

THE Cathedral Courier

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

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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.

This Week

September 24 - October 1, 2023

SUN 24 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for Francie K. Martin
8:00 am Mass for Frank Pasden
10:30 am Mass for the Parishioners
11:30 am Fall Festival
- 7:00 pm

MON 25 Weekday in Ordinary Time

12:05 pm Mass for Dr. A.D. Ghaphery
7:00 pm Infant of Prague Novena

TUE 26 Optional Memorial of Sts. Cosmas and Damian

12:05 pm Mass for Lee Hendershot
6:00 pm The Presence Series (*Cantina*)

WED 27 Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul

12:05 pm Mass for Alicia Ruiz Guzman

THU 28 Optional Memorials of Sts. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions

12:05 pm Mass for Dale Shutler

FRI 29 Feast of Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

11:15 am Confessions
12:05 pm Mass for Emilie Cook

SAT 30 Memorial of St. Jerome

9:00 am Mass for Dr. Edwin Angulo
9:30 am Rosary
5:00 pm Confessions
6:00 pm Mass for the Parishioners

SUN 1 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Mass for Living and Deceased Members
of the Nicholas & Nimnoon Ghaphery
and David & Faye Ghaphery Families
10:30 am Mass for Msgr. James Nugent



From Father Sateesh

"God's ways and God's thoughts are much greater than ours!"



Very early in life we learn that there is a price tag for everything. Nothing comes free of cost! So, we go about earning as much as we can, and we are proud of the fact that we have earned what we have by the sweat of our brow. However, we forget that relationships and love cannot be earned. There is no business in love! For that matter, we can never earn the love of God, nor do we have to! Unlike human beings, God is not stingy or calculating but most generous in his gifts. He gives us not according to what we deserve but because of his unconditional love.

In today's extract the Prophet Isaiah insists on Israel's turning to God with humility and a sense of a need of him. "Seek the Lord while he is still to be found." Though he is a transcendent God he will draw close to the person who calls upon him. The passage also speaks of the ever-loving God who is known for his tender loving care of the poor and the weak. He is so different from us; his ways contrast sharply with our short-sighted and narrow ways. "My thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways are above your ways, as high as the heavens are above the earth."

In today's Gospel Jesus tells the parable of the workers in the vineyard, aimed mainly at the Pharisees. In the parable Jesus shows what God is like: God is generous and full of compassion for the poor and the needy. Many people consider Christ's story as an unfair story. It seems to favor the idler at the expense of the hard worker. But Jesus' story is not about justice. It's about generosity unlike anything we've known before. In the parable we see the owner of the vineyard employing workers from early in the day, to people who are taken in at the eleventh hour. To everyone he promises a just wage. One would expect that those who bore the burden of the day would be paid more. We must note that the eleventh-hour workers were not idlers who didn't want to work. But they were people no respectable employee would hire. They were the rejects. Yet this is exactly what the owner of the vineyard did. He employed them at the eleventh hour and paid them a full day's salary. This is the strong point of the parable. God's generosity utterly transcends human generosity. God deals with us in ways very different from the ways we humans deal with one another. The goodness of God is a great comfort to us. But it is also a challenge, because we are called to imitate it; to make our ways of dealing with one another more like God's way of dealing with us. Only when God touches our hearts and warms them will we in turn be generous like him.

The invitation before us today is to turn to God, take the leap of faith and strive to not be a part of this earthly realm but to be part of the spiritual realm. Let's seek God's ways and God's thoughts which are much greater than our ways and our thoughts. May we enjoy and imitate the generosity of God!

JOIN US!

LIVE MUSIC, FOOD, GAMES, FRIENDS

SUNDAY | **ELI & THE MOJO KINGS**
24 | **ROCCO'S · DOLCI FRANCI · CIDER HOUSE**
SEPTEMBER | **ANTONIO'S AUTHENTIC ITALIAN SAUSAGE**
11³⁰AM - 7PM | **CASA DI VINO · TACET COFFEE · SHAE'S SWEETS**
 | **ARTISAN GIFTS · CRAFTS · MUMS & MORE!!!**
Inflatables, Pumpkin Patch, Roller Skating, Face Painting, Fun!

