

THE Cathedral Courier

Weekly Bulletin for the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Wheeling, West Virginia

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**PALM SUNDAY OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD**

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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 2 - 9, 2023

SUN 2 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for Paul Morgan
8:00 am Mass for Sean Quirk
10:30 am Mass for the Parishioners
6:00 pm Vespers

MON 3 Monday of Holy Week

12:05 pm Mass for John & Shirley Sheets

TUE 4 Tuesday of Holy Week

12:05 pm Mass for Albert Schubert
4:00 pm Chrism Mass

WED 5 Wednesday of Holy Week

12:05 pm Mass for Virginia Sacco

THU 6 Holy Thursday

9:00 am Morning Prayer
12:00 noon Confessions
6:00 pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper**
Adoration following Mass until Midnight

FRI 7 Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00 am Morning Prayer
12:00 noon Stations of the Cross
12:30 pm Confessions
3:00 pm **Celebration of the Lord's Passion**

SAT 8 Holy Saturday

9:00 am Morning Prayer
8:00 pm **Easter Vigil**

SUN 9 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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



From Father Sateesh

"Hosanna to the Son of David! Christ accepted it all unto Death!"

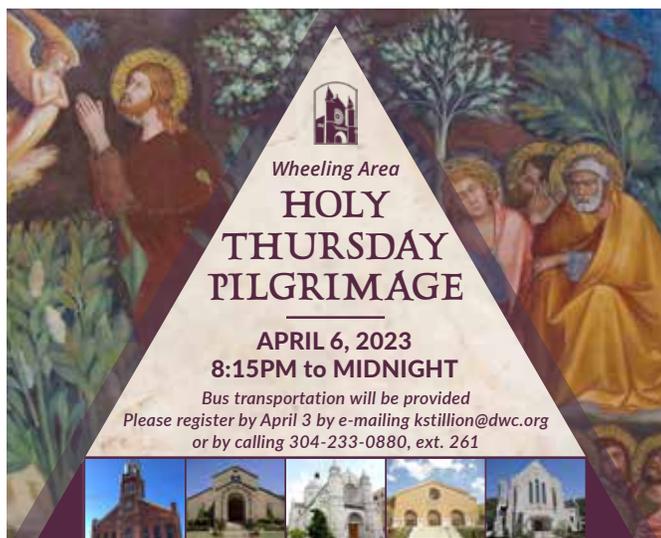


We are celebrating Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday and we cannot have one without the other. Are we just reenacting an event; is it play-acting or something much more? The passion story of Jesus is the oldest part of the Christian tradition to be preserved and as the first generation of Christians died, a short narrative of the Passion developed.

The Passion narrative starts with the betrayal of Judas Iscariot; in the face of this betrayal Jesus chooses to celebrate the Passover meal and give them his best gift: the gift of himself. When man is at his worse God is at his best! Jesus' way of responding to hurt and betrayal can be ours only when love has become the motive power of our lives. Even when Jesus is confronted by Judas who blatantly asks, "Not I Rabbi, surely?", Jesus does not condemn him or embarrass him in front of the others. Even in the face of evidence Jesus refuses to judge, so unlike us. It is worth remembering that when we judge others, we judge ourselves. After the celebration of the Passover sacrifice as they were leaving for the Mount of Olives Jesus predicts "You will all lose faith in me this night." But Peter is sure that he is not like the rest. There are many times when we can identify with Peter, we feel we are not like the rest of the disciples. We won't make the same mistakes that others make. Let's remind ourselves that our faith journey is not a competition to see who does better than others. The faith journey cannot be accomplished if we rely on our own strengths and capabilities, instead one needs to humbly acknowledge our inadequacies and rely on the Lord to see us through.

As we go through the entire narrative of the passion what will strike us is that Jesus died a shameful death, reserved for the worst of criminals. Even though he died willingly, this manner of death would seem to wipe off with one stroke all the good he had done. If Jesus were truly the beloved Son of God, would God have allowed him to be overcome by his enemies? But God turned this human way of thinking completely upside down. By raising Jesus from the dead, God honored Jesus more than anyone ever could have. He obliterated Jesus' shame with the glory of the resurrection. It is from this standpoint that one needs to reinterpret passion. While it reports seemingly shameful events like the betrayal, the false witnesses, the trumped-up charges and the like, a careful reading shows that Jesus is master of his fate throughout the story. He knows that he is in the right; he trusts that God will vindicate him. Jesus is like every other innocently suffering person in the history of Israel: absolutely confident that God will set it all right. Today we dwell on the passion in order to draw closer to the person of Jesus and his great love for humanity and unflinching faith in the Father. To be like Jesus we have to be with Jesus. As we draw close to Jesus we are bound to change and become like the Son. "And I, when I am lifted up, will draw all to myself!" May His Passion empower us in moments of our own passion and suffering!

