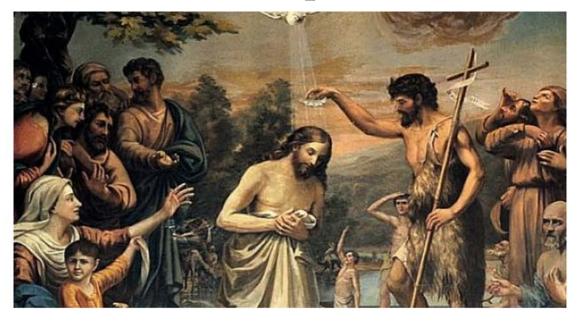
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January 12th, 2025

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord



The mystery of Christ's baptism in the Jordan by St John, the Precursor, proposes the contemplation of an already adult Jesus. This mystery is infinitely linked to the Solemnities of the Lord's birth and the Epiphany that we have just celebrated, as in some ways it takes up and represents their significance to us.

At Christmas we have contemplated the human birth of the Word incarnate by the Virgin Mary. In the 4th century, the Fathers of the Church deepened the understanding of the faith with regard to the Christmas mystery in the light of Jesus' Humanity. They spoke of the Incarnation of the Word already working like the 'Christification' of that humanity that he had assumed from His mother. Or put in simpler terms: Jesus is the Christ from the first instant of conception in Mary's spotless womb because He Himself, with His Divine Power, consecrated, anointed and 'Christified' that human nature with which He became incarnate.

In the mystery of the Epiphany, we then meditated on Christ's manifestation to all nations that was represented by the Magi, the wise men from the East, who came to adore the Child.

Now, in the mystery of Christ's Baptism in the Jordan River, we again encounter and represent the truth of the Lord's incarnation and His manifestation as the Christ. Jesus' Baptism is in fact His definitive manifestation as the Messiah or Christ to Israel, and as the Son of the Father to the entire world. Here we find the dimension of the Epiphany which was His manifestation to all nations. The Father's voice from heaven shows that Jesus of Nazareth is the eternal Son and the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove shows the Trinitarian nature of the Christian God. The true and unique God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, shows Himself in Christ, through Him, with Him and in Him.

The Baptism in the Jordan returns to the great Christmas theme of 'Christification,' Jesus of Nazareth's spiritual anointing, His presentation as the Anointed One par excellence, the Messiah or the One sent by the Father for the salvation of mankind. The Spirit that descended on Jesus shows and seals in an incontrovertible way the 'Christification' of Jesus' humanity that the Word had already fulfilled from the first moment of His miraculous conception by Mary. Jesus, from the very beginning, was always the Lord's Christ, He was always God. Yet, His one, true humanity, that which is perfect in every way, as the Gospel records, constantly grew in natural and supernatural perfection. 'And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and with men' (Lk2:52). In Israel at 30 years of age, one reached full maturity and therefore could become a master. Jesus came of age and the Spirit, descending and remaining on Him, definitively consecrated His whole being as the Christ.

The same Spirit, that descended on the water of the River Jordan wafted over the waters during the first creation (Gen 1:2). Therefore, the Baptism in the Jordan presents yet another truth: that Jesus has started a new creation. He is the second man (1 Cor 15:47) or the last Adam (1 Cor 15:45), that comes to repair the first Adam's guilt. He does this as the Lamb of God that takes away our sins. 'Looking at the events in light of the Cross and Resurrection, the Christian people realised what happened: Jesus loaded the burden of all mankind's guilt upon His shoulders; he bore it down into the depths of the Jordan. He inaugurated his public activity by stepping into the place of sinners' (Joseph Ratzinger, Jesus of Nazareth, Bloomsbury 2007, p 18). —Excerpted from the <u>Dicastery for the Clergy</u>

WEEKLY BULLETINS VIA E-MAIL

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Mass Schedule

Monday - 8:15 p.m. Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday - 6:00 p.m. Thursday - 8:15 a.m. Friday - 8:15 a.m. Saturday Vigil - 5:30 p.m. Sunday- 10:30 a.m.

(See the Weekly Schedule for changes to Mass times or location!)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday & Wednesday: 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Saturday: 5:00 - 5:20 p.m. Sunday: 10:00 - 10:20 a.m.

Adoration

Tuesday & Wednesday - 5 - 5:45 p.m.

Sacrament of the Sick & Last Rites

The anointing of the sick is administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness, especially near the time of death. It is most likely one of the last sacraments one will receive.

Please call the parish office to schedule or if you are in danger of death, please call 304-691-0537

Protecting God's Children

St. Patrick Church takes seriously this 'VIRTUS' pursuit of excellence in our community. With the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, we are committed to making every environment – a safe environment. All employees and volunteers are required to complete VIRTUS Training. Participants of this training complete short video modules to learn how to best protect the vulnerable in our community. These short sessions empower participants to accurately identify and correctly report all instances of suspected child abuse. To create or update your account, please go to **virtusonline.org**.

