

BASILICA OF THE CO-CATHEDRAL OF THE SACRED HEART



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

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time-February 11, 2024

Pastor: Most Rev. Mark E. Brennan Bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

Rector: Very Rev. Donald X. Higgs, VF Email: dhiggs@dwc.org Associate Rector: Rev. Rayappa Kurakula Email: rayappak@dwc.org In Residence: Msgr. P. Edward Sadie, P.A., S.T.L.



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World Day of the Sick-Our Lady of Lourdes! Pray for those suffering from illness of body or soul.

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 <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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ADMINISTRATION

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	Sacred Heart Early Learning Center: 6 weeks-2 years	
	Andrea Stover, Director	414-5757
Sacred Heart Child Development Center: After School Care		
	Crystal Ashcraft, Coordinator	344-1125
	Sacred Heart Grade School: K-5/Pre-School (ages 3-4))
	Niki Kurten, Principal	346-5491
	Charleston Catholic High School: 6-12	
	Colleen M. Hoyer, Principal	342-8415
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SACRAMENTS

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

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

OTHER PARISH GROUPS OR MINISTRIES

Boy Scouts: Sam Wilkes	546-0614
Catholic Charities Office-Family Life Center	380-0162
For information on Catholic Charities	
Contact: Karen or Sam Gross	346-2608
Cub Scouts: Adam Rohrig 27	6-274-8110
Girl Scouts: Deborah Harless 30	4-553-7021
Knights of Columbus -St. Michael the Archangel #12630	
Dick Fauss, Grand Knight	965-6872
Sam Gross-Faithful Navigator-Fr. Boniface Assembly #1188	346-2608
Ministry to Sick/Elderly	
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Mount Olivet Cemetery/Mausoleum	342-8135
Wayne Johnson or Sacred Heart Parish	
Prayer Shawl Ministry: Wanda Dettinger	344-1181
Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center	342-0507
SH Christian Service Committee: Ron Rushworth	382-7768
SH Finance Council: Cindy McGhee-Chair	342-8175
SH Gift Shop: Antonetta Stevens 415-8132 or Kathy Lamb	344-2011
SH Pastoral Council: Jack Walsh-Chair	533-2298

Sharing Our Treasure - 2/4/2024

Regular Collection: \$14,448 Partners In Hope: \$530 Needy Student: \$235 Social Concerns: \$200 Church Dev. World: \$50 (\$335)

Candles: \$331 Smile (Sisters): \$556 Initial Offering: \$10 (\$488) Heating: \$80 (\$1474)

Thank you for your faithful generosity.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Basilica 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time-February 11, 2024

02/10 Sat. 02/11 Sun.	5:30 pm + Dr. Patricia "Pat" Bartle 8:00 am + People of the Parish 10:30 pm + Nanette Gallagher 5:00 pm + Pam Edwards
02/12 Mon.	8:15 am + Don Basilio David
02/13 Tues.	12:00 pm + Barbara Zsoldos
02/14 Wed.	Ash Wednesday 8:15 am + People of the Parish 12:00 pm + Remedios Marti 5:30 pm + Tom & Mary Christine Edwards
02/15 Thur.	12:00 pm + Adele Bobinger
02/16 Fri.	8:15 am + Harry Higgs 12:00 pm + Kenny Fox 5:00 pm Pray the Rosary 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross
02/17 Sat.	8:15 am + Mary A. Collia
02/17 Sat. 02/18 Sun.	5:30 pm + People of the Parish 8:00 am + Shawn Wheeler 10:30 pm + Francis Jean Smith 5:00 pm + Roger Whittington

Ministry Schedule week of February 17/18

Lector Schedule 5:30 PM-Kerri Grant 8:00 AM-Mark Sadd 10:30 AM-Andrew Workman 5:00 PM-Jack Burke

Eucharistic Ministers Schedule 5:30 PM-Sr. Ida, Linda & Matt Higgs, 3 volunteers 8:00 AM-Karen & Sam Gross, 4 volunteers 10:30 AM-Maria Rendinell, Mike Tupta, Annabelle & Jack Walsh, 2 volunteers 5:00 PM-Agnes Smith, Angelita Zamora, 4 volunteers

The Pope's Monthly Intention February-For the terminally ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

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

A note from the Rector...

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord,

Greetings on this Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time!

On Thursday, I administered the Last Rites to our beloved Msgr. Ed Sadie. He asked me to tell you that he is very grateful for all of you and that he loves you. He wishes to be comfortable and have no extraordinary means to be used. He is ready and waiting for the Lord to welcome him into Eternal Life. Please keep him and his family in your prayers for this good and faithful priest and servant of the Lord.

