



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.



September 10 - 17, 2023

SUN 10

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

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for the Parishioners 8:00 am Mass for Madeline Belby 10:30 am Mass for Dorothy Fillipovich

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#### **Weekday in Ordinary Time**

12:05 pm Mass for Norma Paytash7:00 pm Infant of Prague Novena

TUE 12

#### Optional Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Mary

**12:05 pm** Mass for Thomas & Ida George **6:00 pm** The Presence Series *(Cantina)* 

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#### Memorial of St. John Chrysostom

12:05 pm Mass for Cecilia & Louis Ammar

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#### Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

12:05 pm Mass for Elias & Gabrielle George

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#### **Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows**

11:15 am Confessions12:05 pm Mass for John, Rosie, Tillie, Phillip & Edward George

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#### Memorial of Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian

9:00 am Mass for Evelyn Ghaphery

9:30 am Rosary 5:00 pm Confessions 6:00 pm Blue Mass

Mass for Dr. Joseph Agresta

SUN 17

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

8:00 am Mass for the Parishioners 10:30 am Mass for Larry Hetzel





"Resolve conflicts with open communication and love."

Most people go through life trying to "mind their own business"! But as Christians we cannot live only for 'me', 'myself' and 'l', but are asked to take responsibility for others. This is especially so in matters of justice and morality; we cannot shirk our responsibility.



The first reading refers to a primitive kind of police, the watchman who stood on the Palestinian hills and blew his trumpet to warn of invaders. Prophets like Ezekiel saw themselves as watchmen over the spiritual dangers that threatened God's people. Ezekiel reminds us that if my brother does something wrong to me, I have to take responsibility for his/her action as a Christian. If I do not do so I will be held accountable for his action. Today much evil is done because good people prefer to be silent. As Christians it becomes our business to respond to every situation with faith and love.

In today's Gospel Matthew deals with the relationship of members of the Church and highlights one of the most painful of responsibilities, namely fraternal correction. Jesus reminds us that if there is any breakdown in our relationship, we should not wait but be the first to put things right, to speak about it in private, in order to build the relationship again. The important thing is to do it with love, delicacy and tact so that the other is not made to feel small in the eyes of the community.

I'm sure you will rejoice with me that the work on our baptismal font is almost finished! Deep thanks to all those who contributed to this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal - it is through your generous support that we were able to cover most of the expenses for the neccessary repairs to this very important place where new Christians are born!

We welcome back our Cathedral Schola this Sunday after their summer break. As many of you know, our Schola works hard providing beautiful music at our 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays as well as for special liturgies and events throughout the year. We are very grateful for their ministry and dedication to enhancing our worship by giving voice to the glory and beauty of the liturgy!

This Monday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m. we will begin our annual Infant of Prague Novena, now in its 12th year here at the Cathedral. This devotion continues to be very popular in our area, inviting people from all walks of life to lay their burdens and concerns, joys and hopes before the feet of the Infant Jesus of Prague. History has shown that the Divine Child Jesus consistently comes through for those who approach Him with faith and childlike confidence.

To live with others, we must live *for* others with responsibility, open communication, and love! Have a "reconciling communicative" weekend!

### Help for Maui

The Diocese of Honolulu has created a link to give tax-deductible contributions for all those affected by the devastating wildfires that ravaged the island of Maui. Please pray for strength, resilience and healing for the fire victims and their families.

https://tinyurl.com/MauiCatholic

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We are still in need of volunteers to help in various capacities on the day of the festival. If you are interested in helping in any way, please use the volunteer sign-up sheet which can be found in the back of the church. We will then get in touch with you to assign specific roles and work with you on the best shift.

Also, Please consider donating a sweet trea for our bake sale! You will find a sign-up sheet for the bake sale in the back of the church as well.

### **Mission Appeal**

#### THIS WEEKEND

Next weekend, at all Masses, Rev. Jose Manuel will be speaking about the works and the needs of the Latin Archdiocese of Trivandrum in India, which has about 270,000 Catholics. The Archdiocese depends on outside contributions to support its clergy, seminarians, catechists, and the humanitarian projects of the homes for the orphans, aged and destitute, which provide food, shelter, health care, and education.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and support of the second collection this weekend!

