



BASILICA OF THE CO-CATHEDRAL OF THE SACRED HEART



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

Pentecost Sunday-May 28, 2023

Pastor: Most Rev. Mark E. Brennan
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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
Tuesday, 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/>

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

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart

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SH Pastoral Council: Jack Walsh-Chair 533-2298

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Basilica Pentecost Sunday-May 28, 2023

05/27 Sat. 5:30 pm + People of the Parish
05/28 Sun. 8:00 am + John Ruddick
10:30 am + Gerald Cooperman
5:00 pm + Walter Edwards
05/29 Mon. 8:15 am + Donald G. McKeny
05/30 Tues. 12:00 pm + Mike McCready
05/31 Wed. 12:00 pm + Therese M. Wilson
06/01 Thu. 12:00 pm + Fortunata Lim
06/02 Fri. 8:15 am + Lim Eng Chuan
12:00 pm + Ben & Eliza Swint
06/03 Sat. 8:15 am No Mass due to Eucharistic
Congress Preparation
06/04 Sat. 5:30 pm + Catherine L. Halloran
Sun. 8:00 am + People of the Parish
10:30 am + John Kevin Findley
5:00 pm + Burke Riley

Ministry Schedule-Week of June 3/4

Lector Schedule

5:30 PM-Maricel Bernardo
8:00 AM-Mark Sadd
10:30 AM-Mike Tupta
5:00 PM-John Biros

Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

5:30 PM-Sr. Ida Chikara, John Willson, Annette Cipriani
3 volunteers
8:00 AM-Greg Bolles, Steve Joseph, Joel Weese,
3 Volunteers
10:30 AM-Chloe Flores, Bob Parker, Jason Pizatella, Bob
& Jeannie Tyler, 2 Volunteers
5:00 PM-Agnes Smith, Angelita Zamora, 4 Volunteers

The Pope's Monthly Intention

May-For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may
rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing
their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Sharing Our Treasure - 5/21/2023

Regular Collection: \$7653 Candles: \$32
PHRA: \$1744 (\$8003)

Thank you for your faithful generosity.

FYI... Fr. Roy is making his homilies available in
print for those interested in following along at Mass.
Copies are located in the vestibule on the table.

A note from the Rector...

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord!

Happy Birthday! Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost, the beginning of the Church with the coming of the Holy Spirit. May we be open to the gifts of Holy Spirit to strengthen and guide us.

June will be a busy month for our parish. Please check out the list of events. I encourage you to take part on these opportunities to deepen our faith and grow closer as a community of faith.

- Our Diocesan Eucharistic Congress will be on June 2nd and 3rd. We will begin on June 2nd with a meeting of our Diocesan Seminarians at 5:30pm followed by a Taizé Prayer Service at 7pm.
- June 3rd- Day long events for The Eucharistic Congress. Please check this bulletin for schedule. The Congress will conclude with the Saturday 5:30pm Mass with Bishop Brennan.
- June 4th- During our 10:30am Mass, Bishop Brennan will celebrate the Institution of the Rite of Acolyte for our Deacon Candidates.
- June 11th- On the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, we will have a Eucharistic Procession after our 10:30am Mass.
- June 16th-Our Feast Day- The Sacred Heart of Jesus, we will host a daylong event that will conclude with Mass at 6pm followed by a dinner.

Please check your June calendar and make plans to take in these faith-filled events.

This Monday, as we remember those who have given their lives in service to our nation, make use of the prayer in this bulletin. Let's also pray for Msgr. Ed Sadie as he celebrates his 66th Anniversary of Ordination on June 1st. We thank God for the gift of his faithful service to the Lord's Church. May the Lord Bless him!

Let us pray for all those who have graduated and are moving on for further studies, work, or service. May they be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

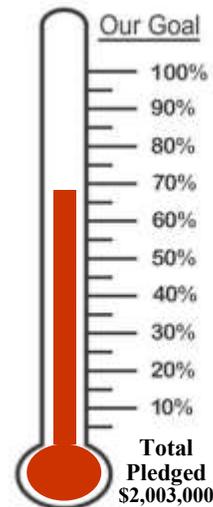
May this coming summer be a time of refreshment and renewal for you and your family. I remain,

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Don



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As part of our **Renewing our Present, Securing our Future Campaign** please join us for an informational meeting on **Planned Giving**. We will discuss ways to give that fit in with your financial and estate plans.

