

From the Pastor . . .

Dear Brothers and Sisters, There is a lot of good news to share:

- 1) over 90 people have signed up for small groups. Groups have begun. Participants are reporting that they are enjoying them and finding them to be spiritually beneficial.
- 2) At the 9:00 a.m. Mass the expanded children's "Kid's Chapel" (a.k.a Children's Liturgy of the Word) now begins at the very beginning of Mass and runs for 30 minutes. The children are really enjoying the experience and parents get time to enjoy the Mass.
- 3) The "Encounter" band at the 9:00 a.m. Mass is doing a great job. We thank Michael Hamilton for his leadership with the music program.
- 4) St. Vincent Grade School is off to a great start, with around 140 kids in the school this year.
- 5) We have begun our preaching series on the STEPS of discipleship. What is the "next step" that you need to take to grow as a disciple of the Lord Jesus? — Msgr. Paul Hudock

STEPS Message

Series: Starting this week, the homily at the weekend Masses will focus on taking the next **STEPS** in the walk of discipleship. Message topics for the following 5 Sundays are:

- 9/23 **S**erve;
- 9/30 **T**ithing and Stewardship;
- 10/07 **E**ngage in Small Groups;
- 10/14 Practicing **P**rayer and Sacraments;
- 10/21 **S**haring the Faith. Those participating in small groups will have an opportunity to continue the discussion. Stay tuned for the next installment of our message series. How is God calling you to take the next STEPS in your walk of discipleship?



MEN'S RETREAT: A Day of Reflection with Rev. John Beckley, S.M. will be held at the Marist Centre Saturday September 29th. We begin at 8am with a continental breakfast (registration at 8:30am) and ending with Mass (around 5pm). Cost is \$30, and includes breakfast and lunch. For more info, call Don Klamut at 304-280-4626



RCIA: You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact Sister Rosella at 304-242-0406.

RCIA sessions are being held on Thursdays, at 6:30 p.m. in the Caveney Room in the office area of the Marist Centre.
ALL ARE WELCOME!



Rosary Coast to Coast:

When: Sunday, Oct. 7 — gathering at 3:45 p.m. Rosary starts at 4 p.m.

Where: In Front of St. Michael's, National Road.

The time is now to call upon God, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary, to heal our country and return it to holiness. The intentions echo those of the USCCB Call to Prayer for Life, Marriage and Religious Liberty.

Catholic 2018
Sharing
Appeal

We are very proud that St Vincent's has more parishioners participating in the **Catholic Sharing**

Appeal than any other parish in the diocese! 213 households have made gifts totaling \$152,100. At this stage, your gift to the CSA will be free of diocesan assessments and will be matched by the diocese.

Help us to **Pay the Priest, Protect Education, Pave the Lot,** and reach our goal of \$227,000 by the end of the year. You can give online at: www.dwc.org/csa

We have reached over half of our parish goal!

Thank you to all who have participated!
We are now at 67% of our Parish Goal!!!



"REBUILT" DISCUSSION

CLASS: Msgr. Paul will be concluding the discussion the book "**Rebuilt**" Wednesday, September 26 in the Youth Room starting at 6:30 pm; Copies of the book are available in the priests' sacristy.

If you have read the *Rebuilt* book, please return your copy to the vestibule so that another person can read the book. Thank you!



Please Pray For Those who are sick. . Lora

Bishop, Patricia Bock, Barbara Brayec, Jodie Ferrera Bricker, Fred Chipkar, Tom Clatterbuck, Maggie Conley, Urban Danahey, Kathy Dietrich, Samara Edmund, Gerald and Louise Elliott, Janet Ferrera, Tom Flatley, Edna Foose, Lou Frasnelli, Bob Hughes, Fred Jaquay, Elena Kime, Phyllis Kosem, Mary Jane Langmyer, Marcia Laughlin, Lee Merinar, Mary Ellen McCann, Linda Melko, Harold Miller, Kathleen Miller, Denise Mull, Bill Meyers, Lois Naegele, Bill Palmer, Darren Reed, Shirley Seamon, The Petruccioli Family, Lori Plants, Maddie Russell, Nick Stephan, Austin Strawn, Anita Tankovits, Chester Jay Taylor, Rick Terry, Wilma Thomann, Jim Tighe, Chuck Vanyo, Kathy Wagner, Fr. Joe Wilhelm, S.M.; Mitzi Wiczorkowski

SMALL GROUPS AT ST VINCENT PARISH:

Over 90 people have signed up for Small Groups in our parish! These groups are:

- Open to all adults
- Groups will read, study, converse and reflect on the Sunday Readings and Homily.
- Plan to meet for 90 minutes per week for 6 weeks - time and date is up to each leader
- The first meeting will be located at the home of your Small Group Leader

For more information, contact Dave Soloninka; Director Small Groups—304.780.1692 (txt) or email: davidsoloninka5@gmail.com



FIRST FRIDAY MASS AT MT. CLAVARY:

All are welcome to attend the monthly first Friday Mass celebrated at the Bishop's Chapel at Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

For the month of October, the Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 pm, October 5. Please join us as we remember our beloved dead who are buried within the cemetery.

