



# BASILICA OF THE CO-CATHEDRAL OF THE SACRED HEART

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“Annunciation” and “Tree of Life” Meditation Gardens



## 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time-November 17, 2024

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

Rector: Very Rev. Donald X. Higgs, Assoc. V.E., V.F. - dhiggs@dwc.org  
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*And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds'  
with great power and glory,*

### 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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### ADMINISTRATION

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### EDUCATION

**Director of OCIA:** Rev. Mr. Michael Kawash 549-6453  
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**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 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

### SACRAMENTS

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

### MUSIC

**Music Director:** TBD 342-8175  
**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  
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Sam Gross-Faithful Navigator-Fr. Boniface Assembly #1188 346-2608  
**Ministry to Sick/Elderly**  
Sr. Ida Chikara, SJI 1-304-709-0026  
**Mount Olivet Cemetery/Mausoleum** 342-8135  
Wayne Johnson or Sacred Heart Parish  
**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Wanda Dettinger 550-2411  
**St. John XXIII Pastoral Center** 342-0507  
**St. Joseph Men's Group:** Mike Tupta 541-5177  
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**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 - 11/10/2024

Regular Collection: \$13,772 Candles: \$107  
Smile (Sisters): \$941 Needy Student: \$156  
Partners in Hope: \$126 All Saints: \$60 (\$2,062)  
World Mission: \$85 (\$1,210) All Souls: \$40 (\$1030)  
Christmas Flowers: \$300 (\$510)  
Military Service: \$1510 (\$1860)

**Thank you for your faithful generosity.**

## The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Basilica 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time-November 17, 2024

11/16 Sat. 5:30 pm + People of the Parish  
11/17 Sun. 8:00 am + David S. Sadd  
10:30 am + Maria Zaldivar Johnson  
5:00 pm + Sr. Carol Riley, C.D.P.  
11/18 Mon. 8:15 am + Louise Kerner  
11/19 Tues. 12:00 pm + Fr. Ed Sadie  
11/20 Wed. 12:00 pm + Victor Salutillo  
11/21 Thur. 12:00 pm + Mathew Keely  
11/22 Fri. 8:15 am + Rev. Emanuel Krzysiek  
12:00 pm + Cecilio Delgra  
11/23 Sat 8:15 am For the Intention of Ukrainian Aid Workers  
11/23 Sat. 5:30 pm + Ms. Arduinne Wazelle  
11/24 Sun. 8:00 am + People of the Parish  
10:30 am + Megan Gibbons  
5:00 pm + Sr. Miryam Taranee

### Ministry Schedule week of November 23/24

#### Lector Schedule

5:30 PM-1 O'Donoghue  
8:00 AM-Steve McElroy  
10:30 AM-Mathew Bowles  
5:00 PM-Debra Basham

#### Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

5:30 PM-Sr. Ida Chikara, Kerri Grant, 4 volunteers  
8:00 AM-Ann Knebel, Theresa Miller, Joel Weese, 3 volunteers  
10:30 AM-Perry Ayoob, Bob & Jeannie Tyler, 3 volunteers  
5:00 PM-Debra Basham, Agnes Smith, Angelita Zamora, 3 volunteers

### **The Pope's Monthly Intention**

#### **November-For anyone who has lost a child**

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.



For anyone from the 3rd grade up who would like to become an Altar Server or take a refresher course, Fr. Roy is offering training. To make arrangements contact Fr. Roy at rayappak@dwc.org or call the parish office at 304-342-8175.

## A note from the Rector...

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord,

Greetings on the Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time!

As announced at the last weekend Masses, we have hired James Sparks as our new Music Director. The plan is to have James Sparks begin next weekend. I am very grateful for the Music Director Search Committee members, Bernedette Kime-chair, Chad Carter, Amanda Ream, Mary Odin, Stephen Pishner, and Cindy McGhee for their thoughtful advice. I am also grateful for Greg Gray and Ellen Olson who have helped us greatly during the time between music directors.

