

# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

*"But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" -Luke 18:8*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Special Collection**  
October 18th & 19th  
World Mission Sunday
- **Mass & Picnic @ St. Bernards**  
October 19th  
1:00 PM Mass  
Loveberry
- **All Saints Day Mass**  
Saturday, November 1st  
9:00 AM
- **All Souls Day**  
Sunday, November 2nd
- **Parish Square Dance**  
November 8th  
6:30 PM  
School Gym
- **Special Collection**  
November 8<sup>th</sup> & 9th  
Archdiocese of Military Services
- **Donut Sunday**  
November 9th  
Cafeteria
- **Solemnity of Christ the King  
Donut Sunday**  
November 23  
Cafeteria



In today's gospel, Jesus shares the Parable of the Persistent Widow and the Unjust Judge, teaching us about the necessity of perseverance in prayer. The widow, despite facing indifference from the judge, persists in seeking justice. Her unwavering determination eventually leads the unjust judge to grant her request, not out of righteousness, but to avoid further annoyance.

Jesus uses this parable to illuminate a profound truth about our relationship with God. Unlike the unjust judge, God is a loving and just Father who always desires what is best for His children. If persistence can move a reluctant heart, how much more will our persevering prayer touch the heart of our Father who listens with love and compassion?

This passage encourages us never to lose heart, especially when our prayers seem unanswered. It is a call to trust in God's timing and wisdom,

knowing that He understands our needs even better than we do. The widow's example reminds us that fidelity in prayer is not about changing God's mind but aligning our hearts with His will.

Moreover, Jesus concludes with a question of faith: "When the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?" (Luke 18:8). This prompts us to reflect on our faith's endurance. Do we approach God with the same tenacity as the widow, confident in His goodness?

As we meditate on this parable, let us reaffirm our commitment to a prayerful life. In doing so, may we grow in trust and intimacy with God, discovering the peace and strength that comes from constant communion with Him.

Ask yourself: How can I cultivate a more persistent and trusting prayer life, even when faced with challenges and uncertainties?

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

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Wednesday, 12 - 5

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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, October 18, 2025	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Sunday, October 19, 2025	10:30 AM	Mass for *Deceased Members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas
	1:00 PM	Mass for *Deceased members of the Loveberry Community
Monday, October 20, 2025	8:15 AM	Mass for *Rex Mick by family.
Tuesday, October 21, 2025	6:00 PM	Celebrant's Intentions
Wednesday, October 22, 2025	6:00 PM	Mass for *Larry Dodson by family
Thursday, October 23, 2025	8:15 AM	Mass for *Fr. Donal O'Donovan by Fred and Deborah Garton Butler
Friday, October 24, 2025	8:15 AM	Mass for Fr. Carter Griffin
Saturday, October 25, 2025	5:30 PM	Mass for *Paul Flesher by Pat Kiddy and sons
Sunday, October 26, 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 for in memory of members of the Flesher & Kiddy families, October 19 - November 1, 2025.

## Prayer List

Those who are sick: Vicki Almase, Alex Ayala, Cyndee Becker, Bill Bennett, Tim Bennett, Allen Butcher, Kelsea Butcher, Margaret Carr, Carol Conrad, Jody Craig, Bonnie Detamore, Libby Ferrell, Sara Ferrell, Charles Frame, Katie Frazer, Greg Garton, Jeff Garton, Marsha Garton, Dave Gissy, Tim Haggan, Michael James, Mark Jamison, Coretta Jefferson, Brice Johnston, Pat Kiddy, Dave King, Bernadette Law, David Lewis, Beth Linger, Catherine Lipps, Rochelle Long, Matt McCauley, James McClain, Louise Mehr, Judy Nicholas, David Nuzum, Amy Price, Raylee Rahming, Mike Ramsey, Brenda Riley, Dan Rittenhouse, Gage Ruley, Charles Sailor, 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.

Those who are participating in OCIA.

Those in our First Communion Preparation classes.

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

## Reminder

As part Bishop Brennan's debt forgiveness for the Year of Hope, parishes will not pay the Cathedral assessment (normally 3% of net assessable income) in 2025 and the PHRA Assessment is reduced to 4% (normally 6%).



