# **St. Patrick Catholic Church Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

#### August 28, 2022

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#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday & Tuesday, 9 - 4 Wednesday, 12 - 5 Thursday and Friday, 9 - 1

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> Weekend Mass Schedule Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

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

**Reconciliation:** Wednesday, 5:00-5:40 p.m. Friday, following Mass 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.

#### **St. Patrick Catholic School**

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### **Twenty-Second** Sunday in **Ordinary** Time

The First Reading is taken from the Book of Sirach 3:17-18, 20:28-29. In today's reading we have a few more of the words of

wisdom on humility from this saintly man who spent his life meditating on the law of God revealed to the Chosen People.

The Second Reading is from St. Paul to the Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24, in which he contrasts two scenes. One is the giving of the Old Covenant, and the other is the assembly of those justified by the New Covenant. The reason why the Church has selected these verses is the same reason that St. Paul had when he wrote them. He wanted to impress on the Jewish converts the superiority of the Christian religion over that of the Old Testament, which they had practiced until their conversion.

The Gospel is from St. Luke 14:1, 7-14, in which Jesus had been invited to dine in the house of a leading Pharisee. The Pharisees were so convinced of their own perfect knowledge and observance of the law, that they thought nobody else could possibly know it or observe it as perfectly as they did. In a very simple parable, Jesus told them where their pride would lead them.

A proud Christian, that is, a proud follower of the humble Christ, is a contradiction in terms. Christ, the Son of God, lowered himself to our level when He took our human nature. He was born in a stable, reared in the obscure village of Nazareth, earned his meager meals as a country carpenter, died on a cross as a malefactor with two thieves as companions and was buried in a God's banquet. Thank God, there are few whose pride leads them to these extremes, but there are far too many who set themselves up as judges over their neighbor and appoint themselves as the models to be imitated by all others.

There is a little demon of pride in each one of us. There is a natural inclination in each one to esteem ourselves a little better in most ways, if not in all, than our neighbor. We must keep this demon in check and not let him grow in us. Any gifts of mind or body that we have are from God—our duty is to use them properly and to



thank God for the loan of them. If He gave greater gifts to another, I thank God for it. That other was able to make better use of them than I would. I have enough gifts to go on. I shall not be judged on the use or abuse of gifts which I did not receive.

If I use all the gifts which God gave me, to help my neighbor, the spiritually poor, the lame and blind, to heaven, instead of keeping myself aloof from them as the Pharisees did, then my judgment will be easy. I shall be "repaid in the resurrection of the just."

The proud Christian sets himself up as a critic of God's wisdom. He muses: God forgives sinners too easily. God doesn't know them as well as I do. That conversion cannot be trusted, it will not last, he says. The "sinners" prosper, they are blessed with good health, a happy family, more than their share of the world's goods, and here am I who never failed God, who always did what was right and even more, and I am neglected by God. God doesn't know his real friends!

These are the questionings of a proud soul. Such Christians raise themselves above their neighbors in their own minds. They choose the first places, and from their self-appointed heights they look down on their fellow guests at stranger's grave. Could He have done more to induce us to listen to his counsel when He said: "Learn of me, for I am humble of heart?"

Yet, there are Christians who are proud. Like the Pharisees of old, they thank God that they are not like the rest of men. They shun any contact with sinners. They cover their ears when any scandal is mentioned. Yet they never miss the gossip and are always ready to condemn offhand the unfortunate giver of scandal, without knowing the extenuating circumstances.

-Excerpted from The Sunday Readings Cycle C, Fr. Kevin O' Sullivan, O.F.M.

### **RCIA Begins this Wednesday**

RCIA begins on Wednesday, August 31. Please join us in the church at 5:30 for the remainder of adoration followed by benediction and Mass. After Mass, we will move to the parish meeting room for learning and discussion. If you have been baptized, please try to bring a copy of your baptismal certificate with you.



### **October 23, 2022**

Mass and Homecoming at St. Bernard Church, Loveberry

Mass will be at noon, followed by a covered dish dinner!

### **CCD Classes for First Communion**

CCD will begin September 11. If your child is entering second grade (or above), DOES NOT attend St. Patrick School, and has not received First Communion, please call the parish office or email Megan White at mwhite@saintpatricks.school with their name, grade, parents names and contact information. Supplies need to be ordered soon!

**Confirmation Class will resume on September 11!** 

### Learn to Crochet

Eileen Billeter will offer free crochet classes beginning September 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria following the Catholic Daughters of the Americas meeting.

Learning materials will be provided. With just two or three stitches, a crocheter can make sweaters, hats, scarves, doilies, and borders for handkerchiefs, etc.. We will meet this fall and winter, weather permitting on the third Monday of each month. Come join the fun!

Free Virtual Classes for Adults

Four five-week courses are being offered through the University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF). These courses are hybrid models. They are composed of both weekly live two-hour zoom lectures as well as a rich variety of online course materials and discussion experiences through the University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Community For Faith Formation (VLCFF). The courses are being underwritten by the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston's Office of Evangelization & Catechesis, which pays 100% of the tuition and the cost of any books associated with the courses. The course instructor is Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu. For further information or to register, please contact Jeanne McKeets at jmckeets@dwc.org with your name, address, email, and phone number.