Lent begins this coming Ash Wednesday. May we enter fully into this holy season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Please plan to attend our Parish Lenten Mission beginning with our Sunday Masses the weekend of Feb, 24-25. We will have a daylong event on Monday, Feb. 26th. We will be led by Deacon Paul Lim. Please check this bulletin for details and encourage others to attend.

Fr. Roy has returned to us from his home visit to India. It is great to have him safely back with us.

Please make use of our daily Lenten reflections included in our weekly bulletin. May these reflections serve as a great help during your extra prayer time during Lent.

May you have a Holy Lent! I remain,

Yours in Christ, Fr. Don

LENTEN GUIDELINES FOR ALL CATHOLICS

Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by everyone 18 years and older, who has not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, enough to maintain strength, may be taken, according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but consuming liquids, including milk and juices, is allowed. Abstinence is observed by everyone 14 years of age or older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or the ability to work is affected, the law does not apply. Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays during Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence. If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, other suitable forms of self-denial are encouraged.

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.



Lent at the Basilica

<u>February 14th</u>Mass at 8:15 AM, 12:00 Noon & 5:30 PM

- Regular Sunday and Weekday Schedule
- Friday's during Lent: Starting February 16th Members of the Christian Service Committee will Pray the Rosary at 5:00 pm, followed by Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm.

Spaghetti

Sacred Heart Grade School will be hosting a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, February 25th from 4-7 in our school cafeteria. Dinners will be \$15 each and include salad, spaghetti and meatballs, and bread. Bake sale items will also be available for an additional donation. All proceeds will benefit one of our school families, the Meltons, whose two year old son was recently diagnosed with pediatric cancer. Dine-in and Take -out options are available. Please plan to stop by and enjoy having dinner prepared for you.

It's not to late to join the 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 has already started but doesn't end until 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.

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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.





Evening Eucharistic Encounter

with Deacon Paul Lim

Monday, February 26, 2024

6:00pm Presentation with Deacon	
3:30-5:30	Confessions
3:00pm	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
1:00pm	Rosary
12:00pm	Mass (Adoration 12:30-6:00pm)

(Reception to follow)



Deacon Paul Lim is a permanent deacon in the Diocese of Pittsburgh. He currently serves as Vice-President of Mission Integration at WVU Medicine Wheeling Hospital.

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The Synod Continues in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

Continuing on our journey as a Synodal Church, faithful from around the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston are asked to attend a gathering in their vicariate (Charleston, Martinsburg, Beckley, Clarksburg, Parkersburg, and Wheeling) between Feb. 21- March 7. Each gathering will be a synodal listening session to address two questions posed by the General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, who met in Rome last October.

• Where have I seen or experienced successes—and distresses—within the Church's structure(s)/organization/leadership/life that encourage or hinder the mission?

• How can the structures and organization of the Church help all the baptized to respond to the call to proclaim the Gospel and to live as a community of love and mercy in Christ?

The sessions will be held Feb. 21 at the Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center in Charleston, Feb. 22 at St. Leo Church in Inwood, Feb. 27 at St. Francis de Sales Church in Beckley, Feb. 28 at Immaculate Conception Church in Clarksburg, Feb. 29 at St. Francis Xavier Church in Parkersburg, and March 7 at St. Michael Church in Wheeling. All sessions will begin at 6:30 p.m. and everyone is encouraged to attend.

SHGS will be accepting applications for Sacred Heart parishioners beginning Friday, February 9th. Our application can be found on our website, www.shgs.us. We would love to have you join us for our 2024-2025 school year.

CHARLESTON CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL-EDUCATING THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF WEST VIRGINIA'S YOUTH FOR OVER 90 YEARS-Applications for CCHS can be downloaded from our website www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org. For more information, or to schedule a tour, call 342-8415 or email admissions@charlestoncatholic-crw.org.



Knights of Columbus

The Knights will have Fish Fries during lent starting February 16th through March 22nd at Sacred Heart Grade School. The cost for tickets is \$10 and we will accept credit cards. We will sell tickets at the door, but for the first weekend only we will sell advance tickets after all masses in the Gathering Space. This will help us to have some idea of how many people might come to these Fish Fries.

We will start serving at 6:00 p.m. MENU will feature Fried or Baked Cod, Baked Potato with Butter or Sour Cream, French Fries, Hush puppies, Cole Slaw, Green Beans, Roll, beverage and dessert. We will have a separate table for condiments. Thanks to Father Don and Father Roy for their support and the Staff of Sacred Heart Grade School for the use of the cafeteria. We also may be asking for desert donations by sign up. If you have attended our trial fish fries and have suggestions, please talk to a Knight.

