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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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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

August 15 - 22, 2021

SUN 15 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(Sat) 6:00 pm Mass for Sophie Moses
8:00 am Mass for the Parishioners
10:30 am Mass for Gregory Sheldon

MON 16 Saint Stephen of Hungary

12:05 pm Mass for Most Rev. Bernard W. Schmitt
(Anniversary of Death - 2011)

TUE 17 Weekday in Ordinary Time (Week 20)

12:05 pm Mass for Michael Sargent

WED 18 Weekday in Ordinary Time

12:05 pm Mass for Jerry Schmitt

THU 19 Saint John Eudes

12:05 pm Mass for James Evangelist

FRI 20 Saint Bernard

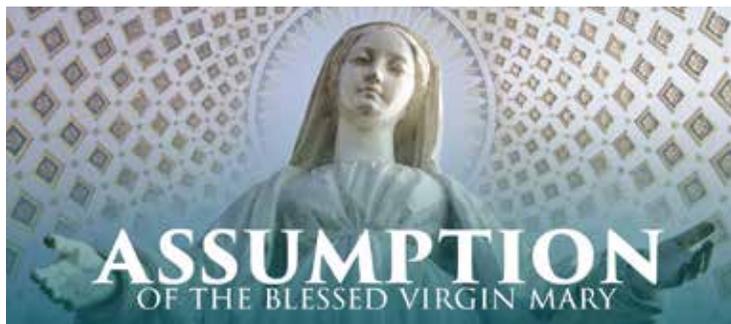
11:15 am Confessions
12:05 pm Mass for Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery

SAT 21 Saint Pius X

9:00 am Mass for Theodore & Cora Scheibelhood
9:30 am Rosary
5:00 pm Confessions
6:00 pm Mass for Chris Miller

SUN 22 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Mass for Most Rev. Mark E. Brennan
(Anniversary of Installation - 2019)
10:30 am Mass for the Parishioners



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is the principal feast of the Blessed Mother. Through it, we are given an insight into the great plans the Lord has in store for us, namely the union of our body and soul in the heavenly Kingdom which awaits us. We live in a time in which belief in the truths of the Faith is in decline, a time in which people doubt that we will experience a bodily resurrection. Some even go as far as doubting the Resurrection of Christ Himself from the dead. In the face of these doubts which are ever present in our time, we can look to the experience of the Blessed Mother who is the first among us to experience what our Lord has promised to us who follow Him, everlasting life with Him in His Kingdom.

*From
Fr. Golna*

We cannot begin to imagine the great joys of this experience, but we do know that through her Assumption, the Blessed Mother is our most powerful intercessor. In drawing close to the Blessed Mother in prayer, we ask her to obtain from her Son those graces we need each day to stay faithful to Him just as she was always faithful to her Son. Just as when we were children and we trusted our own mothers to solve our problems, to care for us, and to provide for our needs, so too does the Blessed Mother do this for our spiritual needs. Each day, let us implore the Blessed Mother to obtain for us the grace to persevere in our vocations, to be faithful to her Son and what He asks of us, so that we may be welcomed into the heavenly Kingdom at the end of our lives.

Homebound Parishioners

We are beginning to compile a list of homebound parishioners so that they can be visited by a priest. If you know of any homebound parishioners, please pass along their information to the parish office by calling 304-233-4121. This ministry will be in addition to the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who regularly visit parishioners.



Altar Servers Needed

One of the very special and important ministries in our church is the ministry of Altar Server. This a special way for our young people to learn the valuable lesson of service in our faith and to assist at Holy Mass.

We would like to start scheduling altar servers again for each of our weekend Masses. If you are interested in becoming an altar server at the Cathedral, please contact Debbie Fahey at the Parish Offices by e-mailing dfahey@dwc.org or by calling 304-233-4121.



This fourth-century saint was a Christian, but her husband was a pagan. Monica's virtues and prayers, however, converted him, and he was baptized a year before his death. When her son, Augustine, went astray in faith and morals, Monica's tears and prayers for her son were incessant. She followed him where he went to teach, and there continued to storm heaven with prayers for her son. Finally, she had the joy of witnessing Augustine being baptized. In addition to being one of the patron saints of mothers, Monica is most often invoked for the conversion of children who have left the practice of the Faith. During this Mass on her feast day, everyone will have an opportunity to write down the names of their loved ones and entrust them to the powerful intercession of Saint Monica.

Novena to Saint Monica

August 19 - 27

In preparation for the Memorial of Saint Monica, we will pray this Novena prayer together at the conclusion of the Universal Prayer at all the Masses from August 19 through August 27:

Exemplary Mother of the great Augustine, you perseveringly pursued your wayward son not with wild threats but with prayerful cries to heaven.

