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# 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time-January 14, 2024

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:15 am, Vigil 5:30 PM Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM Monday & Friday 8:15 AM Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 12:00 PM

Mass from the Basilica is live streamed on our Facebook & YouTube page, Sundays at 10:30 AM

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

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#### 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, quests and those who might be new to the community.

#### Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart TELEPHONE 304-342-8175 FAX 304-344-3907

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Niki Kurten, Principal	346-5491
Charleston Catholic High School: 6-12	
Colleen M. Hoyer, Principal	342-8415

#### **SACRAMENTS**

Anointing of the Sick, Confession, Infant Baptism, Weddings For information/to schedule any of the above 304-342-8175

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Music Director: Mark Haas	342-8175
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Principal Organist: Gregory Gray	380-4786

#### **OTHER PARISH GROUPS OR MINISTRIES**

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#### **Sharing Our Treasure - 1/7/2024**

Regular Collection: \$12,621
Partners In Hope: \$256
Needy Student: \$76
Solemnity of Mary: \$250 (\$2126)
Catholic Charities: \$250 (\$5400)

Candles: \$91
Smile (Sisters): \$576
Social Concerns: \$120
Initial Offering: \$392
Christmas: \$300 (\$5,460)

Thank you for your faithful generosity.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Basilica Second Sunday in Ordinary Time-January 14, 2024

01/13 Sat. 5:30 pm + Jean Shumacher 01/14 Sun. 8:00 am + People of the Parish 10:30 pm + Francis Jean Smith

5:00 pm + Tom & Mary Christina Edwards

01/15 Mon. 8:15 am + Adele Bobinger

01/16 Tues. 12:00 pm NO MASS

01/17 Wed. 12:00 pm + Fr. Richard Klug

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01/19 Fri. 8:15 am + Charles E. Spaniol 12:00 pm + Kathleen Fitzmaurice

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#### Ministry Schedule week of January 20/21

Lector Schedule 5:30 PM-John Willson 8:00 AM-Mark Sadd 10:30 AM-Amanda Ream 5:00 PM-Jack Burke

Eucharistic Ministers Schedule 5:30 PM-Linda & Matt Higgs, Debra Murphy, 3 volunteers 8:00 AM-Nancy Bricker, Greg Bolles, 4 volunteers 10:30 AM-Mike Tupta, Bob & Jeannie Tyler, Annabelle Walsh, 2 volunteers

5:00 PM-Agnes Smith, Angelita Zamora, 4 volunteers

# The Pope's Monthly Intention JANUARY-For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

FYI...The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated Saturday, June 8th at the 5:30 pm Mass.

**TAX STATEMENTS-**The 2023 contribution statements will be mailed by 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.

### A note from the Rector...

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord,

Greetings on this Second Sunday in Ordinary Time!

Msgr. Sadie is currently at St. Francis Hospital receiving physical therapy. In time, he will move to Edgewood Summit. Msgr. Sadie returned to the Cordis Center in May of 2022. It was a blessing for me and our parish to have him so close to us. Please continue to keep him in your prayers as he continues to improve.

Mark Haas has an announcement in this bulletin informing us that he has been hired as the music director for Ave Marie Parish in Ave Maria, FL. Mark and his family will be with us until the end of June. I am grateful for his wonderful music ministry for the past four years-more will be said in June. I will establish a search committee for a new music director.

I have had a few phone calls from Fr. Roy. He is having a beautiful time with his family and his Diocese. He will return to us from India on February 9th. Keep him in your prayers.

Have a great week. I remain, Yours in Christ Fr. Don

#### A Pilgrimage to Catholic Italy with Fr. Don

Fr. Don invites you to join him on a spiritually enriching 12-Day pilgrimage to Catholic Italy October 14-25, 2024.

Highlights include: Florence, Siena, Assisi, the Isle of Capri, Pompeii, Rome, The Vatican and an audience with the Pope. Flight to and from Charleston, W.V. included. Early Bird Discount of \$50 for those who register before February 3rd.

The cost of \$5899 includes breakfasts and dinners, tours, r/t flights, 4-5 star hotels, motorcoach, a farewell dinner at a local restaurant in Rome and memories to cherish forever. Don't miss this once in a lifetime pilgrimage to visit and pray at the Catholic places you have heard of all your life. Plus, you will see the world-famous sites of Italy as well.

For the itinerary, more details and the option to register online, go to: https://bit.ly/HiggsItaly or call Fr. Don at 304-685-2367.

#### From our music director...

Dear Sacred Heart parishioners:

It has been a joy to serve you these last three and a half years. This coming June, my family and I will be relocating, as I will be starting a new position as the Director of Music at Ave Maria Parish in Ave Maria, FL.