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 and 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.

M 25...Whatsoever we do for the least, we do for HIM

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The "Family Life Center Food and Personal Care Pantry" at 1024 Quarrier St. in Charleston has been set up to benefit all parishes/parishioners in need within the greater Charleston area. This pantry is for you...and...yours. Access to the pantry is through the "double doors" on Dunbar Street.

We all know that the aftermath of the pandemic as well as other economic challenges have exacerbated the need to reach out to meet the emergency needs of members of our parishes. This pantry can have a profound impact on the lives of many in our area.

The pantry will consist of the following: Emergency Food, Emergency Home Care Items, Personal Care Items

The pantry will be open as follows:

Tuesday 10:00 am until 12:00 noon, Wednesday 2:00 pm until 4:00 pm, Thursday 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm

Catholic Charities West Virginia has been instrumental in caring for the basic necessities of those served and will continue to do so. This pantry, however, is geared at those considered as "low income" in our parish communities, who, from time to time simply need assistance to get through month by month. It is not affiliated with any other pantry in the area and solely sustained by a collective effort of the local parishes.

Parishioners can be referred to the pantry through local priests or parish administrative offices...or...members of any parish. They need only to come during the designated times and our volunteers will assist. If anonymity is an issue, arrangements will be made to provide such.

We ask that you help us to sustain the pantry by weekly/monthly collection of items that we provide. If you prefer, a gift card or monetary donation is acceptable (no checks, please); all proceeds will help us restock and keep our shelves full. One of our volunteers, all representative of local parishes, can assist with parish solicitations.

Together, we can make a positive impact and ensure that no one in our parish community goes to bed hungry or is unable to meet the basic necessities of life. Collectively, we can be a beacon of hope for those who need us most.

In Christ, we are volunteers from: The Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart Parish, Blessed Sacrament Parish, St. Anthony's Parish, St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Christ the King Parish, St. Agnes Parish, St. John's Episcopal Church

Ash Wednesday

For the Journey

Loving Father, during this Lenten journey, inspire me to meditate on your sacrifice as I seek to deepen my relationship with you. May the ashes on my forehead, remind me from where I came. Give me strength, give me hope. You who are all-loving, grant that I may be in communion with you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Wednesday, February 14, 2024—Forever Ambassadors of Christ

Today's readings: Joel 2:12–18; Psalm 51:3–4, 5–6ab, 12–13, 14 and 17; 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2; Matthew 6:1–6, 16–18. Has anyone ever asked you, "What is that on your forehead?" Each year on Ash Wednesday, we Catholics display a sign telling the world that we are followers of Christ, that we are sinful but hopeful in our redemption through the paschal mystery. The ashes remind us that we are in relationship with God, who sent his only Son to redeem humanity through the sacrifice on the cross.



Throughout the Lenten season, as a community, we ask God for his guidance and mercy as we journey together to repentance and prepare to renew our faith at Easter. The season invites us to return to God with our whole hearts so that we may be not only one with him but also ambassadors for Christ in the world.

The Lenten ethos is one of sacrifice, primarily God's sacrifice of Jesus for the salvation of humankind. Through our meager Lenten practices, we join in the sacrifice of Christ in the hope of sharing also in his resurrection. Jesus goes into the desert before he begins his public ministry to be alone with God as he readies himself for what is to come. Jesus put his complete trust in God. This season calls for a pause in our lives through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving so that we too may grow closer to God.

This Week at Home

Monday, February 12-Always by Our Side

Lent gives us the opportunity to deepen our relationship with God. James teaches us what unwavering faith can accomplish, while the Pharisees demonstrate how people of little or no faith live. James shows us how faith can overcome challenges that many of us know wholeheartedly and firsthand. We may know people who have no relationship with God. These people need assurance, "a sign" to believe. Let us be that sign. Today's readings: James 1:1–11; Psalm 119:67, 71, 72, 75, 76; Mark 8:11–13.

Tuesday, February 13-A Spiritual Journey

Have you ever been on a family trip when one member's sudden exclamation of "I forgot to pack!" is followed by another's reassuring response, "Don't stress, we'll figure something out"? Something similar can happen along our faith journey. In this scenario, God is that voice telling us not to worry, that he will help us prevail. God will give us the fortitude for a spiritual Lenten journey. Today's readings: James 1:12–18; Psalm 94:12–13a, 14–15, 18–19; Mark 8:14–21.

