

Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church

129 Elmore St., Oak Hill, West Virginia 25901



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Parish Mailing Address:

129 Elmore St., Oak Hill, WV 25901

Parish Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Rev. Jojan Joseph

304-281-0086 or jjoseph@dwc.org

Deacon: Rick Allen

304-541-6077 or rallen@dwc.org

Parish Bookkeeper: Ms. Amy Inghram

Monday & Thursday: 10:00am—6:00p.m

Pastoral Secretary: Ms. Cynthia Everly

Tue, Wed & Fri: 9:00am —3:00pm

Parish Custodian: Mrs. Kathy Graham

Music Director: Ms. Caitlin Watkins

cwat676@gmail.com

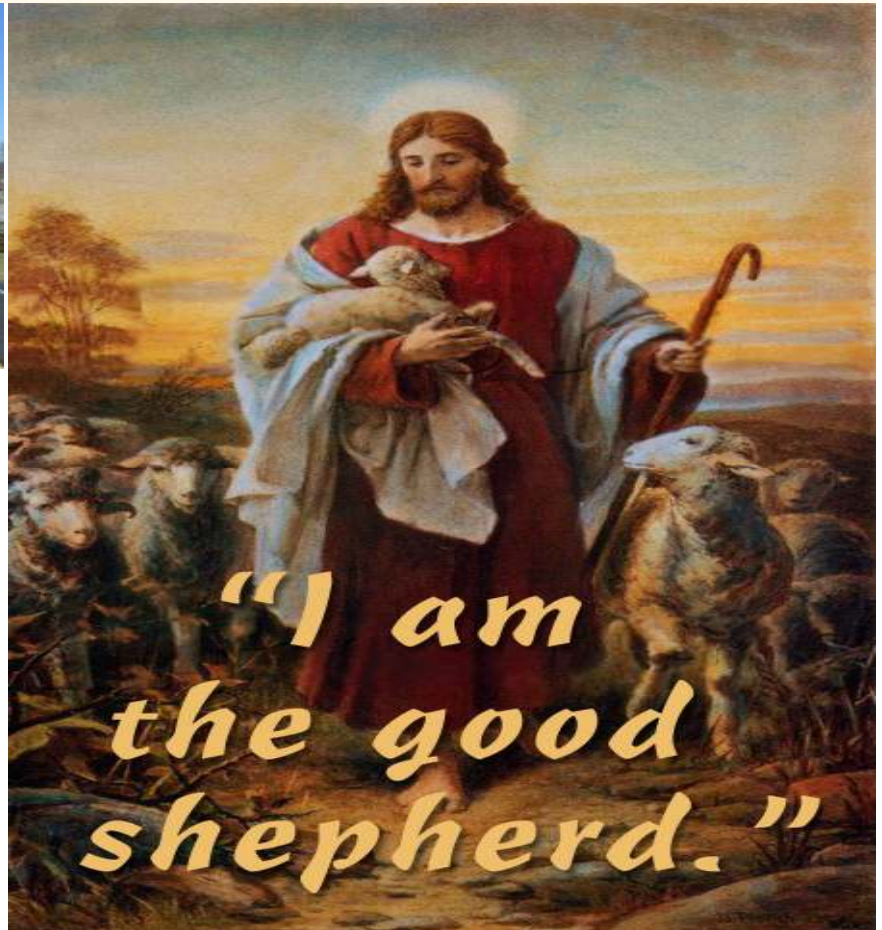
Director of Religious Education:

Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell: lizesquire@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus/Food Pantry:

Dr. Ricky White: Rickyd.white@gmail.com

Mr. Anthony Gerard: agerard1956@gmail.com



Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2026

Sacraments

Baptism

Contact Parish office or Fr. Jojan to schedule the Baptism and make arrangements for the required parent preparation session.

First Holy Communion

First Eucharist is celebrated in April/May for children who are enrolled in second grade.

