

**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF
ST. STEPHEN & ST. PATRICK CHURCH
JUNE 9, 2024**



**GENESIS 3:9-15
ADAM AND EVE EAT THE FRUIT OF THE FORBIDDEN TREE**

Rev. James Serowik, Pastor

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 09, 2024

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Whitney Point: Monday-Thursday, 9AM-Noon

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Before or After Monday's 6:00PM Mass and
Tuesday's 9AM Mass with Fr. Thomas.(Call office first)

Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

Pastor's Column



*Whoever does the
will of God is my
brother and sister
and mother.*

Mark 3:35, NRSV

In this weekend's Readings from Sacred Scripture we hear about the sad effects of sin in the world. In the First Reading from the Book of Genesis, we see that sin separates humanity from God. Adam and Eve freely chose to ignore what God had asked them to do and they had to face the consequences for their actions which was death and separation from God. The Good News is that Jesus Christ, by His death on the cross, has reestablished our relationship with God and has opened for us the gates of heaven. Jesus shows us that we do not have to fall into the trap of sin, but can actually do God's will, Just as Mary did. As we begin this period of Ordinary time in the Church year, let us recommit ourselves to acting on God's will in our lives and daily listening to His voice.

Last week I wired \$50,278 from St. Stephen-St. Patrick Parish and \$9,255 from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mission to the Victim's Trust Fund for the Diocese of Syracuse. The Diocese is hopeful to have the case settled in the near future so that we can continue the healing process from this terrible chapter in the history of our diocese. Please keep the victims of abuse in your prayers.

This weekend we will honor our graduates at our 8:30 Mass. This promises to be a special Liturgy and it is important for us to celebrate the achievements of our young people as they begin the next chapter of their lives. Let us keep our Young Graduates in prayer as they celebrate this milestone in their lives. HAVE A GREAT WEEK!

Fr. Jim

Creation Care Tips:

As we move into the summer months, let us think about how we use water. The World Health Organization reports, "Water scarcity impacts 40% of the world's population, and as many as 700 million people are at risk of being displaced as a result of drought by 2030." This week, look into ways of cutting your water usage. Reduce outside watering (drip irrigation can help a lot) and do so in mornings or evenings, when less water will evaporate. Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth. Switch to a low-flow shower head or toilet and use faucet aerators. Monitor your water usage on your bill and seek out options for free water audits.

Check Out the Diocese Online:

Twitter: twitter.com/SyrDiocese

YouTube: [Youtube.com/user/syrдио](https://youtube.com/user/syrдио)

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/DioceseOfSyracuse

Instagram: instagram.com/Syracusediocese

Pinterest: pinterest.com/syracusediocese



Weekly Stewardship Report: Last Sunday, June 2, 2024:

Regular Collection: Envs: \$2,398. Loose: \$609. Electronic: \$145. **Total Regular Collection: \$3,152.**

Diocesan Collections: Peter's Pence-\$25. **Other Income:** MemDay-\$60.(cemetery) MemSanct-\$20.

The following bills were paid this week because of your contributions.: **MoTithing:** \$140. (Jamaicaparish)

ChR&M: \$118. **FuelOil:** \$1,601. **FForm:** \$80. **Ph/Int:** \$190. **Salaries:** \$1,500. **Total Bills Pd This Week: \$3,629.**

Thank you for your ongoing generosity of your time, talents and treasure to our parish.

Electronic Tithing-

Your donations will be debited from your savings, checking or credit card account monthly, weekly or bi-weekly. Please call our Parish Office for more information and a form.

CCSS-SP's 50/50 for May was won by

Garret & Joyce Van De Weert,

winning \$ 42.50. Congratulations!

Thank you to all who participate, this 50/50 helps fund our Capital Building Fund Account. If you do not get boxed sets of contribution envelopes there are extra 50/50 envelopes at the entrances of our churches.

Did you know? The 50/50 Drawing pink envelope is in our envelope box once a month. The drawing is done at the end of the month. 50% goes to the individual winner and 50% to the Capital Building Fund. There are extra envelopes at the entrances of our churches. Cost is \$5.00 per envelope.



THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

→→Our subscription to **Formed.org** expires the end of June.

If you are viewing a series you may want to plan ahead so you can complete it.

