St. Patrick's Church

210 Center Ave. Weston, West Virginia 26452 304-269-3048

February 9th, 2025

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



TThe Gospel is a reading from St. Luke (Lk 5:1-11). How the wisdom of God differs from the wisdom of men! If a businessman of today (or even of the year 28 A.D.) were choosing a chairman and assistants for the world-wide enterprise he was about to set up, is it likely that he would choose them from among the unknown, unlettered fishermen of Galilee? Yet Christ, who was about to set up not only a world-wide institute but an everlasting one, chose these simple fishermen and made them his assistants and his successors in the work that he had taken in hand.

And it wasn't that he was restricted in his choice. There were many highly educated priests and scribes in Jerusalem whom he could have won over, men who could preach and instruct so much more eloquently than Peter or Andrew. There were Roman officers in Palestine who were highly educated, and who would be much more eagerly listened to in the Gentile world. There were Greek philosophers whose very name would add prestige to the Gospel message had they been Apostles. Yet it was to none of these that Christ entrusted the arduous task of spreading the good news of the Gospel, it was to none of these that he gave the keys of his kingdom.

Christ was not influenced in his judgement by external, accidental qualifications. He judged the heart and the will. He knew the true worth of men. Furthermore, the society that he was about to set up was not a worldly business concern but a free transport system to heaven. The truths he was committing to its keeping were not based on earthly wisdom which would require eloquence and prestige to bolster them up. They were the eternal, divine truths which needed no human propaganda, no help from mere men.

Thus, in the selection of his Apostles, Christ has given us an extra proof, if one were needed, of his own divine wisdom and of the divine origin of the Christian religion which we profess. Our religion is not manmade, God is its author.

While thanking God today for our Christian religion, with its clearly-drawn map of salvation, let us show our appreciation by doing our own little part, as humble apostles, weak but willing helpers of Christ. This we can do without eloquence, or personal prestige. We do so by living as true Christians in our homes, in our places of work, and in our recreations, by carrying our cross daily and patiently, ever ready to give a hand when the neighbor's cross seems too heavy for him. This will be Christian eloquence, this will be a true apostleship of Christ, because actions speak louder than words.

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

WEEKLY BULLETINS VIA E-MAIL

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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

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| Sunday, February 9, 2025 | 10:30 AM | Mass for the People of the Parish |
| Monday, February 10, 2025 | 8:15 AM | Mass for †Lee Corley by family |
| Tuesday, February 11, 2025 | 5:50 PM | Celebrant's Intentions |
| Wednesday, February 12, 2025 | 5:50 PM | Mass for †Vicci Tucci |
| Thursday, February 13, 2025 | 8:15 AM | Mass for †Fr. Donal O'Donovan by Fred and Deborah Garton Butler |
| Friday, February 14, 2025 | 8:15 AM | Mass for †Paul Derico |
| Saturday, February 15, 2025 | 5:30 PM | Mass for the People of the Parish |
| Sunday, February 16, 2025 | 10:30 AM | Mass for †Guillerma Pascasio by Mary Jane Parker and family |



The sanctuary lamp is burning in memory memory of J. R. Rowan, Feb 9 - 22, 2025.

Prayer List

Those who are sick: Hernan Ayala, Jill Balser, Bill Bennett, Tim Bennett, Dan Brannon, Jamie Breen, Pam Campbell, Margaret Carr, Jody Craig, Ron Cullen, Brad Curtis, Bonnie Detamore, Libby Ferrell, Sara Ferrell, Katie Frazer, Jeff Garton, Marsha Garton, Dave Gissy, Kyle Hayhurst Sr., Mary Hall, Coretta Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, Pat Kiddy, Becky King, David Lewis, Catherine Lipps, Rochelle Long, Matt McCauley, James McClain, Robert McClain, Lisa Marlow, Jennifer Hubbs Morris, Judy Nicholas, Sue Nutter, Amy Price, Michael Pugh, Raylee Rahming, Brenda Riley, Dan Rittenhouse, Beulah Ruppert, Cody and Lindsey Skinner, Mary Smith, Rob Snuffer, Micki Snyder, Terry Sprouse, Tammy Stalnaker, Marge Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Tia Tucci, 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 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.

