

# St. Patrick Catholic Church

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**T**he first reading is taken from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel 2:2-5 and treats of the Exekiel's appointment as prophet among the exiles in Babylon.

The second reading is from the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 12:7-10. St Paul feels forced to prove that he was a true Apostle — who suffered much for Christ and his Gospel and who also had been given the privilege of special visions and revelations. He goes on to describe some weakness he had which troubled him very much. He concludes that he is content with weakness and sufferings because the power and strength of Christ, working through a weak instrument, will be all the more visible and convincing.

The Gospel is from St. Mark 6:1-6. What happened in Nazareth was a foretaste of the later reaction of the scribes and Pharisees, the leaders of the people, to Christ's claim to be the promised Messiah. What the people of Nazareth tried to do (Lk. 4:29-30), the religious authorities in Jerusalem succeeded in doing, because they were able to threaten the Roman governor with blackmail. Even in their wickedness and unknown to themselves, they were putting into action God's plan for mankind. It was necessary that Christ should die so that all men could live forever with God. Christ's death, followed by his resurrection, was the key that opened the door of eternity for the human race.

Unfortunately for the leaders of the Jews, the good end did not justify the evil intentions and evil means which they used. It is hard to understand the irrational opposition of the Nazarites on this occasion, and of the Pharisees of Jerusalem later. The people of Nazareth had heard nothing but marvelous reports of his wonderful preaching and outstanding miracles. One would therefore expect that if they were at all reasonable, they would rejoice on having one of their fellow-citizens admired by thousands and looked upon by so many as the long-promised Messiah. Instead, they turned against him in bitter hatred and there and then decided to put an end to his career (Lk. 4:29). Why? Because the demon of envy, a daughter of pride, laid hold of their hearts and minds. Why should a neighbor's son, and one of a lower status than many of them—a mere carpenter, be given this privilege while their sons were passed over? This could not be, their envy told them, and so they shut their minds against any proof to the contrary.

It was the same later in the case of the Pharisees. The same vices, pride and envy, darkened their intellects and prevented them from seeing the truth. They were the religious leaders of the people, or so they thought themselves to be. If the Messiah had come they felt that he should have come through them and with their approval. This impostor Jesus could not possibly be the Messiah. Not only was he not keeping the law as strictly as they kept it, but he was friendly with sinners and tax-gatherers. Furthermore, he was talking of some faraway kingdom in heaven and not of the earthly empire which they decided the real Messiah would establish. They had not only heard of his extraordinary miracles but had seen some of those who were cured. In Bethany only a few miles from Jerusalem Lazarus had been raised to life after four days in the grave. They tried very hard to deny these miracles (see Jn. 9: the man born blind), and they even thought of killing Lazarus to make the people forget the miracle! (Jn. 12:11). Thus their pride and envy made them irrational. Nothing but the cruelest possible death of the one hated could satisfy their hatred. But that very death was Christ's road to glory. Lifted up on the cross he drew all men to himself as he had foretold (Jn. 12:32). Those on Calvary beheld the triumph of failure.

Would that all the opposition to Christ and his teaching, caused by human pride and envy, had ended with the Nazarites and Pharisees! Far from it. Pride and envy are still rife among us. All through the twenty centuries of Christianity, there have been proud men, men high in their own esteem. Not only would they not have Christ to reign over them, but they have tried to prevent his reign over even those who are gladly and proudly his subjects. Not content with dethroning Christ in their own hearts and minds, they have devoted all their energies to abolishing him and his Church from the face of our earth. Such enemies of Christ are still among us. They are more numerous than ever today but just as their predecessors failed in the past, so will these fail today. Christ will continue to reign and his Church will continue its mission of leading to heaven all men whose minds are free from sinful pride and therefore open to the truth.

Let us renew our loyalty to Christ today. He humbled himself so that we might be raised to the standing of sons of God. He shared our human nature with us so that we could share his divine nature. He died a cruel death on Calvary so that we could have an eternal life in heaven. We pray for light for those whose foolish pride has left them groping in darkness. Let us also ask the good God to keep us ever on the road of truth, the road of Christian humility which leads to the eternal home which Christ has won for us by his incarnation.

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



## Prayer for our Nation (U.S.A)

God our Father,  
Giver of life,  
we entrust the United States of America  
to Your loving  
care.

You are the rock on which this nation  
was founded.

You alone are the true source of our  
cherished rights to  
life,  
liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Reclaim this land for Your glory and  
dwell among Your  
people.

Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of  
our nation's  
leaders.

Open their minds to the great worth of  
human life  
and the responsibilities that accompany  
human freedom.

Remind Your people that true happiness  
is rooted in  
seeking  
and doing Your will.

Through the intercession of Mary  
Immaculate,  
Patroness of our land,  
grant us the courage to reject the  
"culture of death."

Lead us into a new millennium of life.  
We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

# St. Patrick Catholic Church

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Wednesday, 12 - 5  
Thursday, 9 - 1  
Friday, 9 - 1

## Prayer Chain:

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## Mass Schedule

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

## Weekday Masses:

Mon., 8:15 a.m.  
Wed., Immediately following  
benediction at 5:45 p.m.  
Fri., 8:15 a.m.  
**(See Weekly Schedule for any  
changes to times or location!)**

## Reconciliation:

Wednesday, 5:00—5:45 p.m.  
Saturday, 5:00—5:20 p.m.  
Sunday, 10:00—10:20 a.m.  
Or by appointment.

## Eucharistic Adoration:

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

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## 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 mailed 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.

## 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.

**"Forward,  
always forward,  
everywhere forward!"**

Archabbot Boniface Wimmer, O.S.B.

## Prayer List

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

- **Those who are sick:** Sarah Murray (SJM), Nick Bakas, Jean Scott Chase, Rose Determan, Lynne Fultineer, Marsha Garton, Robert Hamilton, Courtney Heimberger, Mary Jo Hull, Coretta Jefferson, Emyle Johnston, Ellen Ketron, Julia Marsh, Philomena Martin, Louise Mehr, Lucy Messenger, Shirley Murchland, Ed and Mary Ann Murray, Susan Murray, Delores Paugh, Raylee Rahming, Brenda Riley, John Riley, Mike Riley, Janet Rinehart, Sheila Sayre, Jim Shaver, Dale Snyder, Mary Taylor, Scott Walker,
- **Those who have died:** Marge Starr, May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- **All Military Personnel:**
- **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**
- **Former priests and religious of and from our parish**
- **Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.**
- **All diagnosed with Covid 19**
- **All police officers, health care workers, first responders, mail carriers and essential employees**

## Attendance & Collections

Saturday:	95	\$1486
Sunday (10:30):	155	\$3643
Sunday (Latin):	N/A	\$0
Mail and Lockbox Donations:		\$300
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$5429</b>

School	\$500
Votive Candles	\$99.23
Loan	\$60
Organ	\$60

Restoration loan balance:: \$

## Second and Special Collections

- July 10 & 11: Catholic Communications

## 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 parish office. Parishioners over 18 should register as a household to help us keep records accurate and up-to-date.

## Schedule and Mass Intentions

### Saturday, July 3, 2021

5:00 p.m. Confessions  
5:30 p.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

### Sunday, July 4, 2021, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 a.m. Confessions  
10:30 a.m. Mass for the United States of America

### Monday, July 5, 2021

8:15 a.m. No Mass  
9:00 a.m. Visitation for Julie Garton  
10:45 a.m. Rosary  
11:00 a.m. Funeral Mass for Julie Garton

### Wednesday, July 7, 2021 (Mass will begin as soon as benediction is over.)

5:00 p.m. Confessions  
5:50 p.m. Mass for †Josephine Patrick by Margaret Blake

### Friday, July 9, 2021

8:15 a.m. Mass for †Sam Linger by family

### Saturday, July 10, 2021

5:00 p.m. Confessions  
5:30 p.m. Mass for the People of the Parish

### Sunday, July 11, 2021, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 a.m. Confessions  
10:30 a.m. Mass for †Emma Pascasio by family

**The Sanctuary Lamp is burning in memory of Ed Hubbs.**

### My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I have officially been accepted as a seminarian for the Diocese of Wheeling Charleston. Thank you for all the kind wishes and prayers that you have poured out onto me since my acceptance as a seminarian for the diocese. You have all made this journey possible for me, and without the support of my parish community, my vocation would be useless. St. Patrick Church holds the record for most priests produced for our diocese, please continue to pray for vocation in our parish. There are several very holy young men, who may just need the nudge which you gave to me. I ask only two things of you. Firstly, please be generous when the next collection for the seminarians education fund comes up. This helps seminarians from across our diocese to go to school, and as many of you may have noticed, this diocese is in desperate need of local priests. Secondly, pray for me and for all the seminarians belonging to our diocese, without your prayer and support, it is difficult to produce holy priests for Christ's Church.



