

# TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 8, 2023

The Gospel is from Matthew 21:33-43. There are two leading thoughts that come to the mind of any true believer on hearing this parable: the infinite goodness, patience and mercy of God in His dealings with mankind, and the unsounded depths of wickedness and ingratitude to which men can sink. To His Chosen People of the Old Testament, God had given a fertile and fully-equipped vineyard — His revelation, His protection, a homeland of their own in Canaan, and all this in order to prepare them for the future Messiah, who would bring them an eternal home in God's own Kingdom. All He asked in return was their cooperation. But they had other plans; they wanted their kingdom on earth. Yet God was patient with them; again and again He pardoned their infidelities. He sent them prophet after prophet to recall them to their senses, but they maltreated these messengers of God and refused to heed their warnings.

Then "the fullness of time" came and He sent His divine Son on earth in human form. He took His human nature from one of their race, lived among them and preached His gospel of love and peace to them. He tried to soften their hard hearts, and made them the final offer of the Father's mercy and pardon. But instead of accepting God's offer of mercy the chief priests and elders only made it an occasion of an even greater sin. To their crimes of infidelity and injustice they added the murder of God's Messiah and Son.

In God's plan of love and mercy the tragedy of Calvary turned out to be the great "triumph of failure." That death brought life to the world and opened the gates of God's eternal kingdom for all nations and races. The Gentiles rallied around the standard of Christ. A new vineyard was set up in which all men could work for their Father in heaven and for their own eternal interests.

We Christians today are the successors of the first Gentile followers of Christ. We too have been called to work in God's vineyard. Are we working honestly and devotedly? Are we producing the grapes and the wine that our divine Master expects of us? If our answer is "yes, I am living a true Christian life, I am working for God's honor and glory and for my own eternal salvation," then we can say a heartfelt "thank you" to our merciful Father, and ask him to keep us ever on this right path. But if our answer is "no," then let us pay heed to today's lesson. What happened to the chief priests and elders can and will happen to unfaithful Christians if they persevere in their infidelity and disobedience. But we can still put ourselves right with God. Let us do it today — tomorrow may be too late.

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



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14TH**

**MASS  
TIME  
CHANGE**

**MASS WILL BE AT 4:30**

*Donut  
Sunday*

October 8th  
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# WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

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*"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." - Archbishop Boniface Wimmer, O. S. B.*

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### **Parish Office Hours**

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

## **Mass Schedule**

Monday - 8:15 p.m.  
Tuesday - 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.  
Thursday - 8:15 a.m.  
Friday - 8:15 a.m.  
Saturday Vigil - 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday - 10:30 a.m.

*(See the Weekly Schedule for  
changes to Mass times or location!)*

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Tuesday & Wednesday 5:00 - 5:45 p.m.  
Saturday 5:00 - 5:20 p.m.  
Sunday 10:00 - 10:20 a.m.

## **Adoration**

Tuesday & Wednesday - 5 - 5:45 p.m.

For **anointing of the sick**, please see  
Fr. Ondeck after Mass.  
For last rites, please call **304-691-0537**

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### **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!

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 7, 2023	5:30 PM	Mass for †Deceased Member of St. Patrick Class of 1968
Sunday, October 8, 2023	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Monday, October 9, 2023	8:15 AM	Mass for †Shirley Mason by Jim and Matilda Lower
Tuesday, October 10, 2023	5:50 PM	Celebrant's Intentions
Wednesday, October 11, 2023	5:50 PM	Mass for †June and Bob Bess
Thursday, October 12, 2023	8:15 AM	Mass for †John and Mabel McLaughlin by John and Jackie McLaughlin
Friday, October 13, 2023	8:15 AM	Mass for †Ted and Mary Eldridge
<b>Saturday, October 14, 2023</b>	<b>4:30 PM</b>	Mass for †Deceased Member of St. Patrick Class of 1968
Sunday, October 15, 2023	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
<b>October 8 - 21, the sanctuary lamp is burning in memory of D. J. and Ann White.</b>		

### Prayer List

**Those who are sick:** Jill Balser, Vince Baker, Debbie Bailey, Dorothy Butcher, John Butcher, P. Dane Carder, Courtney Clevenger, John Collins, Rose Determan, Bonnie Detamore, Libby Ferrell, Greg Garton, Marsha Garton, Sandy Gill, Tim Hicks, Coretta Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, Shirley Murchland, Susan Murray, Judy Nicholas, Sue Nutter, Raylee Rahming, Brenda Riley, Jim Riley, Mike Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Audrey Westfall

• **Those who have died:** Denver Garrison, James Lambert. 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.

• **All studying for the diaconate program:** Especially, Mike Brumley.

