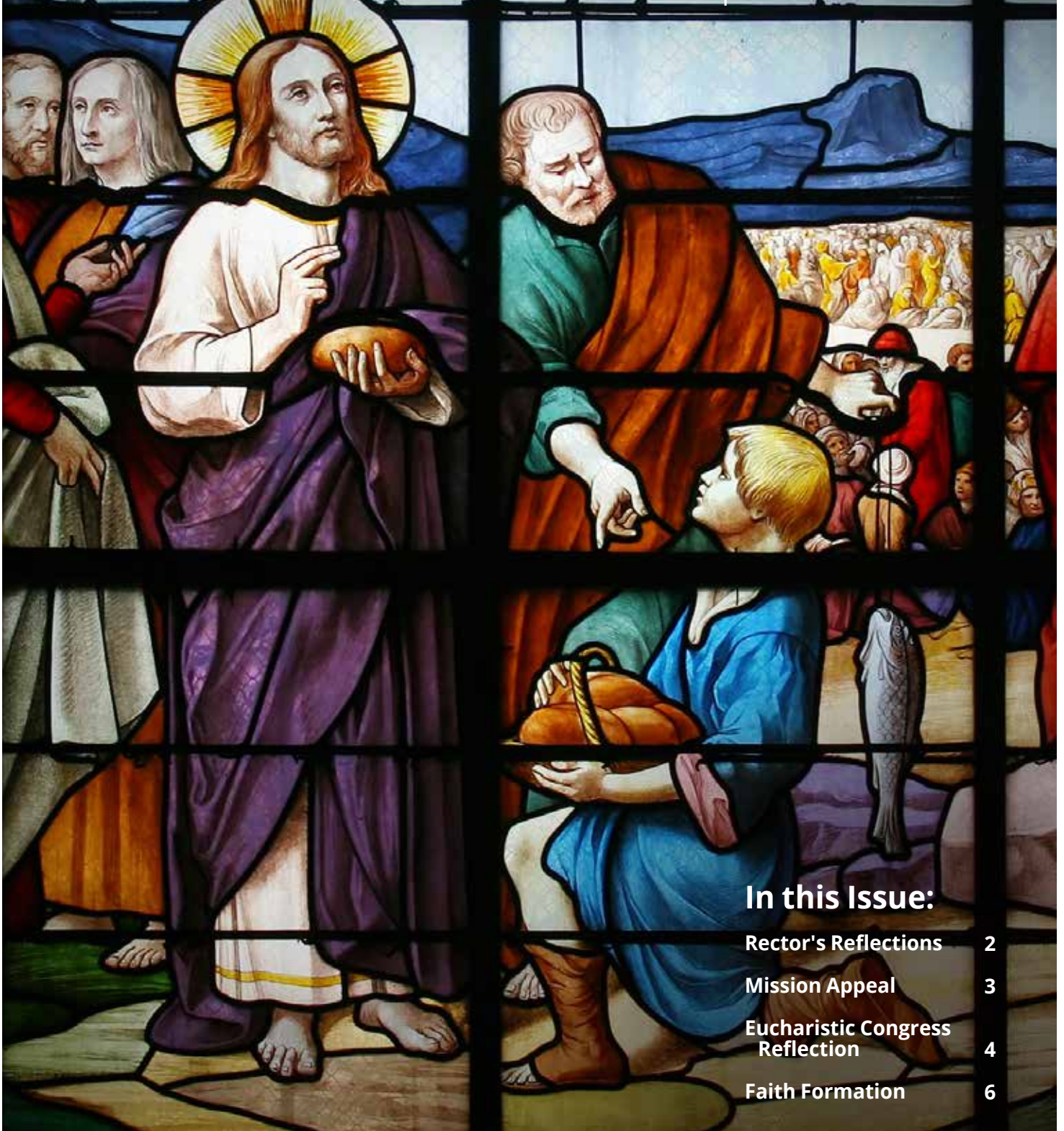


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Saint Joseph Cathedral Parish is called to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ as a community. We are committed: to our urban neighborhoods, to being the Cathedral of the Diocese, and to fellowship, formation, sacrament, and prayer.

