



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.



August 20 - 27, 2023

sun 20

#### **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for the Parishioners
8:00 am Mass for Mr. & Mrs. Frank Pasden
10:30 am Mass for Theodore & Cora Scheibelhood

MON 21

#### Memorial of St. Pius X

12:05 pm Mass for Thomas & Eugenia Tobin

TUE 22

### Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**12:05 pm** Mass for Most Rev. Mark E. Brennan (Anniversary of Installation - 2019)

WED 23

#### Optional Memorial of St. Rose of Lima

12:05 pm Mass for Chris Miller

THU 24

#### Feast of St. Bartholomew

12:05 pm Mass for Daniel Krulcik

FRI **25** 

#### Optional Memorial of St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz

11:15 am Confessions
12:05 pm Mass for Rita DiCarlo
6:00 pm St. Monica Mass for the Conversion of Lost Souls

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#### **Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00 am Mass for Paul Morgan 9:30 am Rosary 5:00 pm Confessions

6:00 pm Mass for Jack Belby, Sr.

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#### **Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am Mass for the Parishioners10:30 am Mass for Albert Mazur



From Father Sateesh

"My house will be a house of prayer for all peoples!"

While most of us pick and choose whom we want to relate to and who will be our friends, God is open to all, he has no favorites, and all are welcome. Jesus says, "My house shall be a house of prayer for all the people." This is a tremendous statement. There are so many



closed shops, so many exclusive clubs in the world. But God's house is different, it is meant to be open for all.

The first reading reflects a time during the period of restoration after the return from Babylon. Since the returned exiles constituted a small group, they tended to be inward-looking. The prophet encourages them to be open to foreigners because God intends his house to be a 'house of prayer' for all the peoples' God is a God of all and excludes none. One of the darker sides of our humanity is our tendency to be exclusive. We build our own little world and God helps those who disturb it! We tend to join exclusive groups. New members are grudgingly accommodated. Thank God for being exactly opposite! God is totally and forever inclusive.

In today's Gospel Jesus speaks openly to a pagan woman, who asks him to cure her daughter. At first Jesus seems to refuse, saying, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman persists noting that even dogs feed on the crumbs from the master's table. The woman in the story teaches us a few truths about our faith and prayer. The first thing she teaches us is persistence. Her persistence is recognized by Jesus. This is an important lesson when all of us struggle. Are we persistent? The woman in the Gospel reminds us that sometimes the sheer persistence can be the prayer, the good work and the spiritual discipline.

The second thing we can learn from this woman is the need for clear focus. When Jesus spoke to her in language that demeaned her people, she did not lose her cool but kept her eyes on the goal of her mission, which was to show that even non-Jews are entitled to God's blessings in Christ. The third thing we learn from this woman is courage. Being a foreigner and as a woman, it took great courage on her part to approach the all-Jewish and all-male company of Jesus and his disciples. She was unafraid to challenge prejudice and falsity even in religious places. Jesus recognizing her deep faith and humility says, "Let it be done to you as you wish."

Sometimes you hear people say "Ah, it's easy for you; you have great faith." Faith doesn't always make things easier. The opposite is sometimes the case. Faith impels us to persevere, to struggle on, with no guarantee of a happy ending. Faith calls for humility, courage, perseverance and above all love. The nameless Gentile woman is an example of that tough faith we all need at times. But she is also a great example of love. Jesus could just as well say to her: "Woman, you have great love. Be it done for you as you desire." May our persevering faith make us more open to God and others!

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If you recall, last year we held a Community Festival here at the Cathedral, which was a tremendous success! **This year we will be celebrating this community event as a Fall Festival on Sunday, September 24th from 11:30 am to 7:00 pm.** We are working hard to make this year's festival enjoyable for everyone with a variety of food vendors like *DiCarlo's Pepperoni Rolls, Antonio's Authentic Italian Sausage*, and our own Rocco Basil. We will have several craft vendors, inflatable games for kids and even a pumpkin patch. The highly esteemed band *Eli and the Mojo Kings* will be providing live music.

We have partnered with our neighbors at Macedonia Baptist Church to expand our event in the true spirit of community. With this expansion and the effort of continued growth, we need your help.

