

Saint John the Evangelist Parish

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JUNE 9, 2024

PASTORAL TEAM

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Dir. of Religious Education.....Monica Biery
Housekeeper.....Chasity McConaughy
Parish Council.....John Alvarez
Finance Council.....Bill Garvey

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 - Summer Summary

This week we were fortunate to have our new summer seminarian, Dominic Re, arrive to us! Dominic hails from Fayetteville, W.V., is currently in formation at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD, and will be at the halfway point of his formation for the priesthood once he finishes his summer assignment with us. When you see Dominic during his time at our parish, please go up and introduce yourself and welcome him to our parish! These summer assignments serve as a wonderful opportunity for the seminarians to see the day-to-day life of a parish and to learn how to minister to God's people in a variety of parish settings over their time of formation. But they also can serve as a little boost for the parish as we can reap the fruits of a fresh perspective so that we can continually seek to serve the People of God in the best possible way.

Dominic is not the only new face we will see around the parish grounds this summer. We also have Quinn Wieber joining us this summer as our summer time handyman. Quinn and his wife come to us from near Everett, Washington, and currently reside in Steubenville where Quinn studies mechanical engineering. Quinn will be helping us perform some much needed maintenance work in addition to a few projects we have planned to get our grounds in the best shape for our Centennial Celebrations. If you see Quinn around the parish, please introduce yourself and welcome him to Paradise!

This weekend, our return to Ordinary Time feels complete. Having gone through the liturgical rollercoaster of the end of the Easter Season and the great Solemnities which celebrate the central tenets of our Faith, we find ourselves back in the cycle of readings for Ordinary Time and they are some strong readings this weekend.

Sin comes into the world by not listening to God but listening to another. Sin creates conflict in the world and it will never end until we choose to follow the Lord Jesus. It is the Lord Jesus who can remake us in the image of God and restore to us the loving relationship with God. The devil is never as powerful as the Lord Jesus and His Spirit. It is Jesus Himself who invites us to follow him and to be His family. The Book of Genesis, from which is taken the first reading today, sets forth the experience of sin that began our later experiences of sin. Sin is contagious in so many ways. So often we blame sin on others instead of accepting our own responsibilities. The author of this passage from Genesis sees that in the future there will be a battle between sin and the offspring of the woman. This passage is sin as a prediction that salvation will come finally—and through the offspring of the woman.

Today's Gospel narrates Jesus' encounter with his people and family. They thought he was out of his mind. They accused him of being possessed when he was actually liberating the possessed. They were ready to restrain him with false charges. They wished to tame his miraculous works and powerful preaching. In spite of all these, He remained focused. Every true disciple of Christ is, His brother, sister, mother and a member of his victorious family. He came to save all who are ready to do the will of God. Of course, Mary his Mother is a great model of this for all of us. Hence, Christ did not disrespect his own faithful mother. Rather, he teaches an important lesson today. That, through faith and obedience to God's will, we all have the opportunity to become members of his victorious and happy family.

Christ reminds us that it is not status, but action in response to God's call that determines who belongs to his victorious family. To become part of the victorious family of Christ is a dynamic process. It flows from a personal encounter with Christ. It also flows from faithfulness and obedience to God's will. Hence, if we are disciples of Christ, we must prove it through our faith and obedience to God's will.

Finally, Adam and Eve enjoyed the status and comfort of God's divine presence but, they lost it through disobedience. Through them, we equally lost our membership of the victorious family. However, the good news is that through faith in Christ (the seed of Mary), and obedience to God's will, our membership of the victorious family has been restored.

- Fr. Golna



Sat 4:00 pm Rockey/ Sperlazza Families+

Sun 8:00 am People of the Parish

Sun 10:30 am Mary Margaret Cipoletti+

Mon 8:30 am Harry Hammond Miller+

Tue 8:30 am Rolland F. Kellogg Jr.+

Wed 5:30 pm Joe Elswick Sr.+

Thur 8:30 am Joe Elswick Jr.+

Fri 5:30 pm Bob Lauck+

Sat 4:00 pm People of the Parish

Sun 8:00 am John & Roberta Alvarez

Sun 10:30 am Alfred & Virginia Staffileno & their deceased descendants+

Readings

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

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

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6/ Ps 121:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/ Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: ACTS 11:21B-26; 13:1-3/ PS 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4, 5-6/ MT 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39/ Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11/ Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46/ Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13/ Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/ Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/ Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: Ez 17:22-24/ Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16/ 2 Cor 5:6-10/ Mk 4:26-34

Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/ Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16/ 2 Cor 5:6-10/ Mk 4:26-34



JUNE 15, 4:00 PM

Gre Mark & Shari Sperlazza

Ser Avery & Liam

Lec Jim Sperlazza

JUNE 16, 8:00 AM

Gre Anna DeGarmo & JeJe Huff

Ser Theresa Kowcheck

Lec Judith Aracich

JUNE 16, 10:30 AM

Gre Mary Beth Harvey

Ser Will & Stothard

Lec Mary Beth Harvey

USHERS PLEASE COUNT

THE READINGS for this weekend are in the Hymnal at 956.