The Three Secrets to Sharing the Faith by Trent Horn - Want to tell others about your Catholic Faith, but don't know where to start? Afraid you're not smart enough, knowledgeable enough, or outgoing enough? Don't worry, says Catholic Answers apologist Trent Horn. With a few simple tips and a little practice, anyone can be an effective apostle and evangelist in **The Three Secrets to Sharing the Faith, Sacrifice | The Catholic Parent | Episode 4** - It's an understatement to say marriage demands a lot. Family life and raising children demand even more. Isn't fulfilling those duties enough? Why does the Church teach that we should fast, and what does that mean practically? In this episode, Sr. Rachel Marie discusses these questions alongside the real-life witness of Catholic families. Turning to the story of St. Gianna Beretta Molla will leave you with the confidence needed to practice fasting as a family.

The Ballad of Barnabus Bundle | Benjamin Cello | Episode 1 - When Aunt Rhody loses Old Gray Goose and her potato crop too, Benjamin Cello breaks into his savings to help his friend in her time of need. Along the way, Aunt Rhody recalls the tragic tale of greedy Barnabus Bundle who tore down his barns to build bigger ones.



Potluck LUNCHEON

Ecumenical Gathering

What: Pot Luck Luncheon

→When: Today, June 9th, 2:00-4:00 PM

Where: Whitney Point United Methodist Church, 7311 Collins Street, Whitney Pt
Drinks and table settings will be provided.

Please bring your favorite dish to pass (main dish, side dish or dessert) and share in conversation and fellowship.

RSVP to WPUMC at 607-692-3638,

whitneypointumc@gmail.com or Sherry Sculley at

607-692-4328, sherrysculley@gmail.com.

Please let us know if you are planning on coming.

Newman House Catholic Community at Binghamton University annual Captain and Crew Golf Tournament.

When: August 4, 2024

Where: Traditions at the Glen

Cost: Per player \$100.00 Hole Sponsor: \$200.00

Send check to the Newman House, 400 Murray Hill Rd, Vestal, NY 13850 or go online and register at <http://newman.binghamtonsa.org/>

All proceeds go to help fund the Newman House

Budget and Maintenance of the Building.

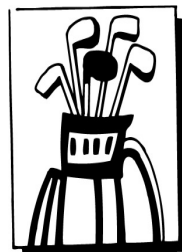
13th Annual Memorial Golf Tournament in honor of the late Catherine Keep

The Lisle Fire Company is hosting the 13th annual memorial golf tournament in honor of the late Catherine Keep. It will be held at Ford Hill Country Club on Saturday, August 10th.

CAPTAIN / CREW EVENT

\$75 PP / \$300 PER TEAM

Price to play INCLUDES 18 holes, cart, buffet lunch For more information please contact Tatiana Keep (607)759-0723



CCSS-SP's next Parish Council Meeting is

tomorrow, June 10th at 6:30PM, at our Whitney Point Church Hall. Parishioners are more than welcome to attend. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact our chairperson, Shelley Warnow, at

donsgirl1956@aol.com

Women's Faith Group Meeting is the 2nd Monday of the month at 9:30AM in our Whitney Point Church Hall. Join us! Our next one is tomorrow, June 10th.

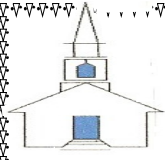
Please Pray For Our Following Friends and Family in the Military: Pvt Ryan E. Eaton, 2ndLt. Trevor Jones,

Sgt Avery Hull, Major Corrine Miller, PV2 Samuel Lilley, PV2 James McGill, Brett Hayes, A2C Derek Lescord, LCpl John Larkin, Jr., USMC, Devon McGill, SSgt Michael Hetzler, Major Caleb Miller, Sgt Heather Fox,

LtCol John Thomas, Daniel Morehouse USMC, LCDR Paul McDonald, 2ndLt. Emily Steele USAF, LCDR Maria Lescord, SSgt Dan Votra USMC, SSG Steven Gross, SSgt Justin Blaisdell, LCDR Marvin Joel Scott III, A1C Brendan Schneider, OS3 Jonathan Schneider, LtCol Major Joy Thomas, Sgt Zachary Reardon USMC and LCpl Isaac James Silvanic USMC

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, OR for any changes, please contact our parish office.

