

Catholic Community of  
St. Stephen - St. Patrick

November 17, 2019

# The Catholic Community of St. Stephen St. Patrick

Rev. Douglas Cunningham, Administrator

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 17, 2019

Marathon Campus  
16 Academy St. - Marathon, New York



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## CONFESSIONS

As announced or by appointment

## MARRIAGE / BAPTISMS

Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

Whitney Point Campus  
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### “By Your Perseverance, You Will Secure Your Lives” Lk 21:19

We have all seen people who face very tough situations and somehow manage to do so with peace and joy. Perhaps it is the sickness of a spouse and we witness the healthier of the two show such love and care. Or perhaps it is a tense conversation that makes an individual very angry, but they remain calm in their speech. Maybe it is a person who loses their job and they decide to get more training and seek a new position. We wonder how they do that.

So much depends on a person’s reaction to what has happened.... not to actually what happened. One way to have a positive reaction is to do the Welcoming Practice. This practice, or prayer, is a three step process. A very basic explanation is:

- 1) Focus – become aware of the experience (especially if it is negative,) and how your body is reacting (tight neck, stomach pain, headache, etc.) You can say to yourself “I am really angry about....my stomach is in knots.”
- 2) Welcome – accept your physical and emotional reaction to the difficult situation/physical pain. When you accept and mentally welcome the pain it loses its power over you. You can say to yourself “I welcome and accept the pain I feel.”
- 3) Let go of the sensation and thought. When we stop resisting the mental or physical discomfort it is easier to say: “I let this \_\_\_\_\_ go and give it to You, God.”

In our Gospel reading today the disciples hear of wars, earthquakes, persecutions and horrible things that they might experience and yet Jesus says, “By your perseverance you will secure your lives,” which means not only our eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven, but also our peace of mind here on earth. What does it mean to persevere in this manner? It involves making our faith a priority, and forming good habits that will see us through difficult times. Doing our best to live as His disciples will indeed prepare us for anything the future may hold, and He promises that we will never be forsaken or abandoned as long as we choose to place all our trust in Him. Try the Welcoming Practice and you just might discover that you have a more peaceful attitude and that you are able to reach out to others with more love and care. Much has been written explaining the process and value of the Welcoming Prayer. Do a google search and learn more!



**Weekly Stewardship Report: Last Sunday, November 10, 2019**

**Stewardship Report**

**Regular Collection:** Envs: \$2,471. Loose: \$542. ....Total Regular Collection: \$3,013.

**Diocesan Collections:** Seminary-\$10. Archdioceses for Military Service-\$300. **Other Income:** Assumption-\$10. Flowers-\$25.

Because of your contributions, we were able to pay the following bills this week: **Office:** \$1,337 (servcontract) **FaithForm:** \$254. **ChHall:** \$29.

**Phone:** \$89. **Dumpster:** \$20. **SchSubPymt:** \$1,165. **LctBks:** \$169. **Salaries:** \$1,400. **Total Bills Paid This Week:** \$4,463.

**Thank you for your TIME, TALENT & TREASURE!**

Bills To Pay Next Week: \$3,641.



**2019 Hope Appeal - We need to hear from you now! The campaign ends November 30<sup>th</sup>.** *THANK YOU to those who have made a pledge. There are many services the diocese provides to our parishes, schools, and to all Catholics that would be difficult for even the most prosperous parishes to undertake on their own. This includes support for educating seminarians, Catholic Charities, campus ministry, parishes and schools, formational ministries, pastoral assistance, evangelization and communications. Each gift brings us closer to our goal!*

**→→→Balance remaining: \$ 5,110.00**

**Thank you all for the generous donations to the 2019 Triennial National Collection for the Archdiocese For The Military Services, USA.** This collection is done every three years.



THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

medical doctor and layman who devoted his medical career to serving the poor.

**St. Giuseppe Moscati, Doctor to the Poor**

Giuseppe Moscati, "the holy physician of Naples," was a

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**FOOD TRUCK HELP-** We are in need of three people to help unload and distribute food from the Mobile Food Truck. The truck comes the first Friday of each month. Volunteers arrive around 9am at the Whitney Point Church Parking Lot. We usually serve around 90 families and it takes approximately 2 hours. Be sure to dress warm. Please email Roger at [rhalice@twc.com](mailto:rhalice@twc.com) or call Peg (372-7036) for further details and/or to let us know you can help out. Some of our 'regular' volunteers head south for the winter....so we really need you!

