

Saint John the Evangelist Parish

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JUNE 2, 2024

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor.....Rev. Justin Golna, J.C.L.
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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: For Infants: Parents make arrangements with the pastor/office. For Adults: Baptism will be given on Easter Vigil after completing the RCIA program. For details, please contact Parish Office.

MARRIAGE: Please make arrangements with the pastor. Six months minimum notice is required for the celebration of marriage.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please contact the Parish office for arrangements.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Mon, Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday and Friday: 5:30 p.m.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00 - 8:25 a.m.
Wednesday and Friday: 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

ADORATION

Wednesday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

MISSION STATEMENT

We the family of St. John the Evangelist Parish commit ourselves to the call of Baptism: To Listen, To Learn, To Live and To Share the Word of God through our lives.

Pastor's Perusings - Ordination and the Eucharist

It is with great rejoicing that we witnessed the Ordination to the Priesthood of our beloved Father Soplinski this past Friday! We are further honored that he celebrated his Mass of Thanksgiving at our parish this past Saturday morning at 9 a.m. I would like to thank all of the people who helped organize the Mass of Thanksgiving and the reception for Father Soplinski that followed!

It is always a great joy in the life of the Church when the number of priests set aside to serve the People of God is increased! As Father Soplinski begins his life of priestly ministry, may we always accompany him with our prayers so that his ministry is continually aided by the grace of God as Father Soplinski seeks to build up the Body of Christ here on earth one soul at a time.

This Sunday is the solemn feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ also known as Corpus Christi Sunday. The Solemnity of Corpus Christi originated with a mystic named Saint Juliana of Cornillon. She was born near Liège, Belgium around the year 1191. At the age of five, she and her sister were orphaned and entrusted to the care of Augustinian nuns. Within that convent, Juliana grew in her faith, participated in Eucharistic adoration, and frequented Holy Communion. She eventually joined the Augustinians and became a nun herself. At the age of sixteen, she had a mystical vision during Eucharistic adoration in which she saw the moon with a dark stripe. By divine intuition, she understood that the moon symbolized the Church's life on earth, and the dark stripe symbolized the absence of a feast that was specifically dedicated to the Body and Blood of Christ. In the convent, she had the same vision several more times but kept it to herself for twenty years.

Pope Urban IV instituted the Solemnity of Corpus Christi on the Thursday after Pentecost as a feast for the entire Latin Church in 1264. This was the first 'Papal' declaration of a feast for the Church. While Holy Thursday was also seen as a Feast for the Body and Blood of Christ, it is also a remembrance of the institution of Holy Orders and the ideals of service through the washing of the feet. Hence, the feast of Corpus Christi was established to create a feast solely focused on the Holy Eucharist.

The reason why we have a feast day focused solely on the Most Holy Eucharist is to place at the front of our minds that nothing is more precious, more sacred, and more valuable than the Most Holy Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Eucharistic Lord. No amount of earthly wealth can buy happiness, but the Eucharist bestows it freely. No amount of money can purchase Heaven, but the Eucharist transforms you into a member of the Body of Christ Whom you consume, leading you to Heaven. At the end of our lives, when we stand before the Just Judge, we will realize the transforming power of this Gift and we will be grateful for every time that we received Him worthily.

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, spend time pondering the profound mystery of the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist. As we kneel before Him, we truly kneel before His throne in Heaven, despite the reality being veiled from our eyes. As we consume the Blessed Sacrament, we truly consume Christ Himself—Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity—and receive Him into our souls. Though we might not feel Him with our bodily senses, we must allow our spiritual sense of faith to grow so that our love for Him in this Most Precious Gift exponentially increases.

Every time we conclude our weekly Eucharistic Adoration, for which we are always looking for more Adorers, we sing a Eucharistic hymn called the Tantum Ergo which is part of a longer Eucharistic hymn St. Thomas Aquinas wrote. The text of the hymn translated into English says:

Down in adoration falling, Lo! the sacred Host we hail; Lo! o'er ancient forms departing, newer rites of grace prevail; faith for all defects supplying, where the feeble senses fail. To the everlasting Father, and the Son who reigns on high, with the Holy Ghost proceeding forth from Each eternally, be salvation, honor, blessing, might and endless majesty. Amen. Alleluia.



