THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 29, 2023

The Gospel is from Matthew 22:34-40. The Pharisees may not have had evil intentions when asking Christ the question as to the greatest commandment. But they have done us a good service by getting this crystal clear answer from him. In this answer he tells us that the man who loves God and neighbor fulfills all his obligations, and carries out all the duties that God's self-revelation in "the law and the prophets" imposes on him. God revealed himself to us in the Old Testament as our Creator and divine benefactor. He had no need of us, since he is infinitely perfect in himself, but out of his infinite goodness he wished to share his eternal kingdom of happiness with mankind and so he created us. That we should love such a benefactor and be grateful to him is not asking much of us; such love should surely be the spontaneous reaction of a rational being, and yet there were and there are many who fail to acknowledge any such obligation.

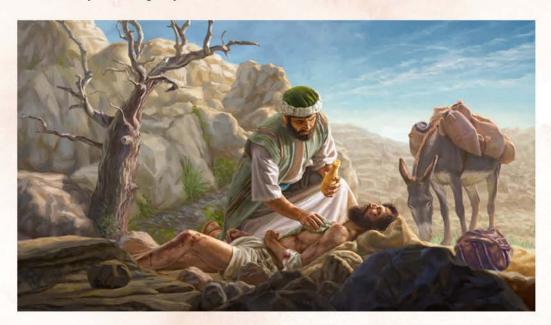
No Christian, worthy of the name, can ever be among such thoughtless and thankless people. We have greater proofs of God's love for us than "the law and the prophets" gave to the Israelites. We have the added proofs of God's infinite interest in us brought to us by the Incarnation. We have been raised to the sublime status of adopted sons of God.

Where Christians can, and too often do fail, is in their true love of neighbor. Yet Christ says that this commandment is like the first. Love of neighbor is an essential part of our obligations toward God. If we fail in this we fail in our love for God, for we refuse to carry out this sacred duty. If we do not recognize our neighbor as our brother, we do not recognize God as our Father and we do not love him. As St. John puts it: "Anyone who says 'I love God' and hates (does not love) his neighbor is a liar" (1 Jn.3: 20).

Let each one of us ask himself today how seriously he takes this law of fraternal charity and how faithfully he carries it out. Not all of us may be able to give material help to a neighbor in need but the poorest of us can spare a kindly word, an encouraging word, for a neighbor weighed down with cares and troubles. All of us can pray for a neighbor who needs spiritual and temporal help. Most of us can deny ourselves some unnecessary luxuries in order to give a needed loaf of bread to a hungry fellowman, while those who have an abundance of this world's goods need not look far afield to find cases and causes worthy of their Christian charity.

Remember that whatever spiritual or material help is given out of true charity to a neighbor in need, is given to God, and whatever is given to God is soundly invested in heaven, and heaven pays handsome dividends.

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



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WEEKLY BULLETINS VIA E-MAIL

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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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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. Sunday

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 28, 2023	5:30 PM	Mass for †Dr. and Mrs Pascasio by Rudy and Karen Pascasio and family
Sunday, October 29, 2023	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Monday, October 30, 2023	8:15 AM	Mass for †Veronica Brumley by Tom Ruppert
Tuesday, October 31, 2023	5:50 PM	Celebrant's Intentions
Wednesday, November 1, 2023 All Saints Day - A Holy Day of Obligation	8:15 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
	6:00 PM	Mass for †Joseph Rowh
Thursday, November 2, 2023 All Souls Day	6:00 PM	Mass for the Holy Souls in Purgatory
Friday, November 3, 2023	8:15 AM	Mass for †Steve Alfred by family
Saturday, November 4, 2023	5:30 PM	Mass for †Joseph and Nell (Fealy) Moore by family
Sunday, November 5, 2023	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
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October 8 - 21, 2023 - , the sanctuary lamp is burning in memory of Sam Aman by family

Prayer List

Those who are sick: Emily Johnston (UPMC), Hernan Ayala, Carol Bean (DM), Violet Angotti, Jill Balser, Vince Baker, Debbie Bailey, Dorothy Butcher, John Butcher, Courtney Clevenger, John Collins, Rose Determan, Bonnie Detamore, Mary Catherine Fallon, Libby Ferrell, Sara Ferrell, Greg Garton, Marsha Garton, Sandy Gill, Coretta Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, Alesha Lehman, Rochelle Long, Shirley Murchland, Susan Murray, Judy Nicholas, Sue Nutter, Mary Oldaker, Rahming, Brenda Riley, Jim Riley, Mike Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Dorthy Valdez, Audrey Westfall

- Those who have died: Joe Rowh, 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 deaconate 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.