This Week

July 28 - August 4, 2024

SUN 28 **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly*

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for Frank & Eve Purpura
9:00 am Mass for the Parishioners
10:30 am Mass for George & Mary Bridges

MON 29 **Memorial of Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus**

12:05 pm Mass for John F. Prascik

TUE 30 **Optional Memorial of St. Peter Chrysologus**

12:05 pm Mass for Daniel Schlosser

WED 31 **Memorial of St. Ignatius of Loyola**

12:05 pm Mass for Archbishop Francis B. Schulte
(Anniversary of Installation - 1985)
7:00 pm Sons of St. Joseph

THU 1 **Memorial of St. Alphonsus Liguori** *Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary*

12:05 pm Mass for Janet Castilow

FRI 2 **Optional Memorials of St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard** *First Friday*

11:15 am Confessions
12:05 pm Mass for CCHS Class of 1948
12:45 pm Eucharistic Adoration Begins
4:00 pm Holy Hour of Reparation
5:00 pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
6:00 pm Young Adults Cookout (*Cookout*)

SAT 3 **Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary** *First Saturday*

9:00 am Mass for James & Phylis Helfer & Family
9:30 am Rosary
5:00 pm Confessions
6:00 pm Mass for Joseph Truini

SUN 4 **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am Mass for John Glorioso
9:00 am Book Club (*Rectory*)
10:30 am Mass for the Parishioners



RECTOR'S REFLECTIONS

Dear Friends in Christ Jesus,

This Sunday, we begin the 5-week Bread of Life Discourse from the Gospel of John, starting with the miracle of feeding the five thousand. This profound narrative invites us to delve deeply into the mystery of the Eucharist, the very heart of our faith.



How fitting it is that we begin this reflection on Jesus, the Bread of Life, just one week after the conclusion of the National Eucharistic Congress, where over 60,000 people, including several of our own parishioners, gathered in Indianapolis for this monumental event! The Congress was a powerful reminder of Christ's enduring presence among us, His Body given for the life of the world. Join us in praying that the fire of the Holy Spirit that was reignited at the Congress may renew Eucharistic amazement and devotion in our parish, our diocese, and throughout our country!

Today also marks the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, reminding us of the invaluable role they play in our lives and faith communities. Their wisdom and experiences are treasures that nourish our spirits, much like the loaves and fish in today's Gospel.

As we reflect on these themes, let us commit to being nourished by the Bread of Life and to honoring our elders who have fed us with their love and faith. May the Holy Eucharist strengthen us to live out our faith with greater zeal and compassion.

Let us keep one another in prayer.

Father Pen

Stewardship Survey

We are asking every parishioner to complete a stewardship form and return it in the collection basket or by dropping it off at the Parish Offices. This survey is intended for use by all parishioners as a way to tailor our ministries at the Cathedral to best serve your needs and interests. Please take the time to participate in this brief survey. Thank you!



Mission Appeal

This weekend, July 27/28, we will be welcoming Fr. Boby Thomas, a missionary from Tanzania who will be speaking to use about the Missionary Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament and their important work. The Missionary Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament (MCBS) is a religious order from India working in Africa from 2009. At present 24 priests from our order serve in various ministries, each aiming to uplift the dignity and well-being of the most vulnerable.

1. Feeding the Hungry: Every day, through our midday meal program, we feed 6,492 children. These meals not only nourish their bodies but also enable them to attend school and concentrate on their studies, giving them hope for a better future.

2. Sheltering the Homeless: We build small houses for elderly and sick people who have no one to care for them. These modest homes provide shelter from the elements and a sense of security and dignity. In a world where the elderly are often forgotten, we remind them that they are loved and valued.

3. Supporting Families: We provide food kits to 120 elderly people and poor families, ensuring they have the necessities to survive.

4. Supplementary Tuition program: Additionally, our supplementary tuition and nutrition program during weekends reaches 2,120 children who are preparing for national exams, giving them the extra support they need to grow and thrive. These initiatives are lifelines, offering stability and hope in times of great need.

5. Empowering Women: By providing fertilizers and seeds to women's groups, we help them cultivate their land, improve their harvests, and become self-sufficient. We also distribute piglets, chickens, and lambs to poor families, enabling them to start small-scale farming businesses. This not only improves their nutrition but also provides a source of income, lifting them out of poverty.

6. Access to Clean Water: Access to clean and safe drinking water is a basic human right, yet many in Tanzania go without it. Through rainwater harvesting tanks and open wells we are helping communities access this vital resource.