We would love for anyone who is willing to volunteer in any capacity to sign up on the sheet in the back of the church. We will get in touch with our volunteers to assign specific roles for the day of the festival.

Another exciting component of this year's festival will include a parishioner bake sale. Please consider donating a sweet treat. You will find a sign-up sheet for the bake sale in the back of the church as well.

Thank you for your time and your help. We look forward to bringing this event to life and hope that you will join us!



# Novena to the Infant Jesus of Prague

Theme - The Eucharist: Gift, Mystery, & Reality

SEPTEMBER 11 TO NOVEMBER 6, 2023 NINE CONSECUTIVE MONDAYS 7:00 p.m.

> "The More You Honor Me, The More I Will Bless You."



THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT JOSEPH WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA

Our PrimeTimers group had a wonderful lunch at Perkins this past week! How nice it is to see so many smiling



faces enjoying this new ministry in our parish. Stay tuned for information about our next gathering!

If you are 55 years and over and searching for a group that shares conversation, friendship, fun, and spiritual activities, please consider joining our Prime-Timers ministry. Our goal is to provide for the spiritual, social, and educational needs of our parishioners and to give service to the broader community with activities, events, communal prayer, trips, and fellowship. For more information and to sign up for this exciting new ministry, please contact Cathy LaFlam at 614-565-4384 or e-mail cclaflam@sbcglobal.net or use the sign up sheet in the back of the church.



#### Collection

August 13, 2023

Envelopes: \$2185 Loose: \$504 Online: \$428

Total: \$3117 Thank you for your support!



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#### Novena to Saint Monica August 19 - 27

In preparation for the Memorial of Saint Monica, we will pray this Novena prayer together at the conclusion of the Universal Prayer at all the Masses from August 19 through August 27:

Exemplary Mother of the great Augustine, you perseveringly pursued your wayward son not with wild threats but with prayerful cries to heaven.

Intercede for all mothers in our day so that they may learn to draw their children to God. Teach them how to remain close to their children, even the prodigal sons and daughters who have sadly gone astray.

Dear Saint Monica, troubled wife and mother, many sorrows pierced your heart during your lifetime. Yet you never despaired or lost faith. With confidence, persistence and profound faith, you prayed daily for the conversion of your beloved husband, Patricius and your beloved son, Augustine. Grant me that same fortitude, patience and trust in the Lord.

Intercede for me, dear Saint Monica, that God may favorably hear my plea: (mention your petitions here in silence).

And grant me the grace to accept his will in all things. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

## LITURGICAL LIFE

### St. Monica: A Supermom who had her Priorities Straight

What we know of St. Monica, whose feast is celebrated on August 27, comes almost entirely from the Confessions of St. Augustine, her son. And how fitting it is that her memorial precedes his feast by one day.

She preceded him to sainthood (even if hers was recognized only later) and, more than any human, was instrumental in bringing him to the Church and heaven. St. Ambrose deserves credit for Augustine's intellectual conversion, but it was certainly Monica's years of prayer, holy example, suffering and sacrifices, along with her bold pursuit of Augustine to Milan, that brought her elder son to the faith. He was by far the most troublesome of her three children—all of whom embraced the faith sooner or later.

The life of every saint presents us with examples we'd do well to emulate and Monica is no exception. A Catholic from birth, she patiently endured a very difficult marriage to Patricius, a pagan landowner and minor Roman official who was reportedly hot-tempered, arrogant, serially unfaithful, and who even objected to her works of charity and piety. Monica endured living in a household with a pagan mother-in-law who shared some of her son's

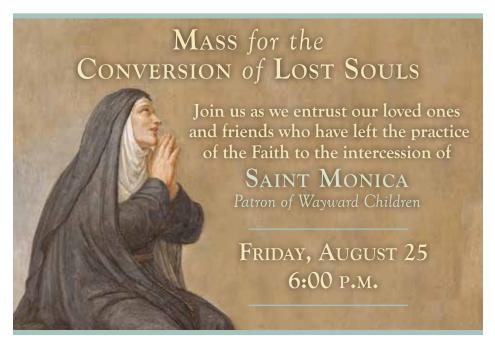
worst traits. But through her prayers and humble example of Christian love and service, she was able to win over them both to the faith and see them baptized.

