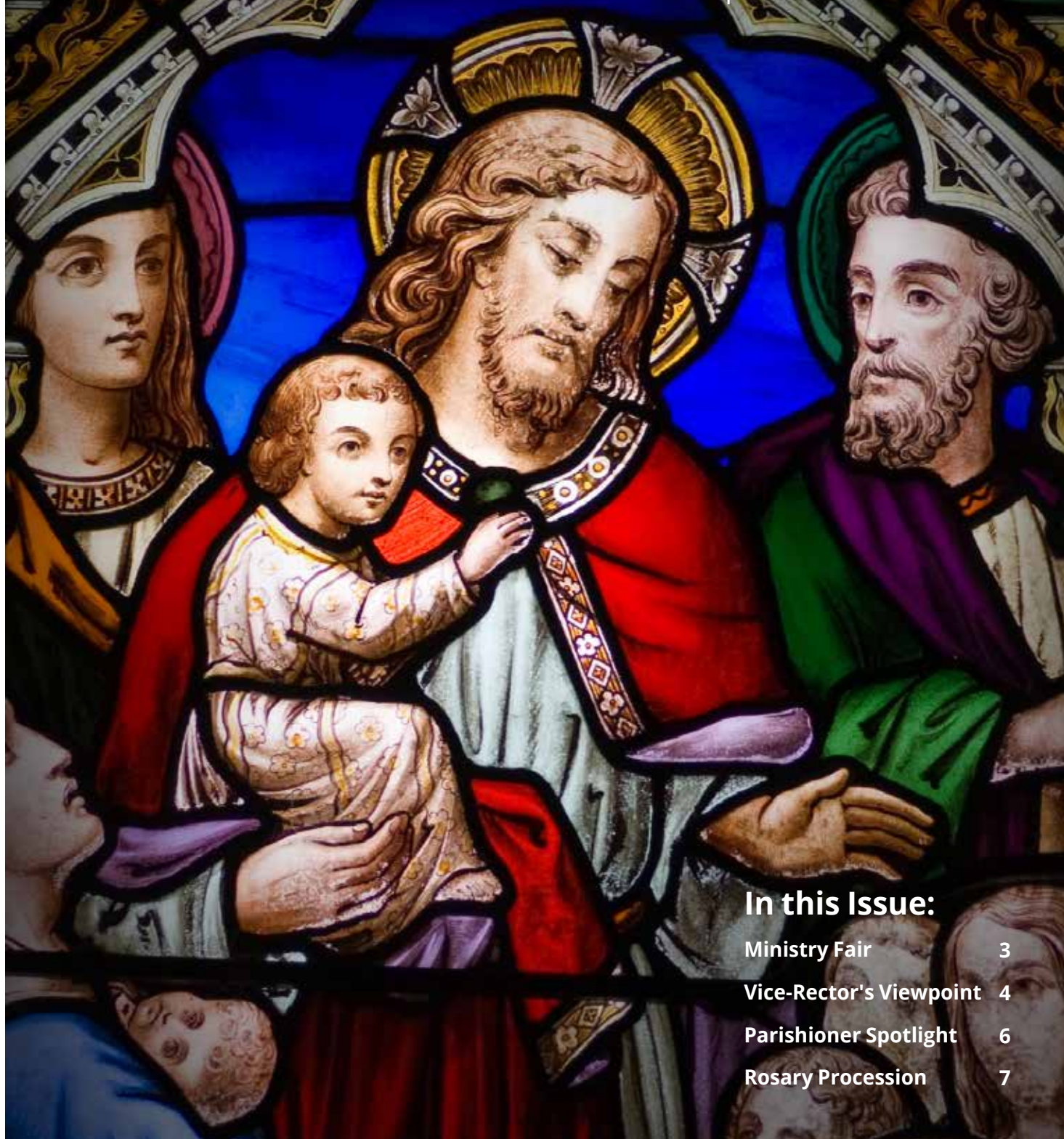


# THE Cathedral Courier

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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 15 - 22, 2024