Sacred Heart has been the most welcoming place for our family. It was with joy that we baptized three of our children in this parish! As your music director, I have been inspired during countless parish and Diocesan Masses and events. I am grateful for the friendships of Fr. Don, Fr. Roy, Greg Gray, the Sacred Heart Choir, musicians, parish staff, school students, faculty, and so many fellow parishioners!

Thank you for believing in me and my vision during our time here. Thank you for embracing Renae and I, and our seven children. Thank you for praying with us each weekend. Please pray for us now, as we will be praying for you. We will be most grateful for these final six months with you. May God bless the Sacred Heart community always!

-Mark Haas

#### Jesus and the Eucharist Study Series

As part of our Faith Formation program for the Parish year of the Eucharistic Revival, we will be presenting the 7-part study program "Jesus and the Eucharist". This program is being made available to all parishes in the US as part of the National Eucharistic Revival.

The program will begin on January 28, and continue for 7 weeks, ending on March 14. Each week, we will provide 3 sessions to cover the material for that week, as follows –

- \* Sundays at 12:00 Noon in the Gathering Space
- \* Wednesdays at 9:30 AM in the Cordis Center
- \* Thursdays at 6:30 PM in the Gathering Space

Each meeting will last approximately 2 hours or less, and will provide time for learning and sharing. The same material



will be presented in each session of a given week – feel free to attend any one of the sessions that week. If you can't attend a given week, that's OK – please come whenever you can.

We think this will be a very rewarding and informative program for the parish, and will greatly increase our understanding of Christ's saving work in the Eucharist.

Please sign up using the sign-up sheets in the Gathering Space.



#### Fr. Sadie's "Cogitationes" 304-546-4330

#### The Tablet International Weekly-Features/ Israel-Palestine Conflict

A Jewish Israeli adopted into a Muslim Palestinian family and later ordained as a Jesuit priest searches for words that do justice to all those suffering in a pitiless war/ by David Neuhaus

#### What can I say?

The Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzaballa, lead the Christian community, ripped apart by the conflict, in this search for words, with his 24 October letter to the faithful. At the centre of this letter are three paragraphs that illuminate my search. The first paragraph: "My conscience and moral duty require me to state clearly that what happened on 7 October in southern Israel is in no way permissible and we cannot but condemn it... The life of every human person has equal dignity before God, who created us all in his image." The second paragraph: "The same conscience... leads me to state with equal clarity today that this new 5,000 deaths (now well over 16,000). These are tragedies that cannot be understood and which we have a duty to denounce and condemn unreservedly... It is time to stop this war, this senseless violence." The third paragraph: "It is only by ending decades of occupation and its tragic consequences as well as giving a clear secure national perspective to the Palestinian people, that a serious peace process can begin... We do not have the to leave this task to ???

These are not words of careful diplomacy. They are a cry for active engagement in speaking truth to power. They resist simple reductions and facile solidarities. They are forged in sorrowful tears and love for all who live in the Holy Land. Pizzaballa was elevated to the rank of cardinal just eight days before the latest outbreak of horror. His words unsettle, stretch, transform. They are based upon authentic relationships with Israeli Jews and with Palestinian Arabs. Unreservedly committed to dialogue with Jews (the cardinal speaks fluent Hebrew and knows Jewish society intimately) and to the welfare of his flock (mostly Palestinians and among them the parishioners in the Holy Family Church in Gaza, which he has regularly visited), his words are forged in a deep anxiety for all in the Holy Land. The Church is committed to root out antisemitism and to justice, peace and equality for Palestine. This is not a choice between two options but a commitment to both, even if the commitment tears us apart.

#### Special Collection for the Holy Land this Weekend

Your donation can save a life. CNEWA's Emergency Relief Fund to provide the essentials of water, food and emergency kits on the ground in the Holy Land. Special collection for the Holy Land at Masses in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston Jan. 13-14 "The money collected will be sent to The *Catholic Near East Welfare Association* (CNEWA), a papal agency for humanitarian and pastoral support. CNEWA has offices in the region and know where and what kind of help is needed the most." Learn more about CNEWA at https://cnewa.org

—Bishop Mark Brennan

Looking for livestreamers! We are looking for people to operate our weekend 10:30am livestream equipment. All ages welcome and training is provided. Contact Mark Haas: mhaas@shccwv.us

We've ordered a few additional 2024 Religious Art Calendar's they should arrive next week and will be available in the Vestibule and Gathering Space at the Church.

O God... help us to
walk together, pray
together, sing
together, and live
together until that day
when all God's
children, Black,
White, Red, and
Yellow, will rejoice in
one common band of
humanity in the
kingdom of our Lord.
Amen.

Martin Luther King Jr.



