

# BASILICA OF THE CO-CATHEDRAL OF THE SACRED HEART



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

# The Most Holy Trinity-June 4, 2023

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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# 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 <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.

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

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

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Bookkeeper: Pam Acevedo	342-8175
email: pacevedo@shccwv.us	
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Property Manager: John Blake	342-8175
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Secretary: Sheila Kerekes	342-8175
email: skerekes@shccwv.us	
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## EDUCATION

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Director of RCIA: Mike Kawash	549-6453	
Email: mak@ramlaw.com		
Coordinator of Religious Education: Sr. Ida Chikara	1-304-709-0026	
Email: idachikara@gmail.com		
Sacred Heart Early Learning Center: 6 weeks-2 years		
Andrea Bias, 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)		
Anne Davis, 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

#### **MUSIC**

Music Director: Mark Haas	342-8175
Email: mhaas@shccwv.us	
Principal Organist: Gregory Gray	380-4786

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

Boy Scouts: Sam Wilkes	546-0614		
<b>Catholic Charities Office-Family Life Center</b>	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			
Sr. Ida Chikara, SJI 1-30	4-709-0026		
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 - 5/28/2023

Regular Collection: \$19,871 Smile (Sisters): \$125 Needy Student: \$60 Cath Relief Serv: \$1,054

Candles: \$125 Partners In Hope: \$100 Electric: \$90 PHRA: \$405 (\$8408)

Thank you for your faithful generosity.

## The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Basilica The Most Holy Trinity-June 4, 2023

06/03 Sat. 06/04 Sun.	5:30 pm + Catherine L. Halloran 8:00 am + People of the Parish 10:30 am + John Kevin Findley 5:00 pm + Burke Riley
06/05 Mon.	8:15 am + John & Rosemary Coyle
06/06 Tues.	12:00 pm + Kenny Fox
06/07 Wed.	12:00 pm + David Sowers
06/08 Thu.	12:00 pm + Ed Klug
06/09 Fri.	8:15 am + Charles "Ken" Surber 12:00 pm + Randy Michael
06/10 Sat.	8:15 am + Frances A. Ciccarello
06/11 Sat. Sun.	5:30 pm + Robert "Bob" Miller 8:00 am For the Intention of Kerry Burke 10:30 am + People of the Parish 5:00 pm + Roger Whittington

## Ministry Schedule-Week of June 10/11

Lector Schedule 5:30 PM-Linda Higgs 8:00 AM-Jim Weimer 10:30 AM-Yvonne Ballantyne 5:00 PM-Jason Pizatella

Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

5:30 PM-Matt Higgs, Debra Murphy, Sr. Ida Chikara, 3 volunteers

8:00 AM-Janice Prince, Jim Weimer, Nancy Bricker, 3 Volunteers

10:30 AM-Perry Ayoob, Jim Siebanoller, Steve Naylor, Annabelle & Jack Walsh, 2 Volunteers

5:00 PM-Debra Basham, Agnes Smith, 4 Volunteers

## **The Pope's Monthly Intention** June-For the abolition of torture.

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

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,

Greetings on this Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity!

It has been a busy week as Charleston Catholic High School and Sacred Heart Grade School finished the school year and started their summer break. May the Lord bless their summer with joy and refreshment.

It was an honor for our parish to host the last Diocesan Eucharistic Congress this past Friday and Saturday. I pray many good and holy graces flow from this gathering as we deepened our understanding and love of the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Today at our 10:30am Mass, Bishop Brennan will install into the ministry of Acolyte, our twenty Deacon Candidates, including one of our own, Michael Kawash. Please pray for them as they continue their formation.

Next Sunday, we will celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. After the 10:30am Mass we will have a Eucharistic Procession, please join us.

As announced last week, on June 16th, we will be having a daylong celebration for our Feast Day-The Sacred Heart of Jesus. Please read the announcement in this bulletin for more information.

May you have a refreshing and safe summer. I remain,

Yours in Christ, Fr. Don



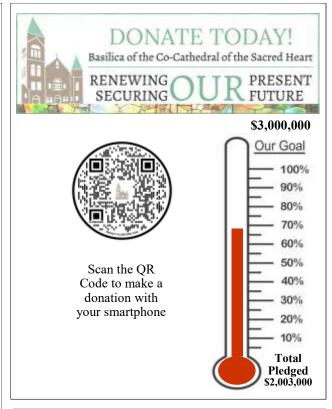
# **Feast of the Sacred Heart-June 16**

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 dinner 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 johnhwillson@me.com.

In order to prepare for the dinner following the Mass, please sign-up using the sheet in the Gathering Space by Sunday, June the 11th or by calling the parish office with a head count by Tuesday, June 13th, 304-342-8175.





Please keep in your prayers **Jean M.** Schumacher who died May 28th. Our prayers and condolences for her family and friends. Eternal rest grant to her, O Lord.

