

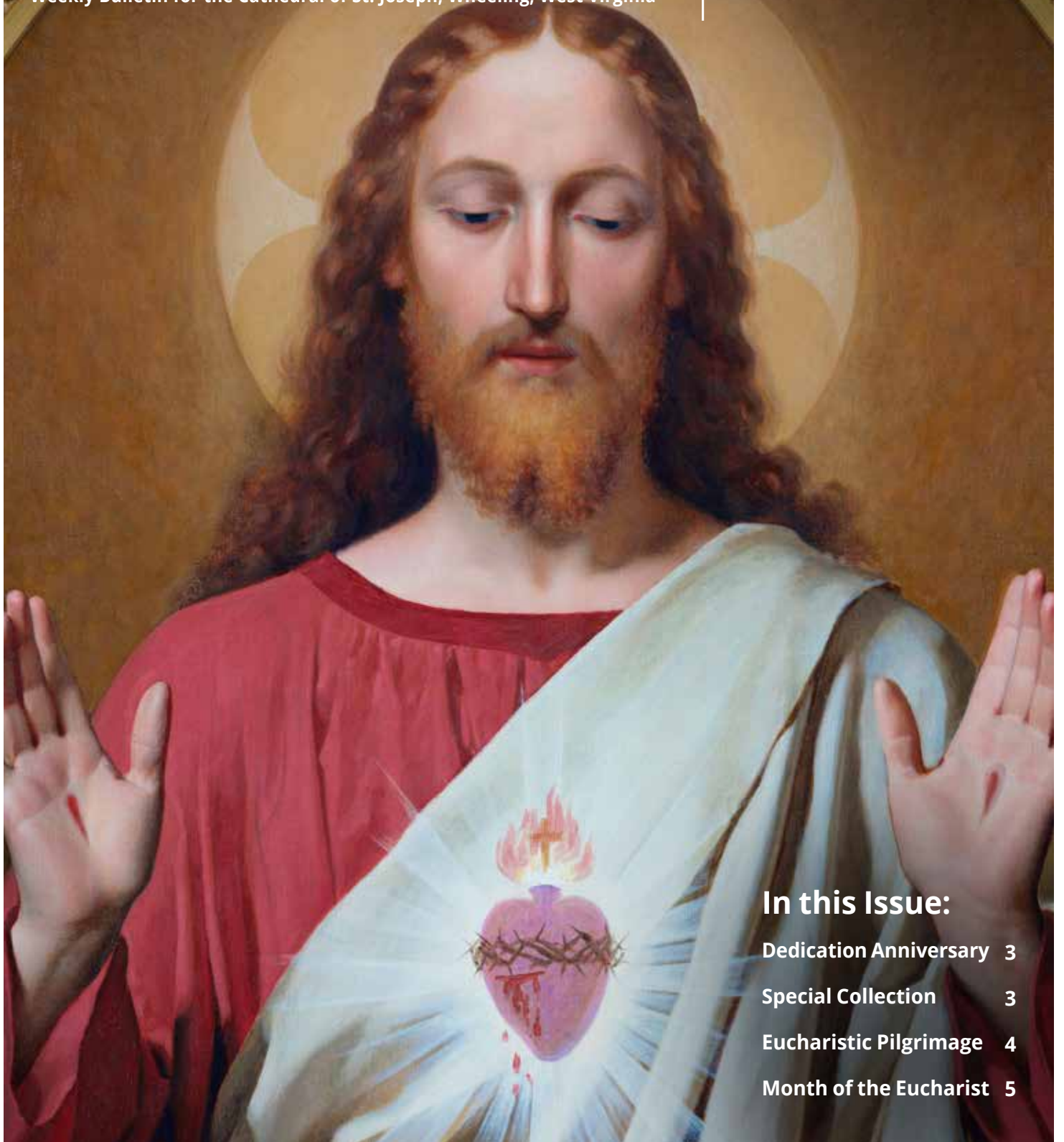
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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Saint Joseph Cathedral Parish is called to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ as a community. We are committed: to our urban neighborhoods, to being the Cathedral of the Diocese, and to fellowship, formation, sacrament, and prayer.