Our **Planned Giving meeting** will be held on Wednesday, May 31st at 6:30 pm in the Cordis Center. Light refreshments will be served. Please call the rectory to let us know you are interested in attending, 304-342-8175.

Sacred Heart Gift Shop is opened after each mass and is generally opened prior to the 10:30 mass. We have gifts for Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Graduation. In addition to gifts, we also now have hand-made greeting cards and prints for these occasions. We keep in stock a variety of rosaries, medals, automobile visor medals as well as bike medals and holy cards. Children's books and coloring books are also available. If you can't find what you are looking for, we can order it for you.



Feast of the Sacred Heart-June 16

Mark your calendars! The Feast of the Sacred Heart is on Friday, June 16, and as part of our 125th Anniversary, we are planning a special day to commemorate our parish feast day.

Our devotions will include Eucharistic Adoration from 9:00 am until 5:30 pm, followed by a special mass at 6:00 pm, and concluding with a reception after Mass. We will pray the rosary at 1:00 pm, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm, and the Litany of the Sacred Heart at 5:45 pm.

We will have a sign-up sheet for adoration, and are also asking the various ministerial committees and organizations associated with our parish to sponsor an hour of adoration during the day. If your group would like to be involved, please contact John Willson at johnwillson@me.com.



Congratulations to our Rector!

Fr. Don Higgs

on this 35th anniversary of his Priestly Ordination

May 28th, 1988

Thank you for your faithful service to the people of God!

From the parish staff, Fr. Roy and Sacred Heart Basilica Parishioners.



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May 20-21, 2023 Pulpit Announcement:

As part of our National Eucharistic Revival, the Diocese is sponsoring last of three regional Eucharistic Congresses in Charleston on June 2-3 at the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart.

Hundreds of faithful from across the state participated in the first two Congresses held in April in Charles Town and Wheeling. The Charleston event begins at 7pm Friday, June 2, with a Taize Service followed by a light reception. On Saturday, June 3, check-in/coffee & donuts begin at 9am followed by a reflective morning prayer, procession of the vicariates, an inspiring keynote speaker, lunch, inspirational breakout sessions, Adoration, Eucharistic Miracles exhibit, and much more. The day's events conclude with Mass at 5:30 pm with Bishop Brennan.

This Congress offers an opportunity for all of us - young and old - to be the Body of Christ by offering many opportunities for quiet prayer, informative presentations, and interpersonal contacts.

You can participate in the entire event or come for only a portion. The music and atmosphere will be engaging. There will be something for the whole family. The event is free (including lunch on Saturday), we just ask that you register by May 29th at the DWC website or by calling the chancery, so we can accommodate for your materials, lunch, and refreshments.

This is OUR MOMENT! Let it re-invigorate us, so that we may become fully alive as One Body in Christ. I will look forward to being with you as we let the Holy Spirit intensify in us a true devotion to the Lord who offered his life for ours on the cross and now offers himself to us in the Eucharist.

Sincerely in Christ,

+Mark E. Brennan
Bishop of Wheeling-Charleston

Eucharistic Congress Schedule of Events



Friday, June 2, 2023

5:30pm: Seminarian meet and greet (Basilica Gathering Space)

7:00pm: Taizé Prayer Service with reception to follow in Gathering Space

Saturday, June 3, 2023

9:00am-10:00am Check-In/Coffee and Donuts (Basilica Gathering Space)

10:00am-10:30am Morning Prayer (Basilica)

10:30am-10:45am Break

10:45am-11:30am Plenum Address – Fr. Joe Freedy (Basilica)

11:30am-12:00pm Break

11:45am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (CC High School 4th Floor Chapel)
Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit (Basilica/CCHS)

11:45am-12:15pm Tours of the Basilica

12:00pm-1:15pm Lunch (CCHS Commons)

1:00pm-2:00pm Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation (Basilica)

1:15pm-2:15pm Q&A with Father Joe Freedy (CCHS Commons)

2:45pm-3:45pm Breakout Sessions (CCHS)

4:00pm-5:00pm Breakout Sessions (CCHS)

5:15pm Musical Preludes prior to Mass (Basilica)

5:30pm Eucharistic Celebration with Bishop Brennan as Principal Celebrant



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival



Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

Christ is Present! Will you be?

