SAINT PATRICK MANLEY — SAINT MARY ELMWOOD

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MASS SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 6TH THROUGH 12TH, 2021

MON. 6 8:00AM (Manley) Special Intention of Kevin Brack
TUE. 7 No Mass scheduled.
WED. 8 No Mass scheduled.
THU. 9 8:00AM (Manley) Special Intention of Brent & Nancy Brack
6:00PM (Elmwood) EXPOSITION AND HOLY HOUR
7:00PM (Elmwood) +Omer Kalin requested by Diann & Don Stille
FRI. 10 7:00PM (Manley) +Special Intention of Saint Patrick's Altar Society
SAT. 11 8:00AM (Manley) Special Intention of Sherry Kunz

SAT. 11 5:00PM (Manley) +Les Hlavac requested by Clete & Darlene Petrzilka
SUN. 12 9:00AM (Elmwood) ***FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISHES.***
11:00AM (Manley) +LeAndra Avolio requested by Michelle & Tom Heimes

CONFESSION SCHEDULE: *Saturday from 4:15 to 4:50PM.*
Sunday: ½ hour before each Sunday Mass, as time allows.

From a sermon by Saint Bernard, Abbot:

I will stand upon my watchtower to see what the Lord will say to me!

"We read in the Gospel that when the Lord was teaching His disciples and urged them to share in His passion by the mystery of eating His Body, some said, *'This is a hard saying; who can accept it?'(John 6:60) And from that time they no longer followed Him.* When He asked those closest to Him whether they also wished to go away, Peter replied: *'Lord, to whom shall we go?' 'You have the words of eternal life.' (John 6:68)*

I assure you, my brothers and sisters, that even to this day it is clear to some that the words which Jesus speaks are spirit and life, and for this reason they follow Him. To others these words seem hard, and so they look elsewhere for some pathetic consolation. Yet wisdom cries out, in the streets, in the broad and spacious ways to call back those who would find His words hard; and thus leave Him. That all apart from Him leads to death.

In ancient times God said in the Psalms through King David: *'Oh, that today you would hear His voice! Do not harden your hearts as at Meribah, as on the day of Massah in the desert there they tested me they tried me though they had seen all my works. For forty years I have been close to this generation, and I said: they are a people whose hearts go astray and they do not know my ways.'(Psalm 95:7-10)* Indeed, Oh that today we would hear His voice, trust in His ways and follow His works! For His word has been a single, uninterrupted utterance calling back those who have strayed. He calls upon sinners to return to their true spirit and rebukes them when their hearts go astray, for it is in the true heart that He dwells and there He speaks fulfilling what He taught through the Prophets.

You see, my brothers and sisters, how the prophet admonishes us for our advantage? *'If today you hear His voice, harden no your hearts.'(Psalm 95:7-8)* You can read almost the same words in the Gospel for the Lord says: *'My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give then eternal life, and they shall never perish.' (John 10:27–28)*

I beg you brothers and sisters, stand and watch for now is the time for battle. Let all our dealings be in the heart, where Christ dwells, in right judgment and in the wise counsel the Spirit inspires within us. Let us not place our confidence in the ways and fragile defenses of the world but in the Spirit and Life offered to us in the Eucharistic Food Christ offers to us; His Body and His Blood. May we too proclaim as the Apostle Peter did, *'Lord, to whom shall we go, you have the words of eternal life!'"*

SAINT PATRICK'S CCD PROGRAM BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 9:45am to 11:00. *Mrs. Jill Shepherd will teach K. and 1st. Mrs. Natasha Vavra will teach 2nd, 3rd and 4th grades. Mrs. Tricia Haun will teach 5th, 6th and 7th grades; preparing for Confirmation. If you have not signed up your young people, please contact Tricia Haun at 402-616-0547 or triciahaun@gmail.com* ***We are in need of teachers to teach individual grade levels!***

SAINT MARY'S CCD PROGRAM: Classes are underway on Wednesday evenings; 6:45-8:00pm for K through 8th and 7-8:30pm for High School. We will continue to evaluate in light of COVID; no decisions yet on face masks.
-Please email the following information to Ashley Krajewski 402-770-9442 (text/call):
----Each child's name attending and the grade they're entering this Fall.
----The mobile numbers you'd be open to us contacting you on - I'll be starting up communications via an app (possibly GroupMe) for quicker communication.
-WE NEED TEACHERS! -All grades will have at least 2 teachers (only one teacher needs to be present each week) **--We need at least one additional teacher for each primary grade.**
----We will provide training, materials, guidance, substitute support, etc. to all volunteers.
----Please email/text me (Ashley Krajewski) with any interest.
-Grades 6th, 7th & 8th are combined to prepare for Confirmation in Spring 2022.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE: Enhancing heart to heart couple love*. September 17-19th in Lincoln. Call ASAP to reserve a place! Contact Pat Benson 308-940-0670 or Janelle Benson at 308-940-1105 or on line at* **pbjbben@yahoo.com**

PART 2 OF IGNATIAN PRAYER SERIES "LORD, TEACH ME TO PRAY" will begin Monday, September 20, 6:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish in Lincoln. If you have completed Part 1 and are interested in Part 2, please contact Sue Kirkpatrick at 402/440-7175 or tkirkp6275@aol.com.

SAINT MARY'S, BISCUITS AND GRAVY BREAKFAST: Following the 9:00AM Mass on October 17th. Please mark your calendar to join in this Parish activity!
SAINT MARY ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING: *Our Altar Society will have their annual meeting after Mass on October 24th. Anyone interested in serving as an officer should contact Pat Miller at 402-416-7940 or Sue Ronhovde at 402-450-1703.*

AUGUST 29TH OFFERING:	***ENVELOPES***	***PLATE***	***BUILDING & MAINTENANCE***
SAINT PATRICK'S:	*$590.00*	*$101.00*	*$10.00*
SAINT MARY'S:	*$868.00*	*$58.00*	*$90.00*

"May the Heart of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament be praised, adored and loved with grateful affection, at every moment, in all the Tabernacles of the world even to the end of time."