

Saint John the Evangelist Parish

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NOVEMBER 2024

PASTORAL TEAM

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Parish Council.....John Alvarez
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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 — Gloria (Part 2)

Having turned our attention to the Christological section of this most ancient hymn of praise, in which we explored the beautiful and ancient names and titles by which it was made clear to us the true nature of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we then turn to a short litany: have mercy on us, receive our prayer, you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. This aspect of the Gloria makes clear that while our Lord can help us by His own power, He also acts as a mediator for us to the Father. We are, through this short litany, asking the Lord: Let us lay our pleadings in Your hands and carry them up before Your Father's Throne!

In the next verses, beginning with "For you alone are the Holy One...", we enter a section of this ancient hymn that justifies all that has come before it. The way in which Jesus Christ is described, as "Holy One", "Lord", and "Most High" are a parallel to the short litany of titles given to the Father in the first section of the Gloria. This section is also abundant in messianic terminology to make clear to us that Jesus Christ is the messiah, the Holy One who came to redeem mankind.

The reference to the Holy Spirit is the briefest possible and is followed by the mentioning of the glory of God the Father. The glory of God the Father brings before our eyes the first coming of Christ by which He offered Himself to the Father on the cross for our salvation and also the second coming of Christ with the angels to judge the living and the dead.

The *Gloria in excelsis Deo* is a hymn of the angels and saints in heaven and is addressed as a song of worship to God the Father and God the Son. The parts addressed to God the Son emphasize that He is the sacrificial Lamb who has taken away the sins of the redeemed by His sacrificial death, that He truly rose from the dead, and that He is now gloriously reigning with the Father in heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us.

Having just joined the choirs of angels and saints to offer this ancient hymn of praise to the Almighty God, we reach the first climax of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in the oration of the priest. The priest invites the people to offer to God the prayers, joys, anxieties, cares, and concerns that they have brought with them to the Mass through the invitation: "Let us pray". The period of sacred silence which follows it is when each and every one of us is called to offer to God the prayers that we keep in the silence of our hearts.

During this period of sacred silence, the priest is "collect-ing" the thoughts and prayers of each and every person present at the Mass. While many are used to calling this prayer that the priest offers the "Opening Prayer", its actual name is the Collect (emphasis on the first syllable) and it comes from the Latin *collecta* which means "the

gathering of the people together". The Collect is the prayer by which the priest gathers the prayers and intentions of the people and even his own personal prayers and intentions, collects them, and then offers them to God by means of this liturgical prayer.

The Collect has a unique structure and normally can be broken down into five parts: The invocation or address to God, an acknowledgment or description of God, a petition or request, an aspiration or desired result, and a concluding doxology. In the Collects of the Church, we can detect something of that seriousness that seizes man when he is face-to-face with the majesty of God. The beauty of the Collect is that it indicates to us that we are the Magi who are guided by the star of faith and grace in our journey to Christ through the wilderness of this life, through the persecutions of Herod (the devil and the world). However, we are not journeying to see the infant Christ in Bethlehem, but instead we are journeying to see Christ the King in the glory of His Second Coming which is given to us as a foretaste at every Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Every celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offers to us special graces and the Collect, due to its role of concisely expressing the character of each celebration, indicates to us these special graces that we will be receiving. Above all, however, the collect makes visible to us the grand outlines of that spiritual universe in which our prayer lives and moves and is; it arises in the communion of holy Church and ascends through Christ to God on high. Even on saints' feasts, and where some special patron age might put us in mind of a particular helper, the Collect is still directed to God Himself, begging Him, through the intercession of this saint, presupposing therefore, that he is invoked in the personal prayers of the faithful, to grant us protection and aid.

During the Collect, the priest upraises his hands and arms into what is known as the *orans* position, a position of prayer. This position is evocative of Exodus 17:12-14 when Moses was praying on behalf of the Israelites and when his arms were lowered, they began to lose the battle, and when his arms were raised, they began to win the day. This priestly gesture of prayer is also evocative of the posture of our Lord on the cross. The Collect, then, is that moment when the priest, at the head of his congregation, looking up to Christ, approaches God with his pleading prayer.

In the Amen the people are once again called upon to confirm the prayer of the priest. The word remains untranslated in all the liturgies. St. Justin Martyr renders it: "so be it" and that is obviously the meaning it has here, for it expresses the assent of the people to the priest's praying and pleading.