This Week

April 14 - 21, 2024

SUN
14

Third Sunday of Easter

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for Janet Lieb
8:00 am Mass for the Parishioners
10:30 am Mass for Nepomuceno Dario

MON
15

Easter Weekday

12:05 pm Mass for John Glorioso

TUE
16

Easter Weekday

12:05 pm Mass for Janet Castilow

WED
17

Easter Weekday

12:05 pm Mass for Evelyn Ghaphery
1:00 pm PrimeTimers Lunch (*Mehliman's*)
7:00 pm Sons of St. Joseph (*Chancery Cantina*)

THU
18

Easter Weekday

12:05 pm Mass for Judy Briggs

FRI
19

Easter Weekday

11:15 am Confessions
12:05 pm Mass for John Anthony Helfer

SAT
20

Easter Weekday

9:00 am Mass for Nicholas Alfred Ghaphery
9:30 am Rosary
5:00 pm Confessions
6:00 pm Mass for James Martin Prupura

SUN
21

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Good Shepherd Sunday

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

8:00 am Mass for Nadine Greenwood
10:30 am Mass for the Parishioners



From Father Sateesh

"Repent of sins and forgive the offences of others!"



It has been said that good news is too good to be true! We all know of people disbelieving us when we have tried to convey some good news to them. We want to hear good news, yet we are more ready to believe bad news! The good news today is that Jesus is alive and present right now in our midst, in our world exactly as it is today! Do we believe He is with us in this messy world of ours? Haven't we to first acknowledge our lack of faith before we can experience Him in our lives?

In today's first reading Peter highlights how, God maintains his covenant with mankind continually despite their sins and ignorance. We may fowl up things and regret the blunders we have caused but God's plan continues despite it all. He continues to write straight through the crooked lines of our history. Peter makes the point that our God is one and the same, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors and our God as well. Peter is quick to confront the sinfulness of the leaders and the people of Israel. When we look at our sins and their effect on the world around us, we can easily give way to despair and despondency. Our response should not be one of passive resignation and disowning of responsibility but rather one of repentance and reconciliation.

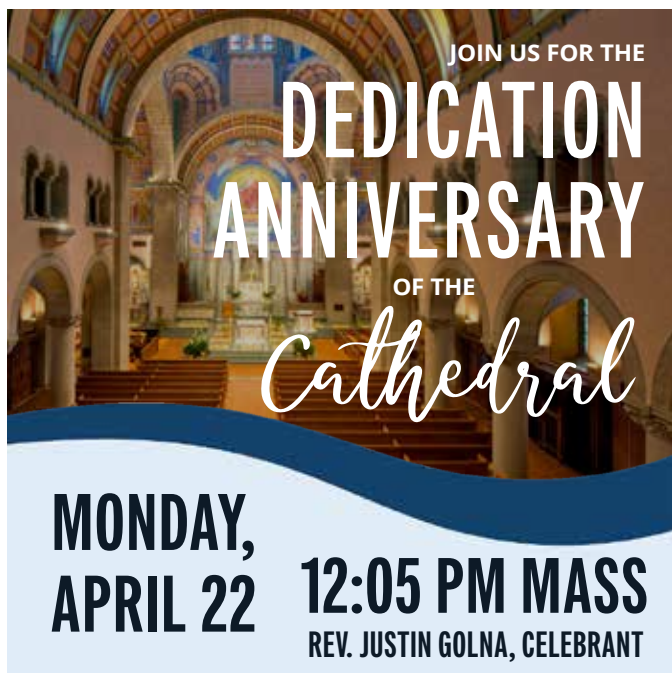
The Gospel scene is once again the hideout of the disciples and there is pandemonium and confusion instead of peace and harmony. Jesus had died and now there was talk that He had risen from the dead. While they are arguing and debating their stories, Jesus himself stood among them, and they were startled and terrified and believed they were seeing a ghost. Jesus' words are: "Peace be with you!" Unfortunately, instead of fixing our gaze on him and believing in his words of pardon, we prefer to stay with our past and in fear of punishment. If we turn our gaze to Him, He will open our minds to understand the scriptures, to understand everything. We are called to be witnesses of the forgiveness of sins, witnesses of a God of Peace and New Life. May we discover the Risen Lord in our broken lives and broken world!

Fr. Sateesh will be on vacation visiting family and friends in India from April 22 through May 23. Please keep him and his safe travels in your prayers.



If angels could be jealous of men,
they would be so for one
reason: Holy Communion.

- ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE



JOIN US FOR THE

DEDICATION ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

Cathedral

MONDAY, APRIL 22 12:05 PM MASS
REV. JUSTIN GOLNA, CELEBRANT

UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 17** - PrimeTimers Lunch, 1pm
- April 17** - Sons of St. Joseph, 7pm
- April 22** - Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral
- May 3** - First Friday
- May 5** - May Crowning, 10:30am
- May 12** - Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord
- May 12** - Mother's Day
- May 13** - Rosary Procession
- May 19** - Pentecost Sunday
- May 26** - Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
- May 31** - Priesthood Ordination, 5pm
- June 2** - Solemnity of Corpus Christi
- June 23** - National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Arrival
- June 24** - National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Mass & Procession

Special Collection for Recovery Efforts

NEXT WEEKEND - APRIL 20 & 21

Efforts continue across the Mountain State after the severe flooding that occurred earlier this month. West Virginia encountered tornados, microbursts, strong winds, heavy rains, and mudslides. Several counties have experienced moderate-to-substantial flooding, notably along the Ohio River and its tributaries. The National Weather Service has confirmed 5 tornadoes in West Virginia – Huntington (Cabell/Wayne), St, Albans (Kanawha), Cross Lanes (Kanawha), Quick (Kanawha) and Lavista (Fayette). A State of Emergency has been declared in 17 West Virginia Counties.

Most Rev. Mark Brennan, Bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, has approved a special collection to be held the weekend of April 20-21, 2024, in all parishes and missions throughout the diocese to support recovery efforts related to the series of disasters that have occurred. Checks should be made out to your respective parish with "Disaster Relief" on the memo line. Donations can also be made on the diocesan website at <https://dwc.org/disaster-relief/>.

Proceeds from this collection will support the long-term humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities West Virginia. Their offices assist families long after other organizations have moved out. The role of Catholic Charities will last months and years as they help families and individuals in the rebuilding process to restore safe, secure, and sanitary living conditions. All of the money raised will stay in West Virginia to assist our neighbors.


Please remember in prayer all those whose lives have been changed in the wake of these disasters. Let us come together now to support our brothers and sisters in Christ who have been injured and lost their homes, cars, employment, and access to food and water.

Happy Anniversary, Father Sateesh!

Prayerful congratulations to Fr. Sateesh on his 12th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. Fr. Sateesh was ordained on April 19, 2012, by Bishop M.D. Prakasham, the bishop of Nellore Diocese in India. May Christ, the Good Shepherd, continue to bless and guide Fr. Sateesh in his priestly ministry!



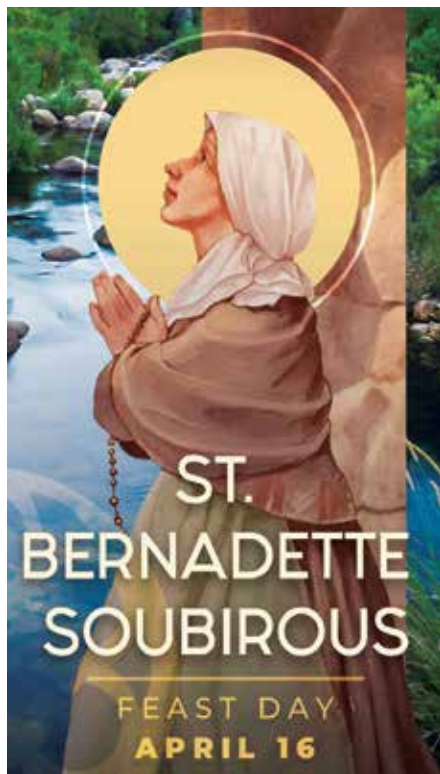
Don't have cash or check? Consider making a contribution using our online services www.saintjosephcathedral.com/giving or scan the QR code from your phone!



SCAN ME

Collection
April 7, 2024
 Envelopes: \$1658
 Loose: \$530
 Online: \$794
Total: \$2982
Thank you for your support!

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 on Facebook & Instagram



At the age of 14 St. Bernadette (1844-1879) was living in abject poverty with her family in a one-room basement which had previously been used as a jail, in the town of Lourdes in southern France. She was a sickly child, having fallen victim to Cholera in 1854 and would battle asthma and tuberculosis for the rest of her short life. Bernadette was illiterate and is characterized in many accounts as slow or ignorant. It was in her 14th year that Bernadette was granted 18 visions of a 'Lady' at a grotto in Massabielle. The Lady instructed Bernadette to come daily to the grotto to receive the visions, eventually proclaiming 'I am the Immaculate Conception'. A spring at the grotto, which appeared where Bernadette was instructed to dig, has been a site of miraculous healing. The Lady also asked that a chapel be built in the grotto for pilgrims. Today the Marian shrine at Lourdes is one of the world's most popular.

