

St. Patrick's Church

August 20th, 2024

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SETTING THE WORLD ON FIRE

The theme strung throughout the readings for today are evident: God began his covenant with the chosen people, Israel, and through his son Jesus Christ, began a new and everlasting covenant that extended to the entire world. We see throughout scripture that God's people easily took for granted the gifts given to them. God offered them protection, land, food, the joy of his law, and the glory of true worship, yet they often forsook him for other gods and the comforts of this world. This rejection ultimately peaks when God fulfills all of his promises to Israel by sending his son. St. Paul writes in his letter to the Romans: "I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I glory in my ministry in order to make my race jealous and thus save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?" We see here his frustration with his own people, the Jews, in their rejection of Christ as well as his joy in the expansion of grace to all of the nations of the world (the gentiles). He recognizes that if the power of their rejection is the salvation of the world, how much more would their acceptance of Christ be?

There is nothing new under the sun. We as Catholics often forget that we are the gentiles grafted into God's covenant family. Our ancestors went from knowing nothing about the true God to having the fullness of his revelation through Jesus and were offered to participate in his divine life through the sacraments. Yet, we become like the ancient Israelites when we take these graces for granted.

It is often said that "converts make the best Catholics." Converts are typically filled with devotion, zeal, and reverence-- at least in the beginning of their journey with Christ. Why are "Cradle Catholics" not notorious for these dispositions? After all, they are the ones who were born into such grace, always at arms reach of God in the tabernacle. So many Catholics lose their faith. We become accustomed to God's goodness. We become focused on the world.



We fail to educate ourselves in the faith and pass love, knowledge, and devotion down to our children. We get lost in our sin and forget his abundant grace offered to us in the sacrament of reconciliation. We lose sight of the cross when the priest holds up that sacred host. But as St. Paul said of the Israelites: "...what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?" What would happen if faith were reignited in the hearts of Catholics? At the National Eucharistic Congress this summer, Bishop Robert Barron stated that in America alone there are 70 million Catholics--almost a quarter of the American population! He invited listeners to reflect, "What if seventy million Catholics, starting tonight, began to live their faith radically and dramatically?" He exclaimed... "We'd set the nation on fire!"

Inspired by today's readings, let us reflect on our disposition towards our Lord. May we all have a "reversion" in our spiritual lives and set the world ablaze with God's love shining through us!

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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.

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 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 17, 2024	5:30 PM	Mass for †Bob Thompson
Sunday, August 18, 2024	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Monday, August 19, 2024	5:30 PM	Mass for all Alumni of St. Patrick School.
Tuesday, August 20, 2024	5:50 PM	Celebrant's Intentions
Wednesday, August 21, 2024	5:50 PM	Mass for † Robert (Bob) Borchert by Jack and Kathy Burke, and Jason and Alicia Burke
Thursday, August 22, 2024	8:15 AM	Mass for †Irene and Rondel Curtis by David Curtis
Friday, August 23, 2024	8:15 AM	Mass for †Pat & Robeta Karp by family
Saturday, August 24, 2024	5:30 PM	Mass for †Marie Mclsaac
Sunday, August 25, 2024	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish

The sanctuary lamp is burning in memory of Andy and Mary Ondeck, August 11 - 24, 2024.

Prayer List

Those who are sick: Hernan Ayala, Jill Balsler, Bill Bennett, Dan Brannon, Jamie Breen, Margaret Carr, Brad Curtis, George Deteman, 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, 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 Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Don True, 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:

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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND for the education of our seminarians! Just a few years ago we had 4 now we have 18!

If using a pew envelope for this collection, please write **"seminarians"** on the envelope.

Attendance & Collections

Saturday	93
Sunday	219
Total	312
Saturday	\$1292
Sunday	\$2698
Mail/Drop Box	\$1580
Total	\$5570
School	\$125
Votives	\$60
Maintenance	\$
Loan	\$1000
Organ	\$50
Wesbanco Balance	\$46,265.65
Organ Loan Bal.	\$65,912.10

2024 Catholic Sharing Appeal Update

**Goal \$22,465 Raised \$10,425 46%
Need \$807.50 (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.



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Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.

