



# Saint Patrick

CATHOLIC PARISHES

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## 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

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### SEEK JOY IN WHAT YOU GIVE NOT IN WHAT YOU GET.

“That’s not fair!” How many times, in the course of a given day, have you heard someone protest, “That’s not fair!” Children on a playground shout when they detect a foul play: “That’s not fair!” Siblings doing household jobs may complain, “I’m doing more work!” or “my responsibilities are more difficult; that’s not fair!” Students at school may resent the extra attention given to a classmate... “She’s the teacher’s favorite; that’s not fair!” A brother thinks his piece of pie is smaller than his sister’s — “That’s not fair!” Someone at work receives a raise in salary when another person thinks he/she is more deserving: “I have seniority; that’s not fair!” In each of these several examples, human sensibilities regarding fairness and patience have been offended, precisely because of the fact that we are human. We think that good work, seniority and experience should be rewarded, that all should be subject to the same rules, like “First come, first served,” that everyone should be treated impartially and that there should be no exceptions and no favorites! There is nothing bad in it. But, when confronted with a situation such as that put before us in this Sunday’s Gospel parable of identical wages for different numbers of hours of work, our sense of fairness is provoked (Mt. 20; 1-16). This is probably one of the most controversial parables ever uttered by Jesus, creating heated debate about the unusual generosity of a benevolent vineyard owner.

What does this parable teach us? It teaches us three things. First, **we need to follow God’s example and show grace to our neighbor.** When someone else is more successful than we are, let us assume that person needs it. When someone who does wrong fails to get caught, let us remember the many times we have done wrong and gotten off free. Remember when you point a finger at someone else, there are three pointing back at you. We also must not wish pain on people for the sake of fairness, nor rejoice in their miseries when God allows them to suffer. We become envious of others because of our lack of generosity of heart. Envy should have no place in our lives. “He that is jealous is not in love” says saint Augustine. We cannot control, and dare not pass judgment on, the way God blesses others, only rejoice that He does so, just as He blesses us. **The second thing this Sunday gospel teaches us is that we need to express our gratitude to God in our daily lives.** God personally calls each of us to our own ministry and shows us His care by giving us His grace and eternal salvation. To God, we are more than just numbers on a payroll. Our call to God’s vineyard is a free gift from Him for which we can never be sufficiently thankful. All our talents and blessings are freely given by God. Hence, we should express our gratitude to God by avoiding sins, by rendering loving

### MASS SCHEDULE—INTENTIONS--SAINTS

- (C) Sat., Sept.19 NO Mass  
(L) Sun., Sept. 20 8:30 a.m. Mass, Seth Thompson  
(C) Sun. Sept. 20 10:30 a.m. Mass, Eleanor Cantieri  
**Saint Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**  
(C) Tues., Sept. 22 Noon Mass, Mary Clare Olivee  
(L) Wed., Sept. 23 8:30 a.m. Mass, Walter Green  
**Saint Pius Of Pietrelcina, Priest**  
(C) Thur., Sept. 24 8:30 a.m. Mass, Dave  
Kunzweiler  
(L) Fri., Sept. 25 8:30 a.m. Mass, Paul Boone  
(C) Sat., Sept.26 NO Mass  
**Saints Cosmas & Damion, Martyrs**  
(L) Sun., Sept. 27 8:30 a.m. Mass, Andrew  
Rychnovsky  
(C) Sun. Sept. 27 10:30 a.m. Mass, Eleanor  
Ogburn

### CONFESSION HEARD BEFORE ALL WEEKEND MASSES

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Corning Tithes: September 13, 2020 \$1158.00

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Joan Maeder	Liam Morstorf
Mike Cruise	Dave Pettinger
Wayne Moore	Catie Hunter
Debbie Hogan	Jinx Amdor
Phyllis Brokaw	Isaac Peterson
Doug Hardisty	Sonja Barton

### BIRTHDAYS

September 23	Linda Schafroth
September 26	Dr. Steve Gruba

### ANNIVERSARY

service to others, by sharing our blessings with the needy, and by constant prayer, listening and talking to God at all times. God blesses you so that you can be generous and be a blessing to others. **The third, but the most important lesson from this gospel passage is that we need to practice generosity:** We can be generous in the way we give someone encouragement and a kind word when that person is feeling down, even though that person might not be one of our best buddies. We can be generous in the way we give of our time to help someone going through a rough patch. “The greatest generosity one can render to any man consists in leading him from error to truth”, said St. [Thomas Aquinas](#). When someone says something that offends us, we can be generous in our reaction, sympathize and understand, rather than give back the hostility or injury just as it was given to us. When we have fallen out with someone or believe we have been unfairly treated, we can be generous in our willingness to reach out, make amends and restore friendships. When someone really annoys us and gets under our skin, we can be generous with our patience and kindness, dealing with that person in a way that reflects the generous nature of God. When we see people who lack the bare necessities needed for a happy and healthy life, we need to be generous with what we have been given by our generous God. Share your treasures; especially with the needy. We gratefully appreciate your generosity and continued support for our parish. Seek joy in what you give not in what you get. Are you generous? Let us learn to be generous as our heavenly Father is generous. God bless.  
Fr. Litto

