

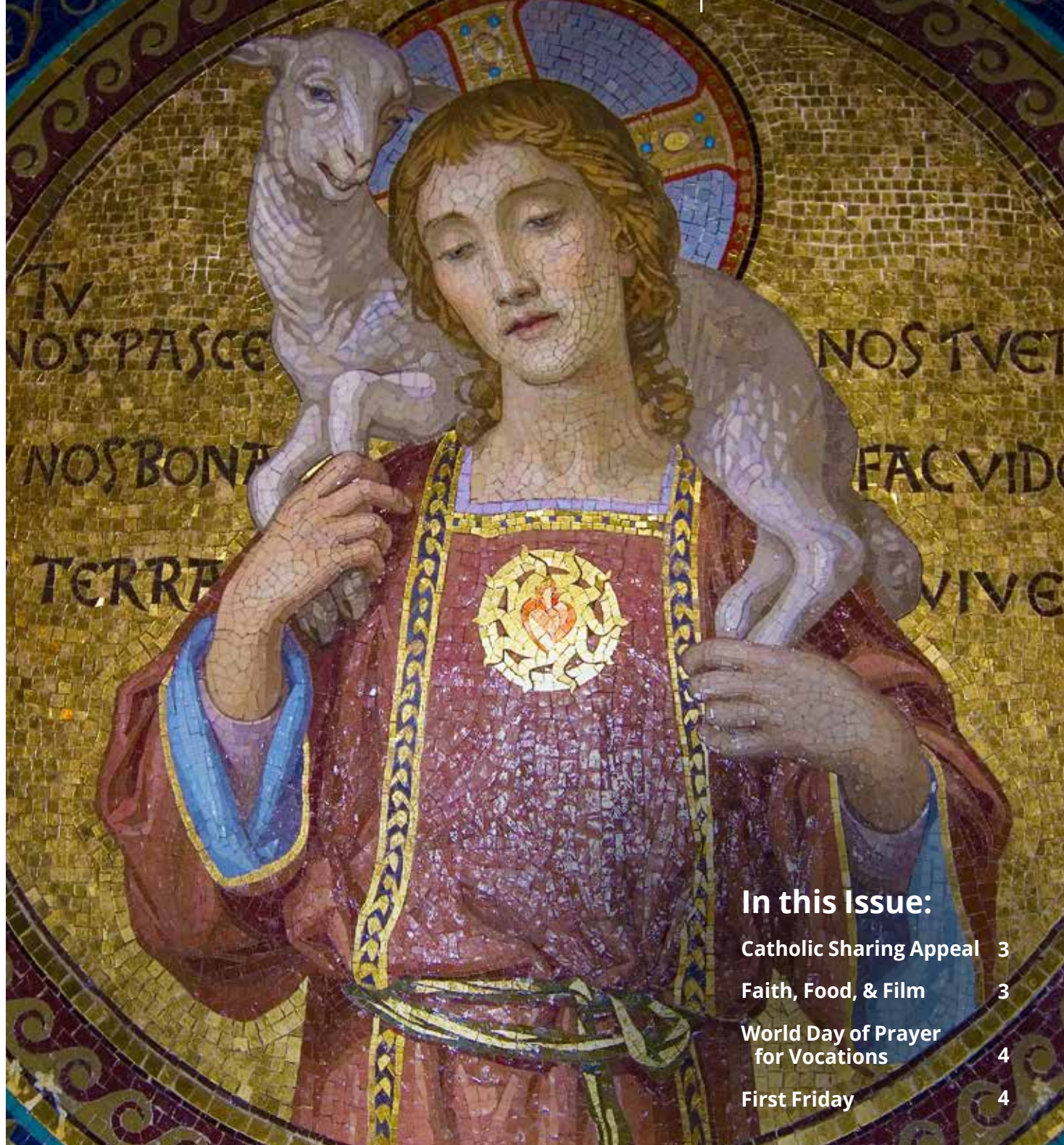
THE Cathedral Courier

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FOURTH 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 30 - May 7, 2023

