

THE Cathedral Courier

Weekly Bulletin for the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Wheeling, West Virginia



9 February 2025



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE MIRACULOUS DRAFT OF FISHES • RAPHAEL • 1515

HOLY MASS

SUNDAY

8:00 AM
10:30 AM

SATURDAY

9:00 AM
6:00 PM (Sunday Vigil)

WEEKDAYS (Monday-Friday)

12:05 PM

OUR PARISH

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REGISTRATION

Registration forms can be obtained at www.saintjosephcathedral.com or through the parish office.

Please notify the parish of address changes.

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.

*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.*

SACRAMENTS

Confession

Friday: 11:15 am to 11:45 am
Saturday: 5:00 pm to 5:45 pm

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for a meeting with the priest as well as the necessary preparation.

Marriage

Engaged couples should contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance to make an appointment with the priest.

Holy Orders

If you believe you are being called by God to serve the Church as a priest, deacon, or religious brother or sister, please contact Fr. Brian Crenwelge, the Diocesan Director of Vocations at bcrenwelge@dwc.org or (304) 337-9837.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available to bring Holy Communion to parishioners confined to home. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements. Those who are seriously ill or who are preparing for surgery should request a priest for Anointing of the Sick.

Visit the Sacraments page at www.saintjosephcathedral.com for more information.



LIVE STREAMED MASSES

Our Sunday Masses are live-streamed and archived for later viewing at www.dwc.org/mass.
While this is a valuable resource for those unable to attend in person due to health or other serious reasons, please remember that live-streamed Masses are not a substitute for the in-person celebration.



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Masses & Schedule

February 9 - 16, 2025

SUN 9 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time World Marriage Day

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for + Madeline & Jack Belby, Sr.
8:00 am Mass for the Parishioners
9:15 am Confirmation Class (Parish Offices)
10:30 am Mass for + Kristin Marie Sacco Smith

MON 10 Memorial of Saint Scholastica

12:05 pm Mass for + Doris Collinvitti

TUE 11 Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick

12:05 pm Funeral Mass for Beth Jochum
6:00 pm Healing Mass for the Sick
7:30 pm Young Adults Bible Study (Parish Office)

WED 12 Weekday in Ordinary Time

12:05 pm Mass for + Cathy Barnett Oliver

THU 13 Weekday in Ordinary Time

12:05 pm Mass for + Mary K. Schlosser
7:30 pm Catholics in Recovery (St. Alphonsus Hall)

FRI 14 Memorial of Sts. Cyril and Methodius

11:15 am Confessions
12:05 pm Mass for + John Petrella
12:45 pm Eucharistic Adoration Begins
4:00 pm Holy Hour of Reparation

SAT 15 Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am Mass for + Orlando A. Sacco
9:30 am Rosary
5:00 pm Confessions
6:00 pm Mass for the Parishioners

SUN 16 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Mass for + Tom Leonard
9:15 am Confirmation Class (Parish Offices)
10:30 am Mass for + Nadine Greenwood

RECTOR'S REFLECTIONS

Dear Friends in Christ Jesus,

In today's Gospel, Jesus calls Simon Peter to deeper faith. After a long night of catching nothing, Peter obeys Jesus' command to lower the nets again—and the result is an overwhelming catch. Humbled, Peter falls to his knees, but Jesus tells him, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men" (Lk 5:10). Like Peter, we may feel unworthy, but Christ calls us to trust in Him and follow with courage.

Today, on World Marriage Sunday, we celebrate the sacred vocation of marriage. Scripture reminds us, "Love one another as I have loved you" (Jn 15:12). Christian marriage reflects Christ's love, calling husbands and wives to be signs of His faithfulness. Let us pray for all married couples, that they may continue to grow in love, and for those preparing for marriage, that they may build their relationship on Christ.

This Tuesday, February 11, the Church observes the World Day of the Sick, on the beautiful Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. This is a special time to pray for the sick, their caregivers, and all who suffer. I invite everyone to join us for a Healing Mass at 6:00 p.m., where we will pray for God's grace and strength upon those in need. May Our Lady of Lourdes intercede for all who seek healing and hope.

May we, like Peter, who was healed from his sinful nature and accepted the call of God to follow him, strive to accept the call received at our own baptism to serve the Prophetic, Priestly, and Kingly ministry of Jesus.

