



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.



January 21 - 28, 2024



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday of the Word of God

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for Shirley DeBeni 8:00 am Mass for Jack Belby, Sr. 10:30 am Mass for the Parishioners

MON 22

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

12:05 pm Mass for Adelaide Raymon

TUE 23

Optional Memorials of St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope

12:05 pm Mass for Rose Breiding

WED **24**

Memorial of St. Francis de Sales

12:05 pm Mass for Greg Sacco
7:00 pm Sons of St. Joseph Men's Group
(Great Hall of Wheeling Central)

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Feast of the Conversation of St. Paul the Apostle

12:05 pm Mass for Janet Castilow

FRI 26

Memorial of Sts. Timothy and Titus

11:15 am Confessions
12:05 pm Mass for Bartholomew & Rose Purpura

SAT **27**

Optional Memorial of St. Angela Merici

9:00 am Mass for Most Rev. Joseph H. Hodges (Anniversary of Death - 1985)

9:30 am Rosary 5:00 pm Confessions

6:00 pm Mass for the Parishioners

SUN 28

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Mass for Frank Pasden 10:30 am Mass for Janet Castilow





"Repent! And believe! The Kingdom is at hand."

Often in a fit of anger or irritation we say to people, "You'll never change!" Yet we sometimes notice that people have really changed and are not what they used to be. Is it possible to change? We know that we are called to repentance. Since we keep slipping back, what



can really bring about a conversion? Does God expect us to change?

In the first reading we hear God asking Jonah to go to Nineveh and to ask the people to repent. We know Jonah was a reluctant prophet, so he went in the opposite direction, wanting to escape the Lord's command, with disastrous consequences. Finally chastened, he went to the people and preached to them. He threatened them and warned them. He did not expect the people to listen and believe, but the people listened, believed, and repented! God accepted their repentance and saved them. Strangely, Jonah was disappointed that the people were not punished, he was upset that they had repented!

Today's gospel stresses Jesus' call to repentance. It is the same call that Jonah preached to the people. While Jonah threatened them, Jesus on the other hand invites everyone to God's Kingdom. We notice that there are two distinct parts to this invitation: 'to repent', that is to break away from sin, and the second part: 'to believe the good news', namely accept and follow Jesus. Both go hand in hand and one without the other does not make sense. If we are to follow Jesus Christ we have to repent and be converted. Conversion means changing one's direction, retracing one's steps and if by sin we have moved away from God then we are called to turn around and walk to God. If we persist in our old ways, then we have not really been converted. For some this conversion is a radical right about turn, for others it is a gradual moving away from doing our thing to doing God's will. This conversion is a lifelong process and implies a change of heart. Sometimes we might be complacent with peripheral changes.

The last part of the gospel gives us an example of conversion and believing in the good news in the call of the apostles. Jesus sees Simon and his brother Andrew casting their net and he says to them, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men. And at once they left their nets and followed him." Just as Jesus saw Simon and Andrew and called them, Jesus sees us and calls us to leave the things that we sometimes feel are our life. This is the call to conversion that often is very difficult. He is ready to wait for us to change and do what will ultimately be the best for us. Conversion should not be seen as a 'giving up' but a 'giving into his hands.' Our conversion is seen in our readiness to act for Him and for His kingdom. May we discover the call of His kingdom and gladly respond to it!

THANK YOU!

A renewed thank you to everyone who contributed of their time and talent to enhance our celebrations during both the Advent and Christmas Seasons! Special thanks to all those who have helped to decorate and undecorate our church, those who have contributed to the Christmas flowers, and to all our liturgical ministers!

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On July 17 to 21, 2024 the Church in the United States will gather as one family for a National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, IN. This exciting event will be a five-day experience with prayer, Mass, Adoration, Catechetical sessions, fellowship, etc. with Catholics from around the country. The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston was able to purchase 250 tickets at a discounted rate and Bishop Mark Brennan would like to make them available to members of the Catholic faithful at no cost. It is important to note that the complimentary ticket is only for entry into the venue. It does not include transportation, hotel, or meal costs. To help offset the cost for participants, the Diocese is partnering with Corporate Travel, the official pilgrimage partner of the National Eucharistic Congress, to make a comprehensive pilgrimage package available to participants at a discounted rate. Please see the flyers in the back of the church for more information as well as pricing. If you are interested in participating in this pilgrimage, please submit your name to the parish offices as soon as possible.



