

St. Patrick Catholic Church

January 22, 2023

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Parish Office Hours
Monday & Tuesday, 9 - 4
Wednesday, 12 - 5
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Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday, 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses:
Mon., Thurs., & Fri., 8:15 a.m.
Wed., Immediately following
benediction at 5:45 p.m.
(See Weekly Schedule for any
changes to times or location!)

Reconciliation:
Wednesday, 5:00—5:40 p.m.
Friday, following Mass
Saturday, 5:00—5:20 p.m.
Sunday, 10:00—10:20 a.m.
Or by appointment.

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

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Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

The First Reading is taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 9:1-4. This reading is another prophecy, concerning the messianic days, given by Isaiah in the eighth century B.C. It describes the new era of liberty and joy, which the future Messiah will usher in.

The Second Reading is from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians 1:10-13, 17. St. Paul corrects the Corinthians for the pride that was causing them to form factions and divisions.

The Gospel is from St. Matthew 4:12-23. The prophet Isaiah announced a future of liberation and great joy for all of Galilee, through the image of light that dispels the darkness in which the people walk. The Gospel, quoting verbatim the same passage of the prophet Isaiah, presents Jesus as the Light thus fulfilling Isaiah's prophecy. He is the light that was promised to dispel the darkness of sin and to free man from the obscurity in which he is enclosed.

The light becomes an efficacious means to express God's involvement in human history. God manifests Himself as 'The Light' that disperses the darkness. The light illuminates, encircles, defines things, emphasizes the colors and gives depth to space. The light heartens and comforts: to be in an enlightened place helps us to accept reality for what it is and makes one feel happier, more certain and protected.

God's initiative with regard to men permits them to have a renewed relationship with reality. In God's light everything assumes a new significance, its authentic and definitive meaning. A light which illuminates gives strength and permits the disclosure of the universe and man. This is why, after saying, 'on those who dwell in the land of gloom a light has shone' (Is 9:1), the text adds, 'you have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing' (Is 9:2).

A joy and happiness that became real in Jesus' presence. He is the promised light that has come into our midst, His physical presence that expresses the definitive arrival of the Light. The light that shines brightly marks God's initiative performing His first merciful and free step towards a wounded humanity.

This dynamic is expressed through Jesus call of the first Apostles. He chooses them with an unequivocal call, 'Follow Me'. Faced with God's sudden interruption in their lives He invited them to abandon the nets and trust themselves totally to the Lord for a new 'catch', a new definitive horizon. At the Last Supper, the end of His earthly life, Jesus reminds His disciples 'you did not choose me, no, I chose you' (Jn 15:16).

This Sunday's Gospel invites us to remember that our personal vocation is founded on God's original and absolutely free choice. His invitation towards us, therefore, is an invitation to make a final decision to let Him conquer or re-conquer us to mark a turning point in our lives.

Let us ask the Lord, for us and the whole Church, for the gift of a true conversion of our hearts enabling us to receive Christ as the only Light to follow. Christ is the only one that really dispels the darkness within and around us.

—From the Dicastery for the Clergy



Catholic Schools Week Kick-Off Mass, Breakfast, and Open House

Please join us on Sunday, January 29 as we kick off the 49th Annual Catholic Schools Week. After Mass we will go to the school for a delicious breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and served by our secondary students. An Open House will be held so that perspective and/or returning families may tour the school and see for themselves why we are so proud of our school.

*So be true to your school now,
Just like you would to your
girl or guy
Be true to your school now,
And let your colors fly
Be true to your school.*

(The Beach Boys)

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, January 21, 2023	5:30 PM	Mass for †Sheila Sayre by Mary Ellen and Margaret Lydon
Sunday, January 22, 2023	10:30 AM	Mass for †Beth White Nichols by Mary Lynne Rupert-Catsam
Monday, January 23, 2023	8:15 AM	Mass for †Kay Rowan by family
Tuesday, January 24, 2023	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday, January 25, 2023	5:50 PM	Mass for †Thomas Dolan by Barbara Daugherty
Thursday, January 26, 2023	8:15 AM	Mass for †Matt McGovern
Friday, January 27, 2023	8:15 AM	Mass for †Rita A. Lydon by family
Saturday, January 28, 2023	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Sunday, January 29, 2023	10:30 AM	Mass for Deceased Alumni and Benefactors of St. Patrick School

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning January 15—28, 2023
in memory of Joe Murray.

