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August 29, 2021 • The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Eyewitness accounts of Our Lady of Knock

Read first-hand accounts of how Our Lady of Knock appeared on August 21, 1879.

By Philip Koslowski



Often when Our Lady appears to individuals in private revelations, she only reveals herself to a small number of people. In fact, most often she appears to one or two people at a time.

Yet, in Knock, Ireland, on August 21, 1879, the Virgin Mary appeared to a wide variety of people. **Her appearance was very public and multiple people saw her on that miraculous night.**

Anyone who saw the vision was interviewed and their eye-witness accounts were recorded in the book, *The Apparitions and Miracles at Knock*, published in 1880, less than a year after the original apparition.

Below are a few selections from that book, highlighting different accounts of the same remarkable event.

I am Patrick Hill. I live in Claremorris my aunt lives at Knock. I remember the 21st of August last; on that day I was drawing home turf or peat from the bog. While at my aunt's at about 8 o'clock in the evening, Dominick Beirne came into the house, he cried out, "Come up to the chapel and see the mi-

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Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

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raculous lights and the beautiful visions that are to be seen there”
... together we ran over towards the chapel. When we running south-west came so far from the village, that on our turning the gable came in view we immediately beheld the lights, a clear white light covering most of the gable from the ground up to the window and higher. It was a kind of changing bright light going sometimes up high and again not so high. We saw the figures the Blessed Virgin, St. Joseph and St. John and an altar with the Lamb on the altar and a cross behind the Lamb.

I distinctly beheld the Blessed Virgin Mary, life size standing about two feet or so above the ground clothed in white robes, which were fastened at the neck; her hands were raised to the height of the shoulders, as if in prayer with the palms facing one another, but slanting inwards towards the face the palms were not turned towards the people, but facing each other as I have described; she appeared to be praying her eyes were turned as I saw towards heaven; she wore a brilliant crown on her head and over the forehead where the crown fitted the brow a beautiful rose; the crown appeared brilliant and of a golden brightness of a deeper hue inclined to a mellow yellow than the striking whiteness of the robes she wore; the upper parts of the crown appeared to be a series of sparkles or glittering crosses.

I, Mary M Loughlin, live in Knock. I am housekeeper to the Rev Archdeacon Cavanagh. I remember the evening of the 21st of August at the hour of seven or so or a little later while it was yet bright day, I passed from the Rev the Archdeacon's house on by the chapel towards the house of a Mrs. Beirne widow. On passing by the chapel and at a little distance from it I saw a wonderful number of strange figures or appearances at the gable one like the Blessed Virgin Mary and one like St Joseph, another a bishop I saw and an altar.

I told Miss Beirne then to go for her uncle Bryan Beirne and her aunt Mrs. Bryan Beirne or any of the neighbors whom she should see in order that they might witness the sight that they were then enjoying.

I am brother of Mary Beirne, who has given her evidence already. I live near the chapel of Knock; my age is twenty years. I beheld the three likenesses or figures that have been already described, the Blessed Virgin, St Joseph, St John, as my sister called the bishop who was like one preaching with his hands raised towards the shoulder and the fore finger and middle finger pointedly set, the other two fingers compressed by the thumb in his left he held a book, he was so turned that he looked half towards the altar and half towards the people; the eyes of the images could be seen they were like figures, inasmuch as they did not speak. I was filled with wonder at the sight I saw. I was so affected that I shed tears. I continued looking on for fully an hour and then I went away to visit Mrs. Campbell, who was in a dying state, when we returned the Vision had disappeared.

Many other eye-witness accounts add various details, but all are remarkably in unison with another, whether they were old or young. All saw the miraculous vision and their lives were changed by the experience. ~Reprinted with permission



August 29, 2021

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 | Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 | Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

As I began reading the Gospel for today, I initially thought, "Here we go - those hypocritical Pharisees are at it again! They are always questioning Jesus, always judging others, and always looking for ways to make themselves look 'holier' than everyone else." Uh oh; then I realized that I was feeling pretty smug as I judged the Pharisees! Sadly, it can be easy for me to fall into a "Pharisee attitude," thinking I "walk blamelessly and do justice" when really I am just deluding myself. While Jesus uses this encounter to point out the hypocrisy of the Pharisees, he also calls the crowd to a greater understanding of the source of evil in their lives, "From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts." Maybe I need to hear these words, too, and examine my own thoughts and actions before judging others.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

