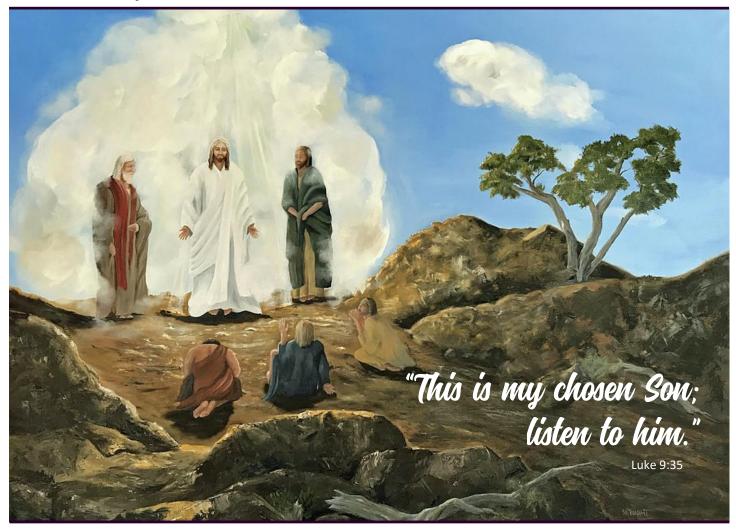
# **Assumption Catholic Church**

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Second Sunday of Lent

March 13, 2022



## May You Find Christ Here... May You Bring Christ to the World!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m. Sunday, 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. Thursday, 12 noon Friday, 6:00 p.m.

**Confessions:** 

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m. Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass Fr. Thomas A. Sebastian, Administrator tanatharackal@gmail.com, 681.404.2521

Rev. Larry Hammel, Deacon lawrencevhammel@gmail.com

Kelli Wittman, Office Manager
Kelley Kuhn, Director of Religious Education

Linda Davis-Kyle, Music Director & Organist

Patrick George and Angela Bowers, Organists

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 12 noon

## **Sunday Reflection: Second Sunday of Lent**

What can blind us or keep us from recognizing God's glory in our lives? Sin and unbelief of course! Faith enables us to see what is hidden or unseen to the naked eye. Through the eyes of faith, Abraham recognized God and God's call on his life. He saw from afar not only what God intended for him, but for his descendants as well - an everlasting covenant of friendship and peace with the living God (Genesis 15:18). Are we prepared to see God's glory? God is eager to Readings for next Sunday, March 20, 2022

Exodus 3:1-15 1 Corinthians 10:1-12 Luke 13:1-9

share his glory with us! We get a glimpse of this when the disciples see Jesus transfigured on the mountain. Jesus' face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white (Luke 9:28). In the Gospel account Jesus appeared in glory with Moses, the great lawgiver of Israel, and with Elijah, the greatest of the prophets, in the presence of three of his beloved apostles - Peter, James, and John.

Luke's Gospel account tells us that while Jesus was transfigured, Peter, James, and John were asleep (Luke 9:32)! Upon awakening they discovered Jesus in glory along with Moses and Elijah. How much do we miss of God's glory and action because we are asleep spiritually? There are many things which can keep our minds asleep to the things of God: mental lethargy and the "unexamined life" can keep us from thinking things through and facing our doubts and questions. The life of ease can also hinder us from considering the challenging or disturbing demands of Christ. Prejudice can make us blind to something new the Lord may have for us. Even sorrow can be a block until we can see past it to the glory of God. Are we spiritually awake? Peter, James, and John were privileged witnesses of the glory of Christ. We, too, as disciples of Christ are called to be witnesses of his glory.



St. Patrick wasn't Irish, but he found his faith while being held as a prisoner there.

Born in Britain to wealthy parents, at age 16 Patrick and some of his father's slaves were captured by Irish raiders and sold into slavery in Ireland. Forced to work as a shepherd, he suffered from hunger and cold. Lonely and afraid, he turned to his religion for solace. Six years later, Patrick escaped and returned to Britain.

Later, an angel appeared to him in a dream and told him to return to Ireland as a missionary. Once he was ordained a priest, he did return to Ireland and began ministering and converting. He ordained many priests, divided the country into dioceses, founded several monasteries and continually urged his people to greater holiness in Christ. He often used shamrocks to explain the Holy Trinity.

While legends about Patrick abound, the truth is best served by his two greatest qualities: humility and courage. The determination to accept suffering and success with equal indifference guided his life.

St. Patrick's feast day is celebrated on March 17, the date of his death in circa 493. He is the patron saint of Ireland and engineers.