SUN 30 Fourth Sunday of Easter

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for Lucille Renowicz
8:00 am Mass for Betty Hickman
10:30 am Mass for the Parishioners

MON 1 Easter Weekday Optional Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker

12:05 pm Mass for Rita DiCarlo

TUE 2 Memorial of St. Athanasius

12:05 pm Mass for Patricia Oglinsky
6:00 pm Bible Basics Course (*Cantina*)

WED 3 Feast of Sts. Philip and James

12:05 pm Mass for Thomas John Smarrella

THU 4 Easter Weekday

12:05 pm Mass for Doug Bartlett

FRI 5 Easter Weekday First Friday

11:15 am Confessions
12:05 pm Mass for Stephen Grant Monroe
12:45 pm Eucharistic Adoration begins
5:00 pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

SAT 6 Easter Weekday First Saturday

9:00 am Mass for Joseph & Sarah Truini
9:30 am Rosary
5:00 pm Confessions
6:00 pm Mass for the Parishioners
7:00 pm Faith, Food, & Film (*Cantina*)

SUN 7 Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am Mass for Living and Deceased Members of the Nicholas & Nimnoon Ghaphery Family and David & Faye Ghaphery Family
10:30 am Mass for Jeanie Ann Quirk



From Father Sateesh

"The Lord is my Shepherd; He protects and cares for me!"



Does anybody care for us and about what is happening to us? Often, we feel nobody really bothers, nobody really cares for us. When we do come across people who take us seriously, people who notice us and acknowledge us, we are deeply touched by their concern and love. Today we are reminded that somebody up there loves us. I would like to reflect on the loving care and concern of God for his people.

In today's first reading Peter contrasts what God did to Jesus with what the people did to Him, they crucified Him. The hearers moved to guilt ask, "What must we do?" Peter's answer was to reform, repent and be baptized. Those who heard Peter realized they could no longer believe and act as they once did. In accepting Peter's message today, we too must make the changes in our lives that reflect the One whose rule we follow. What is God asking of me right now? Listening with faith demands a response or else the Word is rendered impotent in our lives.

In today's gospel, Jesus adds to his previous images of himself, of being both the Shepherd and the Gate of Life. During the time of Jesus there were two kinds of pens, the common village pen and the field pen. In the first half of the gospel, he alludes to the common village pen. He refers to the early morning routine when the shepherd came to the village pen to get his flock and lead it out to pasture.

As a Good Shepherd he calls each one by name. Among the Hebrews, sheep were most often raised for wool and for milk, consequently the animals became like pets, part of the household, each having their own individuality. Those of us who have household pets may understand the intimate bond between the shepherd and his sheep. Minding the sheep was not a business but a life. The shepherd did not see the sheep as a flock but as an extended family, where everyone is important. Basically, what the passage communicates to us is the personal care and concern of Jesus, the caring shepherd.

In the second half of today's Gospel Jesus refers to himself as the sheep-gate, which refers to the field pen and specifically he refers to the narrow opening in the pen through which the sheep passed. Jesus says: "I am the gate for the sheep." What does Jesus wish to tell us when he says He is the door of the sheepfold? In today's world we are more and more conscious of security and safety, and we make sure that our doors are well bolted and secure. In Jesus' time it was not the gate of the sheepfold that was important, it was the person, the shepherd, who lay across the gate provided security and protection to the sheep by being the door. In that sense the role of the shepherd as the doorway was crucial to the sheep. Jesus is crucial to the believer. He is the gate, the guardian who protects us from harm. He is the door, the one who provides us with passage to the Father, He is the one who is the gateway to the fullness of life. It is only through Him that we can have the fullness of life. Have a relaxed weekend experiencing the loving care and concern of our Shepherd, our God!