#### **Introduction to Scripture**

Sept 5th - Oct 9th If you are new to studying the Bible, have questions about reading the Bible, want to learn more about the Bible but don't know where to start; or, if you are just getting started on your certification for catechesis, this is your stepping off point!! Learn what the Bible is and where it comes from, understand how Roman Catholics read the Bible and what the differences are between a Catholic Bible and a Protestant Bible. start to build your Bible vocabulary by learning about the synoptic Gospels, what is inspiration, and much more. This is a five-week hybrid course offered through the Diocese and the Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation of the University of Dayton. You will be able to work online taking quizzes and accessing material, as well as meet once a week via Zoom for class lecture and discussion with the course facilitator, Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu. The Zoom sessions will be held on Monday evenings at 7pm (a second session on Monday afternoon may be added if the response is large enough.) You can register for this course by contacting Jeanne McKeets at jmckeets@dwc.org.

#### The New Testament

Oct 24th - Nov 27th The follow-up to the Introduction to Scripture course, this course builds on and assumes that you have taken the previous one. We will explore the world behind the text of the New Testament, its history and culture, as well as examine how we today read and understand these texts in light of our own world and culture. We will look at how all four Gospels developed, study the letters of Paul, and examine the world of first century Christianity. This is a five-week hybrid course offered through the Diocese and the Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation of the University of Dayton. You will be able to work online taking quizzes and accessing material, as well as meet once a week via Zoom for class lecture and discussion with the course facilitator, Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu. The Zoom sessions will be held on Monday evenings at 7pm (a second session on Monday afternoon may be added if the response is large enough.) You can register for this course by contacting Jeanne McKeets at jmckeets@dwc.org.

#### **Introduction to Liturgy**

Sept 5th - Oct 9th Liturgy is the heart of the Christian life. It is central to who we are as the baptized, engaging us mind, body, heart, and soul. In this course we will study what we mean when we say that we give praise and thanks to God as Catholics. We will study the symbolic and ritual meaning of the liturgy, its structures and importance in our worship and our lives. Liturgy is both source and summit of Christian life, and this course will look at what we mean by that concept. This is a five-week hybrid course offered through the Diocese and the Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation of the University of Dayton. You will be able to work online taking quizzes and accessing material, as well as meet once a week via Zoom for class lecture and discussion with the course facilitator, Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu. The Zoom sessions will be held on Thursday evenings at 7pm (a second session on Thursday afternoon may be added if the response is large enough.) You can register for this course by contacting Jeanne McKeets at jmckeets@dwc.org.

#### Sacraments

Oct 24th - Nov 27th This is an introductory overview of the sacraments of the Church. We are never more fully Church than when we gather to celebrate the Liturgy. We will walk through each of the sacraments, conscious of their roles in our lives as the People of God. We will look at the rituals, symbols, we will discuss the RCIA, the Holy Spirit, and spend time studying the Eucharist as source and summit of ecclesial life. For those studying for the certification in catechesis, we will be looking at the sacraments in light of the Directory for Catechesis, as this course is part of the sequence for your certification. This is a fiveweek hybrid course offered through the Diocese and the Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation of the University of Dayton. You will be able to work online taking quizzes and accessing material, as well as meet once a week via Zoom for class lecture and discussion with the course facilitator. Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu. The Zoom sessions will be held on Thursday evenings at 7pm (a second session on Thursday afternoon may be added if the response is large enough.) You can register for this course by contacting Jeanne McKeets at jmckeets@dwc.org..

"Forward, always forward, everywhere forward! We must not be held back by debts, bad years or by difficulties of the times. Man's adversity is God's opportunity."

Archabbot Boniface Wimmer, O.S.B.

<u>Prayer List</u>
<ul> <li>Those who are sick: Larry Dodson (UHC), Kohen Parker (Ruby), Nick Bakas, Jill Balser, John Butcher, Laurie Chestnut, Courtney Clevenger, Nyla Ebbert, Amy Flesher, Lynne Fultineer, Reece Gibson, Greg Garton, Marsha Garton, Sandy Gill, Robert Hamilton, Coretta Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, Matt McCauley, Shirley Murchland, Ed Murray, Susan Murray, Heather Haddix Nicholas, Beth Nichols, Raylee Rahming, Brenda Riley, John Riley, Jim Riley, Sam Schwartzmiller, Mike Sherrell, Special Intentions, Mike Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Rhonda Vankirk, Audrey Westfall</li> <li>Those who have died: May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.</li> <li>All Veterans, and Military Personnel:</li> <li>Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life</li> <li>All seminarians: Especially, Joe Derico, and Dylan O'Sullivan</li> <li>Former priests and religious of and from our parish</li> <li>Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.</li> <li>All police officers, health care workers, first responders, and mail carriers</li> <li>All struggling with infertility.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Mass Etiquette</li> <li>Please remember to silence or turn off your cell phones prior to the start of Mass. Tablets and other gaming devices should not be brought to church.</li> <li>When we are in the church, we should refrain from speaking in order to allow for people to pray. If we talk, we should keep our volume to a reverential whisper. This is not because we don't want community. This is to promote prayer with Christ in the Eucharist and to prepare our hearts and minds for Mass. Community time is best for after Mass in the vestibule or outside the church.</li> <li>Other people use your pew. Pease take all bulletins, papers, tissues, etc. with you when you leave. Cleanliness is close to Godliness.</li> <li>Thank you for your mindfulness.</li> </ul>

### Will and Estate Planning

of Wheeling-Charleston, or his successors in office," with a specification of the purpose for which the bequest is to be used (i.e. "for the use of St. Patrick Parish, Weston").

