TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 9th, 2024

The Gospel is from St. Mark 3:20-35. The truth of the saying "pride goeth before destruction" (Prov. 16:18) is clearly demonstrated in the first and third readings today. Pride indeed induced the First Parents to disobey God. They wished to be independent of him, in fact, they hoped to be his equals. The evil results of their folly are still among us. It was their sinful pride, their sense of superiority, their utter contempt for all who did not conform to their standard of observance, that led the Scribes and Pharisees to oppose Jesus. Blinded as they were by this deep-rooted pride, they could see nothing good in him. Absurdly, they explained as the work of Satan the miracles he worked. To any honest mind, these miracles proved that he was, at least, a friend of God. That most of the Scribes and Pharisees continued in their blind pride even after their attempt to silence him forever had failed, is most likely, as Jesus' reference to the unforgivable sin would indicate. They could not be forgiven while they refused, through pride, to ask for forgiveness.

While we can thank God that perhaps none of us has the same exalted opinion of himself as had the Scribes and Pharisees, there is still much pride in even the best of us. It is still the root of all the evil that is in our world. If faithfully observed the Ten Commandments of God would make the journey of all men to heaven easier, safer and surer. But they are violated daily. Why? Because proud men refuse to be restricted in their actions. They cannot admit that any higher power has the right to regulate their lives; they are the sole arbiters of their fate; they will do as they please.

Which of us would admit to violating the first commandment? "I am the Lord your God, you shall not have strange gods before me." We never even thought of adoring a false god, we will say, we would never think of setting up a statue of Mars or Jove or Venus and bowing the knee before it. Yet, every time we break the law of God, we are setting up an idol—one more absurd than any false god of the pagan world. We are setting up our own self, our own will, our own authority in the place of God. We will not have him rule over us!

We are living today in what is politely called the permissive age—the age when God's laws are shamelessly flouted and despised; the age when men and women, old as well as young, do what they like regardless of whether or not their actions offend God and neighbor. This is a false philosophy, not of life, but of death; this is a philosophy or whim which has the ripe seeds of destruction of human society breaking through its crust. How long can we go on living together on earth, if each one claims the right to do as he pleases? If, with impunity, we can lay our hands on all the wealth and property we feel we want, what of our neighbors whom we despoil? If we can drive a coach and four through the laws of the state, which are themselves applications of the laws of God, how long can our state last? If, outside of marriage, we have every right to enjoy all the sexual pleasure of which we are capable, who is going to take on himself the responsibilities of married life: Who will produce the next generation of citizens and who will feed and educate them! If we have the right to all possible comfort, pleasure and ease in this life, then abortion, euthanasia for the old and defectives, in fact, the quiet removal of anyone who stands in our way, who interferes with our absolute freedom, is not only lawful but absolutely necessary! How many will survive this regime?

Of course, those who approve of and demand permissiveness, do not encourage going to such extremes—except when it suits them. But if there is no divine authority the state laws will have to be enforced with the gun. They will collapse, however, once a sufficient number of citizens opt for permissiveness.

He who does the will of God is the brother and kinsman of Christ and only his true brothers will get to heaven. We must keep the commandments of God. not only are they the guides that will keep us on the road to heaven, but they are our only guarantee of survival during our short sojourn here on earth.

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

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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.

Adoration

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

Sacrament of the Sick & Last Rites

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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.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 8, 2024	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Sunday, June 9, 2024	10:30 AM	Mass for †John Wayne by the Milinovich boys
Monday, June 10, 2024	8:15 AM	Mass for †Mary Curtis by David Curtis
Tuesday, June 11, 2024	5:50 PM	Celebrant's Intentions
Wednesday, June 12, 2024	5:50 PM	Mass for †Nell Fealy Moore
Thursday, June 13, 2024	8:15 AM	Mass for †Charles and Opal Garton by Fred and Deborah Garton Butler
Friday, June 14, 2024	8:15 AM	Mass for †Kathryn R. Gerstner by family
Saturday, June 15, 2024	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Sunday, June 16, 2024	10:30 AM	Mass for †Deceased Fathers and Grandfathers

The sanctuary lamp is burning in memory Sam Aman by Linda Aman, June 1 - 15, 2024.