Why is Mass Offered for Specific People?

The greatest prayer that we have as Christians is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. At each Mass, Christ's Sacrifice on Calvary is renewed and the graces achieved on the Cross are applied to souls for their salvation. This is why we have Masses offered for particular intentions.

Sanctuary Candle Intentions

The red Sanctuary Lamp by the tabernacle burns to remind us of the Eucharistic presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the Real Presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection for our Lord. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory or honor of a loved one, or to honor a special occasion, please contact the parish office. The cost of the candle is \$20.00. It will burn for two weeks. The memorial will also be published in the Bulletin.

Religious Education Spotlight

Each week we will feature what one of our catechesis programs is learning so that you can briefly refresh your catechetical knowledge.

You can never know too much about our faith!

This week's spotlight: RCIA
Topic: Marriage

- Marriage is one of the seven sacraments instituted by Christ. Christ raised marriage to the dignity of a sacrament, and it is validly contracted between a baptized man and a baptized woman in the state of sanctifying grace. (CCC 1601).
- Marriage is a covenant given by God for the good of the couple and for the procreation and upbringing of children (CCC 1650, 1652).
- Marriage is a sacrament in which couples are called to signify the union of Christ and the Church (CCC 1616–1617).
- Christian marriage can be seen as having four key aspects that are reflected in the wedding rite. Marriage involves a free, total, faithful, and fruitful gift of one's self. Like Christ's love for the Church, marriage is based on free consent, total self-giving, life-long commitment, and fruitfulness seen in a willingness to accept children as a gift from God (CCC 1625, 1628 ff.).
- Marriage is indissoluble, meaning it is lifelong and no human power can break its bonds (CCC 1644).

What is an annulment? An annulment is NOT a form of Catholic divorce— but an annulment happens when it is found that a sacramental marriage never took place.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 29-February 4, 2023
National Catholic Schools Week

Sunday, January 29

- 10:30 Mass to kick-off Catholic Schools Week
- 11:30 a.m., Breakfast and School Open House

Sunday, February 12

Donut Sunday



Wednesday February 22

Ash Wednesday

Thursday, March 2

7:00 p.m., Hope Scholarship informational meeting, cafeteria

Our Neighbor Collection

January: toilet paper and tissues

Items can be placed in the cabinet on the back porch of the parish office.

Donut Sunday

Our next Donut Sunday will be on February 12 in the cafeteria.



Together in Holiness Marriage Conference

February 11, 2023

St. Michael Church

Wheeling, WV

Presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

Registration: \$27/couple and \$18/individual

Scholarships available upon request.

On-site childcare (2-12yrs); pre-registration required.

For more information, please visit

togetherinholiness.org or email

TH@forlifeandfamily.org.

"There is no greater force against evil in the world than the love of a man and woman in marriage. After the Holy Eucharist, it has a power beyond anything that we can imagine....Surely it is true that whenever a couple has entered into marriage with all their mind and heart, the devil's going to be at work to try to spoil that home, because that home is a cradle of grace, where grace is received not only for the couple but for the children and for everyone who knows the family." **Cardinal Raymond Burke**

“Forward, always forward, everywhere forward! We must not be held back by debts, bad years or by difficulties of the times. Man's adversity is God's opportunity.”

Archabbot Boniface Wimmer, O.S.B.

Attendance & Collections

Saturday 6:00 p.m.: 76 \$ 999 (16 envelope and check donors)
 Sunday 10:30 a.m.: 203 \$1366 (15 envelope and check donors)
 Mail/Drop Box: \$ 650 (5 donors)
Total 279 \$3015

School \$100
 Votive Candles \$100 (2 weeks)
 Maintenance \$0
 Organ \$0
 Loan \$0

Please, write separate checks for the different funds and collections. Thank you!

