Holy Rosary Catholic Church Sacred Heart Chapel



Tyler Boyd

Dear Faithful,

My name is Tyler Boyd and I am beginning studies for the sacred priesthood for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. I am twenty-three years old and I am a recent graduate of Franciscan University of Steubenville with a Bachelor's Degree in Theology. While in Steubenville, I was also a member of the Priestly Discernment Program, which is a community of college aged men who discern the Lord's call while also engaging in communal prayer, fraternity, and spiritual formation.

This August, I will begin studies at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Although I did not grow up in West Virginia, but in Norwalk, Ohio, I moved to Buckhannon, West Virginia in 2011. It was at Holy Rosary Parish in Buckhannon, that my interest in our

Catholic faith and the sacred priesthood began. It was at this time that I fell in love with the Mass, was inspired by the lives of the saints and was encouraged by my fellow parishioners to grow closer to the Lord. My faith was strengthened and nourished by the incredible Catholic education I received at Franciscan and I was challenged by other men like myself who were discerning the Lord's call. For several years I was discerning religious communities until the Lord made it clear that he wanted me to return to this beautiful place that we call home to bring healing and renewal to our Catholic communities in West Vir-

What is most attractive about the diocesan priesthood is the ability to be a medic on the battlefield of life, binding the wounds left by sin, carrying my brothers and sisters into the safety of the Father's arms. As a

diocesan priest I would have the opportunity to bring the light of Christ into our West Virginia communities, schools, prisoners, hospitals and front porches. The great mystery of the priest is they are called to live the sacrifice they offer. Each day, the diocesan priest responds to the call of Christ to go out into the harvest of the Lord, even with its many dangers, for the Lord and for the salvation of souls because the priest does not come to do his own will, but the will of the one who sent him. Responding to this invitation of the Lord, although it calls for sacrifices, is a life of joy because the priesthood is a life that gives life to others, a life that walks closely in the footsteps of Jesus. Discerning this vocation is also a way of "giving back" to the communities I know love because a call to the diocesan priesthood in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is a calling to a place, but most of all, to a people. Being a priest in this diocese means travelling those famous country roads to bring our people the sacraments and the good news of the Gospel.

Please pray each day for vocations to the priesthood and encourage young men in your parishes and families to consider this incredible gift. We need priests, but most of all, we need holy priests. While today may be perceived as a particularly inopportune time to begin studies for the priesthood, I see this time as the most important time to discern the priesthood in recent memory. I am honored and incredibly blessed to begin this journey with our diocese. I ask for your prayers and be assured of my prayers for you.

Tyler Boyd: Diocese of Wheeling Charleston Seminarian

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Please Help with our New Roof

Last weekend we asked you, our generous parishioners, for financial help for the replacement of our rectory roof at 9 Lincoln Heights. The roof that covers Fr. Ed's home is leaking and in need of new shingles. We have contracted a local roofer, who will begin the replacement in August. The total cost of the roof is approximately \$21,000 and the Finance Council has jumpstarted this project by assigning the \$6,500 realized from the recent sale of 2 Holy Rosary cars. If our parishioners can donate the remaining funds to complete this project, we can replenish the money from the general fund that will be used to pay for our roof. We know this may be difficult time for some people, but we humbly ask for any donation that you can give toward this very necessary project. Please drop your envelope marked "roofing project" in the collection basket or send it to 34 Franklin St. Thank you!

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Canaanite woman is desperate to save her daughter .. but the disciples considered her an outsider... a foreigner... and unworthy of their concerns.

Furthermore ... she was interrupting a much needed rest .. So these disciples tried to chase her off ...but she wouldn't stop begging Jesus for His help.

Jesus' response was more than unkind ... it's cold .. and down right harsh .. He even compared her to a dogWhy did He use such troubling language ... that doesn't sound like a loving God.

Perhaps it's because Jesus often used unorthodox teaching methods when necessary ...

Some of Jesus followers looked down on those who didn't look like them ... or talk like them If you recall the Israelites were very prejudiced and racist toward the Samaritans and Gentiles.

I believe Jesus was mirroring their attitudes and their words to expose their prejudice.. and draw attention to that ..

Jesus know what He was going to do because He saw this woman in a totally different way than the disciples did He saw her humble .. and full of faith ... and He healed her daughter.