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage to Make Stop in Wheeling this June

The following is an excerpt from the March 1, 2024 issue of The Catholic Spirit:

The Catholic communities in Weirton and Wheeling are preparing to host the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage which will process across the United States on four separate routes beginning May 17 and ending July 16 in Indianapolis before the National Eucharistic Congress.

The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route will pass through the Northern Panhandle of West Virginia June 20-23. This will be the eastern arm of the pilgrimage that will begin in New Haven, Conn. (The Pilgrimage's first stop in the Mountain State will be in Weirton.)



Bishop Brennan and the Catholic faithful of Wheeling will welcome the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage at the Cathedral of St. Joseph at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 23. The Cathedral will host an All-Night Eucharistic Prayer Vigil beginning at 8:30 p.m.

"Come and adore Our Eucharistic Lord! The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the main altar of the cathedral for quiet prayer and adoration throughout the night," the pilgrimage website states.

The next morning, June 24, Bishop Brennan will celebrate Mass at the cathedral at 8:30 a.m. He will then lead a Eucharistic Procession at 9:30 a.m. from the cathedral through downtown Wheeling to St. Alphonsus Church. A breakfast will follow Benediction.

The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage presents Wheeling's Catholic faithful with these prayerful opportunities to gather with the pilgrims and deepen their devotion to the Eucharist, said Tyler Greenwood, pastoral associate at the Cathedral.

"As Catholics, we are called to witness to our faith each day," Greenwood said. "The Eucharistic Revival in our country is very much a time of witness—first, for us to be inspired by the witness of others who proclaim their faith in the Eucharist, and, that we may give witness by the very pilgrimage itself. This national pilgrimage is going to be witnessing to our brothers and sisters in the Catholic faith, of other Christian faiths, and people of no faith at all, that we have something that is truly life-changing and life-giving and that is Jesus Christ Himself, truly present in the Holy Eucharist."

"The world needs to hear this message," Greenwood continued. "People in our communities and even our own families and friends need to hear this message. That is what we are going to do as we join countless lay men and women, clergy, and religious from throughout our country in publicly bearing witness to our Eucharistic Lord who can transform us if we welcome Him into our lives."

For more on the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage, visit www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org. For more on the National Eucharistic Revival and Congress, visit dwc.org/year-of-the-eucharist/.

PARISH GROUPS

Book Club

Sunday, May 5

9:15 - 10:15 am in Rectory

Our book club meets monthly to explore topics of the spiritual life, literature, and culture.

Women's Group

Tuesday, May 14

6:30 - 7:30 pm in Chancery Cantina

The women's group meeting for March is cancelled due to a scheduling conflict. We will meet next on April 9.



Our men's group is open to all men who are looking for a place where they can find authentic friendships and grow in their faith alongside other men.

Worship: Evening Prayer & Lectio Divina

Wednesday, April 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Chancery Cantina

Fellowship: Pirates vs Brewers Game with Bishop Brennan

Wednesday, April 24 at 6:40 p.m.

Bus transportation from Cathedral will be provided



Month of the Holy Eucharist

The month of April is dedicated to devotion to the Holy Eucharist. This tradition has developed because Easter Sunday often falls in April, and when it does fall in March, the Easter season continues on through all of April. In essence, April is a month of Easter, and during the Easter celebration we remember the Eucharistic sacrifice Christ gave us and the baptism in the Holy Spirit, which would come after Jesus's resurrection.

At the Last Supper, surrounded by His Apostles, Jesus gave to the world the most sublime gift of His Real Presence by instituting the Sacrament of the Eucharist – His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. Jesus took bread and pronounced the words: "Take and eat, this is my Body"; then He took a cup of wine and said: "Take and drink, this is my Blood. Do this in memory of me." With these words Jesus instituted the greatest of all of the Sacraments, the Sacrament of the most Holy Eucharist.

Ways to Honor the Holy Eucharist

- Truly prepare yourself to receive Christ in the Holy Eucharist by arriving early to Mass and spending time in prayer.
- If you are not in the state of grace before receiving Holy Communion, go to confession
- Spend time in Eucharistic Adoration



If you are 55 years and over and enjoy sharing conversation, friendship, fun, and spiritual activities, please join us!