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Fr. Sateesh will be on vacation visiting family and friends in India from April 17 through May 12. Please keep him and his travels in your prayers.



There is an ancient Roman tradition to visit multiple churches after the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday night and to pray and "keep watch" before the Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose in each of those churches. In the spirit of this tradition, everyone is invited to join the faithful of the Wheeling area for a Holy Thursday Pilgrimage this year on the evening of April 6. During the pilgrimage, the faithful will have the opportunity to visit five churches in Wheeling to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. A special booklet has been created which allows the pilgrims to follow along the narrative of Jesus' time in the Garden of Gethsemane as well as provide opportunities for personal prayer and meditation. The bus will depart the Cathedral of St. Joseph at 8:15pm and will return by 11:15pm. **If you are interested in riding the bus, please sign up by contacting Ms. Kim Stillion at 304-233-0880, ext. 261, or by e-mailing kstillion@dwc.org to reserve a seat by April 3.** If you would like to visit the churches but would prefer to follow behind the bus in your own vehicle or go on your own, you can find the itinerary below.

Itinerary

Bus departs from the Cathedral around 8:15 p.m.

Stop 1 (8:30pm-8:45pm): St. Alphonsus (2111 Market St, Wheeling, WV 26003)

Stop 2 (9:00pm-9:30pm): Corpus Christi (1508 Warwood Ave, Wheeling, WV 26003)

Stop 3 (9:45pm-10:15pm): St. Vincent (2244 Marshall Ave, Wheeling, WV 26003)

Stop 4 (10:30pm-11:15pm): St. Michael (1225 National Rd, Wheeling, WV 26003)

Stop 5 (11:15pm-Midnight): Cathedral of St. Joseph (1300 Eoff St, Wheeling, WV 26003)

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March 26, 2023

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Online: \$378

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Palms will be distributed at all Masses

Saturday, April 1

5-5:45pm Confessions

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 2

8:00am & 10:30am Mass

6:00pm Sung Vespers

Monday, April 3

12:05pm Mass

Tuesday, April 4

12:05pm Mass

4:00pm Chrism Mass

Wednesday, April 5

12:05pm Mass

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 6

9:00am Morning Prayer

12:00 Noon - 1:00pm Confessions

6:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration at the Altar of Repose following Mass until Midnight

Good Friday, April 7

The Passion of the Lord

Day of Fast & Abstinence

9:00am Morning Prayer

12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross

12:30 - 1:30pm Confessions

3:00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday, April 8

9:00am Morning Prayer

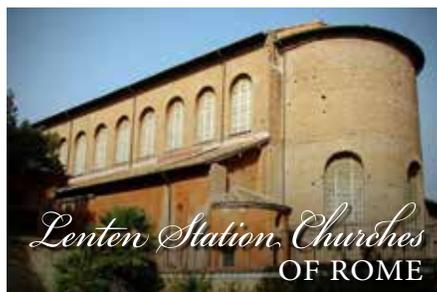
8:00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

April 9, 2023

The Resurrection of Our Lord

Mass at 8:00am & 10:30am



Holy Week

Palm Sunday
Saint John Lateran

Monday
Saint Praxedes

Tuesday
Saint Prisca

Wednesday
Saint Mary Major

Holy Thursday
Saint John Lateran

Good Friday
Holy Cross in Jerusalem

Holy Saturday
Saint John Lateran

Fasting & Abstinence

Good Friday is an obligatory day of fasting and abstinence for Catholics.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. Members of the Eastern Catholic Churches are to observe the particular law of their own *sui iuris* Church. **If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.**

Celebrating the Week That Changed the World

Holy Week is the week that changed the world. As we prepare to begin this most important week of the entire year, we invite you to reflect with us on the days of this special week.

