

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 Fourth Sunday of Easter *Good Shepherd Sunday*

The first reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 36-41 and if taken together with that of the following Sunday provides an alternative theme in exploring the preaching of the early Church in the persons of Paul and Barnabas. The mission first to the Jews is now to be placed second to the mission to the Gentiles, — a theme which the reading for next Sunday also explores with the warning of the preachers that those who follow the Lord will necessarily have to endure trial and sufferings. — A Celebrants Guide to the New Sacramentary - A Cycle by Kevin W. Irwin

The second reading is from the first Letter of Peter 2:20-25. In these verses today, St. Peter is giving advice to Christians who were slaves. He tells them to be submissive to their masters with all respect.

The Gospel is from St. John 10:1-10. One of the oldest paintings of Christ, in the Roman catacombs, represents Christ as carrying the injured, straying sheep gently on His shoulders back to the sheepfold. This is an image of Christ which has always appealed to Christians. We have Christ as our shepherd—He tells us so himself in today's gospel—and we do not resent being called sheep in this context. There is something guileless about a sheep, and at the same time a lot of foolishness! But with Christ as our shepherd and the "good shepherd" who is sincerely interested in the true welfare of His flock we have reason to rejoice.

The leaders of the Jews, the Pharisees and Sadducees, were false shepherds who tried to prevent the people from following Jesus, but they failed. They then killed the shepherd but in vain. He rose from the dead and His flock increased by the thousands and will keep increasing until time ends.

We surely are fortunate to belong to the sheepfold of Christ—His Church. We surely are blessed to have the Son of God as our Shepherd, who came among us in order to lead us to heaven. Do we fully appreciate our privileged position? Do we

always live up to our heavenly vocation? We know His voice, we know what He asks of us, but do we always listen to that voice, do we always do what He asks of us?

There are many among us today who foolishly think they need no shepherd. They think they know all the facts of life while they are in total ignorance of the most basic fact of all, namely, the very purpose of life. Not that the thought of it does not arise disturbingly before their minds time and time again. But they try to smother that thought and ease their consciences by immersing themselves deeper and deeper in the affairs and the passing pleasures of this temporary life. Alas for them, a day of reckoning lies ahead, a day that is much nearer than they would like to believe. What will be their fate when they meet Christ the Judge, whom they had refused to follow and acknowledge during their days on earth?

This is a misfortune that could happen to any one of us, unless we think often of our purpose and our end in life. We have a few short years, but short though they be, we can earn for ourselves an eternity of happiness during this life. Let the straying sheep boast of their false freedom and of the passing joys they may get in this life—this freedom and these joys are mixed with much sorrow, and will end very soon. We know that if we follow the shepherd of our souls, we are on the way to the true life, the perfect life, the unending life which will have no admixture of sorrow, regret or pain. Where Christ is, there perfect happiness is, and there with God's grace we hope and trust to be.

Excerpted from The Sunday Readings



Lockbox for Donations

A lockbox has been added to the front of the parish office for those of you who wish to drop off donations and other correspondence you don't want to mail.



Reminder: the Blessed Sacrament is present at the side door of the Parish Office every day for private prayer until around 6:00 p.m. Come out and spend some time in the presence of Our Lord!

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Prayer List

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

- **Those who are sick:**
St. Boniface Church: Norma Aman, Ed and Connie Cumpston, Anna Crim, Marguerite Dombroski, Heather Fallon, Dave & Vicki Radcliff, Marge Starr, Art Weaver
Good Shepherd Mission: T. A. Corcoran, Pastor Larry Flemming, Tammi Hardman, Bonnie Klotz, Betty Kreitzer, Ben Lemmer, Sherry Van Leewen, Wayne Lularuc, Betty Maddix, Dave Radcliff, Vicki Radcliff, Michelle Underwood
St. Patrick Church: Diane Collins (Health South), Nick Bakas, Junior Brumley, Jean Scott Chase, John Collins, Brad Curtis, Nick Cutlip, Paul Derico, Rose Determan, Larry Dodson, Fr. Kent Durig, Fr. Chapin Engler, Carl Ford, Marsha Garton, Jack Gum (brother of Susie Determan), Lori Hamrick, Robert Hamilton, Fr. John Hollowell, Mary Jo Hull, Julia Marsh, Philomena Martin, Ed and Mary Ann Murray, Susan Murray, Delores Paugh, Raylee Rahming, Mike Riley, Tom Ruppert, Sheila Sayre, Jim Shaver, Diane Snyder, Kimberly Snyder, Mary Taylor, Grace Turner, Fr. Pat Wash, Judy Wilson
- **Those who have died:** May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- **All Military Personnel:** Alan Hamilton, Aaron Hamilton, Stephen Lindsey, R. Brody Springer, Justin Stark
- **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**
- **Former priests and religious of our churches**
- **Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.**
- **All diagnosed with Covid 19**
- **All health care workers, first responders, mail carriers and essential employees**

