

The Lewis County Catholic Times

A Weekly Bulletin for the parishes of Saint Patrick Catholic Church, Weston, West Virginia
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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The first reading is taken from the Book of the Prophet Jonah 3:1-5, 10 and tells the story of Jonah's call from God to go to a pagan city and preach repentance to the sinful people there.

The second reading is from the first Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians. St. Paul admonishes his converts to do what our Lord himself advised his follower—always to be ready for the judgment.

The Gospel is from Mark 1:14-20. Jesus came to announce to all men the good news of God's eternal plan for them. He spent his public life convincing the Jews of Palestine of the truth of this message, and he died on the cross because he claimed to be that he was God's divine Son, who had come in human nature to raise all men to the standing and status of adopted sons of God. That very death, cruel and unjust though it was, was part of the divine plan. He conquered death and was raised from the grave to prove that we too, if we accept his divine gospel and live by it, will be raised from the dead and reign with Christ in the kingdom of his Father forever. Christ preached this doctrine in Palestine. It is the doctrine for which he gave his human life and which he gave to his Apostles to hand down to all future generations. This is the self-same doctrine preached by Christ's Church to all men today. It is the good news of God's mercy and love toward us weak, mortal creatures. To some it seems too good to be true; it would indeed be so if God were a limited, finite being like us, but he is Being itself. He is without limit, his goodness and love are limitless as is his nature. What God can see in creatures has ever been a puzzle to thinking man. One of the psalm-writers said centuries ago: "What is man that you should spare a thought for him, the son of man that you should care for



him" (Ps. 8 :4)? Many a saint too, has repeated this remark ever since.

We cannot hope to fathom the mind of God, nor do we need to. He has gone to such a length as the humiliation of his divine Son in the incarnation in order to give us a new standing in relation to himself and a new mode of eternal living after death. We are still God's creatures, "the work of his hands," but through accepting Christ and his gospel—his message of divine truth—we are no longer mere mortals. We shall die, but death is the beginning of the true life which God has arranged for us. It is no wonder that St. Paul could cry out: "O death where is your victory, O death, where is your sting?"

We Christians should be the happiest people on earth. We know why we are here, we know where we are going and we know how to get there. There are trials and troubles which beset us on our journey; there are rough parts of the road and weaknesses in our human nature which often lead us off the right road, but we are not left to our own human resources. We have help from above to strengthen and comfort us on our journey. We have divine aids in the Church which Christ set us and we have the guarantee of our Good Shepherd that he will keep us in his fold or bring us

back should we foolishly wander from it (Jn. 10: 14; Lk. 1.5:4-7).

We Christians can indeed be the happiest people on earth, if we live according to the divine good news revealed to us through Christ. "Repent and believe in the gospel," Christ told the people of Galilee. The same call goes out from our loving Savior to each of us today: repent—change your outlook on life—and see it as God sees it to be for us, a short journey toward heaven. If we really believe in the gospel of Christ, the revelation of God's plan for our eternal happiness, our earthly troubles will look small, our trials and temptations will appear to us as they really are—a means of earning the eternal victory. Christ, the innocent victim for our salvation, has gone before us, carrying his heavy cross; can we refuse to carry the relatively lighter cross which he places on our shoulders as our means of making atonement for our own failings and for those of our fellowmen? God forbid that we should! If we have failed in the past, let us repent today and show our belief in the truth of the Christian gospel, by living as true Christians who are on their way to heaven.

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

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FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK January 24, 2021

LEARN FORMED NOW! LETTERS OF ST. PAUL

Outside of Jesus, the greatest teacher of the faith was Paul the Apostle. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Barber as they discuss the great theologian known as the Apostle.

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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
Thursday, 9 - 1
Friday, 9 - 1

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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.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 23, 2021, Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr

6:00 p.m. Confessions
6:30 p.m. Mass for †Kay Rowan by family

Sunday, January 24, 2021, THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:00 a.m. Confessions
10:30 a.m. Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood
12:00 p.m. Confessions
12:30 p.m. (Latin Mass) Third Sunday After Epiphany
Mass for the People of the Parish

Wednesday, January 27, 2021, Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr

5:00 p.m. No Mass
6:00 p.m. No Mass

Saturday, January 30, 2021, Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr

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

Sunday, January 31, 2021, FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:00 a.m. Confessions
10:30 a.m. Mass for St. Patrick's and all Catholic Schools
12:00 p.m. Confessions
12:30 p.m. (Latin Mass) Septuagesima Sunday
Mass for †Joe and Mabel McLaughlin by John & Jackie McLaughlin

Prayer List

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

- **Those who are sick:** Emyle Johnston (SJM), Joseph Mick (UHC), Jim Arsenault, Nick Bakas, Sr. Jennifer Berridge, Sue Bleigh, Jean Scott Chase, Brad Curtis, Rose Determan, Tom Fealy, Marsha Garton, Robert Hamilton, Courtney Heimberger, Fr. John Hollowell, Shirley Hubbs, Mary Jo Hull, Ellen Ketron, Bernadette Law, Pam Mahdavi, Julia Marsh, Philomena Martin, Steve Moran, Faye Mullooly, Ed and Mary Ann Murray, Susan Murray, Mary Oldaker, Delores Paugh, Sr. Ellen Poche, Steve Perrine, Raylee Rahming, Catherine Ratliff, John Riley, Mike Riley, Keith Rose, Sheila Sayre, Jim Shaver, Mary Taylor, Helen Tomaro, Philip Woodruff
- **Those who have died:** Sister Mary Brown, C. S. J., Ruby Dilley, Cindy Sumpter, 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 40
Sunday (10:30) 86
Sunday (Latin) 40