Sat	4:00 pm	Thomas Traubert+
Sun	8:00 am	People of the Parish
Sun	10:30 am	Wanda Jane Weisend Miller & Mary Margaret Cipoletti+
Mon	8:30 am	William Harvey+
Tue	8:30 am	Kristian White+
Wed	5:30 pm	Frank, Isabella, George, Janet & Todd Lallone+
Thur	8:30 am	Doris Hornick+
Fri	5:30 pm	Helen Elswick+
Sat	4:00 pm	Rockey/ Sperlazza Families+
Sun	8:00 am	People of the Parish
Sun	10:30 am	Mary Margaret Cipoletti+

Readings

Saturday:	Ex 24:3-8/ Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/ Heb 9:11-15/ Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
Sunday:	Ex 24:3-8/ Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/ Heb 9:11-15/ Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
Monday:	2 Pt 1:2-7/ Ps 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16/ Mk 12:1-12/
Tuesday:	2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/ 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16/ Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/ Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef/ Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	2 Tm 2:8-15/ Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/ Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/ Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6./ Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/ Jn 19:31-37
Saturday:	Gn 3:9-15/ Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/ 2 Cor 4:13—5:1/ Mk 3:20-35
Next Sunday:	Gn 3:9-15/ Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/ 2 Cor 4:13—5:1/ Mk 3:20-35



JUNE 8, 4:00 PM

Gre	Rob & Marcie Morris
Ser	Avery & Liam
Lec	Wendi Mitchell

JUNE 9, 8:00 AM

Gre	Toot & Joanie Lazear
Ser	Theresa Kowcheck
Lec	Fred Casale

JUNE 9, 10:30 AM

Gre	Susie Mullenbach
Ser	Will & Stothard
Lec	Monica Biery

USHERS PLEASE COUNT

THE READINGS for this weekend are in the Hymnal at 926.

SECOND COLLECTION: This Sunday, June 2nd will be for Father's Day. Next Sunday, June 9th will be Peter's Pence.

It has come to my attention that the Lector schedule that gets sent out to everyone individually and the schedule in the bulletin have not been matching lately. If that happens to you please go by what the schedule says that you receive in the mail and not the bulletin. Sorry for any confusion.—Steph

The **FOOD PANTRY** will be open on Wednesdays from Noon to 3:00pm to assist Brooke County residents. A valid ID & proof of address required. If you would like to donate any non perishable items please leave them in the red bin located in the vestibule.

The sign up sheets for the **100th YEAR CELEBRATION** are in the vestibule. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there!

We will be having a **MASS FOR THE GRADUATES** of the 2023 and 2024 years. Mass will take place on Sunday, June 9th at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. If you have a graduate that would like to be recognized please call the office.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

By Bud Ozar

One gets the impression there was always a lot of sharing, discussion and learning during the many meals Jesus and the disciples ate together. How does this compare to the meal in your home? Today's gospel challenges us to make our meals more than physical functions and more a time for sharing.

May 26th 2024 Collection	Attendance	Amount
Weekly Envelopes	139	\$2744
Votive Candles		\$66
Building & Maintenance		\$40
Catholic Relief Services		\$482
Father's Day		\$70
Budget		\$2,900.00
Active Parishioners	259	



Sat:
Sun:
Mon:
Tue:
Wed: Eleanor Evans, Cory Ferguson, Isabella Rosso
Thur:
Fri: Susan Mullenbach
Sat: Joshua Ferguson
Sun:



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

is burning in memory of
Bill Harvey
 (Mary Beth Harvey)
 From May 24th to June 6th.

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AND THEIR INTENTIONS IN YOUR **PRAYERS**:

DR. SCOTT BENEFIELD AND FAMILY, BOB STUCKEY, ELLIE EVANS, PAULA HENDERSON, DOMINIC CIPRIANI, MARY ROSE, DIANE BAYLESS, HILDA TARQUINIO, JOE BIBBO, GARY ANTIGO, BEVERLY SCHWERTFEGER, CHERYL BLAND, GENO CAPP, LISA CHIDO, DONNA SULLIVAN, SANDY, ELEANOR ROCKEY, COLLEEN RUSHING, JIM AND SHARON PAVLIC.