Prayer List

Those who are sick: Heman Ayala, Jill Balser, Bill Bennett, Dan Brannon, Jamie Breen, John Butcher, Margaret Carr, Courtney Clevenger, Brad Curtis, Rose Determan, Bonnie Detamore, Amy Dillon, Libby Ferrell, Sara Ferrell, Katie Frazer, Holly Garton, Janie Garton, Marsha Garton, Andrea Heath, Coretta Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, David Lewis, Rochelle Long, Matt McCauley, Lisa Marlow, Louise Mehr, Steve Murray, Susan Murray, Judy Nicholas, Sue Nutter, Amy Price, Michael Pugh, Catherine Ratliff, Raylee Rahming, Dee Ann Reichner, Brenda Riley, Dan Rittenhouse, Bob Thompson, Marge Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Diane Walker, Kathy Watson, Audrey Westfall, Tonya Woofter

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: Bobby Summers

Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

All seminarians: Especially Joe Derico.

All who are 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.

Attendance & Collections			
Saturday	103		
Sunday	180		
Total	283		
Saturday	\$1667		
Sunday	\$790		
Mail/Drop Box	\$275		
Total	\$2732		
School	\$200		
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Corpus Christi Mass and Procession

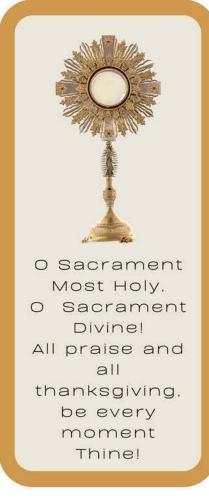
The rain kept our Eucharistic Procession indoors this year but it did not dampen the reverence and love of our Lord by those who participated.

















Introducing Mr. Bryan Tedeschi

Hello! I am from Sharpsburg, MD bordering WV, and my parish is St. James the Greater in Charles Town where Joe Derico was assigned two summers ago.

I have been in Seminary for three years now as I just finished up 1st Theology (1st year of Major Seminary). So, God willingly I will be ordained a Priest sometime in 2028. I went to Catholic school all my life and then graduated Waynesburg University with a BA in Business Administration in 2021. But otherwise, I grew up in a rural area within shouting distance of the Potomac River.



Now when my silly arm isn't in a cast I love to hike, shoot, swim, lift weights, learn history, cook (of course Italian), read, and certainly to commune with God in prayer. But if you're wondering why my arm is blue, essentially I tore my wrist two years ago lifting too much with it, but it never fully healed. So, three weeks ago I had surgery to fix it which thanks be to God went very well. Thus, this will be my main focus this summer, especially as I will have to entirely relearn how to use my dominant hand from the ground-up. So, to the great disappointment of Fr. Ondeck there is not much I can do with it. The next time you see Fr. Brian ask for a Seminarian with two arms next summer.

Otherwise, I am very happy to be here and feel blessed to be in such a gorgeous Parish. So far, I like this area and I think it's going to be a great summer. Thanks for having me!

In Christ, Bryan

Congratulations!

Congratulations, Deacon, Mike Brumley

Mr. Mike Brumley was ordained to the of permanent Deacon on Friday, June 7 at the Co-Cathedral in Charleston. Mike is one of twenty men who completed the program and become permanent deacons for our diocese.



Join us for "Deacon" Donuts



Join us for donuts and coffee after Mass on Sunday, June 9th to celebrate Mike's ordination! This celebration is sponsored by the children of Mike and Beth Brumley.

ON DECK

Sunday, June 9

Donut Sunday sponsored by the children of Mike and Beth Brumley

Saturday, June 15 CDA State Workshop, cafeteria

Sunday, June 16 Father's Day

Monday, June 17 11:00 a.m., Funeral Mass for Shirley Murchland

June 23 - 30 CGS Level 2 formation

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