2ND ANNUAL



ON BYRON & 13TH STREETS


FALL FESTIVAL

THE Cathedral of St. Joseph
& MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 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

Candlelight Rosary Procession



All are invited to join Bishop Mark Brennan in praying the Rosary in procession for our Church, our world, and our families.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6 AT 7PM

Procession begins at ST. ALPHONSUS CHURCH (2111 Market Street, Wheeling) and ends at the CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH (1300 Eoff Street, Wheeling)


STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND: MINISTRY FAIR
 Next weekend we will celebrate Stewardship Weekend! On this very special weekend, we reflect on all God's blessings and make a decision as to what our gift will be in return for all that God has bestowed upon us. Please visit our Ministry Fair in the Cathedral Courtyard to see how you can share your time and talent as a member of your parish community. Tables and sign-up sheets for each ministry and committee will be available as well as free refreshments! We'll have DiCarlo's Pizza on Saturday evening following Mass and Coffee & Doughnuts on Sunday morning! Your active participation in our parish is vital to the life of the Church! We hope to see you next weekend!

NOVENA TO THE INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE

"THE HOLY EUCHARIST: GIFT, MYSTERY, AND REALITY"

Week III - September 25

Rev. Martin Smay
 Pastor, St. Thomas Aquinas, Thomas, & Our Lady of Mercy Mission, Parsons



Nine Consecutive Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

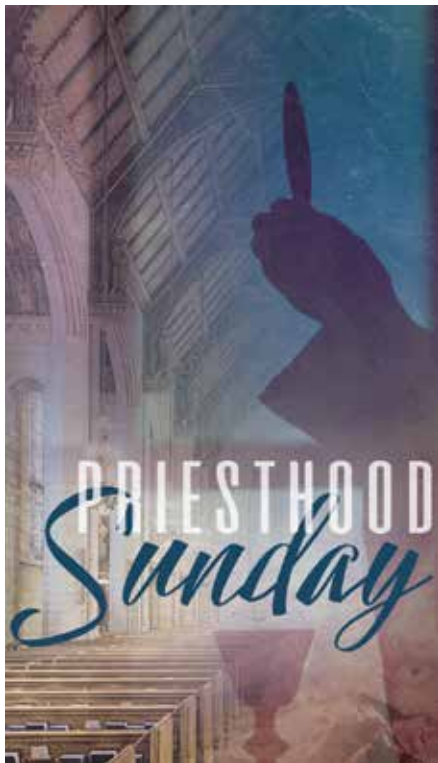
Collection
 September 17, 2023

- Envelopes: \$1775
- Loose: \$495
- Online: \$463
- Total: \$2733

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Priesthood Sunday, the last Sunday of September, is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priest as central to the life of the Church. Join us in praying for the priests of our parish, our diocese, and throughout the world:

A Prayer for Priests

Lord God, most holy,
we approach you in gratitude for your
holy ordained priesthood.
You have called these men
to be set apart
and to shepherd your people,
as you shepherd your entire church.
We pray for them in their daily work.
Grant to them an increase in
spiritual gifts and grace,
so they may be prepared for
the tasks at hand.
Lead them not into temptation
and protect them from
the grasp of the evil one.
It is through the sacraments
they confer
that we encounter the divine
in a real and profound way.
May your church never lose
sight of these, your special sons,
and may we, the body of Christ,
never fail to cherish
the gift of their lives,
which they have freely given to you
and your holy church.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
your Son.
Amen.

Vicariate Council

Under the leadership of Bishop Mark Brennan, a Diocesan Pastoral Council was reinstated in 2019-2020 and has been meeting since February 2021. **The Diocesan Pastoral Council provides the laity of the Diocese with an opportunity to assist Bishop Brennan in developing pastoral priorities, initiatives, and plans to forward the mission of Christ within the Diocese in light of its existing social, economic, demographic, and cultural circumstances and resources.**

It remains Bishop Brennan's wish for significant lay representation on the Diocesan Pastoral Council to be elected by the laity and not appointed by the Pastor/Administrator. In the Fall of 2020, all parishes were asked to hold an election process in order to elect two parishioners who would serve on the Vicariate Council; from this Vicariate Council, three members from each Vicariate were elected to serve on the Diocesan Pastoral Council. Since the Diocesan Pastoral Council was starting anew, staggered terms (of one, two and three years) were assigned to the first members of the Diocesan Pastoral Council.

