



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.



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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery

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

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Weekday in Ordinary Time

12:05 pm Mass for Virginia Ann Harris

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Weekday in Ordinary Time

12:05 pm Mass for Theresa Shutler

WED **17**

Memorial of St. Anthony

12:05 pm Mass for Assunta & Samuel DeFazio

& Deceased Family Members

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Weekday in Ordinary Time

12:05 pm Mass for Evelyn Ghaphery

9:00 pm National Prayer Vigil for Life Holy Hour

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Weekday in Ordinary Time

11:15 am Confessions

12:05 pm Mass for Bishop Mark E. Brennan

(Anniversary of Episcopal Ordination)

7:00 pm Restored Parish Mission Begins: Talk #1

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Optional Memorials of St. Fabian; St. Sebastian

9:00 am Mass for Gene Helfer

9:45 am Restored Parish Mission: Talk #2
11:00 am Restored Parish Mission: Talk #3
12:15 pm Men's Lunch & Ministry Training

5:00 pm Confessions

6:00 pm Mass for Shirley DeBeni

SUN **21**

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Mass for Jack Belby, Sr.10:30 am Mass for the Parishioners



"Here I am Lord! I come to do your will!"

Many of us have questions that trouble us from time to time and we seek answers to them from significant people in our lives. Of course, there are superficial questions and others that are a matter of life and death. Have we brought our questions to the Lord and have we ever tried to



listen to Him? Or would we rather not ask him for fear of the answer? "Speak Lord, I'm really listening!"

The first reading narrates the call of young Samuel while he was serving in the temple. Samuel had no way of recognizing the voice of the Lord, and thought it was Eli the High priest calling him. But the call of the Lord is persistent and finally Samuel is trained to respond: "Speak Lord your servant is listening." How different from our modern-day prayer which often says: "Listen Lord, for your servant is speaking!" While prayer is a conversation with God, we need to realize that to enter into prayer we have to listen, and our attitude has to be one of listening. We cannot command the Lord to speak, and the initiative of prayer is always with God. We cannot tell God when he has to speak. The response psalm of today confirms the same attitude: "Here I am Lord, I come to do your will!"

The Gospel continues the theme of the Epiphany of Jesus, as John the Baptist points out and directs his own disciples to Jesus. "Behold the Lamb of God!" John and Andrew, the disciples with their teacher, John the Baptist, were at the Jordan. When the disciples heard from John the name of the one passing by –The Lamb of God, they understood enough to follow Jesus. Their decision to leave John and follow Jesus must have been a struggle. They followed Jesus respectfully at a distance behind. Jesus turned and asked what they were looking for.

Through history, people have come to Jesus for a variety of reasons. Why are we looking for Jesus? What do we want from him? Andrew and John followed Jesus asking where he stayed. They were more than curious; they wanted to know him and were attracted to him. Jesus' answer was a kind invitation: "Come and see." The experience of staying with Jesus was so memorable that John even adds the time of the day at which they met Jesus - four in the afternoon. Andrew too was so taken up with the encounter that he could not wait to come home and share what he had experienced with his brother Simon. "We have found the Messiah" he said and took Simon to meet the Lord. Jesus looked hard at Simon and called him by name. "You are Simon son of John; you will be called Cephas-meaning the Rock." The encounter of Simon changed not only his name but his life. Samuel heard the voice of God, only because he slept near the ark of the covenant. When we are willing to stay close to the church, to "hang out" where the word of God is spoken, we give God an opportunity to speak. May we discover the hidden purpose of our lives by listening to Him!

All men and women in the area are invited to attend our Restored Parish Mission with John Edwards this Friday, January 19 and Saturday, January 20.

Please don't miss this exciting opportunity that will leave you spiritually refreshed and renewed!

For more information, please see page 4.

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Prayer Vigil for Life Holy Hour

Thursday, January 18 at 9:00 pm

Bishop Mark Brennan will lead a Eucharistic Holy Hour on Thursday, January 18 at 9pm at the Cathedral of St. Joseph as part of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Prayer for Life event. The live stream will be available at dwc.org.

The nationwide vigil—conducted through the USCCB—begins with a live broadcast (available at www.usccb.org) at 5pm on January 18 from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. with the Opening Mass for the Prayer Vigil for Life. After the Mass throughout the night, bishops from around the country, will lead holy hours from Cathedrals throughout the nation to be broadcast on the USCCB's website www.usccb.org. The National Prayer Vigil will conclude with the Closing Mass at 8:00 AM on January 19 at the Basilica of the National Shrine in Washington, D.C., in preparation for the March for Life later that day.

