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Saturday, 6:30 p.m.
 Sunday, 10:30 a.m.
 12:30 p.m. (Latin)

Wednesday and Saturday, 6:00pm,
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Wed., 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 5:00 to 5:45p.m.

Sunday, 10:30 - 12:30
Monday, 9 - 4
Tuesday, 9 - 4
Wednesday, 12 - 5
Thursday, 9 - 1
Friday, 9 - 1

Dr. Ian Scheu, Principal
Regina Frazier, Secretary

- Go to formed.org/signup
- Enter Weston's zip code—26452
- Register with your name and email address
- Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

Over the Air : Ch 7.3

Ch 13 & Ch 104 (HD)

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am,
Saturday: 9:30 a.m.

Amen.

- **Those who are sick:** Jim Arsenault, Nick Bakas, Pat Broschart, Jean Scott Chase, Rose Determan, Tom Fealy, Marsha Garton, Catherine Griffin, Robert Hamilton, Courtney Heimberger, Fr. John Hollowell, Shirley Hubbs, Mary Jo Hull, Mike Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, Pam Mahdavi, Julia Marsh, Philomena Martin, Steve Moran, Ed and Mary Ann Murray, Susan Murray, Delores Paugh, Steve Perrine, Raylee Rahming, Catherine Ratliff, John Riley, Mike Riley, Keith Rose, Sheila Sayre, Jim Shaver, Cindy Sumpter, Mary Taylor, Helen Tomaro, Aaron Wegman, Philip Woodruff
- **Those who have died:** May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- **All Military Personnel:** Alan Hamilton, Aaron Hamilton, Stephen Lindsey, R. Brody Springer, Justin Stark
- **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**
- **Former priests and religious of our churches**
- **Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.**
- **All diagnosed with Covid 19**
- **All health care workers, first responders, mail carriers and essential employees**

- Sunday, December 27, Sunday in the Octave of Christmas
- Monday, December 28, Holy Innocents, Martyrs
- Tuesday, December 29, Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas
- Wednesday, December 30, Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas
- Thursday, December 31, Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas
- Friday, January 1, The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
- Saturday, January 2, Feria in Christmastide

If you would like to memorialize the sanctuary lamp in honor/memory of someone for a two-week period, please call the parish office at 304-269-3048. The donation is \$20. The lamp is burning December 6—19 in honor of Steve Moran .

Mass Schedule for the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

- Thursday, December 31, 2020, 4:00 p.m.
- Friday, January 1, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

Attendance & Collections

Saturday 34
Sunday (10:30) 69
Sunday (Latin) 45

General \$7287

Loan Balance \$77,929.47

Second and Special Collections

- December 25: Catholic Charities WV



Giving Tuesday Update

Remember, you can give to the Giving Tuesday Campaign at the parish level until December 31, 2020. All donations to this campaign are free from PHRA and Cathedraticum assessment!

12 Christmas PRAYERS

1 Faith Father God, it is by Your grace we have been saved, and through our faith - this is not from ourselves, but a gift from you - not by our works. Ephesians 2:8-9

2 Hope May the God of Hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in Hope. Romans 15:4

3 Love Help us to love because You first loved us. 1 John 4:19

4 Forgiveness Thank you for being faithful and just in forgiving us our sins and thus purging us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

5 Mercy Let us be merciful, just as our Father is merciful. Luke 6:36

6 Kindness Let us be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as through Jesus, You forgave us. Ephesians 4:32

7 Generosity Let us be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, and to give the glory and thanks to you Lord! 2 Corinthians 9:11

8 Compassion Let us live in harmony with one another, be sympathetic and compassionate, love as brothers, and be humble. 1 Peter 3:8

9 Joy Let us be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12

10 Salvation Thank you for providing Jesus who is the way, the truth, the life and the only way to You. John 14:6

11 Obedience Help us to not merely listen to Your Word, and so deceive ourselves. Help us do what it says. James 1:22-25

12 Life Thank you for coming that we may have life, and have it to the full. John 10:10



Looking Back on 2020

Merry Christmas, Everyone!

It's your "favorite" parish secretary. It's 5:00 a.m. December 23, 2020. I should be sleeping, but I was so excited about dressing up as "Buddy the Elf" yesterday that I forgot to take a medicine that I need to take in the morning until yesterday evening. So here I am, bright-eyed and bushy-tailed starting my day earlier than I usually would by listening to Keith Nester praying the rosary on YouTube, thinking about what I need to accomplish today, and reflecting on 2020.

