

The Catholic Community of St. Stephen St. Patrick

Rev. Douglas Cunningham, Administrator

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 10, 2018

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Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

What a chaotic scene! Jesus is trying to enjoy a meal with his friends, onlookers are crowding in seeking healing, some religious leaders are there to criticize him and his family approaches looking for him... worried that he is 'losing it.' How many times have we felt in a chaotic situation with so much happening in our lives that it is hard to know which direction to turn?

How many times have we, like Jesus, been criticized and questioned over our purpose, decisions and actions? In Mark's Gospel Jesus once again gives us an example of how to live. Jesus didn't abandon the disciples who were eating with him, but acknowledged, invited in and interacted with the newcomers. Jesus didn't brush his family aside, but explained that those who follow the will of His Father are also members of his family.

What lesson does this hold for us?

Jesus appeared to handle one thing at a time...we too need to practice focusing on one thing at a time. The practice of mindfulness, living in the present moment can help us to respond to the person or event before us at this minute. We must trust that when it is time to think about/act on something different we will be able to give full attention to that situation. We must ask for the grace of mindfulness.

Jesus was criticized for his actions of healing. We too are criticized for what we do and say. Like Jesus we need to respond to those criticisms, take time to explain why we do things and then let the consequences happen. We must ask for the grace of conviction and clearness of speech.

Jesus was very inclusive in his thinking. At first glance it might sound like he was ignoring his mother and cousins...but in reality he was including those present and those doing the will of the Father as his family. We must pray for inclusiveness in our thoughts and actions

So many lessons in a short chaotic scene!

Peg Orzel



**"IF A HOUSE IS
DIVIDED
AGAINST ITSELF,
THAT HOUSE
CANNOT STAND."**
MARK 3:25

Weekly Stewardship Report: Last Sunday, June 3, 2018

Regular Collection: Envs: \$3,464. Loose: \$524. Electronic: \$440.**Total Regular Collection: \$4,428.**

Diocesan Collections: CCC-\$5. MissionCoop-\$1,135.33 (MillHillMissions)

Other Income: MemDayEnvs-\$20. Ascension-\$10. Donation IMO Rose Braman-\$25. Donation from SunsetFuneralHome-\$200.

Because of your contributions, we were able to pay the following bills this week: Phone: \$76. FuelOil: \$1,092. CathSun: \$114.

Altar: \$69. ChR&M: \$107. Utilities: \$700. ChDecor: \$175. Office: \$547. Salaries: \$1,300.**Total Bills Pd: \$4,180.**

Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated!

Bills To Be Paid Next Week: \$2,000.

Today, June 10th, we are taking up the Diocesan Collection for the **Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)**. Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, here and around the world, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the funds we collect remain in the Diocese of Syracuse to support communication efforts across our seven-county diocese. Thank you for your continued support. Please put your gift envelope in with the regular collection.



Thank you to our generous parishioners who have made a pledge to the Annual HOPE Appeal so far. Here is a partial list of programs funded by the HOPE Appeal: Hospital Chaplains, Evangelization, Catholic Outreach Ministries, Academic Development, Faith Formation, Family Life, Catholic TV, Catholic Charities, Tuition Assistance, Parish Services, Office of Disabilities, & Vocations.

2018 HOPE Appeal Goal: \$18,570.02

Pledges To Date: \$ 4,051.59

Balance Remaining: \$14,518.43

Thank you for your most generous response to last Sunday's Missionary Coop Appeal on behalf of Mill Hill Missionaries with Fr. Peter Major. We forwarded to the Diocese of Syracuse, who will send to that Mission, \$1,135.33!

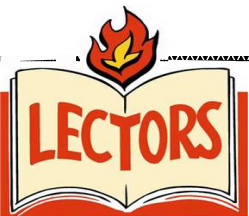


THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

God's Mighty Servant The Most Powerful Woman in the Vatican

Meet Sister Pascalina Lehnert, Pope Pius XII's most trusted confidante and the first woman to ever work in the Vatican. In this feature film, watch her life unfold through the events of World War II, and be inspired by her amazing influence on the course of history.

