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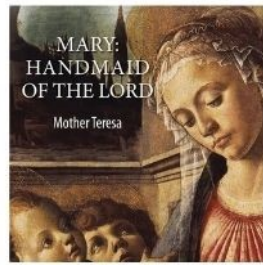
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Twenty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

The first reading is taken from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel 33:7-9. The vocation of a prophet, as envisioned in terms of Ezekiel's oracles, is to judge the evil and the wicked and to dissuade them from their ways. The prophet has the responsibility of announcing the judgment of God, not his own judgment, and non-fulfillment of preaching the message of God involves death for the prophet, whereas he will save his life if he is faithful to the message given to him to preach. -Excerpted from A Celebrants Guide to the New Sacramentary - A Cycle by Kevin W. Irwin

The second reading is from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans 13:8-10. In the first seven verses of this chapter St. Paul urged the Christian converts of Rome to obey all lawful civil authority. He now turns to the obligation each Christian has of loving his neighbor. -Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

The Gospel is from St. Matthew 18:15-20. Unfortunately, there are far too many Christians today who pay no heed to the serious obligation of encouraging an erring brother to give up his sinful ways. They shrug it off by saying : "I have more than enough to do to keep myself from sin" or "am I my brother's keeper"? The answer is in this lesson we have just read. We are our brothers' keepers, and even if we have many temptations and inclinations to sin we shall not overcome them if we have no time to think of our neighbors' need.

There are, alas, millions of lapsed or luke-warm Christians who could and would have been active members of Christ's mystical body if their neighbors had fulfilled this grave obligation which Christ has imposed on us all. They are now a source of scandal to the weaker and youthful members of the Church, and an impediment to the possible acceptance of the faith by non-Christians. Would the Reformation, which has caused whole countries of the western world to lose almost all faith in Christ and indeed in God, have had such disastrous effects, if those who remained within the Church had put this law of fraternal charity into practice? However, it is no use crying over spilt milk! Let us see our present-day obligations and what we are doing to help our neighbors retain their Christian faith and practice. How much of the indifference to religion which the youth of today seems to be showing is due to lack of parental control and example? How many children of Christian families grow up as practical pagans because their Christian faith meant little or nothing to their parents? It is in the home that the religion of the next generation is firmly established or lost. When parents are loyal to their faith in their daily lives, their children will, as a rule, be loyal to it too; where parents are careless and lax their children will be still more careless and more lax.


Parents! the first neighbors and fellow Christians whom you must kindly and charitably correct are your own children. Their future salvation and your own too will depend on how well you fulfill this obligation. Parents who are obedient to Christ in this will find time and many opportunities to have a charitable word of help for an erring neighbor outside their household. On the other hand, the lax parents, who give little or no thought to getting to heaven or to their children getting there in God's good time, will hardly bother with their neighbor's salvation. Thus this cancer of



"Two or Three Gathered in my Name" (1886-1894) by James Tissot
infidelity and irreligion grows and spreads.
Let each one of us look into his past conduct in relation to this law of charity. Have we really tried to help our fellowmen on the road to heaven? Have we given them the good example of a truly Christian way of living? Have we offered advice and encouragement when it was needed, and correction in private where that was possible? If so "we have gained our brother." We have brought a prodigal son back to a loving Father and that loving Father will repay us a hundred -fold in this life and especially in the next.
Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

Do you Realize?
This weekend is the 6 month anniversary (26 weeks) of our churches being closed for Covid-19! Please pray that we might all be able to return to Mass soon.

Commentary for the Readings in the Extraordinary Form: Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



"Seek first the kingdom of God and His justice, and all these things shall be given you besides" (Gospel).

The castle (at the left) symbolizes earthly goods, about which some are too "anxious." The symbol of the Trinity (at the right) represents "the kingdom of God." We must serve either "the

Spirit" or "the flesh" (Epistle), "God" or "mammon" (Gospel).
In the Epistle is a vivid account of the struggle between "the spirit," reborn in Baptism; and "the flesh" with its evil passions of the body, idolatrous outrages against God, crimes against one's neighbor.
The Gospel should be read and re-read, as the antidote to our twentieth-century cult of the body. To those who "seek first the kingdom of God," and who use material goods as a means of obtaining spiritual graces, Jesus promises that "all these (material) things shall be given... besides."
Excerpted from My Sunday Missal, Confraternity of the Precious Blood

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday, 6:30 p.m.,
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.,
12:30 p.m. (Latin)

Reconciliation:

Wednesday and Saturday, 6:00pm,
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses:

Wed., 6:00 p.m.