Registration Now Open for

First Communion 2025



Orientation After Mass	August 25th	School Cafeteria
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All First Communion Participants Need to Register

COFFEE & CATECHESIS

ADULT CATECHESIS AT ST. PATRICK'S



If you are interested in discussing our faith over coffee, please help us by taking this survey.

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

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.



As we were making phenomenal progress in the field of evangelization, the State of Manipur witnessed the worst ethnic and religious persecution against the Christian minorities on May 3, 2023 which was unprecedented in the history of the Church in Manipur. The violence erupted in the form of burning of tribal villages and unprovoked shooting resulted in the killing of over 500 innocent Christians, including women and children. Nearly 70,000 fled their villages as most of their homes are completely burnt down and they have taken refuge in military camps and school buildings run by the churches. 248 Churches including five Catholic churches, rectories, schools, hostels and convents were vandalized and torched, causing widespread damages to properties worth millions of dollars. Presently church service is conducted in temporary sheds and school buildings. It will take several years to rebuild

the churches and all our institutions. Our immediate concern, however, is to alleviate people's sufferings through massive relief program and also to provide at least 500 low cost houses to the most affected families. Each house will cost \$6500. We have confidence in the resilience of our communities and the strength of their faith. We need your prayers and generous help to provide the much needed relief and build permanent homes to the suffering people in the archdiocese of Imphal.



Rev. Shinto Kuruppananattu on behalf of the mission will speak at all masses.

"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love"

Saint Mother Teresa

Any financial support you can give to the Mission Co-op would be greatly appreciated.



Archbishop is pictured with newly ordained priests.

Welcoming New Staff Members

Teachers new and old were busy preparing their classrooms this week and are excited for the school to be buzzing with students again!



Mrs. Nicole Hopkins

“Hi! My name is Nicole Hopkins and I am a first year teacher at St. Pats this year. I graduated with a degree in History/Political Science and Appalachian Studies from Glenville State University. I have always had a passion for teaching and I am so excited for the upcoming school year! I currently reside in Lewis County with my husband and two dogs. I coach youth league basketball and my favorite subject is Social Studies. I am looking forward to a great year!”



Mr. Anthony Atchison

“Hello Everyone! My name is Anthony Atchison and I will be working at St. Patrick Catholic School during the 2024-2025 academic year. I attended Lewis County High School and graduated in 2020. I pursued higher education at West Virginia Wesleyan College, where I earned my Bachelor’s Degree in 2024. I am thrilled to embark on this journey of teaching and look forward to getting to know everyone in the St. Pat’s community.”



Ms. Jane Horn

“I was a teacher in Lewis County public schools, retiring with 30 years experience as an art educator. I’m looking forward to extending my love of working with children and sharing the art experience with the students of St. Patrick’s School.”

BACK TO SCHOOL

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

August 19, 2024

Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 pm

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL AUG. 20!

Save the Date

Sunday, October 20, 2024
Mass and Homecoming at
St. Bernard Church,
Loveberry



ATTENTION

Volunteers

**Please check your
Virtus account to be
sure you are compliant.
Bishop Brennan
instituted new
requirements in July!**

The Virtus monthly bulletins will be included in a weekly bulletin (as space allows), placed in the church vestibule and on the website for the church and school. They will also be emailed to you each month.

ON DECK

Monday, August 19

5:30 p.m. Mass followed by the
School Open House

Tuesday, August 20

First Day of School

Sunday, August 25

First Communion Parent Meeting

Sunday, September 29

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



Celebrate
Five with 5
for Bishop Brennan's
Fifth Anniversary

Commemorate Bishop Mark's milestone year
with five gifts of prayer and works of mercy.

Add yours at:

dwc.org/celebrate-five

Our Neighbor Collection

August: Soap (bath, laundry, and
dish)

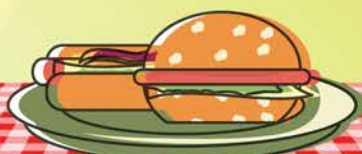
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the back porch of the parish office.

PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 29, 2024

3:00 p.m.

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