

St. Patrick's Church

September 1, 2024

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Gospel is from St. Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23. When Christ came on earth the Scribes and Pharisees were the religious leaders of the Jews. The Scribes, so called because of their knowledge of the Mosaic Law and the traditions added on to it, were the elite among the Pharisees who prided themselves on their strict, rigorous observance of the Law and the human traditions. The Pharisees had no time or no understanding for their fellow-Jews who often violated the scribal traditions – and even the Law of Moses itself sometimes. For this reason they kept themselves apart from the ordinary people and developed a proud superiority complex. They performed many acts of virtue but their pride and sense of self-sufficiency vitiated their good deeds (see the description of the Pharisee and the tax-gatherer in the temple, in Lk. 18: 10-14). The opposition of the Pharisees and Scribes to Jesus began very early in his public life. It grew in strength daily until, with the help of the Sadducees, their arch-opponents, they finally nailed him to the cross.

The main reason why they opposed him so bitterly was his mercy, kindness and understanding for sinners. He ate with tax-gatherers and made one of them, Levi, an Apostle. He forgave the adulteress and many, many others. While he certainly did not approve of sin, he never uttered a hard word against any sinner. He had come, as he said, to call sinners to himself and to repentance. This he did all through his public life. He objected to the Pharisees, not because of their strict observance of the Mosaic Law nor of their insistence on human traditions – although they sometimes carried this to an intolerable extreme. He objected because they despised the lowly people, the uneducated in the law and traditions – those, in other words, who did not belong to their own exclusive class. To the Pharisees all these were "sinners," while they themselves had the worst sin of all – the original sin of mankind, the sin of pride.

In today's encounter with the Pharisees, Jesus tells them that they are hypocrites: "they honor God with their lips but their heart is far from God"; they obey the Law and the traditions, not to please God, but to be seen and admired by men; their motive, self-glorification, vitiates every otherwise good act they perform. Christ then addresses the people – the crowds who most likely had overheard his dialog with the Pharisees – and he tells them that it is not legal or cultic uncleanness that matters, but cleanliness of the heart before God. Eating with unwashed hands, or using unwashed vessels for drinking, does not defile a man, this does not make him less worthy before God.

It is not from things outside him that a man incurs defilement but from his own innermost self. Every serious sin against God and neighbor has its beginning within a man, in his intellect and will; the evil design is the forerunner and instigator of the evil deed.

The Pharisees should have known all this. They did know it. They knew very well that before a man breaks any of the commandments of God he must first plan and decide to break it; it was not their theology that was defective but their practice. They despised their neighbors and called fellowmen "sinners," because through ignorance they violated many of the man-made precepts the Pharisees had added to the Law of Moses. There were also fellow-Jews of theirs who violated the law itself, but it was not their right to judge or condemn much less excommunicate them, as they so often did in practice.

Christ condemned the Pharisees by word and deed. He was merciful, kind and understanding to all sinners. He forgave sin and promised forgiveness to all who would repent of their past misdeeds. Not only that: for he left to his followers for all time his sacrament of mercy and forgiveness, by means of which they could have their sins forgiven by his minister, acting in his name. Should we ever forget all he has done for us and disobey in a serious way any of his commandments, let us remember that we are not excluded from his company as the sinners were excluded by the Pharisees: we have banged the door on ourselves but he has given us the key with which to reopen it. Let us never be so foolish as to fail to use that key.

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



WEEKLY BULLETINS VIA E-MAIL

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Parish Office Hours

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Wednesday, 12 - 5

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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

The anointing of the sick is administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness, especially near the time of death. It is most likely one of the last sacraments one will receive.

Please call the parish office to schedule or if you are in danger of death, please call 304-691-0537

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.

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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, August 31, 2024	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Sunday, September 1, 2024	10:30 AM	Mass for †Aunt Julie Garton by Cole Watson
Monday, September 2, 2024	9:00 AM	Mass for †Francis Brumley
Tuesday, September 3, 2024	5:50 PM	Celebrant's Intentions
Wednesday, September 4, 2024	5:50 PM	Mass for †Charles and Dorothy Durham by family
Thursday, September 5, 2024	8:15 AM	Mass for †James Sweeney by David Curtis
Friday, September 6, 2024	8:15 AM	Mass for †Fr. Leo Lydon by Fred and Deborah Garton Butler
Saturday, September 7, 2024	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Sunday, September 8, 2024	10:30 AM	Mass for Alex and Fiona Ayala's 12th anniversary by Mary Hall

The sanctuary lamp is burning in memory of Larry Dodson, August 25 - September 7, 2024.

