

# St. Patrick's Church

November 10th, 2024

## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Commentary on the Sunday Mass Readings for the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B:

**The First Reading** is taken from the First Book of Kings 17:10-16. In this reading we have one of the many miracles attributed to Elijah, the great prophet who preached in the northern kingdom between 900 and 850 BC.

**The Second Reading** is from the Letter to the Hebrews 9:24-28. This epistle continues with its description of Christ as the high priest of the New Testament and his superiority over those of the Old Testament.

**The Gospel is from St. Mark 12:38-44.** Our Lord's severe condemnation of those Scribes whose exaggerated opinion of their own importance made a mockery of the religion they professed to live, is a serious warning to all his followers not to look for the praise and esteem of their neighbors when doing their good works, but rather to hope for God's praise and esteem in the future world. In another context, he said to his followers: "Because of practicing your piety before men in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven . . . when you give alms do not let your left hand know what your right is doing ... and your Father who sees in secret will reward you . . . when you pray go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father ... who sees in secret and will reward you" (Mt. 6: 1-6). It is hardly necessary to say that our Lord is not referring to community prayers or services here. What he is condemning is the hypocrisy of the Scribes, who lengthened their garments and their prayers not in order to give glory to God but to earn the glory of their fellowmen for themselves. Pride was their predominant vice—the vice which caused the fall of angels and of man. It so governed their lives that even their best actions were vitiated by it. There is a strong inclination to pride in every one of us. The reason is that we have great gifts from God and great capabilities: but we are tempted to claim the credit for these gifts and capabilities for ourselves—whereas we owe them all to God's generosity.

A proud Christian is surely a contradiction in terms. A Christian is a follower of Christ whose humility can never be equaled. He was God as well as man.

While on earth he emptied himself, as St. Paul puts it, of his divine glory so that he could be like one of us. A follower of Christ should not try to make display of gifts which are not his own, nor try to exalt himself above his neighbor because of something he has which was not given to his neighbor. If Christ wanted to be, and indeed was like the least one among us, we must never try to raise ourselves above our neighbor. Love of neighbor is the second of the two essential commandments—there can be no true love of neighbor where there is pride.

The second incident in today's Gospel story highlights true humility and true charity. The poor widow, forgetful of herself and of her own needs gave her all, her last penny, to help others who were in need. She made this sacrifice without publicity and without seeking the praise of her neighbors. It is this deep contrast between her outlook on life and on religion, and that of the Scribes in the first that connects the two incidents. While the Scribes sought to earn the respect and praise of their fellow-Jews—as well as all the financial gain they could come by—from the practice of the externals of their religion, this poor widow's religion was practiced in secret and it was to God alone that she looked for any reward that he might deign to give her.

As we saw in today's first reading we can be sure that she was not left without the reward she deserved. The widow of Zarephath was given a temporal reward. The same generous God did not let the similar act of supreme generosity on the part of the widow in Jerusalem go unnoticed. Christ's judgment on the Scribes implies this: They will receive the greater condemnation for their pride, and abuse of religion for their own temporal gain. On the other hand the widow's religion was an act of complete self-renunciation: "she has put in everything she had, her whole living."

We may never be called on to share our last morsel with a starving neighbor but if we are, we must remember that Christ gave his very life for us and has asked us to do likewise, if necessary. It may never be necessary for us to make this supreme act of self-renunciation. If, however, we are sincerely practicing our religion, we must be ever-ready to help a neighbor in need even if this cuts into our hard-earned reserves. The greater the sacrifice, the greater the reward.  
—Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

WEEKLY BULLETINS VIA E-MAIL

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

## St. Patrick Catholic Church

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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](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, November 9, 2024	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Sunday, November 10, 2024	10:30 AM	Mass for †Charles and Opal Garton by Fred and Deborah Garton Butler
Monday, November 11, 2024	8:15 AM	Mass for †Deceased Veterans
Tuesday, November 12, 2024	5:50 PM	Celebrant's Intentions
Wednesday, November 13, 2024	5:50 PM	Mass for †Beth Nichols by Luke and Benjamin Milinovich
Thursday, November 14, 2024	8:15 AM	Mass for †Janie Garton by family
Friday, November 15, 2024	8:15 AM	Mass for †Mary Curtis by David Curtis
Saturday, November 16, 2024	5:30 PM	Mass for †Mario Gioiello by Junior and Pat Moody and George and Rose Determan
Sunday, November 17, 2024	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish

**The sanctuary lamp is burning in honor and memory of all veterans November 3 - 16, 2024.**

## Prayer List

**Those who are sick:** Hernan Ayala, Jill Balsler, Tyrone Binford, Glenn and Karen Bragg, Bill Bennett, Dan Brannon, Jamie Breen, Kelsea Butcher, Pam Campbell, Margaret Carr, Jody Craig, Ron Cullen, Brad Curtis, Bonnie Detamore, Libby Ferrell, Sara Ferrell, Katie Frazer, Marsha Garton, Andrea Heath, Coretta Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, Pat Kiddy, Dave King, David Lewis, Rochelle Long, Matt McCauley, James McClain, Lisa Marlow, Susan Murray, Rose Neal, Judy Nicholas, Sue Nutter, Mary Oldaker, Amy Price, Michael Pugh, Raylee Rahming, Dee Ann Reichner, Brenda Riley, Chris Riley, Dan Rittenhouse, Mary Smith, Loretta Stitt, Marge Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Don True, Diane Walker, Audrey Westfall

**Those who have died:** Tonya Woofter, Mario Gioiello, Marsh Cullen, Sr. Carole Riley, 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.**

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### Attendance & Collections

Saturday	104
Sunday	225
Total	329
Saturday	\$1840
Sunday	\$1317
Mail/Drop Box	\$481
Total	\$3638
School	\$340
Votives	\$
Maintenance	\$230
Loan	\$
Organ	\$
Wesbanco Balance	\$45,761.38
Organ Loan Balance	\$65,912.10
All Saints Day	\$302
All Souls Day	\$816

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

Special Collection set for this weekend's Masses to support the Archdiocese for the Military Services.

The priests and deacons in this ministry provide pastoral care and services to Catholics serving in the United States Armed Forces, enrolled in our US Military Academies, undergoing treatment at our 153 VA Medical Centers, working civilian jobs for the federal government beyond our borders, and the families of these populations.

It is important to note that the AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military, and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. To learn more about the AMS, go to [WWW.MILARCH.ORG/NATIONALCOLLECTION](http://WWW.MILARCH.ORG/NATIONALCOLLECTION).

**Special Collection this weekend for the Archdiocese of Military Services!**

“The role of the military chaplain is to accompany and support [service members] in their journey, being for all of them a consoling and fraternal presence” - Pope Francis



## AMS by the Numbers



**Over 59,000**  
Registered Families



**Over 220**  
Military Installations Served



**392**  
AMS Priests Serving



**Serving 153**  
Veterans Affairs Medical Centers



**Forming 34**  
Co-Sponsored Seminarians



**Over 15,000**  
Religious Education Students

## Prayer of the Archdiocese

**Almighty God and Father, look with love upon our men and women in uniform and protect them in their time of need. Give them health and stability and allow them to return to their loved ones whole and unshaken.**

**Be with their families and sustain them in these uncertain times.**

**Grant strength and peace of mind to the Veterans who have given their best for the country they love.**

**Support them in infirmity and in the fragility of old age. Teach us to remember their sacrifices and to express our gratitude.**

**Manifest your tender care to those in the Military Academies who prepare for future service and to those who serve our Nation far from home. Teach us to remember the sacrifices of those whose efforts contribute to ensuring our way of life.**

**Bless and multiply the priests who minister to the faithful of the Archdiocese for the Military Services. Reward their generosity and keep them faithful.**

