



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.



March 10 - 17, 2024

SUN 10

Fourth Sunday of Lent

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for the Parishioners 8:00 am Mass for Helen Pasden 10:30 am Mass for Albert Mazur 6:00 pm Vespers

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Lenten Weekday

12:05 pm Mass for Alice Malek

TUE **12**

Lenten Weekday

12:05 pm Mass for William Breit5:00 pm Confessions

WED

Lenten Weekday

12:05 pm Mass for Clara Sheibelhood **7:00 pm** Sons of St. Joseph *(Cathedral)*

THU **14**

Lenten Weekday

12:05 pm Mass for All Deceased Members of the LaFlam & Speaker Families

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Lenten Weekday

11:15 am Confessions

12:05 pm Mass for Evelyn Ghaphery12:45 pm Eucharistic Adoration Begins

5:45 pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross

6:30 pm Simple Lenten Meal (Cantina)

SAT **16**

Lenten Weekday

9:00 am Mass for Janet Castilow

9:30 am Rosary 5:00 pm Confessions

6:00 pm Mass for Eve Purpura

SUN 17

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

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

6:00 pm Vespers





"God loved the world so much he gave us his Son!"

Right in the middle of Lent we are called to rejoice! The cause of our joy is the fact that our God is so good that he continues to love us despite our sinfulness. No doubt the Israelites were banished into exile because of their sins. In our eyes, our God must be a crazy God



because He forgives us and blesses us umpteen times even when we go against Him! Today we celebrate His goodness and mercy, which is greater than our sinfulness.

The reading from the Book of Chronicles lists the sinfulness of the people who had abandoned God and polluted the house of God with their abominations. God kept sending his messengers to remind his people to come back to him, but they refused to listen and scoffed their message. This went on for the full seventy years of their exile. A new era began with Cyrus the king of Persia. The transition began with the Passover of Egypt. Now that their journey was complete the Israelites celebrate Passover anew and the feast of the unleavened bread accompanying it. The manna that sustained them during the journey ceased to be available to them. Like the Israelites, we, the people of God will begin with the Passover and will end with the Passover commemorating God's loving compassion and care for us sinners.

Nicodemus is at the center of today's gospel. We can learn by reflecting on Nicodemus and how he grew in his relationship with Jesus. He began by showing an interest and wanting to know about Jesus. We see him as a genuine seeker of the truth, and this gradually leads him to become a disciple of Jesus. The gospel of John shows him as a seeker, moving progressively from the darkness to the light. In today's gospel we hear Jesus speaking to Nicodemus, Jesus says: "The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert so that those who believe may have eternal life in him." Jesus so adapted the image of the bronze serpent that it comes alive in his own person, as he hangs agonizingly upon the cross. Both the bronze serpent and Jesus crucified symbolize 'sin'.

"To believe" means that we see the terrible effects of our evil in Jesus and so accept sin's toll on ourselves. Our own selves cut their shape upon Jesus, yet Jesus' peace and grace cure and transform our weakness. God so loved the world, that through his Son's death Light comes into the world. Light allows us to see ourselves, others, and our entire world as it is in Christ! When we choose goodness, we are choosing Jesus. Christ did not come to judge people but to save them. He came bearing a light –the light of truth, goodness, and salvation from sin. Some welcomed his light, but others rejected it because it showed up the evil in their lives. When we look at the real world of today and prayerfully seek God's will and courageously follow it, we will come to the realization that "salvation is ours through faith. This is not our own doing; it is God's gift. When God has thus "in Christ Jesus raised us up," we must rejoice. This day is rightly a Sunday of true rejoiceing!

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Lent +

Now is the time. Return to the Lord. Gather the people together.

VESPERS (SUNG EVENING PRAYER)
Sundays 6:00 PM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Fridays 12:45 PM to 5:45 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays 6:00 PM

SIMPLE LENTEN MEAL Fridays 6:30 PM

CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays (During Lent) 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM Fridays 11:15 AM to 11:45 AM Saturdays 5:00 PM to 5:45 PM

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. All Catholics ages 18 to 59 are bound to fast on these two days. They may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted, if necessary, to maintain strength according to each one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted.