Normally, we do a bulletin for Christmas and a bulletin for the weekend after. However, this year has taught us how to adapt, and Christmas is on a Friday so, it is one bulletin for both.

Speaking of 2020, I've heard it referred to as the year that just keeps giving. That was said with a negative connotation because it has been a pretty crappy year in so many ways. But, if you think about it, it has been a good year in many ways. These are some of the insights I've picked up this year. When all this began back began in March, I mistakenly thought everything would go back to normal in a few weeks, and it would all be over. Silly me. I didn't realize that nine months later, we would still not be back to normal. And that "normal" now is very different from what it was then.

I was lost and out of sync when the shutdown began. The first week of being home with my furbabies and not stressing about getting things done at the office was pretty nice. I stayed busy attempting to catch up on things I had neglected around the house. (I'm still not caught up!) But then it was week two and week three with Easter rapidly approaching with no end in sight. I tried working from home and let me tell you, kudos to ALL of you who have successfully accomplished that feat. It is a skill that this "old dog" couldn't learn. So, I went to the office, loved on Max, and started catching up on things there that had been neglected over the years. (I'm still not caught up!) Hmmm, I'm beginning to see a pattern. Guess I know what I need to work on in 2021.

2020 has helped me to learn to prioritize better. Though I still have a long way to go. I need to put God higher on that list. I can't just keep getting by with working at the church and thinking that counts as making him number one. It doesn't.

I need to call my mom more and visit her more. She lives alone since dad passed in February of 2016. This year made me think of all the people who are in the same position as my mom. If you know someone like this, whether they are family or not, stop for visit or just give them a call. This does not just apply to older people. There are a lot of younger people who would appreciate and benefit from this as well.

I have learned that while virtual learning is challenging for students and teachers, it can be a blessing for grandparents with good internet! And thankfully my grandkids' mom is a teacher. If I can't help them, I can tell them to check with their mom.

Speaking of teaching and kids, I want to say that I am thankful that I do not have a school-aged child and am thankful I am not a teacher during this time. If you are home-schooling, doing virtual, or in the classroom, I respect you.

A lot of people lost loved ones this year. Some died alone in the hospital with no family around them. This breaks my heart. In November, my brother passed away at home after a long battle with cancer. While my siblings nor myself were by his side when he passed, I am thankful most of us were all able to be with him in the days leading up to his death. Say a prayer for the deceased and the family members who were not given this opportunity this year.

One thing I really miss this year, is not being able to hug friends and loved ones. I'm not talking about just randomly hugging people or strangers because that's weird. But hugging those who make our lives better—like the couple that just got married, the child who just received First Communion, a friend who is struggling with difficult news, an old friend you haven't seen. I've never thought of myself as a hugger but I guess I am.

I realized I like having my daughter in West Virginia. When she moved away in 2019, people would ask if I missed her. To which I would honestly answer no. I was proud of her for trying something new. And, we FacedTimed everyday. But, during this crazy year, it has been wonderful and comforting having her close to home. She lives in Grafton so it's close but not so close we get on each other's nerves. And she still FaceTime's me everyday, I just don't get to see the beautiful Florida sky behind her.

This is not a new insight but it does bear repeating. Living in a small town where everyone knows your business before you do is often frustrating. This year, it's nice to see people stepping up to help others. The church adopted out 24 angels. That is the largest number we have received since I have worked here. I had people calling after they were all adopted asking if we still had some. Sandy King from Our Neighbor called and asked if we could deliver the gifts to Stonewall Resort. I told her I would see what I could do, and thanks to my wonderful husband coming up with the idea, Bennett's lent us a driver and a truck for the delivery. If you see Brian Bennett, be sure to tell him thanks. We had a room full of presents that would have taken multiple vehicles to get there otherwise.

Our annual food drive was more successful than it has been the past couple of years. The Catholic Daughters, church, and school collected enough food for large food baskets for 96 people in twenty-six families! Thank you to EVERYONE who made this possible. With a very special thank you to Dr. Scheu, the school principal for allowing us to sort the donated items early. By doing this, we were able to immediately place the items in their spot when we had our drive through food drive! The whole process this year was seamless!

It's been a different year and a tough year but it hasn't all been bad. It's a matter of perspective. I'll leave you with a quote from one of my all-time favorite movies, Tombstone, "there's no normal life Wyatt, it's just life. Get on with it."

Thank you for being the great people you are! Merry Christmas!