Palm Sunday

On this day we gather as a Church and our celebration of the Eucharist begins with a procession of palms and includes the reading of the Passion of Jesus Christ. We turn our minds and hearts to Jerusalem, the Holy City, and shout with the crowds, "Hosanna!" Why? Because Christ entered this Holy City to suffer and die so that he could rise again. He entered Jerusalem as God's Son so that he could save us from our sins. Palm Sunday reminds us to always follow in his footsteps until we reach the new and eternal Jerusalem, Heaven, where he lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Chrism Mass

On Tuesday of Holy Week, Bishop Brennan celebrates the Chrism Mass, a Mass in which the oil of the sick, used in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, and the oil of catechumens, used in preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism, are blessed; the Sacred Chrism, used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders, is consecrated. At this special Mass, all priests in the diocese renew their priestly promises and their pledges to remain in communion with the bishop, our Chief Shepherd, the Vicar of Christ for and head of the Church of Wheeling-Charleston. The Chrism Mass reminds us all that we are anointed priests at our baptism and that, through the ordained men he chooses, Christ continues the ministry of his one High Priesthood, a ministry of word and sacrament.

Holy Thursday

Thursday of Holy Week marks the end of the season of Lent and the beginning of the most sacred time in our liturgical year: the Paschal Triduum, wherein the greatest mysteries of our redemption are celebrated.

On Holy Thursday night we as a Church gather and our attention is directed to the ordained priesthood, the Holy Eucharist with the washing of feet, the solemn celebration of the Eucharist, and the procession with the Eucharist to the altar of repose where we adore Christ and keep watch with him. Holy Thursday reminds us that Christ has given us a new commandment: to love one another as he has loved us. He himself showed his love to us by sacrificing Himself on the Cross. His love and the salvation he won for us are made new and present in our midst whenever the Holy Eucharist is celebrated.

Good Friday

On Good Friday we as a Church fix our gaze on the Cross. In the solemn ceremonies of Good Friday — the adoration and veneration of the Cross, the reading of the Passion, and the reception of Holy Communion — we not only behold the wood of the Cross, but we also unite ourselves and our crosses to our Savior. In doing so, we realize that in the Death of the Lord we, too, have died to sin.

Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday

The high point of the Paschal Triduum is the Easter Vigil, what St. Augustine calls the "Mother of all Vigils." This Vigil includes a service of light — the lighting of fire and the Paschal candle — which recalls that by his death and resurrection Christ banished the darkness of sin; the Liturgy of the Word — several Old Testament readings, a New Testament epistle, and Gospel — in which the history of God's salvation is proclaimed; the Liturgy of Baptism; and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, in which we remember, as always, the death and resurrection of the Lord until he comes again.

At the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday, we as a Church celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ in which he conquered death itself and opened the gates of Heaven to all of us, his believers and witnesses. And so we proclaim with great joy on this day: "The Lord is Risen. He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

The Easter Duty: A Precept of the Church

One of the minimum requirements in the Church is called by some the Easter Duty, requiring Catholics to receive Holy Communion at least once during the Easter Season.

This requirement is spelled out in the *Code of Canon Law*: "Can. 920 §1. After being initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, each of the faithful is obliged to receive holy communion at least once a year. §2. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at another time during the year.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* adds that this Easter duty for Catholics should be preceded by confession: "The Church obliges the faithful to take part in the Divine Liturgy on Sundays and feast days and, prepared by the sacrament of Reconciliation, to receive the Eucharist at least once a year, if possible during the Easter season. But the Church strongly encourages the faithful to receive the holy Eucharist on Sundays and feast days, or more often still, even daily" (CCC 1389).

This requirement is meant to serve as a bare minimum for Catholics, as they are encouraged to frequent both the sacraments of holy communion and reconciliation throughout the year.

The Easter duty also emphasizes Jesus' resurrection and its connection to the gift of the Eucharist that Jesus gave the Church. Easter is the time of the year when the Church more intimately reflects on these central beliefs of the Christian faith. This is one of the many reasons why the Church urges her faithful to receive the sacraments during this holy season.

Easter is the "feast of all feasts," making it an appropriate time to fulfill the Easter duty, uniting ourselves with Jesus in Holy Communion.

As we approach the conclusion of Lent and, the questions arises, "Have I made a good confession since Ash Wednesday?" If not, do so, and receive the abundant graces of Our Lord who suffered, died and rose for our salvation. As Pope St. John Paul II taught, "It would, therefore, be foolish, as well as presumptuous, ... to disregard the means of grace and salvation which the Lord has provided and, in the specific case, to claim to receive forgiveness while doing without the sacrament which was instituted by Christ precisely for forgiveness" ("On Reconciliation and Penance," No. 31).