Jesus is challenging His disciples to see her and others differently .. to see them thru His eyes.

This Gospel reminds me of a story a fellow Deacon shared with me a couple weeks ago.

A young man down and out showed up each night at a church sponsored dinner for the homeless He always carried a large cardboard box he carefully placed next to where he was sitting.

He was usually quiet and kept to himself.... but one evening after dinner he captured the attention of a few volunteers who prepared the meal and served them.. and a few homeless still finishing their meal.

The young man opened the box and showed the contents to the small group .. there was no food.. no clothing or any personal items to the contrary the box contained a church.

More precisely a skillfully crafted model church made of gleaming white card board .. along the model's

walls written in perfect calligraphy were Jesus' words and those of the prophets.

Over the front doors was written .. Come to me you who are burdened, and I will give you rest.

Beneath those words the front doors were chained and a tiny padlock kept them closed

The man told the group circled around him and his little white church .. that his name was Michael.. and that he was homeless and had been unemployed for a while.

He said... sometimes when I show people my beautiful little gleaming white church .. they offer to look after it for me.

Then.. with a small sad smile he added... but they never seem to extend that same offer to me.. it's only to my little cardboard church.

It's only human to look at other people through the lens of our own experiences and biases .. but we get into trouble when we judge people who are different than us.

In today's Gospel we are given a lesson on mercy and humility ... we get to see

the Canaanite woman thru the eyes of Jesus.

The disciples tried to chase this woman away .. and Michael believed he was not welcome.. which was evident by the chained and padlocked doors of his little cardboard church.

But this Gospel challenges us to see the Canaanite woman and the Michaels that are in our lives .. and to see them through the merciful and compassionate eyes of Jesus.

We must not ignore those crying out for help .. because God loves and cares for each and every one of us the same.. no matter what.

We are all precious in His sight and there is nothing that can or will cause Him to stop loving us.

By His example .. Jesus shows us.. He expects no less than the same from us toward others.

So let us pray today .. that Jesus opens the eyes of our hearts .. that we may see and love others .. the same way He sees and loves them.

RCIA is starting at Holy Rosary!

The RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process by which adults join the Catholic Church. After a period of formation, RCIA culminates in the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation—Baptism,



Eucharist, and Confirmation. Formation includes Scripture, what Catholics believe, Prayer, Worship, and Mission. The RCIA is also suitable for adults

who were baptized Catholic but have not yet received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, please contact the parish office at 304-472-3414 to leave your name or your friend's name and contact information. Sessions will begin in September!

Crosslines Update

Crosslines has been operating in a definitely safe way during the pandemic. We may be able to open our doors to neighbors starting in August. Any lunches we serve will be brown bag only until this virus in under control. In the meantime, we are in need of the following items:

Deodorant

Any canned veggies except corn Size 5 diapers

Our own Holy Rosary Diaper Bank should resume operations in September.

The annual Backpack School supplies program will be in the last week in August on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of that week. The hours will be from 1 to 4 p.m. We are still in need of the following items:

Loose leaf notebook paper 3 ring binders Magic markers Pocket folders Backpacks

If it is easier for you, you can put \$10 in an envelope and mark it "SCHOOL SUPPLIES" and drop it in the regular collection basket at church. We will make sure it is taken to crosslines to be used for this program. A box will be placed by the front door of the church for all other donated supplies.

One more note: It will be a shame if our Holy Rosary Wednesday Meals at Crosslines would fold because Brother Roy is gone. This has been such a worthwhile project and so many of you have enjoyed being a part of it. Won't someone or a group of people please volunteer to make this happen again? Let Jalna know ASAP if you can take this on for our parish and our neighbors. Thank you!

Last Week's Collection

Envelopes: \$2,662.00 Loose: \$174.00

Thank you very much for supporting our parish!

August Celebrations!

Do you have a birthday or special celebration in your family for August? Celebrate with your parish family! Just drop a note in the collection basket or give it to Fr. Ed.