Raised: \$21,619 (89%)  
Goal: \$24,400  
Difference: \$2781

## Attendance & Collections

Saturday	123
Sunday	178
Total	301
Saturday	\$1669
Sunday	\$1791
Mail/Drop Box	\$497
Total	\$3927
School	\$90
Votives	\$72
Maintenance	\$65
Loan	\$50
Organ	\$80
Webanco Balance	\$29,111.52
Organ Loan Balance	\$58,120.58

## FORMED

Discover your faith with the Best Catholic media at home or on the go at [formed.org](https://formed.org).

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## Mass & Picnic @ St. Bernard's

**October 19th | 1:00 PM | Loveberry**

Reconnect with your roots and join us for our Annual Homecoming at the historic St. Bernard's Church in Loveberry on October 19th at 1:00 PM. This beautiful church stands as a testament to the rich history of Catholicism in Lewis County, reminding us of the strong foundation of faith planted by our ancestors.

Following Mass, we'll share a delicious meal together provided by Mike Riffle. No need to bring anything. Everything will be provided.



**Knights of Columbus  
Council 1415**

## Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

**Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest – 2025  
Deadline – November 3, 2025**

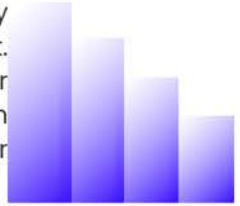
In addition to St. Patrick's School students, all children of the parish are encouraged to participate in this year's "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. Registration forms can be found in the vestibule. Posters can be turned into the parish office.

Please note these important details:

1. "Keep Christ in Christmas" MUST be on the poster.
2. Please make sure the entry form is filled out completely, including the parent's signature.
3. Staple (not tape) the entry form to the back of the poster.
4. Make sure the grade is checked on the entry form.
5. Posters will not be returned.

## Debt Progress

Thanks to your generous contributions we are slowly making progress on our debt. The organ loan is now under \$60,000 and our WesBanco loan balance which is now under \$30,000.



## Parish Square Dance

**November 8th | 6:30 PM | School Gymnasium**

Join us for a night of dancing! All ages are welcome!



## Baby Bottle Update

As of last week, the parish has collected \$448.34

The money will be used to buy car seats for the Family Resource Network and distributed among various agencies that promote life.

Participate by filling a baby bottle and placing your full bottles in the designated bag in the vestibule.



**DONATE  
NOW**

## Our Neighbor Collection

We are collecting spaghetti sauce, cereal, and green beans for Our Neighbor this month. Kindly place donations in the cabinet outside the back door of the parish office.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Upcoming Faith Formation and Catechetical Certification Opportunities for Fall 2025**

Catechesis is central to evangelization and mission in the Church and core to catechesis are the Scriptures and the Tradition of the Church. Whether you are active as a catechist or are interested in learning more about your faith, the courses and seminars offered by the University of Dayton's VLCFF through the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston will deepen your understanding of the Catholic faith and Tradition. Courses are offered in person, online and hybrid. Below are three hybrid courses being offered beginning Oct 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025. All courses are free, but registration is required. The courses are being underwritten by the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston's Office of Evangelization & Catechesis, who pays 100% of the tuition and the cost of any books associated with the courses. The course instructor is Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu. For further information or to register, please contact Dr. Stoicoiu at [rodicastoicoiuphd@gmail.com](mailto:rodicastoicoiuphd@gmail.com)

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston offers Catechetical Certification and recognizes VLCFF courses for various levels of certification. Certain courses are especially designed for volunteer catechists, Catholic school religion teachers, members of OCIA teams and all those who would be enriched by formal training in this field. For further information regarding the VLCFF certification program please contact Dr. Stoicoiu or Ms. Shirley Carter at [scarter@dwc.org](mailto:scarter@dwc.org). There are 6 required courses for level one certification including the Sacraments class below. Both classes are open to ALL adults interested in deepening their faith and growing in their understanding of the theology and Tradition of the Church.

### **Sacraments**

Five Week Course, Begins the week of Oct 26<sup>th</sup>. This course is part of the Certificate in Catechesis series. During this course we will examine the theology of the sacraments and their place in the public, liturgical prayer of the Church especially because the Church is most deeply Church when it gathers for liturgy. We will discuss each of the sacraments within the context of their role in the lives of the faithful: sacraments of initiation, healing and reconciliation, and service to community. This course is open to everyone. It is part of the Certificate in Catechesis and will be especially helpful for catechists, members of OCIA teams, and all those interested in deepening their faith. The class will meet on Wednesday evenings on Zoom at 7 pm beginning on Oct 29<sup>th</sup>. To register or for further information please contact Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu [rodicastoicoiuphd@gmail.com](mailto:rodicastoicoiuphd@gmail.com)