Thus, we are now at the point where we need to form new Vicariate Councils who will then elect new representation to the Diocesan Pastoral Council as the staggered terms for those members come to an end. Parishioners who had served on the Vicariate Councils may be re-elected to another term or new parishioners may be elected; the important element that Bishop Brennan wants to emphasize is that the process is to be an election by the parishioners and not an appointment by the pastor. Thus, the attached Election Process for Lay Representatives from Vicariates to the Diocesan Pastoral Council was designed to have parishioners elect two parishioners to be part of a Vicariate Council that can assist a Vicar Forane. A particular function of the Vicariate Council is to elect from its membership three lay persons who will represent the Vicariate as members of the Diocesan Pastoral Council.

Every parish/mission in a Vicariate is to elect two (2) parishioners to serve on the Vicariate Council using these guidelines:

1. The Parish Pastoral Council, in union with the Pastor, will oversee the parish/mission election.
2. Suitable candidates are to be determined. Since the candidates are potential members of the Diocesan Pastoral Council, they need to meet the criteria for Diocesan Pastoral Council membership. "No one except Christians of proven faith, good morals and outstanding prudence are to be appointed to the (diocesan) pastoral council." (Canon 512 §3) Christian is to be understood as a Catholic in this context.
3. Five or six candidates should be identified and with their permission be placed on a ballot.

This weekend and next weekend, there will be nomination forms available in the narthex of the church. Please complete a form with the names of prospective parishioner nominees and drop it in the box.

The Vicariate Council will then elect from its membership persons to serve on the Diocesan Pastoral Council.

ELECTION TIMETABLE

September 23 - October 1: Collect nominations

October 8, 2023: Election

FIRE UP YOUR FAITH



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.

STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND
Ministry Fair

THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU HERE... FIND OUT WHERE!

SEPTEMBER 30 & OCTOBER 1
FOLLOWING ALL MASSES
CATHEDRAL COURTYARD

Rosary Guild

Begins Tuesday, October 3

We will be starting a Rosary Guild led by our Deacon Doug Breiding. The first meeting will be on October 3 following the 12:05 p.m. Mass and will continue to after the First Tuesday of the month's Mass in the Parish Office for an hour. Members will be taught how to make Rosaries and there will be various presentations of/and about the Rosary. It will be on a trial basis for the next six months to see if there is an interest.

The purpose of a Rosary Guild is to promote the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and to teach others how to craft rosaries. We will strive to promote the importance of praying the rosary daily (as our Lady of Fatima asked us all to do) and to get as many rosaries as possible into the hands of faithful Catholics who will pray it daily. The reason we TEACH others is in the hope that they, in turn, will teach others, and so on, so that the Rosary will continue to spread into the world. We need the Rosary now more than ever!

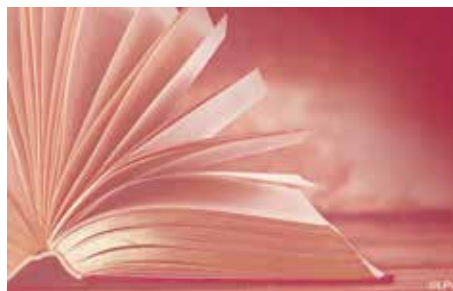


Pro-Life Thought

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.

A new poll shows a majority of Americans support the Supreme Court's Dobbs • There are now 39 universities in 17 states with emergency contraceptive (abortion drug) vending machines, and at least 20 more considering them, according to the American Society for Emergency Contraception.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Week of September 24

THIS SUNDAY

Isaiah 55:6-9
Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18
Philippians 1:20-24, 27
Matthew 20:1-16

MONDAY

Ezra 1:1-6
Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
Luke 8:16-18

TUESDAY

Ezra 6:7-8, 12, 14-20
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5
Luke 8:19-21

WEDNESDAY

Ezra 9:5-9
(Ps) Tobit 13:2, 3-4, 4, 7-8
Luke 9:1-6

THURSDAY

Haggai 1:1-8
Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 9
Luke 9:7-9

FRIDAY

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
or Revelation 12:7-12
Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5
John 1:47-51

SATURDAY

Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15
(Ps) Jeremiah 31:10, 11-13
Luke 9:43-45

NEXT SUNDAY

Ezekiel 18:25-28
Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 21:28-32

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.