Restoration loan balance: \$60,646.95
 Organ balance: \$84,711.07

Give electronically at: <https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing>

December MyEOffering Donations

General: \$2624.64
 School: \$300.00
 Maintenance: \$180.10
 Loan: 91.46

Utilities and Other Monthly Expenses

Utilities \$3386.97 (Church, Office, School & Gym)
Property Insurance \$3189.50 (Church and Office)
Copier Lease and copies \$455.85
Pest Control \$140

Prayer List

- **Those who are sick:** Bob Bleigh (Ruby), Nick Bakas, Jill Balser, Tom Blake, Larry Bowers, John Butcher, Courtney Clevenger, Kay Droppleman, Jed Easton, Brad Curtis, Rose Determan, Nyla Ebbert, Amy Flesher, Lynne Fultineer, Greg Garton, Marsha Garton, Sandy Gill, Robert Hamilton, Coretta Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, Matt McCauley, Jamie Mick, Shirley Murchland, Susan Murray, Heather Haddix Nicholas, Raylee Rahming, Bob Riley Brenda Riley, John Riley, Jim Riley, Sam Schwartzmiller, Special Intentions, Bob Swiger Mike Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Audrey Westfall
- **For all who are experiencing loneliness and loss .**
- **Those who have died:** Father Isaac Achi, Johna Riley Bish, May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- **All Veterans, and Military Personnel:**
- **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**
- **All seminarians:** Especially, Joe Derico, and Dylan O’Sullivan
- **Former priests and religious of and from our parish**
- **Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.**
- **All police officers, health care workers, first responders, and mail carriers**
- **All struggling with infertility.**

When Should Catholics Not Receive Holy Communion?

- If you have a mortal sin on your soul. Some serious sins include (but are not limited to) being married outside the church, being unmarried but living together or purposely not attending Sunday Mass or holy days of obligation. For more info on what constitutes a mortal sin, refer to the Catechism of the Catholic Church 1857 - 1859.
- If you have not observed the Eucharistic Fast one hour before receiving. **Mints and gum break your fast.**
- If you have not yet received First Communion.

Why Can’t Non-Catholics Receive Holy Communion?

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are not admitted to Holy Communion.

For those who cannot receive Eucharist at this time, we welcome you to join in our liturgy, to pray and sing with us. Please remain in the pew during the Communion Procession, offering your heartfelt prayers to our God of love and mercy. We eagerly await the time when you will join us at the Eucharistic table!

Mass Etiquette

- Please remember to silence or turn off your cell phones prior to the start of Mass. Tablets and other gaming devices should not be brought to church.
- When we are in the church, we should refrain from speaking in order to allow for people to pray. If we talk, we should keep our volume to a reverential whisper. This is not because we don’t want community. This is to promote prayer with Christ in the Eucharist and to prepare our hearts and minds for Mass. Community time is best for **after Mass in the vestibule or outside the church.**
- Other people use your pew. Please take all bulletins, papers, tissues, etc. with you when you leave. Cleanliness is close to Godliness.

Thank you for your mindfulness.

Will and Estate Planning

Have you considered remembering St. Patrick’s in your will or estate plans? A bequest through a Last Will and Testament is the simplest way of creating a lasting legacy of support for St. Pat’s. Bequests should be made out to: “The Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, or his successors in office,” with a specification of the purpose for which the bequest is to be used (i.e. “for the use of St. Patrick Parish, Weston”).

Weekly Bulletin E-mail: If you are not receiving our church bulletin each week through email, please contact the parish office to have your email address added to our files.

Parish Membership & Benefits:

To be considered an “active” member of any parish (and thus eligible for Sacraments, sponsor eligibility, and the “Active Parishioner Rate of tuition” at a Catholic school), the parish takes into account the following things. First, to receive a discount at a Catholic School or to receive a sacrament, **the children MUST attend weekend Mass.** Second, family & individual involvement in parish life and ministries are taken into consideration. Mass attendance is only able to be tracked accurately via collection envelopes. If you are not receiving envelopes currently, please contact the parish office. Parishioners over 18 should register as a household to help us keep records accurate and up-to-date.



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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.

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2023



**Catholic Schools
Week 2023**
January 29–February 4

www.NCEA.org/csw
#CSW23

- **Sunday, January 29**
Celebrating Our Parish

We will kickoff Catholic Schools Week with Mass at 10:30 a.m. An open house and breakfast will be held in the school after Mass.

