

St. Patrick Catholic Church

October 16, 2022

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Office Hours

Monday & Tuesday, 9 - 4
Wednesday, 12 - 5
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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.

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The Gospel is from St. Luke 18:1-8. There are many devout Christians who are deeply puzzled by what they think is God's indifference to their fervent pleas for spiritual favors, which to them appear essential in their journey heavenwards. These people would readily admit that God has good reasons for not granting temporal favors—they might not be for their eternal good. Why refuse or delay granting their spiritual needs? The man or woman who has dedicated his or her life exclusively to the service of God still suffers from human weaknesses. He or she is attracted to worldly things, is finding humility and obedience very difficult, suffers from dryness in prayer or worse still is scrupulous to a degree that makes the religious life almost unbearable. Such people could work so much better for God and for their neighbor if only God would remove these weaknesses which, in fact, he could so easily do.

Or again, why should whole nations of devout Christians suffer persecution from atheistic tyrants? See their children brought up deprived of the right to practice their faith, or, worse still, taught to despise it? Surely God should answer the prayers of these good people and the fervent prayers of millions of their fellow-Christians on their behalf...

These and many similar questionings arise in our minds because our limited, human intellects can see but one small section of the immense tapestry which God is weaving for the human race. We would all like immediate results in our own tiny corner of that tapestry while the all-wise God is occupied with the whole picture. He is not forgetting us either. If He delays in answering our urgent appeals, we can be certain that the reason is not that He wants to punish us, but rather to help us. There are many saints in heaven who would perhaps never have become saints if God had not allowed them to struggle on longer than they would have wished, against trials and difficulties—spiritual as well as physical.

Our divine Lord teaches us, in this parable, the need for perseverance in prayer. This perseverance develops our trust and confidence in God. It helps us to become humble and to realize how weak we are when left to ourselves. It keeps us close to God, as we learn how dependent we are on His generosity. If we only would realize that God is perhaps never closer to us than when we think He is forgetting us! The trials of life, spiritual or temporal, which He allows us to suffer are not obstacles to our spiritual progress but



rather stepping-stones without which we could not cross the rivers of life at all.

God wants every one of us in heaven but just as no two men on earth have the same identical features, so also no two men on earth have the same road to lead them to heaven. God is supervising the journey of each one of us. He is ever there to help if the obstacle on one's road is insurmountable. We may and we must, keep asking God for the spiritual and temporal favors which we feel we need. We must never grow despondent or feel that God has lost interest in us, if He delays in granting these favors. When we shall look back on our earthly journey from the happy vantage point of heaven, we shall see how effectively and how lovingly God regulated our journey. When He did not grant a certain favor it was because He had a much more important one to give us, one we did not ask for or even realize we needed.

"Ask and you shall receive," not perhaps what you wanted, but what God knew you needed. "Seek and you shall find," not the easy way which you thought you deserved, but the harder way which would make you more deserving of heaven. "Knock and it shall be opened unto you," not the door you were standing at, which would have delayed or endangered your progress, but the door further down the street where refreshment and new courage to continue on your upward climb were awaiting you.

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

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, October 15, 2022	5:30 PM	Mass for †Clarence and Mary Lou Weber by Bob and Kathy Sims
Sunday, October 16, 2022	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Monday, October 17, 2022	8:15 AM	Mass for †Cathy Snuffer by John and Lesley White
Tuesday, October 18, 2022	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday, October 19, 2022	5:50 PM	Mass for †Kathy Colcombe by family
Thursday, October 20, 2022	8:15 AM	Mass for †Lee and Adline Rowgh by family
Friday, October 21, 2022	8:15 AM	Mass for †Charles and Dorothy Durham by family
Saturday, October 22, 2022	5:30 PM	Mass for †Larry Dodson by Marcelline, Beverly, Marcie, & Cindy
Sunday, October 23, 2022	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
	Noon	Mass for deceased members of the Loveberry Community

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning October 9 - 22, 2022,
in memory of Veronica Brumley.

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.