Kid's Corner: "The Suitcase" This picture book celebrates a young boy's enthusiasm to put into practice the words of Christ: to feed and clothe the poor, help the needy, and love one's neighbor. As Thomas shows his family the items he has packed into his suitcase after hearing a stirring homily at church, they marvel at his inventiveness and loving heart—he is traveling to the Kingdom of Heaven, and he knows what it takes to get there! Thomas and his family figure out a way, with his suitcase, to accomplish the goal that Thomas is so excited about: to arrive at the Kingdom.



The Lector's Corner

Lay Ministers, Lay Disciples: Evangelizing Power in the Parish (p.78)

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin tells us in his *Guide for the assembly* that readers are the "storytellers of the community;" they **must be** "capable of holding the attention of the assembly through their mastery of technical skills and also through their deep love for God's Word and God's people."

Contact: Michael Thayne, Lector Ministry Coordinator, thaynem@earthlink.net.

Vestal Outback Steakhouse Fundraiser to benefit Mom's House is Thursday, June 21st, from 4-9pm. ****Must mention "Mom's House" when ordering, and 15% of your check will be donated to Mom's House.** → Mom's Houses® are God-centered, nonprofit, licensed childcare centers. Pre-school children receive quality care and early education. Their single parents are plugged into a network of supportive services that enable them to complete their education, become financially independent and free from the cycle of poverty. Thank you for your support!

Dear Parish Family,

It was so nice of you, so generous of you, so thoughtful of you. It was a total surprise! You touched my heart in so many ways last Sunday.

For all the cards, letters and gifts, I thank you.

For the tasty brunch of my favorite foods and for sharing it with me after Mass, I thank you.

For the decorations, flowers, candies and especially my glittery crown, I thank you.

Most of all, thank you for the precious gift of our parish youth. I have been truly blessed. One student wrote, "I always came out of class happier than I was before." I said "me, too!"

I'll always remember you and may God continue to bless our parish families.

Helen Mathews

A Family Perspective - Jesus reminds us in today's gospel, "A house divided against itself will not stand." Are the tensions and issues which divide your home worth the struggle? Even if you win an argument, you lose a relationship. Do not let pride and pettiness divide your home.

Please Pray For Our Following Friends and Family in the Military: Major Corrine Miller, A2C Derek Lescord, Devon McGill, Joshua Lilley, PV2 James McGill, Lt. Cpl John Larkin, Jr., USMC, Sgt. Heather Fox, Brett Hayes, Captain Caleb Miller, Sgt. Megan Ballard, A1C Brendan Schneider, Kris Carstens, LC USMC Daniel Morehouse, SSG Steven Gross, USMC Staff Sgt. Dan Votra, Sgt. Nicholas Stone, Lt. Paul McDonald, Major John Thomas, Major Joy Thomas, Lt. Commander Marvin Joel Scott III, AF2nd Lt. Emily Steele, OS3 Jonathan Schneider, Sgt. Jacob Rau, Sgt. Zachary Reardon USMC, Staff Sgt. Justin Blaisdell, Staff Sergeant Michael Hetzler, Lt. LCDR Maria Lescord, and our pastor, Lt. Colonel Douglas Cunningham. **If you have a friend or family member serving our country and would like their name mentioned weekly in our bulletin, to be kept in our prayers, please contact our parish office.**



Mission Statement for The Catholic Community of St. Stephen - St. Patrick

We are a Roman Catholic Community of faith, welcoming the strength found in diversity. We are committed to using our time, talent, and treasure in proclaiming the Kingdom of God through prayer, fellowship, and service.

We experience our unity at the Eucharistic Table of the Lord, and our direction from the Word of God.

If you know of parishioners that have not been able to come to Mass because they are homebound, please let the Parish Office know so our Hospitality Groups can provide contact with them through visits and cards, and perhaps they would like to receive a copy of our bulletin.



Hospitalized or ill: Please notify rectory or email lcrowley@zfastest.net so we can provide for their/your spiritual needs.



If you know someone that is ill, facing surgery, or some other kind of difficulty, and needs our prayers, please call Dottie Angel at 656-9230 or Pat Canfield at 849-6978. They will lead the Prayer Chain we have at The CC of St. Stephen-St. Patrick Church. Supporting each other with the Power of Prayer is the best medicine. If you are not on our Prayer Chain and would like to be, please call our Parish Office, 692-3911.