**Whitney Pt Ecumenical Food Pantry**

During the month of **Nov.** we are collecting **canned vegetables** for the Whitney Pt Ecumenical Food Pantry. **We are in need of any food donations.** There are marked baskets at the entrances of our churches. Thank you for all food & monetary donations.



**Immaculata Medallion Award-**The Immaculata Medallion honors lay people who generously give of themselves to parishes in our Diocese. An individual or married couple is selected by our pastor that is in good standing, whose volunteer service to our parish is recognized as extraordinary and whose love of the Church has been shown through their devotion to the Holy Father, to our Diocese, and to their parish. Fr. Doug has selected from The CC of St. Stephen-St. Patrick Church, **Kathy Cusick**. From Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, **Lloyd & Annette Lapierre**. They will receive their awards at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm during a Vesper Service. Congratulations to Kathy, Lloyd & Annette and we thank them for their ministry of true service and love to our parishes.

Next Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, our special collection will support the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. More than 46 million people in the U.S. live in poverty today. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address obstacles as they work to make permanent and positive changes for their communities. Learn more about the CCHD at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).

**Put on an "Attitude of Gratitude."**

**It is good for the soul!**

*Be Thankful*

*Be thankful you don't already have everything you desire.*

*If you did, what would there be to look forward to?*

*Be thankful when you don't know something.*

*It gives you the opportunity to learn.*

*Be thankful for the difficult times.*

*During those times, you grow.*

*Be thankful for each new challenge.*

*It will build your strength and character.*

*Be thankful when you're tired and weary.*

*It means you've made a difference.*

*It's easy to be thankful for the good things.*

*A life of rich fulfillment comes to those*

*who are also thankful for the set-backs.*

*Gratitude can turn a negative into a positive.*

*Find a way to be thankful for your troubles*

*and they can become blessings.*

~Author unknown~



**Interested?**

Are you, or someone you know, interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? If so, contact our parish office, 692-3911, for Kathy Cusick.

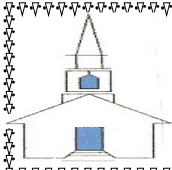
**Please Pray For Our Following Friends and Family**

**in the Military:** 2<sup>nd</sup>Lt. Trevor Jones, PVT2 Averi Hull, Major Corrine Miller, Devon McGill, Sgt Megan Ballard, Joshua Lilley, PV2 James McGill, Sgt Heather Fox, LCpl John Larkin, Jr., USMC, Captain Caleb Miller, A2C Derek Lescord, Sgt Jacob Rau, Major Joy Thomas SSgt Michael Hetzler, A1C Brendan Schneider, Daniel Morehouse USMC, SSG Steven Gross, Sgt Nicholas Stone, Major John Thomas, USMC SSgt Dan Votra, SSgt Justin Blaisdell, LCDR Paul McDonald, LCDR Marvin Joel Scott III, Brett Hayes, 2<sup>nd</sup>Lt. Emily Steele USAF, OS3 Jonathan Schneider, Sgt Zachary Reardon USMC, LCDR Maria Lescord, and our pastor, LtCol Douglas Cunningham.



**Remember Our Veterans**

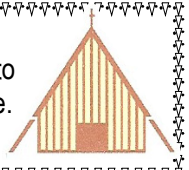
**If you have a friend or family member serving our country and would like their name mentioned weekly in our bulletin, to be kept in our prayers, please contact our parish office.**



### 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 ill, hospitalized or homebound, please let the Parish Office know so our Hospitality Groups can provide contact with them through visits and cards, or any spiritual needs such as communion, and perhaps they would like to receive a copy of our bulletin.



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.