Thank you for your continued support in making the environment at St. Patrick Church and school safe for everyone.

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 of children by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, contact one of the following designees at 1.888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Sr. Martha Gomez, ext. 264. Or you may call Rev. Don Higgs, 304.685.2367, the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504, or Victims Assistance Coordinator Erin McFarland at 304.559.6742. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

"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."

Archbishop Boniface Wimmer, O. S. B.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 11, 2025	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Sunday, January 12, 2025	10:30 AM	Mass for †Charles and Opal Garton by Fred Butler and Deborah Garton
Monday, January 13, 2025	8:15 AM	Mass for the conversion of North America
Tuesday, January 14, 2025	5:50 PM	Celebrant's Intentions
Wednesday, January 15, 2025	5:50 PM	Mass for †J. B. Parker by family
Thursday, January 16, 2025	8:15 AM	Mass for †Don True
Friday, January 17, 2025	8:15 AM	Mass for †Susan Murray
Saturday, January 18, 2025	5:30 PM	Mass for †Roberta Karp by Diana and Rue Thompson
Sunday, January 19, 2025	10:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish



The sanctuary lamp is burning in memory memory of victims of abortion, January 12 -25, 2025.

Prayer List

Those who are sick: Heman Ayala, Jill Balser, Bill Bennett, Tim Bennett, Dan Brannon, Jamie Breen, Pam Campbell, Margaret Carr, Jody Craig, Ron Cullen, Brad Curtis, Bonnie Detamore, Libby Ferrell, Sara Ferrell, Katie Frazer, Jeff Garton, Marsha Garton, Dave Gissy, Kyle Hayhurst Sr., Mary Hall, Dale Jamison, Coretta Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, Pat Kiddy, Becky King, David Lewis, Catherine Lipps, Rochelle Long, Matt McCauley, James McClain, Robert McClain, Lisa Marlow, Joe Mick, Jennifer Hubbs Morris, Judy Nicholas, Sue Nutter, Amy Price, Michael Pugh, Raylee Rahming, Brenda Riley, Dan Rittenhouse, Beulah Ruppert, Cody and Lindsey Skinner, Mary Smith, Rob Snuffer, Micki Snyder, Terry Sprouse, Marge Tierney, Helen Tomaro, Tia Tucci, Diane Walker, Barbara White, Jane White

Those who have died: Very Reverend John S. Ledford, V.F., Mary Evelyn (Elmore) Perry, Rick Smith, Very Reverend John S. Ledford, V.F., 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 Bryan Tedeschi

Former priests and religious of and from our parish

Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.

All struggling with infertility.

Attendance & Collections			
Saturday	99		
Sunday	167		
Total	266		
Saturday	\$1362		
Sunday	\$860		
Mail/Drop Box	\$500		
Total	\$2222		
School	\$155		
Votives	\$		
Maintenance	\$55		
Loan	\$		
Organ	\$200		
Wesbanco Balance	\$40,214.93		
Organ Loan Balance	\$65,912.10		
Solemnity of Mary	\$797		

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Thank you, Jessica Bright for photographing the Christmas pageant, To see all pictures, go to the link below.



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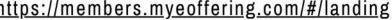


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WHAT DO ST. PATRICK'S STUDENTS DO WITH A WEEK'S WORTH OF SNOW DAYS? SLED-RIDE, MAKE SNOW ANGELS, READ A BOOK, BAKE, DO SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS, SNUGGLE A FURRY FRIEND & CHALLENGE A SIBLING TO A GAME!











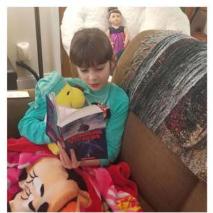






















Forty Hours

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Join us in the adoration of the Eucharist for 40 hours January 17th - January 19th.

The sign up sheet is in the vestibule. Please consider claiming a time to sit with our Lord.



Schedule for 40 Hours Devotion 1/17-1/19

Friday, Jan. 17th

6:00 PM—Exposition and Vespers with Preached Sermon

9:30 PM— Compline

Saturday, Jan. 18th

8:00 AM—Office of Readings and Lauds

8:30 AM—Votive Mass of The Most Holy Eucharist

12:00 PM—Recitation of the Angelus and the Most Holy Rosary

5:00 PM—Vespers followed by Simple Reposition

5:30 PM—Saturday Vigil Mass

9:30 PM—Chanted Compline

Sunday, Jan 19th

9:30 AM—Office of Readings and Lauds followed by Simple Reposition

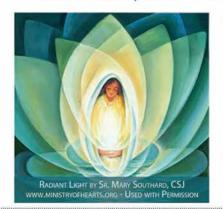
10:30 AM—Solemn Mass

6:00 PM—Solemn Vespers and Benediction with Preached Sermon

Women's Retreat Are you a Martha or a Mary? Living a Balanced Life.