Also as announced last week, Fr. Roy has received a new assignment. Bishop Mark has appointed Fr. Roy Kurakula as administrator of St. Matthew Parish in Ravenswood and Sacred Heart Mission in Point Pleasant effective November 29, 2024. Those two communities have been without a parish priest since this past August. Bishop Mark is very grateful for Fr. Roy's service with us and does trust his ability to provide wonderful pastoral care for these communities. I am also grateful to Fr. Roy for his generous service and kind care he provides for all of us. Fr. Roy's last weekend will be November 23-24 and we will have a reception after each of the Masses to show him our love and gratitude.

Bishop Mark has appointed Fr. Prakash Kerketta as our new Associate Rector beginning November 29th. More information about him next weekend.

Please keep Fr. Roy and Fr. Prakash in your prayers as they begin new assignments.

Have a blessed week. I remain,

In Christ,  
Fr. Don

### **ALL ARE INVITED to Msgr. Sadie Gathering Space for a special event on Tuesday, November 19 beginning at 6:30 pm.**

Learn to pray and walk with our fellow Christians as we journey to phase 3 of the Eucharistic Revival. This dynamic presentation will be given by Daniel Maul, Diocesan Director of Evangelization for our diocese. Please plan to attend this important event in the life and growth of our parish family.

For questions please contact Mike Tupta at 304-541-5177



Please keep in your prayers Stella Fazio Quigley, who died November 9th, 2024. Our prayers and condolences for her children Robert and Teresa, family and friends. Eternal rest grant to her, O Lord.



### **Shining Stars Christmas Tree**

We are sponsoring the Shining Stars Christmas Tree again this year! Be sure to pick up a Shining Star from the Christmas tree in the Gathering Space after any mass between 11/16 and 12/8. Your generosity will enable area children and seniors in need to receive gifts for Christmas. All gift donations must be returned to the Gathering Space, unwrapped and with the Shining Star attached, by Sunday, 12/15.

Please keep in your prayers Joan Platz, who died November 9th, 2024. Our prayers and condolences for her children, family and friends. Eternal rest grant to her, O Lord.



### **Knights of Columbus 771**

The Knights Council will pass out flyers again this weekend to better explain our Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Drive to benefit the Risen Lord Food Pantry of Clay County, WV. Father Thien says that most months he helps around 230 families with food, now that Clay County is still without a commercial grocery store. Most of you already know that Father's most requested food items are 1. Peanut Butter, 2. Canned Tuna Fish, 3. Canned Soup, 4. Any Canned Vegetable, 5. Canned Fruit. Crackers would also be appreciated. We are again suggesting a donation in the form of a check made out to K of C for \$30.00 to cover a basic Thanksgiving meal. Again, the Knights thank the parishioners of Sacred Heart for their ongoing generosity.

**Charleston Catholic High School**  
**Fall Open House**  
**November 20th**  
**5-7 pm**

Please join us in learning more about CCHS and our mission to challenge students intellectually, spiritually, and personally in a supportive atmosphere.

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On a seemingly ordinary day, Will's life was turned upside down when a tornado touched down, sending a massive oak tree crashing down on his house. "If I would have been home in bed, along with my nieces and nephews, we all would've been killed instantly," Will reflects, still shaken by the thought. Instead, a feeling he couldn't quite explain led him to his sister-in-law's house early that morning, sparing him and his family from a tragedy that could have been.

Returning home to see the destruction, Will's heart sank. "There was this big tree with three more trees on my house," he recalls, the reality hitting hard. With no homeowners insurance, his initial anger quickly turned to a deep sense of helplessness. Yet, amidst the chaos, Will found a reason to believe that everything happens for a reason.

The aftermath of the storm has been a daily struggle. Currently living with his sister-in-law, Will faces the painful task of packing up his belongings from the wrecked house. "The hardest thing after this happened is going back there and trying to pack stuff... It is very heartbreaking," he shares, the emotional toll evident in his voice. Despite the support from FEMA, the aid is not enough to rebuild his home, leaving him in a precarious situation.