St. James provides an answer to combating the evil we discover in our hearts: "Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls." The Word, Jesus, came to us and has given us the way to free ourselves from the evil within. Our relationship with him is the key. We know we are to "be doers of the word and not hearers only." We have the Holy Spirit to help us stay close to him and access his saving power that transforms our hearts to reflect his goodness and truth. It requires us to humbly assess and own the things we need to change; and to turn to him for guidance so that we may have nothing within us — no evil thoughts, greed, malice, envy or arrogance (etc.) — to defile us. Only then are we most free in Christ — truly free to "care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world."

PRAY The Daily Examen, created by St. Ignatius of Loyola, is an ideal way for growing closer to Jesus and seeking his guidance. Suggested for the day's end, this prayerful reflection helps you recognize God's presence in the day's events, assess your thoughts and behavior, ask for his help in growing in goodness, and discern his plans for you.



Are You Looking to Receive One of the Seven Sacraments With Us?

Matrimony

Congratulations on your engagement! Every Diocese in Florida requires at least six months preparation before marriage. Please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Geneux, at the Parish Office for an appointment before setting a date.

Baptism

We are honored that you would like to choose Blessed Trinity Catholic Church for the baptism of your child! We ask that you please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Geneux, at the Parish Office for information regarding the pre-baptism class before scheduling a baptism.

Office Hours

Monday—Friday 9-12 and 1-4
Closed for Lunch Noon to 1 pm

Website Mass

The church is open for our regular schedule of Masses. Recognizing that many will still be unable to attend Mass we will continue to record the Mass and upload it to the website. To view the Mass go to our website: btsp.org and click on the red words to start the video. The recorded Mass is from the Saturday vigil.

We are very grateful to Brent Beauchamp who has been volunteering his services to record the Mass each week. Thank you Brent for your continued support!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 28, Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

4:00 p.m. Carol Blankle (dec)

Sunday, August 29, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Amanda Watson (dec)

9:30 a.m. For Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Jordan Carruth (dec)

Monday, August 30

8:00 a.m. Margarite Israelson (dec)

Tuesday, August 31

9:00 a.m. Aimee Holley (liv)

Wednesday, September 1

8:00 a.m. For Vocations

Thursday, September 2

8:00 a.m. Mary Lou Deuel (dec)

Friday, September 3, Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Jerry Holley (liv)

Saturday, September 4

8:00 a.m. Elise, Sam and Micah Horowitz (liv)

4:00 p.m. Douglas Torres (dec)

Sunday, September 5, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Jordan Carruth (dec)

9:30 a.m. For Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Bill Maslar (dec)

Robert Bendig (liv)



"WE ARE CALLED TO APPROACH THE ALTAR, AND JESUS
IN THE EUCHARIST, WITH REVERENCE AND AWE. OUR
HEART AND SOUL SHOULD BE CLEAN AND HUMBLE."

BISHOP GREGORY PARKES

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Give it all Back

Pop culture has given us a unique idea of the term justice. Justice, we often think, is about taking. Taking what's owed. Taking revenge. Taking what we deserve. This worldview tends to make mincemeat of our Catholic social teachings. Seeking the good of the poor, a call to community and participation, solidarity — on the face of it, in a society where everything must be earned and we are encouraged to hoard for ourselves whatever success we can achieve, these principles look a lot like highway robbery.

But when you remember the presence of an omnipotent, all-loving and all-merciful God, it turns our gunslinging sense of justice on its head. For how does justice inhabit the same universe as a God who is so quick to give and indeed to forgive?

Well, very easily, when we remember Who exactly is the source of every good and perfect thing in this world. There is no law that cannot be traced back to the Word. And the Word saves our souls.

Is that justice? No, that is a gift. It is the reckless, indulgent gift of a father whose love is greater than His anger. What is justice in the Biblical sense?

The answer is simple. Look at your life. See the hours in your day? See your spouse, your kids, your grandkids? See the house they live in, the money in your wallet, the food in your fridge, the breath in your lungs?