All Catholics ages 14 and over are bound to refrain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.

Baby Bottle Campaign

The Knights of Columbus, Wheeling Council 504, began their annual Baby Bottle Campaign a few weekends ago. They ask that you pick up a bottle at the rear of the church and fill it with loose cash and coins throughout the Lenten season. You are asked to return the bottles on Palm Sunday, March 24. All proceeds are given to the Gabriel Project and used to aid women and child in need.

Easter Cards for the Homebound

As we prepare to celebrate the sacred and beautiful events of Holy Week and Easter, we prayerfully remember our parishioners and friends who are sick, homebound, or whom we haven't seen for a while due to various reasons. If you know of some who would like to receive an Easter Card from the Cathedral, please e-mail their name and address to tgreenwood@dwc.org.



March 6 - Sons of St. Joseph, 7pm

March 9 - PrimeTimers, 9am

March 19 - Solemnity of St. Joseph

March 24 - Palm Sunday

March 26 - Chrism Mass

March 28 - Holy Thursday

March 29 - Good Friday

March 30 - Holy Saturday

March 31 - Easter Sunday

April 7 - Divine Mercy Sunday

OCIA Prayer

As we journey closer to the Easter Vigil, please pray for our Catechumens who hope to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil:

Andrew Haley Mary Lough

Lord, we pray for those who journey to you.
Strengthen their hearts to the fullness of your love.
Deepen their understanding.
Set their hearts afire for the kingdom.
We ask this through Jesus,
who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life for all.
Amen.

Easter Flowers

Donations for the Easter Flowers this year will help to purchase the lilies, hydrangeas, and other flowers for the upcoming Easter season. You can make a donation by using the Easter flower insert. Thank you for your support in helping us decorate our Cathedral for the beautiful events of our salvation which we will celebrate this Easter!

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

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Envelopes: \$1887 Loose: \$252 Online: \$826 **Total: \$2965**

Thank you for your support!

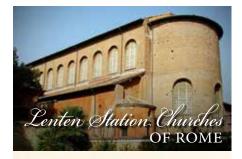
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Third Sunday of Lent 3



The Fourth Week of Lent

Fourth Sunday of Lent Holy Cross in Jerusalem

Monday *Four Holy Crowned Martyrs*

Tuesday *Saint Lawrence in Damaso*

Wednesday *Saint Paul Outside-the-Walls*

Thursday *Saints Sylvester and Martin*

Friday *Saint Eusebius*

Saturday Saint Nicholas in Prison

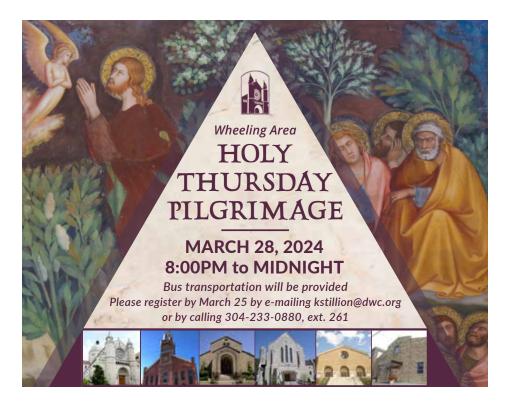
New to the Parish?

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.

Pope's Monthly Intention March: For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church

with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.



Holy Thursday Pilgrimage

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 March 28th. During the pilgrimage, the faithful will have the opportunity to visit six churches in the Wheeling area 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.