Please keep the parish office updated of anyone you have added to the PRAYER LIST every 30 days.

FESTIVAL FUNDRAISING

PEPPERONI ROLL ORDERS & SHIRT ORDERS DUE MONDAY, JUNE 3rd.



All sales will end on Friday May 31st

All orders will be shipped to the group for final distribution to the customers
 Traditional order forms also being provided

We profit \$1.25 per roller sold!

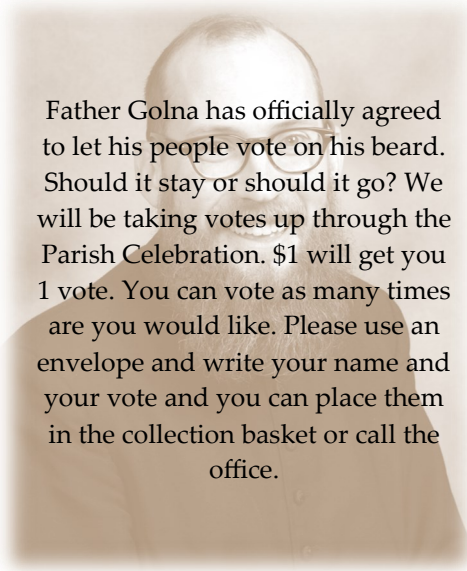
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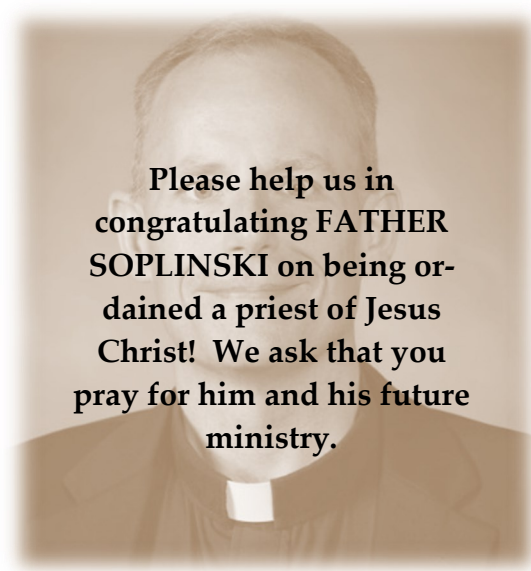
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We have teamed up with Pepperoni Rollers to continue to provide you with treats while helping us raise funds for the 100th Year Celebration. We have an online link and actual orders forms placed in the vestibule. They have several different flavor options. If you would like to put in an order or for more information please call the office.



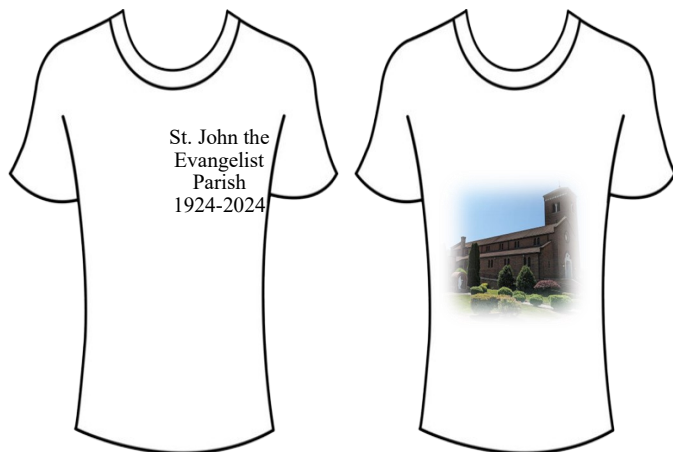
Father Golna has officially agreed to let his people vote on his beard. Should it stay or should it go? We will be taking votes up through the Parish Celebration. \$1 will get you 1 vote. You can vote as many times as you would like. Please use an envelope and write your name and your vote and you can place them in the collection basket or call the office.



Please help us in congratulating **FATHER SOPLINSKI** on being ordained a priest of Jesus Christ! We ask that you pray for him and his future ministry.

