St. Patrick Catholic Church

October 23, 2022

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The First Reading is taken from the book of Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18. The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan, nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint. The one who serves God willingly is heard; his petition reaches the heavens.

The Second Reading is from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18. In his three pastoral letters to Timothy and Titus, St. Paul often quotes his own life and sufferings to encourage his disciples and successors to persevere in their apostolic labors. He now feels that his earthly life is nearing its end but he has full confidence in God, his just judge, who will give him his eternal reward.

The Gospel is from St. Luke 18:9-14. During His hidden life in Nazareth, and especially during His public life when He traveled through the towns and villages of Palestine, our Lord met sinners of all kinds. There is not a single record of a harsh word spoken by Him to any of them. In fact, He was accused of mixing too freely with them. His answer was that "it was those who were ill who needed a doctor, not those who were in good health." The sinners He met knew that they were ill. They regretted their sins. He forgave them.

There was one group, however, and only one, against whom He uttered condemnation and for

whom He foretold an unhappy ending. These were the Pharisees. In Mt. 23, the whole chapter is devoted to Christ's condemnation of them. It contains eight "woes" which He utters against them. He calls them by many unflattering names. One was "whited sepulchres, appearing beautiful to men on the outside but full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness within" (23: 27). Such harshness, coming from the gentle Christ, may surprise us, but knowing as He did that pride, the first and basic sin of mankind and the root of all other evil in the world, was so ingrained in their very hearts, that they could never seek forgiveness, He stated nothing but the truth concerning them or to them.

In this parable which He addressed to the Pharisees themselves, He tells them once more where their pride will lead them. They will be excluded from the kingdom of God, because they will not admit or repent of their pride and their lack of charity. Instead of thanking God for the many gifts He had given them, they almost demanded thanks from God for being such pious people. They had virtues. They avoided serious injustices. They did not commit adultery. They fasted often. They paid all their Temple dues, but it was all done, not for the honor and glory of God, but for their own honor and glory. They told the world about it. They demanded the first places in the synagogues, and special marks of reverence on the streets. They had to be called "masters" as they claimed to represent and interpret Moses to the ordinary people.

One thing that we can learn from this sad story of the Pharisees is that, while God approves of no sin, His mercy and His forgiveness is available for all sinners except the proud. It isn't that God cannot or will not forgive the sin of pride but that the proud man will not ask for God's forgiveness.

We must all be on our guard against this insidious and destructive vice. It is insidious because it can grow



in us almost without our knowing it, and once it has taken root it is difficult to eradicate. It is destructive because it spoils every other virtue we practice and every good work we do. Charity, or brotherly love, cannot flourish in a proud heart, for a proud heart is so full of self that it has no room for others. No true love of God can exist in a proud heart, for even the very acts of religion which a proud man performs, are done for the motive of self-glory and not for the glory of God. The Pharisee in this parable proves that fact. He boasted of his good works.

A few simple straight questions can tell us whether or not we are proud. Do we like others to see and hear of our good works, or do we prefer to do them in secret? Do we give as generously to charitable causes when no list of benefactors is published? Do we willingly take part among the rank and file in parish activities or do we feel offended if we are not the leaders? Do we criticize offhand those who are not all they should be, or do we thank God that we were saved from similar temptations? Do we always try to find an excuse for the failings of others or have we excuses for our own faults only? God forbid that any one in this congregation should be suffering from this, the worst of all vices. If anyone recognizes that he is, let him pray to God from the bottom of his heart for the opposite virtue, the true Christian virtue of humility, and look for every possible occasion to practice it. Let us all remember the two men praying in the Temple. One was full of himself and boasted to God and to all present, of his many good works. The Other just humbly beat his breast and asked for mercy-he had nothing to boast of. Yet, he left the Temple forgiven, the other returned home a worse sinner than when he had entered the

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

Mass Schedule and Intentions					
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			
Monday, October 24, 2022	8:15 AM	Mass for †Pat Karp by family			
Tuesday, October 25, 2022	No Mass	No Mass			
Wednesday, October 26, 2022	5:50 PM	Mass for †Charles and Charlotte Ruppert by family			
Thursday, October 27, 2022	8:15 AM	Mass for Roberta Smith by the Smith family			
Friday, October 28, 2022	8:15 AM	Mass for †Deborah Johnson Curtis by David Curtis			
Saturday, October 29, 2022	5:30 PM	Mass for Special Intentions (Joe Derico)			
Sunday, October 30, 2022	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish			

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning October 23—November 5, 2022, in memory of Edward Hubbs.