Since 2007, the Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA) has helped deliver essential shared ministries throughout West Virginia. Thanks to the generosity of those who have supported the CSA over the years, we've been able to ensure the support needed to enliven our parishes, support our Catholic schools, and expand outreach efforts is there when we need it most.

This weekend is Commitment Weekend – a time where we, as a Catholic community, can come together and support our shared ministries through the CSA. I hope you will prayerfully consider joining me this year with a sacrificial gift. You can do so securely online, by mailing in the pledge card you received from Bishop Brennan or by dropping the same pledge card in the collection basket this weekend or next weekend.

Together, we will provide neighbors in need the light and love of Christ each and every day through our shared ministries.



Catholic Charities Men's Underwear Drive

May 6 - 7

The Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center in Wheeling is in great need of men's underwear for the homeless and needy. In our efforts to assist them in this particular need, a collection box will be placed in the back of the church during the weekend of May 6 and 7. Please bring a donation of new men's underwear in any size. Thank you for your generosity!



Pastoral Council Elections

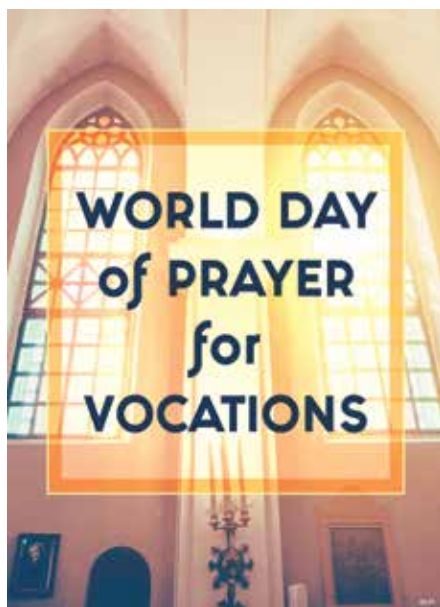
Pastoral Council Elections will take place the weekends of April 22/23 and April 29/30. Ballots are located in the back of the church and can be submitted in the ballot box. Please remember that we should be honest in our voting. Please only vote if you are an active registered parishioner of the Cathedral, and please only vote one time. You are asked to check an honesty statement for your vote to count. According to the guidelines of the council, the following gifts and temperaments are necessary for successful pastoral leadership in members of the Council: desire for spiritual growth in self and in others, enthusiasm about the future of the parish, eagerness to facilitate parish decisions about its future, courage to work toward consensus, capacity to listen, integrity in articulating what one has heard and what one believes, ability to inspire and empower, willingness to delegate, and flexibility and openness with people and ideas.

K of C Food Packing Project

The Knights of Columbus wish to sincerely thank the parishioners of the Cathedral of St. Joseph who donated or participated in the Cross Catholic Outreach project to fight world hunger held at Wheeling University on April 15. Together, over 150 volunteers packaged over 60,700 meals to be distributed to the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, and locally here in West Virginia.

Offertory Collection
April 23, 2023
 Envelopes: \$1076
 Loose: \$303
 Online: \$402
Thank you for your support!


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This year marks the 60th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations on April 30, 2023.

The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.

Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life? Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

Why We Need Eucharistic Adoration

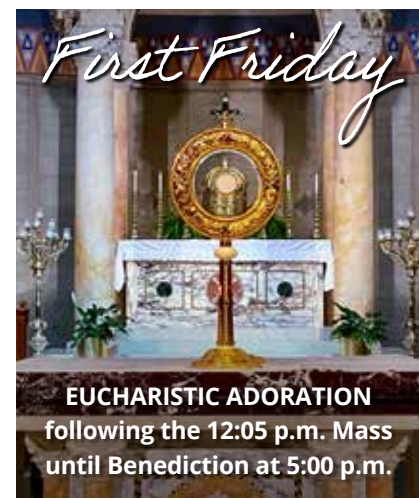
Eucharistic Adoration is the adoration of Jesus Christ present in the Holy Eucharist. In the many Churches, the Eucharist is displayed in a special holder called a monstrance, and people come to pray and worship Jesus truly present before us. Christ's great love for us was shown when he was crucified on the cross to pay the penalty for our sins and give us eternal life. He loves us without limit, and offers Himself to us in the Holy sacrament of the Eucharist. Can we not give Jesus a few minutes of love and adoration in return?