September 26 - Sts. Cosmas and Damian, martyrs (d.287)

Sts. Cosmas and Damian responded to the Gospel call by giving medical treatment to allow who came to them, without charge, selflessly giving their time and care to the poor. As vibrant witnesses to the Christian faith, they were arrested during the Diocletian persecutions and eventually beheaded. *Patronage:* twins; physicians; nurses; barbers

September 27 - St. Vincent de Paul, priest (1581-1660)

In collaboration with St. Louise Montfort de Marillac, St. Vincent de Paul founded the Daughters of Charity, a new community of sisters not bound by traditional vows or enclosure, devoted to the sick, orphaned, and imprisoned. *Patronage:* charities, hospitals

September 28 - St. Wenceslaus, martyr (903-935)

Most people are familiar with St. Wenceslaus due to the popular Christmas carol "Good King Wenceslaus." Although this ancient carol is not based on historical events, it illustrates the fame King Wenceslaus received because of his heroic life. As a Christian king in Bohemia, a primarily pagan country, he worked fervently to Christianize his people. His attempt to evangelize the Bohemians was not received well by some, including his brother who eventually murdered him. As he was dying, he prayed that God would forgive his brother. *Patronage:* Czech Republic; Slovenia

St. Lawrence Ruiz (1600-1637) and Companions, martyrs

Also on September 28, Saint Lawrence Ruiz, a married man with three children, fled to Japan from Manila to escape an unjust charge. Upon arrival he was greeted with hostility, due to a recent edict that banned Christianity. When he and fifteen other companions would not adhere to the state religion and trample of religious images associated with the Catholic faith, they were executed. Saint Lawrence and his companions join 231 other Catholics martyred in Japan between the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

September 29 - Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels

We celebrate on this day the feast of three archangels, Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, the great heralds of salvation and defenders against the power of evil. St. Michael is guardian and protector of the Church, from its roots in Israel to the Church of today and beyond. In Hebrew, his name means "who is like God." St. Gabriel, whose name means "hero of God," announces that John the Baptist will be born to Elizabeth and Zechariah. He is entrusted with the most important task of revealing to Mary that she will bear the Son of God. Then, there is St. Raphael, whose name is Hebrew for "God has healed." He is named in Tobit 12 as the one standing in the presence of God, and in 1 Enoch (early Jewish writing) as the healer of the earth (10:7). *Patronage:* Michael - Security forces; sick; Gabriel - telecommunications; postal service; Raphael - travelers; blind

September 30 - St. Jerome, priest, doctor of the Church (347-420)

St. Jerome was the author of the Vulgate translation of the Bible and of many biblical commentaries. St. Jerome spent his most productive years in seclusion, offering pastoral guidance to noble women, writing, and living an ascetic life. *Patronage:* archivists; scripture scholars; librarians

Conference & Pro-Life Dinner

Saturday, September 30, 2023 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

American Legion, Post 1, 45 Sycamore Ave, Wheeling

The Ohio County Chapter of West Virginians for Life invites you to join us for the "Empowering Women to Live in Grace and Peace Conference. Registration begins at 9:30AM. This conference is for men and women to learn how best to empower women. There is no cost to attend this event. Lunch will be provided.

Our pro-life dinner is the same date and location from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Please join us for this opportunity to learn how to better defend your pro-life stance, and educate others. Tickets are \$25 or 2 for \$40.

Please register by calling or texting Judi Meyer 304-639-3041.



October 5, 2023

9:00am - 4:15pm

St. Michael Angelus Center

1225 National Rd., Wheeling, WV 26003

Engage and learn from groups who support the social, economic, physical, and spiritual needs of women, children, and families from prenatal on.

Keynote Speaker Dr. Byron Calhoun, MD

Admission is FREE and Lunch will be provided.