We will be ordering shirts from Tri-State Custom Teez 2.0 to commemorate our 100th Year Celebration. Each shirt will be \$20 and will arrive prior to the Celebration.

If you would like to order please call the office by June 1st.



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BACK

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

100th YEAR CELEBRATION UPDATES

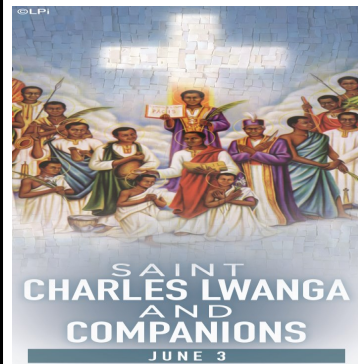
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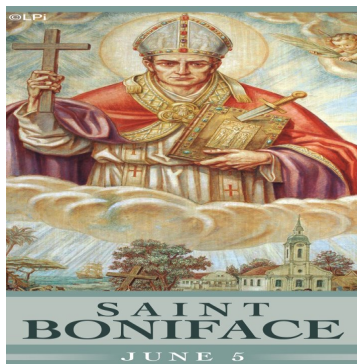
THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."
- Mk 14:23-25

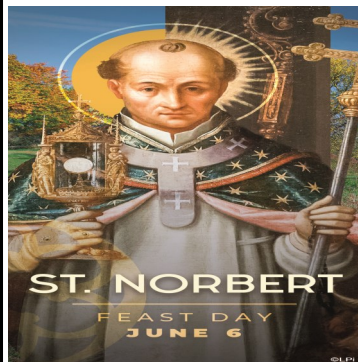
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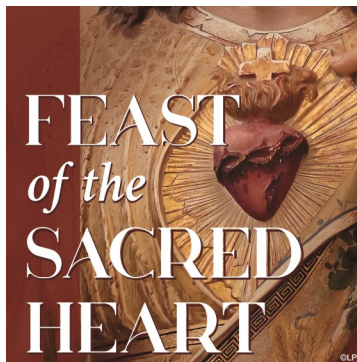
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JUNE 3



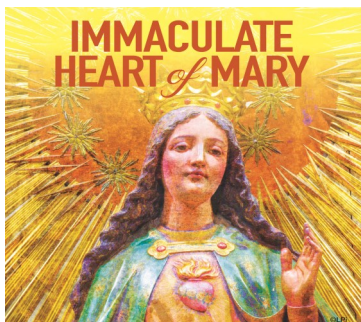
SAINT BONIFACE
JUNE 5



ST. NORBERT
FEAST DAY
JUNE 6



FEAST of the SACRED HEART



IMMACULATE HEART of MARY

Upcoming Events

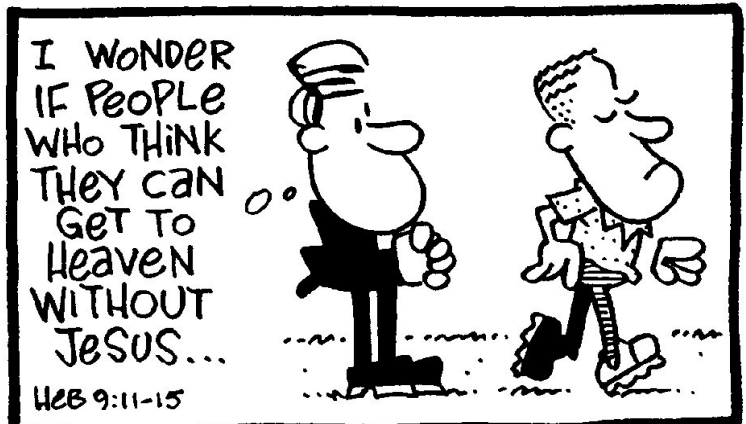
JUNE PARISH EVENTS LOCATED IN THE CHURCH AND PARISH HALL :

- Saturday, June 1st: Father Soplinski's first Mass 9 a.m.
Reception to follow in the parish hall.
- Wednesday, June 5th: Altar & Rosary Meeting
- Sunday, June 9th: Mass for Graduates 10:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, June 11th: Coffee Klatch 10 a.m.
- Wednesday, June 12th: Soup & Sandwich Sale 11 a.m.
- Wednesday, June 26th: Men's Group 7 p.m.
- Sunday, June 30th: 100th Year Celebration 10:30 a.m.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Thursday, July 4th: Check out our float in the parade!
- Saturday, December 14th: 100th Year Dedication Mass/Holiday Gathering

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



What's going on in Paradise?