For 2024, we will have two busses departing from the Cathedral but at different times. Bus #1 will depart from the Cathedral at 8:00pm and return at approximately 10:45pm. Bus #2 will depart the Cathedral at 9:00pm and return at approximately 11:45pm. If you are interested in riding one the buses, please sign up by contacting Mrs. Kim Stillion at 304-233-0880, ext. 261, or by e-mailing kstillion@dwc.org to reserve a seat by March 25th (please specify Bus #1 or Bus #2)

If you would like to visit the churches but would prefer to follow behind one of the buses in your own vehicle or go on your own, you can find the itineraries below.

Itineraries

Bus # 1 departs from the Cathedral of St. Joseph at 8:00 p.m.

Stop 1 (8:15pm-8:30pm): St. Alphonsus (2111 Market St, Wheeling)
Stop 2 (8:45pm-9:00pm): Our Lady of Peace (690 Mount Olivet Road, Wheeling)
Stop 3 (9:15pm-9:30pm): St. Vincent de Paul (2244 Marshall Ave, Wheeling)
Stop 4 (9:45pm-10:00pm): St. Michael (1225 National Rd, Wheeling)
Stop 5 (10:15pm-10:30pm): Corpus Christi (1518 Warwood Ave, Wheeling)
Stop 6 (10:45pm-Midnight): Cathedral of St. Joseph (1300 Eoff St, Wheeling)

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PARISH GROUPS

Book Club

Sunday, April 7 9:15 - 10:15 am in Rectory

Our book club meets monthly to explore topics of the spiritual life, literature, and culture.

Women's Group

Tuesday, April 9 6:30 - 7:30 pm in Chancery Cantina

The women's group meeting for March is cancelled due to a scheduling conflict. We will meet next on April 9.



Our men's group is open to all men who are looking for a place where they can find authentic friendships and grow in their faith alongside other men.

> Wednesday, March 13 at 7pm in the Cathedral **Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions,** and Mass with Father Dan Heusel

Pro-Life Corner

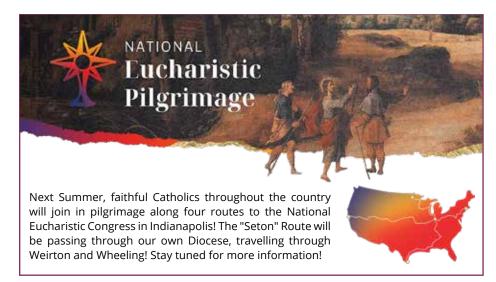
We Partner with Others - Come Partner with Us!

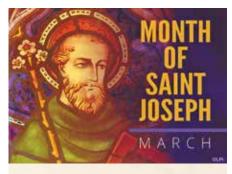
Our Pro-life group is actively working with ministry partners! This week we worked with our close partner, the Northern Panhandle West Virginians for Life chapter, making educational and therapeutic items. That's what you see in these pics! This upcoming week, we will be at the AIM Women's Resource Center in Steubenville for their annual banquet.



Do you feel a call to support life? Please join us for our next

meeting: Wednesday, March 13th, after the 5:30 mass, in the St. Michael parish office, across from the church on National Rd. We are getting some important direct care ministries underway, and need compassionate disciples to help serve those who need us! If you are unable to actively join us, please support us in prayer.





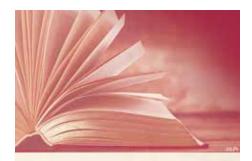
The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph. We don't know much about him except what is mentioned in the Gospels. Joseph was the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the foster-father of Jesus. Holy Scripture proclaims him as a "just man," and the Church has turned to Joseph for his patronage and protection.