7. Spiritual Nourishment: Our mission is not just about physical needs. We are deeply committed to the spiritual needs of the people we serve. Through catechesis, the celebration of the sacraments, and daily prayer, we bring the light of Christ to those who may feel forgotten or abandoned. In every act of service, we strive to reflect the love of God and the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ. We work in 6 different dioceses in 8 parishes and 83 village churches.

Help Build a Culture of Life!

The Cathedral of St. Joseph and St. Alphonsus parishes are delighted to be starting two new culture of life ministries: **St. Gianna Pro-Life** and **Walking with Moms in Need**, an initiative of the US bishops. These sister ministries will serve through prayer, direct care, education, witness, and resource-raising. **Our first organizational meeting is Tuesday, August 6 at 6:30pm in the St. Alphonsus Parish Hall.** Be a part of a great group of people doing dearly needed work together! If you are interested, but can't make this meeting, please leave a message at the parish office.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 2** - First Friday Adoration, 12:45-5pm
- August 2** - Holy Hour of Reparation, 4pm
- August 2** - Young Adults Cookout, 6pm
- August 4** - Book Club, 9am
- August 15** - Solemnity of the Assumption
- August 27** - St. Monica Mass, 6pm
- September 7** - Diocesan Religious Mass, 6pm
- September 9** - Infant of Prague Novena Begins, 7pm
- September 21** - Fall Festival, Noon-9pm

INVITING ALL YOUNG ADULTS TO A SUMMER COOKOUT

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2
6:00 TO 8:00 PM

CATHEDRAL COURTYARD
1300 EOFF STREET
WHEELING, WV

FREE FOOD & DRINKS • MUSIC • PICKLEBALL



First Friday Adoration & Holy Hour

This Friday, 12:45pm - 5:00pm

Everyone is invited to join us for Eucharistic Adoration this Friday which begins after the 12:05pm Mass. **At 4:00pm, a Holy Hour of Reparation to the Sacred Heart will be celebrated which will conclude with Benediction.** One of the intentions of this Holy Hour is to bring people back to the Faith by fostering spiritual renewal and healing through focused prayer and reflection on Jesus' love and mercy.

Collection
July 21, 2024
Envelopes: \$2267
Loose: \$1252 / Online: \$591
Total: \$4110
Attendance: 182
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FIRE UP YOUR FAITH



Living for the Greater Glory of God

Etched on the cornerstone of our Cathedral Church is "AMDG" - *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam*. The origin of the phrase, *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam*, "for the greater glory of God" is attributed to the founder of the Jesuits, Saint Ignatius of Loyola, whose memorial we celebrate next Sunday on July 31. Ignatius intended this phrase to serve as a cornerstone sentiment of the Jesuits' religious philosophy.

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To live *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam* is to lay claim to a legacy of "otherness" that sets us apart and puts us at ease with any culture or people, a completely integrated otherness that seeks to make all things whole.

Called together at one table, unity in diversity, one family, working together to realize heaven on earth. Answering the call to serve and to glorify, in all ways, the Love that always finds a way.

'We've Got This': Answering the Call of the Eucharistic Congress

For five days in the middle of summer, people from every walk of life filled an NFL football stadium to host, and adore, Jesus.

By: Tyler Greenwood, (From the National Catholic Register)

In downtown Indianapolis, amidst a bustling crowd of 60,000 people, a man stood defiantly on a street corner, clutching a blow horn and a copy of the Ten Commandments.

Pilgrims young and old had traveled near and far to participate in an event that hadn't occurred in more than 80 years.

As the crowd eagerly jostled for a spot to view the Eucharistic procession, the evangelical protester seized the moment to mock the faithful, attempting to disrupt the reverence of the occasion.

From the throng of pilgrims, one individual stepped forward with unwavering resolve. With a gentle hand placed on the protester's shoulder and a compassionate gaze, this faithful pilgrim met the protester's eyes and simply said, "We've got this."

In that instant, something remarkable happened: The protester, perhaps moved by the unexpected kindness and quiet confidence, calmly packed up his belongings and walked away. And we continued to follow Our Lord in the middle of Indiana's capital city.

Encountering the Real Presence

Before the start of the National Eucharistic Congress, my wife and I attended a Mass celebrated by New York Cardinal Timothy Dolan at the Indianapolis Cathedral.

Bishop Gerardo Colacicco, an auxiliary bishop of New York, preached the homily. He recounted a story from his childhood when another auxiliary bishop from New York led a highly anticipated annual pilgrimage to the North American Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville, New York.