June 2-3 at the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral
of the Sacred Heart, Charleston

Eucharistic
Congress
Grow in Faith
Exercise
your Spirit!

Friday:

7 pm - Taizé Prayer Service & Reception

Saturday:

9 am - Registration/Coffee and Donuts

10 am - Morning Prayer Service

- Keynote Address (immediately following prayer service)
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins (concludes before closing Mass)
- Tours of the church
- Lunch and Q/A session with Keynote

Afternoon - Two Breakout Presentations (10-12 sessions to choose from all to inspire our recognition of Christ's Presence in the Eucharist and our lives)

5:30 pm Closing Mass with Bishop Mark Brennan as president

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Fr. Joe Freedy



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It's FREE!

RSVP & more info:





Sacred Heart Grade School News...

This is it! We made it! Our last week. We have so many class picnics and celebrations planned. This past week, Kindergartners went on their class picnic, Preschool went to the Capitol Market, Third Grade took a walking art tour of our beautiful city. Fourth grade toured the WV Capitol and the Cultural Center- that museum is awesome. So much to learn about WV History. Fifth grade went to Wheeling University and took part in a NASA activity about life in space. Please pray for us as we start our last week of school and start the break for some much needed rest. Thank you for all you have done for us throughout this year. Have a great weekend! *Anne Davis, Principal*

From our music director...

A Joyful Psalm #88: Psalm 104

Happy Birthday, Catholic Church! Pentecost is one of the most ancient feasts in the church. 50 days after Easter, Jesus gives to the church the Holy Spirit. Pentecost (literally: "fifty-days") was originally a Jewish feast commemorating the giving of the Ten Commandments at Mount Sinai, which took place 50 days after the first Passover Meal.

The psalm response for Pentecost is always Psalm 104: *Lord, Send Out Your Spirit*. The entirety of Psalm 104 is a microcosm of the Creation-narrative from Genesis 1. The psalm recalls the fifth day of creation, when God created living creatures. The psalmist sings: "How manifold are your works, the earth is full of your creatures!"

We pray for an increase in our own humility as the psalmist sings: "If you take away their breath, they perish, and return to dust." Saint Augustine comments on this passage: "Their breath was their pride; they boast, they attribute things to themselves, they justify themselves...The man who repents of his sin discovers himself, that he had not strength of himself; rather, he will confess to God, saying, that he is earth and ashes." *Humble* is from the Latin, *Humilis*, which means, "on the ground/earth." Think of the profound image of the priest who lays prostrate with his face on the ground at the start of the Good Friday service.

May we ourselves increase in our own humility as we depart from the Easter season. May we return to dust, and may the Lord renew the face of the earth!

Mark Haas, Director of Music

Music Ministries Wanted! Please consider contributing your time and talent to our parish in one of the following capacities:

- 1.) **The Sacred Heart Choir:** The Choir serves each 10:30am Mass as well as Diocesan events. We need voices! Highschool through adult ages.
- 2.) **Cantors:** The role of the cantor is to lead the assembly in song, especially in the absence of a choir. Our parish is in need of enthusiastic voices to take on the role of cantor.
- 3.) **The Hand Bell Choir:** The handbell choir rings for various Masses throughout the year. The schedule is easy on you, and your addition would be much appreciated! All ages welcome.
- 4.) **The Children's Choir:** The Children's Choir will sing about once/month. Encourage your children and grandchildren to share their own musical talents with the parish.
- 5.) **Livestreaming:** We are need of people to run our livestream for the 10:30am Mass. All ages welcome.



Come out and Support the Knights of Columbus this weekend!

Memorial Day weekend is the annual Vandalia Gathering, a West Virginia Traditional Music Festival held on the Capitol grounds. Our Knights of Columbus will be one of the food vendors. The outdoor part of Vandalia will be during the day Saturday and Sunday. As in past years we will feature Roasted Corn and Mild Italian Sausage locally sourced from Buzz Foods along with optional peppers, onions and marinara sauce. This is one of the ways that we raise money for charitable works. Please consider attending this event and supporting Knights of Columbus Council 12630.