## SUN 22 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 pm (Sat) Mass for the Parishioners  
8:00 am Mass for Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery  
9:15 am OCIA (Parish Offices)  
10:30 am Mass for Carole Sacco

## MON 23 Memorial of St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

11:30 am Pro-Life Rosary  
12:05 pm Mass for Mildred & Fred Risovich  
7:00 p.m. Infant of Prague Novena

## TUE 24 Weekday in Ordinary Time

12:05 pm Mass for Craig A. Petrella

## WED 25 Weekday in Ordinary Time

12:05 pm Mass for Dr. A.D. Ghaphery

## THU 26 Memorial of Sts. Cosmas and Damian

12:05 pm Mass for Roseanna Thoman  
7:30 pm Young Adults Bible Study (Parish Office)

## FRI 27 Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul

11:15 am Confessions  
12:05 pm Mass for Nadine Greenwood

## SAT 28 Optional Memorial of St. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions

9:00 am Mass for Dale Shutler  
9:30 am Rosary  
5:00 pm Confessions  
6:00 pm Mass for Patricia Oglinsky

## SUN 29 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Mass for the Parishioners  
9:15 am OCIA (Parish Offices)  
10:30 am Mass for Emilie Cook



## RECTOR'S REFLECTIONS

Dear Friends in Christ Jesus,

In our Second Reading this Sunday, St. James asks a tough question: "Where do the conflicts among you come from?" (James 4:1). His answer points to the human heart: jealousy, selfish ambition, and unrestrained desires lead to discord. However, the solution is found in seeking God's wisdom, which is "pure, peaceable, gentle, full of mercy" (James 3:17).



St. James invites us to reflect on whether we're fostering peace or fueling conflict. Do we let envy or selfishness guide our decisions, or do we seek the wisdom that leads to peace? As we come together in our parish this weekend, let's ask God to fill our hearts with His peace and help us to live in harmony with one another.

This weekend is also a time of beginnings! We are excited to start Children's Liturgy of the Word once again, where our youngest members will encounter the Gospel in a way they can better understand and engage with. Let's keep our children and their leaders in prayer as they grow together in faith.

Additionally, we are launching a new season of OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults). This program is open to anyone interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Faith. If you know of anyone who is interested, there is still time to sign up. Please contact Deacon Jacob Manning for more information.

Looking ahead, we invite you to our Stewardship Fair next weekend, September 28/29, after all Masses. This is a perfect opportunity to learn more about the various ministries and groups in our parish. Whether you've been thinking about getting involved or just want to see how you can serve, we encourage you to stop by and find where God may be calling you to give of your time and talents.

May God's peace be with you this week, and may we all grow in the wisdom and love that lead to unity.

Father Pen

**Father Pen traveled to India this past week to be with his father, whose health continues to decline. Please keep Father Pen and his family in your prayers**



## Stay Connected With Us!

Keep in touch with us via e-mail and text!

**Text CSJ to 84576 or  
visit [cathedralofstjoseph1.flocknote.com](http://cathedralofstjoseph1.flocknote.com)  
to sign up**

**STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND**  
*Ministry Fair*

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

**SEPTEMBER 28 & 29  
FOLLOWING ALL MASSES  
CATHEDRAL COURTYARD**

## Stewardship Weekend

**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!

## Stewardship Survey Update

We are very grateful to all who participated in our recent Stewardship Survey. Following our ministry fair next weekend, we will compile the results to provide a clearer snapshot of the interests and needs of our parishioners. For those who have signed up for a ministry, training sessions will be held in the coming weeks.