Filled with excitement over the invitation to join his aunt and uncle, young Gerardo asked his parents for permission to attend, with a bold request to wear his brand-new school pants. His mother agreed, with the condition that he did not get them dirty.

The day was filled with talks, Holy Mass and an outdoor Eucharistic procession. When everyone began to kneel as the procession passed by, he hesitated, worrying about dirtying his pants in the rain-soaked mud.

As the bishop approached with the monstrance, Aunt Sarah's voice rang out, "Young man, that is your Lord passing by, kneel down!" A push to the back of his knee landed him in the mud.

Despite the surprise and embarrassment, he was in awe as the bishop passed by with Jesus. In that moment, he realized, "This must really be Jesus!" From then on, his belief in the Real Presence was confirmed.

Sacred Days in a Stadium

For five days in the middle of summer, people from every walk of life filled an NFL football stadium that hosted a Super Bowl and the recent Olympic swimming trials and will soon welcome Taylor Swift fans.

In the middle of all this, fittingly so, the stadium was privileged to host, and adore, Jesus himself, accompanied by tens of thousands of his followers, from repentant sinners to living saints.

Those gathered in person and those who participated virtually, thanks to livestreaming and EWTN, witnessed stunningly beautiful liturgies, inspiring talks and palpable energy.

One of the most striking aspects was the profound joy among everyone present. Impatience and annoyance are often inevitable in an ordinary setting with a crowd of this size. Yet that was not the case. What I witnessed was true happiness and unity, a sense of togetherness that can only come from a life rooted in the Eucharistic Lord, who prayed "that all may be one."

New Day Dawning

When the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage made a stop in Wheeling, West Virginia, on its way to the congress, I remember hearing the "Perpetual Pilgrims" sing the contemporary worship song 10,000 Reasons during the procession from the Cathedral of St. Joseph to St. Alphonsus Church.



"The sun comes up; it's a new day dawning. ... Bless the Lord, O my soul," the lyrics go.

Hearing this song a few weeks later in Lucas Oil Stadium, sung by thousands of people who love the Lord, brought tears to my eyes.

I am convinced that a new day is dawning, prompted by the Eucharistic Revival. It is obvious that something big is happening, but we shouldn't be surprised. As a dear priest friend of mine likes to say, when we put Christ at the center, things change.

At the end of this monumental event, everyone was charged with a crucial yet familiar task: to take this message "to the ends of the earth." We've heard it before: "Go and make disciples of all nations!"

So, how are we going to do it? I think we know the answer. We'll follow the bold example of millions throughout the ages who have kept the Church alive amidst persecution, scandal and passivity.

True and faithful Catholics are not indifferent to the needs of the poor, the stranger and the vulnerable. They are not hesitant to kneel in the muddiness of the world, not to passing political leaders or trends, but to the true King present in our midst. They recognize him as Our Lord and are not afraid to stand up and speak the stabilizing truth to a society that desperately needs it.

With confidence and love, and strengthened by the Eucharist, they say to those who are unsure: "We've got this!"



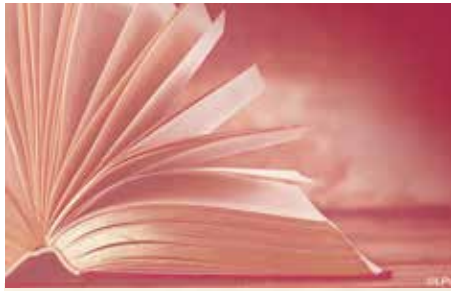
The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary takes place on the day after the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, usually in June, but in this month when we celebrate Mary's Assumption (August 15) and her Coronation or Queenship (August 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



SAINTS OF THE WEEK



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Week of July 28

THIS SUNDAY

2 Kings 4:42-44
Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18
Ephesians 4:1-6
John 6:1-15

MONDAY

Jeremiah 13:1-11
(Ps) Deuteronomy 32:18-19, 20, 21
John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42

TUESDAY

Jeremiah 14:17-22
Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13
Matthew 13:36-43

WEDNESDAY

Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21
Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18
Matthew 13:44-46

THURSDAY

Jeremiah 18:1-6
Ps 146:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Matthew 13:47-53

FRIDAY

Jeremiah 26:1-9
Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14
Matthew 13:54-58

SATURDAY

Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24
Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34
Matthew 14:1-12

NEXT SUNDAY

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15
Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54
Ephesians 4:17, 20-24
John 6:24-35

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 them in union with the whole Church.