Some Catholics think that we can gain grace from the Eucharist only in the Mass by receiving Holy Communion. This idea limits the power and the love of Jesus too much. Certainly participation in the sacrifice of the Mass and receiving Holy Communion is the most powerful source of grace for us, but it is not the only source of Eucharistic grace. After the sacrifice is completed, the sacrament continues on. Jesus, in His sacramental body and blood remains here with us as our friend, just as He promised. This is why Eucharistic Adoration is so important.

This is why we should visit our friend, Jesus, in the Blessed Sacrament, to return His love for us and to draw spiritual strength and nourishment and encouragement from that love.

Listen to what Pope St. John Paul II said: "The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic worship. Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration." Notice how he is asking you to be generous with your time. He is not asking for your money but something much more precious – your time.

Spending time with Jesus in adoration should not strike us as unusual. It is really a very natural human activity. When two people love each other, they want to spend time together to visit, to get to know each other better.



You cannot love someone you do not know. Adoration of our Lord in the Eucharist is your chance to know Jesus better.

One of the best aspects of Eucharistic adoration is this: how you spend your time with Jesus is entirely up to you. You spend your time with Jesus any way you want. You can pray your Rosary, you can read your Bible, or you can do some other spiritual reading or devotional prayers. But we must always remember, you are there to visit with your friend, Jesus. Talk with Him; tell Him your problems, your needs or your concerns. Tell Him about your joys, too. Chances are He doesn't hear about those very often! But most important, stop and listen, let Jesus do some of the talking. He's been waiting for a chance to visit with you, but your life is so busy with work, family and school, your line is always busy. Jesus can't get through to you. It's time to give yourself a break.

The whole purpose of our human existence is to live forever with the Blessed Trinity in heaven. We get a foretaste of that eternal happiness and peace when we visit and adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. This is why thousands of people from all over the world will testify that one hour each week with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the most peaceful, the most satisfying hour of their whole week.

HAPPENING AROUND THE AREA

CCHS Lacrosse Fundraiser

Saturday, May 6; 6:00 p.m.

Stone Church VFD

621 Stone Church Road, Wheeling

The CCHS Lacrosse Club will hold their annual tailgate dinner event on May 6, 2023 beginning at 6:00 pm at Stone Church Volunteer Fire Department, 621 Stone Church Road, Wheeling, WV. The event will include Mason Dixon BBQ (Brisket, Pulled Pork & Pulled Chicken), sides, desserts and soft drinks. BYOB The fun will include a Silent Auction, Live Auction, Cornhole & Cards and Music. For tickets contact Margaret Zoeckler at 304 312 8731 or Sara Marin of CCHS at 304 218 7903 by May 2. Payment can be made by cash or Venmo to @CCHS Lacrosse. Since this is a club sport, your support is greatly appreciated.

Sip & Paint

Sunday, May 7; 2:00 - 4:30pm

St. Vincent de Paul Marist Centre

2244 Marshall Avenue, Wheeling

Join us for an afternoon of fun! BYOB. Cost is \$25.00. Must RSVP to parish office at 304-242-0406.

Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday, May 14; 10am - 12:30 pm

St. Vincent de Paul Marist Centre

2244 Marshall Avenue, Wheeling

All are welcome to attend a Mother's Day Brunch. Adults: \$25; Children: \$10. Brunch prepared by Chef N Company. Please RSVP by calling the parish office at 304-242-0406.