Wednesday, February 14-Symbol of Life

Today the ashes on our foreheads announce to the world that we acknowledge our sin and have faith in the saving cross of Christ. Despite the visibility of the ashes, they are meant to be a sign of conversion rather than an emblem of pride. Matthew encourages us to go about our lives without flaunting our good deeds. It is enough that we know what we have done for the love of neighbor. Today's readings: Joel 2:12–18; Psalm 51:3–4, 5–6ab, 12–13, 14 and 17; 2 Corinthians 5:20–6:2; Matthew 6:1–6, 16–18.

Thursday, February 15-Perfect Role Model

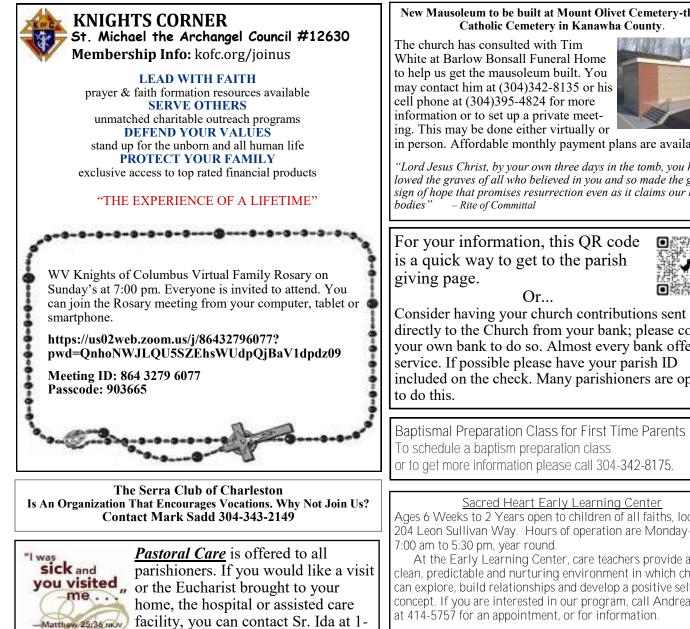
Who are your role models? As children, we may name a professional athlete or our parents. As we age and our faith grows along with us, we may begin to be inspired by saints. Today's Gospel reminds us of our greatest role model, Jesus Christ. Jesus gives us the template for a holy life. He also warns us that his path is not easy and that we must help one another along the journey. Our goal is to continue Jesus' mission. Today's readings: Deuteronomy 30:15–20; Psalm 1:1–2; 3, 4, 6; Luke 9:22–25.

Friday, February 16-Caring for Others

Look within and discern whether your external actions reflect your internal thoughts. Do you see a relationship between the way you observe the rules of fasting and abstinence and the way you treat others? Is God pleased that a Church law has been observed when you have been unkind to someone you find annoying? When experiencing a problem with another, ask God to fill you with love toward your neighbor. Strive to live a holy life not for recognition by others but for your love for God. Today's readings: Isaiah 58:1 –9a; Psalm 51:3–4, 5–6a, 18–19; Matthew 9:14–15.

Saturday, February 17-Saying Yes

Many of us have heard the saying "God doesn't call the qualified, he qualifies the called." In today's Gospel, Jesus called Levi, and Levi followed without hesitation. The other apostles followed the same pattern. Each of them left everything behind to join Jesus' ministry. How can you act as a missionary disciple, inspiring others to do what is needed to follow Jesus? Today's readings: Isaiah 58:9b–14; Psalm 86:1–2, 3–4, 5–6: Luke 5:27–32.



Now Hiring-Our Parish has full-time and part-time teacher positions for the Early Learning Center and After-school care programs. Diocesan benefits and salaries commensurate with experience and education. Applicants must be at least 18 years old, have a high school diploma and clear a background check. WVIT and ACDS helpful but not required. Please contact Sheila Kerekes at 304-414-5757 or mail your resume to 1114 Virginia St. E., Charleston, WV 25301.

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



directly to the Church from your bank: please contact your own bank to do so. Almost every bank offers this included on the check. Many parishioners are opting



Ages 6 Weeks to 2 Years open to children of all faiths, located at 204 Leon Sullivan Way. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday

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 Andrea Stover at 414-5757 for an appointment, or for information.

SACRED HEART GRADE SCHOOL

A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE Applications may be downloaded from our website www.shgs.us. For information, or to schedule a tour, call 304-346-5491.

- Tiny Hearts-2 Year Old-Half or Full Day Program
- ECE-3 Year Old-Full Day Program
- PRE-K-4 Year Old-Full Day Program
- Kindergarten through Fifth Grade
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