Additional speakers include:

Walking With Moms In Need, Her PLAN, Wellspring, Creighton FertilityCare™ & NaProTECHNOLOGY, Catholic Charities West Virginia, St. Vincent de Paul Society, WV Pregnancy Centers Coalition, and Nina Lindemuth, CNRP

PLUS visit with and gather resources from groups to learn how they can assist your life supporting efforts!

To register, visit dwc.org/2023-life-expo.

For more information, contact A.J. Emery at aemery@dwc.org, or 304.233.0880, ext. 326.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Andrew Helfer	Chuck Fair	Kaitlyn Hanasky	Rachel Wade
Angela Niehart	David A. Kress, Jr.	Kermit Klosterman	R. J. Stocke
Archer Hatch	Dianna Albright	Kristin Smith	Richard Simon
Arthur Danehart	Doug Jones	Langan Family	Rick Burgy
Austin Cook	Eric South	Liam Barns	Ron Hickman
Barb Mazzocca	Eva Wood	Liam Manning	Rosalie Davis
Becky Schlosser	Fr. Joseph Wilhelm	Lukie Brown	Rose Otey
Beth Jochum	Frank Davis	Margaret Stocke	Sarah Hanasky
Betty Teater	Frederick C. Schweizer	Marge Mucheck	Sarah Sargent
Bill Wilson	Gail Koch	Marie Farnsworth	Shirley DeCaria
Bob Armstrong	George Kirchner	Marie & Conner	Stanley Kyrcc
Billy Hanasky	Geri Adams Nagy	Workman	Susan Graff
Brian Hanasky	Hines Rotriga	Mark Davis	Susan Mize
Brogan Gallentine	Janet Rodriguez	Marshall South	Susan Schulte
Caleb Hlebiczki	Jean Schultz	Martha Yocum	Tammy
Carol Young	Jim Antill	Mary K. Schlosser	Teresa Helfer
Carolyn Lash	Jim and Dee	Mary Walicki	Thelma Pearson
Carolyn Wiethe	Jimmy Hocking	Michael DeBlasis	Tony Helfer
Catherine Lanham	Joe Bechtel	Millissa Rose	Trystan Timmons
Charles Heizer	John Petrella	Nadine Greenwood	Victoria Jeskey
Charles DeBenedi	Jon-Michael Lasher	Nicholas Barns	Zoey Knight
Children of the	Judy Pack	Pete Cuffaro	
Youth Services System	Julia Sheets	Pete Mack	
Christina Helfer	Kathy Cooley	Philippa Shores	

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:

Receiving Communion

Question:

How should one properly receive Holy Communion?

Answer:

The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* (GIRM) tells us: "When receiving Holy Communion, the communicant bows his or her head before the Sacrament as a gesture of reverence and receives the Body of the Lord from the minister. The consecrated host may be received either on the tongue or in the hand, at the discretion of each communicant. When Holy Communion is received under both kinds, the sign of reverence is also made before receiving the Precious Blood."

The GIRM also states that Holy Communion distributed under both species is a fuller sign of the Heavenly banquet (no. 281). "Holy Communion has a fuller form as a sign when it takes place under both kinds. For in this form, the sign of the Eucharistic banquet is more clearly evident and clearer expression is given to the divine will by which the new and eternal Covenant is ratified in the Blood of the Lord, as also the connection between the Eucharistic banquet and the eschatological banquet in the Kingdom of the Father." (*Eucharisticum Mysterium*, no. 32)

No one is required to receive under both species, but the Church does encourage it. If one only partakes in the Host or only in the Precious Blood, they must remember they are receiving the fullness of Christ – Body, Soul, and Divinity. Thus, it is the choice of the communicant, not of the minister, to receive from the chalice. (Norms, no 46)

For the reception of the Precious Blood, the GIRM, no. 286 states: "Each communicant, after receiving the Body of Christ, moves to the minister of the chalice and stands facing him. The minister says, "The Blood of Christ", the communicant replies, "Amen", and the minister hands over the chalice, which the communicant raises to his or her mouth. Each communicant drinks a little from the chalice, hands it back to the minister, and then withdraws."

The Cathedral of Saint Joseph



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

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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.

