BASILICA OF THE CO-CATHEDRAL OF THE SACRED HEART CELEBRATING 125 YEARS



Pilgrimage Site for: Diocesan Shrine of Santo Niño "Annunciation" and "Tree of Life" Meditation Gardens

The Epiphany of the Lord-January 8th, 2023

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:15 AM, Vigil 5:30 PM Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon & 5:00 PM Monday & Friday 8:15 am Tuesday-Friday 12:00 Noon

Mass from the Basilica is live streamed on our Facebook & YouTube page, Sundays at 10AM

Mass from the Diocese is being live-streamed at 6 p.m. on Saturday, where it remains online. The link is <u>https://dwc.org/home/mass/</u>

> Listen to EWTN on WLUX 1450 AM Dunbar|Charleston https://www.ewtn.com/radio/schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday's 4:00-5:00 PM or by appointment. 304-342-8175

> EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Saturday's 4:00-5:00 PM.



Parish Mission Statement

"We, at the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, are a diverse community of the poor, the disadvantaged and hungry, the well-to-do, the youth, elderly, visitors and those seeking refuge.

As a community of many cultures and races, we stand for unity in our diversity by expressing our love of God the Father through prayer and worship, through service to one another, through the ministry of welcoming, through evangelization and ecumenism. With the Bishop, we shall pursue this mission faithfully through the example of Jesus Christ, the power of the Holy Spirit and the gifts and talents of our members." All are welcome today, especially visitors, guests and those who might be new to the community.

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Sharing Our Treasure - 12/25/2022

Regular Collection: \$33,053 SMILE: \$75 Catholic Charities: \$5925

Candles: \$197 Partners In Hope: \$75 Needy Student: \$70

Thank you for your faithful generosity.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Basilica The Epiphany of the Lord-January 8, 2023

01/15 Sat. Sun.	8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	 + Robert "Bob" Miller For the Intention of William "Bill" Brohard + Stewart "Skip" Gray, Sr. + People of the Parish + Adele Bobinger
01/14 Sat.	8:15 am	+ Sarah L. Dean
01/13 Fri.		+ Pope Benedict XVI + Pam Edwards
01/12 Thu.	12:00 pm	+ Gloria Tabit
01/11 Wed.	12:00 pm	+ Walter Edwards
01/10 Tue.	12:00 pm	+ Sr. Cornelia Mugenji, SJI
01/09 Mon.	8:15 am	+ Sr. Rosalie Bucci, CSJ
01/07 Sat. 01/08 Sun.	8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	 + Fr. Leon Alexander + Fr. Pat McDonough + John Ruddick + People of the Parish + Don Quarequio

Ministry Schedule-Week of January 14/15

Lector Schedule 5:30 PM-John Willson 8:00 AM-Jim Weimer 10:00 AM-Mike Tupta 12:00 PM-Matthew Bowles 5:00 PM- John Biros

Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

5:30 PM Kerri Grant, Matt Higgs

8:00 AM Karen & Sam Gross

10:00 AM Cindy McGhee, Antonetta Stevens

12:00 PM Chloe Flores, Bob Parker

5:00 PM Debra Basham, Jason Pizatella

The Pope's Monthly Intention JANUARY-For Educators

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

Sharing Our Treasure - 1/3/2023

Regular Collection: \$17,467 Candles: \$150 SMILE: \$465 Needy Student: \$80 Solemnity of Mary: \$1226 Religious Retirement: \$190 (\$4550) Catholic Charities: \$370 (\$6295)

Partners In Hope: \$215 Social Concerns: \$236 Initial Offering: \$760

Thank you for your faithful generosity.

A note from the Rector...

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord,

Greetings on the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord!

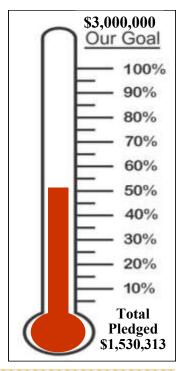
May the Light of Christ brighten your life.