Pope Saint John Paul II, in his 1989 Apostolic Exhortation Redemptoris Custos (Guardian of the Redemeemer), hopes "that all may grow in devotion to the Patron of the Universal Church and in love for the Savior whom he served in such an exemplary manner ... In this way the whole Christian people not only will turn to St. Joseph with greater fervor and invoke his patronage with trust, but also will always keep before their eyes his humble, mature way of serving and of "taking part" in the plan of salvation." St. Joseph is invoked as patron for many causes. He is the patron of the Universal Church. He is the patron of the dying because tradition holds that Jesus and Mary were at his death-bed. He is also the patron of fathers, of carpenters, and of social justice. Many religious orders and communities are placed under his patronage, including the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

- · Ask St. Joseph for Help in Your Work
- · Get a Statue of St. Joseph
- Pray the Novena to St. Joseph

Ways to Honor St. Joseph

Fourth Sunday of Lent



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Week of March 10

THIS SUNDAY

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 Ephesians 2:4-10 John 3:14-21

MONDAY

Isaiah 65:17-21 Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 John 4:43-54

TUESDAY

Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 John 5:1-16

WEDNESDAY

Isaiah 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13-14, 17-18 John 5:17-30

THURSDAY

Exodus 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 John 5:31-47

FRIDAY

Wisdom 2:1, 12-22 Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21, 23 John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

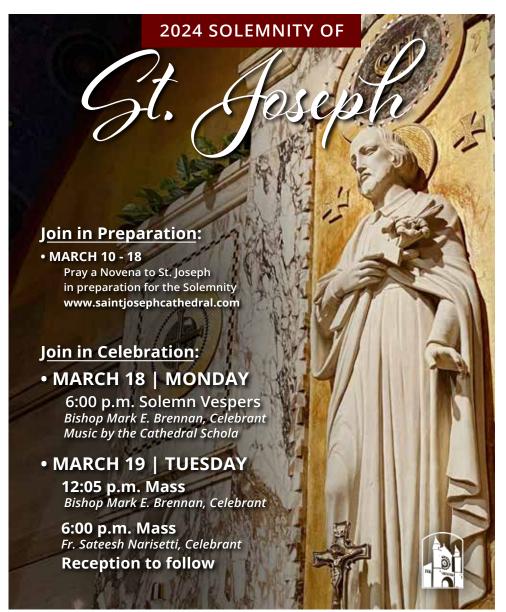
SATURDAY

Wisdom 2:1, 12-22 Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21, 23 John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

NEXT SUNDAY

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 Hebrews 5:7-9 John 12:20-33

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.





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Blessed Carlo Acutis' Exhibit

Eucharistic Miracles of the World

Miracles from all over the world that prove Jesus' Real Presence in the Eucharist.

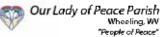
COME SEE FOR YOURSELF!

Our Lady of Peace Parish Battaglino Hall

690 Mount Olivet Rd, Wheeling Saturday, March 9, 4-5pm and 6-7pm Sunday, March 10, 9:30am to 4pm Monday, March 11, 7:30-8:30pm



Brought to you by: The Eucharistic Revival Committee at OLP and the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston







REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Andrew Helfer Angela Niehart Archer Hatch Arthur Danehart Austin Cook Barb Mazzocca 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

Kathy Cooley

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:

Hand Placement of Laity During Mass

Ouestion:

What is the proper hand placement for the laity through Mass at various times?

Answer:

During Holy Mass, there are minimal rubrics on the proper hand placement for the laity. Generally, when entering the church, it's customary to make the sign of the cross with the right hand, oftentimes with holy water. We are instructed to strike our breast during the praying of the *Confiteor*, if it is chosen for the Penitential Act. At the beginning of the proclamation of the Gospel, those present may sign themselves with the cross on their foreheads, lips, and on their chest.

It's common in some places to see the laity extend their hands outward in the "orans" position or even to hold the hand of the person next to you. Praying with one's hands extended in personal prayer can be a beautiful expression of intercession, praise, and worship of God. However, during the liturgy, this gesture has traditionally been reserved to the ministerial priesthood. While the priests pray the Our Father with their hands extended, deacons and the laity continue to pray with their hands folded. The only posture specified for the congregation at the Lord's Prayer is standing.

The Church does nothing more important than celebrate the Mass, so it is important for us to discuss issues like this even though they may seem unimportant to some people. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Christian faith and God is pleased by our loving and reverent worship of Him.

Fourth Sunday of Lent 7

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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.