We hope that you are able to join us at the Cathedral or via live-stream for this event as we pray for the protection of all human life, from the first moment of conception through natural death.



'Pro-Life: With Every Woman, For Every Child.'



In conjunction with the Walk for Life in Washington, DC, St. Michael Church will have Eucharist Adoration and an hourly Pro-Life rosary,



Friday, January 19^{th,} 8:00am – 8:00pm



All are welcome to come and pray for unborn babies, their mothers, and your own special intentions.

(January 22 is the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children" and the anniversary of Roe v. Wade.



January 17 - PrimeTimers Lunch at DiCarlos, 1pm

January 18 - Pro-Life Prayer Vigil, 9pm

January 19 & 20 - Restored Parish Mission

January 21 - Word of God Sunday, Blessing of Readers

January 22 - Pastoral Council Meeting

January 24 - Men's Group, 7pm

February 2 - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration, 12:45-5pm

February 14 - Ash Wednesday

Special Collection for the Holy Land THIS WEEKEND: January 13 & 14

We are all aware of the current Hamas-Israeli war and the escalation in violence in the Holy Land. Bishop Brennan has approved a special collection for the Holy Land region to be held the weekend of January 13-14, 2024. The money collected will be sent to The Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA), a papal agency for humanitarian and pastoral support. They will provide the essentials of water, food, and emergency kits on the ground in the Holy Land. CNEWA has offices in the region and know where and what kind of help is needed the most. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

When was the last time you invited someone to Mass?

Each one of us has a responsibility to evangelize - to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. How can we reach out to our friends, family members, and those we work with who are not practicing their faith? Consider inviting them to join you for Mass this new year. Pray that the peace and joy of the Christ Child may enlighten their hearts and minds to accept His grace in their lives.

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!



Collection

January 7, 2024

Envelopes: \$2866

Loose: \$651 Online: \$771 **Total: \$4288**

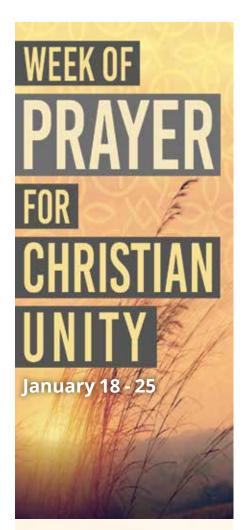
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Every year, between January 18-25, is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, an annual ecumenical celebration in which Christians around the world are invited to pray for the unity of all Christians. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has a history of over 100 years, in which Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity.

The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2024, "You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbor as yourself" (Lk 10:27), reflects the connection between love of God and love of neighbor with a particular concern for challenging the boundaries of who is considered "neighbor". In this pericope, Jesus is questioned as to the path to eternal life. His answer is not to only observe the commandments, but to also imitate the love of God in the giving of self for another. It is a call for charity, mercy, justice, and unity.



Restored Parish Mission THIS WEEK!

On January 19 and 20, John Edwards, an inspirational and nationally recognized Catholic speaker, will lead a series of inspiring talks and discussions for the whole family - men, women, and young people! John Edwards is the founder of Pew Ministries, co-founder of Virtual Catholic Conference, and the host of the popular podcast "Just a Guy in the Pew."

"Like so many men, I vowed to be a better person, husband and father time and time again," John said. "It wasn't until I felt the presence of Jesus as I walked out of a jail cell that I realized how much I wanted to change and how I could only do that with His help. Since that time, I've taken a journey to grow closer to Christ. I invite others to accompany me as we follow the path God has set before us."

This powerful event which is open to everyone in the area will surely rejuvenate your faith and bring you closer to Jesus! Everyone will have an opportunity to meet John at a reception following the first talk on Friday evening. After the last talk on Saturday morning, the men who are present are invited to attend a ministry training which will coincide with the launch of our new Cathedral Men's Group - The Sons of Saint Joseph.