#### Knights of Columbus

Fish Fries - Based on our two trial fish fries, the Knights have decided to host Fish Fries during Lent. We will announce the dates in the near future. We also may be asking for help with this new activity.

If you like the things that the Knights do, consider becoming a member. Knights participate in all manner of charitable activities to support families, the church community, faith and life. Our food drives, coats for kids, hot dog / ice cream socials and fish fries are examples of just some of our activities. The first year of membership is still free if you join online at kofc.org/joinus. The free code is now blessedmcgivney. [not case sensitive] for online membership. After a year, we ask that you pay dues which go to support our Charitable activities. Please ask a Knight if you are interested.

#### DIOCESE OF WHEELING CHARLESTON



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# January 5, 2024 OFFICE OF THE BISHOP Pastoral Letter on the Elderly and Persons with Special Needs

Continuing my recent series of letters on life issues, I turn now to how we, as a society and a Church, treat the elderly and persons with special needs. They, too, form part of the "seamless garment" whose hem is respect for the embodied life of the human being. What does our Catholic faith have to say about them?

For most of history, a people's elders have been held in high esteem, sought out for their wisdom and cherished for their custody of the community's traditions. Handicapped persons, on the other hand, have more often been dismissed as a burden and judged incapable of contributing to the common good. Our Catholic faith agrees that elderly persons deserve great respect and have an important role to play in safeguarding a community's values but our faith also affirms the intrinsic worth of persons with special needs -- handicapped or disabled -- and welcomes their participation in the life of the community.

Men and women of advanced age have played a major role in our Judeo-Christian tradition. Abraham and Sarah, childless for so many years, were promised a son by God. Their faith was tested but they trusted God and He made them fertile in their old age. Through Isaac, their son, and Jacob, his and Rebekah's, the whole people of Israel descended. At the beginning of New Testament times, Zachariah and Elizabeth were old and childless but God gave them a son, John, who prepared the way for our Savior, Jesus Christ. Old Simeon and Anna prophesied about Jesus' saving mission when Mary and Joseph brought the child to present him to the Lord in the temple in Jerusalem.

Non-Christian cultures have also revered the elderly. When I was the parish priest for a Korean Catholic congregation just outside Washington, DC, I saw on display the centuries-old Korean custom of profound esteem for their elders *(sinbunim)*. Younger Koreans would make a deep bow before the *sinbunim* and their views were accorded much respect. The parish built a retirement home for the elderly parishioners, so important were they to the Korean community.

Today in the United States there is a fascination with youthfulness that undermines our respect for the elderly. I am not referring to young people themselves, who are a treasure and whose participation in community life we must foster. I refer, rather, to adults seeking to look and act as if they were many years younger than they actually are. We elders (I am a simbunim now) should "act our age" and fulfill the role that is proper to our stage of life. That role continues to be to serve as guardians of our community's most cherished values and to pass on to the young the wisdom those values express. With respect to how the young view the elderly, I remember a mantra popular when I was in college: "Don't trust anyone over thirty." Even at 2 twenty, I thought that was silly. Our professors were all over thirty! I would hope that most young people would feel confident in seeking the guidance that older people can offer them and trust that it is offered out of a genuine concern for their good.

A major concern for elderly persons is for their safety and overall wellbeing. Many of them prefer to remain in their own homes and can do so with appropriate help from their grown children and home-care services. Others are better served by assisted living situations or nursing homes. These decisions require prudence by the elderly themselves and by their families. In any case, the elderly should not be neglected or simply warehoused. Their needs can be met and their contributions can be received if we remember that they are still part of us. Pastors should arrange for homebound parishioners to be visited and parishes should organize teams to visit local nursing homes. In the Catholic Church more than in American society at large we respect the role of elders. Most bishops are past middle age but remain active and deeply committed to the spiritual good of their people. Pope Francis turned eighty-seven on December 17, 2023, yet continues to serve the Church. Many of our parishes depend on older parishioners to fill their pastoral and finance councils and other organizations. When new to the Diocese I needed a vicar general – the bishop's special assistant, whom canon law requires to be a priest –- so I turned to a retired priest, Msgr. Gene Ostrowski, and asked him for one year of service. He gave me three and a half. When I finally let him resume retirement, I asked another retired priest, Msgr. Joe Peterson, to take the position. He, too, graciously accepted. I can assure you that these generous men have given me wise counsel and undertaken important tasks for the good of our people.