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

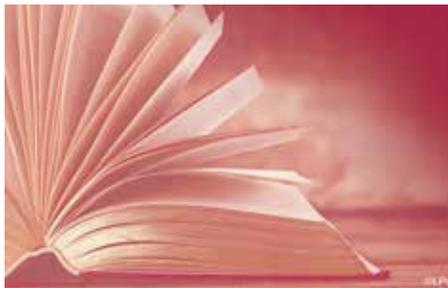


Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

Christ is Present! Will you be?

WV Eucharistic Congresses - Spring 2023

Spring 2023 will bring three regional Eucharistic Congresses to the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Faithful across the state will have three locations to choose from – Charles Town, Wheeling, and Charleston. These homegrown events are part of the National Eucharistic Revival, a three-year renewal of "the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist." The three regional congresses will feature a dynamic national speaker, engaging breakout session presenters, Adoration, inspiring prayer services, celebratory music, Blessed Carlo Acutis' Eucharistic miracles display, all culminating in Mass celebrated by Bishop Mark Brennan, and much more. The whole family is encouraged to attend along with our clergy, religious, Catholic organizations, and schools. **We are excited to be hosting a Eucharistic Congress at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph on April 28 and 29th! Mark your calendars and plan to attend!**



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Holy Week

MONDAY

Isaiah 42:1-7
Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14
John 12:1-11

TUESDAY

Isaiah 49:1-6
Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17
John 13:21-33, 36-38

WEDNESDAY

Isaiah 50:4-9
Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34
Matthew 26:14-25

THURSDAY

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-15

FRIDAY

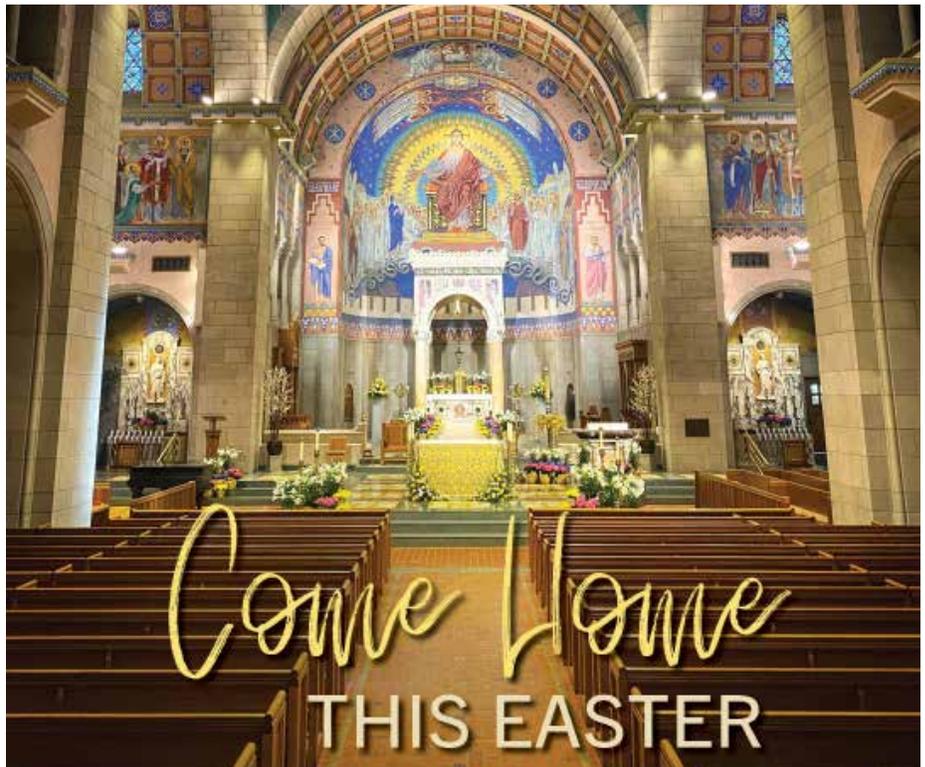
Isaiah 52:13—53:12
Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9
John 18:1—19:42

SATURDAY

- (1) Genesis 1:1—2:2
Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35
- (2) Genesis 22:1-18
Ps 16:5, 8-11
- (3) Ex 14:15—15:1
(Ps) Ex 15:1-6, 17-28
- (4) Isaiah 54:5-14
Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13
- (5) Is 55:1-11
(Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4-6
- (6) Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4
Ps 19:8-11
- (7) Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28
Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4
- (8) Romans 6:3-11
Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
- (9) Luke 24:1-12

NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-9



At Easter, we rejoice in the new life that Christ has won for us. Easter is a wonderful time to come home again. If you haven't been to Mass in a while for one reason or another, come back this Easter. If you know of someone who has been estranged from the Church, invite them to join you at Mass this Easter and experience the love, joy, and peace that comes only from Jesus Christ, risen from the dead!