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OR:



From your mobile phone:

Text the letters **CSJ** to the phone number **84576**. You will then receive a reply which will allow you to sign-up.



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 2 - Young Adults Party, 6pm

February 4 - Book Club, 9:15am

February 13 - Women's Group, 6:30pm

February 14 - Ash Wednesday

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.

Homebound Ministry

We would like to reach out to those individuals who, due to physical limitations, are unable to attend Mass regularly. If you or someone you know is sick or homebound and would like a visit from Father Sateesh, please contact the Cathedral parish offices at 304-233-4121.

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 14, 2024

Envelopes: \$1632 Loose: \$823 Online: \$453

Total: \$2908

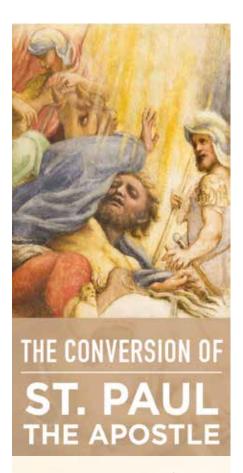
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Feast Day: January 25

Saul of Tarsus (c.4 - c.64) had a history of persecuting Christians. He was present at the martyrdom of Saint Stephen and held the cloaks of those who stoned him. While on the road to Damascus, where Saul was headed to suppress the Christian community, he was blinded by a bright light and heard the voice of Christ saying, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" (Acts of the Apostles 9:4). He took the name Paul and became the "Apostle to the Gentiles," traveling the known world with the message of the Gospel. Saint Paul's conversion is a witness to the mercy of God and the possibility of conversion.

LITURGICAL LIFE

The Eucharist enables us to love like Christ

From The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

The person who shares worthily in the Eucharist is enabled more and more to live the new law of love given by Christ precisely because Christ communicates himself in the sacrament of the altar. The foundation of our personal and moral transformation is the communion with himself that Christ establishes in Baptism and deepens in the Eucharist. In the celebration of the Mass. we are shown what love truly is, and we receive grace that enables us to imitate the love that Christ shows us. St. John Paul II noted that the moral life of the Christian flows from and is nourished by "that inexhaustible

source of holiness and glorification of God" that is found in the sacraments. especially the Eucharist: "by sharing in sacrifice the of the Cross. the Christian partakes Christ's selfgiving love

and is equipped and committed to live this same charity in all his thoughts and deeds."

The personal and moral transformation that is sustained by the Eucharist reaches out to every sphere of human life. The love of Christ can permeate all of our relationships: with our families, our friends, and our neighbors. It can also reshape the life of our society as a whole. Our relationship with Christ is not restricted to the private sphere; it is not for ourselves alone. The very solidarity or communion in Christ's self-giving love that makes the Church and makes us members of the Church orders us beyond the visible commu-

nity of faith to all human beings, whom we are to love with that very same love that forms our communion with the Lord. Otherwise, if we do not love all human beings in this way, our communion with the Lord is impaired or even contradicted. This love extends particularly and "preferentially" to the poor and the most vulnerable. We all need to be consistent in bringing the love of Christ not only to our personal lives, but also to every dimension of our public lives.

It is the role of the laity in particular to transform social relations in accord with the love of Christ,

> which is carried out concretely in actions that work for the objective common good. Lay people, "conscious their call to holiness by virtue of their baptismal vocation, have to act as leaven in the dough to build up a

temporal city in keeping with God's project. [Consistency] between faith and life in the political, economic, and social realm[s] requires formation of conscience, which translates into knowing the Church's social doctrine."

Lay people who exercise some form of public authority have a special responsibility to form their consciences in accord with the Church's faith and the moral law, and to serve the human family by upholding human life and dignity.



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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 TBoury@franciscan.edu.