**Hear us as we present our prayers to You through Christ our Lord.**

**- Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio**

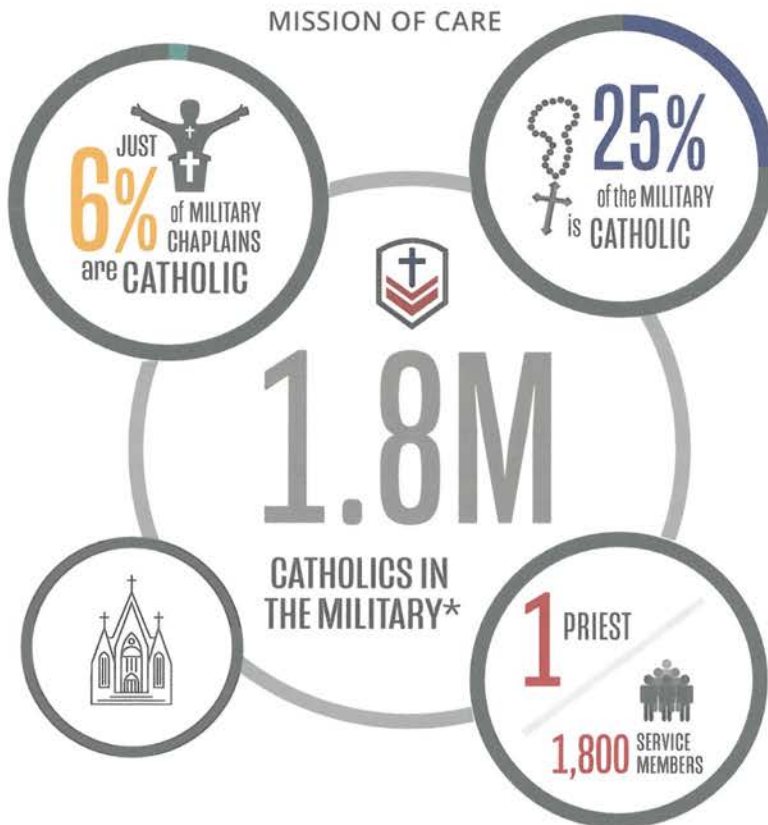
The Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS) is entrusted with the pastoral care of 1.8 million Catholics in the United States and around the world. This number includes men and women serving in the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Space Force, and Coast Guard and their families; patients in Veterans Affairs Medical Centers; and employees and families of the U.S. Federal Government outside the borders of the United States. To ensure these Catholics have the pastoral care to which they are entitled by the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA is the sole endorsing agent recognized under U.S. law and the Department of Defense to endorse Catholic priests to minister in the U.S. Armed Forces and Department of Veterans Affairs.

# ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES, USA

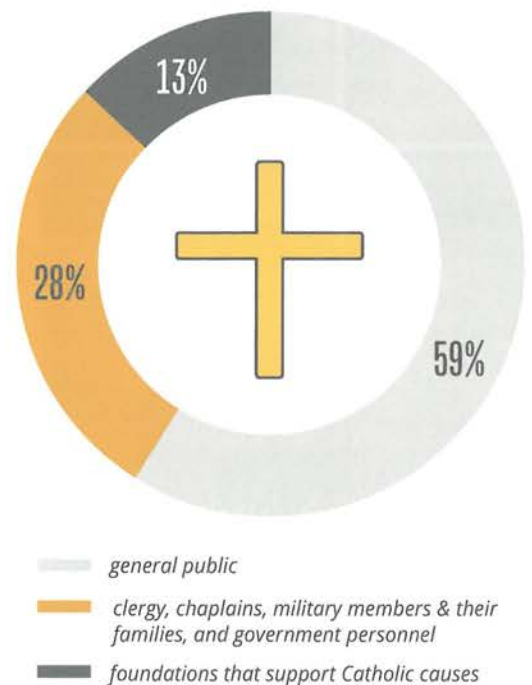


BY THE NUMBERS

## MISSION OF CARE



## FUNDING



**392** CHAPLAINS  
Serving 220 U.S. military installations in 29 countries

## ROLE WORLDWIDE

Serves civilians working for the Federal Government

in **134** COUNTRIES\*\*

## STORES OVER

**4** MILLION SACRAMENTAL RECORDS  
and receives over 10,000 requests for copies of records each year

**1** ARCHBISHOP  
and **4** AUXILIARY BISHOPS to cover the territory

Each BISHOP spends more than **65%** of their time TRAVELING for their Pastoral duties

\*Including family members

\*\*Currently, due to limited resources, the AMS cannot adequately serve this population

The AMS is charged with the pastoral care of approximately 1.8 million Catholics worldwide, including U.S. Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Airmen, Coast Guardsmen, hospitalized veterans, civilians at the service of the federal government beyond U.S. borders, and their families.

# Thank You!

## Baby Bottle Update

	Church	School	St. Boniface	Good Shepherd	Total
Totals	\$2943.96	\$1185.93	\$398.56	\$415.45	\$4943.90

*Congratulations to Mrs. Atchison and her 4th grade class for raising the most money - \$279.58!*

## Catholic Daughters Vanilla Sales

Catholic Daughter's have begun their annual vanilla sales. They are selling 4 ounce bottles of pure vanilla made with Madagascar beans for \$10 each.

You can purchase at Donut Sunday or from a member of the Catholic Daughters.



**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

**ST. PATRICK SCHOOL GYM  
3:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
VISIT SANTA AND THE GRINCH  
KIDS GAMES AND PRIZES  
BASKET RAFFLES  
CONCESSIONS**

Sponsored by CDA Court Victory #379, St Patrick School and the City of Weston.