Parish Council

Chairperson - Don Alexy & Don Barry

Vice-Chairperson - John Mihalko

Secretary - Brittney Penrose

Ministry Coordinator-Peg Orzel

Parish Business/Office Manager-Mary Wied **Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesday, Noon - Phone, Mail or Email, ststephenstpat@syrdio.org

PARISH STAFF

Directors of Faith Formation - (WP)Cecelia Carstens, 323-5114

(Marathon)Helen Mathews, 423-7656

Church Organist/Music Director - Jennifer Cafferty

Maintenance - (Please call parish office w/maintenance concerns)

Our bulletin and OLPH's can be viewed online at www.ccssp.com.



Catholic Community of St. Stephen-St. Patrick

Daily Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday	June 10	8:30 AM Whitney Pt...for Helmut Melzer ...by Vella Melzer
		10:30 AM Marathon...for Beatrice Broderick ...by David & Patty Thon for Francis Zelsnack, Jr. by Aggie, Cathi, Martha, Bill, Paul & Lyudmila
		12:00 PM OLPH... for Antonia Buttigieg ...by Josephine Kellogg for Doris Cuccia ...by Pam Maroney
Tuesday	June 12	8:30 AM Whitney Point...for The Men & Women Who Died For Our Country
Next Sunday	June 17	8:30 AM Whitney Point...for Ruth Treu ...by Mary Jo Whitehead
		10:30 AM Marathon...for Deacon Joseph Caminiti ...by Linda Caminiti for Rosemarie Braman ...by Patty, Syd & Anne McEvoy
		12:00 PM OLPH...for Francis & Margaret Pratt ...by Bernie & Sharon Massar

Readings for the Week of June 10 through 17, 2018:

Today: Gn 3:9-15; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mk 3:20-35

Monday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19



Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a,11-16; Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday: Ex 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

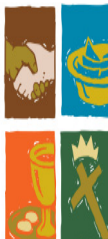
The readings for today, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, begin with #976, in our Journeysongs Hymnals.

WP Ecumenical Food Pantry: M-Th & Sat, 10am-Noon & Thurs Eve, 6-8pm. Closed Fridays, Holidays, & when school is closed for inclement weather. **Food Pantry Chairperson:** Roger Calice **Clothing Bank:** M,Tu & Sat, 10am-Noon.

Mobile Food Pantry: 1st Friday of Month at WP Church parking lot. Truck arrives around **9:30am** (unless holiday)



SERVING THIS WEEK



Whitney Point

Greeters: Ingrid Jordak, Peggy Kemp

Next Sunday: Cathy Cummings, Anne Clerkin

Lector: Joe McDonald **Next Sunday:** Sue McDonald

Altar Servers: Matthew Jordan, Nora Jordan

Next Sunday: Isaac Jordan, Aidan Lynch

Marathon

Bob Barry, Kristin Kashuba

Dawn Odinek, Don Barry

Lector: Katelyn Allen **Next Sunday:** Linda Caminiti

Ryan Eaton, Stephen Eaton

Seamus Nolan, Brandon Tyrrell

Eucharistic Ministers: Sue McDonald, Roger & Ann Calice
Next Sunday: Joe McDonald, Cecelia Carstens, Jerry Rothenberg

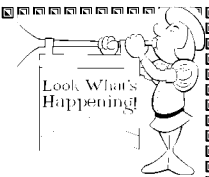
Kathy Cusick, Dawn Odinek, Mike Thayne
Patty Thon, Geoff Tyrrell, Shelley Warnow

June Ushers: Jerry Griep, Tony Zelsnack

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MINISTRY SERVICE TO OUR PARISH!

This Week In Our Parish

Today, June 10th Benjamin Daniel Dychkowski Baptism - After the 12pm Mass at OLPH
Monday, June 11th 7:00pm - Women's Faith Group Meeting - Whitney Pt. Parish House
Tuesday, June 12th 7:00pm - Parish Council Meeting - Whitney Point Church Hall
Thursday, June 14th 7:00-8:00pm - Adoration - Marathon Church
Sunday, June 17th Blessing of 2018 Whitney Point Graduates - 8:30am Mass at Whitney Point



Whole Community Catechesis

Readings and Questions for Discussion

Reading 1 - Genesis 3:9-15

Adam and Eve eat the fruit of the forbidden tree.

