where the focus is often the self and personal wants. The Church is a community of disciples following Christ, reaching out to others in spiritual and physical need. One form of almsgiving all of us can embrace is asking ourselves what we should be doing that we are not doing and call ourselves to action.

I pray that this Lent, we will all engage in meaningful prayer, significant fasting and generous almsgiving. I pray that when this Lent comes to an end and we begin the celebration of the Sacred Triduum we will become one with Christ in the giving of self for the sake of others. God help you keep a holy Lent this year!

Sincerely in Christ,

*† Mark E. Brennan*

Most Reverend Mark E. Brennan  
Bishop of Wheeling-Charleston

### Commentary for the Readings in the Extraordinary Form: Quinquagesima Sunday

Jesus said to him, "Receive thy sight, thy faith has saved thee" (Gospel).

"We are going up to Jerusalem," city of His Great Sacrifice, during Lent. His intimate followers were spiritually blind to the need of a Good Friday.

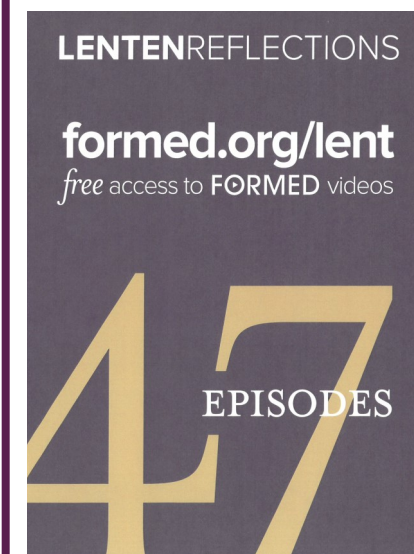
In this picture we even see them angrily trying to hold back one who wanted to see the need of Lenten penance—faith which lives by love: love for God, love for neighbor (Epistle). Where there is love, there is no labor; but if there is labor, it is loved. The Introit, Prayer and Gradual inspire us with confidence as we too, "go up" with faith (Offertory) and charity (Communion Verse).

Excerpted from My Sunday Missal, Confraternity of the Precious Blood

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### Gifts from the Holy Land will be at St. Patrick Church

March 14 (set-up at the 4th Annual IrishFest in the gymnasium)

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