## BASKET RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SALE AT DONUT SUNDAY

CDA members will be selling tickets this weekend for a basket raffle that will be held at the Winter Fest Carnival on Friday, November 24.

Basket raffle sales will also take place at the November 24th donut Sunday and at the Winter Fest carnival.

There are 14 baskets available and chances are 15 for \$5.





# All Saints Day Celebration

## St. Patrick's School Celebrates the Saints

Staff & students shared in the joy of All Saints Day by dressing as one of our holy friends in Heaven. Students gave a short report on their chosen saint.

All you holy men and women, pray for us!





# Pumpkin Drop



St. Patrick's students participated in the annual pumpkin drop competition-- a fun and festive STEM activity! They showcased many creative attempts to protect pumpkins from detrimental splatting.

Thank you to the Weston Volunteer Fire Department for dropping our pumpkins from spectacular heights!

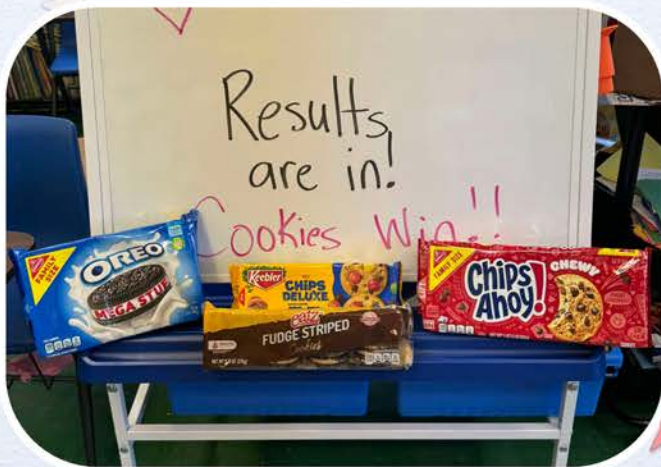
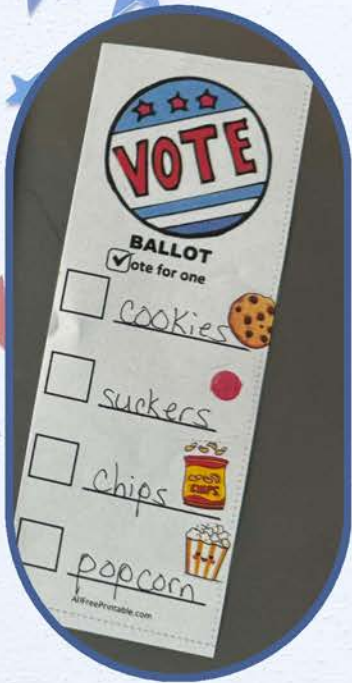
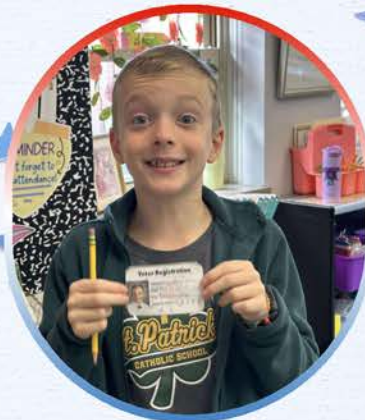
# Virtue Award: Respect

Eli Riddle (pictured) and Matthew Petters (not pictured) were the recipients of this month's virtue award for respect.





# Election Day 2024



Pope Francis often reminds Catholics of our role in caring for the vulnerable and persons living with a disability, confirming the Church's commitment to all members of the faith. He has specifically announced that the Church "must meet people's needs for 'belonging, relating to others and cultivating their spiritual lives so they experience the fullness and blessing of the Lord' for the 'unique and marvelous gift' that they are."<sup>1</sup> Pope Francis described the Church's pledge to focus on inclusion as "each person, with his or her limitations and gifts, feels encouraged to do his or her part for the good of the entire ecclesial body and for the good of society as a whole."<sup>2</sup> Pope Francis reminds us that "there can be no us and them, but a single us, with Jesus Christ at the center..."<sup>3</sup>

There are several Church documents that provide us with a greater understanding of how we are to help vulnerable adults in our pledge to include them in all facets of Church life, regardless of whether we encounter them in our specific ministries. These include the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People<sup>4</sup> (Charter), which specifically addresses how dioceses are to establish and maintain safe environments for children—and later included a revision involving vulnerable adults. Other documents include *Vos Estis Lux Mundi*<sup>5</sup> and the updates to Canon Law.<sup>6</sup> While we have these definitions and examples to guide us, we should personally consider how we recognize whether someone is a vulnerable adult, as they may not share certain characteristics or circumstances that demonstrate their potential vulnerability. And, we should further reflect on how we can be sensitive to those with disabilities or vulnerabilities while respecting their needs and abilities.