Monica knew that God hears our prayers and desires the salvation of all. Like every good mother, nothing mattered more to her than the salvation of her family and she was determined to spare no effort in enlisting God's help toward that goal.

In the face of rejection and setbacks, how many of us fail to persevere in prayer, figuring that God would have answered our prayers by now if they were in accord with his will? Do we ever ask God: How much longer must I wait for you to intervene?

Are we sometimes at the point of giving in to despair when, for example, we're praying that others be relieved of great suffering—a young friend with inoperable cancer, the people of Ukraine—and prayer is the only thing we can do to help, but it doesn't seem to be helping at all?

We'd all do well to follow Monica's example of perseverance in prayer and hope, and by making the salvation of loved ones a priority.



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## FIRE UP YOUR FAITH



PARISH YEAR

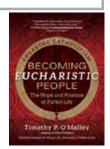
As part of our on-going Eucharistic Revival efforts we welcome Dr. Tom Octave, Director of Lay Ministry for the Diocese of Pittsburgh, as he speaks to us about creating a Eucharistic culture in our parishes and beyond.

This presentation will be held in three different locations in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Please choose the one that is most convenient for you. NO CHARGE TO ATTEND!

#### 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

August 21—St. Alphonsus Parish, Wheeling
August 22—St. Francis de Sales Parish, Morgantown
August 23—Sacred Heart of Mary Parish, Weirton





Using Dr. Timothy O'Malley's book, Creating a Eucharistic Culture, we will explore ways that we can be intentional in our parish and local communities about sharing the Eucharistic presence of Christ.

#### New to the Parish?

Are you new to the Parish? Has your address or phone number changed? Are you a Catholic wishing to return to the Church? We would love to hear from you! Contact or stop by the Parish Offices to find out more information on how to become a member of the Cathedral Parish.

### **Pro-Life Thought**

At all stages of life, we believe life is sacred. Whether it's at a child's conception to a senior on their last breath, life is a blessing that should be preserved as God intended. On one hand, the abortion lobby says that abortion is a private decision in which the government has no right to be involved. Then, they demand that the government pay for abortions and force even pro-life taxpayers to buy abortions for other people.



## Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary takes place on the day after the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, usually in June, but in this month when we celebrate Mary's Assumption (August 15) and her Coronation or Queenship (August 22), we also give honor to her Immaculate Heart. There are many prayers to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Here is one short enough to memorize and pray every day during this month: "O Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, obtain for me from Jesus a pure and humble heart."

#### Ways to Honor the Immaculate Heart of Mary

- Wear the Miraculous Medal
- Consecrate yourself to the Immaculate Heart
- Pray the Rosary



# The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for August

#### For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.



#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Week of August 20

#### THIS SUNDAY

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 Matthew 15:21-28

#### **MONDAY**

Judges 2:11-19 Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43, 44 Matthew 19:26-22

#### **TUESDAY**

Judges 6:11-24 Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 Matthew 19:23-30

#### **WEDNESDAY**

Judges 9:6-15 Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Matthew 20:1-16

#### **THURSDAY**

Revelation 21:9-14 Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 John 1:45-51

#### **FRIDAY**

Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14-16, 22 Ps 146:5-6, 6-7, 8-9, 9-10 Matthew 22:34-40

#### **SATURDAY**

Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4, 5 Matthew 23:1-12

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Isaiah 22:19-23 Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 Romans 11:33-36 Matthew 16:13-20

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.

## **SAINTS OF THE WEEK**

#### August 21 - St. Pius X, pope (1835-1914)

As pope at the turn of the last century, St. Pius X reformed the liturgy and breviary, promoted Gregorian chant, opposed Modernism, and lowered the age of first Communion from twelve to seven. Although he rose to keep lofty company as pope, St. Pius had humble origins and never lost his love for simple, accessible liturgy and expressions of doctrine.

#### **August 22 - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

The early Church Fathers recognized that the Mother of Christ, the King, is herself a Queen. Through the centuries, artists have loved to paint the humble Virgin, crowned by the Holy Trinity amid the glories of heaven. In the Litany of Loreto, we call upon Mary as Queen of Angels, Queen of all saints, Queen conceived without original sin, Queen assumed into heaven, Queen of the rosary, Queen of peace.