Parish Sacrificial Giving

Sept. 16, 2018

Collection	\$8,856.00
WeShare/Online Giving	2,005.00
Attendance	418

Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS - This Week

Wednesday—September 26

Rebuilt Class 6:30 pm Youth Rm

Thursday—September 27

OLSD Altar Society 11:00 am OLSD

RCIA 6:30 pm Caveney Rm

Next Week

Tuesday—October 2

Prayer Shawl 1:30 pm Petri Library

Thursday—October 4

RCIA 6:30 pm Caveney Rm

Reflection for 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's First Reading, it's like we have our ears pressed to the wall and can hear the murderous grumbings of the elders, chief priests, and scribes—who last week Jesus predicted would torture and kill Him (see Mark 8:31; 10:33–34).

The liturgy invites us to see this passage from the Book of Wisdom as a prophecy of the Lord's Passion. We hear His enemies complain that "the Just One" has challenged their authority, reproached them for breaking the law of Moses, for betraying their training as leaders and teachers. And we hear chilling words that foreshadow how they will mock Him as He hangs on the Cross: "For if the Just One be the Son of God, He will . . . deliver Him . . ." (compare Matthew 27:41–43).

Today's Gospel and Psalm give us the flip side of the First Reading. In both, we hear of Jesus' sufferings from His point of view. Though His enemies surround Him, He offers Himself freely in sacrifice, trusting that God will sustain Him. But the Apostles today don't understand this second announcement of Christ's passion. They begin arguing over issues of succession—over who among them is greatest, who will be chosen to lead after Christ is killed.

Again they are thinking not as God, but as human beings (see Mark 8:33). And again Jesus teaches the Twelve—the chosen leaders of His Church—that they must lead by imitating His example of love and self-sacrifice. They must be "servants of all," especially the weak and the helpless—symbolized by the child He embraces and places in their midst. This is a lesson for us, too. We must have the mind of Christ, who humbled Himself to come among us (see Philippians 2:5–11). We must freely offer ourselves, making everything we do a sacrifice in praise of His name.

As James says in today's Epistle, we must seek wisdom from above, desiring humility, not glory, and in all things be gentle and full of mercy.

Dr. Scott Hahn, PhD

St. Vincent's School and Youth News

ATTENTION!

Get an early start on your Christmas Shopping, or just make plans to enjoy a Saturday with your friends at St. Vincent's! Fall and holiday items are ready for you to check out or take home to enjoy with your family. **The Halloween Costume Contest is back!** Our vendors will have treats for the kids. **NEW this year:** food trucks and an outdoor market (weather permitting). Mark your calendars now!

When: Saturday, October 27

Time: 10 am—2 pm

Where: St. Vincent de Paul School Gym

CRAFT & vendor SHOW

CANNED FOOD DRIVE FOR CATHOLIC NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER:

SVS is continuing the food drive for Catholic Neighborhood Center. This year, with Msgr. Paul's permission, it will be a parish-wide collection. We would like to enlist all organizations in the parish toward this end. Your job would entail picking up the bags at the school on Friday, September 21st and distributing them to a section of Elm Grove; picking up the full bags on Saturday, September 29th, and transporting them directly to the Center. This would involve about **four hours** of your time. **We still need help: Stone Church Road / Cedar Rocks, and Overbrook.** The students and their parents will be servicing the rest. If you can help, please call the school @ 304-242-5844. Thank you and God bless you! *Christine Anghie*



ST. VINCENT'S GRADE SCHOOL is looking for a person to prepare hot lunches for students four days a week. Duties include: buying food, preparation, serving, and clean up. 16 hours per week. Contact Nurse MaryAnn Glusich at the School—304-242-5844.