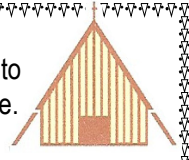




Mission Statement for The Catholic Community of St. Stephen - St. Patrick

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 pattycafe@yahoo.com. 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



Our face book page: www.facebook.com/ccssp

Parish Council

Chairperson - Shelley Warnow, donsgirl1956@aol.com
ViceChair - Dan Burke, dburke1114@gmail.com
Secretary- Sue Stevens
Trustees - Kathy Cusick, Ron Orzel
Parish Business/Office Manager-Mary Wied **Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesday, Noon - Phone, Mail or Email, ststephenstpat@syrdio.org

PARISH STAFF

Director of Faith Formation - Sherry Dee, 607-759-1876
Ministry Coordinator-Peg Orzel, porzel10@yahoo.com
Church Organist/Music Director - Jennifer Austin
Maintenance - (Please call parish office w/maintenance concerns)
Parish Business/Office Manager-Mary Wied **Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesday, Noon - Phone, Mail or Email, ststephenstpat@syrdio.org

Daily Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, June 09 **8:30 AM** Whitney Point...for **The People Of Our Parish**
10:15 AM Marathon...for **Mike Reilly** by Don & Terrie Atwood
12:00 PM OLPH...for **John DeMonte** by Joanne Livermore
Monday, June 10 **6:00 PM** Whitney Point...for **The People Of Our Parish**
Tuesday, June 11 **9:00 AM** Whitney Point...for **The People Of Our Parish**
Sunday, June 16 **8:30 AM** Whitney Point...for **Ella & Garret Van De Weert**
by Garret & Joyce Van De Weert
10:15 AM Marathon...for **The People Of Our Parish**
12:00 PM OLPH...for **Joe Auberger** by Ellie Auberger
for **Francis Pratt, Bernie Massar, Sr.** by Sharon Massar



Readings for June 9 through 16, 2024:
Today: Gn 3:9-15; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mk 3:20-35
Mon: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Mt 5:1-12
Tues: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Mt 5:13-16
Wed: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19
Thurs: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Mt 5:20-26
Fri: 1 Kgs 19:9a,11-16; Mt 5:27-32
Sat: 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37
Sun: Ez 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34



Mass Intention Offerings-The offering for all Mass intentions (both living and deceased) is \$15 per Mass. If paying by check, please make payable to: CC of St. Stephen-St. Patrick Church. Call or stop in the parish office.



Whitney Point
Greeters: Anne Clerkin, Cathy Cummings
Next Sunday: Earl Markham, Cris Broderick
Lector: Tom Nichols
Next Sunday: Gene Jordan
Eucharistic Ministers: Ingrid Wennerod, Kathy Bensley
Next Sunday: Cathy Shoemaker, Emily Jordan
Tabulators: Ron & Jan Orzel
Next Sunday: Dick & Kathy Bensley

Marathon
Claire Hinman, Don Atwood
Bob Barry, Kathleen Allen
John Ewanciw
Rose Ann Holland
Cindy Barry, Karen Standish
Wayne & Carol Niggli
Mark Barry, Volunteer
Karen Standish, Wayne Niggli
June Ushers: John & Kim McCrory
July: Bob Barry, Don Atwood

Anyone interested in becoming a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Greeter or Tabulator, please call the parish office. Training will be provided.

WP Ecumenical Food Pantry: M-Th & Sat, 10AM-Noon, Closed Fridays, Holidays & when school is closed for inclement weather.
FoodPantry Chairperson: John Mihalko
June's Pantry Need: Baby needs & cereal
WPClothing Bank: M,T & Sat, 10AM-Noon
The Mobile Food Truck is at Fairgrounds the **2nd Wednesday of each month**. Registration is required (begins the day before the truck) and is on-line or by calling the Southern Tier Mobile Food Truck Food Bank of the Southern Tier - NY (foodbankst.org) 607.796.6061

➔Please make sure lights are shut off and doors are closed shut and locked when you leave one of the churches.
Thank you.

➔If anyone notices any kind of church maintenance need from needing a bulb or battery for something, if something has fallen or is broken, to any major need, please call our parish office, so it can be taken care of asap.

Consider coming to **Coffee Hour** after mass in Marathon to visit/meet fellow parishioners and visitors. Coffee, milk, juice, and baked goodies are there for your enjoyment. Free will offering.

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.

