

Church Bulletin - CCSSSP

August 25, 2024



Rev. Thomas Macauley, Administrator

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 22, 2024

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Before or After Monday's 6:00PM Mass
or Tuesday's 9AM Mass.

Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

Pastoral Administrator's Column

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B - September 22, 2024

Dear Parishioners,

Grace and peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you and your family!

The Gospel for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B (Mark 9:30-37) tells of the apostles arguing about who is the greatest. Jesus teaches them that true greatness comes from being humble and serving others. He used a child to illustrate that we must welcome and care for those who are seen as least important. This passage shows that comparing ourselves to others leads to jealousy and ambition. Instead, we should appreciate our own unique gifts and use them to serve God, others and glorify God. Humility helps us value ourselves and others without competition.

Prayer

Dear Lord, grant us true wisdom to seek your will above our own. Help us to serve others with humility and love. Guide us to live in peace. . Amen

Rev. Thomas Macauley

**WELCOME!
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**We gather
We prepare
We listen
We respond
We offer
We receive
We go
We proclaim
the Good
News of
Salvation!**

**GOD
BLESS
YOU!**

Are you new to the Parish? Welcome to our church! We are glad you are here!!!

Feel free to ask questions, introduce yourself, [pick up a Welcome Bag at the church entrance](#) and read through our Volunteer Ministry Booklet. We have a lot going on for different age groups. We are looking forward to getting to know you better and have you participate in worship & events.

Stewardship Thoughts

Seeking and putting God and his Kingdom first in everything and putting our money and possessions second gives us freedom not to make "idols" of passing things. "God loves a cheerful giver."

Catholic Men's Fellowship

The Catholic Men of Faith is an organization of men from our three parishes that meet twice a month, 2nd and 4th Saturday mornings, at 8:00AM, at our Whitney Point Church Hall. Our purpose is to get to know each other, to serve those in need and to discuss spiritual topics as they arise. All men of the parish are invited to join us. If you have any questions, please call or text Tom Nichols at 607-760-4138 or email tomnich@hotmail.com.

The next meeting is September 28th.

Remember



in Prayer

Please kindly pray for the repose of the soul of **Mary Sculley** who has entered into Eternity. May her soul rest in peace. Amen.



JESUS THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Ecumenical Peace Garden - We will be placing one order for engraved bricks this year on Tuesday, October 1st and they should be placed in the Peace Garden by the end of October or early November. The bricks are Laser engraved and guaranteed to last a lifetime. They are a unique way to honor the memory of a loved one. Applications are available in the vestibule or by contacting the Mary Wied at 607-692-3911. If you have any questions, please contact either Ken or Sylvia Bates at 607-237-9762 or 607-743-6317.

Sanctuary Candles For 2025

Please call the parish office if interested in having the sanctuary candle in memory of a loved one. Donation is \$20.00 for the month.

The Sanctuary Candle Burning for the Month of September in our Whitney Point Church is *In Memory Of:*

Helmut Melzer & Daina Freimanis by Vella Melzer in our Marathon Church is *In Memory Of:* **Michael Joseph** by Marie Joseph



In Memory of...

Enthronement, Honor and Encounter the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Rev. Mateo Crawley-Boevey, founder of the Sacred Heart Enthronement Movement around the world, once said, **"The action Enthroning the Sacred Heart in the home has an impact on families and individuals that carries over to society and becomes the basis for spreading the Social Reign of our King and Savior."** Jesus longs to change society one heart at a time-one home at a time. He wants to REVEAL our identity to each of us and share that we were created out of love, with a purpose and meaning for our lives. Our hearts break for those who have embraced movements that reinforce counterfeits of Jesus.

As you may be aware, we are in a great spiritual battle, and now is the time to enthrone, honor, and share the message!