Yours in Christ,
Father Pen



World Day of the Sick

THE MEMORIAL OF
OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Tuesday, February 11
6:00 p.m.

Healing Mass
with Anointing of the Sick

Cathedral of St. Joseph
1300 Eoff Street
Wheeling, WV 26003


The Cathedral of St. Joseph



On February 11, the Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, the Church observes the World Day of the Sick, a time to pray for the suffering and to recognize those who care for them. Established by Pope St. John Paul II, this day reminds us of the healing love of Christ and the powerful intercession of Our Lady, who appeared to St. Bernadette in Lourdes, France, a place now known for miraculous healings.

To commemorate this special day, we will celebrate a Healing Mass with the Anointing of the Sick on Tuesday, February 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Cathedral. We invite all who are burdened—physically, emotionally, or spiritually—to come and receive God's grace.

What is the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick?

The Church sees the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as a way of carrying forth Christ's ministry of healing. This sacrament has its origin in apostolic times (Jas 5:14-15). A priest lays hands on the sick person, anoints their forehead and hands with blessed oil, and prays for God's grace, mercy, and healing (CCC 1513). It can be administered at home, in a hospital, or in a church, for individuals or groups (CCC 1517).

When should a Catholic receive this sacrament?

Seriously ill persons and older persons in weak condition should be encouraged to ask for the anointing. Sick children may be anointed if their understanding allows them to be comforted by the sacrament.

What is the primary effect of this sacrament?

The hope, if it be God's will, is that the person is physically healed of illness. But even if there is no physical healing, the primary effect of the sacrament is a spiritual healing by which the sick person receives the Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties that accompany serious illness or the frailty of old age

Whether you seek healing for yourself or want to pray for loved ones in need, this is a powerful opportunity to encounter Christ's mercy and Our Lady's intercession.

• UPCOMING EVENTS •

February 11 - World Day of the Sick Healing Mass, 6pm

February 20 - Images of Jesus Series Begins, 6pm

March 5 - Ash Wednesday, Mass at 12:05pm and 7pm



Disciple Maker Index

There is still time to complete the Disciple Maker Index Survey as the deadline has been extended to February 11.

We ask all parishioners to please complete the survey. It will take about 10-15 minutes to reflect on your discipleship journey and share your thoughts on how we can better support your spiritual growth.

You can access the survey at this link:

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/x22676>

Or by scanning this QR code with your phone:



All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

Recycling Blessed Palms

We invite everyone to bring in their blessed palms from last year to be burned for the ashes used on Ash Wednesday. Please place them in the designated container in the narthex labeled "Palms."



Supporting Our Parish

Your Gift Makes a Difference

We are very grateful to those who are able to support the Cathedral of St. Joseph Parish. Your support allows us to continue our mission and provide vital ministries. Here are some simple ways to give:



Online: OSV Online Giving is a fast, secure, simple way to make your contributions. Visit www.saintjosephcathedral.com/giving



By Mail: Mail to Cathedral of St. Joseph
1218 Eoff Street, Wheeling, WV 26003



In Person: At Mass during the collection or dropped off at the parish offices.

COLLECTION & ATTENDANCE

February 9, 2025

Envelopes: \$1943 • Loose: \$1124 • Online: \$788 • Total: \$3855

Maintenance Fund: \$125

Attendance: 261

FAITH FORMATION



SCRIPTURE READINGS Week of February 9

THIS SUNDAY

Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8
Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Luke 5:1-11

MONDAY

Genesis 1:1-19
Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 33
Mark 6:53-56

TUESDAY

Genesis 1:20—2:5
Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Mark 7:1-13

WEDNESDAY

Genesis 2:4-9, 15-17
Ps 104:1-2, 27-28, 29-30
Mark 7:14-23

THURSDAY

Genesis 2:18-25
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Mark 7:24-30

FRIDAY

Genesis 3:1-8
Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7
Mark 7:31-37

SATURDAY

Genesis 3:9-24
Ps 90:2, 3-4, 5-6, 12-13
Mark 8:1-10

NEXT SUNDAY

Jeremiah 17:5-8
Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6
1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20
Luke 6:17, 20-26

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.