This year St. John the Evangelist has done a Duckling Sponsorship with the **KIWANIS CLUB DUCK DASH** on Sunday, June 9th at 2 p.m. at the Wellsburg Wharf. We hope to see everyone there supporting this great event for our community!



NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage

This years **NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE** will be stopping at the Wellsburg Wharf on Sunday June 23rd. We will plan to meet at the Wharf as a Parish at 12 p.m. if anyone is interested in sharing this wonderful event in our faith together.

The Brooke County Salvation Army Feeding Program offers **FREE TAKEOUT LUNCHES** on Thursday's from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

ST. ANTHONY ALL-SCHOOL REUNION will be on Saturday, June 22, 2024 in Follansbee, WV. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at 4:00 p.m. in St. Anthony's Church followed by a banquet at 6:00 p.m. at St. Francis, Hooverson Heights.

CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL

MAROON KNIGHTS BASKETBALL CAMP

- WHO** • BOYS GRADES PK4-GRADE 8 AS OF SCHOOL YEAR 2024-25
- WHEN** • 2 CONSECUTIVE SATURDAYS
• SATURDAY, JUNE 15 & SATURDAY JUNE 22
- TIMES EACH SATURDAY DIVIDED BY AGE GROUP
• PK4-2nd Grade 8:30-10:30AM
• Grades 3-5 10:45 AM -12:45 PM
• Grades 6-8 1:30-3:30 PM
- WHERE** • BOTH DAYS @ CCHS GYM
- HOW** → • \$30 FOR ONE SATURDAY \$60 FOR BOTH
• REGISTER BY JUNE 8TH TO GUARANTEE SHIRT!

CIRCLE WHICH DAYS your camper will get to attend: BOTH DAYS JUNE 15 ONLY JUNE 22 ONLY

Complete a separate form for each player:

Camper's Name: _____ Grade for 2024-2025 _____

Shirt size (circle): Y Small, Y Medium, Y Large, Adult S, Adult M, Adult L, Adult XL, Adult XX

Parent/Guardian: _____ Cell #: _____

Alternate Contact - Name: _____ Cell #: _____

Allergies/Medical Alert to note: _____

By submitting this registration, I, for myself, my heirs, and administrators, waive and release all rights and claims for damages I may have against the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, Central Catholic High School, and the YMCA, their staff, and all other sponsors for any injury by my child in the activity. I attest and verify that I have full knowledge of the risks involved with this activity.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CCHS BOYS BASKETBALL

RETURN FORM TO: CCHS Boys BB Camp

c/o Coach Mel Stephens, 2002 Warwood Ave., Wheeling, WV 26003

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____



NEW

VENMO PAYMENTS ACCEPTED - To do so - EMAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: JBIBEV@DWC.ORG
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POLISH HERITAGE DAY

Sunday, June 23rd, 2024

POLISH MASS AT

Our Lady of Grace Grotto
Polish Was Memorial
Noon-1pm


AFTERWARDS! 1:00PM - 6:00PM

All are invited to join us at the:
Polish American Patriot Club
4410 Jacob Street ~ Wheeling, WV 26003
for an afternoon of:

POLISH FOOD ~ POLKA MUSIC ~ BEER ~ FUN

\$20/PLATE WILL INCLUDE: KIELBASA, PIEROGIES, ROLLS, DESSERT & 1 FREE DRINK TICKET

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EUCCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE EVENTS

Thursday, June 20, National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Kickoff in Weirton

St. Joseph the Worker Church: Meet the perpetual pilgrims and gather for Mass, Adoration, and praise and worship—8-9 a.m.

Eucharistic Procession from St. Joseph the Worker to Sacred Heart of Mary Church with Adoration and Benediction to follow— begins at 9:30 a.m.

Sharing Session & Reflection by Perpetual Pilgrims at Sacred Heart of Mary—11 a.m.-noon Eucharistic Adoration with praise and worship at St. Paul Church—7-8 p.m.