**NOVENA TO THE**  
*Infant Jesus of Prague*

*"Bringing Others to Christ"*

**Week III - September 23**  
Rev. Chester Pabin  
Diocese of Steubenville

**Nine Consecutive Mondays at 7:00 p.m.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**September 28/29** - Stewardship Weekend, Ministry Fair  
**October 1** - St. Gianna Pro-Life Group, 6pm  
**October 4** - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration  
**October 5** - Blessing of Pets, 10am  
**October 9** - St. Monica Prayer Group, 6pm  
**October 11** - Candlelight Rosary Procession, 7pm  
**October 26** - White Mass for Healthcare Professionals, 6pm



## Children's Liturgy of the Word Begins this Sunday, September 22

We are excited to restart our Children's Liturgy of the Word ministry this Sunday! This ministry gathers young children, ages 4 to 10, for an age-appropriate experience of sacred scripture and will be offered during the Sunday 10:30a.m. Mass on most weekends. Children are dismissed after the opening prayer and gather in in a room in the upper sanctuary to hear the readings and reflect on the Gospel. After a profession of faith and intercessions, children return to Mass during the offering.

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

In Honor of St. Francis of Assisi

**Saturday, October 5, 2024**  
**10:00 am**  
**Cathedral Courtyard Plaza**



**Collection**  
**September 15, 2024**  
 Envelopes: \$1512  
 Loose: \$1476 / Online: \$358  
**Total: \$3346**  
 Attendance: 208  
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# CATHEDRAL CONNECTIONS



## “TEACH US TO PRAY”

Living the Year of Prayer  
in Preparation for Jubilee 2025

### The Eucharist: The Heart of our Prayer Life

**During this Year of Prayer designated by Pope Francis to prepare us for the 2025 Jubilee Year, we will present a series of reflections here over the next few weeks on how to best live out this Year of Prayer:**

The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Christian life, and it holds a central place in our prayer journey, especially during this Year of Prayer. In the Eucharist, we encounter Jesus Christ in His most intimate and profound presence, offering Himself to us as the Bread of Life. This sacred encounter nourishes our souls and strengthens our prayer life, grounding us in the love and mercy of Christ.

This week, make a special effort to deepen your relationship with Jesus through the Eucharist. If possible, attend Mass more frequently, not just on Sundays, but also during the week. Consider spending time in Eucharistic Adoration, where you can sit quietly in the presence of Christ, bringing your prayers, hopes, and struggles before Him. Reflect on the mystery of the Eucharist, where Christ becomes truly present—body, blood, soul, and divinity. Allow this profound reality to transform your prayer life, drawing you into a deeper communion with Christ and a greater love for His Church.

## Vice-Rector's Viewpoint

**By: Fr. John Soplinski**

Brothers and sisters, there are good things taking place in our Diocese, and specifically in our beloved Cathedral Parish. But, as in today's Gospel the Apostles are asking who is the greatest among them, we are reminded that all good things come from our Heavenly Father, and we are to be humble, grateful and keep putting forth work in His vineyard for His glory!

Our St. Gianna Pro-Life Committee is beginning its work on behalf of the unborn. We ask you to participate at our next meeting, October 1st, at 6:00PM at St. Alphonsus. The meetings begin with the Pro-Life Rosary and continue with a short meeting on plans for fund-raising and action within the community.

On October 9th at St. Alphonsus the St. Monica's prayer group will have its first Adoration following the 6:00 PM Mass. I invite all of you to attend. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and the praises to Jesus' Divine Mercy. There will be Adoration & Benediction to follow.

We sincerely hope that you enjoy the Parish Festival this weekend. A big thanks to all the volunteers who have helped bring this celebration together. A particular thanks to our Festival Committee, who have worked tirelessly in attracting the vendors and musicians that have fed and entertained us. As we are celebrating the Diocese's 175th in 2025, and this St. Joseph's Cathedral's 100th Anniversary in 2026, we hope to count on your ideas, and your workmanship in enhancing our celebration's the next two years.

We have much for which we must pray. We ask that you continue to pray for our Rector, Fr. Pen and his family. He made it home safely and his father is at home receiving treatment. Let us pray that our Lord's will be done in the lives of Fr. Pen and his family, and that he returns safely to us as soon as is feasible.

May God Bless You!

## Courtyard Movie Night

Thank you to everyone who joined us this past Wednesday for our showing of *Cabrini*. It was a wonderful evening under the stars, enjoying a beautiful story of faith, courage, and service. A special thanks to all who helped make this night possible—from setting up to providing popcorn and drinks. Your support made it a memorable event!