Confession

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Saturday from 4:15pm to 5:15pm, and before or after weekday Masses.

Confirmation

Celebrated for students in 8/9th grade. Catholic adults who have not been confirmed should contact the Parish Office to be included in the celebration.

Marriage

Contact Parish office or Fr. Jojan Joseph **6 months in advance** of the marriage date.

Anointing of the Sick & Visiting of the Sick/Homebound

Please notify Fr. Jojan Joseph at 304-281-0086

School Staff



School Principal: Mrs. Natasha Mucho-Seay
nmucho@stspccatholic.org

School Secretary: Mrs. Kristy Humphrey
secty@stspccatholic.org

School Office: 304-465-5045

Parish/School Fax: 304 465-8726

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WELCOME TO SSPP PARISH!

NEW MEMBERS - Catholics over the age of 18 (unless they are in school) are invited to become registered members of our parish! This is a great way to get involved and practice the Catholic Faith. Registration forms are available in the back of the Church. Complete form and turn in to office or drop in collection basket, **or simply go to <https://stppcatholic.flocknote.com/register>** to register.

This Week's Liturgy Schedule

Sat. Apr. 25 Vigil
 5:00p.m. Rosary
 5:30p.m. †Alan Wickline by Kathryn Wickline

Sun. Apr. 26 Fourth Sunday of Easter
 7:30a.m. Rosary
 8:00a.m. For Our Parish Family
 10:30a.m. In Honor of Life Changes in 2026
 Nicholas & Anna Pauley
 req. by DoDo and Grandad Hundley

Mon. Apr. 27 No Mass

Tue. Apr. 28
 5:30p.m. Good Health of Rita Jones
 req. by Cindy Everly

Wed. Apr. 29 School Mass
 8:30a.m. †Charles Rosenecker
 req. by Margaret Rosenecker

Thu. Apr. 30
 5:30p.m. †Charles Rosenecker
 req. by Margaret Rosenecker

6:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Fri. May 1 First Friday
 8:30a.m. Good Health of Ron Campbell
 req. by Cindy Everly

Sat. May 2 Confirmation
 5:30p.m. For Our Parish Family

Sun. May 3 Fifth Sunday of Easter
 8:00a.m. †Debbie Jarosz by The Graves Family
 10:30a.m. For Our Parish Family

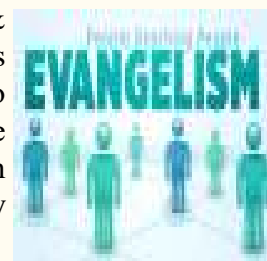
Evangelization Weekend & Social April 25/26, 2026



This weekend we celebrate by praying an intercessory prayer to Saint Monica, Mother of Saint Augustine (prayer cards available in each of the pews) and following each Mass will have an Evangelization Social.

Bring your friends and family, anyone who may be interested or curious about the Catholic faith. Plan to stay for the social following each Mass where Rev. Jojan, Deacon Rick and evangelization team will be available to answer questions.

The evangelization team will be handing out pamphlets, **The Roman (Catholic) Road to Salvation**, with Saints Peter & Paul Parish information cards attached. These may be given to someone who doesn't know the Catholic Faith, or may have fallen away from the Church or simply take one for yourself.



Come and See! All are Welcome



On the weekend of May 9/10, we will be honoring our Mothers in a special way. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend the Mass and get blessed.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for May 2/3

Altar Servers	Lectors	Hospitality	Extraordinary	Security
<u>Saturday 2, 5:30p.m.</u> Ivy Keffer, CJ Wickline Maryanne Pritt Emmeline Campbell	Brandt & Blake Kemlock	Rebecca Stinnett Jim Lively	Thomas Gerencer Emma Davis	Curtis Richards
<u>Sunday 3, 8:00a.m.</u> Angela & Robert Littreal Stephen Zagata	Robert Littreal	Jerry Hypes Anthony Gerard	Randy Rosiek Aaron Kemlock	Jerry Hypes
<u>Sunday 3, 10:30a.m.</u> Allison Light Ivy Keffer	Bill Klenk	Ron Sheehan Fred Neudek Judy Conner	Keylie Alexander Kathy Alexander	Michael Alexander

If you are unable to serve, please find a substitute



Join us as we **Welcome**
Bishop Mark E. Brennan
 Saturday May 2, 2026 at
 5:30p.m. to our Parish for the
 Rite of Confirmation.