Friday, June 21

Morning Mass with the perpetual pilgrims at Sacred Heart of Mary—8:30-9 a.m. Breakfast with Perpetual Pilgrims at Sacred Heart of Mary—9:30-10:30 a.m.

Sunday, June 23 “Put Out into the Deep” on the Ohio River!” Bishop Mark Brennan and Bishop Paul Bradley, apostolic administrator of the Diocese of Steubenville, will board a sternwheeler and lead a Eucharistic Procession down the Ohio River. Boater-cade with the two bishops leaves the Steubenville Marina at noon and will stop at four sites on both sides of the river where faithful can receive a blessing. Blessing sites: Steubenville Marina, Wellsburg Wharf, Wellsburg-Brilliant Bridge, Mazeroski Park (Ohio), Pike Island Lock and Dam, and Heritage Port in Wheeling. Final destination is Bellaire Marina in Bellaire, Ohio. Arrival of National Eucharistic Pilgrimage in Wheeling—7:30-8:30 p.m. Cathedral of St. Joseph. Bishop Brennan and the faithful of Wheeling will welcome the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage at the cathedral.

All-Night Eucharistic Prayer Vigil—8:30 p.m. (June 23) -8 a.m. (June 24) at the cathedral.

Monday, June 24

Mass at the cathedral celebrated by Bishop Brennan—8:30-9:30 a.m.

Solemn Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Wheeling from the cathedral to St. Alphonsus Church—9:30-10 a.m.

Invite One Back Initiative

It's a familiar story: the family you used to see at Mass every week slowly stopped showing up when “life got busy.” Or maybe there's an elderly parishioner you haven't seen since the COVID-19 pandemic a few years ago. Noticeable or not, we all have holes in our pews. A 2014 PEW study found that 13% of all U.S. adults are former Catholics—and that was ten years ago! That means for every convert to the faith, there are at least 6.5 fallen-away Catholics. COVID-19 amplified this problem. A 2022 CARA study showed a 7% decline in Sunday Mass attendance compared with pre-COVID data. This significant portion of Catholics lost connection with their local parish during the shut-downs, and just never came back.

IT'S TIME TO BRING THEM HOME! In this Year of Parish Revival, the USCCB National Eucharistic Revival recently launched a initiative called Invite One Back." It is a renewed effort to personally reach out to parishioners that we haven't seen in a while for whatever reason and to invite them back to Sunday Mass. The goal of this initiative is to fill the pews again. To do that, we all need to invite back everyone who has left in a way that makes sure they feel seen and desired as an individual

Why do Catholics go to Confessions? Disobeying God damages our friendship with him, so we need his forgiveness to heal it. That is why Jesus initiated the Sacrament of Reconciliation (also called “Confession”). *“Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven”* (Matthew 16:19). This brings us back to God. In Confessions, we admit what we did, say that we are sorry, and resolve never to do it again. Penance helps us make up for it. When the priest conveys Christ's forgiveness to us, our friendship is restored.

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 re-presented and renewed. In the Mass, the graces achieved on the Cross are applied to souls for their salvation. This is why we have Masses offered for particular intentions. To have a Mass offered for a loved one, living or deceased, please contact Steph. Having intentions for a Mass is a sacrifice of \$10.00 during the week and \$20.00 on the weekend. Call the church office during regular hours if you have any questions.

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 of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention make arrangements with Steph. The cost of the candle is \$20.00. It will burn for (2) weeks. The memorial will also be published in the Bulletin.

Mass Etiquette

Remember to silence, turn off, and put away your cell phones, tablets, and gaming devices prior to the start of Mass.

Communion Fast

Keep in mind the Communion fast—we are to fast from food and drink (water and medicine excluded) one hour before receiving Holy Communion. **This includes chewing gum.** Let us prepare our body and soul to worthily receive our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Is the Lord calling you? Call Rev. Brian Crenwelge at the VOCATIONS OFFICE, Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston at 304-233-0880, ext. 298

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 304-233-0880 or 888-434-6237: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Father Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304-230-1504. Visit www.dwc.org under “Accountability” for more information.