### No common characteristics

As many as 61 million U.S. adults, or about one in four, report experiencing some form of a disability.<sup>7</sup> Disability is a natural part of the human experience and people with disabilities make up a significant portion of the population, regardless of gender, race, age or economic status. Yet the terms "disability" and "vulnerability" contribute little to a full understanding of the unique limitations or concerns experienced by any one person. Misperceptions abound in the common understanding of the vulnerable, or persons living with physical, intellectual or developmental disabilities. Those misunderstandings, largely borne by a lack of knowledge, often serve to cast all into a category with pre-conceived limitations that are not always true, such as—the myth that a vision-impaired person cannot work or support herself, the belief that a person utilizing a mobility device must have a caregiver, and on and on. Another myth is that vulnerable adults are always elderly, and that if one is elderly, it makes them vulnerable. However, what is true is that persons living with a disability may experience challenges related to cognition, mobility, sensory impairments, medical conditions, and a myriad of other concerns.

Even those educated about vulnerabilities or disabilities, including medical professionals, sometimes fail to recognize the abilities of those that might experience a vulnerability. I share the following example with the permission of our adult son, Peter, who was diagnosed with cerebral palsy as an infant. By his fifth birthday, despite years of physical and occupational therapy, he could not walk. A local pediatric orthopedic surgeon reviewed Peter's medical records and listened to my responses about Peter's current abilities. Without conducting any tests or even examining him, the orthopedic surgeon said, in Peter's presence, "he's never going to walk, why don't you forget about that kid and just put him in a wheelchair."

Shortly thereafter, a different orthopedic surgeon not only asked Peter questions, listened to him, and included him in all our decisions, but helped him through many surgeries to be a man today who walks without assistance, who graduated from college with a Master's degree, and thrives in his workplace.

This initial stereotyping, and insensitivity by a medical professional, could have severely limited Peter's ability to thrive. Reflecting on this example helps us to think about our own possible beliefs, which could impact how prepared we are to help people around us who may be more vulnerable.

Living with a disability represents just one of many aspects about a person. Many people living with disabilities experience barriers to education, employment, social inclusion and many other life experiences born from implicit and explicit biases and stereotypes.<sup>8</sup>

At the International Safeguarding Conference hosted by the Pontifical Gregorian University in June 2024, experts agreed that the Catholic Church must prioritize safeguarding efforts and ministry for persons with disabilities. Sheila Hollis, Vatican Secretary of State, in her keynote address, acknowledged that persons with disabilities face considerably greater risk of abuse. She noted that "many 'unconscious biases' put a disabled person at risk of abuse," such as the perception that nobody would abuse a person with a vulnerability because of their unique circumstances and reminded us that those with a disability may face additional barriers "to being heard, to being able to explain, to be able to understand" the abuse they experienced.<sup>9</sup>

**Dispelling the myths of vulnerability:** Adopting practices that facilitate an understanding of the individual, rather than relying on stereotypes or misperceptions, will further our pledge to the vulnerable and those experiencing a disabling condition. Some tips for interaction and treating everyone as unique persons include:

- **Don't assume:** Simply because a person is labeled with a diagnosis or condition does not serve as a predictor of the needs, limitations or abilities of that individual. When interacting with a person experiencing a vulnerability, do not rely on preconceived ideas or biases, but instead, approach the experience with the intention of understanding the person as an individual, with unique interests and abilities. Similarly, do not assume a limitation experienced by a person can be easily seen. While some vulnerabilities are observable and identifiable, many are not. For example, medical conditions, such as diabetes, and mental health concerns may not be visually apparent.
- **Ask questions:** Sometimes people tend to fixate on a person's perceived physical or cognitive limitations. Perhaps ask, with genuine curiosity, if there is a way for you to show genuine care or help to people around you who may be vulnerable or living with a physical, intellectual or developmental disability.
- **Focus on abilities:** When interacting with a person living with a disability, focus on their abilities, not limitations.
- **Practice respect:** As Pope Francis has reminded us, all people, no matter their circumstances, deserve acknowledgment, respect and understanding. Don't assume you can't communicate directly with the person living with a disability. For example, interact and talk directly with the individual, affording them the respect you would with others who do not experience a limiting circumstance.
- **Use positive, non-stigmatizing language:** When referring to a vulnerability or to a disability, the American Psychological Association (APA) urges the use of "person first" language. Person first language emphasizes the person first, not the disability, for example, they are not a "disabled person," or a "handicapped person," rather, they are a person living with a disability.