**Stayed tuned for more fun events!**



# PARISH GROUPS

## Faith Sharing Book Club

Sunday, October 6 at 9:00am

Our Faith Sharing Book Club is now reading *Go to Heaven - A Spiritual Road Map to Eternity* by Fulton J. Sheen. Join us for a discussion of chapters 5 - 11 on Sunday, October 6th at 9 a.m. in the rectory. We will also be selecting new books to read this fall.

## Young Adults Bible Study

Thursday, September 26, 7:30pm  
Cathedral Parish Offices

We're currently working our way through the Acts of the Apostles. To sign up or for more information, please e-mail Fr. Soplinski at [jsoplinski@dwc.org](mailto:jsoplinski@dwc.org).



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 the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.



SONS of  
SAINT JOSEPH

We invite **ALL THE MEN** of the parish to come and 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.

Please see our booth at the  
Stewardship Ministry Fair next weekend!

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## St. Gianna Pro-Life Ministry



Please join the St. Gianna Pro-Life group in praying a little one to birth! For whom are you called to pray? Once you've discerned the baby and given him/her a name, simply fill out the commitment card and place it in the basket by our special poster at the front of the church. Keep the Certificate of Spiritual Adoption as a reminder to pray for your little one!

Join us for our monthly Cathedral pro-life rosary,  
Monday, September 23rd at 11:30, before the 12:05 mass.

Our next gathering will be on Tuesday, October 1  
at 6:00 p.m. at St. Alphonsus in Wheeling.

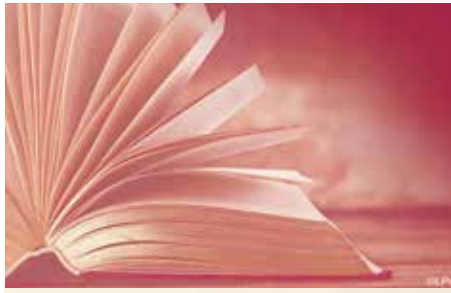
### DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Is interested in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?
- Has been sitting in the pew next to your Catholic spouse for years wondering what to do to become Catholic?



Registration for the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is open, with classes beginning next Sunday, September 22. If you want to join or know someone who wants to be Catholic, please contact the Parish Office or Deacon Jacob Manning at 304-280-9684 or [jmanning@dwc.org](mailto:jmanning@dwc.org).

# SAINTS OF THE WEEK



## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### Week of September 22

#### THIS SUNDAY

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20  
Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8  
James 3:16—4:3  
Mark 9:30-37

#### MONDAY

Proverbs 3:27-34  
Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5  
Luke 8:16-18

#### TUESDAY

Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13  
Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44  
Luke 8:19-21

#### WEDNESDAY

Proverbs 30:5-9  
Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44  
Luke 8:19-21

#### THURSDAY

Ecclesiastes 1:2-11  
Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17  
Luke 9:7-9

#### FRIDAY

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11  
Ps 114:1, 2, 3-4  
Luke 9:18-22

#### SATURDAY

Ecclesiastes 11:9—12:8  
Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17  
Luke 9:43-45

#### NEXT SUNDAY

Numbers 11:25-29  
Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14  
James 5:1-6  
Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

*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 23 - St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), priest (1887-1968)

Padre Pio was a humble Capuchin friar known for his deep spirituality, the stigmata he bore, and his profound ability to read souls in the confessional. His devotion to prayer, the Eucharist, and healing the sick drew thousands to him, and his life of suffering and miracles continues to inspire people around the world. *Patronage: confessors*

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

Sts. Cosmas and Damian were twin brothers who offered free medical care, embodying Christian charity by treating the poor without charge. They were arrested during the Diocletian persecutions and beheaded for their faith. *Patronage: twins; barbers*

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

St. Vincent de Paul co-founded the Daughters of Charity with St. Louise de Marillac, creating a community devoted to serving the poor, sick, and imprisoned without the constraints of traditional vows. His legacy of charity continues to inspire countless organizations dedicated to helping those in need. *Patronage: charities, hospitals*