A guide was created to **Meals on Wheels** for seniors, covering what the program is, how to sign up, and what types of meals are offered. Please feel free to take a look: <https://www.retireguide.com/retirement-life-leisure/senior-housing/aging-in-place/meals-on-wheels/>

For those homebound, you can access our **8:30AM Sunday Mass:** <https://www.youtube.com/c/CatholicCommunityofStStephenStPatrick>

This Week In Our Parish (Masses in "Daily Mass Schedule & Intentions")

Today, June 9th Honoring of Graduates Mass - 8:30AM Mass at Whitney Pt
Mon., June 10th 9:30AM - Women's Faith Group Mtg. - WP Church Hall
6:30PM - CCSS-SP's Parish Council Mtg. - WP Ch Hall
Tues., June 11th 10:00AM - Weekly Bible Study - Whitney Point Church



Vocation View: "Here are my mother and my brothers." Embrace being a part of Christ's family and consider serving His people as a priest or religious brother or sister. Reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrdio.org and follow us on Instagram @vocations Syracuse or call Fr. Jason Hage at (315) 470-1468.

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?



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. Don't let pride and pettiness divide your home.



Blessings and Congratulations to our 2024 High School Graduates:

- Zachary Birdsall - Marathon
- Stephen Eaton - Marathon
- Anna Hoyt - Marathon
- Ian McMullen - Whitney Point
- Lauryn Nichols - Whitney Point
- Joslyn Wright - Newark Valley

They will receive a blessing during our 8:30AM Mass today. Please keep them in prayer that they will be guided by the Holy Spirit in all their future endeavors.

Please join them in a reception after Mass, downstairs in the church hall to celebrate and congratulate them with some refreshments served by our parish's Hospitality Committee.

All are invited to our EUCHARISTIC MEAL

(MASS) at 9:00 AM, followed by

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

with Rev. Thomas Macauley, O.P.

Tuesday, June 11th, 10:00-11:00AM
at the Whitney Point Church Hall.

The Gospel of St. Mark Please bring your Bibles and writing materials.



WELCOMED HOME

Please kindly pray for the repose of the soul of **Jerry Mackey** who has entered into the Kingdom of Heaven. May he rest in peace.



MEMORIAL DAY

Thank you to those who made donations, whether in memory of a loved one or not, for Memorial Day Mass. Some donations were made in memory of...

- Roger Calice, Duckett & Morris Family, Orzel & Sobiech Family.
- Donald Bensley, Joseph Cahill, Jack Cook, Frechette Family Members,
- Steve Barden, Jim Dean, Eugene Nichols, Robert McMahon, Robert Austin,
- Bill Cummings, United States Armies, The Poyer & Carroll Families,
- Charles McEvoy, William C. Verfuss, Kenneth J. McEvoy, Francys McEvoy,
- Elsie Carroll Zelsnack and Michael Carroll

Total donations to date are \$195.00 which helps with the grounds keeping. Today there is an additional donation envelope to help with the maintenance costs for the St. Patrick's Cemetery. These are the only two annual collections that help fund our cemetery account. Thank you!

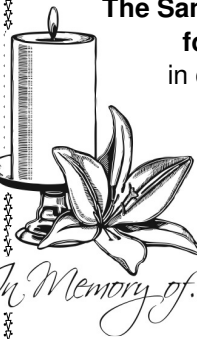
The Sanctuary Candle Burning for the Month of June

in our Whitney Point Church is *In Memory Of:*

Helmut Melzer & Daina Freimanis
by Vella Melzer

in our Marathon Church is *In Memory Of:*

Marge Carroll
by John Carroll



During June we are collecting **baby needs & cereals** for the Whitney Point Ecumenical Food Pantry.

Please place your donations in designated baskets at the entrances of our churches.

Thank you for your food and monetary donations that help to feed those less fortunate in our community.

Hospitality Committee

No CCSS-SP Hospitality Committee Meetings in June, July and August.

We will resume Sept. 17th.



The Catholic Community of St. Stephen-St. Patrick and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Churches Annual Parish Picnic is on Sunday, September 8th.

There'll be one Mass at St. Patrick's Church (time not determined yet) followed by the picnic at the

North Pavilion at Dorchester Park in Whitney Point. Please bring a dish to pass, a lawn chair and an outdoor game if you wish. Our parish's Hospitality Committee will be providing the meat, beverages and place settings. Everyone join us for a fun-filled day

WEEKLY JUSTICE CHALLENGE:

This week we celebrate the feast day of St. Anthony of Padua. We usually associate St. Anthony with prayers for intercession when we have lost something. But St. Anthony was also a compelling preacher. And his message was often against greed and for charity towards the poor. That earned him the title of "Friend of the Poor." Your challenge this week is to be a friend of the poor in your community. What can you do—individually, as a family, as a group of friends—to help someone in poverty? Choose a corporal work of mercy and respond by feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, or sheltering the homeless!