Lunch at Mehlman's in St. Clairsville

Wednesday, April 17 at 1:00 p.m.



ProLife Corner

Empowered Self-Defense Class Come - Bring Young People!

This program focuses on reducing the **risk of harm**: First, we debunk myths about how harm-doers operate. Second, we learn about Power & Control; how harm-doers use certain tools to create vulnerable situations - creating more risk.

Then, we learn how our brains are wired to respond when we are scared, and how to mentally manage these fearful situations. Lastly, we learn how to physically protect ourselves, whatever our abilities or movement restrictions, even if in a wheelchair.

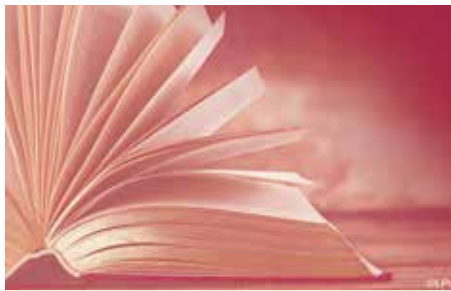
Friday, April 19th, 6:00-8:00 PM

St. Michael Angelus Center Gym

Free!

Presenters: Sexual Assault Help Center

Who should attend: anyone – please invite people for this important empowerment!
Please wear comfortable clothes and bring water to drink.



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Week of April 14

THIS SUNDAY

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Ps 42:2, 4, 7-8, 9

1 John 2:1-5

Luke 24:35-48

MONDAY

Acts 6:8-15

Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30

John 6:22-29

TUESDAY

Acts 7:51—8:1

Ps 31:3-4, 6, 7, 17, 21

John 6:30-35

WEDNESDAY

Acts 8:1-8

Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7

John 6:35-40

THURSDAY

Acts 8:25-40

Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20

John 6:44-51

FRIDAY

Acts 9:1-20

Ps 117:1, 2

John 6:52-59

SATURDAY

Acts 9:31-42

Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17

John 6:60-69

NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 4:8-12

Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

1 John 3:1-2

John 10:11-18

The readings are included each week so that those who are unable to join us for daily Mass will be able to consider and pray them in union with the whole Church.

LOUDfence Makes National Debut at Cathedral

What a profound joy for our Cathedral to welcome the LOUDfence organization and to host their inaugural event in our country last weekend on Divine Mercy Sunday! LOUDfence is an international organization that promotes a visible display of support and solidarity with those affected by abuse. The ribbons tied to each fence represent the voices of those who wish to speak out in support and defense of those affected by abuse. Very special thanks to Antonia Sobocki, Deacon Peter Collins, and the other representatives of the LOUDfence organization for traveling from England to be with us for this special event! Join us as we continue to pray for all those who have suffered the scourge of abuse, that they may know true healing and peace!



Prayer for Healing Victims of Abuse

God of endless love, ever caring, ever strong, always present, always just: You gave your only Son to save us by the blood of his cross.

Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace, join to your own suffering the pain of all who have been hurt in body, mind, and spirit by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.

Hear the cries of our brothers and sisters who have been gravely harmed, and the cries of those who love them. Soothe their restless hearts with hope, steady their shaken spirits with faith. Grant them justice for their cause, enlightened by your truth.

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your people's wounds and transform brokenness into wholeness. Grant us the courage and wisdom, humility and grace, to act with justice. Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors. Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace in justice. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayerful Congratulations

Congratulations to Hailey Pollock who recently received a Catholic Women's College Club Scholarship! May God continue to bless her in her endeavors!



Commemorating 100th Anniversary of Benwood Mine Disaster in Prayer

Sunday, April 28 at 4:00 pm

Mt Calvary Cemetery, Wheeling

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston invites the public to a special prayer service at 4pm, Sunday, April 28, at Mt Calvary Cemetery, 1685 National Road, Wheeling, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Benwood mine disaster.

The event will honor the lives of 119 men and boys, who lost their lives as a result of two explosions within the Wheeling Steel Coal Mine in Benwood on April 28, 1924.

While the miners were from the surrounding communities on both side of the Ohio River, the majority were immigrants from Poland, Greece, Italy, Hungary, Russia, Serbia, Croatia, Lithuania, and Ukraine. Notably many were also Catholic, belonging to St. John Parish in Benwood and St. Ladislaus in South Wheeling.