Our bulletin & OLPH's can be viewed online at [www.ccssp.com](http://www.ccssp.com)

 Our face book page: [www.facebook.com/ccssp](http://www.facebook.com/ccssp)

#### Parish Council

*Chairperson* - John Mihalko  
*Vice-Chairperson* - Dan Burke  
*Secretary* - Peg Orzel


#### PARISH STAFF

**Director of Faith Formation** - Cecelia Carstens, 323-5114  
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**Parish Business/Office Manager**-Mary Wied Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday, Noon - Phone, Mail or Email, [ststephenstpat@syrdio.org](mailto:ststephenstpat@syrdio.org)

### Daily Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday	Nov. 17	<b>8:30 AM</b> Whitney Point...for <b>Barbara McDonough</b> ...by Family <b>10:30 AM</b> Marathon...for <b>Dr. Joseph Caminiti, 9<sup>th</sup> Anniv.</b> ...by <b>Linda Caminiti</b> <b>12:00 PM</b> OLPH...for <b>Cecilia &amp; Richard Spann</b> ...by Pat Spann & Pat Squires for <b>Giuseppi &amp; MariaAnna Buttigieg</b> ...by Josephine Kellogg	
Tuesday	Nov. 19	<b>8:30 AM</b> Marathon...for <b>The People Of Our Parish</b>	
Sunday	Nov. 24	<b>8:30 AM</b> Whitney Point...for <b>Elsie Zelsnack</b> ...by Elsie Poyer <b>10:30 AM</b> Marathon...for <b>Mary "Maisy" Mackrell</b> ...by <b>CCSS-SP's Hospitality Committee</b> <b>12:00 PM</b> OLPH...for <b>The People Of Our Parish</b>	

#### Readings for the Week of November 17 through 24, 2019:

**Today:** Mal 3:19-20a; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19  
**Monday:** 1 Mc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63; Lk 18:35-43  
**Tuesday:** 2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10  
**Wednesday:** 2 Mc 7:1,20-31; Lk 19:11-28



**Thursday:** 1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44  
**Friday:** 1 Mc 4:36-37,52-59; Lk 19:45-48  
**Saturday:** 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40  
**Next Sunday:** 2 Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

The readings for today, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, begin with #1046, 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:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of Month at WP Church parking lot. Truck arrives around **10:00am** (unless holiday)



#### Whitney Point

**Greeters:** Clements Family  
**Next Sunday:** Anne Ballard, Cathy Shoemaker  
**Lector:** Dot Hathway **Next Sunday:** Justin VanTassel  
**Altar Servers:** Lucca Lynch, Ian McMullen  
**Next Sunday:** Grace Russell, Noah Somers

#### Marathon

Garret & Joyce Van De Weert  
McEvoy Family  
**Lector:** Linda Caminiti **Next Sunday:** Shelley Warnow  
Volunteers  
Volunteers

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Roger & Ann Calice, Ingrid Wennerod  
**Next Sunday:** Kathy Bensley, Dot Hathway, Emily Jordan  
**Children's Liturgy Leader:** Sherry Dee **Next Sunday:** Emily Jordan

Dawn Odinek, Shelley Warnow, Kathy Cusick  
Don Barry, Mike Thayne, Eric Barry  
**Nov Ushers:** Mike Reilly, Jim Holland

Thank you for your ministry to our parish! → If you would like to be on the ministry schedule and have received training or would like to receive training, please contact Justin VanTassel at [jvantassel@gmail.com](mailto:jvantassel@gmail.com) or 607-343-9577.

**2020 Lector Workbooks are in our church sacristies.**

## This Week In Our Parish

**Today, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>** 9:20-11:00am - Faith Formation Advent Family Day Classes - Whitney Point Church Hall  
**Tuesday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>** 9:30am - CCSS-SP's Hospitality Meeting - Whitney Point Church Hall  
**Thursday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>** 7:00pm - Adoration - Whitney Point Church  
**Saturday, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>** 8:00am - Christen Men Of Faith Meeting- Whitney Point Church Hall  
**Sunday, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>** 9:20-11:00am - Faith Formation Classes - Whitney Point Church Hall  
 12:00-1:00pm - Thanksgiving Baskets Distribution - Whitney Point Food Pantry  
 1:00pm - CCSS-SP/OLPH Annual Harvest Dinner - OLPH's Seton Hall, Cincinnati

### Whole Community Catechesis Readings and Questions for Discussion

#### Reading 1 - Malachi 3:19-20

The day of justice is coming, says the Lord.

#### Reading 2 - 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Paul urges the community to follow his example and to earn their keep.