In this dark time, Catholic Charities West Virginia's Disaster Services team stepped in, offering a ray of hope. Volunteers helped move his furniture and household items to a storage unit, providing much-needed relief.

Through the love of his family and the kindness of strangers, Will finds the courage to push forward. "As long as you have it in your heart, you have to keep going. It's going to be hard but I have my brain set on the future and I can't let this stop me in my tracks," he says, a testament to his resilience and hope.

In Will's story, we see the profound impact of community and compassion, reminding us all that even in the face of overwhelming adversity, we can find the strength to rebuild and move forward. Catholic Charities West Virginia remains committed to supporting individuals like Will, embodying the limitless love of God and the enduring spirit of humanity.

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### Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston-St John XXIII Pastoral Center Job Openings

**Guest Services Coordinator** –Works with guests to plan/book lodging and events. Qualifications include, multi tasking, problem solving, self starter, detail oriented, excellent written & verbal skills, computer knowledge, team player, welcoming and respectful to guests of all faith. Additionally, you will need to be able to physically help in the kitchen and housekeeping. Work evenings, weekends, holidays/holydays as needed.

**Cook**-The Cook at St John XXIII Pastoral Center, as a member of Diocesan Services, is committed to advancing the mission of Jesus Christ and offering hospitality to our guests. The Cook is responsible for the preparation, service, clean-up and storage of all meals, snacks and food service for special functions. Assures the kitchen/dining room/dish room areas are clean and in good order at the end of a shift or function. Oversees and assists kitchen aides in the preparation, service and storage of food and cleanliness of the kitchen/dining area. Works early mornings, days, evenings, weekends and holidays/holydays as needed. Prefer a minimum of one year experience in food service.

For either job contact the Director, Gerri Wright at 304.342.0507 or [gwright@dwc.org](mailto:gwright@dwc.org) to schedule an interview or for more information.



The Annual **CCHS Baseball Spaghetti Dinner** will be held Sunday, December 8th from 4:00-7:00 pm in the CCHS Commons.

Tickets are \$15 for dine in or take out and they can be purchased from any CCHS Baseball player candidate or even at the door that evening. We hope to see you there.

### Sacred Heart Gift Shop

Is open after each Mass and is generally opened prior to the 10:30 Mass. We have gifts for every occasion. The Gift Shop has **Advent candles and rings** available now. It seems early, but the season of Advent will be upon us before you know it.



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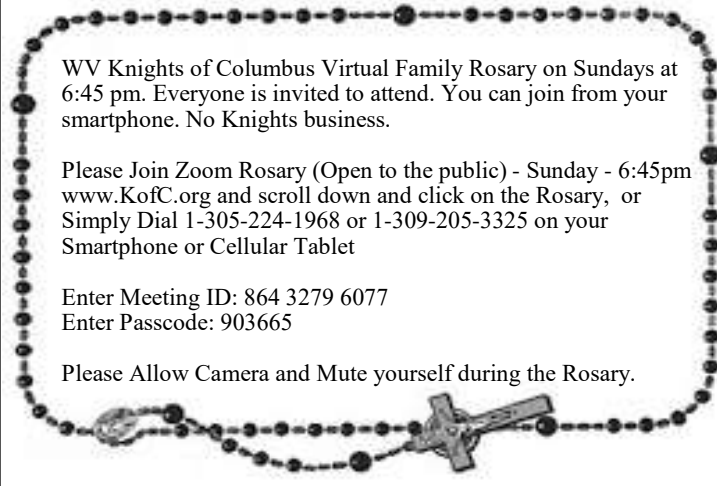
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**New Mausoleum to be built at Mount Olivet Cemetery-the only Catholic Cemetery in Kanawha County.**

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 hal-  
 lowed 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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**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.

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.

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