Presented by Janet Schaeffler, OP

March 28-30, 2025 • St. John XXIII Pastoral Center, Charleston



The Scripture story of Jesus coming to the home of Mary and Martha (and Lazarus) is well-known to us.

What is the message for us, women living in 2025? Through this Scripture passage, what is God saying to us about our lives? Is it what we often hear – or might there be several messages?

- · Do I feel too busy, to rushed?
- How really do I balance everything today?

What really are the answers to which Jesus challenges us - and comfort us.

For more information and to register visit: www.dwc.org/2025-Womens-Retreat



Catechesis & Fellowship Opportunities

OCIA | Every Sunday @ 9:15 AM | 7th/8th Grade Classroom Upstairs in School

OCIA is open to all who would like to review the basics of the Catholic faith. Please feel free to join us for topics that you find interesting. **Upcoming topics:**

January 12th: The Mass | Focus on Opening Rites

January 19th: The Mass | Focus on Liturgy of the Word

January 26th: The Mass | Focus on Liturgy of the Eucharist, Part I

Feb 2nd: The Mass | Focus on Liturgy of the Eucharist, Part II & Concluding Rites

Questions? Contact mwhite.stpats@gmail.com

Adult Catechesis | Beginning Again January 12th @ 9:15 AM | School Cafeteria

Join Deacon Brumley for Catechesis for Catholic adults. Topics to be announced.

Questions? Contact Deacon Brumley at brumlema@dow.com

Teen Catechesis | Every Sunday @ 9:15 AM | Upstairs in the Parish Office

Join Steven White for teen Catechesis. All teens who wish to grow in their faith are encouraged to join. Questions? Contact sawhite215@gmail.com

Children's Catechesis | Every Sunday @ 9:10 AM | Pre-k & 2nd Grade Classrooms Downstairs in School

We have room for multiple children ages 2-7 to join us for children's catechesis on Sunday mornings! Children enjoy lessons, crafts, and playtime before Sunday Mass. This is a great opportunity for childcare if parents want to attend catechetical programs or wish for quiet time to pray in the church before Mass.

Questions? Contact mwhite.stpats@gmail.com

Men's Fellowship Group | Bi-Weekly | Contact for Location

Our men's fellowship group meets approximately twice a month and focuses on connecting Catholic men & strengthening each other in the faith. The next meeting is set for Tuesday, January 7th. Usually, men gather after Tuesday Mass and share a meal together. Contact Deacon Brumley at brumlema@dow.com

Women's Fellowship Group | Bi-Weekly | Contact for Location

Our women's fellowship group meets approximately twice a month and focuses on connecting Catholic women & strengthening each other in the faith. The next meeting is set for Tuesday, January 14th. Usually, women gather after Tuesday Mass and share a meal together. Contact Beth Brumley at brumleybeth@gmail.com



Calling all men! Exodus 90 begins Jan 20th!

Exodus 90 is a spiritual exercise for men that includes prayer, asceticism, and fraternity for 90 days beginning January 20th & ending Easter.

Men who wish to join should attend the pre-Exodus meeting on **January 19th** in the school cafeteria after Mass.

Questions? Contact Steven White at: 540-498-3287 sawhite215@gmail.com

Catholic Schools Week 2025



Join us on Sunday, January 26 as we kickoff Catholic Schools Week with Mass followed by the annual breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Daughters. The Knights will cook up delicious pancakes and sausage and the Daughters will provide yummy breakfast casseroles and other scrumptious delights.

January 24, 2025 Join us for the MARCH for LIFE DETAILS AT WVFORLIFE.ORG/EVENTS CALL 304-594-9845 TO MAKE YOUR MANDATORY BUS RESERVATION.

There are seats on the chartered bus to D.C. It's a 55-seater. If interested, please contact 304-594-9845.

It's \$20 per person OR \$35 for a family of three or more. Bus will arrive at the J.C. Penney area of the Morgantown Mall parking lot at 6:30 a.m. It will leave promptly at 7:00 for Washington DC. There will be a stop at a Golden Corral in Frederick, MD on the way home to eat. Bus should be back in Morgantown by 8:00 p.m. if all goes as planned.

"He Loves The Snow. He's Told Me 15 Times."





Gubbio enjoys playing in the snow.

ON DECK

Sunday, January 12

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition

January 17th-19th

40 Hours Devotion

Sunday, January 19th

Pre-Exodus 90 Meeting, Cafeteria after Mass

Sunday, January 26,

Catholic Schools Week Kicks Off with Breakfast after Mass, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Daughters

Our Neighbor Collection

January: Tissues & Toilet Paper

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



Catholic Daughters Meeting

The next meeting for the Catholic Daughters for the Americas will be on Monday, January 13 at 6:30 p.m.

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