Book Club

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

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

Sons of St. Joseph Men's Group

Wednesday, January 24 7:00 pm in the Chancery Cantina

This group is open to all men who are looking for a place where they can find real friendships and grow in their faith alongside other men. Come to our first gathering this Wednesday evening to learn more!





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

FEBRUARY GATHERING To be announced





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.

The Government Accountability Office released the latest round of data detailing how much taxpayer funding goes to Planned Parenthood and other international abortion organizations. From 2019 through 2021, Planned Parenthood in the U.S. received \$1.7 billion in taxpayer subsidies.



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Week of January 21

THIS SUNDAY

Jonah 3:1-6, 10 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20

MONDAY

2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10 Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 Mark 3:22-30

TUESDAY

2 Samuel 6:12-15, 17-19 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Mark 3:31-35

WEDNESDAY

2 Samuel 7:4-17 Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 Mark 4:1-20

THURSDAY

Acts 22:3-16 *or* Acts 9:1-22 Ps 117:1, 2 Mark 16:15-18

FRIDAY

2 Timothy 1:1-8 *or* Titus 1:1-5 Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 10 Mark 4:1-20

SATURDAY

2 Samuel 12:1-7, 10-17 Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Mark 4:35-41

NEXT SUNDAY

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 Mark 1:21-28

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 23 - St. Vincent, deacon and martyr (d.304)

St. Vincent was martyred during the Diocletian persecutions after he refused to desecrate a copy of the Scriptures to save himself. After witnessing Vincent's faith and heroism, his executioner converted to Christianity. *Patronage*: wine-producers

St. Marianne Cope (1838-1918)

St. Marianne Cope was a Franciscan sister originally from West Germany who emigrated to the United States to seek work and education opportunities. She helped establish hospitals in central New York to serve the sick of any race or creed.

January 24 - St. Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor of the Church (1567-1622)

St. Francis de Sales showed how sanctity is possible for people in any state of life. He planted seeds of renewal in the parishes and homes of France. *Patronage:* Catholic press, writers, journalists, deaf

January 26 - Sts. Timothy and Titus, bishops (1st century)

St. Timothy was a young man who received the faith from his grandmother, Lois. St. Paul sent him as an ambassador to quell disputes in certain Churches. Likewise, St. Titus undertook difficult missions and was left to organize the Church in Crete. These two early bishops became the links between Paul and the developing Church.

January 27 - St. Angela Merici, virgin (1474-1540)

St. Angela Merici's vision of an order of consecrated single women educating girls while living in the world led to the founding of the Ursulines, the first women's teaching order.

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

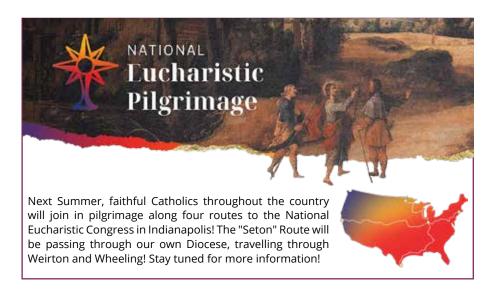
Join us for an afternoon of celebrating your love for your spouse and the blessings of your marriage together in the Sacrament of Marriage. The celebration will begin at the 11:30 a.m. Mass, followed by a social, special meal, and a brief witness of one couple (pre-committed) as to the blessings of the 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.



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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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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:

Does God Forgive Abortion?

Question:

Can a person (the mother, father, or provider) ever be forgiven for an abortion?

Answer:

For people of faith, any conversation of human sinfulness should always lead us to reflect on God's loving mercy. Because God's mercy is greater than any sin, the Church is clear that even those involved in the sin of abortion can be reconciled with God and the Church. To help make this grace more available through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Pope Francis extended the permission to absolve someone of the sin of abortion to all priests in 2016.

Even with the grace and blessings of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the tragedy of abortion and the aftermath of abortion takes a toll on everyone involved. Ministries of outreach and support, such as Project Rachel, offer pastoral counseling, support groups, retreats, and other forms of care. As Christians, we are also called to help promote this healing and reconciliation in all its forms. To learn more, visit hopeafterabortion.com.

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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.