Don't miss out on this exciting event that will deepen your faith and leave you feeling uplifted and restored! **Please help us spread the word and plan to attend!**

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PARISH GROUPS

Women's Group

Tuesday, February 13 6:30 - 7:30 pm in Chancery CantinaJoin us for good conversation and fellowship! This group is malleable, and we are providing an opportunity for any woman in the parish to take the lead to help Dr. Tiffany Boury in planning other activities for the group. Please feel free to e-mail Tiffany at

Book Club

Sunday, February 4 9:15 - 10:15 am in Rectory

TBoury@franciscan.edu.

Our book club meets monthly to explore topics of the spiritual life, literature, and culture. This month, we will be discussing "Beautiful Eucharist".



Begins this month!

The beginning of our Men's Group will coincide with the Parish Mission on January 19 and 20th. We encourage you to attend the Mission with your family to learn more! Following the Mission, our Men's Group will meet on Wednesday evenings at 7pm, starting January 24!





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

NEXT GATHERING:

Wednesday, January 17 at 1:00 pm DiCarlo's Pizza, 1311 Main St, Wheeling

Wheeling's MLK Celebraton weekend will feature two religious services

Wheeling's annual Martin Luther King observation will include two faith services as part of the celebration -- a Shabbat Service on Friday, Jan. 12 at Temple Shalom and an Interfaith Prayer Service on Sunday, Jan. 14 at Wayman AME Church. All are welcome.

The Shabbat Service will be conducted by Rabbi Joshua Lief at 7 pm Friday at Temple Shalom, 23 Bethany Pike, Wheeling. The Interfaith Prayer Service will begin at 6 pm Sunday, Jan. 15 at Macedonia Baptist Church, 105-12th Street, Wheeling.

This year's featured speaker is Judge Terri Jamison of the Tenth District Court of Appeals for the State of Ohio. Judge Jamison is a West Virginia native who is also a senior pastor in the Divine Kingdom Builders church in Columbus, OH.

This year's MLK Celebration also includes a 1 pm discussion for high school and college students at Wheeling University's Troy Theater on Saturday, Jan 13, and children's programming at Laughlin Memorial Chapel on Monday, Jan. 15.

The MLK March will begin at 2:15, Sunday, Jan. 14 at the Windmill atop Martin Luther King Boulevard. It will be followed by an awards presentation at 3 pm at West Virginia Northern Community College B&O Auditorium at 1704 Market Street, and a dinner immediately afterwards at the college's Mult-Purpose Room at 10-17th Street.

Details are available on the Wheeling MLK Celebraton Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/mlkjrwheeling.



Throughout the month of January, we give special honor to the Most Holy Name of Jesus. Saint Paul wrote to the Philippians: "At the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Philippians 2:10-11). We hold the name of Jesus in special reverence. The very name of Jesus is a prayer.

A Way to Honor the Holy Name

Adopt the pious practice (that used to be more widely practiced and is so meaningful and fitting) of bowing your head whenever you say or hear the name of Jesus (just as we should bow or genuflect before the Real Presence in the tabernacle or make a sign of the cross as we pass a Catholic Church). The Council of Lyons in 1274 stated: "Each should fulfill in himself that which is written for all, that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow; whenever that glorious Name is recalled, especially during the sacred Mysteries of the Mass, everyone should bow the knees of his heart, which he can do even by a bow of his head." This devotion also helps to make amends for blasphemous use of the Holy Name.

Pro-Life Corner

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.

A medical resident confirmed this month that babies still are being born alive in botched abortions and left to die in hospitals across the country.



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Week of January 14

THIS SUNDAY

1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19 Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10 1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20 John 1:35-42

MONDAY

1 Samuel 15:16-23 Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23 Mark 2:18-22

TUESDAY

1 Samuel 16:1-13 Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28 Mark 2:23-28

WEDNESDAY

1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10 Mark 3:1-6

THURSDAY

1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7 Ps 56:2-3, 9-10, 10-11, 12-13 Mark 3:7-12

FRIDAY

1 Samuel 24:3-21 Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6, 11 Mark 3:13-19

SATURDAY

2 Samuel 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 Ps 80:2-3, 5-7 Mark 3:20-21

NEXT SUNDAY

Jonah 3:1-6, 10 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

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

January 17 - St. Anthony, abbot (251-356)

St. Anthony lived an ascetic life in a desert hermitage for three decades before he emerged to share the spiritual insights he'd gained, becoming abbot to a group of fellow monks and counselor to numerous pilgrims drawn by his reputation for sanctity. Anthony's asceticism, service, and teaching were all grounded in the practice of conversation with Christ through contemplative prayer.