- **Monday, January 30**
Celebrating Our Community

- **Tuesday, January, 31**
Celebrating Our Students

- **Wednesday, February 1**
Celebrating Our Nation

- **Thursday, February, 2**
Celebrating Vocations

- **Friday, February 3**
Celebrating Our School

The Hope Scholarship Program is an education savings account (ESA) program that will allow parents and families to utilize the state portion of their education funding to tailor an individualized learning experience that works best for them.

HOPE
SCHOLARSHIP
WEST VIRGINIA

Beginning on March 1, 2023, the Hope Scholarship Board will accept applications for the 2023-2024 school year.

To Learn more about the HOPE Scholarship Program, please visit:
www.hopescholarshipwv.com.

St. Pats will host an informational meeting on the HOPE Scholarship Thursday, March 2, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Calendar Cash

\$10 each, 28 Chances to win!

The top seller will receive a \$500 tuition credit!

Calendar Cash tickets are on sale now. They make a great Christmas gift and stocking stuffer. Tickets are numbered for tracking but the game is not based on the daily lottery numbers. A winning ticket is drawn every day in February! If your ticket is drawn, it goes back in and you can win again! The student who sells the winning ticket for the day receives \$5. Tickets can be purchased through the parish office or from any parent of a St. Pat's student.

Important tax information for families of Pre-School, PK, and GAP students.

With tax season upon us, FACTS Management would like to help you quickly print or view the payment summary for 2022. This information is used for possible child tax credit for Pre-School, PK, and GAP payments.

Step 1: Sign into FACTS at <https://online.factsmgmt.com>

Step 2: Click View Details

Step 3: Click view Payment Summary

Payment summary appears for 2022 with school tax ID

Print symbol is in the upper right corner.

If families have any questions they may call the school at 304-269-5547

System at a Glance

18 Elementary & 6 High
Schools
8% of students represent minorities
Over 494 professional staff

13 counties are served
by West Virginia Catholic Schools

99.7% HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATE

40% OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE NON-CATHOLIC

4,422 elementary & secondary students

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition

The Knights of Columbus annual free throw competition was held on Sunday, January 15 at St. Pat's gymnasium.

Congratulations!	
Boys	Girls
Aaron Murray	Daelynn Luzader
Cam Moats	Johna Cunningham
Conner Jordan	Aadalynn Murray
J. P. Alkire	



Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Certificates/Awards presented.

Recently, Father Ondeck presented the awards for the Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest. Thank you to everyone who entered. We had wonderful participation this year and hope to have even more next year.



Age 11 - 14

1st place:
Lukas Moodispaw
2nd place:
Mirabella Minnich (not pictured)
3rd place:
Kara Determan



Age 8 - 10

1st place:
London Westfall (not pictured)
2nd place:
Cataleya Rosales
3rd place:
Evelyn Benedum

Age 5 - 7

1st place: Elle Burkhammer, 2nd place: Reese Cunningham, 3rd place: Cayetano Ayala



Free to a Good Home

Our Christmas Poinsettias are searching for new homes from our parish family. Please take a couple home with you this weekend.



Mullady Scholarship Application

Applications are now being accepted for the Mullady Scholarship Award. This fund was started by Edwin and Mary Mullady to help Catholic students of Lewis County go to an accredited college. Applicants must be Lewis County residents and enrolled in college or graduate school (**no high school students**).

Applications can be picked up in the St. Patrick's Church parish office or you can request an application be emailed to you.

The application deadline is February 15, 2023. Completed applications should be returned to St. Patrick Church, 210 Center Ave., Weston, WV 26452. Funds will be distributed in late February or March.

Laundry Soap Needed for Our Neighbor

Our Neighbor is in need of laundry detergent. Items can be dropped off at the parish office or placed in the cabinet on the back porch.

Updated Monthly Collection List

- January: toilet paper and tissues
- February: Bath Soap, Laundry supplies, and dish soap.
- March: paper towels and cleaning supplies
- April: Soap, Deodorant, Feminine products
- May: Shampoo & Conditioner
- June: Toothpaste, Mouth wash, and dental floss