In Christ and Mary,  
Joe Derico

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Saturday, July 17, 9-4**  
Bake Sale and Car wash, church parking lot
- **Saturday, August 7**  
Golf tournament, Deerfield Country Club

## Our Neighbor Collection

### July

- Deodorant, and feminine hygiene products

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

## How You Can Help

The church and school collect different items to help local organizations and the environment.

In addition to the monthly supplies for "Our Neighbor," we collect the tabs from cans for Ronald McDonald House. However, Ronald McDonald House will no longer accept used ink cartridges, so we can not take them.

We also collect towels and blankets for animal shelters and rescues and vet offices. Items need to be clean and in decent shape. We don't want to give them things they cannot use.

We will also collect aluminum cans. Please remove the tab and rinse and drain the cans before bringing them to us. The money from the recycled cans will be given to the school. All items can be taken to the parish office or left in the tote at the back door.

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Call the school office at 304-269-5547, for more information!

## Bake Sale and Car Wash

**Saturday, July 17, 9-4**

Jillie McCartney would like to sponsor "A Hole In One" at the school's annual golf tournament but she needs our help. To sponsor a hole she needs to raise \$1000. A bake sale and car wash are scheduled for Saturday, July 17, from 9 until 4 in the church parking lot to help her achieve this. All money raised will be given to the golf fundraiser. If you would like to make a donation to help Jillie with her goal, please make checks payable to St. Patrick School and write Golf for Jillie in the memo line.

## Latin Mass

Latin Mass is on hiatus. We are very sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. Fr. Brian Crenwelge celebrates a traditional Latin Mass every Saturday at 9:00 a.m. at St. John University Parish in Morgantown. Updates concerning Latin Mass will be shared in future bulletins and on our website and Facebook page.

## St. Boniface Church Yard Sale

**Friday, July 9, 9-5  
Saturday, July 10, 9-3**

The sale will be held in the parish hall of the church.



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## School News

### Traveling T-Shirt Sightings

Two of our teachers were the first to share photos of their St. Pat's traveling t-shirts. Mrs. Oldaker wore her shirt in Amish Country in Berlin Ohio. Mrs. Moody wore her shirt while watching her grandson race at Millbridge Speedway in North Carolina.

We are asking anyone who bought a school t-shirt to take a picture of you wearing the t-shirt during your summertime travels. Pictures can be sent to Lindsey Clevenger at [lclevenger@saintpatricks.school](mailto:lclevenger@saintpatricks.school). We can't wait to see all the places our students, parishioners, and t-shirts travel.



### Golf Tournament Teams and Sponsors Needed

Teams and sponsors are needed for the 18th Annual St. Patrick School Golf Tournament on Saturday, August 7 at Deerfield Country Club. Registration begins at 8. The tournament begins at 9 with a shotgun start.

1st place - \$1000  
2nd place - \$500  
3rd place - \$250

Team forms and sponsorship forms are in the church vestibule. Please return the forms to Kathy Boyle. Or for more info, contact her at 304-844-7987.

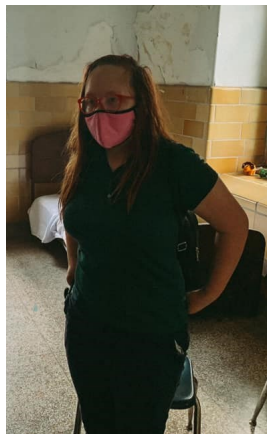
### Coming Soon

#### Adopt a Classroom

In the near future, we will share information with our parishioners, school families, and organizations on adopting a classroom in the school. One of the projects will be to replace all of the school's air conditioning units. We will contact a professional who works with heating and air conditioners to find out the correct size needed for each room. We will also undertake other projects to beautify and enhance the classrooms and school.

### Secondary goes on a Field Trip

On Thursday, May 27 the secondary students along with Miss Bush, their parents, and Fr. Ondeck walked to the Trans Allegheny Lunatic Asylum for a tour. After arriving back at school, they presented Fr. Ondeck with a t-shirt and a book they purchased for him on the tour.



# Did the 60 Pro-Abortion Catholic House Democrats Attend Catholic Schools?

Patrick Reilly Blogs June 24, 2021

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When 60 Democratic members of the House of Representatives — all of them baptized Catholics — issued their ultimatum last week demanding access to the Eucharist despite their pro-abortion politics, it became apparent how little they know about the Catholic faith and Christ's invitation to communion with him.