Intercede for all mothers in our day so that they may learn to draw their children to God. Teach them how to remain close to their children, even the prodigal sons and daughters who have sadly gone astray.

Dear Saint Monica, troubled wife and mother, many sorrows pierced your heart during your lifetime. Yet you never despaired or lost faith. With confidence, persistence and profound faith, you prayed daily for the conversion of your beloved husband, Patricius and your beloved son, Augustine.

Grant me that same fortitude, patience and trust in the Lord. Intercede for me, dear Saint Monica, that God may favorably hear my plea: *(mention your petitions here in silence).*

And grant me the grace to accept his will in all things. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

R.C.I.A.

Starts this Fall!

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Do you want to learn more about the Catholic faith? Maybe you are already Catholic but know of someone who may be open to a kind invitation at this time. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, or R.C.I.A., is a communal process for formal initiation of new members into the Catholic Church. R.C.I.A. gatherings will begin this fall at a date to be announced. There is no pressure or commitment. Come find out what the Catholic faith is about... To register or for more information, please contact the Assistant for Pastoral Ministries, Ms. Debbie Fahey at 304-233-4121 or dfahey@dwc.org.



Eucharistic Revival

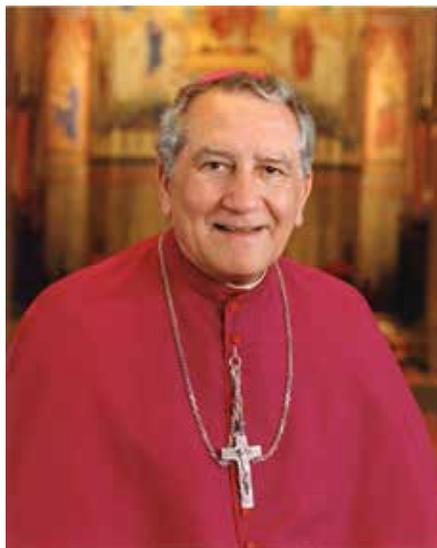
At their spring meeting in June our bishops announced that they are planning an initiative called "Eucharistic Revival: My Flesh for the Life of the World" - a three-year plan to renew the Church by "enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist." Sounds like something to look forward to and to begin praying for - how can we bring this Eucharistic revival to our parishes?

Online Giving

The Cathedral of Saint Joseph offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application that is safe and secure. This site allows you to set up automatic contributions and change the timing or the amount of your gift at any time. You may make pledges and manage your contributions to the pledge amount, and you may make one-time donations. To sign up for Online Giving, visit our parish website at www.saintjosephcathedral.com and follow the "Giving" tab. This website will walk you through the process.



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Remembering Bishop Schmitt

August 17, 1928 - August 16, 2011

This week holds two important dates in the life of the seventh Bishop of Wheeling-Charleston, the Most Reverend Bernard W. Schmitt. On Monday, August 16, we commemorate the tenth anniversary of his death and on Tuesday, August 17 we celebrate what would be his 93rd birthday. Bernard Schmitt was born in Wheeling, the fourth of seven sons. He studied at St. Charles College, Catonsville, Maryland, and St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore. He was ordained to the priesthood on May 28, 1955. His first assignment was as associate pastor of the Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Wheeling, where he also served as master of ceremonies to Archbishop Swint. On May 31, 1988, Rev. Schmitt was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese. One year later, on March 30, 1989, he was chosen to succeed Bishop Schulte as the seventh Bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, where he continued to serve for over 15 years. We continue to give thanks to God for the life and pastoral legacy of Bishop Schmitt and the many lives that were touched by his kind and humble nature. Taking inspiration from his episcopal motto, "*Come Holy Spirit*", we pray that the power of the Holy Spirit may shine brightly upon each of us and upon the Catholic Church in West Virginia and throughout the world.

They are courageous, wise women who ground us, focus us, and inspire us. They are the good mothers who walk with us and light our way. They teach us life lessons and help us heal and navigate through challenges and difficulties. We need people to point the way. Sometimes, these wise ladies are not our biological mothers but women in our lives, who through their strong and faithful presence, anchor us and remind us that we are loved. We need these women. Human beings do their best when they have cheerleaders in their lives. They show us that even when facing despair there is always a brighter tomorrow.