Contact Tom & Kathy Nichols to schedule your Sacred Heart Enthronement today, 607-760-4138

PRAY MORE, HOPE MORE and WORRY LESS - Please Let Us Continue to Pray For Our Sick and Our Military:



Barry & Dottie Angel, Jackie Burroughs, Richard & Elaine Crowe, Eloise Dauley, Jim Dean, Fran Decker, Ray & Gladys Nolan, Larry & Mickey Piech, Jo Ackerman, Joanne Vega,

Pvt Ryan E. Eaton, 2ndLt. Trevor Jones, Sgt Avery Hull, Major Corrine Miller, PV2 Samuel Lilley, PV2 James McGill, A2C Derek Lescord, SSgt Michael Hetzler, Major Caleb Miller, Sgt Heather Fox, LtCol John Thomas, 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, LtCol Major Joy Thomas, A1C Brendan Schneider, OS3 Jonathan Schneider, Sgt Zachary Reardon USMC LCpl Isaac James Silvanic USMC and Daniel Morehouse USMC

If you have a friend or family member who's sick, homebound or 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.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Collection Report - Last Sunday, September 15, 2024:

Regular Collection: Envs.-\$1,845. Loose-\$514. Elect: \$260. **Total Regular Collection; \$2,619.**
Thank you for your ongoing generosity of your time, talents and treasure to our parish.

Firm in Faith, Active in Charity- Together in Hope

Thank you for your support of the 2024 HOPE Appeal. I am inspired by the generosity of individuals and families in our parish. We have raised \$1,570.00 toward our goal of \$ 18,174.00. It is a time when we join with members of our Catholic family to strengthen our Church and serve others in our community. Your generosity enable 35 diocesan ministries to accomplish the work we are called to do. If you have not yet made your gift, we ask you to join us in strengthening our church and serving people throughout our diocese. You may bring your completed pledge card to Mass next week, drop it by the parish office or use the return envelope with your letter. You can also make a gift online at www.syrdio.org. There are pledge forms at the entrances of our churches for your convenience. Please review the information and prayerfully consider making a gift that is meaningful to you.



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 contact **Pat Canfield** at pattycafe@yahoo.com. She 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 or contact Pat. → If you choose to be updated about a particular prayer chain request, please recontact Pat.

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, dongirl1956@aol.com

ViceChair - Dan Burke, dburke1114@gmail.com

Secretary - Sue Stevens

Trustees - Kathy Cusick, Ron Orzel

PARISH STAFF

Deacon - Dc. John Mihalko

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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, Sept. 22 **8:30 AM** Whitney Point...for **Tom Bates** by Stevens Family
for... **Michael Carroll & Elsie Carroll Zelsnack**
by Elsie Poyer
10:15 AM Marathon...for **Lloyd & Elizabeth Wilber** by Don & Terrie Atwood
12:00 PM OLPH...for **Buttigieg Families** by Josephine Kellogg

Monday, Sept. 23 **6:00 PM** Marathon... or **The People of Our Parish**

Tuesday, Sept. 24 **9:00 AM** Whitney Point...for **The People of Our Parish**

Sunday, Sept. 29 **8:30 AM** Whitney Point...for **Ron Burroughs** by Jim Harner & Peggy Kemp
for **Jerry Mackey** by The Heller Family
10:15 AM Marathon...for **Michael Joseph** by Marie Joseph
12:00 PM OLPH...for **Raymond Kellogg** by Josephine Kellogg



Readings for Sept. 22 through 29, 2024:

Today: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37
Mon: Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18
Tues: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 7:11-17
Wed: Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
Thurs: Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9
Fri: Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22
Sat: Eccl 11:9-12:8; Lk 9:43b-45
Sun: Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:16; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



Whitney Point

Greeters: Anne Clerkin, Cathy Cummings

Next Sunday: Earl Markham, Cris Broderick

Lector: Joe McDonald

Next Sunday: Marcus Stevens

Eucharistic Ministers: K. Bensley, I. Wennerod, P. Orzel

Next Sunday: C. Shoemaker, E. Jordan, S. McDonald

Tabulators: Dick & Kathy Bensley

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Marathon

Don Atwood, Bob Barry

Claire Hinman, Don Atwood

Bill McGovern

Don Alexy

Wayne & Carol Niggli, T. Zelsnack

K. Cusick, S. Warnow, C. Barry

Claire Hinman, John Ewanciw

Mark Barry, Volunteer

Sept. Ushers: Bob Barry, Syd McEvoy

Oct: J. Russell, B. McGovern

The Gospel of St. John

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

with Rev. Thomas Macauley

Tuesday, September 24th,

10:00-11:00AM at the

Whitney Point Church Hall.

Please bring your Bibles
and writing materials



COFFEE HOUR

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.

