

## NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Gospel Commentary

The Gospel is from St. Luke 12:32-48 and in a few vivid and expressive similes, our Lord tells the disciples and through them, all his followers, how they should conduct their lives on earth so that they would always be found in God's friendship when their call to judgment comes. In answer to a question put to him by Peter, our Lord says that more will be expected of those who have received greater gifts from God than of those who received lesser gifts.

This teaching of our Lord should make us all sit up and take serious notice. He has taken us into his household. He has made us his "little flock." We are invited guests in his home, his Church, rather than mere servants. He warns us today that we must always be busy about our vocation, about the reason why he invited us into his home. If we grasped clearly what that call of Christ means, what our Christian vocation is, we would hardly need today's warning. We are Christians, we are members of his Church, for our own eternal good. God, through Christ's Incarnation, has put us on the road to heaven. He is ever helping us on the way. Could we be so blind to our own welfare that we would risk losing the eternal life that God has in store for us, and for which He went to the extreme lengths of love? In our saner moments we would give an emphatic no to this question. Yet, we must look the real facts of life in the face. There are many Christians who are destined for heaven but who, in their folly, have left the only road which leads there, and are now traveling in the opposite direction.

Some of us here present may be among these foolish ones. We may have let this world get such a grip on us that we have no time or thought for the world that is to come. For such foolish people, and indeed for all of us, today's warning is that our call to judgment will come on each one of us like a thief in the night, at a moment when we least expect it. This need not be a sudden death. Of every thousand who die after long illnesses in our hospitals, there rarely is one who knows and admits he is about to die, so actually all deaths are sudden, that is, unexpected.



The month of August is dedicated to The Immaculate Heart of Mary.

However the unexpected death, which we are sure to get, need not worry the ordinary good Christian. It is the unprepared, the unprovided death which must cause us anxiety. It need not, if, when it comes, it finds us living in God's grace, living the ordinary Christian life, doing our daily tasks but doing them as part of our duty to God. We have to take an interest in the affairs of this world, but the interest must never exclude our eternal interest. Instead it can and must help us toward the one real interest that man has in this life, that is, to earn his eternal life.

Take a serious look at your way of living today. Is your behavior in the home, in your place of work, in your recreation, in your relations with God—prayers and church attendance—and with your neighbor, it is such that you would change nothing in it, if you were told by God that you were to die tonight? If it is, thank God for it and keep on going; you are on the right road. If it is not, don't wait for God to tell you when or where you will die; he will not tell you. Put things right today, and then you need not worry when your call to judgment comes. Death will be graduation day for the good Christian—not examination day.

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

*WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH. WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!*

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Wednesday, 12 - 5

Thursday and Friday, 9 - 1



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## Mass Schedule

Monday - 8:15 a.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.

(During Lent - Adoration begins at 1pm on Wednesdays.)

## 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](http://virtusonline.org).

Thank you for your continued support in making the environment at St. Patrick Church and school safe for everyone.

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 of children by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, contact one of the following designees at 1.888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Sr. Martha Gomez, ext. 264. Or you may call Rev. Don Higgs, 304.685.2367, the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504, or Victims Assistance Coordinator Erin McFarland at 304.559.6742. Please visit [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org) under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

*"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 9, 2025   | 5:30 PM  | Mass for the People of the Parish                                             |
| Sunday, August 10, 2025    | 10:30 AM | Mass for *Paul Derico                                                         |
| Monday, August 11, 2025    | 8:15 AM  | Mass for *Marjorie Ruppert by Scott Garton                                    |
| Tuesday, August 12, 2025   | 6:00 PM  | Celebrant's Intentions                                                        |
| Wednesday, August 13, 2025 | 6:00 PM  | Mass for *Sara Garton Murray by Mary Ellen and Margaret Ann Lydon             |
| Thursday, August 14, 2025  | 8:15 AM  | Mass for *James Sweeney by David Curtis                                       |
| Friday, August 15, 2025    | 8:15 AM  | <b>Mass for the People of the Parish</b>                                      |
|                            | 6:00 PM  | <b>Mass for *Dorothy Butcher by Benjamin, Samuel &amp; Dominic Milinovich</b> |
| Saturday, August 16, 2025  | 5:30 PM  | Mass for *Louis & Diana Conti by family                                       |
| Sunday, August 17, 2025    | 10:30 AM | Mass for the People of the Parish                                             |

**CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO SPONSOR THE SANCTUARY LAMP FOR A TWO WEEK PERIOD!**



The sanctuary lamp is burning in memory of Paul Derico, by the family, August 10 - 23, 2025.