SECOND COLLECTION: This Sunday, June 9th will be Peter's Pence. Next Sunday, June 16th will be Building & Maintenance.

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!

ALTAR & SOCIETY will continue to meet on Monday mornings to say the Rosary before Mass.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE By Bud Ozar

Jesus reminds us in today's gospel "a house divided against itself will not stand". Are the tensions and issues which divide your home worth the struggle? Even if you win an argument you lose a relationship. Don't let pride and pettiness divide your home.

June 2nd, 2024 Collection	Attendance	Amount
Weekly Envelopes	113	\$1746
Votive Candles		\$26
Building & Maintenance		\$20
Peter's Pence		\$10
Father's Day		\$412
Budget		\$2,900.00
Active Parishioners	259	



- Sat:** Joshua Ferguson
- Sun:**
- Mon:** Tammy Provenzano
- Tue:**
- Wed:**
- Thur:** Stan Newton
- Fri:** Marcie Morris
- Sat:** Joseph Pettini, Linda Pfabe
- Sun:** Alex Weld



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

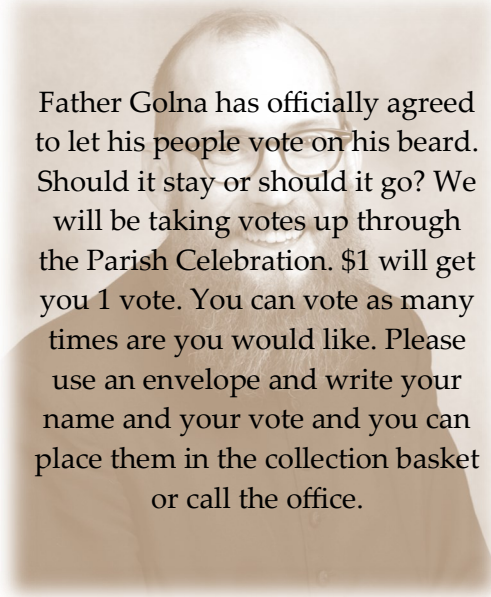
is burning in memory of
Isabella Jones & JC Sperlazza
 (Mary Schwertfeger)
 From June 7th to June 20th.

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 CHIODO, 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



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.

THANK YOU, for supporting our Celebration!

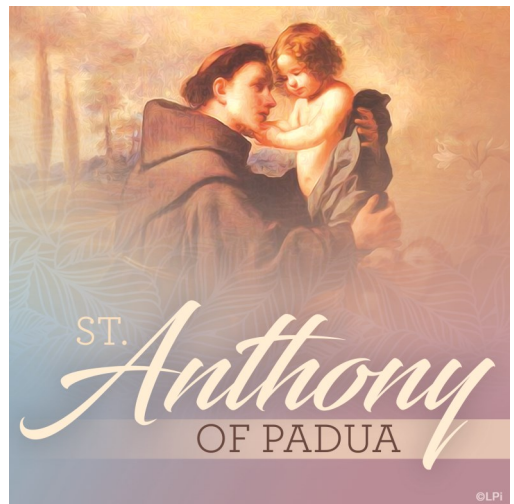
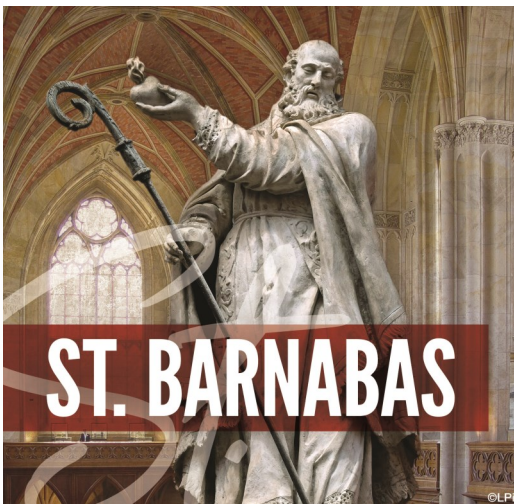
Pepperoni Rolls and T-Shirts have been ordered! Production will take 2 to 3 weeks, we will keep everyone posted on delivery dates.