General \$2315

Second and Special Collections

- January 30 & 31: Church in Latin America
- February 17: Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- February 17, Ash Wednesday

Our Neighbor Collection

January

- Deodorant, feminine products

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

Liturgical Calendar & Scripture Readings

- Sunday, January 24, THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
- Monday, January 25, The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle, Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
- Tuesday, January 26, Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops, 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5, Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday, January 27, Saint Angela Merici, Virgin, Heb 10:11-18/Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday, January 28, Saint Thomas Aquinas, Heb 10:19-25/Mk 4:21-25
- Friday, January 29, Friday of the 3rd week in Ordinary Time, Heb 10:32-39/Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday, January 30, Saturday of the 3rd week in Ordinary Time, [Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41](#)

Liturgical Calendar for Traditional Latin Mass

- Sunday, January 24, Third Sunday after Epiphany
- Monday, January 25, Conversion of St. Paul
- Tuesday, January 26, St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr
- Wednesday, January 27, St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor
- Thursday, January 28, St. Peter Nolasco, Confessor
- Friday, January 29, St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor
- Saturday, January 30, St. Martina, Virgin & Martyr

Another Look at Contraception

Read the full version at usccb.org/contraception.

To some, the Catholic Church's consistent teaching against birth control may seem outdated. Yet with each passing year, evidence of contraception's negative consequences keeps piling up.

In the time since birth control first became widely used, science has shown that some contraceptives can cause early abortions; procured abortions and non marital births skyrocketed; and women have been subjected to sometimes serious or fatal health issues, as well as what economist George Akerlof calls "the feminization of poverty."*

As humans made in God's image, we are called to imitate His generous, sacrificial, life-giving, and eternal love. Through the Church's teaching, He invites us to a fuller, richer, deeper way of life and love.

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Mullady Scholarship Application

Applications are now being accepted for the Mullady Scholarship Award. This fund was started by Edwin and Mary Mullady to help Catholic students of Lewis County go to an accredited college. Applicants must be Lewis County residents and enrolled in college or graduate school (**no high school students**).

Applications can be picked up in the St. Patrick's Church parish office or you can request an application be emailed to you.

Application deadline is February 15, 2021. Completed applications should be returned to St. Patrick Church, 210 Center Ave., Weston, WV 26452. Funds will be distributed in late February or March.

2021 National Prayer Vigil for Life Will be Virtual This Year

The 2021 National Prayer Vigil for Life will take place Thursday, January 28, through Friday, January 29. Please note that, due to COVID-19 restrictions, there are significant changes to the schedule and limitations for in-person participation. However, you can join virtually via livestream at <https://www.nationalshrine.org/event/2021-national-prayer-vigil-for-life/> or via broadcast on EWTN.

Thursday, January 28, 2021, 8pm – 11pm

8:00 p.m. National Rosary for Life

8:30 p.m. Opening Mass, Celebrant & Homilist: Archbishop Joseph Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas – Chairman, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

10:00 p.m. Holy Hour for Life

Friday, January 29, 2021, 8am – 9am

8:00 a.m. Closing Mass, Celebrant & Homilist: Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore – Chairman-Elect, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

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.

PARENT INFORMATION REGARDING TUITION ASSISTANCE

PLEASE MAKE THIS INFO AS WIDELY AVAILABLE AS POSSIBLE

(parish bulletins, school & parish newsletters, school & parish websites, etc.)

2021-2022 DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE PROCESS IS OPEN

For the 30th consecutive year, the Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) is striving to keep Catholic school education affordable for Catholic families who desire it for their children but who may need some financial assistance to make that dream a reality. Thanks to the ongoing and genuine commitment of The Most Reverend Mark Brennan to the Catholic schools in our Diocese, funds have, once again, been allocated for distribution to Catholic families in need of financial assistance.

Applying for TAP through FACTS is easy and affordable. You are encouraged to apply if your child is already enrolled or has been accepted by one of the Catholic schools in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston for the 2021-2022 school year.

Who is eligible? Any Catholic student accepted for the 2021-2022 school year in any Diocesan Catholic school (PK thru grade 12) **and who belongs to a parish included on the drop-down list as part of the on-line application** is eligible. Determinations are based upon a family's degree of need relative to all other applicants.

How do I apply? Applications are made on-line. Go to www.factsmgt.com, click on "Grant & Aid Assessment" and log in. If you do not have Internet access, contact your school office for assistance.

Cost? The application fee is \$35. The Diocese will pay \$17.50 and families pay the other \$17.50.

Grants: Diocesan grants for Catholic families who have completed their applications and show financial need will receive **up to 50%** of the child's tuition.

Phase I Deadline April 30, 2021 In order to receive notification in late May, applications (**including all required documentation and payment of the fee**) are to be received by FACTS by April 30, 2021. Phase I is intended for families with children currently enrolled or already accepted for the 2021-2022 school year in any Catholic school in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

Phase II Deadline August 14, 2021 In order to receive notification in early September, all applications for 2021-2022 (**including all required documentation and payment of the fee**) **MUST** be RECEIVED by FACTS no later than **August 14, 2021**. This is a firm deadline. Phase II is intended for families new to the school or who have had a life-changing event (i.e. birth, death, loss of job, major illness). If an application was submitted during Phase I, please contact the school. *Please do NOT submit a second application.*

Note 1: **No assistance will be available from the Diocese or from any school unless:**

1. an application is completed in full (ALL questions answered) and submitted
2. all required documentation is provided, **AND**
3. the family portion (\$17.50) of the application fee is paid **by the deadline.**

Note 2: **ONLY ONE APPLICATION PER FAMILY should be submitted per school year. If you made an error or had a life event change, please do NOT submit a second application. Contact your principal and your application can be updated by FACTS.**

Questions? If you have questions, please contact the principal of your school.