#### August 23 - St. Rose of Lima, virgin (1586-1617)

During St. Rose of Lima's brief life, people noticed her physical beauty, but the beauty of her soul far surpassed her physical appearance. Rose longed to live solely for God by claiming Christ as her spouse. Basing her life on St. Catherine of Siena, she lived a penitential life, setting up an infirmary in the family home to care for impoverished children and the sick. Patronage: South and Central America; Philippines; West Indies; florists

#### August 24 - Saint Bartholomew, apostle (1st century)

St. Bartholomew was one of the apostles, usually mentioned in the company of St. Philip. Little is known about Bartholomew, but legend holds that he brought the Gospel to India and was martyred in Armenia. Patronage: tanners; butchers

#### **August 25 - Saint Louis** (1214-1270)

King Louis I of France dedicated his lengthy reign to the promotion of peace and justice in his domain, arbitrating cases between his subjects, feeding and housing the poor, and negotiating peace settlements with England. *Patronage*: masons; sculptors

#### Saint Joseph Calasanz, priest (1556-1648)

The priest Joseph Calasanz (1556 -1648) founded the Clerks Regular of the Pious School to educate the poor and improve their lives. Patronage: Catholic schools who assist the poor

### Order of Christian **Initiation of Adults**



Evangelization is the primary task of the Church and we,

the members of the Church, are called to evangelize. Let us go forth and seek out those who want to be Catholic and bring them to experience an encounter with Jesus. Therefore,

#### ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Is interested in becoming Catholic?
- · Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?
- Has been sitting in the pew next to your Catholic spouse for years wondering what to do to become Catholic?

Registration for the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is open. If you want to join or knows someone who wants to be Catholic, please contact the Parish Office or Jacob Manning at 304-280-9684 or jamanning710@gmail.com

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Tuesdays starting September 5 September 5, 12, 19, & 26 6 PM in the Chancery Cantina

Join us for 4 evenings to explore the truth and beauty of Christ's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members.

Please register by using the form in the back of the Church or by e-mailing tgreenwood@dwc.org

A donation of \$5 is kindly requested to help cover the cost of the workbook.

### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Andrew Helfer Angela Niehart Archer Hatch Arthur Danehart Austin Cook Barb Mazzocca **Becky Schlosser** Beth Jochum **Betty Teater** Bill Wilson **Bob Armstrong** Billy Hanasky **Brian Hanasky Brogan Gallentine** Caleb Hlebiczki Carol Young Carolyn Lash Carolyn Wiethe Catherine Lanham Charles Heizer Charles DeBeni Children of the Youth Services System

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#### 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.



## WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Religious Orders

#### Question:

What is the meaning of the letters that professed religious have after their names?

#### Answer:

The Catholic Church includes hundreds of religious communities. The priests, religious brothers, religious sisters, and nuns of these communities (which are often referred to as "religious orders") are committed to particular spiritual traditions and often to a particular charism (such as teaching, healthcare, social work, or pastoral care).

To help identify a person as a member of a particular religious community, the custom developed of including post-nominal letters that provide a sort of shorthand for the name of the community that the priest, brother, sister or nun is part of. So, for example OSB after a person's name would indicate that they are a member of the Order of St. Benedict (the Benedictines), just as SJ would indicate that a priest or brother is a member of the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) or RSM would show that a woman is a Sister of Mercy.

Other common examples include:

DC = Daughters of Charity

FSC = The Brothers of the Christian Schools/ Christian Brothers

HGN = Heralds of Good News

OCist = The Order of Cistercians

OCD = Order of Discalced Carmelites

OFM = The Order of Friars Minor (the Franciscans)

OFM Cap = The Capuchin Franciscans

OP = The Order of Preachers (Dominicans)

OSF=Franciscan Sisters

SC = Sisters of Charity

SDS = Society of the Divine Savior (Salvatorian Priests and Brothers and Salvatorian Sisters)

SSND = School Sisters of Notre Dame

SVD = Society of the Divine Word (Divine Word Missionaries)

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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.