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

→ 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.

WP Ecumenical Food Pantry: M-Th & Sat, 10AM-Noon,
Closed Fridays, Holidays & when school is closed for
inclement weather.

Food Pantry Chairperson: John Mihalko

Sept's Pantry Need: Jiffy Cornbread Mix & 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

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.retirequide.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

- Mon., Sept. 23rd 6:00PM - Mass - St. Stephen's, Marathon
- Tues., Sept. 24th 9:00AM - Mass - St. Patrick's, Whitney Point
10:00AM - Bible Study - St. Patrick's, Whitney Point
- Sat., Sept. 28th 8:00AM - Catholic Men of Faith Meeting - WP Church Hall
- Sun., Sept. 29th 9:20-11:00AM - Faith Formation Classes-WP Church Hall



Whole Community Catechesis

Readings and Questions for Discussion

Introduction

Reading 1 - Wisdom 2:12,17-20

Righteous Suffering

The wicked plot to test the righteous man with insults and torture, challenging his faith and patience, and plan to condemn him to a disgraceful death to see if God will protect him.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 54

A Prayer for Defense.

O God, save and defend us.

Hear our prayer regarding the proud and ruthless. You are our helper and support. We will praise your name, O Lord.

Reading 2 - James 3:16-4:3

Humility in Service and Peaceful Living.

Jealousy and selfishness cause disorder and evil. Wisdom from above is pure and peaceable. Wars come from inner desires and ungodly rivalries. We must seek what brings glory to God and salvation to others.

Gospel - Mark 9:30-37

Put Others First, (selfless love).

Jesus taught his disciples about his death and resurrection. In Capernaum, he addressed their argument about greatness, teaching that true greatness comes from being last and serving all, using a child as an example.

Questions For Reflection:

This Sunday we reflect on themes of humility, service and Christian life. The readings guide us to consider how we live out our faith in practical ways.

1. How can we bring peace into our community of faith?
2. How can we align our actions with God's will?
3. In what ways can we follow Jesus' example of humility and service?

WISDOM FROM THE SAINT:

"No human tongue can enumerate the favors that trace back to the sacrifice of the Mass. The sinner is reconciled with God; the just man becomes more upright; sins are wiped away; vices are uprooted; virtue and merit increases; and the devil's schemes are frustrated."

St. Lawrence Justinian

Eucharistic Revival Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who promised to stay with us always, until the end of the age. Reawaken our wonder at His presence in the Most Holy Eucharist. May our hearts burn within us as He opens the Scriptures and breaks the bread. Give us the eyes of faith to recognize His presence in our brothers and sisters, especially in the face of the poor and the suffering. Nourished by the Eucharist, send us forth to walk faithfully as missionary disciples, proclaiming the Gospel to every heart and extending Your kingdom to every land. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Sunday of the Month

HOLY HOUR

Sunday, October 6th,
7:00AM to 8:00AM
St. Patrick's Church,
Whitney Point

Jesus desires to reveal himself more deeply in the Eucharist. To heal, restore, unify. To show up and set us ablaze and show us His Goodness.



First Friday of the Month

HOLY HOUR

Friday, October 4th,
6:00PM
St. Stephen's Church,
Marathon

Vocation View

"The Lord upholds my life."
He indeed is our strength and foundation. Pray and ask him sincerely if he could be calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life, reach out to the Vocation Office via email: vocations@syrdio.org and follow us on Instagram @vocationssyracuse or call Fr. Jason Hage at (315) 470-1468.

MONDAY 6:00PM

MASSES/SERVICES

Masses on September 23rd & 30th will be at St. Stephen's Church, Marathon.

The Beauty of the Mass

At Mass we worship the Triune God.

We celebrate and proclaim the victory of Jesus over life and death until he comes again in glory and majesty.

The Mass brings many blessings and benefits to ourselves, the church and the whole world.

New Bulletin For Our Churches

Beginning with next Sunday's bulletin, our parish will have our bulletin sent out to be printed by a company at no cost to us because of the support of our advertisers that will be on the back of our bulletins every Sunday. This bulletin will have our events and information for all three of our churches. Each bulletin will indicate when information is needed by to make it into the next Sunday's bulletin.

For Sept.29th bulletin, information will be needed by tomorrow Sept. 23rd.