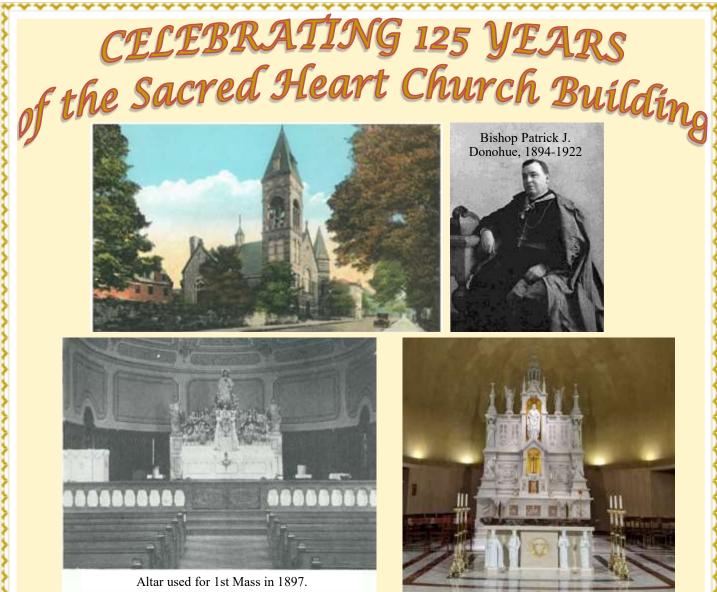
We will celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord on Monday which will conclude our Christmas Season. I pray that this Christmas Season was one of joy and peace as you gathered with your family and friends.

I am grateful for Bishop Brennan who began our 125th Anniversary Year of our Church building with Mass on Christmas Eve. It was a great joy to have our Bishop spend Christmas with us. Please check out the pictures in this bulletin.

I am very grateful for all who helped to make our celebrations joyful and beautiful. May the Lord bless our New Year of 2023 and bring us peace and joy. I am

Yours in Christ, Fr. Don





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#### From our music director...

### A Joyful Psalm: Psalm 72

The Catholic Church is a gift for the entire world, and it is meant for everyone. In fact, the very word "catholic" means "universal." The Body of Christ is a collection of the entire world. The language of Latin is a universal language for the entire world. This is why the Church will often address all of humanity as "man." Not to elevate men over women. Rather, to address the entire world in the singular: as one Body of Christ.

The first reading, psalm response, and Gospel readings all describe the world paying homage to God by offering gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. The giftgivers represent the entire world with great specificity: Gold represents the royal kingship of Jesus; Frankincense was used in worship and foretells Jesus as the High Priest; Myrrh was used to bury the dead and signals the passion and death of Iesus.

Jesus Christ is for every nation on earth. May we always offer our gifts to adore Him.

Mark Haas, Director of Music





The Knights of Columbus St. Michael the Archangel Council 12630 would like to wish all of the parishioners of the Sacred Heart Co Cathedral a very Happy New Year along with the hope that this year will be a special time for your families.

We also wish to thank everyone who has supported the Knights of Columbus in all of its activities throughout the year 2022, especially those who have been generous in their donations to the Risen Lord Food Pantry.

The Knights of Columbus is always looking for new members. Join up on line by logging on to kofc.org/joinus. Simply fill out the form answering a few simple questions for a free one year membership. Enter the following ONLINE MEMBERSHIP CODE, blessedmcgivney.

The 2023 Religious Art Calendar's are on order and should be here in a couple of weeks. Watch the bulletin for more information.



#### Sacred Heart Grade School News...

Happy 2023!! We are back in school and off to a great start. During the break, sixteen Newline Smart Boards were installed in the classrooms in the main building. We were able to pay for these with our Day of Giving donations from February 2022 and a matching grant from the Diocese. They are so clear and the teachers (and kids!) are loving all the neat features that will enhance the classroom learning experience! Check out our Facebook page- there is Anne Davis, Principal a picture of one!