## Prayer List

Those who are sick: Michael James, (PA Burn Center), Vicki Almase, Hernan Ayala, Cyndee Becker, Bill Bennett, Tim Bennett, Tyrone Binford, Kathy Boyle, Kelsea Butcher, Margaret Carr, Jody Craig, Bonnie Detamore, Libby Ferrell, Sara Ferrell, Charles Frame, Katie Frazer, Greg Garton, Jeff Garton, Marsha Garton, Dave Gissy, Tim Haggan, Lucille Hicks, Mark Jamison, Coretta Jefferson, Brice Johnston, Shawn Keyser, Pat Kiddy, Dave King, Bernadette Law, David Lewis, Beth Linger, Catherine Lipps, Rochelle Long, Matt McCauley, James McClain, Robert McClain, Louise Mehr, Judy Nicholas, Sue Nutter, Mary Oldaker, Amy Price, Raylee Rahming, Brenda Riley, Dan Rittenhouse, Cody and Lindsey Skinner, Mary Smith, Micki Snyder, Terry Sprouse, Nile Straley, Ray and Sue Swiger, Marge Tierney, Diane Walker, Jane White, Kyle Wilkinson

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:

Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

All seminarians: Especially Joe Derico, and Andrew Dean

Former priests and religious of and from our parish

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

All struggling with infertility.

**To add or remove names to the prayer list, please call or email Sandy at the parish office!**

## Attendance & Collections

|                    |             |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Saturday           | 87          |
| Sunday             | 200         |
| Total              | 287         |
| Saturday           | \$1471      |
| Sunday             | \$1368      |
| Mail/Drop Box      | \$1245      |
| Total              | \$4084      |
| School             | \$236       |
| Votives            | \$95        |
| Maintenance        | \$91        |
| Loan               | \$          |
| Organ              | \$          |
| Wesbanco Balance   | \$33,110.05 |
| Organ Loan Balance | \$59,094.52 |
| HVAC               | \$1200      |

## Sound System and Air Conditioning Update

**Thank you for generosity!  
We have raised \$20,030!**

Donations can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office. Please make sure you write "air conditioner/sound system" on the memo line or envelope.