# **Employment Opportunity**

The Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart is looking to hire a part-time housekeeper, approximately 20 hours a week. Duties include cleaning the Cordis Center and light cleaning at the church. All interested parties, please contact the Cordis Center at 304-342-8175.

## **RCIA Alumni Reunion**

Calling all Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart RCIA Alumni!

Join us for our first RCIA Alumni Reunion to be held on July 8, 2023 immediately following the 5:30 PM Mass.

If you or someone you know has ever gone through the RCIA process here at Sacred Heart, we welcome you to join us for food and fellowship.

<u>Please RSVP by June 30th</u>: Amber Rutherford via text or phone call at (304)941-4423 or via email at amberwall91@gmail.com



# Sacred Heart Grade School News...

We had a fantastic week of picnics, recognition celebrations, and finally the last day arrived. It was filled with tears and smiles! Everyone is ready for the summer and I pray everyone enjoys it all! Thank you for your support throughout the school year! Have a great summer *Anne Davis, Principal* 

From our music director...

## A Joyful Psalm #89: Daniel 3

I am a creature of habit. I habitually do the same things over and over again: Brush my teeth, get dressed, water the flowers, help to feed the kids, etc. We Catholics tend to repeat things quite a few times: The liturgical seasons, devotional prayers, the ordinary text of the Mass, etc. The readings this weekend track with the theme of *repetition*.

In the First Reading, Moses receives the ten commandments on two tablets (Ex.34:4b-6,8-9). Later, out of frustration with the people, he slams them down and breaks them. He then *repeats* the same ritual by going up the mountain to receive two more tablets. In the response this weekend, we repeat the text, "praiseworthy and exalted above all forever!" (Dan.3:52-56)

Sometimes non-Catholics will say, "You Catholics repeat your prayers too much. This is just monotonous repetition." If you truly love someone, you will never get tired of telling them. I love my wife, and I tell her "I love you" *many times*. In the Second Reading, St. Paul alludes to this gesture: "Greet one another with a holy kiss." (2 Cor. 13:12)

We love our God, and He is never tired to hearing it! We shall offer glory and praise to him forever.

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.

Sacred Heart Gift Shop is opened after each mass	Teens Encountering Christ (TEC Retreat)
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.	<ul> <li>Who: Rising High School Juniors through Rising College Freshmen. (2023-2024)</li> <li>When: 10:00 AM Saturday, June 10th to 4:30 PM Monday, June 12th, 2023</li> <li>Where: St. Mary Parish, Morgantown (Star City)</li> <li>Cost: \$40 for lodging, food, and supplies. Scholarships are available</li> <li>For more information please email Daniel Maul at: dmaul@dwc.org or Ralph Modena ralphmodena@gmail.com</li> </ul>

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

Last Week I wrote about Fr. Gus Tolton, the first Black Priest in America who needs 2 miracles to be declared a saint. I think he will get the 2 miracles and I also think that will improve, a little, racial relations in America.

Do you need a miracle? Pray to him. Send me a self addressed envelope and I will send you privately a prayer, a picture and other information. My address: 1114 Virginia Street, East, Charleston, WV 25301.



Knights of Columbus-Congratulations Fr. Don

Father Don Higgs has been named West Virginia State Council Knights of Columbus Priest of the Year for the Fraternal Year 2022-23. Father Don was nominated for this award by Council 12630 because he is a tireless supporter of the Knights of Columbus. From enthusiastic help with the special service for the St.

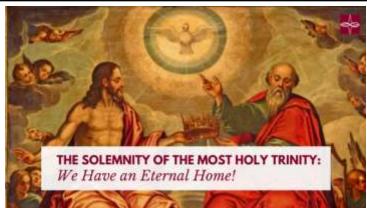
Joseph Icon to help with the logistics of the Boxes of Joy Program, we can count on Father Higgs. When we ask for any type of help Father Higgs and the parish staff are on our side with quiet encouragement and the resources of the parish.

As Rector of The Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Charleston, Father Higgs bears responsibility for all of the special masses held throughout the year, which are second only to those held at the Cathedral in Wheeling. This involves coordination of the many groups, which frequently include our Bishop and visiting priests that play a part in making for a successful Mass. While these are obviously a part of his pastoral duties, Father Higgs directs them with a light but effective touch that makes the Knights and all other groups and parishioners involved feel welcomed and appreciated.

We would be remiss if we did not underscore Father Higgs' commitment over time to the Knights of Columbus. The strong support he gave to the Elkins council continues with Council 12630 in Charleston, and is much appreciated by our Knights. We offer our most hearty congratulations to Father Don on receiving this well deserved award.

We want to thank all of the parish members who came out to see the Knights at the Vandalia Gathering this past weekend and visited our roasted corn and Italian Sausage sale.