Parish Membership & Benefits:

To be considered an "active" member of any parish (and thus eligible for Sacraments, sponsor eligibility, and the "Active Parishioner Rate of tuition" at a Catholic school), the parish takes into account the following things. First, to receive a discount at a Catholic School or to receive a sacrament, **the children MUST attend weekend Mass.** Second, family & individual involvement in parish life and ministries are taken into consideration. Mass attendance is only able to be tracked accurately via collection envelopes. If you are not receiving envelopes currently, please contact the appropriate person at your parish. Parishioners over 18 should register as a household to help us keep records accurate and up-to-date.

Liturgical Calendar & Scripture Readings

May 3—9, 2020

- Sunday, May 3, FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10
- Monday, May 4, Monday of the Fourth Week of Easter, Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:11-18
- Tuesday, May 5, Monday of the Fourth Week of Easter, Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
- Wednesday, May 6, Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Easter, Acts 12:24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50
- Thursday, May 7, Thursday of the Fourth Week of Easter, Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
- Friday, May 8, Friday of the Fourth Week of Easter, Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
- Saturday, May 2, Saturday of the Fourth Week of Easter, Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14

Liturgical Calendar for Traditional Latin Mass

- Sunday, May 3, Third Sunday after Easter
- Monday, May 4, St. Monica, Widow
- Tuesday, May 5, St. Pius V, Pope & Confessor
- Wednesday, May 6, Feria of Paschaltide
- Thursday, May 7, St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr
- Friday, May 8, Apparition of St. Michael
- Saturday, May 9, St. Gregory Nazianzen, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.


Amen.

A Note on First Holy Communion

As many of you are aware, we were scheduled to celebrate the First Holy Communion of several of our young people this coming Sunday, May 3. Unfortunately, as parishes in the Diocese are still closed, that will not be possible. First Holy Communion will be rescheduled for sometime in the early Fall, by which time we expect (or at least hope!) that life will have returned to some sense of normalcy. Parents are encouraged to make use of the catechetical materials on Formed.org to continue helping their children to learn about the Sacrament and its importance in the life of the Christian. A great idea would be for parents to bring their children and spend time praying in front of the Blessed Sacrament, which is present at the side door of the parish office every day until around 6:00 p.m. More information will be made available soon about First Reconciliation, and some educational opportunities to help our young people grow in the Faith.

High School Graduates

For many years, St. Patrick Church has recognized high school graduates at a Mass in May or early June. Since we do not know when we will be able to even have Mass again we are asking parishioners to email information with the names of the 2020 high school graduates in their parishes and they will be recognized in the bulletin for the last Sunday of May. Please include the parish and high school they attend so that info can be included that in the bulletin. If you would include their mailing address it would be helpful in case parishioners want to send them a card.



**BROADCAST OF THE
SUNDAY MASS AT 11A.M.**

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Latin Mass Livestream Options

Livestream Video Schedule For The Priory of the Canons Regular of the New Jerusalem

Sunday

High Mass: 10:15 am - Vespers: 6:00 pm

Weekdays

Mass: 8:00 am - Vespers: 5:00 pm

Please check here or on our Facebook page for updates for changes and additions for special Feasts.

Note that a Facebook account is not necessary to view these video streams, but merely go to our Facebook page by going to this link: <https://www.facebook.com/The-Canons-Regular-of-the-New-Jerusalem>

Consecration of Mary

On Friday, May 1, at 3:00 p.m., Fr. DeViese asked parishioners from all parishes to gather in the parking lot next to the parish office of St. Patrick Church to join in the Reconsecration of the United States to Our Blessed Mother, under the title of Mary, Mother of the Church. There was a decent turnout despite the chill and the wind.



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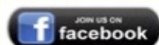


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