## Catholic Sharing Appeal Update! - Thank you!

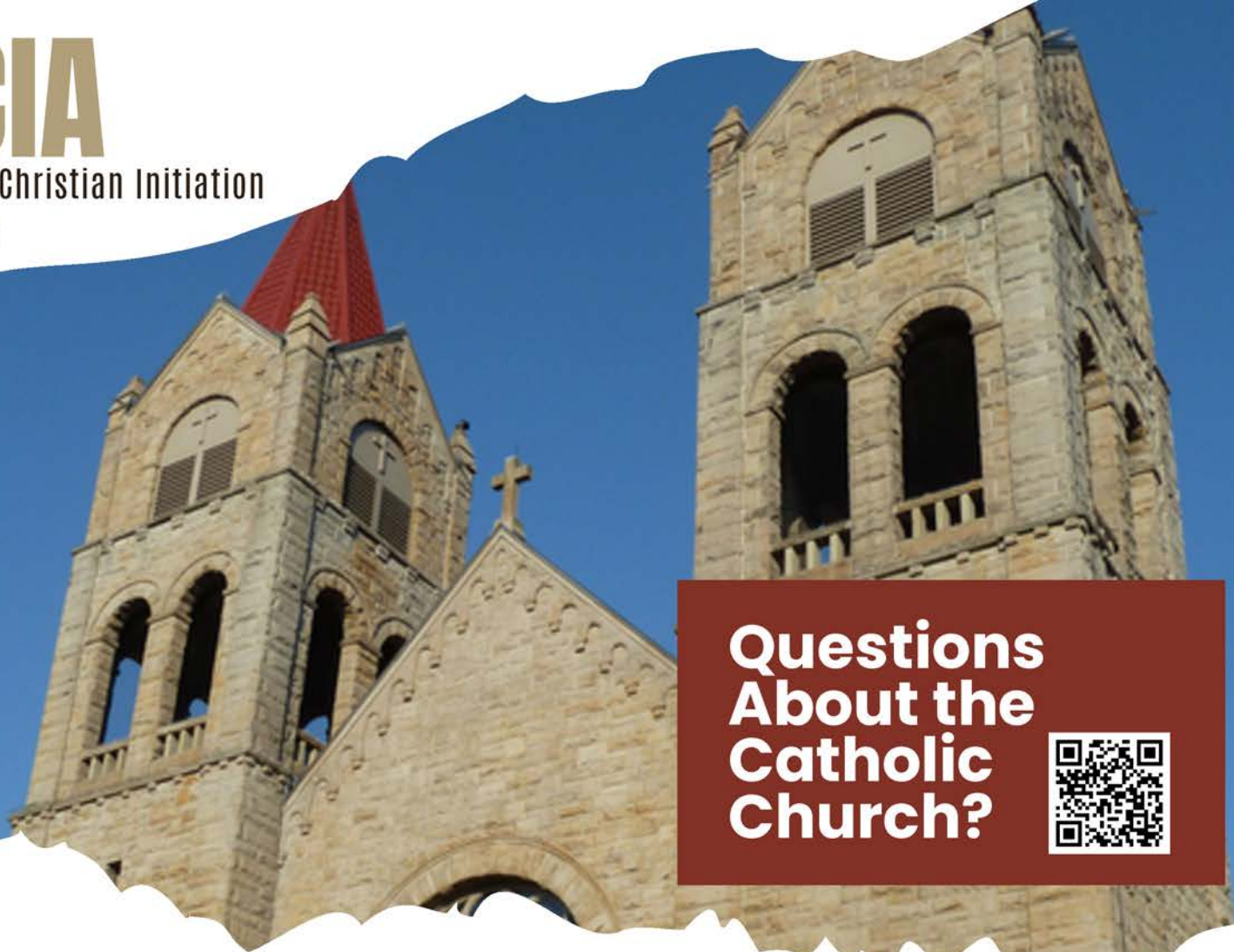
St. Patrick Parish, Weston

**Raised \$21,119 of \$24,400 with 20 gifts**

87%

# OCIA

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## Questions About the Catholic Church?



If you do not understand the Catholic Church, you are not alone. There are many misconceptions, misunderstandings, or simply erroneous beliefs in our society about Catholicism.

Now is the time to figure out what the Catholic Church is all about.

**Why do Catholics confess  
their sins to a priest?**

**Why do Catholics pray to  
saints?**

**Do Catholics really think the  
pope is infallible?**

Do you have questions like these?

Find answers to these and more starting **September 21<sup>st</sup>**. Use the QR code above to register. Questions? Email: [mwhite.stpats@gmail.com](mailto:mwhite.stpats@gmail.com)

## Testimonial

*"When I first considered joining OCIA, I was hesitant and skeptical. I had a wall up. I was unsure of what I'd learn, what would be asked of me, and whether I would belong. I feared the truth might challenge me in uncomfortable ways. The depth and tradition of the Church felt overwhelming. But beneath it all, I knew something was missing. I carried a deep emptiness that nothing and no one could fill, until I realized what I was longing for was a true relationship with God.*

*What I didn't expect was how deeply I would connect with the Church, the people or how much it would begin to transform me from within. OCIA became a journey not just of learning, but of healing, discovery, and peace..."*

*-Nastausha H. (OCIA Class of 2025)*

**Becoming Catholic May  
Not Be in Your Plans this  
Year...**

**But Maybe it Should Be?**

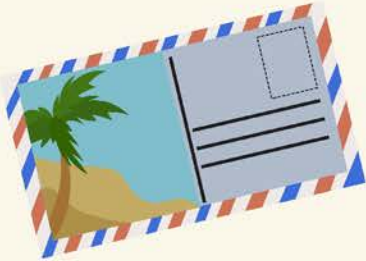
# CHURCH VISITORS & PARISHIONER'S TRAVELS

## DON'T TAKE A VACATION FROM MASS THIS SUMMER

A loving reminder that vacation is not considered a valid reason to miss Sunday Mass. When you plan a trip, include Mass in your itinerary to meet your Sunday obligation.

If you visit a different parish or holy site this summer, snap a photo of your family at the and email it to Sandy along with the parish name, city, and state as we would love to feature your travels in the bulletin!

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## VISITORS & PILGRIMS

For those visiting our parish, we would love to include you in our bulletin. Take a picture and email it to the address below. Tell us your names, where you are visiting from and the name of your home parish!

The Nelson family from Immaculate Conception Parish in Park Hills, MO are repeat visitors to our parish. They join us for Mass each year when they are in the area.