• **Former priests and religious of and from our parish**

• **Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.**

• **All struggling with infertility.**

### Mass Attendance

Saturday	103
Sunday	173
Total	276


### Collections

Saturday	\$1783
Sunday	\$1078
Mail/Drop Box	\$
Total	\$2861
School	\$255
Votives	\$
Maintenance	\$70
Loan	\$20
Organ	\$
<b>Wesbanco Balance</b>	<b>\$54,856.73</b>

### Protecting God's Children

St. Patrick Church takes seriously this 'VIRTUS' pursuit of excellence in our community. With the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, we are committed to making every environment – a safe environment. All employees and volunteers are required to complete VIRTUS Training. Participants of this training complete short video modules to learn how to best protect the vulnerable in our community. These short sessions empower participants to accurately identify and correctly report all instances of suspected child abuse. To create or update your account, please go to [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org). We thank all of the employees and volunteers for their continued support in making the environment at St. Patrick Church safe for all.

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](http://www.dwc.org) under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

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### Catholic Sharing Appeal Update

We have reached 50% of our goal for the Catholic Sharing Appeal, **ALL** money donated from this point forward, will be returned to the church and not assessable to the Cathedralium and PHRA annual assessment.

~Goal \$22490    ~Raised \$12459    ~55%





Matthew Barker



Mia Park



Jarrett Queen

### How Do I Show Faith?

- Read the word of God
- Participation in school Mass
- Pray
- Stay true to beliefs, even if it is not popular
- Faithful to school responsibilities

At St. Patrick's School, we not only value academic excellence but education in virtue as well. We have initiated a "Virtue of the Month" for students to strive to master. Three students, Matthew Barker, Mia Park, and Jarrett Queen, have been awarded for their demonstration of the virtue of Faith and will be presented with a personalized plaque to commemorate their achievement.

*Faith is the  
realization of what  
is hoped for and  
evidence of things  
not seen.*

*- Hebrews 11:1*

### October's Virtue Reverence

#### How to Show Reverence

- Genuflecting before the altar.
- Praying the morning and afternoon prayers.
- Participating at Mass
- Kindness to others.
- Using Manners
- Taking care of our school and church.



CLASS OF 1968

# ST. PATRICK'S

55th Class Reunion

Welcome Home

Attending Class Members  
Saturday, October 7th

In Memory of  
Deceased Class Members

Nancy Alfred  
Melissa Garton Allison  
D.C. Bean  
Paulette Metz Grady  
Carol Paletti Haase  
Annette Kraus  
Mary Ellen Lydon  
Margaret (Peggy) Riley Piercy  
Sheila Gissy Rexroad  
Rita Anne Lydon Rhodes  
William Riley  
Marcia Sayer Rogers  
Mary Anna Angotti Weber  
David Arbogast

Raymond Armentrout  
Margaret Riley Goodgame  
Rebecca Cullen  
Thomas Fealy  
Julianne Garton  
William Halterman



## Catholic Daughters and Knights of Columbus Clean Loveberry Church

Thank you, knights and daughters, for preparing St. Bernard's for our annual homecoming Mass!



## Annual Mass and Homecoming at St. Bernard Church, Loveberry

October 22

Mass - 12:15 p.m.

Join us on Sunday, October 22 for Mass and a covered dish dinner at St. Bernard Church. Meats, drinks and plastic ware will be provided.



## YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN OUR "WELL READ MOM" SMALL GROUP!

Well-Read Mom accompanies women in reading great books and spiritual classics to encourage personal growth, friendship, and meaningful conversations to explore the human condition and reorient ourselves to what is good, beautiful, and true. Our group reads one book per month and meets to discuss it once a month. Book selections for each year correspond to the themes of a woman's life. This year we are excited to dive into the theme of "seeking" with the help of some excellent authors such as Brother Lawrence, T.S. Eliot, and Natalie Merrill, among others.