Change for Life Fundraiser Update

The first week of Catholic Daughter's "Change for Life" fundraiser raised almost \$600 between the combined effort of the church and the school. AWESOME! We will continue to collect through Monday, October 31. Last years fundraiser raised over \$4500 for organizations that promote the dignity of human life. Twenty-four car seats were given to the Lewis County Family Resource Network. Donations were also made to the West Virginians for Life, the Pro-Life Club at St. Patrick School, the National Students for Life organization, and a few others. There are still empty bottles in the vestibule to be picked up.



	10/3/2022
P-K	\$ 34.58
P-S	\$ 17.25
K	\$ 75.87
1st	\$ 61.61
2nd	\$ 38.00
3rd	\$ 26.68
4th	\$ 37.98
5/6	\$ 57.72
7/6	\$ 11.46
School Total	\$ 361.15
Church	\$ 235.00
Total	\$ 596.15

Checks need to be made payable to CDA 379—NOT St. Patrick Church.



Donut Sunday, October 16

Join us after Mass on Sunday, October 16 for donuts and coffee in the cafeteria. This month is sponsored by The Weston Latin Mass Community.

St. Bernard Church Homecoming October 23, 2022 Mass Noon

A covered dish dinner will follow the Mass. Meats, drinks, paper goods and plasticware will be provided.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 1—31, 2022

Change for Life fund raiser, sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Sunday, October 16

Donut Sunday, Sponsored by the Weston Latin Mass Community



Monday, October 17

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

Sunday, October 23

Noon: Mass and Picnic at St. Bernard Church, Loveberry

Tuesday, November 1

All Saints Day

- 11:00 a.m., All School Mass
- 6:00 p.m., Mass

Wednesday, November

All Souls Day

- 8:15 a.m., All School Mass
- 6:00 p.m., Mass

Sunday, November 13

Donut Sunday, Sponsored by John Butcher

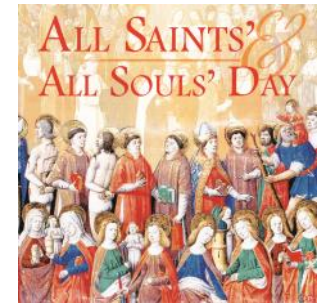


Our Neighbor Collection

October

- Laundry Soap

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



All Saints' Day and All Souls' Mass Times

All Saints' Day is celebrated on November 1st to remember all saints and martyrs during Christian history. It is followed by All Souls' Day on November 2nd to commemorate those who have passed within the faith.

Masses on Tuesday, November 1st will be at 11:00 a.m. (all school Mass), and 6:00 p.m.

Masses on Wednesday, November 2 will be at 8:15 a.m. (all school Mass), and 6:00 p.m.

“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.

Attendance & Collections

Saturday: 75 \$1067 (17 env./check donors)
 Sunday (10:30a.m.):235 \$1154 (25 env./check donors)
 Mail/Lockbox Donations: \$1350 (7 donors)
Total 310 \$3571

School \$ 780
 Votive Candles \$ 115
 Maintenance \$ 195
 Organ \$ 25
 Loan \$ 225

Restoration loan balance: \$62,790.91
 Organ balance: \$84,711.07

Give electronically at: <https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing>



Prayer List

- **Those who are sick:** Junior Brumley (Mon General), Kohen Parker (Ruby), Nick Bakas, Jill Balser, John Butcher, Courtney Clevenger, Brad Curtis, Rose Determan, 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, Mike Queen, Raylee Rahming, Brenda Riley, John Riley, Jim Riley, Sam Schwartzmiller, Special Intentions, Mike Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Audrey Westfall
- **Those who have died:** May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- **All Veterans, and Military Personnel:**
- **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**
- **All seminarians:** Especially, Joe Derico, and Dylan O’Sullivan
- **Former priests and religious of and from our parish**
- **Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.**
- **All police officers, health care workers, first responders, and mail carriers**
- **All struggling with infertility.**

When Should Catholics Not Receive Holy Communion?

- If you have a mortal sin on your soul. Some serious sins include (but are not limited to) being married outside the church, being unmarried but living together or purposely not attending Sunday Mass or holy days of obligation. For more info on what constitutes a mortal sin, refer to the Catechism of the Catholic Church 1857 - 1859.
- If you have not observed the Eucharistic Fast one hour before receiving. **Mints and gum break your fast.**
- If you have not yet received First Communion.