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

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesday, 5:00 to 5:45p.m.

Parish Office Hours: (By Appointment)

Sunday, 10:30 - 12:30
Monday, 9 - 4
Tuesday, 9 - 4
Wednesday, 12 - 5
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Latin Mass Livestream Options

Livestream Video Schedule For The Priory of the Canons Regular of the New Jerusalem on their YouTube channel and Facebook page. You do not have a Facebook account to view the Mass.

Sunday

Low Mass: 8:30 am

Weekdays & Saturday

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am,
Saturday: 9:30 a.m.

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.

Park& Pray

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!

St. Patrick Church Sanctuary Lamp Sponsorship

If you would like to memorialize the sanctuary lamp in honor/memory of someone for a two-week period, please call the parish office at 304-269-3048. The donation is \$20 for a two week period. August 30 through September 12, the lamp is burning in honor of all teachers, parents and school personnel preparing for the upcoming year.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 5 , 2020, Saturday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

6:00 p.m. Confessions
6:30 p.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

Sunday, September 6, 2020, TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:00 a.m. Confessions
10:30 a.m. Mass for †Jim Myers by Dale and Micki Snyder
12:00 p.m. Confessions
12:30 p.m. (Latin Mass) Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Mass for †Domenico and Domenica Commodari by Thomas Commodari

Wednesday, September 9 2020, Saint Peter Claver, Priest

5:00 p.m. Confession
6:00 p.m. Mass for †Charles and Opal Garton by Deborah Garton

Saturday, September 10 , 2020, The Most Holy Name of Mary

6:00 p.m. Confessions
6:30 p.m. Mass for †James Blake and Bob Bess by the Blake family

Sunday, September 6, 2020, TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:00 a.m. Confessions
10:30 a.m. Mass Tom Fealy by Tom Ruppert
12:00 p.m. Confessions
12:30 p.m. (Latin Mass) Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Mass for the People of the Parish

Bishop Brennan has suspended the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation until further notice. Those who elect not to attend Mass on those days, at this time, do not incur sin.”

Prayer List

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

- **Those who are sick:** Nick Bakas, Jean Scott Chase, Brad Curtis, Nick Cutlip, Rose Determan, Larry Dodson, Tom Fealy, Carl Ford, Marsha Garton, Jack Gum (brother of Susie Determan), Robert Hamilton, Fr. John Hollowell, Mary Jo Hull, Pam Mahdavi, Julia Marsh, Philomena Martin, Steve Moran, Ed and Mary Ann Murray, Susan Murray, Delores Paugh, Raylee Rahming, Mike Riley, Keith Rose, Shane Rowan, Tom Ruppert, Sheila Sayre, Jim Shaver, Diane Snyder, Cindy Sumpter, Mary Taylor, Grace Turner, Fr. Pat Wash
- **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**

Attendance & Collections

Saturday
Sunday (10:30)
Sunday (Latin)

56
71
48

Second and Special Collections

September 12 & 13: Diocesan Scholarship Association
September 26 & 27: The Catholic University of America
October 3 & 4: Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund

General

\$7234

Loan Balance:

\$80,100.99

Due to Covid 19, The USCCB has asked dioceses to reschedule some of the 2020 collections. Bishop Brennan has rescheduled the collection for the Diocesan Priests Retirement fund for October 3 and 4.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Wednesday, September 16, 2020**
6:00 p.m., RCIA begins with Mass in the church

Our Neighbor Collection

September

- Cleaning Supplies

Items can be placed in the red box on the back porch of St. Patrick Church parish office.