Each year on the first Sunday after Pentecost we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, also known as Trinity Sunday. Although it wasn't until 1334 that Pope John XXII officially established the feast for universal observance in the Western Church, the mystery of the Holy Trinity has been the pulse of the Church's life since the very beginning. The Trinity is "the central mystery of Christian faith and life...[and is] the source of all the other mysteries of faith" (CCC 234). The whole of the Church's life flows from the central belief that the one true God exists as three divine Persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Since the very beginning of time, God has gradually revealed

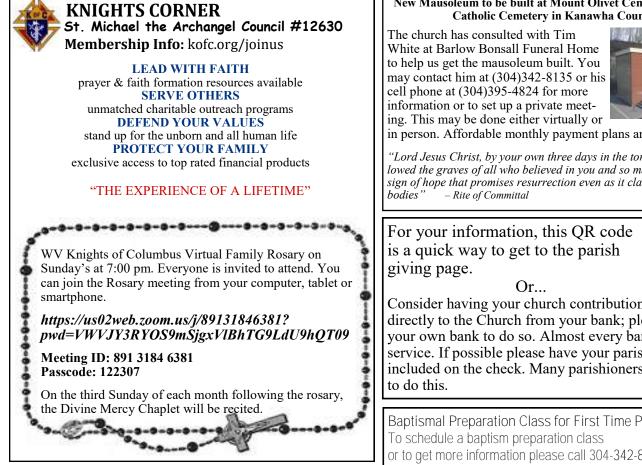
and communicated the truth of who he is as Trinitarian through what he has done in salvation history (see CCC 53-67). Although God gradually revealed himself throughout different stages of the Old Testament period of salvation history, mankind had no way of knowing the full truth of God's inner life of the Trinity before the time of Christ, since this mystery of our faith is "inaccessible to human reason alone…before the Incarnation of God's Son and the sending of the Holy Spirit" (CCC 237).

In his encyclical Spe Salvi, Pope Benedict XVI poses a challenging question: "So now we must ask explicitly: is the Christian faith also for us today a life-changing and life-sustaining hope...which shapes our life in a new way, or is it just 'information'" (Spe Salvi 10) that doesn't change us? Furthermore, what difference does this central mystery of our faith make in our daily lives?

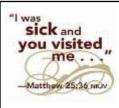
Trinity Sunday is an invitation to remember that "[being] Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction" (Deus Caritas Est 1). In revealing himself as Trinitarian, God hasn't merely shared impersonal facts about himself; rather, God has shared himself with us, and has invited us into his own inner life and communion of love, which alone is the origin, goal, and meaning of our life. As we read in the Catechism, "By sending his only Son and the Spirit of Love in the fullness of time, God has revealed his innermost secret: God himself is an eternal exchange of love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and he has destined us to share in that exchange" (CCC 221). On Trinity Sunday, the Church proclaims the truth about God—that God is love (1 John 4:8)—and the truth about us: we are made for this love. We eternally belong to God—we have an eternal home!

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity leads us more deeply into this reality by saying that "The Trinity—this is our dwelling, our 'home,' the Father's house that we must never leave." When speaking with his disciples before his Passion, Jesus directed the gaze of their hearts towards this truth: "In my Father's house there are many rooms... and when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also" (John 14:2-3). Jesus continued to reveal more of the Father's loving plan: "I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you...If a man loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him" (John 14:18, 23). Jesus reveals to his disciples the Father's breathtaking desire. He desires not only that we be at home in him when we get to heaven in the future, but he desires us to be at home in him now—and so, he comes to us, he makes his home among us (c.f., John 1:14) in order to make his home in us. Thus, with the Feast of Pentecost and the sending of the Holy Spirit, God fulfills his promise to never leave us orphans. This is why the Church celebrates Trinity Sunday the week after Pentecost: On Pentecost, "the Holy Trinity is fully revealed" (CCC 732).

"I will not leave you orphans!" If Jesus has promised to never leave us orphans, then that means we have a permanent home—we eternally belong to the Father as children of his heavenly household! This is the mystery into which the Church invites us more deeply on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Yet this truth is also the very gift that that we are invited to share with all whom God entrusts to us in our daily lives: "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12). Every human heart longs for its eternal home. Today, we invite the Trinity to be more at home in our hearts in order to make them a more welcoming home for others—that through our smile, our gentleness, our availability of heart, everyone whom the Father entrusts to us may experience the Love that is their eternal home.



The Serra Club of Charleston Is An Organization That Encourages Vocations. Why Not Join Us? Contact Mark Sadd 304-343-2149



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

**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.

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 Catholic Cemetery in Kanawha County.



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 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
- After School Care

Integrated Technology, Library, Music, Physical Education, Art & French, Emphasis on Academics, Spirituality, Personal Development and Community Service. All faiths welcome!

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For more information, or to schedule a tour, call 342-8415 or email admissions@charlestoncatholic-crw.org