Flocknote

Flocknote is an e-mail and text messaging tool that we use at the Cathedral of St. Joseph to message our parishioners about important information. Flocknote is totally free for you to use, you don't even have to download anything or create a password in order to participate. All it takes is simply your name, e-mail address and/or cell phone number. Your info is kept totally private and secure, and it's never, ever shared. Lastly, you can unsubscribe at any time, so try it today and get connected!

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40 Cans for Lent

During Lent, the Knights of Columbus are sponsoring the 40 Cans For Lent program. Please drop off non-perishable food items in the bin in back of the Cathedral. Donations will be taken to Catholic Charities. Thank you for support of those in need.

Rest
in
Peace

Please remember in your prayers:

James Greene

(d. March 25, 2023)

DIVINE MERCY
 SUNDAY, APRIL 16
Confessions
 2:00 P.M.
Holy Hour
 3:00 P.M.

CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH
 WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA

JESUS I TRUST IN YOU



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

What is a Pilgrimage?

Question:

What is a pilgrimage? Why do people go on them?

Answer:

A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey to visit a holy site, such as the shrine of a saint, a place where the Blessed Virgin Mary has appeared, or an historic church or chapel. What makes a pilgrimage different from a vacation and a pilgrim distinct from a tourist is the spirit in which the journey is made. Pilgrimages are really a symbol of our spiritual journey in life, reminding us that this world is not our true home and that we spend our lives journeying to our homeland, which is the Kingdom of God.

Pilgrimages — which can be as involved as a trip to Rome or the Holy Land or as simple as visiting the Blessed Sacrament in a local parish church — are also an opportunity for us to step out of the rhythms and limits of our daily lives to seek out connection with God in a special way, by visiting a holy place. At times, such as on a special feast, a jubilee, or the anniversary of the dedication of the church, special graces (called “indulgences”) can also be offered to pilgrims, helping to enrich our experience of the celebration.

In the end, pilgrimages are an ancient act of devotion and something that each of us can put into practice, helping us to discover how God is present in the world around us, in places both near and far.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Andrew Helfer	David A. Kress, Jr.	Kermit Klosterman	R. J. Stocke
Angela Niehart	Eli Musser	Langan Family	Richard Simon
Archer Hatch	Eric South	Liam Barns	Rick Burgy
Arthur Danehart	Eva Wood	Liam Manning	Ron Hickman
Austin Cook	Fr. Joseph Wilhelm	Lukie Brown	Rosanne Gaughan
Barb Mazzocca	Frank Davis	Margaret Stocke	Rosalie Davis
Beth Jochum	Frederick C. Schweizer	Marie Farnsworth	Rose Otey
Betty Teater	Gail Koch	Marie & Conner	Sarah Hanasky
Bill Wilson	George Kirchner	Workman	Sarah Sargent
Bob Armstrong	Gerri Adams Nagy	Mark Davis	Shirley DeCaria
Bob Jones	Hines Rodriga	Marshall South	Stanley Kyrcc
Billy Hanasky	Janet Rodriguez	Martha Yocum	Susan Graff
Brian Hanasky	Jean Schultz	Mary K. Schlosser	Susan Mize
Brogan Gallentine	Jim Antill	Mary Walicki	Susan Schulte
Caleb Hlebiczki	Jim and Dee	Michael DeBlasis	Tammy
Carolyn Lash	Jimmy Hocking	Missisa Rose	Teresa Helfer
Carolyn Wiethe	Joe Bechtel	Nadine Greenwood	Thelma Pearson
Charles Heizer	John Petrella	Nicholas Barns	Tony Helfer
Charles DeBeni	Jon-Michael Lasher	Pat Belby	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	
Chuck Fair	Kaitlyn Hanasky	Rachel Wade	

From the Diocesan Office of Safe Environment

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is committed to the protection of its children and young people. The Diocese complies with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People by maintaining an 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. To learn more about the Catholic Church’s efforts in preventing sexual abuse of children in the United States, please visit <http://www.usccb.org>. Under “Issues and Action,” click “Child and Youth Protection” from the drop down menu.

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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.