Source: franciscanmedia.org, catholic.org, history.com



Patricia Ansel, Jennifer Boling, Kista Crites, Judy Davis\*, Scott Furey, Barbara Gratto, Beth Grayson, Sue Greco, Barbara Grubbs\*, Larry Hinkle\*, Helen Holder\*, Kathy Jenkins, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Pam Launi, Craig Leibig, Debbie Pappas, Caroline Reeves, Carla Roth, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Sue Ann Spotts\*, Bill Stine, Scott Tasker and Maleigha Taylor.

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Feast Day: March 17

#### Did You Know?

## The Way of the Cross

During the Turkish occupation of the Holy Land in the late Middle Ages, when pilgrims were prevented from visiting its sacred sites, the custom arose of making replicas of those holy places where the faithful might come to pray.

One of the most popular of these devotions was the "Stations of the Way of the Cross," which were imitations of the "stations," or stopping places, of prayer on the Via Dolorosa. The Via Dolorosa is a processional route in the old city of Jerusalem which represents the path that Jesus would have taken on his way to his crucifixion. By the late sixteenth century, the fourteen stations as we know them today were erected in almost all Catholic churches.

Join us every Friday during Lent at 6 p.m. for Mass followed by the Stations of the Cross!





A Diocesan collection is scheduled for next weekend to support the Priests' Health and Retirement Association

(PHRA), a fund that provides health insurance and retirement benefits to retired priests of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Please take a moment to reflect on the many years of service by our priests and thank them in a very particular way with a gift to the PHRA collection.

## **Youth Group Donations Requested**

Our parish has joined with the Grace United Methodist Church to form a youth group for grades 6-12. The group got acquainted last Sunday with a bowling outing, and plans for their first activity are underway!

The group will sponsor a community Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 10 at 2 p.m. at Keyser Middle School. The youth group members will be meeting soon to stuff the eggs.

Donations of small wrapped candy, stickers or coins can be dropped in the vestibule of the church or the Parish Office by Sunday, March 20 (no eggs are needed). Thank you!

#### **Mass Schedule and Intentions**

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, March 12	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Angela Dorsey	Marion Dorsey
Sunday, March 13	8:30 a.m.	The Hoover & Dickel families	St. Thomas Cemetery
Monday, March 14	No Mass		
Tuesday, March 15	No Mass		
Wednesday, March 16	5:00 p.m.	Soul of Brian Dorsey	Tammy Dorsey-Dale
Thursday, March 17	12 noon	Souls of Bob & Rosemarie Myers	Kelli Wittman
Friday, March 18	6:00 p.m.	Soul of James G. Bosley	Carole Rhodes
		Soul of James DeMasi	Mary Shannon
Saturday, March 19	4:00 p.m.	Soul of John Turner	Dena Turner
Sunday, March 20	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Mary Hester Marsh	Linda Marsh

Note: Mass on Fridays during Lent is held at 6 p.m., followed by the Stations of the Cross.

## Collections & Attendance March 5-6, 2022

Offertory	/

Offertory Envelopes	\$2,580
Loose Donations	\$743
Easter Flowers	
Total	\$3,377

#### **Diocesan Collection**

People of Ukraine .....\$1,408

#### **Attendance**

Sunday 3/6	97
Total	150

#### **February Balance Sheet**

February Income	\$13,973
February Expenses	
Balance	\$4,182

#### **Voices Needed!**

Our music team is now beginning to practice for Easter and other special occasions, and would welcome new voices!



Practices are held each Thursday at 4:00, but that time can be changed to suit others' schedules.

If you would like to serve God and our parish through this music ministry, please contact the Parish Office or Music Director Linda Davis-Kyle at 301-707-4215 by March 20.



## **Lenten Lunch Program**

The Grace United Methodist Church is hosting Lenten lunches featuring local clergy speakers each Wednesday during Lent at

12 noon (30 S. Mineral Street, Keyser). A free-will offering will be received.





## **Liturgical Minister Schedule**

#### Saturday, March 19

Lector: Karen Yowler

Servers: Alan Taylor & Sue Harber

EM: Meredythe Barrick Cantor: Anita Tetreault

Greeter: Kelli & Kerri Wittman

## Sunday, March 20

Lector: Kelley Kuhn

Servers: Sommer & Micah Alt

EM: Tina Stephen Cantors: Linda Marsh

Greeters: Tina Stephen & Melissa Stanislawczyk

#### Saturday, March 26

Lector: Alan Taylor

Servers: Sommer & Micah Alt

EM: Kathy Finnell Cantor: Linda Marsh

Greeters: Tom & Kathy Finnell

## Sunday, March 27

Lector: Paul Bogdan

Servers: Tina & Derek Stephen

EM: Nancy Starcher

Cantor: Julie Alt

Greeters: Doug & Jane Placka



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 by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.