Mass Intentions & Sanctuary Lamp

Having the Holy Sacrifice of Mass offered is more effective than flowers or memorial gifts for your deceased loved ones or as a special intention for a living person or special occasion. Mass Intentions can be placed in a "Mass Intention" envelope and placed in the collection basket or mailed to the parish office. Please indicate if the person is living or deceased and the date you would like the Mass to be said. Mass dates are filled on a "first-come, first-serve" basis. If you would like to sponsor the sanctuary lamp in honor/memory of someone for a two-week period, please contact the parish office. The donation is \$20.

Please write a separate checks for each of the collections you are donating to!

| Attendance & Collections | | |
|--------------------------|-------------|--|
| Saturday | 116 | |
| Sunday | 191 | |
| Total | 307 | |
| Saturday | \$2311 | |
| Sunday | \$1578 | |
| Mail/Drop Box | \$475 | |
| Total | \$4364 | |
| School | \$265 | |
| Votives | \$150 | |
| Maintenance | \$70 | |
| Loan | \$ | |
| Organ | \$ | |
| Wesbanco Balance | \$39,633.76 | |
| Organ Loan Balance | \$63,964.22 | |

Special Collection this weekend for Church Missions within the United States.



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VIRTUS Online

February 2025 VIRTUS bulletins are available now.

For those who need a printed copy, you may pick one up in the church vestibule.

Some important things to know for this particular bulletin:

It is lengthy (4 pages). It is also part two of a two-part series (remember, January's was also lengthy)

It deals with important but sensitive subject matter, a bit above and beyond the usual level of Safe Environment-related sensitivity.

Virtus Training Update

As you may recall, last summer Bishop Brennan changed the training requirements for Virtus. Instead of a "one and done" model which we were, he requested that all volunteers, employees, religious, clergy, members of groups affiliated with the church or school, etc. complete a yearly training. We had until January 6 to get everyone trained on Version 4.0. As that dead line has come and gone, we are now, as a Diocese in the yearly training mode. This means anyone who has not yet had Version 4.0 and anyone who has Version 4.0 but completed it more than a year ago will now show as non-compliant in the VIRTUS system. But don't worry, all you need to do is login to your Virtus account and complete the refresher training. The online refresher will take about forty minutes to complete.

To know if you are up to date, login to your account and look at the current training box. If you need to complete the latest training, it will be in this box. These tabs are also where you can see if your bulletins are up to date and see if your documents and background check are current. If a box is red and not green, you need to do something in that area.

www.virtusonline.org

Training Bulletins You are current on your training bulletins

















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Throat Blessing 2025



















































New Emergency Medical Equipment at St. Patrick's

We would like to thank The Dominican Sisters of Hope and Associate, Sue Smith. They awarded St. Patrick's Parish Nurse Program a \$5000 grant for emergency preparedness. This grant money was able to purchase 2 new AEDs, 2 anti-choking devices and 1 stop the bleed kit, as well as additional funds to be kept for future battery and pad replacements. These devices have been placed in the church, school and gymnasium. Two old and non-working AEDs have been donated to Safety Educators LLC for refurbishment and use in underserved areas such as coal mines in WV.







#OurHearts

are healthier with self-care

Devoting a little time every day to care for yourself can go a long way toward protecting the health of your heart.

Try these simple self-care ideas, such as:

- Taking a moment to de-stress.
- Giving yourself time to move more.
- Preparing healthier meals.
- Getting quality sleep.

These acts can all benefit your heart.