"Hearts on Fire" – Adult Faith Formation Program

Our new "Hearts on Fire" Adult Faith Formation Program invites participants to deepen their understanding of Jesus Christ, with our initial series titled "Images of Jesus." This journey will explore the Gospels and various theological perspectives to help you form a personal response to the question posed by Jesus: "Who do you say that I am?" **See page 9 for more info.**



Confirmation Class

Each Sunday at 9:15 a.m. | Parish Offices

Our Confirmation candidates continue to meet each Sunday morning in preparation for the the Sacrament of Confirmation this spring. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for this important step in their faith journey.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

Each Sunday during the 10:30 a.m. Mass

This ministry offers children an age-appropriate reflection on scripture during the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. After the opening prayer, they gather in the upper sanctuary for activities and return at the offertory.



DIocese OF WHEELING-CHARLESTON



PRIESTHOOD Discernment Retreat

- Open to men 18 and older
- Pray, share meals, and meet with current WV seminarians
- Hear talks about priestly life and discernment

ST. JOHN XXIII PASTORAL CENTER
100 Hodges Rd, Charleston, WV 25314

FRIDAY MARCH 7 → SATURDAY MARCH 8

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GROUPS & MINISTRIES

Faith Sharing Book Club

Sunday, March 2 at 9:00 a.m. | Rectory



Our Faith Sharing Book Club meets monthly to explore inspiring books, fostering faith, fellowship, and meaningful discussion. We are currently reading "Habits for Holiness" by Father Mark Mary Ames, pages 1-66. All are welcome!

Young Adults Bible Study

Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. | Parish Offices



Dive deeper into Scripture with us as we journey through the Book of the Prophet Isaiah! Join our Young Adults Bible Study for inspiring discussions, meaningful fellowship, and an opportunity to grow in faith together. All are welcome!



We invite all men in the community to join us in building authentic friendships with Christ and each other so that we can walk together in becoming the men he has called us to be.

We are assisting at the Healing Mass on Tuesday, February 11 at 6pm.

FORMATION • FELLOWSHIP • WORSHIP • SERVICE



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

**Lunch at Mehlman's in St. Clairsville
Wednesday, February 19 at 1:00 p.m.**

St. Gianna Pro-Life Ministry

Pro-Life Frequently Asked Questions - and Answers

Q) What is pro-life?

A) Pro-life is both a ministry and movement which protects and supports the survival and dignity of all human persons, from the moment of natural conception through natural death. Most of our work is done to support parents in unplanned pregnancies, with all that entails.

Q) How do you provide this protection and support?

A) The St. Gianna Pro-Life ministry does this work on a foundation of prayer, done in various ways. With this grounding, we support direct care ministries to pregnant & parenting folks, especially teens and young adults, by partnering with local ministry associates. We also do education and training, witness and advocacy; fund and resource raising.

Q) Why doesn't the Cathedral have a pro-choice group?

A) We work to create a culture of life, in which people's responsible sexual stewardship prevents crisis pregnancies. When such a pregnancy does occur, we support the welfare of all stakeholders, especially the infants in the womb. Jesus said, "Whatever you do for the least of these, you do for me." (Matt. 25:40) This is Church teaching about the sanctity of life.

Q) How does the St. Gianna Pro-Life Ministry differ from Walking with Moms in Need?

A) Walking with Moms in Need is a whole-parish ministry started by the USSCB several years ago. It serves the two-fold purpose of serving parents (and grandparents) who need extra supports in raising their infants, which parishes can so lovingly provide – leading us to purpose two: reinvigorating the parish by their involvement in this ministry. There is considerable overlap in the two ministries. The difference in the St. Gianna ministry is that it is done by a dedicated committee of folks, and its work is broader in scope. The second answer, above, tells a bit about this work.

Q) Why is the St. Gianna ministry at both the Cathedral and St. Alphonsus parish?

A) When Fr. Pen and Fr. Soplinski were sent to serve these two parishes, Fr. Pen immediately saw the wisdom of doing this ministry jointly. We're glad for this, because we are able to accomplish so much more together!

February 15/16 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

	Greeter	Altar Server	Reader	EMHC
Saturday 6:00 pm	Ginny S. Judy M.	Martin I.	Charla F. Br. John Byrd	Judy R. Paul R.
Sunday 8:00 am	Debbie R. Paul R.	Tamora M. Julia S.	Mark B. Susanna K.	Philippa S.
Sunday 10:30 am	Linda F. Catherine L.	The Brown Family Martin I.	Amy M. Richard M.	Bill H. Cathy L.
Collection Counters for this Week		Helen P., Julia S., Carolyn W.		

