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Parishioners of Historic St. Patrick,

This time of year, the National Review Board (the committee which oversees national commitment to ending clerical sexual abuse) conducts a series of audits around the United States to make sure that as a diocese and parish, we're doing everything we can to assure the safety of our young and vulnerable people. As I'm sure we all know from the headlines and sidebars in the daily news, child sexual abuse is a human problem, one as old as humanity. It is one which requires all of us to be vigilant and aware of its serious consequences, not only for innocent victims but for families and those understandably hurt by revelations of such abuse. In our Church the problem led to a grave scandal because at their ordination, clergy stand in front of the bishop and state they will forgo all sexual activity for the sake of the Kingdom; knowing that it occurred is doubly distressing. Not only did it directly affect a lot of young people, leaving lifelong emotional and psychological scars, but it also damaged the faithful who discovered that some of their clergy weren't as trustworthy or as holy as they had thought. The sad consequence was that many abandoned their faith.

The scandal continues with headlines abroad attesting to the ugly reality of abuse in parishes, schools and elsewhere. Thankfully, most of these revelations are from the past – efforts to make substantive changes have shown some real success. However, the faithful continue to experience the damage all of this brings home; for that the Church has offered its sincere apologies and pleas for forgiveness which is, after all, among the primary obligations of the faithful. The plea is for forgiveness but not forgetfulness because when we choose to forget, we close our eyes to the reality that sin is very real and very much around us. We then fail to be watchful, to listen to the signs and take action.

The audit continues to stress the need for awareness, education and change. As your pastor I express my sincere sorrow that what occurred caused many to lose hope and abandon faith. My apologies are offered despite many of those who ought to hear those words are no longer part of our family of faith. May the Holy Spirit, who knows all things, touch the hearts of those so gravely hurt by what took place, the victims, their families and the people of God who were so hurt they felt they had no option but to depart. May they perhaps come home, offer forgiveness and work together to make sure nothing like the events of the past can occur in the future.

Sincerely, Msgr. Chris



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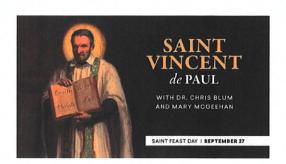


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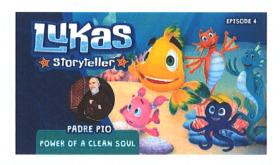


Week of September 22, 2024



St. Vincent de Paul | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Christopher Blum and Mary McGeehan as they share about the life of St. Vincent de Paul on this episode of Catholic Saints.



Padre Pio I Lukas Storyteller

As the talent contest approaches and our friends prepare their special dance. Paul gets hurt and has to leave the contest. When Lukas takes him to the doctor, Paul learns form the example of Padre Pio about the importance of having a clean soul and offering his sufferings to God.



First Martyrs of the Church of Rome | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. John Sehorn and Mary McGeehan to discuss the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. Killed under Emperor Nero in AD 64, the First Martyrs offer us a powerful witness of fidelity to Christ.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name. Please support the Preservation Society and help make the Historic Church of St. Patrick ever more then Irish Destination Parish. Adding to the Irish tricolors in the Sanctuary, it is our hope to honor the counties of our origins with 3' x 5' flags, creating an array within the worship space which reflects the roots of many of our families and our visitors as well.

Are you willing to lend a hand? A County flag can be sponsored by a donation of \$200 or more toward the Preservation Society and its continuing restoration of our beautiful church. Donors may "claim" a county on a first come first served basis as a way of honoring your own Irish roots or simply make a donation so that all the counties can be represented.

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