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 two weeks of the Catholic Daughter's "Change for Life" fundraiser raised over \$1000 between the combined efforts of the church and the school. GREAT JOB! 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 Students for organization, and a few others. There are still empty bottles in the vestibule to be picked up.

	10/3/2022		10/10/2022	
P-S	\$ 34.58	\$	9.84	
P-K	\$ 17.25	\$	1.26	
K	\$ 75.87	\$	4.73	
1st	\$ 61.61	\$	39.93	
2nd	\$ 38.00	\$	24.95	
3rd	\$ 26.68	\$	-	
4th	\$ 37.98	\$	74.31	
5/6	\$ 57.72	\$	15.00	
7/6	\$ 11.46	\$	8.77	
	\$ 361.15	\$	178.79	
St. Patrick	\$ 235.00	\$	238.33	
	\$ 596.15	\$	417.12	

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

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 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

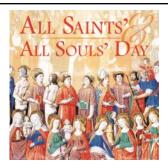


Our Neighbor Collection

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.

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.

"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: 89 \$ 995 (20 env./check donors) Sunday (10:30a.m):170 \$1653 (13 env./check donors

Mail/Lockbox Donations: \$ 495 (5 donors)

Total 259 \$3143

School \$ 525 Votive Candles \$ 24 Maintenance \$ 60 Organ \$ Loan \$ 40

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, Mike Queen, Raylee Rahming, Brenda Riley, John Riley, Jim Riley, Sam Schwartzmiller, Special Intentions, Mike Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Audrey Westfall
- Those who have died: Beth Nichols, 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. Pease 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.



Thank you to the Catholic Daughters and the Knights of Columbus

We are sending out a HUGE thank you to the Catholic Daughters, the Knights of Columbus, and their families for gathering on the morning of Saturday, October 15 to cleand St. Bernard Church in Loveberry. They began at 8:00 a.m. and were finished in time for our Rosary Rally at noon.

If you see any of the fine folks in this picture, please thank them for their hard work!





Rosary Rally

Due to the high wind on Saturday, October 15. we moved our rosary rally into the church. Over thirty people attended. Thank you, Steven White for organizing and leading the rally this year.







The United States Association of

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

We are looking for a VARIETY of items to open our new children's program Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Please consider donating new or items in good condition from the list.

Now, let's make it fun! As this will be a free program for our families, we are reliant and in need of donations for this program to grow! Parishioners who donate 10 or more items or \$50 in monetary donations will receive a Personalized Good Shepherd Tumbler as a thank you!

Donations may be dropped off at the Parish Office.

Interested in seeing what we could possibly do with all these items? Please come to our Open House after the 10:30am Mass on October 30!

Art Supplies

Embroidery Hoops

Tracing Paper

Washi Tape (Solid Color ANY - Red or Blue Preferred)

Yarn

Rubber Bands

Ribbon

White Glue/PVC Glue

Religious Items

Holy Cards

Beautiful Religious Statues or Art (Good Shepherd, Risen Christ,

San Damiano Cross, Holy Family, Madonna and Child)

Catholic Leather Bible NRSV or NAB

Small Candle Holders Candle Sticks (White)

Tea Candles (White)

Furnishings

Serving Trays (various sizes)

Breakfast/Laptop Trays with collapsable legs

S/M Glass or Ceramic Flower Vases

Small Glass or Ceramic Pitchers

Small Glass/Ceramic/Wood Bowls

Candle Snuffers

Indoor Plants or Potted Succulents

Chime

Lace Doilies

M/LG Beverage Dispensers

Water Basins

Small Waste Basket (Solid Color)