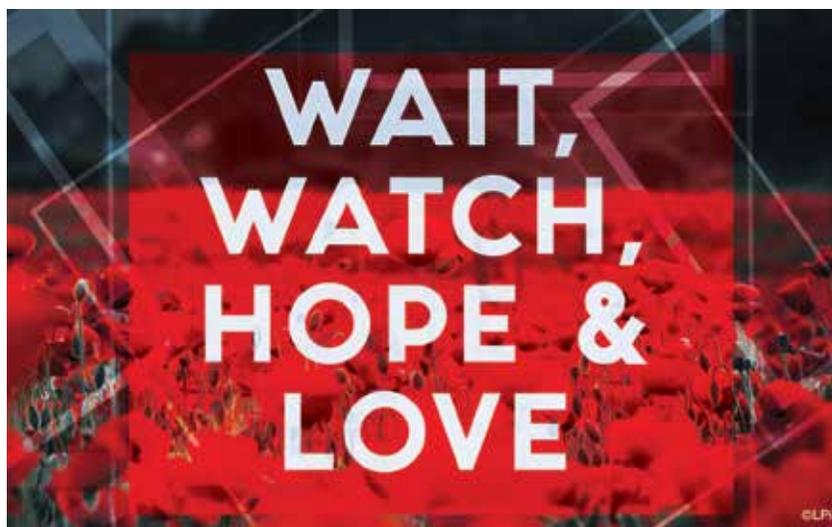
Jesus needed his mother. She had to be that faithful anchor, that guiding presence, in his life. Jesus needed to be affirmed and encouraged just like any other human being and Mary had to be there, right by his side, doing precisely that. Even when her heart was pierced as he was nailed to a tree, she did not give up hope. Most certainly, she continued to wait, watch, hope, and love until he took his final breath. That's what mothers do. Even when their heart breaks, they persevere.

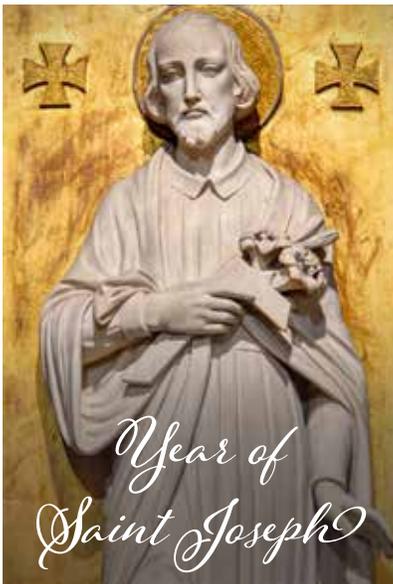
Today, our Blessed Mother is our cheerleader once again. Taken up to

Bringing the Gospel Home

heaven in body and soul, she points to and directs us toward our final destiny. Life eternal waits! Any disappointment, fear, or anxiety can be set aside as she gently reassures us of God's love and promise. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given. We can persevere and do what we need to do to live life well, with faith, hope, and love as our guiding lights. Knowing who we are and who we will one day become helps us to better chart the course and direction of our earthly lives. Looking to the example of our Blessed Mother, we receive the assurance we need.

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*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy,
and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.*

Infant of Prague Novena
St. Mary's Church, Martins Ferry
Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

An annual Novena to the Infant Jesus of Prague is being held at St. Mary's Church in Martins Ferry, Ohio. The Novena is prayed on nine consecutive Monday evenings, concluding on August 30, 2021. Each week consists of Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, a homily, music, and prayers to the Infant of Prague.

Catholics Beliefs Series

St. Anthony Church, Follansbee
Begins on Wednesday, August 25

Want to learn more about what the Catholic Church teaches? What we believe? St. Anthony's in Follansbee will host a five-week series entitled "Catholic Beliefs" which will explore these topics. This series is part of the University of Dayton's VLCFF program and will be led by Shirley Carter. The introductory session will be held Wednesday, August 25th at St. Anthony Church, 1017 Jefferson Street in Follansbee, starting at 6:00 in the parish hall. All fees and materials will be covered by the DWC Office of Evangelization and Catechesis. To register, please contact Jeanne McKeets at 304-233-0880 or jmckeets@dwc.org no later than August 23rd. Space is limited. All are welcome!

Volunteers Needed for Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities here in Wheeling is in need of volunteer drivers on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Generally this would entail a commitment of 60 to 90 minutes delivering food to people. There is generally very little interaction with the people whom you will be serving but they are very grateful for the ability to eat. They also need dishwashers on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. This would entail a greater time commitment starting around 8am and finishing between 11am and noon. If you have children, especially teenagers, this would be a good activity for you to do together. If you want your children to be grateful, helping those in greater need is a highly effective way to help them to recognize the many blessings in their own lives. If you are willing to help out, please call Keith Miller at 304-650-9608 and he will fill you in on the details.



Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary takes place on the day after the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, usually in June, but in this month when we celebrate Mary's Assumption (August 15) and her Coronation or Queenship (August 22), we also give honor to her Immaculate Heart. There are many prayers to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Here is one short enough to memorize and pray every day during this month: "O Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, obtain for me from Jesus a pure and humble heart."

Ways to Honor the Immaculate Heart of Mary

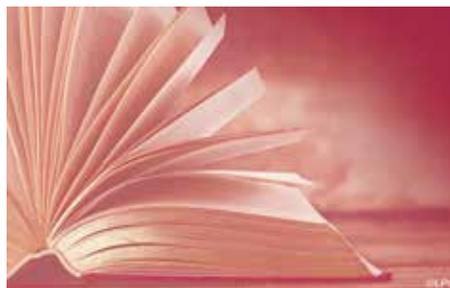
- ❖ Wear the Miraculous Medal
- ❖ Consecrate yourself to the Immaculate Heart
- ❖ Pray the Rosary



Marriage Banns

Madison Lammers & Jordan Barnett
September 4, 2021

SAINTS OF THE WEEK



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Week of August 15

SUNDAY

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6, 10
Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16
1 Corinthians 15:20-27
Luke 1:39-56

MONDAY

Judges 2:11-19
Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40-43, 44
Matthew 9:16-22

TUESDAY

Judges 6:11-24
Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14
Matthew 19:23-30

WEDNESDAY

Judges 9:6-15
Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Matthew 20:1-16

THURSDAY

Judges 11:29-39
Ps 40:5, 7-8, 8-9, 10
Matthew 22:1-14

FRIDAY

Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14-16, 22
Ps 146:5-6, 6-7, 8-9, 9-10
Matthew 22:34-40

SATURDAY

Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4, 5
Matthew 23:1-12

NEXT SUNDAY

Joshua 24:1-2, 15-17, 18
Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21
Ephesians 5:21-32
John 6:60-69

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.

August 16 - Saint Stephen of Hungary (d.1038)

Saint Stephen of Hungary is thought of as the founder of the kingdom of Hungary, was its first king, and established Christianity there. According to legend, he was baptized by St. Adalbert of Prague. Hungarians believe that Pope Silvester II sent Stephen a jeweled gold crown, along with a letter recognizing him as king. This crown is venerated by the people of Hungary. St. Stephen discouraged the practice of pagan customs, brought priests in to serve as missionaries, and founded several dioceses. He had hoped to retire and lead a life of prayer and contemplation after handing the kingdom to his son, Emeric, but Emeric died young, breaking his father's heart. Stephen ruled until his death in 1038 on August 15, the celebration of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As he died, he asked Mary to look after the people of Hungary as their queen. Stephen was the first canonized "confessor king". *Patronage:* Hungary; kings; masons; children who are dying

August 19 - Saint John Eudes, priest (1601-1680)

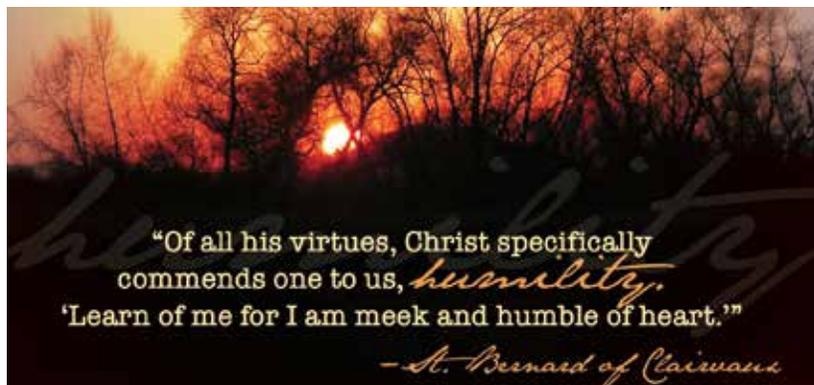
John Eudes, a successful preacher in France, cared for plague victims on both a physical and spiritual level. In light of the Protestant Reformation, he felt that the academic and spiritual training of priests needed to be strengthened; therefore, he established a society of diocesan priests: the Congregation of Jesus and Mary, commonly called the Eudists. Their sole purpose was directed toward the foundation of new seminaries where future priests would be equipped with the necessary tools to respond pastorally to the turbulent times. He eventually established a religious community of women, the Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Refuge, dedicated to the rehabilitation of prostitutes.