### **Survey of Catholic Social Teaching**

Five Week Course, Begins the week of Oct 26<sup>th</sup>. It has been said that the social justice teachings of the Church are some of its best kept secrets! This course is an introduction to Catholic Social Teaching and will look at the basic documents of Church, and scripture to help us reflect on the root causes of injustice in our communities and the just actions we are called to take. This course is part of the Certificate in Social Justice series, is open to everyone. The class will meet on Thursday afternoons at 4 pm on Zoom beginning on Oct 30<sup>th</sup>. To register or for further information please contact Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu [rodicastoicoiuphd@gmail.com](mailto:rodicastoicoiuphd@gmail.com)

### **This Land Is Home To Me: The Cry of Appalachia**

This is a special three-week seminar beginning the week of Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>. It was developed especially for the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. The people of Appalachia have a special story to tell about their relationship with the land, with one another and with God. As part of the ongoing celebrations, the Church of West Virginia is invited to participate in this seminar focused on the Pastoral Letter: This Land is Home to Me. We will study and discuss the Pastoral in light of the Appalachian experiences of poverty, powerlessness and suffering today. The current scheduled seminar meets via Zoom on Monday evenings at 7 pm. To register or for further information please contact Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu [rodicastoicoiuphd@gmail.com](mailto:rodicastoicoiuphd@gmail.com)

We are called throughout our lives to turn and re-turn to God. This is the process of ongoing conversion. Deepening our understanding of faith, growing in our relationship with God and one another includes learning about that faith, the Scriptures, and our Tradition. Take time this year to meet other Catholics, learn, discuss, and deepen your faith.

# St. Patrick's School

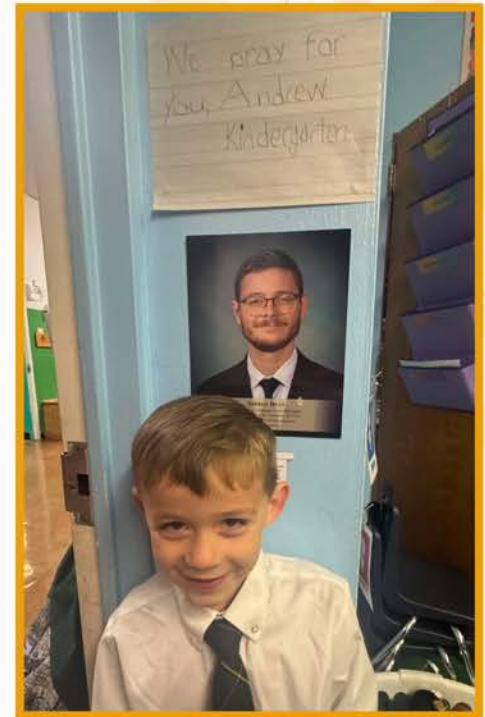
## The Bishop & Superintendent Visits Our School

St. Patrick's School was honored to welcome His Excellency, Bishop Mark Brennan, and Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Jennifer Hornyak, for their much-anticipated annual visit last week! The day began with a beautiful Mass celebrated by the Bishop, where students, faculty, and staff gathered in prayer. Following Mass, Bishop Brennan took time to visit classrooms, delighting students by answering their thoughtful and curious questions. Lunchtime was even more special as both the Bishop and Superintendent joined students for a meal filled with smiles and conversation. One of the most heartwarming moments came from our preschoolers, who gifted the Bishop a "David Stone" — a small but powerful reminder that nothing is too big for God.



## Classrooms Adopt a Seminarian

Each classroom at St. Patrick's School has embraced the tradition of adopting a diocesan seminarian to keep in their daily prayers. Kindergartener Andrew Jerden was delighted to learn that he shares his name with their adoptee- seminarian Andrew Dean! Continue to pray for vocations and for our seminarians.



## Preschool Fun



Following an exciting visit to the fire department, Mrs. Sheila kept the learning alive in preschool with a week full of fire safety-themed activities.

## Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Students are enthusiastically filling their class baby bottles with donations as part of the ongoing "Baby Bottle Fundraiser" — all to support mothers and babies in need.

The friendly competition is adding to the excitement: the class that raises the most will win a pizza party with Father Ondeck! With such a fun reward on the line and a meaningful cause at heart, the energy is high and the generosity even higher.

So far the school has raised \$825.10. Pre-School is leading and 1<sup>st</sup> grade is less than \$40 behind. The fundraiser will continue through October 31.



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