Why Can't Non-Catholics Receive Holy Communion?

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are not admitted to Holy Communion.

For those who cannot receive Eucharist at this time, we welcome you to join in our liturgy, to pray and sing with us. Please remain in the pew during the Communion Procession, offering your heartfelt prayers to our God of love and mercy. We eagerly await the time when you will join us at the Eucharistic table!

Mass Etiquette

- 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.
- 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.**
- Other people use your pew. Please take all bulletins, papers, tissues, etc. with you when you leave. Cleanliness is close to Godliness.

Thank you for your mindfulness.

Will and Estate Planning

Have you considered remembering St. Patrick's in your will or estate plans? A bequest through a Last Will and Testament is the simplest way of creating a lasting legacy of support for St. Pat's. Bequests should be made out to: "The Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese 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").

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.

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.



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\$300 January - December (\$25 a month)

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\$900 January - December (\$75 a month)

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.

Vanilla For Sale

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas are selling Homemade vanilla made from pure Madagascar Vanilla beans. It's a steal at \$10 a bottle. Stock up for your holiday baking now.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

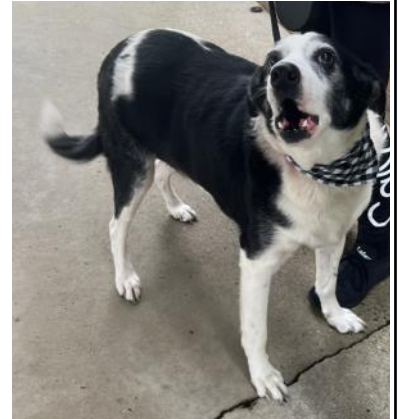
The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet on Monday, October 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. All Catholic Daughters are urged to bring a potential new member to the meeting.

Dues for the Catholic Daughters are \$30 and are due now.



Gone to the Dogs (& Cats)

We had a good turnout for our last minute pet blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. Four dogs, including Hobo and four cats were blessed by Fr. Ondeck on Sunday, Oct. 2. We had the blessing under the carport due to the inclement weather.



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2ND ANNUAL

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COME AND JOIN US FOR SOME FUN!
OCT 28
SET UP AT 12:30

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Calling all Middle and High School students!

Come and gather in the name of the Lord with other young people to celebrate our belief in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist at the Diocesan Youth Eucharistic Revival.

On Saturday, October 29th, 2022 from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM, join us at our Diocesan camp property: 225 Catholic Conference Center Huttonsville, West Virginia 26273

We will celebrate Mass with our bishop, Mark E. Brennan. There will also be adoration, music, food, recreational activities, catechesis, and speakers. Parents are encouraged to attend as well.

Youth and adults can register on the website, too. Youth Rally Registration | Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston (dwc.org)



School News

IMPORTANT UPDATE ON THE WEST VIRGINIA HOPE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

West Virginia State Treasurer Riley Moore is pleased to announce that the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals entered an Order on October 6, 2022, dissolving the July Circuit Court injunction that prevented the Hope Scholarship Program from moving forward. Treasurer Moore commends the Court for its quick action, restoring the ability for West Virginia families to choose the educational opportunities that best suit their children. The Hope Scholarship Board will meet as soon as possible to resolve various implementation issues to resume all program operations.



It is important to understand that Hope Scholarship families will not immediately be able to access program funds, and likely will not be able to use Hope Scholarship accounts until the spring semester of the current school year. This delay is beyond the control of the Hope Scholarship Board and the Treasurer's Office. Unfortunately, the July injunction prevented all state agencies from working on or transferring any funds for the Hope Scholarship Program.

Rest assured that the Hope Scholarship Board is working as quickly as possible to make program funds available to Hope Scholarship students and to resume the education service provider registration process.

Please go to www.hopescholarshipwv.com for more information.



National Fire Prevention Week

Thank you, to the Weston Volunteer Fire Department for allowing our school to visit during National Fire Prevention Week. Students and teachers had fun and learned about fire prevention.