Next week, we will begin looking at the Liturgy of the Word.—Fr. Golna



Sat 4:00 pm Cathy DiNardo Weeks+
 Sun 8:00 am Doris Sperlazza+
 Sun 10:30 am People of the Parish
 Mon 8:30 am Charles Birkhimer+
 Tue 8:30 am Mr.&Mrs. Frank Traubert+
 Wed 5:30 pm Anthony L. Morris+
 Thur 8:30 am Mary, Anna, & Bernetta Traubert+
 Fri 5:30 pm Anthony L. Morris+
 Sat 4:00 pm Doris Sperlazza +
 Sun 8:00 am People of the Parish
 Sun 10:30 am Deceased Descendants of Alfred & Virginia Staffileno+

Readings

Saturday: Wis 3:1-9, 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6, Rom 6:3-9, Mt 25:34, Jn 6:37-40
Sunday: Dt 6:2-6, Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51, Heb 7:23-28, Jn 14:23, Mk 12:28b-34
Monday: Phil 2:1-4, Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3, Jn 8:31b-32, Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: PHIL 2:5-11, PS 22:26B-27, 28-30AB, 30E, 31-32, MT 11:28, LK 14:15-24
Wednesday: PHIL 2:12-18, PS 27:1, 4, 13-14, 1 PT 4:14, LK 14:25-33
Thursday: PHIL 3:3-8A, PS 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, MT 11:28, LK 15:1-10
Friday: PHIL 3:17—4:1, PS 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5, 1 JOHN 2:5, LK 16:1-8
Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12, Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9, 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17, 2 Chr 7:16, Jn 2:13-22
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16, Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10, Heb 9:24-28, Mt 5:3, Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44



NOVEMBER 16, 4:00 PM

Gre Mark and Shari
 Ser Avery and Liam
 Lec Wendi Mitchell

NOVEMBER 17, 8:00 AM

Gre Anna and Jeje
 Ser Theresa Kowcheck
 Lec Fred Casale

NOVEMBER 17, 10:30 AM

Gre Susie Mullenbach
 Ser Will and Sothard
 Lec Gavin Scott

USHERS PLEASE COUNT

THE READINGS for this weekend are in the Hymnal at 1019

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.

Beginning October 1st we will start accepting Mass Intentions for January thru June of 2025. We will also be accepting sanctuary candles for the entire 2025 year.

OCTOBER 27, 2024

<u>Collection</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Weekly Envelopes	136	\$2106
Votive Candles		\$30
Building & Maintenance		
Elevator Fund		\$50
All Souls		\$10
All Saints		\$5
Registered Parishioners/ Budget	249	\$2,900.00



Sat:

Sun: Ryan Lazear, Kourtney Provenzano

Mon:

Tues:

Wed:

Thurs:

Fri:

Sat: Gabriella Staffileno

Sun: Paula Henderson



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

is burning in memory of **Gary Antigo** (Flora Antigo) From November 8, 2024 to November 21, 2024.

Prayer List

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AND THEIR INTENTIONS IN YOUR PRAYERS: DR. SCOTT BENEFIELD AND FAMILY, PAULA HENDERSON, DOMINIC CIPRIANI, MARY ROSE, DIANE BAYLESS, HILDA TARQUINIO, JOE BIBBO, BEVERLY SCHWERTFEGER, CHERYL BLAND, LISA CHIODO, DONNA SULLIVAN, SANDY, ELEANOR ROCKEY, COLLEEN RUSHING, ELEANOR SACRIPANTI, JIM AND SHARON PAVLIC, KATHLEEN GODINA, DEBBIE, AND RICK MERCER

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

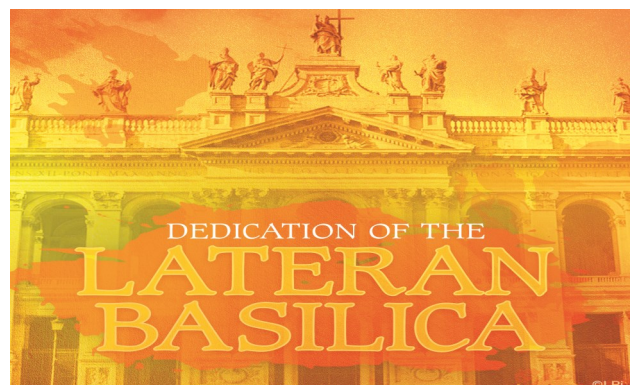


31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:32, 34ab

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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3	4	5 Coffee & Catechesis 9 A.M. Coffee Klatch	6 Aim Baby Shower 6:30 P.M.	7	8	9
10	11	12 Coffee & Catechesis 9 A.M.	13 Soup & Sandwich 12 P.M.	14	15	16
17	18	19 Coffee & Catechesis 9 A.M.	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 Coffee & Catechesis 9 A.M.	27	28	29	30

ADORATION SCHEDULE

9 A.M.		Every week on Wednesdays, from 9 until 5 p.m., adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place in our parish church.
10 A.M.		
11 A.M.		
12 P.M.		
1 P.M.		
2 P.M.	Need 1 Adorer	If you would like to sign up to be an adorer for an hour, please call the parish office.
3 P.M.		
4 P.M.		