Lydia, Matthew, Michelle, and Dave Nelson



## PARISHIONER'S TRAVELS

Jim, Andrea and Wren Cunningham visited their home parish in Boyertown, Pennsylvania this summer. Wren was both prayed for and baptized in this church!



Saint Columbkil Parish in Boyertown, PA.

Rachel Smith and family visited the Co-Cathedral in Charleston during their summer travels.



Basilica Of The Co-Cathedral Of The Sacred Heart, Charleston



Steven, Megan, Thomas, and Mary White attended Mass at Immaculate Conception Church, Lock Haven, PA.

The Cunningham family (Chris, Keely, Johna, & Reece) traveled to Grove City Ohio for a softball tournament last weekend. They attended Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help.





This past weekend, we celebrated our 22nd Annual St. Patrick School Golf Tournament, and what an incredible day it was! We had an amazing turnout, great weather, and lots of friendly competition on the course. A huge thank you to all of our sponsors who made this event possible — your continued support helps us keep faith and academic excellence thriving at St. Patrick School.

**Congratulations to our top teams!**

- 1st Place: Team Pinkney
- 2nd Place: Team Hall
- 3rd Place: Team Nichols

We're so grateful to everyone who participated, volunteered, and donated. We couldn't do it without our teachers, school board, and community! Here's to another successful year — see you at next year!



**Yearbook Search**

Do you have a St. Patrick's School Yearbook from the 1940s (40, 41, 42, 43) that could be borrowed?

Contact: Diana Karp Thompson 304-472-1947

**BACK TO SCHOOL**

**Kicking Off the School Year with Mass and School Open House**

Monday, August 18  
Mass: 5:30 p.m.

Open House: immediately after Mass

The students return on Tuesday, August 19.

**St. Patrick Catholic School**

**We're Hiring**

- Physical Education
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join the  
**CELEBRATION!**



The Derico family invites the parish to join them on Sunday, August 10 for a farewell reception for Joe, who leaves for Rome the next week. There, Joe will continue his priestly studies and formation at the Pontifical North American College for the next 4 years. The reception will be held in the gym and will be immediately after 10:30 Mass. Let's send Joe off knowing how much he is loved and appreciated by his family, friends and parish.

## THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15TH

MASS WILL BE OFFERED AT 8:15 A.M. AND  
6:00 P.M.



**Special Collection this Weekend!!!**

**Please use the envelopes in the pew and write on them Diocese of Tanga and place in the collection baskets.**

### MINISTRY IN THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF TANGA, TANZANIA

One of the major tasks the Catholic Diocese of Tanga faces is to make the presence of Jesus Christ and His Gospel known to more than 90% of the diocesan population which is not Catholic. Most of the people in the diocese are poor. They are living on a subsistent economy. Many people are living in the rural areas where they get very little opportunities for public education and public health. Even those who are living in urban centers where they are close to the public services, little is provided to them because of the government inability to finance those services.

Every resource which the diocese earns is directed towards training and educating good church personnel to preach the Good News to the hungry souls, erecting catholic schools for thousands of children, conducting adult literacy classes where basic life skills are taught, opening dispensaries in villages for primary health care, erecting simple church buildings for worshipping, initiating clean tap water projects in rural areas, and helping to erect small food storages in villages to help peasants during the times of shortage.

## On Deck

### August 9 & 10

Special Collection for the Diocese of Tanga, Tanzania

### Sunday, August 10

Farewell Reception for Joe Derico, gym (immediately after Mass)

### August 16 & 17

Special Collection for the Education of DWC Seminarians

### Monday, August 18

5:30 p.m., St. Patrick School Open House Mass,

### Tuesday, August 19

First day of classes for St. Pat's Students

### Our Neighbor Collection

**August:** Bath Soap, Dish Soap, Laundry Supplies

The Our Neighbor pantry is in need of the items listed above. They don't need conditioner just shampoo as well as the other items listed.

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



### Flocknote for You

Our database changed from ParishSoft to Flocknote in June. We have used Flocknote for sending bulletins since 2020. Now we use it for sacrament tracking, donations, announcements and more. We are still learning all the things we can do with the program. One of the best things is that you can access and update your own information such as addresses and phone numbers. You can view your sacramental records and weekly giving. Not all of the sacramental information has been transferred yet but we are working on it.

Call or email the parish office if you need help accessing your information.

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