Memorial Mass

Friday, May 12; 7:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart of Mary Church,

200 Preston Avenue, Weirton, WV

The FertilityCare™ Center of the Upper Ohio Valley, Inc. & the Weirton Catholic Pro-Life Group will be sponsoring a Memorial Mass for Babies Who Died Before Birth whether by miscarriage, abortion, ectopic (tubal) pregnancy (no distinction will be made) & whether occurring recently or years ago. Confession will be available at 5:30 p.m. So that we may best honor your child please call 304-723-0478 or 304-748-0688 to RSVP (all family members and friends are welcome).



The month of May is the “month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady,” and it is the occasion for a “moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pay to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God’s mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance” (Paul VI: Encyclical on the Month of May, no. 1).

This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin arose at the end of the 13th century. In this way, the Church was able to Christianize the secular feasts which were wont to take place at that time. In the 16th century, books appeared and fostered this devotion.

The practice became especially popular among the members of the Jesuit Order — by 1700 it took hold among their students at the Roman College and a bit later it was publicly practiced in the Gesu Church in Rome. From there it spread to the whole Church.

Ways to Honor Our Lady

- Learn or pray a new Marian devotion (Regina Caeli, Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Novenas to Our Lady, etc.)
- Decorate a statue of Our Lady with flowers
- Imitate Mary's deep humility, obedience, and faith

Looking for the perfect Mother's Day gift?

Honor the special mother in your life with a
donation to Catholic Charities West Virginia
in her name.

We will send a Mother's Day card to her
notifying her of your gift.

Visit

www.CatholicCharitiesWV.org/MothersDay
or call 304.905.9876.



SAINTS OF THE WEEK



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Week of April 30

THIS SUNDAY

Acts 2:14, 36-41
Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6
1 Peter 2:20-25
John 10:1-10

MONDAY

Genesis 1:26—2:3
Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14, 16
Matthew 13:54-58

TUESDAY

Acts 11:19-26
Ps 87:1-3, 4-5, 6-7
John 10:22-30

WEDNESDAY

1 Corinthians 15:1-8
Ps 19:2-3, 4-5
John 14:6-14

THURSDAY

Acts 13:13-25
Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27
John 13:16-20

FRIDAY

Acts 13:26-33
Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11
John 14:1-6

NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 6:1-7
Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19
1 Peter 2:4-9
John 14:1-12

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.

May 1 - St. Joseph the Worker

The Memorial of Saint Joseph the Worker is a relatively new addition to the calendar, established by Pope Pius XII in 1955 in order to Christianize the concept of labor and give to all workmen a model and a protector. By the daily labor in his shop, offered to God with patience and joy, St. Joseph provided for the necessities of his holy spouse and of the Incarnate Son of God, and thus became an example to all laborers. "Workmen and all those laboring in conditions of poverty will have reasons to rejoice rather than grieve, since they have in common with the Holy Family daily preoccupations and cares" (Leo XIII). *The Roman Missal* calls Joseph our "wise and faithful servant" who is our patron as we "complete the works [God] sets us to do."

May 2 - St. Athanasius, bishop, doctor of the Church (c.295-373)

Saint Athanasius was a fourth-century deacon and bishop who lived in Alexandria, Egypt. He is best known for his lifelong struggle against Arianism, or the heretical belief that God created a son who was neither coeternal nor coequal with the Father. He attended the Council of Nicaea with his bishop, Alexander, and his theological work *Three Discourses against the Arians* provided the foundation for arguments against this heresy. He was exiled more than five times because of his views, spending more than seventeen years of his episcopate outside his diocese. Because of his contributions to the faith, he is a doctor of both the Western and Eastern Churches.

May 3 - Saints Philip and James, apostles (d. 1st century)

Two of the chosen Twelve, Saints Philip and James, grace the liturgical calendar on this day. Although few details are known about St. Philip, Scripture portrays him as one who leads others to Christ. St. Philip introduces his friend Nathaniel to Jesus, and points to Jesus as the source of nourishment in the feeding of the five thousand. He also highlights Jesus as the path to the Father in the Last Supper account. Both Philip and James died as martyrs, shedding their blood for the sake of the Gospel. They are most likely celebrated together because the Basilica of the Twelve Apostles in Rome is dedicated to them.