To be considered an "active" member of any parish (and thus eligible for Sacraments, sponsor eligibility, and the "Active Parishioner Rate of tuition" at Have you considered remembering St. Patrick's in your will or estate a Catholic school), the parish takes into account the following things. First, to plans? A bequest through a Last Will and Testament is the simplest receive a discount at a Catholic School or to receive a sacrament, the children way of creating a lasting legacy of support for St. Pat's. Bequests MUST attend weekend Mass. Second, family & individual involvement in should be made out to: "The Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese 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.

Weekly Bulletin E-mail: If you are not receiving our church bulletin each week through email, please contact the parish office to have your email address added to our files.

### **School News**

### Mass and Open House, 8/22/2022





First Day of School, 08/23/2022





Far Left: Miss Darla and Miss Tonya with Pre-School.

Left: Mrs. Destiny with Pre-K

**Bottom Left:** Mrs. Clevenger and Miss Tammy with Kindergarten.

**Bottom Right**: Mrs. Moody with 1st Grade.





### First Day of School, 08/23/2022 (continued)



Mrs. Smith with her 2nd graders.



Miss Terpening with her 3rd graders.



Mrs. Atchison with her 4th graders.



Secondary Teacher, Miss Bush poses with 5th grade.

Right: Mrs. Walsh the 6th grade class.

Far Right: Religion Teacher Mrs. White the Secondary students.











5th grade student, Audrey Westfall is not able to attend school in person this semester but she did get to come in and pose for some pictures when her little sister, London was dropped off on Tuesday.

We are praying for you and look forward to the day when you are back in the classroom everyday.



































Mass Schedule and Intentions			
Saturday, August 27, 2022	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish	
Sunday, August 28, 2022	10:30 AM	Mass for †Paul Derico	
Monday, August 29, 2022	8:15 AM	Mass for †Charles and Opal Garton by Deborah Garton	
Tuesday, August 30, 2022	No Mass	No Mass	
Wednesday, August 31, 2022	5:50 PM	Mass for †Philip Woodruff	
Thursday, September 1, 2022	8:15 AM	Mass for Single parents and their children	
Friday, September 2, 2022	8:15 AM	Mass for †Dot Aman	
Saturday, September 3, 2022	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish	
Sunday, September 4, 2022	10:30 AM	Mass for †Michelle Guire Cummings	
The Sanctuary Lamp is burning August 28—September 10, 2022, in memory of Paul Derico.			

### Why is Mass Offered for Specific People?

The greatest prayer that we have as Christians is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. At each Mass, Christ's Sacrifice on Calvary is renewed and the graces achieved on the Cross are applied to souls for their salvation. This is why we have Masses offered for particular intentions.

### **Sanctuary Candle Intentions**

The red Sanctuary Lamp by the tabernacle burns to remind us of the Eucharistic presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the Real Presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection for our Lord. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory or honor of a loved one, or to honor a special occasion, please contact the parish office. The cost of the candle is \$20.00. It will burn for two weeks. The memorial will also be published in the Bulletin.

# Would You Like to Sponsor Donut Sunday?

Donut Sundays for the next four months will be, September 11, October 2, November 13. and December 11. If you would like to sponsor one of these events, please call or email the parish office.





# **Freezer Dimensions**

65" long

29" deep including hinges35" tall with lid closed60" tall lid open

For Sale:

GE Large Chest Style Freezer—\$400 OBO GE Gas Stove—\$100 OBO

Call Kathy Boyle at 304-844-7987 for more information.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Wednesday, August 31 RCIA info

### Monday, September 5, Labor Day

- Parish Office Closed
- No School

#### Tuesday, September 6

7:00 p.m., Knights of Columbus meeting, cafeteria

Sunday, September 11 Donut Sunday

### Monday, September 19

6:00 p.m. Catholic Daughters meeting, cafeteria 7:00 p.m., Learn to Crochet with Eileen Billeter, cafeteria

Sunday, October 2 Donut Sunday

Saturday, October 15 School Elimination Dinner

**Sunday, October 23** Noon: Mass and Picnic at St. Bernard Church, Loveberry

### **Our Neighbor Collection**

### August

• Shampoo and conditioner

### September

Cleaning supplies

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

## Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the church office to request the Anointing off the Sick.. if you or a Catholic family member or friend is admitted to the hospital. Fr. Ondeck can't visit if he doesn't know they are there, You can also email the office or father at the email addresses om the front of the bulletin.



"We must not separate our life from the Eucharist. The moment we do so, something shatters."

St Teresa of Calcutta



To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.