Small Baskets

Work Materials

Magnifying Glasses

Seashells

M/LG Nuts and Bolts (Sets that go together - Various sizes

Golf Tees

Solid Color Sponges

Clipboards

Wash Rags/Hand Towels

Ivory Soap (Bars)

Small Easels/Bookstands

Small Globe (6"-8")

Rough & Smooth Stones (Vase Filler Type)

Assorted Buttons

Metal Funnels

Measuring Cups

Measuring Spoons

Turkey Basters

Eyedroppers (Unused)

Small Cleaning Brushes

Soap Dish

Building Materials

Scrapwood

Plywood

Command Strips/Hooks (Various Sizes)

Plaster of Paris

Painters Tape

Black Electrical Tape

You know all those things in your junk drawer/garage/storage you've been saving because "you may need it someday!"

Today is the day!



The Eucharist

In the celebration of the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest. The whole Christ is truly present -- body, blood, soul, and divinity -- under the appearances of bread and wine, the glorified Christ who rose from the dead. This is what the Church means when she speaks of the "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist.

Where is the Eucharist mentioned in the Bible?

The Lord Jesus, on the night before he suffered on the cross, shared one last meal with his disciples. During this meal our Savior instituted the sacrament of his Body and Blood. He did this in order to perpetuate the sacrifice of the Cross throughout the ages and to entrust to the Church a memorial of his death and resurrection. The Institution of the Eucharist is written down in the four Gospels below:

- Matthew 26:26-30
- Mark 14:22-26
- Luke 22:14-20
- John 6:22-59 (The Bread of Life Discourse)

Why does Jesus give himself to us as food and drink?

Jesus gives himself to us in the Eucharist as spiritual nourishment because he loves us. By eating the Body and drinking the Blood of

Christ in the Eucharist, we become united to the person of Christ through his humanity. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him" (Jn 6:56). In being united to the humanity of Christ, we are at the same time united to his divinity. Our mortal and corruptible natures are transformed by being joined to the source of life.

Is the Eucharist a symbol?

The transformed bread and wine are truly the Body and Blood of Christ and are not merely symbols. When Christ said "This is my body" and "This is my blood," the bread and wine are transubstantiated. Though the bread and wine appear the same to our human faculties, they are actually the real body and blood of Jesus.



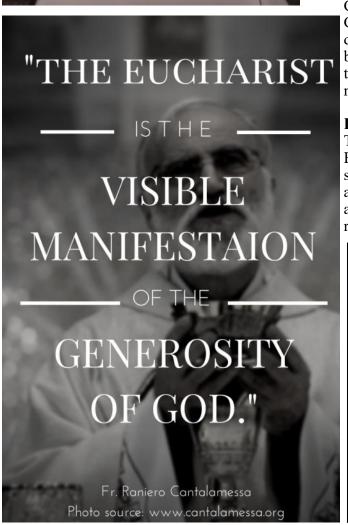
Come and gather in the name of the Lord with other young people to celebrate our belief in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist at the Diocesan Youth Eucharistic Revival.



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



Our Fall Elimination Dinner was a great success! We are humbled by the support from our community. It is through your support that we are able to provide an affordable Catholic education to children in our community!

Thank you to...

- Everyone who purchased tickets and came out to support our school!
- STOCKMEIER Urethanes for sponsoring our event!
- The family of Dot Aman for sponsoring prizes!
- Our school and parish community for selling tickets!
- Weston Walmart for donating decorations!
- WVFD for donating ice!
- Parents and teachers who volunteered their time to help with the dinner!
- Everyone who donated their winnings back to our school!

Special thanks to Becky King for making delicious rolls, Leona Swisher for making gallons of gravy, Kathy Boyle for donating her delectable desserts, and Regina Frazier for being there behind the scenes keeping it all together!

Position Opening at St. Patrick School

Aide/GAP Assistant

We have a position available for a Pre-K aide/after school program assistant. Qualified applicants must be able to provide support and reinforcement to the teacher(s), and work one-on-one with students or do small group instruction. Also, be willing to work flexible hours, have a willingness to work with the classroom teacher (s), and be able to carry out and follow through with instructions they are given. Please submit resumes with references to the church or school offices or by emailing them to RFrazier@saintpatricks.school.



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.





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