Prayer List

Those who are sick: Hernan Ayala, Jill Balser, Allison Barker, Bill Bennett, Dan Brannon, Jamie Breen, Margaret Carr, Jody Craig, Brad Curtis, George Determan, Bonnie Detamore, Libby Ferrell, Sara Ferrell, Katie Frazer, Holly Garton, Janie Garton, Marsha Garton, Andrea Heath, Coretta Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, Pat Kiddy, Dave King, David Lewis, Rochelle Long, Matt McCauley, Lisa Marlow, Patty Moody, Steve Murray, Susan Murray, Judy Nicholas, Sue Nutter, Mary Oldaker, Amy Price, Michael Pugh, Raylee Rahming, Dee Ann Reichner, Brenda Riley, Dan Rittenhouse, Loretta Stitt, Marge Tiemey, Helen Tomaro, Don True, Diane Walker, Kathy Watson, Audrey Westfall, Tonya Woofter

Those who have died: Mary Lou Davison, 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 Bryan Tedeschi

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	118
Sunday	221
Total	339
Saturday	\$2774
Sunday	\$1054
Mail/Drop Box	\$550
Total	\$4378
School	\$70
Votives	\$
Maintenance	\$130
Loan	\$
Organ	\$20
Wesbanco Balance	\$46,265.65
Organ Loan Bal.	\$65,912.10

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**Special Collection for
the Archdiocese of
Imphal
September 7 & 8**

You do not have envelopes
for this collection. Please use
an envelope from the pew
and mark it for the
Archdiocese of Imphal.



2024 Catholic Sharing Appeal Update

**Goal \$22,465 Raised \$10,840 48%
Need \$392.50 (to reach 50%)**

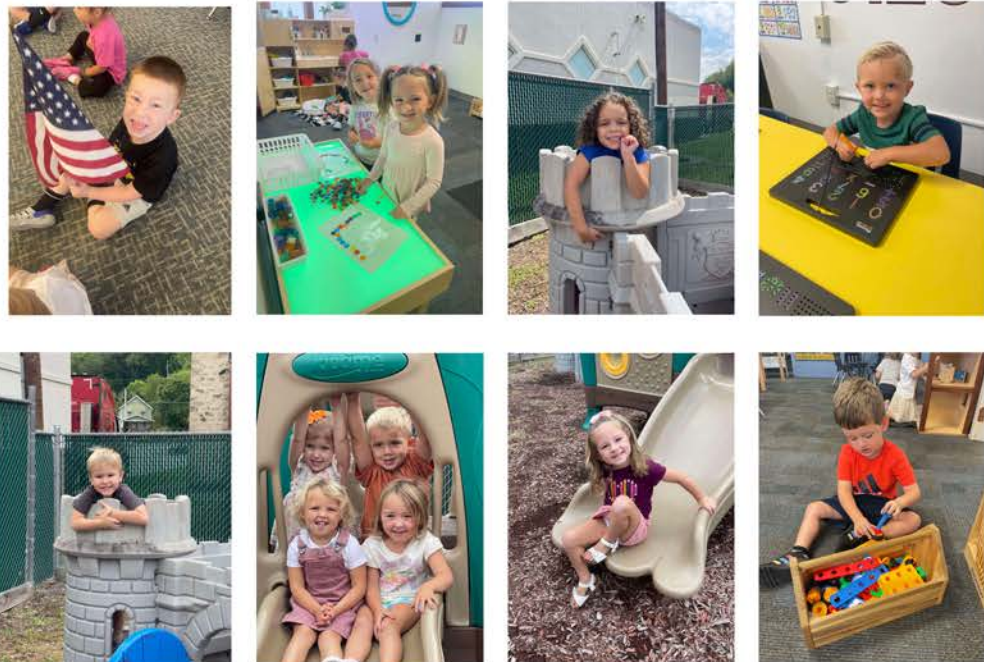
Once we reach the 50% mark or \$11,232.50, all donations made to this appeal are returned in full to the parish! You may give online at dwc.org or by putting your donation in the collection basket. Please make sure it is CLEARLY marked for CSA or the Catholic Sharing Appeal.



Pre-K has their first show-and-tell of the year, sharing with their class something from the summer.



Kindergarten enhances their reading skills by creating the setting and characters from the book, "Little Quack's New Friend" out of play-doh.





SCHOOL ASSEMBLY



Wednesday morning, our students had the incredible opportunity to hear from a true West Virginia legend, Coach Joe Mazzulla, the current head coach of the Boston Celtics. Before leading an NBA team, Coach Mazzulla played basketball for West Virginia University and later coached at both Glenville and Fairmont State.