Connect with others to make these efforts more successful.









are healthier together



Lewis County Spelling Bee



















St. Patrick's School was well represented at the Lewis County Spelling Bee by five excellent students: Sydney Cunningham (4th grade), Jillie McCartney (5th grade), Mason Thorne (6th grade), Audrey Westfall (7th grade), and Emily Shriver (8th grade).

Audrey Westfall placed 4th in the competition and will be advancing to the regional competition in Fairmont next month.

Pre-K Students Enjoy a Fun Science Lesson and Learn their Addresses









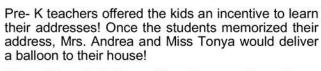








This week, Mrs. Andrea taught the kids about artic animals and did a really 'cool' science experiment! She explained to the kids how the whole thing works in cool kid "sciencey" words. But basically if you're fat and furry you'll stay warm in the ice cold artic weather. The kids loved it!



The visits started on Thursday evening. Seven students know their addresses!

Miss Tonya shared the following pictures and quote, "Balloons, dogs and selfies!! What better way to spend an evening. Hmmmm, now if only one of them lived at the beach!

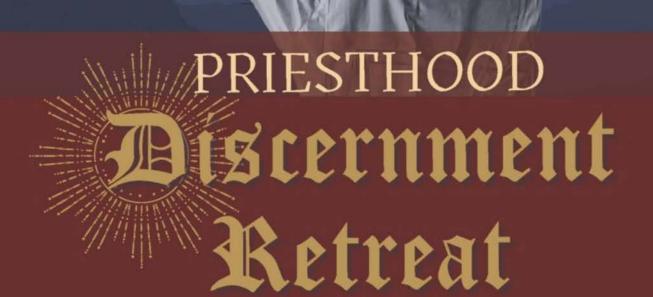












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- · Hear talks about priestly life and discernment

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FRIDAY March 7



SATURDAY MARCH 8

Mardi Gras Tickets will be sold after all Masses and at Donut Sunday.

Dinner Tickets - \$25 50/50 - \$10

"Since this Mardi Gras Party is replacing the Spring Bash, we hope that everyone will be able to come, enjoy a wonderful meal, music and games and have a great time with your family and friends! But, if you are not able to attend the party, here are some other ways you can still participate or help out:

Buy Mardi Gras Mania 50/50 tickets- need not be present to win!

- Donate for the party/games
- · Post the advertisement to your social media accounts
- Tell all your friends/family about the event
- Take a copy of the advertisement from the back of the church to our place of work
- Sell tickets

World Marriage Day, February 9, 2025



PRAYER FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Almighty and eternal God, you blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with His Church: look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Source: foryourmarriage.org

Mullady Scholarship Application

Applications are now being accepted for the Mullady Scholarship Award. This fund was started by Edwin and Mary Mullady to help Catholic students of Lewis County go to an accredited college. Applicants must be Catholic, currently enrolled in college or graduate school (no high school students), and residents of Lewis County.

Applications can be picked up in the vestibule of St. Patrick's Church, the parish office or you can request an application be emailed to you.

The application deadline is February 28, 2025.

Completed applications should be returned to St. Patrick Church, 210 Center Ave., Weston, WV 26452. Funds will be distributed in March.

PARISH DINNER SUNDAY, MARCH 23

OUR ANNUAL PARISH DINNER WILL BE ON SUNDAY, MARCH 23. ANYONE WISHING TO HELP WITH THE DINNER SHOULD CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.

ON DECK

Sunday, February 9 Donut Sunday

Friday, February 28
Mullady Scholarship deadline

Saturday, March 1
6:00 p.m., Mardi Gras Party
(Mass will be at 5:00 p.m. on this day!)

Wednesday, March 5 Ash Wednesday Mass 8:15 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

March 15 - 16
Gifts from the Holy Land will be here.

Sunday, March 23
Parish Dinner
Time to be determined!

Our Neighbor Collection

February: Bath, Laundry, & Dish Soap

Anything you can give is greatly appreciated as this is the time of year when all supplies run low.

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



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Donut Sunday February 9

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