LIVING OUR FAITH

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Blanche Kirkland Joyce Hehr Pat Edmon
Joe Bechtel Marsha Bartlett

If you or someone you know would like to be included on the prayer list, please e-mail tgreenwood@dwc.org.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION

February: For priestly and religious vocations

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

Heavenly Father, You are the source of all love and the author of marriage. Bless all husbands and wives, that their love may reflect the self-giving love of Christ for His Church. Strengthen them in times of trial, fill their homes with peace and joy, and help them to grow in holiness together. May their witness inspire the world to cherish the sacred bond of marriage, and may their love be a light that leads others to You. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



The month of February is dedicated to the Holy Family. The special devotion which proposes the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph as the model of virtue of all Christian households began in the 17th century. In the words of His Holiness Pope Leo XIII, "Nothing truly can be more salutary or efficacious for Christian families to meditate upon than the example of this Holy Family, which embraces the perfection and completeness of all domestic virtues."

Ways to Honor the Holy Family

- Consecrate your family to the Holy Family
- Pray the Rosary together
- Strengthen your family's devotion to the Holy Eucharist as the nourishment of family life

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Scholastica (c.480–543)

Feast Day: February 10

St. Scholastica, the twin sister of Saint Benedict, dedicated her life to God and became one of the first women in monastic life. She founded a monastery for women near Monte Cassino, following her brother's Rule of Saint Benedict, and embraced a life of prayer, study, and devotion. Her deep love for Christ and commitment to the religious life made her a model of faith and perseverance.



She is best known for her final meeting with Benedict. Knowing her death was near, she prayed that he would stay and continue their holy conversation. When he refused, a sudden and violent storm arose, preventing his departure. Benedict later saw her soul ascend to heaven in the form of a dove, a sign of her purity and union with God.

Scholastica's life reminds us of the power of prayer, the importance of spiritual friendships, and the beauty of a heart devoted to God. She is the patron saint of nuns and is also invoked against storms.

St. Scholastica, pray for us!

Rest in Peace

Please remember in your prayers:

Beth Jochum

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon her.*



You're Invited to Attend... 15th Annual

Hope GALA
Catholic Charities

Enjoy an evening of dinner, drinks, dancing and celebrating those we serve! We will be honoring the Community Foundation for the Ohio Valley with our Charity in Action Award.



Date: March 1, 2025 at 6pm
Location: The White Palace
1801 National Rd
Wheeling, WV 26003



Scan for Tickets

ccwva.org/event/gala

Proceeds from this Gala directly support our mission in 17 counties in northern West Virginia, including our Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center on 18th Street in Wheeling, and other programs and services for children, seniors and families.



*"If a man and a woman marry in order to be companions on the journey from earth to heaven, then their union will bring great joy to themselves and to others."
- St. John Chrysostom*

On February 9, we celebrate World Marriage Day, a day set aside to honor husband and wife as the foundation of the family; and celebrating faithfulness, sacrifice, and joy in daily married life. Please join us in praying for all married couples, that they may strive daily to faithfully and lovingly live out their marriage promises, bearing witness to the love God has for each of us.

Here are a few simple ways Catholic couples can strengthen their marriage and grow in faith together:

Pray Together Daily – Whether it’s a morning offering, grace before meals, or a decade of the Rosary, inviting God into your daily life strengthens your bond. Most importantly, attend Mass together as a couple, for the Eucharist is the source of grace in marriage.

Practice Small Acts of Love – A kind word, a thoughtful gesture, or a simple “thank you” can go a long way in fostering joy and appreciation in marriage.

Make Time for One Another – Set aside regular time for meaningful conversation, date nights, or quiet moments to nurture your relationship.



Our beautiful Cathedral, rich in history and faith, is in need of some important repairs and upgrades to preserve its integrity for future generations. The Diocesan Office of Buildings and Properties and our Cathedral Finance Council has identified three critical maintenance projects that require attention:

Roof Repairs: A significant leak in the roof, especially problematic during strong winds, threatens further interior damage. The estimated repair is around \$145,000.

Wall Repairs: Cracked limestone near one of the transept windows needs urgent attention to prevent further deterioration. The estimated cost for this repair is \$9,680.