Saints of God, pray for us!

Keep in touch with us
via email and text!

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Rest
in
Peace

Please remember in your prayers:

Charles Bartlett

(d. April 18, 2023)



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

Genuflecting & Kneeling

Question:

Does it matter what leg you kneel on when genuflecting?

Answer:

Genuflection is an act of devotion that literally means "to bend the knee." For many Catholics, it's an almost automatic gesture that we perform before entering our pew or row of seats at Mass. But, like many of the symbols and gestures of our faith tradition, genuflecting can also be an invitation for deeper reflection.

The practice of "bending the knee" is an ancient way of recognizing the presence of someone greater than we are. It has been said that the practice dates back to the time of Alexander the Great, but it became a common part of etiquette in the royal courts of the Middle Ages. From throne rooms and palaces, it was a small step to genuflecting, becoming part of the devotional lives of Christians who used this secular gesture as a way of recognizing the presence of the One who is King of Kings, especially in the Eucharist. In our tradition, although many have been taught or prefer to genuflect by placing their right knee on the ground, there is no prescribed way to genuflect. This is especially important to keep in mind if physical limitations or age make certain movements difficult for us.

Today, Catholics are asked to genuflect in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament (whether in the tabernacle or exposed on the altar during eucharistic adoration). So, while it has become second nature to genuflect before entering your seat in church, we should pay attention to where the Blessed Sacrament is kept in each church or chapel we visit, and genuflect in the direction of the tabernacle where the Blessed Sacrament is kept. In churches or chapels in which the tabernacle is in a separate space, we are invited to simply bow toward the altar.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Andrew Helfer
Angela Niehart
Archer Hatch
Arthur Danehart
Austin Cook
Barb Mazzocca
Beth Jochum
Betty Teater
Bill Wilson
Bob Armstrong
Bob Jones
Billy Hanasky
Brian Hanasky
Brogan Gallentine
Caleb Hlebiccki
Carolyn Lash
Carolyn Wiethe
Charles Heizer
Charles DeBenedictis
Children of the
Youth Services System
Christina Helfer
Chuck Fair

David A. Kress, Jr.
Eli Musser
Eric South
Eva Wood
Fr. Joseph Wilhelm
Frank Davis
Frederick C. Schweizer
Gail Koch
George Kirchner
Geri Adams Nagy
Hines Rotriga
Janet Rodriguez
Jean Schultz
Jim Antill
Jim and Dee
Jimmy Hocking
Joe Bechtel
John Petrella
Jon-Michael Lasher
Judy Pack
Julia Sheets
Kathy Cooley
Kaitlyn Hanasky

Kermit Klosterman
Kristin Smith
Langan Family
Liam Barns
Liam Manning
Lukie Brown
Margaret Stocke
Marie Farnsworth
Marie & Conner
Workman
Mark Davis
Marshall South
Martha Yocum
Mary K. Schlosser
Mary Walicki
Michael DeBlasis
Millissa Rose
Nadine Greenwood
Nicholas Barns
Pat Belby
Pete Cuffaro
Pete Mack
Philippa Shores

Rachel Wade
R. J. Stocke
Richard Simon
Rick Burgoyne
Ron Hickman
Rosanne Gaughan
Rosalie Davis
Rose Otey
Sarah Hanasky
Sarah Sargent
Shirley DeCaria
Stanley Kyrk
Susan Graff
Susan Mize
Susan Schulte
Tammy
Teresa Helfer
Thelma Pearson
Tony Helfer
Trystan Timmons
Victoria Jeskey
Zoey Knight

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.

The Cathedral of Saint Joseph



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

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- 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.

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