WE ARE HIRING

JOIN THE CCHS TEAM

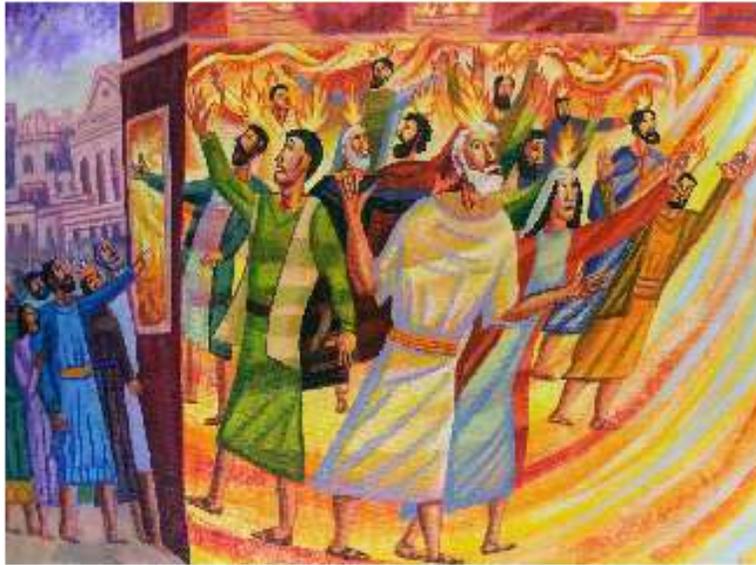
We are seeking motivated, dedicated education professionals to teach in a structured Christ-centered environment. Positions available in English, Theology, and Science.

TO APPLY, SEND YOUR RESUME TO

✉ Colleen.hoyer@charlestoncatholic-crw.org



SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST



Come, Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, come!
Pour out your wisdom so that we may
bring light
to the challenges of our world.
Fill us with understanding to untangle
our confusion.
Give us counsel to guide our choices
in Christian living.
Grant us courage, especially when our
efforts seem fruitless.

Empower us with knowledge to see the
truth with eyes of faith.
Teach us piety so that we may worship you
with respect and gratitude.
Infuse us with wonder and awe
in your presence.
Help us be conduits of your limitless love
through our thoughts, words, actions,
and relationships.
Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the faith
of the earth. Amen.

Sunday, May 28, 2023

Come Holy Spirit!

Today's readings: Acts 2:1–11; Psalm 104:1, 24, 29–30, 31, 34; 1 Corinthians 12:3b–7, 12–13; Sequence: Veni Sancte Spiritus; John 20:19–23. With the celebration of Pentecost, we have traveled on a ninety-day journey since Ash Wednesday. Throughout Lent we watched for signposts in the Scriptures directing our hearts toward God. At Easter we committed (some of us for the first time and the rest of us once again) to our journey of faith in the risen Christ. As we journeyed through the weeks of Easter, Jesus continually beckoned us to remain close and promised to give us the Holy Spirit. The Spirit will bind us to one another and to God.

The promised gift of the Holy Spirit is affirmed on Pentecost. Before today's Gospel, we acclaim, "Come, Holy

Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love." The gifts of the Holy Spirit—wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord—assure us that God is cultivating and nurturing us to life within him. We carry the Holy Spirit within us and radiate that Spirit to all we meet. With the Spirit dwelling within us, we are always close to God. Today this truth of our faith is celebrated!

Take time this week to note the gifts of the Holy Spirit that you depend upon the most. Pray for a strengthening of the gifts of the Holy Spirit to help you on your daily walk as a disciple of the risen Christ. Come Holy Spirit!



THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

Monday, May 29

Mary, Mother of the Church

In 2018, Pope Francis added the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, to the liturgical calendar, placing it on the Monday after Pentecost. This memorial honors Mary in the role that she assumed at the foot of the cross with Jesus' final words to her, "Woman, behold your Son." Venerate Mary today by praying the glorious mysteries of the Rosary. *Today's readings: Genesis 3:9–15, 20 or Acts 1:12–14; Psalm 87:1–2, 3, 5, 6–7; John 19:25–34.*

Tuesday, May 30

Keep Calm, It's Ordinary Time

With the end of our ninety-day journey from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost Sunday, the Church enters the season of Ordinary Time. Do not mistake this season for being *ordinary* as in *routine*. In this season, *ordinary* refers to *ordered* or *counted* time. The Church is now in the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time. Change your prayer space colors to green and reflect on how you can grow spiritually as you decipher God in your life in the graced weeks ahead. *Today's readings: Sirach 35:1–12; Psalm 50:5–6, 7–8, 14 and 23; Mark 10:28–31.*

Wednesday, May 31

The Visitation

The Church devotes May to the devotion of Mary, so it is fitting that the last day of the month in the West is a feast day in her honor. In today's Gospel, we hear Mary proclaim the words of the Magnificat, which the Church prays as part of the Liturgy of the Hours every evening. Pray the Magnificat as part of your grace before meals or at the close of your day. *Today's readings: Zephaniah 3:14–18a or Romans 12:9–16; Isaiah 12:2–3, 4bcd, 5–6; Luke 1:39–56.*

Thursday, June 1

St. Justin, Martyr

Justin converted to Christianity in the second century after years of study, prayer, and reflection. A lover of philosophy and vocal defender of the faith, Justin was martyred for his steadfast adherence to Christianity. During your prayer time, remember all who received the initiation sacraments at the Easter Vigil and pray that they have the resilience to remain steadfast in their faith. *Today's readings: Sirach 42:15–25; Psalm 33:2–3, 4–5, 6–7, 8–9; Mark 10:46–52.*

Friday, June 2

Growth during Ordinary Time

Ultimately, our Christian mission is to help others grow in an authentic and meaningful relationship with Jesus Christ. Each of us must be able to confidently answer Jesus' inquiry, "Who do you say that I am," with a conviction of faith. Take some time to look back over your spiritual journey since Ash Wednesday and then look forward to the coming weeks in Ordinary Time. How have you grown in your relationship with Christ through your daily attention to the Gospel and how do you hope to deepen your faith in the days and weeks ahead? *Today's readings: Sirach 44:1, 9–13; Psalm 149:1b–2, 3–4, 5–6a and 9b; Mark 11:11–26.*

Saturday, June 3

Triune Unity

Tomorrow the Church commemorates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This observance is a reminder that God desires to be close to us. God's ecstatic love for the world overflows in the gift of the Son and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. We explicitly unite ourselves with the mystery of the holy Trinity every time we mark our bodies with the sign of the cross. Try to make the sign of the cross with more intentionality. Allow this gesture that we repeat so often to be a poignant reminder of our unbreakable unity with God. May your faith journey through Ordinary Time be abundantly blessed. *Today's readings: Sirach 51:12cd–20; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mark 11:27–33.*



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

With prayer you could be the beneficiary of one of the two miracles needed by **Father Augustus Tolton**, America's first black priest, to be declared a saint.

Tolton was viewed as an eloquent and religious man, an innocent soul, given admiration and respect on the one hand, and on the other hand, contempt and scorn arising from the climate of racial separation ordered for that time...

But at every school attended, Augustus met with askance looks and threats from fellow pupils and parents of the pupils. He was expelled or removed successively from several schools till one Father Peter McGirr had compassion on the family and took them in to St. Peter Parish and School in Quincy where Augustus made his first Holy Communion and Confirmation...

Impressed by Augustus' intelligence and piety, several priests tried to get Augustus into a seminary but that proved impossible. After a number of attempts applying to diocesan and religious seminaries for which no response was received from some or a polite decline was delivered from others indicating the seminary was not ready to take in a Negro student, the Franciscan Fathers through their Minister General managed, after months and months of waiting, to get Augustus accepted into the college operated by the Propaganda Fide in Rome which trained seminarians to be missionaries in far-away lands...

Thinking he would be sent to Africa, the Cardinal prefect, Giovanni Simeoni, surprised Tolton by insisting that he return to the United States. "America has been called the most enlightened nation; we will see if it deserves that honor. If America has never seen a black priest, it has to see one now" said the Cardinal...

Tolton was indeed the first and would carry the cross of that fact throughout his priesthood...

Whites sought him out for counsel and attended his Masses attracted as they were to his sermons and his goodness. In time this aroused the jealousy of some fellow priests in the community and even certain Protestant clergymen who feared Tolton was making "inroads" and otherwise spreading "Romanism"...