Calling it all your own, refusing to share any of it — that's robbery. Giving it all back to the One who gave it to you — that's justice.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Electronic Giving Information

A lot of people have requested information on our Electronic Giving Program. Making contributions electronically is really easy, whether you would like to make a one-time gift or make it a recurring gift for a specific or indefinite period of time.

All you have to do is go to the parish website at www.btsp.org and click on the big green box on the home page that says

make a difference
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Then, click on "sign in" and then, if you're new to online giving, "register for an account". If you need help, our business manager, Alice Coston, will be happy to help in walking you through it. You can reach her at the parish office at (727)867-3663.

Magazine Articles



If you wish to put anything in the weekly parish magazine, please email any items to be published to parish office at amc@btsp.org



Weekly Giving

Online Giving August 16-22

Offertory	\$ 670
Building Fund	\$ 20
SVDP	\$ 25

August 22, 2021

Offertory/Donation	\$ 4,340
Gift Shop	\$ 80
SVDP	\$ 500
Building Fund	\$ 35
Memorials	\$ 50
Feast of the Assumption	\$ 43
APA	\$ 37

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Helping Kids in Need

Mitchell Wilson is requesting donations for his Eagle Scout Project. He is gathering and consolidating supplies into backpacks to give to children and teenagers who have been displaced from their homes. Items requested are:

- Hairbrushes/combs
- Rolled blanket/throw
- Boxes of colored pencils (10 or 12 count)
- Puzzle books for teens
- Coloring books
- Adult coloring books for teens
- Travel size lotion
- Pens
- Mechanical pencils
- Bath/bar soap
- Deodorant for teens
- Flashlight and batteries
- Shampoo and conditioner—travel size
- Tooth brush/travel size toothpaste



The supplies requested can be placed in the labeled cardboard box at the main entrance.

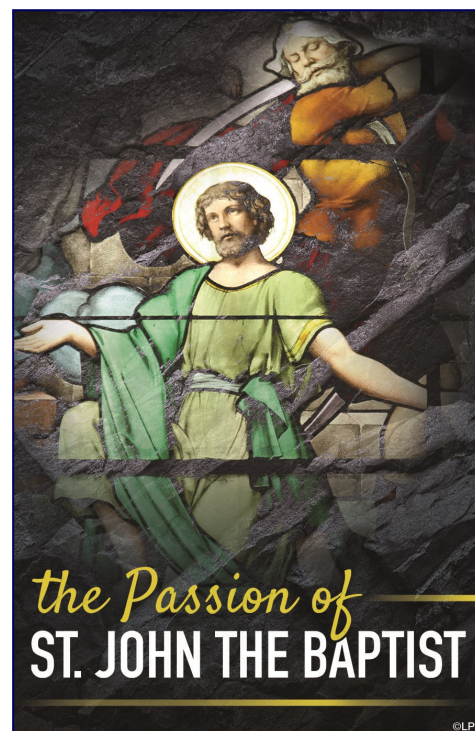
Thank you for your donations!

These are the names of the active priests and seminarians in our Diocese. Remember our Bishop has designated Wednesdays as Diocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please continue to pray that more young people will hear and answer God's call to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

Prayer for Priests & Future Priests

Eternal Father,
we lift up these and all the priests of the world.
Sanctify them. Heal and guide them.
Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son,
Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You.
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

08/29 • Rev. Dayan Machado
08/30 • Rev. Msgr. Patrick Irwin
08/31 • Rev. Stephen Dornquast
09/01 • For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life
09/02 • Rev. David DeJulio
09/03 • Rev. Israel Hernandez
09/04 • Rev. John Lipscomb



Prayer for Protection from Hurricanes

God, Our Father, Creator and Lord of the universe, you have set the earth on its foundation and all the elements of nature obey your command.

We humbly beseech you to keep us safe from all dangers and calm the storm that threatens us.

May we be secure in your loving protection and serve you always with grateful hearts.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.

Amen.

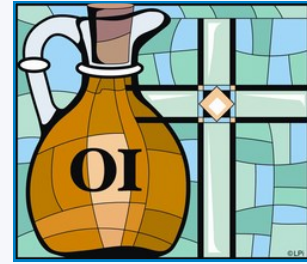
Please Pray for Our Sick and Homebound

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If you or a close family member would like to be added or removed from our prayer list, please contact the parish office at 727-867-3663.