Reading 2 - 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

We believe and so we speak.

Gospel - Mark 3:20-35

Whoever does the will of God is brother and sister and mother to me.

Adults: *In what ways can I widen the circle of my family to include someone in need?*

Children: *Whom could you invite to share a happy time with your family?*



2018 Whitney Point Graduates' Blessing

Please join us next Sunday, June 17th, as Fr. Doug will bless this year's Whitney Point graduates at our 8:30am Mass. We wish them a much fulfilled future, guided by the Holy Spirit.

Come to our Parish Senior Citizen Luncheon

On Tuesday, June 26th, 12 noon, seniors age 65 and older, from The Catholic Community of St. Stephen-St. Patrick and OLPH are invited to be our guest for lunch at Ford Hill Country Club. →The meal will include your choice of marinated baked chicken breast, beef tips or baked haddock as entrees and rolls, dessert and a beverage. Signup sheets are at each church locations or RSVP to Anne Clerkin, 760-0473, by June 18th.



→We can help with transportation if needed. We hope you can join us for fun, food and door prizes. Sponsored by our Parish Social Committee.

Community Garden at Our Whitney Pt Church

If you can help with watering and/or weeding, please sign up on the bulletin board at our Whitney Point Church. You will receive an email or see a Facebook Message when there is work to be done. Thanks so much. Here is hoping (and working) for a marvelous growing season!! Vegetables will be donated to the Food Pantry.



CCSS-SP Parish Council Meeting this Tuesday, June 12th, 7pm, at our Whitney Point Church Hall.



CCSS-SP Hospitality Ministry Committee Meeting

on Tuesday, June 19th, has been cancelled. Not much on the agenda and most of us are away. We will resume meetings in September, although always available when needed. Have a wonderful summer!



Whitney Pt Ecumenical Food Pantry

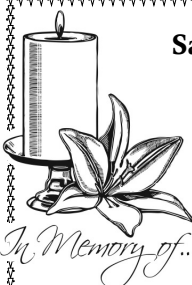
During the month of June we are collecting baby needs for the WP Ecumenical Food Pantry. There are marked baskets at the entrances of our churches. Thank you for all your food & monetary donations.



Additional donations for the Whitney Point Cemetery made in memory of.....Charles Ackerman, Joanne Ackerman



Come and Visit with Jesus-Did you know that every Thursday evening, for one hour, you can come and spend some time with Jesus? Eucharistic Adoration is just that; a chance to be within His presence and talk to him one on one. Come for a short amount of time or stay for all of it. This Thursday, June 14th, is at our Marathon Church.



Sanctuary Candles Burning for the month of June

at our Marathon Church is in loving memory of **Deacon Joseph Caminiti, Ben & Betty Kriger** given by Linda Caminiti
at our Whitney Point Church is in loving memory of **Theresa & Everett Burroughs, Grace & Einer Erickson** given by Ron & Jackie Burroughs

Sanctuary Candles-If you'd like to have the sanctuary candle lit in memory of a loved one, at our Whitney Pt. or Marathon Church, please call our parish office. Donation is \$20.00 for that month and memorial name(s) will be in bulletin.

Payment Due: Our annual subscription cost for Formed. Org will end in June. Last year we were able to pay for this with money received from the McDevitt Grant. If you would like to help offset the cost, donations of any amount can be placed in the offertory basket, mailed to the office or placed in the collection box at each church. The annual cost for unlimited use at home, in classes or while on vacation is \$1,750.00. This site offers videos, books and talks for adults, teens and children on a wide variety of topics. Our code is CFMRY. Be sure to explore the site!

SAVE THE DATE:
Sunday, August 5th,
for The CC of
St. Stephen-
St. Patrick Church's
Annual Picnic!
More details as we get
closer to date.



The Ecumenical Peace Garden

The first order of engraved bricks for this year has been placed in the garden. The Dwarf Korean Lilacs are in full bloom and the Wine and Rose Weigela plants are beginning to bud. Applications for engraved bricks are available in the vestibule. If you have any questions you are welcome to call Ken or Sylvia Bates at 743-0170 or 743-6317.