Father Tolton grew accustomed to adversity during his short life. Apart from many speaking engagements, even to white audiences, he lived in an enclosed world mired in poverty and neglect, a separate world where blacks were condemned to live. At the same time as a priest he was wedged between two communities, one white and one black and disparate emotions between those two communities...

Tolton's priesthood was hampered by isolation and economic hardship. His letters to Mother Katherine Drexel betray much of this pathos in a socially intolerant era. It proved to be enormous pressure that may well have taken its toll on him physically and emotionally. Through it all Father Tolton remained a symbol of fidelity, priestly dignity and constancy in the midst of suffering...

Father Augustus Tolton proved what the human spirit can accomplish despite insurmountable odds, in this instance, the evil of racism and discrimination. It remains the task of the Church now to raise up his holiness for the edification of the Church.

To report any spiritual or physical favors granted through prayer in Father Augustus Tolton's name, please write: The office of the Cardinal, The Archdiocese of Chicago, 835 N. Rush Street, Chicago, IL 60611



Congratulations Msgr. Sadie!

*on the 66th anniversary of your Priestly Ordination
June 1, 1957*

Thank you for your faithful service to the people of God!

From Fr. Don, Fr. Roy, the parish Staff and Sacred Heart Parishioners

Memorial Day Prayer

God of power and mercy,
you destroy war and put down earthly pride.
Banish violence from our midst and wipe away
our tears, that we may all deserve to be called your
sons and daughters.
Keep in your mercy those men and women
who have died in the cause of freedom
and bring them safely
into your kingdom of justice and peace.
We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



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Sacred Heart Co-Cathedral,
Charleston

SEMINARIAN TOUR 2023

NATHAN SCHMIDT



Our Lady of Peace,
Wheeling

MICHAEL J. TUPTA



Sacred Heart Co-Cathedral,
Charleston

JOSEPH DERICO



St. Patrick,
Weston

DONVITO CORTESE



St. James the Greater,
Charles Town

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Catholic Relief Services Collection this Sunday-May 28th

The Catholic Relief Services Collection supports Catholic Church organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts. Programs include relief and resettlement for victims of persecution, war, and natural disasters; development projects to improve living conditions for the poor; legal and support services for poor immigrants; peace and reconciliation work for people suffering from violence; and advocacy on behalf of the powerless.

Where Do Funds from The Catholic Relief Services Go?

Contributions to The Catholic Relief Services Collection are distributed to these six organizations: Catholic Relief Services for international relief and development, Migration and Refugee Services for refugee resettlement, Catholic Legal Immigration Network Inc. (CLINIC) for immigration legal services, Department of Justice, Peace, and Human Development for advocacy, Holy Father's Relief Fund for emergency relief. Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church for evangelization and ministry.

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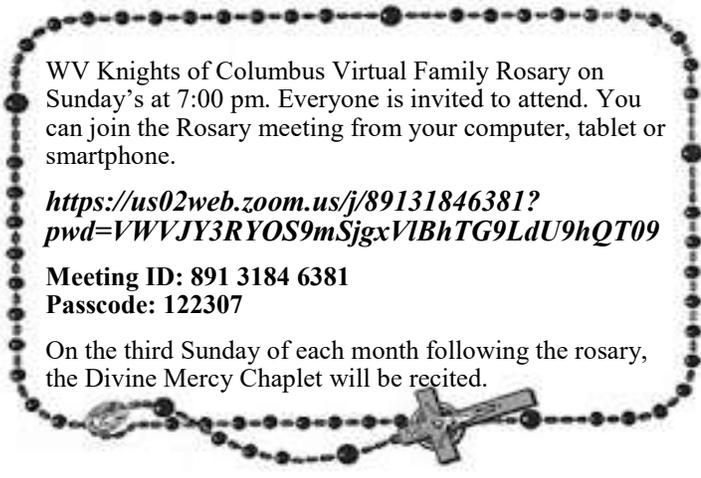
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Now Hiring-Our Parish has full-time and part-time teacher positions for the Early Learning Center and After-school care programs. Diocesan benefits and salaries commensurate with experience and education. Applicants must be at least 18 years old, have 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.

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