### Communicating our concerns about vulnerable adults

Many cases of vulnerable adult abuse are not recognized or reported. Most vulnerable adults, like all others, are abused by people they know, and more often by a family member or caregiver. Some assume that adults will be able to identify when they are being manipulated and possibly abused, and that they should be able to make the decision to report or seek help on their own. This is not always true for any victim, including vulnerable adults. Any victim's ability to perceive abuse and to communicate about perceived abuse may be impeded because of close relationships and reliance on caregivers who may also be harming them, and a fear of backlash or embarrassment.

The misperceptions and biases surrounding those with vulnerabilities may also contribute to the failure of mandatory reporters to recognize and report potential abuse of those individuals that the church pledges to protect. To learn more about indicators of abuse of vulnerable adults, you can visit U.S. Department of Justice<sup>10</sup> or your state's Adult Protective Services.<sup>11</sup>

Vulnerable adults may be more likely to be isolated from other adults, such as in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, in their own homes, or in long-term care facilities. This means it can be more challenging for the abuse to be recognized by or communicated to another adult. The circumstance of a vulnerable may be different than situations of child abuse, where children may be more likely to interact with multiple adults in their daily lives (such as school, activities, etc.). Potential isolation makes it even more important for an adult visiting or interacting with a vulnerable adult to be mindful of anything concerning regarding the vulnerable adult's welfare.

If you have any concerns regarding possible abuse, neglect or exploitation of a vulnerable adult, contact the Adult Protective Services within your state. You can also contact law enforcement. Additional resources may be available through the National Adult Protective Services Association.<sup>12</sup>

### Conclusion

Vulnerable adults and persons with disabilities are not all the same, and have different levels of abilities, including verbal skills and opportunities to convey information, including evidence of abuse. In our pledge as a church and as a people to protect all among us, be willing to approach every person as an individual, prepared to understand that person's unique abilities and challenges, as you fulfill your duty to exercise vigilance in discerning and reporting potential abuse of the vulnerable in our community.

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Dear Veterans,

The St. Patrick School and Church community warmly invites you to a special all-school Veterans Day Mass on Monday, November 11th, at 8:15 AM. It would be an honor to have you with us as we come together to show our deep gratitude for your service and sacrifice. Following Mass, we will have a brief program featuring heartfelt poems and a musical performance by our choir. As a token of our appreciation, a small to-go goodie bag will be available for you at the school's back steps.

Please RSVP to Sandy Mick if you can attend.

Thank you for all you have done for our country and community.

Sincerely, Mr. Riley Principal, St. Patrick School



## ON DECK

### Sunday, November 10

Donut Sunday, Sponsored by Wes and Kate Garton and McFly Outdoors

### Monday, November 11

Veterans Day

### Sunday, November 24

Solemnity of Christ the King

**We will have donuts after Mass!**

### Thanksgiving Break

November 25 - 29

### Friday, November 29th

Winter Fest, 3:00-8:00, School Gym  
Weston's Christmas Parade

### Sunday, December 1

Advent Begins

Angel Tree presents must be turned in by this date.

### Tuesday, December 3

Giving Tuesday

### Friday, December 20

St. Patrick School's Christmas pageant

## Double Donuts in November

We will have TWO Donut Sundays in November! On **November 10** we will have our regular Donut Sunday.

On **November 24** we will have a special Donut Sunday to celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King!



Our angels have arrived. **If angels are stapled together, they are a family and you are adopting the family.** We have two families of two that still need adopted!

Keep in mind, all gifts will be due by **December 1.**

Please make sure to write your name and contact info in the binder next to the angel(s) you adopt! This helps us to reach you if we need to.



## AN EVENING WITH THE RELICS

In this Year of Prayer, discover the history of relics and explore St. Alphonsus' extensive collection. The evening concludes with a prayer service, reflective music, and veneration of several relics.

**Tuesday, November 19 | 6:30 p.m.**

**St. Alphonsus Church**  
2111 Market Street, Wheeling



## GIVING TUESDAY

**December 3, 2024**

Join millions in the global generosity movement.

## Our Neighbor Collection

**November: Shampoo & Conditioner**

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