#### **Religious Education News...**

Happy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed Christmas and New Year's celebrations with family and friends. I was blessed to be able to deliver Christmas cards to all our elderly homebound parishioners, they were so happy and grateful for the nicely decorated cards. The cards were provided by the Christian Service Committee and decorated by our Religious Education children. Don't forget classes resume on January 8th. God bless you all!



TAX STATEMENTS-The 2022 contribution statements will be mailed at the end of January. If you do not receive yours within a reasonable amount of time please contact the parish business office, 304-342-8175.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity to our parish.

Literacy Volunteers Needed-Literacy Volunteers of Kanawha County teaches Basic Literacy (reading and writing) as well as English as a Second Language(ESL) to ADULTS for FREE. Tutoring is one-on-one with flexible hours. LVKC teaches both in-person and via Zoom depending on a student's location. We are based in Charleston but have virtual students in Monongalia, Putnam, Ohio, McDowell and Raleigh Counties. Our immigrant students currently come from 14 different countries. Tutors usually work with students twice a week for about 45 minutes a session. We supply both online and hard copy teaching materials.

FREE VIRTUAL TUTOR TRAINING - Saturday, January 21, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. TO REGISTER CALL SUSAN 304-989-9481 or EMAIL TO brperrone@aol.com

# Christmas Eve 2023











# A BIG THANK YOU!!

To everyone that helped with Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses.

- \* Bishop Brennan & Priests
- \* Choir & The Musicians
- \* Video/live streaming
- \* Lectors
- \* Eucharistic Ministers
- \* Altar Servers

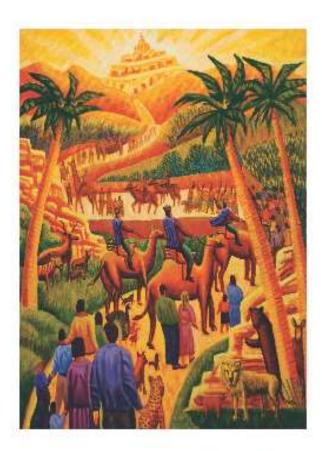
# AND

To everyone that helped decorate Our Church for Christmas Mass especially our decorating leaders Julie Robinson and Lisa Dobbins.

We thank God for the gift of your time and talent!

Photos by Martina Hart.

# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



## Star-Crossed

God our Creator you guided the Magi to the infant through the brightness of a star. Gold, frankincense, and myrrh, the Magi presented. May the light of Scripture guide our journey as we offer to you our worship and discipleship. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Sunday, January 8, 2023 Illumination and Glory

Today's readings: Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12. The radiance of God's glory is clear as we celebrate Isaiah's prophecy fulfilled in the visit of the Magi. In the first reading, Isaiah addresses Jerusalem, saying, "Your light has come." Continuing, Isaiah tells of people from afar bringing gifts: "All from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praise of the LORD."

The Magi proclaim the Lord's birth, when they arrive in Jerusalem, inquiring, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" Alarmed at this query, the jealous King Herod begins a search for the one he considers a rival to his power. But this newborn is not destined to compete with the king. Isaiah had foretold that the newborn would "shepherd my people Israel." This is not the language of an earthly ruler. Jesus continues to be manifest in us in the readings and the Eucharist. On this Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, we thank God for the gift of the Eucharist, a gift that we can continue to receive throughout our lives.

Matthew's Gospel is a particular type of Jewish story that intends to make a theological point and is heavily influenced by biblical tradition and diverse sources. These visitors to the holy family were clearly good-hearted, kindly, and motivated by faith in prophecy and astrology. Honor their generosity by extending good will and kindness to family, friends, and coworkers.



# THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

## Tuesday, January 9 The Baptism of the Lord

The readings of the Christmas season conclude with the heavens opening and a voice saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." What could be a more joyous way to end the season? During Christmas Time, we have experienced the birth of our Savior, the manifestation to the Magi, and Jesus' baptism in the Jordan. As we enter Ordinary Time in winter, pause to reflect on each of these in-breakings of the kingdom and how they have affected you. Today's readings: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7, Psalm 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10; or Acts 10:34-38; Matthew 3:13-17.

# Monday, January 23 Legal Protection of Unborn Children

The Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children weaves the secular with the sacred. Wherever we are on this day, we pray that God will protect all unborn children. Although the unborn are nameless to us, we can easily look around and offer thanks to God to all those who have been born. Consider using some of the photos from the Christmas cards that you have received this year to start a conversation with children about our belief that all life is sacred. Today's readings: Isaiah 9:1–6; Psalm 72:2,3–4ab, 7–8, 11–12, 13–14; Matthew 5:1–12a.

## Wednesday, January 25 Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul

The Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul reminds us that conversion to deepen faith and service of others is sometimes sudden. For most people, though, conversion to living in Christ is gradual, like a never-ending timeline of good works, struggles, reconciliation, renewal, and stronger faith in Jesus. Today, pray that we may never hesitate to serve God by serving others with kindness and understanding. Pray also to follow the example of St. Paul and to learn from struggles, so that you can dedicate your life to following Christ. *Today's*  readings: Acts 22:3–16 or Acts 9:1–22; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; Mark 16:15–18.

## Thursday, February 2 The Presentation of the Lord

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is sometimes called Candlemas Day or the Feast of the Encounter in the Temple (by Eastern Christians). In the Gospel, we hear Simeon's words of blessing and Anna's prophecy. Many parishes bless candles for parishioners and for the year's Masses today, a tradition that reminds us of the light of faith that we have through baptism. *Today's readings: Malachi 3:1–4; Psalm* 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Hebrews 2:14–18; Luke 2:22–40.

# Friday, February 3 St. Blaise

Little is known about St. Blaise, who was a bishop and martyr. He is celebrated as having healed a boy who was choking, likely on a bone. Recalling this miracle, the tradition of the blessing of throats arose around the eighth century. As throats are blessed with crossed candles close to the recipient's neck, we ask God to heal all who suffer from diseases of the throat and "every other illness." Today's readings: Hebrews 13:1–8; Psalm 27:1, 3, 5, 8b–9abc; Mark 6:14–29.

## Saturday, February 11 World Day of the Sick

On the optional Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, we recall the story of the apparitions of the Blessed Mother to St. Bernadette Soubirous of Lourdes, France. Millions of pilgrims have visited the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes since 1862, when several miracles were confirmed as authentic. In 1992, Pope John Paul II named February 11 World Day of the Sick, a day of awareness of those who are ailing and for all who have no access to proper medical care. Today is an important intersection of loving awareness of all sick persons, with a memorial in the Church that celebrates God's healing through the intercession of the Blessed Mother. *Today's readings: Genesis 3:9–24; Psalm 90:2, 3–4abd*, 5–6, 12–13; Mark 8:1–10.



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# **Epiphany on Sunday**

On many calendars, Epiphany falls on January 6, but the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates it on whatever date Sunday falls during the week of January 2.

Epiphany means "manifestation," and it celebrates the day that the infant Jesus revealed his divinity to the Magi. Traditionally, this event is connected with two others from the Gospels: the Baptism of Jesus and the Wedding at Cana. In all these events, the mystery of Christ became more manifest. The Magi, coming from the East, signify that gentile nations—not just Jewish nations—were coming to recognize Jesus as the savior of the world.