10th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them in reply, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking around at those seated in the circle he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." - Mk 3:33-35

Scripture from the Lectionary for Mass © 2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

100th YEAR CELEBRATION UPDATES

The countdown is on!

We have another new face around the Parish and would like to let everyone know who we have helping out that way you can introduce yourself!

Mikelle Shane is the owner of New Bloom Photography, she will be taking photos of our larger events so that way we have photos for our next centennial celebration! Mikelle is from Brooke County and has a husband and daughter. If you see her come by at one of our events **SAY CHEESE!**



From Monday, June 10th to Friday, June 14th the office will be open on a limited basis. Steph is taking a vacation but Father and Dominic will be running around and available as usual!



We would like to congratulate the high school and college Graduates of the 2023 and 2024 school years:

- Anthony Bachinski
- Ben Ferguson
- Hannah Ferguson
- Josh Ferguson
- Alyssa Jezierski
- AJ Mitchell
- Lucas Neel
- Anthony Ptaszek
- Braelyn Sperringer

Upcoming Events

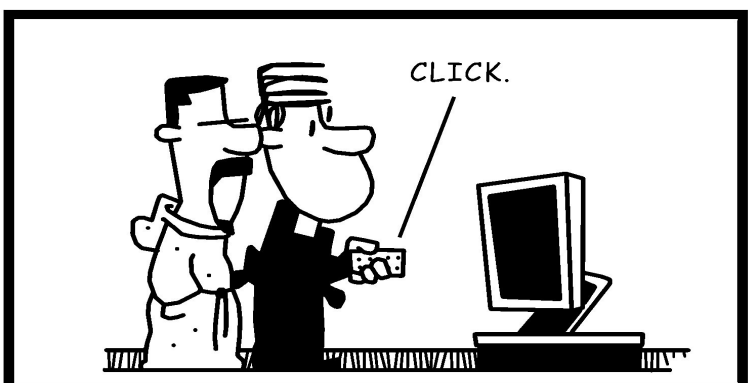
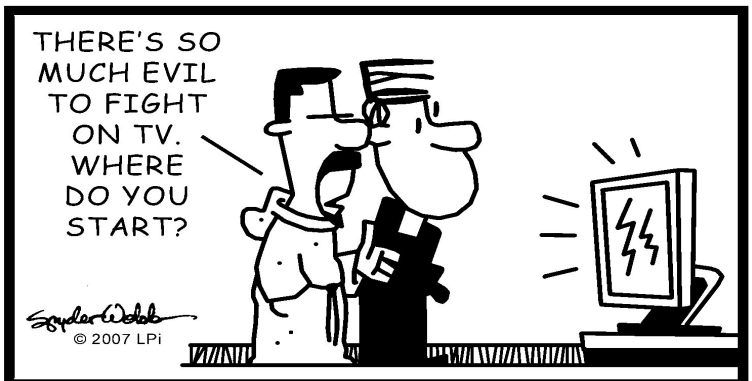
JUNE PARISH EVENTS LOCATED IN THE CHURCH AND PARISH HALL :

- Saturday, June 1st: ~~Father Soplinski's first Mass 9 a.m.~~
Reception to follow in the parish hall.
- Wednesday, June 5th: ~~Altar & Rosary Meeting 6 p.m.~~
- Sunday, June 9th: Mass for Graduates 10:30 a.m. & reception to follow.
- 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

10th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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!



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

SPONSORED, IN PART, BY OUR FRIENDS AT:

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Jebbia's Market		Reisbeck's Food Mart
McCann Distribution		Walmart
Smoker Friendly #21	The Soup Kitchen	Schmidt Bros. Sunoco

...and several generous private donations



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. We will be having our wonderful cantors lead us in hymns. We hope to have Father Gerald and some of his parishioners from St. Anthony's join us!

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The Brooke County Salvation Army Feeding Program offers **FREE TAKEOUT LUNCHESES** 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.

St. Paul School is accepting applications for a middle school math and history teacher for the 2024-2025 school year. Applicants must be WV certified and able to embody the qualities that make our Catholic school unique.

Interested applicants can apply via email to jlesho@weirtonstpauls.org, or you can mail your resume to Mr. Jamie Lesho, 140 Walnut Street, Weirton, WV 26062.

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 9:30-10:30AM
• 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, 2002 Warwood Ave., Wheeling, WV 26003
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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.