The memorial on April 28th this year will take place at the site at Mt. Calvary, where the largest mass burial in Wheeling ever took place. On May 5, 1924, 22 miners were buried during a service that was conducted in three languages. Others were later buried at Mt. Calvary, but in different areas.

Victims of the disaster including those miners who were burned beyond recognition were buried in a mass grave at Greenwood Cemetery across the street.



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

Holy Water

Question:

What is holy water and how do I explain the reason that it is placed at the entrances of churches to my non-Catholic friends?

Answer:

Holy water is a sacramental, a reminder of the life of the Church expressed and celebrated through the sacraments. God's grace is mediated through word and gesture (the outward signs). This comes to us through Jesus (instituted by Christ) as he entrusts to the Church his saving mission (to give grace). In turn the Church, through the sacraments, shares that grace and mission with us.

On Ash Wednesday, we receive ashes on our foreheads to remind us of our origins, humbly created from the dust. But by blessing ourselves with holy water, we are reminded of our destiny! We are baptized sons and daughters of God. This is also a call to conversion, to live more fully our baptismal call to live as disciples of Jesus. We see holy water whenever we renew our baptismal promises. This will occur during the Easter liturgy as well, reminding us that we are indeed on a journey of faith and renewed in Christ. Blessing ourselves with holy water reminds us that we are baptized into a community faith, and always in need of turning from sin and toward God. Holy water is a visible sign of our baptism!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Andrew Helfer	Chuck Fair	Kaitlyn Hanasky	Rachel Wade
Angela Niehart	David A. Kress, Jr.	Kermit Klosterman	R.J. Stocke
Archer Hatch	Dianna Albright	Kristin Smith	Richard Simon
Arthur Danehart	Doug Jones	Langan Family	Rick Burgy
Austin Cook	Eric South	Liam Barns	Ron Hickman
Barb Mazzocca	Eva Wood	Liam Manning	Rosalie Davis
Beth Jochum	Fr. Joseph Wilhelm	Lukie Brown	Rose Otey
Betty Teater	Frank Davis	Margaret Stocke	Sarah Hanasky
Bill Wilson	Frederick C. Schweizer	Marge Muecheck	Sarah Sargent
Bob Armstrong	Gail Koch	Marie Farnsworth	Shirley DeCaria
Billy Hanasky	George Kirchner	Marie & Conner	Stanley Kyrk
Brian Hanasky	Gerri Adams Nagy	Workman	Susan Graff
Brogan Gallentine	Hines Rotriga	Mark Davis	Susan Mize
Caleb Hlebiczk	Jean Schultz	Marshall South	Susan Schulte
Carol Young	Jim Antill	Martha Yocum	Susanna Kress
Carolyn Lash	Jim and Dee	Mary K. Schlosser	Tammy
Carolyn Wieth	Jimmy Hocking	Mary Walicki	Teresa Helfer
Catherine Lanham	Joe Bechtel	Michael DeBlasis	Thelma Pearson
Charles Heizer	John Petrella	Milissa Rose	Tony Helfer
Charles DeBenedi	Jon-Michael Lasher	Nicholas Barns	Trystan Timmons
Children of the	Judy Pack	Pete Cuffaro	Victoria Jeskey
Youth Services System	Julia Sheets	Pete Mack	Zoey Knight
Christina Helfer	Kathy Cooley	Philippa Shores	

From the Diocesan Office of Safe Environment

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

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MASS TIMES

SUNDAYS 6:00 pm (Saturday)
8:00 am
10:30 am

WEEKDAYS 12:05 pm (Monday thru Friday)
9:00 am (Saturday)

HOLY DAYS Please consult the bulletin

CONFESSIONS

FRIDAY 11:15 - 11:45 am

SATURDAY 5:00 - 5:45 pm
or by appointment

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

By appointment. Please contact the parish office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

Please call the parish office to arrange for anointing for someone who is seriously ill or preparing for surgery. If ill, homebound or hospitalized, a visit can be scheduled upon request.

MARRIAGE

Engaged couples who are members of the Cathedral parish should contact the parish office.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration forms can be obtained through the parish office.

Please notify the parish of address changes through contacting the parish office or by visiting the website.

Bulletin Articles due by 9am on Monday (5 days prior to publication). Submitted bulletin content is subject to approval.