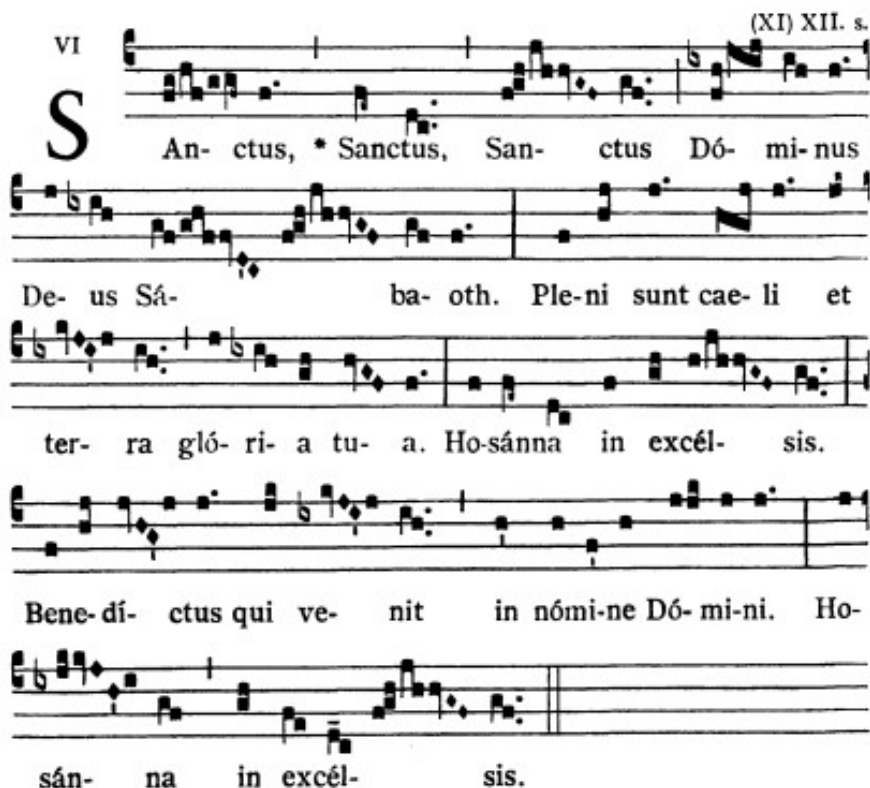
**All women are welcome!  
Not just moms.**

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday,  
October 17th after Mass in the Church  
Office Conference Room.

Registration is \$49.95 a year per member  
(includes WRM materials). If you need  
assistance, please don't hesitate to  
contact the parish office. The group will  
provide monthly books.

To register today, or find out more, visit  
[WellReadMom.com](http://WellReadMom.com).

Contact Megan White with questions at  
[mwhite@saintpatricks.school](mailto:mwhite@saintpatricks.school)



Our music director, Steven Anisko will be introducing "Sanctus VIII, "De Angelis"" in upcoming masses. If you would like to practice singing this song, go to youtube and type in "Sanctus from Mass VIII" or scan the QR code below to listen:



## Register for THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



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## Father Ondeck is Surprised with “Lewis County Choice Awards” Recognition

Yearly, the Weston Democrat holds a “Lewis County Choice Awards” contest for various positions throughout the community such as best restaurant, server, chiropractor, teacher, principal, and even pastor! Many throughout Lewis County cast their vote, and evidently well loved by parishioners and community members, Father Ondeck was chosen as Lewis County Choice’s Pastor. Friends and staff excitedly coordinated a way to surprise Father and presented him with the award at Sunday Mass.

We appreciate you, Father!



Thank you Bob and Cody for taking it upon yourselves to restore these rusty benches back to their full potential and beauty!

### St. Patrick School Annual Elimination Dinner Saturday, October 14

Dinner begins at 6:30, Drawing begins at 7:00

Gather your friends and family for a fantastic evening.  
See you there!

## CDA Baby Bottle Fundraiser

As the month of October, Respect Life month begins, the Catholic Daughters are again kicking off their annual “Change For Life” baby bottle project. The project has been a tremendous success in the past, generating nearly \$4,000 which has been distributed to various local causes and organizations to benefit mothers and children.

The Catholic Daughters ask that each family take a bottle home and fill it with loose change and dollar bills. Even checks, made payable to CDA, will gladly be accepted! Please return all bottles the weekend of October 28th and October 29th. Any contribution you can make, whether great or small, will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support of this special project which allows CDA to help local mothers, children and families.

## ON DECK

**Sunday, October 8**

Donut Sunday

**Saturday, October 14**

- Mass time changed to 4:30
- St. Patrick School Elimination Dinner

**Monday, October 16, 6:00 PM**

Catholic Daughters meeting, cafeteria

**Tuesday, October 17th**

Well Read Mom Group Meeting, Office Conference Room, after Mass

**Sunday, October 22**

12:15 p.m.: Mass and Covered Dish Dinner at St. Bernard Church in Lovevery

**Saturday & Sunday, October 28th & 29th**

CDA Baby Bottles to be returned

**Sunday, November 2nd, 9:00 AM**

Confirmation Classes Begin

### Our Neighbor Collection

October: Soap, Cleaning Supplies, feminine products

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

## Would You Like to Sing in the St. Patrick Church Choir?

St. Patrick's choir will officially resume on Sunday, September 10 with a 9:30 AM rehearsal in the office. 9:30 is the regular time every Sunday for the choir rehearsal. The choir provides music for the Sunday Mass at 10:30 as well as holidays. The choir sings Gregorian Chant and Traditional Sacred music. If you are interested in being a part of the choir, please come and see our Music Director and Organist, Steve Anisko at the rehearsal or after mass in the choir loft.



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Court Victory 379

Third Monday (Sept—May).  
6:00 p.m., Cafeteria



## Knights of Columbus Council 1415

First Tuesday of each month.  
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