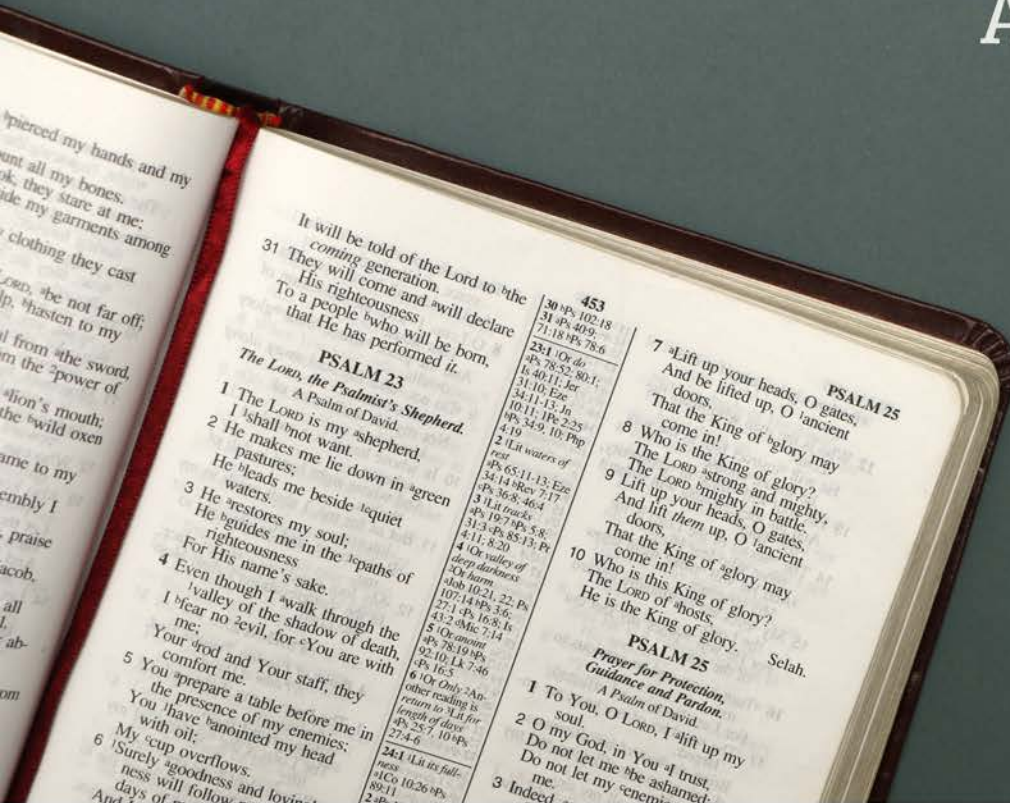
What truly sets Coach Mazzulla apart is his unwavering Catholic faith. He's a living testament to the power of putting God first in everything you do. Through his journey in professional basketball and life, Coach Mazzulla has demonstrated that faith and prayer are the foundation of true strength and growth.

Our students were blessed to hear his wisdom, and a few even had the chance to ask him questions. Coach Mazzulla left us with a powerful message: faith is stronger than fear, and rather than striving for perfection or worldly success, we should focus on becoming who Jesus wants us to be—good people made perfect in His image. We are deeply grateful for Coach Mazzulla's time and for allowing our students to connect with a role model who exemplifies walking strong in faith.

Adult Catechesis

Thank you for participating in the Adult Catechesis Survey. In response to the survey we will host an Adult Discussion series on Holy Scripture and the interdependence between Scripture, Apostolic Tradition, and Authority of the Church.

Our first session will be
Sunday, September 15th at 9:15 AM in the school cafeteria. Bring your bible and a notepad.



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

OICIA

Registration is open for:

- people who wish to come into the Church
- those who are curious about Catholic teachings
- adults who need formation for the sacrament of confirmation
- Catholics who simply need a "refresher" course on the basics of the faith.



REGISTER USING THE QR CODE FOR
MORE INFORMATION

The parish office will be closed on September 2 and 3!

ON DECK

September 2 & 3

Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, September 3

7:00 p.m., Knights of Columbus meeting, cafeteria

September 7 & 8

Special collection for the diocese of Imphal.

Sunday, September 8

Confirmation back in Session

Wednesday, September 11

OCIA Orientation

Sunday, September 15

- Adult Catechesis Kickoff, Cafeteria 9:15
- First Communion Formation Kickoff
- Donut Sunday

Monday, September 16

6:00 Catholic Daughters meeting, cafeteria

Sunday September 22

Confirmation

Sunday, September 29

3:00 p.m., Parish Picnic
Lewis County Park, large pavilion

Our Neighbor Collection

September: Paper towels

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

Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 29, 2024

3:00 p.m.

Lewis County Park, Large Pavilion

The parish will provide the meat bring a covered dish and enjoy the afternoon with your parish family.

Anyone interested in helping should contact the parish office.



Donut Sunday September 15

Sponsored by Steven Anisko and the choir.

**Knights of
Columbus
Meeting**



**The Knights of Columbus
will meet on Tuesday,
September 3 at 7:00 p.m. in
the school cafeteria.**

Save the Date

Sunday, October 20, 2024

Mass and Homecoming at St. Bernard Church, Loveberry.

Mass will be at 1:00 p.m.

Mike Riffle will provide all the food - no need to bring a covered dish.

Mission Co-Op Weekend, Sept 7/8

(Archdiocese of Imphal)

The mission diocese of Imphal in the State of Manipur in Northeast India is home to 34 indigenous tribes of Mongolian origin. Ever since first Catholic baptism in 1952, Catholic population has grown up to 1, 01283 as of now. The diocese has 45 parishes, and 8 Mission Centers, 174 priests including 114 indigenous tribal priests. The growth of the Church has always been accompanied by various challenges and persecutions during the past decades. Between 1990 – 2001, six of our young and dynamic missionaries were killed for witnessing the gospel. Yet the Church in Manipur is growing and blessed with lots of vocations to priesthood and religious life.



Special Collection for the Archdiocese of Imphal September 7 & 8

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