**READING FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2020**

Sep 20 SUN: Is 55: 6-9/ Ps 145: 2-3. 8-9. 17-18  
(18a)/ Phil 1: 20c-24. 27a/ Mt 20: 1-16a  
Sep 21 Mon: Eph 4: 1-7. 11-13/ Ps 19: 2-3. 4-5/  
Mt 9: 9-13  
Sep 22 Tue: Prv 21: 1-6. 10-13/ Ps 119: 1. 27. 30. 34.  
35. 44/ Lk 8: 19-21  
Sep 23 Wed: Prv 30: 5-9/ Ps 119: 29. 72. 89. 101. 104.  
163/ Lk 9: 1-6  
Sep 24 Thu: Eccl 1: 2-11/ Ps 90: 3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14  
and 17bc/ Lk 9: 7-9  
Sep 25 Fri: Eccl 3: 1-11/ Ps 144: 1b and 2abc. 3-4/  
Lk 9: 18-22  
Sep 26 Sat: Eccl 11: 9 – 12: 8/ Ps 90: 3-4. 5-6. 12-13.  
14 and 17/ Lk 9: 43b-45  
Sep 27 SUN: Ez 18: 25-28/ Ps 25: 4-5. 6-7. 8-9 (6a)/  
Phil 2: 1-11/ Mt 21: 28-32

**THE MONTH OF MARY**

Did you know that October is the month of Mary? As we are going through this global pandemic, we will celebrate the month of Mary by having the Holy Eucharist exposed one hour before each mass for special adoration time and we will pray the rosary one-half hour before mass.

**ROSARY LEADERS**

We would like to have some volunteers to lead the Rosary during October. Tuesdays Rosary will be led by the Rosary Group at 11:00 A.M. All are welcome to this group. We will need volunteers for each Sunday and Thursday in October. High School students will lead on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Jane or Fr. Litto if you are interested in leading any of the other dates.

**NEW TIME AND DATE**

The Finance Council will meet at **6:00 p.m.** at the Parish Center on Tuesday, **September 22nd**.

**WHO ARE YOUR CATECHISTS?**

Kindergarten—Lana Sorenson  
First Grade—Tamara Haley  
Second Grade—Sheila Ramsey & Nancy Amdor  
Third Grade—Lisa Konecne  
4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grades—Jane Rychnovsky  
Middle School—Jane Rychnovsky  
High School—Kris Richey & William Foley  
Music Coordinator—Marilea Mullen  
Youth Meals Coordinator—Julia Paul  
We recognize these teachers today with the theme for this school year, “I RECEIVED FROM THE LORD WHAT I ALSO HANDED ON TO YOU.”

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> is the KC meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Center.

**KC’S RAFFLE FOR BENEFIT**

Thank You to Jim Maeder and the KCs for sponsoring the hog raffle for the benefit for Klint Maeder. The Knights of Columbus purchased the 2 hogs that were raffled off last Saturday. Thanks to everyone who sold tickets. The benefit was a huge success and exceeded the expectations of the Knights of Columbus.

**CHECK US OUT!**

If you have not seen our new Facebook page make sure to friend St. Patrick Church; Catholic Church. Our church website also has a new look at [www.stpatrickcorning.com](http://www.stpatrickcorning.com). Fr. Litto has been busy keeping theses both updated with new photos and videos. If you have any photos you would like to share just let us know.

**WE ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME YOU BACK**

Religious Education classes begin this Wednesday. It seems like we have been away for a long time so we are ready to see all the families again. Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> grade after school and 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades begin with a light dinner at 6:00 p.m. and classes begin at 6:30 p.m.

**COVID-19 AND RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES**

The changes that we are implementing for Religious Education Classes are listed below.

1. Tables and chairs will be wiped down by the teachers before each class.
2. Each student will have their own pencil case with sanitized supplies-no sharing
3. Masks must be worn on the Trolley
4. When students enter the Parish Center they will go directly to their classroom for snack. We will not meet as a large group for snack.
5. They will take everything with them to their classroom. This includes backpacks, coats, etc.
6. Music will be held with the students wearing masks and standing on spots on the floor that are 6 feet apart.

We would appreciate it if parents can go over these items with your students the morning before class so they are prepared before they come into the building.

**ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER**

We are having another sign-up period for anyone who wishes to have your tithing money taken out of your account and deposited into our St. Patrick operating fund. See Jane to get papers to fill out if you are interested in this tithing option.