#### The Presence

#### THIS TUESDAY EVENING AT 6PM

For those who missed the first session of The Presence last week and would still like to participate, we will be showing the first video this Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. in the Chancery Cantina. The regular session will begin at 6:00 p.m.



September 9/10 - Mission Appeal Weekend

September 11 - Infant of Prague Novena Begins 7pm

**September 16** - Blue Mass for First Responders 6pm

September 20 - PrimeTimers Lunch at Mehlman's

September 20 - Pastoral Council

September 24 - Fall Festival

**September 30/October 1** - Stewardship Weekend

October 3 - Catholic Beliefs Course Begins 6pm

October 6 - First Friday Adoration following Mass

October 6 - Candlelight Rosary Procession 7pm

October 7 - Appreciation Mass for Religious 7pm

October 14 - White Mass for Healthcare Professionals 6pm

October 24 - Finance Council

October 26, 27, 28 - Forty Hours Devotion



#### Collection

September 3, 2023

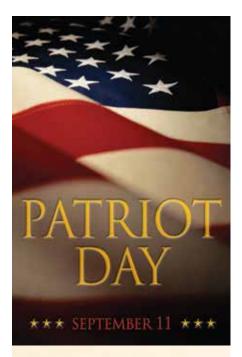
Envelopes: \$1925 Loose: \$623 Online: \$589 **Total: \$3137** 

Thank you for your support!



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Each year on September 11, we pause as a nation to remember the horrific terrorist attacks on the United States in 2001. In October of that same year, the United States Congress passed a joint resolution designating that every September 11th be observed as "Patriot Day." The resolution requests that U.S. government entities and interested organizations and individuals display the flag of the United States at half staff on Patriot Day and that the people of the United States observe a moment of silence in honor of the individuals who lost their lives.

During Pope Francis' Apostolic Visit to the United States in September 2015, the Holy Father participated in an Interfaith Prayer Service at Ground Zero where he offered a prayer of remembrance for the nearly three thousand victims who lost their lives as a result of the terrorist attacks.

On this 22nd Anniversary, let us pray to God, the source of love and mercy, to look kindly upon us, to grant eternal light and peace to all who died in the terrorist attacks, and to bring lasting peace to our troubled world.

## LITURGICAL LIVING

### **Infant of Prague Novena Begins This Week**

This Monday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m. we will begin our 12th annual Novena to the Infant Jesus of Prague. The Novena will be prayed on nine consecutive Monday evenings concluding on November 6. To celebrate the National Eucharistic Revival, the theme for this year's reflections will be based on "The Eucharist: Gift, Mystery, and Reality." Each week consists of Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, a homily given by a guest priest or deacon, music, and prayers to the Infant of Prague. Find out more below!

#### **Novenas**

The word "novena" is derived from the Latin word for nine, or "novem." Typically, a novena refers to nine days of prayer, asking God for a specific intention, often through a particular saint's intercession. Novenas are a beautiful way to grow purposeful, consistent, and persistent in daily prayer.

#### History of the Infant of Prague

Originating in the Czech Republic, tradition holds that the original statue of the Infant Jesus of Prague was once possessed by St. Teresa of Ávila and was brought to what was then known as Bohemia by a Spanish noblewoman upon her marriage to a Czech nobleman named Vratislav of Pernstyn. Their daughter, Princess Lobkowicz, gifted the statue to the Discalced Carmelite friars. It now resides in the Church of Our Lady Victorious in Prague.

#### Statue of the Infant of Prague

In His left hand, the Infant Jesus holds a miniature globe topped by a cross, representing His kingship over the world. His right hand is raised in blessing, with two fingers bent to reflect Christ's divine and human nature, and the other three fingers raised to symbolize the unity of the Trinity.

# **Significance of the Infant of Prague**By depicting Jesus as a child, the tradition of the Infant of Prague also



emphasizes His humanity, and how we are children of God because of the salvation that He brings us. As Pope Benedict XVI said: "The figure of the Child Jesus, the tender infant, brings home to us God's closeness and his love. We come to understand how precious we are in his eyes, because it is through him that we in our turn have become children of God. Every human being is a child of God and therefore our brother or sister, to be welcomed and respected. May our society grasp this truth! Every human person would then be appreciated not for what he has, but for who he is, since in the face of every human being, without distinction of race or culture, God's image shines forth."