The **SVS Art Room** began the school year by learning, "What makes a Superhero?", and followed through with this theme creating self-portraits in the Pop Art style. Classes studied artists like Andy Warhol, Roy Lichenstein, Keith Haring and Romero Britto. The 2-D self-portraits were done using a variety of mediums such as oil pastels, crayons, colored pencils, water based markers, permanent markers and three-dimensional self-portraits involved papier-mache in an abstract style. Awesome masterpieces were created!

- **CCHS NEWS: CCHS Basketball's Quarter Auction** will be held in the CCHS Great Hall on Sunday, Sept. 30 beginning at 1pm. 50/50 Raffle & Chinese Auction. \$5.00 admission includes one paddle. Call Marsha at 304-975-0097 or Hayden 304-639-6029 for tickets or more information
- **Hall of Fame Inductions** are Saturday, Sept. 29 at 9:00am in the Benedum Room at WJU. Tickets are \$25. Call Maggie at 304-905-6228 for more information.
- **Senior Parent Meeting** on Thursday, Sept. 27 at 6:00pm in the TEAL Lab. This meeting is packed full of valuable information you will need to know as you progress through senior year!

MARK YOU CALENDARS!! GREENBACKS DINNER, DANCE, AUCTION



Saturday, March 30, 2019
White Palace, Wheeling Park
Honoring the wonderful Sisters of St. Joseph
Raffle tickets available in early December
Reservations will begin in January
Raffle tickets - \$20 (greenback)
Event Ticket - \$30 (dinner, dance, auction, prizes)

Mass Schedule

Liturgical Minister Schedule for Next Weekend (Sept. 29/30, 2018)

Masses This Weekend

Saturday	Sept. 22 (25th Ord. Sunday/Vigil)
5:00 pm	Lucia Schramm Purpura
Sunday	Sept. 23 (25th Sunday in Ord. Time)
9:00 am	Robin Sue Marple
11:30 am	Anna Maderic (Anniv)

Masses This Week

Monday	Sept. 24
7:50 am	Dorothy Hunter
Tuesday	Sept. 25
<i>Miraculous Medal Novena before 5:30 pm Mass</i>	
5:30 pm	Hope Wagenhoffer
Wednesday	Sept. 26
7:50 am	Jack Savage
Thursday	Sept. 27 (St. Vincent de Paul)
7:50 am	Agnes DiChiazza
Friday	Sept. 28
9:00 am	Smith, Comer, and Jamie Families

Masses Next Weekend

Saturday	Sept. 29 (26th Ord. Sunday/Vigil)
5:00 pm	Stanley Gornik Mary Gornik
Sunday	Sept. 30 (26th Sunday in Ord. Time)
9:00 am	Sharon Stenger (Anniv)
11:30 am	All the People of the Parish

Saturday—5:00 pm

Servers: Abby and Joey Hall
Greeters: Chris and Sarah Hortert, Faith Hicks
Lector/Announcer: Jim Roberts
Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Baller, Carol Harris, Jeannie Miller, Andrea Witzgall, Need 2 ministers

Sunday - 9:00 am

Servers: Patrick Childers, Need 2 servers
Greeters: Gwen Porter, Patsy McGlumphy, John Dudzik
Lector/Announcer: Janet Bole
Eucharistic Ministers: Dorothy Dudzik, Leo and Marsha Boissy, Marilyn Delbrugge, Brenda and Dennis Beiter, Lynn Hetzel

Sunday - 11:30 Mass

Servers: Jack and Lucy Klug, Ivaniel Lopez-Prianti
Greeters: Julie Thorn, Maggie and Derek Reed
Lector/Announcer: Richard Oswald
Eucharistic Ministers: Dave Soloninka, Janet Thomas, Mary Lou Kent, Susie Newmeyer, Judy Stadler

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Sept. 30	Catholic University
Oct. 21	Universal World Missions

10 Day Holy Land Trip: From February 20—March 1, 2019. \$3,597 per person from Pittsburgh. For info, contact St. Patrick Church: secretary@spchurchweston.net

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held each Sunday during 9:00 Mass. Four year olds through 4th grade are welcome to attend.



GLEANING! We will continue to collect fresh produce each weekend through the beginning of October. Food will be taken to Catholic Neighborhood Center by 12:30pm each Sunday.



BEREAVEMENT GATHERING: If you, or someone you know has lost a loved one and may benefit from a gathering for those grieving, please join us at 6:00 pm at St. Alphonsus Church in Wheeling. Everything is kept confidential. Facilitator is Deacon Doug Breiding. **Next gathering is September 24**

Sunday, October 14, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 1:00 pm in the Church. Benediction will be held at 5 pm.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT: 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 1-800-352-6513. Report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 1-888-434-6237.