January 19 - St. Fabian, pope, martyr (d.250)

Fabian was a layman who was named pope by acclamation. He proved an able choice, founding the minor orders as part of the process for candidates to the priesthood.

St. Sebastian, martyr (d.288)

Sebastian was a captive of the Praetorian Guard until Diocletian learned that he was a Christian. Diocletian ordered him shot with arrows and later had him bludgeoned to death. *Patronage:* archers; athletes; soldiers; police associations

Human Trafficking: Facts, Fiction, and Federal Law

Thursday, January 18; 8:30 am to 11:30 am

St. Michael's Angelus Center, 1225 National Road, Wheeling, WV

The US Attorneys of WV are partnering with St. Michael Parish in Wheeling to conduct a Human Trafficking seminar on Jan. 18. The event has speakers specific to religious organizations as well as law enforcement and community members. It is also streaming virtually so you don't have to travel. This free event will be hosted in person as well as virtually via WebEx. Registration is required. To register, call 304-234-7743 or use the QR code to go to the registration page.



World Marriage Day Celebration

Sunday, February 18; 11:30 am Mass followed by Reception St. Vincent de Paul Parish Marist Center, 2244 Marshall Ave, Wheeling, WV

Join us for an afternoon of celebrating your love for your spouse and the blessings of your marriage together in the Sacrament of Marriage. The celebration will begin at the 11:30 a.m. Mass, followed by a social, special meal, and a brief witness of one couple (pre-committed) as to the blessings of the Sacrament of Marriage. The afternoon will conclude with coffee and wedding cake. You are invited to bring your wedding photos to be displayed for everyone to enjoy. Free baby-sitting services will be provided for couples with young children. For reservations or additional information, please call Dennis or Brenda Beiter at 304-238-4904, or John or Dorothy Dudzik at 304-243-1104. Reservations will be accepted until February 9.



9 DAYS FOR LIFE



JANUARY 16-24

Pray to protect human life!

Join Catholics nationwide in prayer for the protection of human life! You can download the novena or get the daily prayers and reflections by email or text message.



9DAYSFORLIFE.COM

Employment Opportunity: Cathedral Rectory Housekeeper

The Housekeeper at the Bishop's residence (Cathedral Rectory), is responsible for the overall care, cleanliness and interior maintenance of the Bishop's residence and for ensuring that the home functions as a comfortable living environment for the Bishop and clergy who reside at the residence. The Housekeeper will also maintain the home as a place of warm hospitality for visitors and guests of the Bishop. This is a part time position. Essential duties include making certain that the home is kept clean, answering phones during the day and recording messages, greeting visitors and guests, preparing the home for special events, and any other job-related tasks assigned. For a full job description as well as to express interest, please contact the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, Office of Human Resources, by calling 304-233-0880.

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 Christina Helfer

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

R. J. Stocke Richard Simon Rick Burgy Ron Hickman Rosalie Davis Rose Otey Sarah Hanasky Sarah Sargent Shirley DeCaria Stanley Kyrc Susan Graff Susan Mize Susan Schulte Susanna Kress Tammy Teresa Helfer Thelma Pearson Tony Helfer **Trystan Timmons** Victoria Jeskey Zoey Knight

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:

Changes to Mass

Question:

Why do we make changes in the Mass? Some seem so small and unimportant. Are they really necessary?

Answer:

The celebration of the Eucharist is at the heart of our identity as Catholics. Our purpose as a Church community revolves around the Eucharist. Everything we are and everything we do is measured not only by how well we celebrate, but also by how well we live the sacrament. If that is so, then we as a community will always strive to celebrate the Mass as best we can. The reasons for some changes might seem more obvious than others, but there is a reason behind each one.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal is the introduction to the Missal that contains all the prayers for the celebration of the Mass. The Order of Mass we use now was issued in 1975 and, as often happens over the course of years, some questions have come up about the proper way of doing some things and whether or not other practices are acceptable. These changes clarify some things and make the celebration of the Mass more meaningful for everyone.

The opportunity is presented to us to better learn and understand each part of the Mass, which in turn should help us deepen our appreciation for its beauty and meaning. We will be a better Church if we have a clearer understanding and knowledge of Who and what we celebrate.

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MASS TIMES

SUNDAYS 6:00 pm (Saturday)

> 8:00 am 10:30 am

12:05 pm (Monday thru Friday) **WEEKDAYS**

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.