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.

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 under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

Mass Attend	ance
Saturday	85
Sunday	153
Loveberry	95
Total	333
Collection	าร
Saturday	\$757
Sunday	\$995
Mail/Drop Box	\$2550
Total	\$4299
Loveberry	\$157
School	\$115
Votives	\$86
World Missions	\$456
Maintenance	\$150
Loan	\$20
Organ	\$
Wesbanco Balance	\$54,127.97
Organ Loan Bal.	\$77,599.38

September myEoffering Donations, Utilities and Other Expenses

Income

General Fund: \$2695.40 School: \$600.60 Maintenance: \$105.90

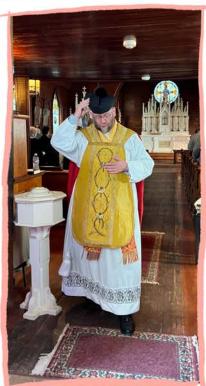
Expenses

Utilities \$6764.01 (All buildings)
Copier Lease and copies \$628.62
Pest Control \$140

St. Bernard Church Homecoming

Almost 100 people came out for our annual Mass and dinner at St. Bernard Church in Loveberry on Sunday, October 22. Thank you to EVERYONE who worked together to make this event so beautiful. We hope even more people can join us next year, on October 20.























SCHOOL NEWS

NOW HIRING

Position: Part-Time Maintenance/Janitorial Location: St. Patrick School Hours: TBD

Responsibilities: Maintain the cleanliness and hygiene of our school Perform routine maintenance tasks Ensure a safe environment for our students

Qualifications: -Strong work ethic -Attention to detail -Ability to work independently -Previous janitorial experience is a plus

If you're interested in this opportunity, please send your resume to jriley@saintpatricks.school or call into the office at 304-269-5547.



School Baby Bottle Fundraiser Update

The school has collected School CDA Leaderboard \$1240.06 for the

"Change for Life" fundraiser.

K 2nd The class that collects the 7&8 most money will receive a PK pizza lunch with Fr. Ondeck!

3rd

1st 4th PS



Jerry's Pumpkin Patch

Preschool and Pre-k visited Jerry's Pumpkin Patch for a day full of fun fall festivities!































SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS MASS SCHEDULE

(A Holy Day of Obligation)

Wednesday, November 1 8:15 a.m. (School Mass) 6:00 p.m.

FEAST OF ALL SOULS SCHEDULE

Thursday, November 2 8:15 a.m. (School Rosary) 6:00 p.m. (Mass*) *This is the only Mass this day.

Catholic History of "Trick or Treat"

Beginning in the Middle Ages in England, on All Hallows Eve, children would go door to door and ask for a soul cake. In exchange for these cookies, they would pray for the deceased members of the family.

This was the beginnings of going door to door for a treat on Halloween.

Amid all of the Halloween festivities, remember that Halloween (All Hallow's Eve) is a Catholic Holiday!



Diaper Drive October 15 - 29

St. Patrick's Student's for Life will be having a diaper drive the next two Sundays. Please bring diapers to drop off in the vestibule before or after Mass.





Confirmation Registration is Happening Now



Children in sixth grade and up NEED to register now for our upcoming Confirmation classes. Classes begin November 5.

FOR 6TH GRADERS AND UP

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 assessible to the Cathedraticum and PHRA annual assessment.

~Goal \$22490 ~Raised \$12759 ~57%

ON DECK

October 31

CDA Baby Bottles to be returned

Wednesday, November 1, All Saints Day - A Holy Day of Obligation

- 8:15 a.m. Mass with the school students (Be sure to arrive prior to 8:15, as the church doors are locked at the start of Mass)
- 6:00 p.m., Mass

Thursday, November 2, All Souls Day

- 8:15 a.m. Rosary with St. Patrick School
- 6:00 p.m., Mass (This is the only Mass this day.)

Sunday, November 5th, 9:00 AM Confirmation Classes Begin

November 5th-11th

National Vocations Awarness Week

Sunday, November 12

Donut Sunday, sponsored by McFly Outdoors

HELP US KEEP God's House Clean

Please tidy up your pew before leaving.

Thank you!

Our Neighbor Collection

November: Shampoo and Conditioner

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

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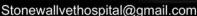
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