Happy Birthday to the following people who celebrate their birthdays in August:

Sal Carmona – Aug. 8
David Jack – Aug. 15
Rachael Lofton – Aug. 18
Mary Hendricks – Aug. 20
Jim Walker – Aug. 20
Jennifer Nanners – Aug. 21
Scotty McCartney – Aug. 22
Joann Huffman - Aug. 26
Maddie Nanners – Aug. 29
Michael Ellis – Aug. 31



Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday, Aug. 15

7 p.m. – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)

Sunday, Aug. 16

9 a.m. – Charles Sandreth+ (Holy Rosary)

Noon – Cathrine Mase +(Sacred Heart)

Monday, Aug. 17 – Poor Souls most in need of God's mercy

Tuesday, Aug. 18 - Elizabeth Lanham+

Wednesday, Aug. 19 – Charity Manspeaker+ (7 p.m. at Holy Rosary) Silent Adoration begins at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 20 – In thanksgiving to the Divine mercy and St. Faustina

Friday, Aug. 21 – Dylan Elza (health)

Saturday, Aug. 22 – The Pallottines (Holy Rosary)

Sunday, Aug. 23

9 a.m. – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)

Congratulations, Sister!

Congratulations to Sister Francesca Lowis who celebrates 60 years as a Pallottine Missionary Sister! She took her vows on August 15th! Congratulations, Sister, and may God continue to bless you in your service to the church.

SoulCore Resumes

SoulCore will be held outside on the side lawn of Holy Rosary Catholic Church on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Bring a mat and light hand weights! If it is raining, class will not be held.

Greeter's Schedule

Sat. 8/15 – Mary Blake Sun. 8/16 – TBA Sat. 8/22 – John Kriner Sun. 9/23 – Charlie Malcolm

Lector's Schedule

8/15: Mary Blake 8/16: Andrea Ellis 8/22: Colleen Hoover 8/23: Jala Jones

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS VISITS

If any homebound parishioner would like Fr. Ed to visit and bring Holy Communion to him/her, please call the parish office (304) 472 3414 or Fr. Ed's cell phone (609) 510-1090. Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, Fr. Ed will wear a face mask, face shield and gloves when visiting a homebound parishioner. In case you would not like a visit but would just like to talk on the phone, please do not hesitate to reach out to Fr. Ed.

Please remember in your prayers

Bertha Small, Kate Deasy, Rosemary Austin, Phil Halligan, Randy Trent, Macyah Riley, Karen Trent, Jack Call, Joe Morton, Matthew Linger, David Vincent, Seth Poling, Cathy Lipscomb, Hugh Hensil, Barbara Elmore, Freddy Caimotto, James Barton, Mike Cerullo, Darell Hyre, Diane Hyre, Lorene Hardman, Freda Cawthon, Vicki Dibble, Eric Harkness, Pat Daigneault, Duane Lohr, Jeff Ball, Linda Hicks, Jane Baxter, Shaelyn Posey, Bill Baxa, P.T. Garton, John Egress, Jalen Welcome, Ron Byrd, Helena Bessinger, Dennis Cortens, Kay Sienkiewicz, Danny Morgan, Patty Griffith.

Please pray for all men and women serving in the military.

Please pray for our homebound

Gene & Mary Stump, Denna Bayless, Anna Stalnaker, Ron Frye, Rocena Asbury, John Sneberger, Lorraine McLean, James McCartney, Nancy Beverlin, Shirley Linger, Rosie Ketterman, Shirley Helmick, William McLean, Lorene Hardman, Anna Powell, Barbara Elmore, Gerry Stankus.

Former Parishioner Says Hello

One of our parishioners recently touched bases with former parishioner Ron Byrd, who is residing in an assisted living facility in San Jose, CA. You may remember Ron and his wife, Marlene as very active parishioners. Marlene was once president of the Altar and Rosary Society and was instrumental in organizing our "Breakfast with Santa" mornings. With his white hair and long beard, Ron was able to bring the joy of Santa to our parish and the wider community. Ron was able to sell his house and all his antiques to move closer to his daughter. He only kept his beloved P.Buckley Moss prints, which now decorate his apartment. Ron misses Holy Rosary and would love to hear from his friends. Even if you did not know Ron well, why not send him a card? His address is: Ron Byrd, 4855 San Felice Rd., San Jose, CA 95113. Thank you!







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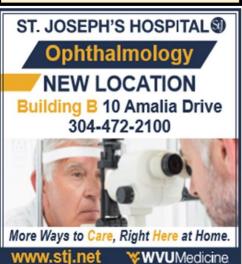
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