HVAC System Replacement: Our air conditioning system is aging, and the refrigerant it uses is now obsolete. The air handlers are nearing the end of their lifespan, with an estimated replacement cost of approximately \$250,000.

Your generous contributions will help us safeguard our Cathedral's future. Please consider making a donation towards these essential repairs. Every gift makes a difference. Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

"For God loves a cheerful giver." - 2 Corinthians 9:7

So far we have received \$9795 in donations. Thank you for your support!



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Divine Praises

Question:

What is the origin of the Divine Praises?

Answer:

The Divine Praises originated in the late 18th century, composed by Blessed Luigi Felici, an Italian priest, in 1797. They were originally written as a prayer of reparation for blasphemy and profane language. Pope Pius VII later expanded the prayer by adding more invocations, including praises for the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Conception, and St. Joseph.

The Divine Praises are traditionally recited after Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament as a way to honor and glorify God, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and various sacred truths of the Catholic faith. The prayer begins with "Blessed be God. Blessed be His Holy Name." and continues with praises for Jesus, the Holy Spirit, Mary, St. Joseph, and the angels. Over time, the prayer became an important part of Eucharistic devotion, fostering a spirit of reverence and gratitude for God's holiness and presence.

The recitation of the Divine Praises serves as a reminder to use speech to glorify rather than dishonor God. It invites the faithful to reflect on the sacredness of God's name and the blessings He has given. By publicly proclaiming these praises, Catholics affirm their faith and counter the increasing secularization and misuse of sacred language in the world.

If you have a question you'd like answered, please email tgreenwood@dwc.org.

Galentine's Party

Celebrating the love in our female relationships!

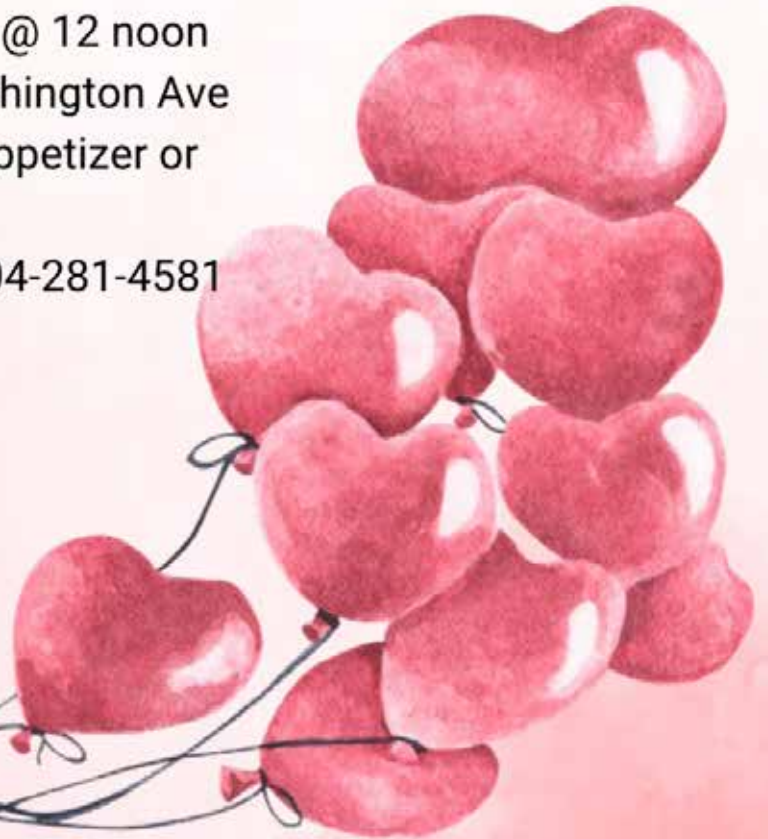
Saturday, February 15, 2025 @ 12 noon
Amy Miesel's home, 402 Washington Ave

Please bring your favorite appetizer or
snack to share.

Text RSVP to Stephanie @ 304-281-4581

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CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH
ESTD 2024





“WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?”

IMAGES OF JESUS

A 5-WEEK FORMATION STUDY

**THURSDAY EVENINGS AT 6:00 P.M.
STARTS FEBRUARY 20
CHANCERY CANTINA**

Facilitated by Shirley Carter

*Please register by February 17 by calling the Cathedral Parish Office
at 304-233-4121 or emailing tgreenwood@dwc.org*

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Marriage

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