Which made me wonder: how many attended Catholic schools and colleges?

In the past, I have lamented the number of pro-abortion members of Congress who graduated from Catholic colleges, mostly Jesuit institutions. Often they are celebrated as successful alumni, despite their flagrant opposition to the Church's reverence for the sanctity of all human life.

The bewildering fact is that half of the 60 who signed last week's letter received a Catholic education. Of those 30 representatives, at least 15 attended Catholic high schools and 22 attended Catholic colleges, 16 of them Jesuit institutions.

What does this say about Catholic education in recent decades? Perhaps these politicians received a good education and later turned away from the Faith — that certainly is possible. But given the abundance of evidence of the poor catechesis of Catholics, widespread dissent on abortion and contraception, and weak Catholic identity in many schools and colleges over the last five decades, the Church likely bears some responsibility for failing to properly form these men and women as saints instead of obstinate sinners.

On the other hand, the fact that 30 never had a Catholic high school or college education (I was unable to find much information about their elementary schools) also raises serious questions about the lack of adequate formation for most baptized Catholics. The consequences are clear: too many people claim to be Catholic but lack respect for the Eucharist and are unashamed of their support for abortion, same-sex marriage and other obvious moral evils. They should be ashamed — and so should we — for not doing everything possible to ensure a faithful Catholic education for every Catholic child.

We must do better. And if we do, the impact on society and the Church will be something wonderful to behold.

Aside from the politicians' attendance at a Catholic school or college, there is one special circumstance that deserves to be exposed: Congressman Joaquin Castro has served as a visiting professor of law and member of the Mission and Identity Taskforce at St. Mary's University in San Antonio, Texas.

Below are the members of Congress who signed last week's pro-abortion letter and the Catholic schools and colleges they attended, if any:

Pete Aguilar	Stephen Lynch – Boston College Law School (MA)
Cindy Axne	Betty McCollum – College of St. Catherine (MN)
Nanette Barragan	James P. McGovern
Brendan Boyle – Cardinal Dougherty H.S. (PA), University of	Joe Morelle
Notre Dame (IN)	Frank Mrvan
Anthony Brown	Grace F. Napolitano
Cheri Bustos	Marie Newman – Marquette University (WI) (1.5 years)
Matt Cartwright	Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez
Joaquin Castro	Frank Pallone
Gerry Connolly – Maryknoll College (IL)	Jimmy Panetta – Santa Clara University School of Law (CA)
Lou Correa	Bill Pascrell, Jr. – St. John the Baptist H.S. (NJ), Fordham
Jim Costa – San Joaquin Memorial H.S. (CA)	University (NY)
Joe Courtney – Northwest Catholic H.S. (CT)	Kathleen Rice – Catholic University of America (DC)
Henry Cuellar – Georgetown University (DC)	Lucille Roybal-Allard – Ramona Convent Secondary School
Madeleine Dean – La Salle University (PA)	(CA)
Rosa DeLauro – Academy of Our Lady of Mercy (CT)	Linda Sánchez
Marymount College Tarrytown (NY)	Mary Gay Scanlon
Mark DeSaulnier – College of the Holy Cross (MA)	Mikie Sherrill – Georgetown University Law Center (DC)
Debbie Dingell – Georgetown University (DC)	Albio Sires – Saint Peter's College (NJ)
Mike Doyle	Jackie Speier – Mercy H.S. (CA)
Veronica Escobar – Loretto Academy (TX)	Greg Stanton – Marquette University (WI)
Anna Eshoo	Thomas R. Suozzi – Chaminade H.S. (NY), Boston College
Adriano Espaillat – Bishop Dubois H.S. (NY)	(MA), Fordham University School of Law (NY)
Teresa Leger Fernández	Mike Thompson
Ruben Gallego	Paul Tonko
Jesús “Chuy” García – St. Rita of Cascia H.S. (IL)	Norma Torres
Sylvia Garcia	Lori Trahan – Georgetown University (DC)
Jimmy Gomez	Juan Vargas – University of San Diego (CA), Fordham
Raúl M. Grijalva	University (NY), Jesuit Novitiate of Santa Barbara (CA)
James R. Langevin – Bishop Hendricken H.S. (RI)	Filemon Vela – Saint Joseph Academy (TX), Georgetown
John B. Larson	University (DC)
Susie Lee	Nydia M. Velázquez
Ted Lieu – Saint Ignatius H.S. (OH), Georgetown University	Peter Welch – Cathedral H.S. (MA), College of the Holy Cross
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