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

St. Wenceslaus, the Duke of Bohemia, worked tirelessly to Christianize his mostly pagan people, but his efforts were met with resistance. He was murdered by his brother, and as he died, Wenceslaus prayed for his brother's forgiveness. *Patronage: Czech Republic*

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

St. Lawrence Ruiz, a father of three, fled to Japan to escape persecution but was arrested under Japan's anti-Christian edicts. He and his companions were martyred for refusing to renounce their Catholic faith, joining hundreds of other martyrs in Japan's history. *Patronage: Philippines; overseas workers*

We are proud to recognize one of our dedicated altar servers, Dominic Brown, for his recent achievement! Dominic, a new transfer student to Wheeling Park High School, was elected Secretary of the Class of 2027 (sophomore class) last week. His commitment to serving our parish community as an altar server reflects the same dedication and leadership he brings to his school. We wish Dominic all the best in his studies and new role at Wheeling Park and look forward to seeing him continue to grow in faith and service.

**Keep up the great work, Dominic!**

### Parishioner Spotlight



*Dominic Brown*

## September 28/29 Liturgical Ministers

	Greeter	Altar Server	Reader	EM
<b>Saturday 6:00 pm</b>	Yvonne K. Judy M.	Martin I. Sarah M.	Rose Marie C.	Judy R. Paul R.
<b>Sunday 8:00 am</b>	Kathleen B. Paul B.	Tamora M. Julia S.	Jim E.	Teresa H. Tony H.
<b>Sunday 10:30 am</b>	Walter B. Stephanie B.	The Brown Family	Chris T. Shawn T.	Bill H. Diane F.



**Catholic Charities**  
**Neighborhood Center**

**Spaghetti Dinner** | **Sept. 22** Sunday  
 11a-5p

**ccwva.org** GET TICKETS ONLINE  
 or at 125 18th Street, Wheeling



*Candlelight Rosary Procession*

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11**  
**7:00 PM**

Procession begins at **St. Alphonsus Church**  
 and ends at the **Cathedral of St. Joseph**

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

- |                       |                        |                   |                 |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 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         | Geri Adams Nagy        | Workman           | Stanley Kyrcc   |
| Brian Hanasky         | Hines Rotriga          | Mark Davis        | Susan Graff     |
| Brogan Gallentine     | Jean Schultz           | Marshall South    | Susan Mize      |
| Caleb Hlebiczkzi      | Jim Antill             | Martha Yocum      | Susan Schulte   |
| Carol Young           | Jim and Dee            | Mary K. Schlosser | Susanna Kress   |
| Carolyn Lash          | Jimmy Hocking          | Mary Walicki      | Tammy           |
| Carolyn Wiethe        | 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](http://www.dwc.org) under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods



**WHY DO WE DO THAT?**

**Catholic Life Explained:**

*Saints*

**Question:**

Why do Catholics pray to the saints?

**Answer:**

Catholics believe in the "communion of saints," which means that the faithful on earth, the souls in purgatory, and the saints in heaven are all united in the Body of Christ. When Catholics pray to saints, they are not worshipping them but asking for their intercession, much like asking a friend to pray for you. Saints are men and women who lived holy lives, following Christ faithfully, and are now with Him in heaven. Because they are close to God, their prayers are powerful. Saints also serve as role models of faith. For example, Catholics might pray to St. Anthony when they've lost something or to St. Thérèse for guidance in everyday life. These saints, having gone before us, provide inspiration and support through their prayers as we navigate our own spiritual journeys.

The saints also show us that holiness is attainable. Each saint has a unique story, some filled with struggles, failures, and conversions, which reminds us that no matter where we are in life, we too can become saints. By reflecting on their lives and praying for their intercession, we grow in our own relationship with God. The saints act as spiritual companions, guiding us through their example and offering hope that we can overcome our weaknesses through God's grace. Their prayers are like heavenly support, helping us to persevere in faith and trust in God's will for our lives.



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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 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.