Ominous clouds are gathering on the horizon for elderly Americans. Assisted suicide is now legal in ten states and the District of Columbia. Other countries show us where legalizing assisted suicide can lead. Canada allows both physician-assisted suicide and direct euthanasia. It applies not only to those whose death from a foreseeable, irremediable condition is near but also to those who suffer from chronic disabilities which are manageable but whose treatment the disabled person does not want. Canadian law will soon allow assisted suicide and euthanasia for mental illnesses. Belgium and the Netherlands allow minors to be euthanized at their request if they suffer from severe, incurable illnesses. The Netherlands allows doctors to euthanize patients with severe dementia without their consent. As Baby Boomers age in the US, the pressure to legalize assisted suicide will increase; the government will save money on Medicare and Medicaid and families will look forward to what their elderly relatives leave them. What does the Catholic faith say about this? Our moral teaching prohibits us from

directly intending or causing death but allows and encourages treatments meant to alleviate pain, even if those treatments might hasten death. Catholic teaching also allows a person to forego invasive and unpleasant treatments – formerly called "extraordinary means" – especially if they have no reasonable prospect of success. The Catholic approach to dying is humane and respectful of the person's God-given dignity, whereas assisted suicide capitulates to despair and direct euthanasia violates the most basic tenet of medicine: "Do no harm."

In contrast to assisted suicide and direct euthanasia, hospice and palliative care are positive responses to end-of-life challenges. The hospice movement began as a way to provide terminally ill persons with a safe and caring environment in which to live their last months and days before they died of natural causes. Every effort is made to keep the dying person comfortable and as pain-free as possible. Even more importantly, family members and friends are encouraged to visit the dying person to alleviate the fear of being alone, which can be a heavier burden than physical pain. It is lamentable that hospices in some states are now required to participate in assisted suicide and that some hospice personnel support it.

What about persons with special needs? (I use that term because the words "handicapped" and "disabled" refer only to the lack of some ability; we all have needs, so people with special needs are different only in degree and kind.) American society is better now at accommodating persons with special needs, especially since the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act in 1990. The ubiquitous ramps and sloping sidewalks at street corners are visible signs of the Act's impact; so is the publicity given to the Special Olympics. Medical science has enabled the physically and intellectually handicapped to participate in school and work programs and let their gifts shine. Those who were once considered useless make their contribution to the common good. Simple changes can make a big difference. For example, many Catholic churches provide access to persons in wheelchairs, some have large-print missalettes for the sight-impaired, radio-transmitted sound for the hearing impaired and signed Masses for the deaf.

Despite these advances, there is still a bias against persons judged to be less than "perfect." In the United States pre-natal ultrasound screening has resulted in between 60 and 90% of unborn children diagnosed with Downs Syndrome being aborted. In France, the reported rate is 77%, in Denmark 90% and in Iceland almost 100%. Yet Downs Syndrome children, who once had a life expectancy of ten years, can now expect to live fifty years. Medical advances, special education classes and sheltered workplaces allow them to lead fulfilled lives. Studies show that they are just as happy as other people. But many parents today think it will be an intolerable burden to care for them. I know it can be hard at the beginning because I have walked with families into which a special needs child was born, but I have also seen the love that blossoms in such families once they embrace that new child. The child and the whole family learn to give and receive love.

Here our Catholic Church could shine! The early Christians picked up babies left to die of exposure or by attacks of wild animals and took them home to raise. Could we not make it known that we will take in children with special needs when their parents cannot raise them? Are they not made in God's image like the rest of us? Could this not become a religious order's priority in today's society?

In a less dramatic vein, now that we can get handicapped persons into our churches, can we start inviting them to be readers and Extraordinary Ministers, according to their abilities? Could they not serve on parish pastoral councils and finance councils? I knew a blind man who was ordained a priest in my first diocese; we hope to have a blind deacon in ours. My point is: let's invite persons with different handicaps to take part as fully in the life of our parishes, schools and organizations as possible. Not only will they benefit from their service but the rest of 4 us, who may think we have no handicaps, will learn that it is not necessary to be "perfect" physically and mentally to be fully human and serve God's people.

Just as we should cherish and protect children, born and unborn, so we should cherish and foster the wellbeing of our elders and persons with special needs. We must forge bonds that transcend age and physical and mental boundaries. We must reject policies and practices that judge some people as disposable based on criteria that others decide. A person's fundamental worth does not depend on his or her age or physical or intellectual abilities; it comes from being a creature made in God's image and likeness. That is the bond that unites us all. May we recognize more fully that our love of neighbor must extend to those who are advanced in age and those who live with special needs.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ Mark E. Browner

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#### New Mausoleum to be built at Mount Olivet Cemetery-the only Catholic Cemetery in Kanawha County.

The church has consulted with Tim White at Barlow Bonsall Funeral Home to help us get the mausoleum built. You may contact him at (304)342-8135 or his cell phone at (304)395-4824 for more information or to set up a private meeting. This may be done either virtually or



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 bodies" - Rite of Committal

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