August 20 - Saint Bernard, abbot, doctor of the Church (1090-1153)

Bernard joined the Cistercian Abbey at Citeaux, France, known for its strict and austere way of life. Within a short time he was noticed for his leadership; hence, he was appointed abbot of a new monastery at Clairvaux. His monastic vision at Clairvaux led to the foundation of several monasteries throughout France, Britain and Ireland. In solitude he wrote numerous theological and spiritual classics, including his treatise *On Loving God*, eighty-six sermons on the Song of Songs, and major work *On Consideration*, a reflection on papal devotion to Mary, earning him the titles "Our Lady's faithful chaplain" and "Mary's harper." Bernard was a prolific writer and had a great influence on the Church.

August 21 - Saint Pius X, pope (1835-1914)

Pius X was born Giuseppe Sarto in Riese, Italy. He grew up poor but was able to attend the seminary on a scholarship. As pope he was a reformer but at the same time was conservative in matters of theology. He published the first *Code of Canon Law*, which gathered the laws of the Church into one volume. His early pastoral experience influenced him to encourage frequent reception of Communion, his lasting legacy. He reformed the liturgy, especially the breviary (Liturgy of the Hours), and encouraged the use of Gregorian chant. Pius X lowered the "age of reason" from twelve to seven, making it possible for younger children to receive the Eucharist. It is said that the onset of World War I caused him so much distress that he died in 1914, as the war began. *Patronage:* first communicants; pilgrims who are ill





Prayer for Vocations

O Mary,
 who raised your Divine Son
 with the guidance of the Holy Spirit,
 intercede for all young people,
 especially those clouded by doubt
 about their vocations.
 May the light of grace
 pierce their hearts
 so they may answer your Son's call,
 especially those whom He
 is inviting to the priesthood
 and consecrated life.
 Amen.



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

The Assumption

Question:

What lessons should I learn from the Assumption of Mary?

Answer:

Growing in holiness is similar to training in a sport. We need someone to show us how we can live our faith well. Mary is a model of sanctity. She shows us how to be faithful to God's will, living each day with confidence in God's mercy and love. At the Nativity, in Jesus' public ministry, and at the Crucifixion, we see her steadfast trust. She allows the Lord to use her life to accomplish his plan for her and for all of us. In the Preface of the Mass for the Assumption of Mary, we pray: "For today the Virgin Mother of God was assumed into heaven as the beginning and image of your Church's coming to perfection and a sign of sure hope and comfort to your pilgrim people."

It is this image of holiness that we strive to imitate. In the office, at home, or in our community, we look for signs of God's grace that call us to an ever greater love of him and each other. A greater awareness of God is a sign of our conversion of heart that lives the lessons Mary teaches.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Andrew Helfer	Eli Musser	Kermit Klosterman	R. J. Stocke
Angela Niehart	Eric South	Liam Barns	Richard Simon
Archer Hatch	Eva Wood	Liam Manning	Rick Burgy
Arthur Danehart	Fr. Joseph Wilhelm	Lucille Renowicz	Ron Hickman
Austin Cook	Frank Davis	Lukie Brown	Rosanne Gaughan
Barb Mazzocca	Fred Herink	Margaret Stocke	Rosalie Davis
Beth Jochum	Frederick C. Schweizer	Marie Farnsworth	Rose Otey
Betty Teater	Gail Koch	Marie & Conner Workman	Sarah Hanasky
Bill Wilson	George Kirchner	Mark Davis	Sarah Sargent
Bob Armstrong	Gerri Adams Nagy	Marshall South	Shirley DeBene
Bob Jones	Hines Rotriga	Martha Yocum	Shirley DeCaria
Billy Hanasky	Janet Cupp	Mary Ann Fowler	Stanley Kyrk
Brian Hanasky	Janie	Mary K. Schlosser	Stephanie Bugaj
Brogan Gallentine	Jean & Chuck Schultz	Mary Walicki	Susan Graff
Caleb Hlebiczkzi	Jim Antill	Michael DeBlasis	Susan Mize
Carolyn Lash	Jim and Dee	Milissa Rose	Susan Schulte
Carolyn Wiethe	Jimmy Hocking	Nadine Greenwood	Tammy
Charles Heizer	Joe Bechtel	Nicholas Barns	Teresa Helfer
Charles DeBene	John Petrella	Norma Bosold	Thelma Pearson
Children of the Youth Services System	Jon-Michael Lasher	Pete Cuffaro	Tony Helfer
Christina Helfer	Judy Pack	Pete Mack	Trystan Timmons
Chuck Fair	Julia Sheets	Philippa Shores	Victoria Jeskey
David A. Kress, Jr.	Kathy Cooley	Rachel Wade	Zoey Knight
	Kaitlyn Hanasky		

From the Diocesan Office of Safe Environment

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is committed to the protection of its children and young people. The Diocese complies with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People by maintaining an 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 one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

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.

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