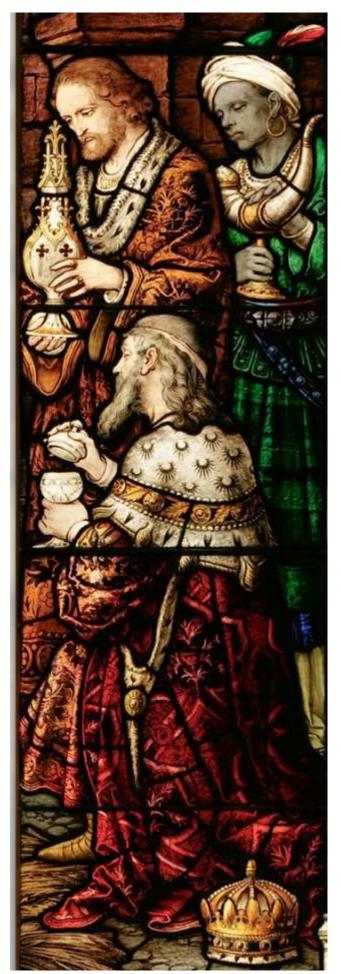
The Bible does not indicate on what day the magi visited—nor, for that matter, on what day Jesus was born. January 6 was probably chosen for this observance as an alternative for early Christians living in a culture where pagans already commemorated the birth of a sun god on the same day.

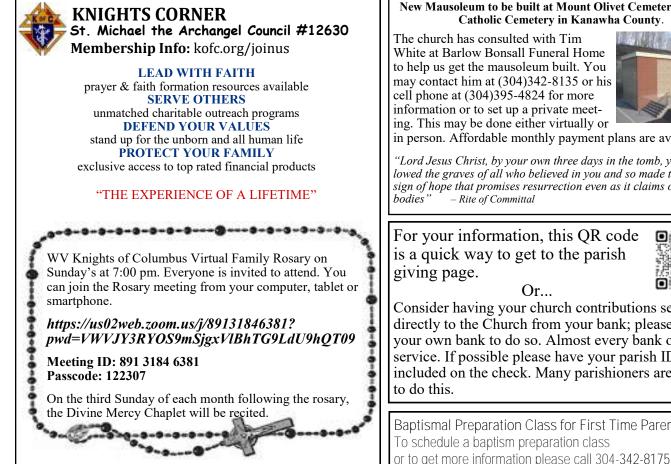
The day, the twelfth day of Christmas, gave rise to a host of customs, as well as a popular Christmas carol.

The biblical event is so important that the Catholic Church lists Epiphany among the solemnities that may be designated holydays of obligation. Episcopal conferences determine local holydays, and in the United States, January 6 was never included. In any country where Epiphany is not a holyday of obligation, the observance moves to a Sunday so that it may be celebrated by the entire Catholic community.

The transfer of Epiphany to a Sunday has the disadvantage of dividing the celebration among various Christian Churches of the world, but the advantage of helping the entire Catholic community proclaim and celebrate the meaning of coming of Christ.

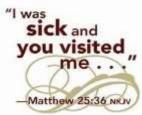
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**Pastoral Care** is offered to all parishioners. If you would like a visit or the Eucharist brought to your home, the hospital or assisted care facility, you can contact Sr. Ida at 1-304-709-0026.

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. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880.

# New Mausoleum to be built at Mount Olivet Cemetery-the only



in person. Affordable monthly payment plans are available.

"Lord Jesus Christ, by your own three days in the tomb, you hallowed the graves of all who believed in you and so made the grave a sign of hope that promises resurrection even as it claims our mortal



Consider having your church contributions sent directly to the Church from your bank: please contact your own bank to do so. Almost every bank offers this service. If possible please have your parish ID included on the check. Many parishioners are opting

Baptismal Preparation Class for First Time Parents or to get more information please call 304-342-8175.



#### Sacred Heart Early Learning Center

Ages 6 Weeks to 2 Years open to children of all faiths, located at 204 Leon Sullivan Way. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday 7:00 am to 5:30 pm, year round.

At the Early Learning Center, care teachers provide a safe, clean, predictable and nurturing environment in which children can explore, build relationships and develop a positive self concept. If you are interested in our program, call Dawn Snyder at 414-5757 for an appointment, or for information.

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