July 29 - Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus (1st century)

Martha is remembered as the bustling woman chided by Christ for being "anxious and worried about many things" (Lk 10:41) while her more contemplative sister, Mary, chose "the better part" (Lk 10:42). Lazarus is the brother of Mary and Martha and the one whom Jesus restored to life in the Gospel of John.

July 30 - Saint Peter Chrysologus, bishop, doctor of the Church (406-450)

Not much is known about Saint Peter Chrysologus, other than he was bishop of Ravenna from about the year 433 until his death. One hundred seventy-six of his homilies survive. He was given the name Chrysologus, or "golden-worded," for his eloquent preaching.

July 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola, priest (1491-1556)

St. Ignatius of Loyola changed the world as the founder of the Jesuits, and his Spiritual Exercises have come a model of Christian discernment and discipline. When his military career was cut abruptly short by injury, St. Ignatius found new purpose in following the example of Christ and the saints with the same vigor that would become characteristic of the order he founded - the Society of Jesus, commonly known as the Jesuits. *Patronage:* Jesuits; retreatants; soldiers

August 1 - St. Alphonsus Liguori, bishop, doctor of the Church (1696-1787)

St. Alphonsus Liguori, a child prodigy, became a lawyer. A legal error became the door God used to invite change into his life. Alphonsus became a preacher to the poor, the less educated, and those in need. He viewed the Eucharist as a means to holiness. *Patronage:* confessors; moral theologians; against arthritis

August 2 - St. Peter Julian Eymard, priest (1811-1868)

St. Peter Julian Eymard changed immensely after he had an overwhelming experience of God's love while carrying the Blessed Sacrament during the Corpus Christi procession. He decided to leave the Marist order to found the Blessed Sacrament Fathers, a community dedicated to perpetual adoration of the Eucharist. He believed adoration of the Eucharist was not an end in itself, but a means to evangelization and service.

FAITH FORMATION

First Communion & Confirmation Classes

It's time to register for the 2024-2025 First Communion and Confirmation Classes. To register or for more information, please contact Ms. Debbie Fahey at 304-233-4121 or dfahey@dwc.org. *The deadline for registration is September 1.*

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Starting September 22

We are excited to once again offer a special Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 a.m. Mass for all children who are present. More information about this ministry will be announced in the coming weeks.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

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 Deacon Jacob Manning at 304-280-9684 or jmanning@dwc.org.



St. Alphonsus Liguori Feast Day Celebration at St. Alphonsus Parish

Thursday, August 1, 2024

2111 Market Street, Wheeling, WV



Plan to join us for special events at the church in honor of our Patron!

The Church open for visits 9 am- 3 pm with tours at 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, and 7:30 pm.

Confessions will be heard from 5:00 -5:45 pm.
Holy Mass at 6:00 pm *

*Pizza dinner with cake will follow in Columbia Hall, monetary donations appreciated.

*This special Feast Day corresponds with the **Portiuncula Indulgence!***



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

Spiritual Communion

Question:

What is spiritual communion, and do you need to be in a state of grace to receive it?

Answer:

The practice of making a “spiritual communion” dates back several centuries and St. Thomas Aquinas described it as “an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him.” Traditionally, a prayer of spiritual communion has been used by those who are unable to receive sacramental communion because of health, inability to attend Mass, or who cannot receive communion because of grave sin. This practice has been encouraged by many saints and spiritual writers and most recently Pope Francis encouraged the practice when the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic prevented so many Catholics from taking part in the Mass or receiving sacramental communion.

Although the graces offered in spiritual communion are not the same as those offered in the sacramental communion of the Mass, this practice is still a powerful opportunity to express our desire for union with the Lord and to be united with Christ and the Church, even in an imperfect way.

Rest In Peace

Please remember in your prayers:

Charles "Chuck" DeBeni

Millie Bisocchi

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



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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

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.



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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)

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.

O.C.I.A.

If you feel you are being called to join the Catholic Church, please contact Deacon Jacob Manning.

MARRIAGE

Engaged couples who are members of the Cathedral parish should contact the parish office.

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 one of our priests or deacons.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration forms can be obtained through the parish office. Please notify the parish of address changes through contacting the office or by visiting the website.