#### 2023 Novena Presiders

Sept 11 - Rev. Sateesh Narisetti

Sept 18 - Rev. Carlos Melocoton

Sept 25 - Rev. Martin Smay

Oct 2 - Deacon Douglas Breiding

Oct 9 - Rev. Chester Pabin

Oct 16 - Rev. Joseph Augustine

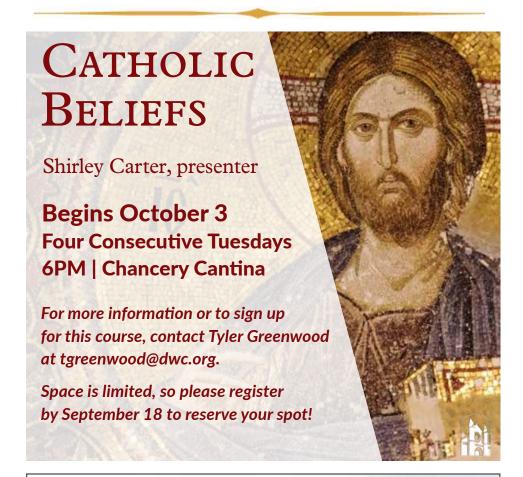
Oct 23 - Deacon Paul Lim

Oct 30 - Rev. Justin Golna

Nov 6 - Bishop William Waltersheid

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## FIRE UP YOUR FAITH



### 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 jamanning 710@gmail.com

### **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. Haywood Robinson and his now-deceased wife Dr. Noreen Johnson started their relationship as a married couple performing abortions. Together, they went through a conversion and became pro-life advocates.



On September 15, the Church observes a memorial honoring the Blessed Mother as Our Lady of Sorrows. "And a sword will pierce your own soul, too," Simeon told Mary when she presented the child Jesus in the Temple forty days after his birth (Luke 2:35). That prophecy was fulfilled when Mary stood at the foot of her Son's Cross, sharing his bitter suffering. During the month of September, we honor Mary under the title of Our Lady of Sorrows. This month, let us bring to Mary all our sorrows, knowing that she understands what it is to truly suffer. This month is a good time to draw closer to our Blessed Mother by meditating on the great hymn to the Mother of Sorrows, the Stabat Mater.

#### Ways to Honor the Seven Sorrows of Mary

- Pray the Stabat Mater
- Meditate upon an image of the Pieta
- Don't run from the sorrows of others



## The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for September

For people living on the margins We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.



#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

#### Week of September 10

#### THIS SUNDAY

Ezekiel 33:7-9 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Romans 13:8-10 Matthew 18:15-20

#### **MONDAY**

Colossians 1:24—2:3 Ps 62:6-7, 9 Luke 6:6-11

#### **TUESDAY**

Colossians 2:6-15 Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11 Luke 6:12-19

#### **WEDNESDAY**

Colossians 3:1-11 Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13 Luke 6:20-26

#### **THURSDAY**

Numbers 21:4-9 Ps 78:1-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 Philippians 2:6-11 John 3:13-17

#### FRIDAY

1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11 John 19:25-27 *or* Luke 2:33-35

#### **SATURDAY**

1 Timothy 1:15-17 Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5, 6-7 Luke 6:43-49

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Sirach 27:30—28:7 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 Romans 14:7-9 Matthew 18:21-35

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

## **SAINTS OF THE WEEK**

#### September 13 - St. John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor of the Church (c.350-407)

After a short stint as a monk, St. John Chrysostom, whose surname means "golden mouth," returned to Antioch, where he was ordained a priest and became a noted preacher. During his free time he wrote commentaries on the Pauline letters as well as the Gospels according to Matthew and John. Due to his reputation for preaching and writing, he was appointed bishop of Constantinople. As bishop he initiated a program of reform that challenged clerical abuses and the extravagant lifestyle of the upper class. His reforms were not always received well, especially on the part of Empress Eudoxia; therefore, he was exiled from the city for a period of time. *Patronage*: preachers; Istanbul