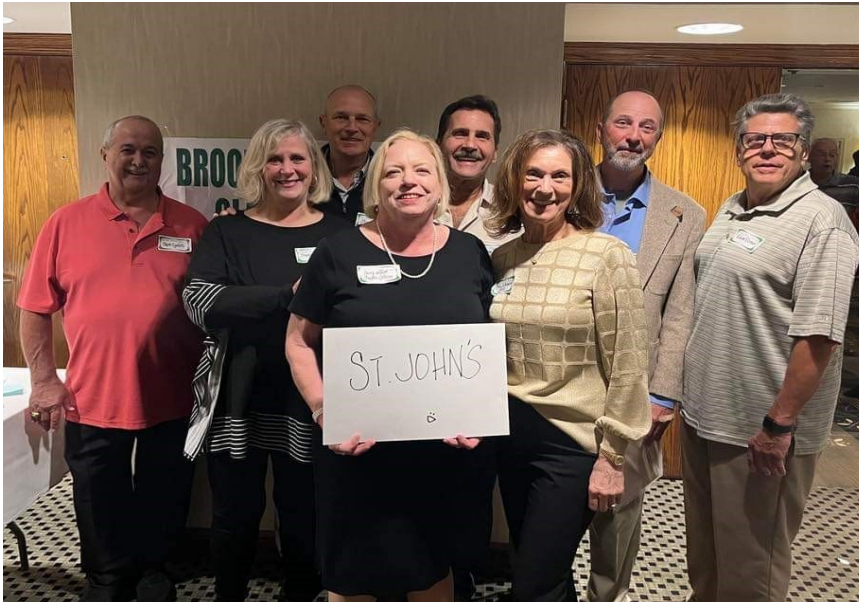
DATES TO REMEMBER:

Monday, December 9th: Solemnity of Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation) - Mass at 12 noon and 6 p.m.
 Saturday, December 14th: 100th Year Dedication Mass/ Holiday Gathering

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE By Bud Ozar

In a family children are taught to be respectful if they want to be respected, to share, if they want their fair share and to listen if they want to be heard. Family life rescues us from arrogance by teaching us to love others as we love ourselves.


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.



We would like to honor the alumni of St. John the Evangelist School class of 1970 who came together for their 50th Reunion of Brooke Highschool. We are so glad to see their school spirit lives on. Pictured are Mark Cipoletti, Francine (Diserio) Kraus, Cheryl (Miller) Lallone, Paula (DiConstantino) Devitz, Bill Elcesser, Dave Atwell, Ben Serevicz, Joe Bibbo.

*A bundle of joy
is on the way*

*Please help us celebrate
with a special day*



For AIM's Women's Center

Place Parish hall

Date Wednesday, November 6th

Time 6:30 p.m.

Any unwrapped gifts may be left on
the table in the vestibule.



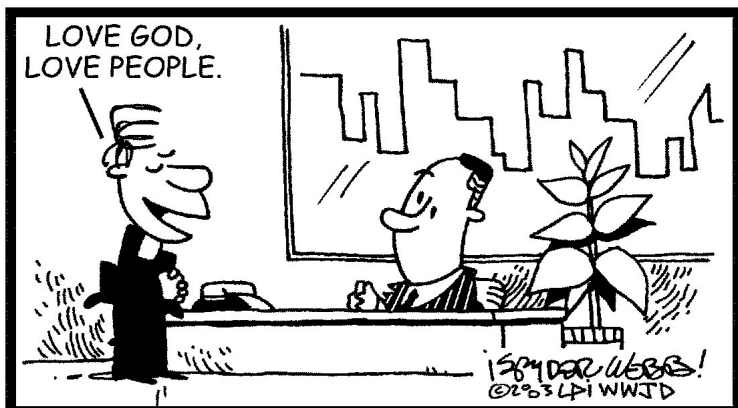
ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS

As many of you know the Diocese has changed the **SAFE ENVIRONMENT** requirements to a yearly review. We have several different options for you to get up to date.

1. You can log into your online VIRTUS account and do the forms yourself.
2. Come to the office and have the ladies help you.
3. We can also set up an in person meeting at our parish if we have enough people.

If you are not able to log in and do the forms yourself please call the office and let us know how you would like to do the training.

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Our 2024 CSA total raised so far is \$6,495 of our \$15,970 goal. We would like to thank everyone who has already donated. We would like to give a little information on all the services and projects the CSA contributes to. In 2024 two hundred and fifty faithful from our Diocese were able to attend the National Eucharistic Revival this summer, funds are provided to children who cannot afford to pay for Camp Carlo, and parish leaders have the opportunity to continue their education at the PACE Conference. Other programs consist of the Walking with Moms program, tuition assistance, faculty & staff professional development and much more. For a complete list of ministries, programs and grants supported through the CSA, please visit the website, dwc.org/csa. I invite you all to join me as you have done in the past by supporting the annual **CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL** today.

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

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