#### Gospel - Luke 21:5-19

Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and warns his followers that persecution will come before the end time.

*Adults: When bad things happen, how do you deal with them?*

*Children: Have you ever worried about something that might happen?*

*What can help you worry less?*

### THE ST. STEPHEN'S/ST. PATRICK'S

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE  
 Hospitality Committee meets on the third Tuesday

of every month in our Whitney Pt Church Hall.

Our next meeting is this Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am. We invite young and older, male and female and from all three church locations to join us. All are welcome to attend!

We are still looking for several people to form a new **Liturgical Music Committee** for our parish. It would be a fairly small commitment, meeting approximately every 3 months, to work as a team to choose the music for our Sunday Liturgical settings. There will be guide information provided, but we need input from YOU to make it happen! If you are interested, please contact John Mihalko ([jdmihalko@gmail.com](mailto:jdmihalko@gmail.com) or 607-760-1437.)



## Caroling Party

**Marathon Church at 6pm** and our final stop will be at the Marathon Presbyterian Church. We welcome carolers to bring some snacks for when we are finished. Thank you!

**Annual Community Christmas Caroling in Marathon on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.** Everyone please join us with your voices for Christmas caroling at the Marathon Churches. We will begin at our Marathon Church at 6pm and our final stop will be at the Marathon Presbyterian Church. We welcome carolers to bring some snacks for when we are finished. Thank you!

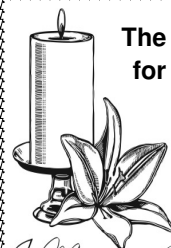


During the month of November we especially pray for the following loved ones that have gone to our Holy Father:

*Margaret O'Donnell, Jack & Helen Fordham, Sr. Maureen Burns, Kate Hartnett, Marjorie Carroll, Elsie Carroll-Zelsnack, Michael Carroll, Shawn Carroll, Keith Mosier, Don Daylor, The Atwood Family, The Collyer Family, Thomas Collins, John Holland, Sr & Jr, Dan & Grace Holland, Walter Hess, Don & Midge Preston, Emanuel & Janet Lepro, Jean & Luman Allen, Mabel Carr, Lucy Haight, Jaime Canfield, Katie Bensley, Joshua Somers, Joseph & Christine Cahill, Donald & Peg Bensley, Patricia Palmer, John Ryan, Ryan Family, Horner Family*

### THANKSGIVING COLLECTION

Today, November 17<sup>th</sup>, we will be taking up a second collection to help purchase food for about 50 families. Each family will receive a turkey (Catholic Charities donation,) stuffing, mashed potatoes, muffin mix, sweet potatoes, cranberries, 2 cans of vegetables, pumpkin pie filling and pie crust mix.



The Sanctuary Candle Burning for the month of November in our Whitney Pt Church is In Memory Of:

**Everett & Theresa Burroughs**  
by Ron & Jackie Burroughs

**Our Marathon Church:**  
**Deacon Joe Caminiti**  
by Linda Caminiti



### CCSS-SP/OLPH Harvest Dinner next Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>

1pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Hall, Cincinnati  
Let's celebrate by bringing our harvests to the table.

**Dish-to-pass:** bring and open one of your freshly canned goods, bake something sweet with the fruits and vegetables of harvest, or whatever dish you please. **There are signup sheets at all three churches** for a headcount and if bringing entrée, side or dessert. We hope to see everyone there!



### CHRISTMAS STAR PROGRAM - Christmas Stars will be available beginning next Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, at the church entrances.

Each star has a 'wish' for one child. If you are able to purchase a gift, please wrap it, tape the star to the outside of the package and **return it to the church by December 15<sup>th</sup>**. Please only include the desired item in the gift box/bag so each child in the family receives the same number of items. This year we will be purchasing gifts for 32 children. They will each receive a shirt, pants, toy or game, pajamas, socks and underwear. The families in the area are always so very grateful for the assistance we provide. If you are unable to shop, **but wish to donate money** it will be used for the purchase of socks and underwear.

Monetary donations can be mailed to Human Development, CC St. Stephen-St. Patrick, P.O. Box 711, Whitney Point, NY 13862 or put in the offertory collection in an envelope marked Christmas Star Program. Thank you so much!

### TRUST IN GOD

"I am with you always. Trust me."