#### September 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

The memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows is a relatively modern celebration, included on the universal calendar only in 1814. In the Gospel according to Luke, as Simeon holds the infant Christ in his arms, he tells Mary that her life will be full of suffering. Her Son will be "opposed," and "a sword will pierce [Mary's] soul, too" (Luke 2: 34.35). That prophecy is fulfilled when Jesus is crucified and Mary stands at the foot of his Cross. The image of the Mater Dolorosa, the Sorrowful Mother, is the subject of one of the most famous works of art, Michelangelo's Pieta, which shows Mary with the dead Christ in her arms, her face revealing peace and acceptance, and yet profound grief. We pray in particular on this day for all mothers who suffer for their children, especially those who have lost a child.

#### September 16 - Sts. Cornelius, pope, (d.253) & Cyprian, bishop, (d.280), martyrs

Cornelius and Cyprian lived during the persecution by the Emperor Decius. Cornelius, the pope, faced the issue of whether or not Christians who renounced their faith during the persecutions should be welcomed back into the Church. With great compassion, he publicly declared that these individuals may return to the Church after a period of penance. Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, spent much of his life in hiding due to the persecutions, but this did not stop him from offering pastoral guidance and dispensing wisdom to the people of his diocese. Through letters, he urged the people to remain faithful to their Christian call. Both Saints Cornelius and Cyprian shared the same fate – a martyr's death.



#### **EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE AT TIXTLA**

Mexico, 2006

In October 2006, Fr. Leopoldo Roque, pastor of Saint Martin of Tours Parish, invited Father Raymundo Reyna Esteban to lead a spiritual retreat for his parishioners. As Fr. Leopoldo and another priest were distributing Communion, assisted by a religious sister, this latter turns towards Fr. Leopoldo with tears in her eyes: the Host that she had taken to give Communion to a parishioner had begun to effuse a reddish substance.

The scientific research conducted included the following conclusions, presented in May 2013:

- 1. The substance analyzed corresponds to blood in which there are hemoglobin and DNA of human origin.
- Two studies conducted by forensic experts have shown that the substance originates from the interior, excluding the hypothesis that someone could have placed it from the exterior.
- 3. The blood type is AB, similar to the one found in the Host of Lanciano and in the Shroud of Turin.

Learn more at the Eucharistic miracles website created by Blessed Carlo Acutis: www.miracolleucaristici.org/en/Liste/list.html

THE PARISH YEAR

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## **Catholic Charities**

Neighborhood Center



27<sup>th</sup> Annual Spaghetti Dinner



September 17, 2023

11:00 - 5:00 Dine In or Carry Out Tickets are \$10 each Catholic Charities West Virginia

Auction & Raffle Tickets \$1 ticket or 6 for \$5



Vocations

Adam Ferro & Carolyn Santilli September 23, 2023

**Marriage Banns** 



Please remember in your prayers:

Dolores "Dee" Dematte (d. August 30, 2023)

### 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

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#### From the Diocesan Office of Safe Environment

**Julia Sheets** 

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:

**Annulments** 

#### Question:

After a civil divorce, is a Catholic obligated to pursue an annulment?

#### Answer:

Many Catholics are not exactly sure what an annulment does. An annulment does not deny that a marriage took place, nor does it deny that there once was love. It does not mean that people say anything untrue, such as they never loved each other or that everything in their marriage was wrong. An annulment does not negate children, nor make them illegitimate. An annulment addresses the spiritual aspect of marriage. In effect, an annulment says that at the time of the wedding, there was either something present or something absent that prevented the sacrament from taking place. It is a spiritual determination that, if granted in the affirmative, allows a person to marry in the Church.

Annulments have no legal standing and are unable to be used in a civil court. Therefore, a Catholic has no moral obligation to pursue an annulment. However, when the tragedy of divorce occurs, and there is no hope for reconciliation, annulments may help bring some spiritual closure to a person's life. Some people have found the process to be healing and others have found it to be difficult. Speak to your priest or a member of the Diocesan Tribunal staff to decide what is best for you.

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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.