Liturgical Calendar & Scripture Readings

- Sunday, September 6, TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Ez 33:7-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20
- Monday, September 7, Monday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time, 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11
- Tuesday, September 8, The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
- Wednesday, September 9, Saint Peter Claver, Priest, 1 Cor 7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26
- Thursday, September 10, Thursday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time, 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38
- Friday, September 11, Friday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time, 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42
- Saturday, September 12, The Most Holy Name of Mary, 1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49

Liturgical Calendar for Traditional Latin Mass

- Sunday, September 6, Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
- Monday, September 7, Feria
- Tuesday, September 8, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Wednesday, September 9, St. Gorgonius, Martyr
- Thursday, September 10, St. Nicholas of Tolentino, Confessor
- Friday, September 11, Ss Protus & Hyacinth, Martyrs
- Saturday, September 12, The Most Holy Name of Mary

**2020-2021 RCIA
Begins September 16**

RCIA will begin on Wednesday, September 16 at 6:00 p.m. with Mass in the church. After Mass, we will continue the session in the parish meeting room. We will wear masks and practice social distancing. If you know someone who wants to become Catholic or just inquire and learn about our faith, please contact the parish office at 304-269-3048 or by email at secretary@spchurchweston.net. You may also email the RCIA coordinator, Jesse Cunningham at caufdrop45@gmail.com.

The RCIA program is intended to be a formation process and one of the biggest parts of the formation is to attend Mass. Not only on Wednesdays for our sessions but on Saturday or Sunday as well. After all, attending weekend Mass is something you will be doing for the rest of your life if you do choose to join the church. Every Catholic church in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston has specific guidelines to follow. Fr. DeViese has done an excellent job at St. Pat’s implementing these guidelines. One of our parishioners even makes masks for people who need them Just pick one up when you enter.

First Communion and First Reconciliation

At this time, First Communion and Reconciliation is on hold. As families begin returning to weekly Mass we will try to determine a date. Materials are at the Parish office for parents to pick up to help their children review what they have went over in class. There are two lessons in the book, lesson 7 and 8 that they did not get to in class. Also, if they missed any lessons they can complete those as well. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Jerden, the First Communion teacher.

Masks Available

Masks are available for anyone attending Mass who might need one. They are reversible and have a non-woven interfacing liner. Please hand wash them instead of putting them in the machine. Different sizes are available, The sizes are written on the zip lock bags they are in. Currently there are just a few of the different sizes available but more will be available as they are made. Masks are free. Please remember to take them with you when you leave Mass.

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

September 8

The Catholic Church celebrates today the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary on its traditional fixed date of September 8, nine months after the December 8 celebration of her Immaculate Conception as the child of Saints Joachim and Anne.

The circumstances of the Virgin Mary's infancy and early life are not directly recorded in the Bible, but other documents and traditions describing the circumstances of her birth are cited by some of the earliest Christian writers from the first centuries of the Church.

These accounts, although not considered authoritative in the same manner as the Bible, outline some of the Church's traditional beliefs about the birth of Mary.

The “Protoevangelium of James,” which was probably put into its final written form in the early second century, describes Mary's father Joachim as a wealthy member of one of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Joachim was deeply grieved, along with his wife Anne, by their childlessness. “He called to mind Abraham,” the early Christian writing says, “that in the last day God gave him a son Isaac.”

Joachim and Anne began to devote themselves extensively and rigorously to prayer and fasting, initially wondering whether their inability to conceive a child might signify God's displeasure with them.

As it turned out, however, the couple were to be blessed even more abundantly than Abraham and Sarah, as an angel revealed to Anne when he appeared to her and prophesied that all generations would honor their future child: “The Lord has heard your prayer, and you shall conceive, and shall bring forth, and your seed shall be spoken of in all the world.”

After Mary's birth, according to the Protoevangelium of James, Anne “made a sanctuary” in the infant girl's room, and “allowed nothing common or unclean” on account of the special holiness of the child. The same writing records that when she was one year old, her father “made a great feast, and invited the priests, and the scribes, and the elders, and all the people of Israel.”

“And Joachim brought the child to the priests,” the account continues, “and they blessed her, saying: 'O God of our fathers, bless this child, and give her an everlasting name to be named in all generations' . . . And he brought her to the chief priests, and they blessed her, saying: 'O God most high, look upon this child, and bless her with the utmost blessing, which shall be for ever.’”

The protoevangelium goes on to describe how Mary's parents, along with the temple priests, subsequently decided that she would be offered to God as a consecrated Virgin for the rest of her life, and enter a chaste marriage with the carpenter Joseph.

Saint Augustine described the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary as an event of cosmic and historic significance, and an appropriate prelude to the birth of Jesus Christ. “She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley,” he said.

The fourth-century bishop, whose theology profoundly shaped the Western Church's understanding of sin and human nature, affirmed that “through her birth, the nature inherited from our first parents is changed.”