This year our
 Confirmandi are
 Blake Kemlock,
 Brandt Kemlock, Katelyn Boles,
 Natalia Ibarra & Abel Pritt.



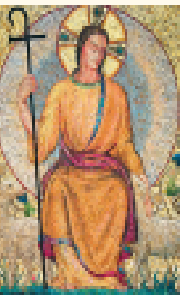
Let us keep them in our prayers as
 they continue their faith journey.



Our First Holy Communion
 students, Andrew Light, Brynne
 Kemlock, Saylor Treadway &
 Axton Keffer are making their
 First Holy Communion
 Sunday, May 3, 2026 at the
 10:30a.m. Mass.



Please pray for them as they
 receive Christ's Body and
 Blood for the first time and
 continue on their faith
 journey.



World Day of Prayer for Vocations
April 26, 2026

The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity, secular institutes), and to the missionary life. 2026 marks the **63rd Anniversary** of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

Please pray for our Seminarians

Last Week's Attendance & Giving

Date: Attendance
 April 18 & 19, 2026 226

Regular Collection Combined Masses

Weekly Offering	\$ 2,914.00
Online	\$ 360.00
Parish Maintenance	\$ 335.00
Votives	\$ 21.00
School - Blue Trim	\$ 0.00
- Green Trim	\$ 0.00
Food Pantry	\$ 0.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 30.00
Church Flowers	\$ 0.00
Give Love	\$ 0.00
Catholic Sharing Appeal	\$ 0.00

Thank you for your generous support !

"Catholic Sharing Appeal Update:

Be on the lookout for a letter from our parish! Your support of the CSA helps fund essential ministries throughout our diocese and also directly benefits our parish.

Pledge cards are available in the pews and parish office or you can visit dwc.org/CSA to make a gift online.

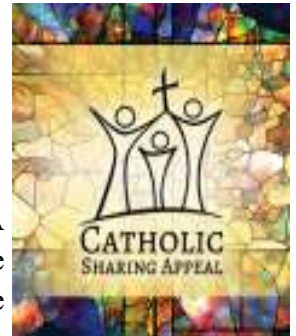
Catholic Sharing Appeal

Goal 2026 - \$20,500.00

Received \$5,625

Goal Balance \$14,875.00

This year our purpose of CSA is interior painting of the Church and updating façade of Parish office building.



Children's coloring pages of CSA image is found in Vestibule. Please take one!

Thank you for your generous giving!

Adult Bible Study
 Sundays 9:15a.m. - 10:15a.m.

Gifts to the Altar: If you have a weekend Mass scheduled for a loved one, please advise the Ushers, before Mass, that you are available to carry the gifts to the Altar.



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. In addition to civil authorities, 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. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods. Saints Peter & Paul Church has named Cynthia Everly the Coordinator for our church's Safe Environment team.

School News

Our annual **One Mission One Day** Fundraiser begins on Tuesday, May 5 and closes on May 7. All 25 Catholic schools will be participating in this online Fundraiser. Our goal is to earmark the money towards the expense of replacing our rooftop air conditioning units. An estimate of \$62,810 was given to replace the rooftop units, add mini-splits to cool the cafeteria and mini-splits for the offices. The diocese will pay 50% and we are fundraising for the other half. If you are interested in giving, you may see one of our students who will be participating, drop off a donation at the school, or you can contribute online at www.onemissiononeday.org. Online giving is available May 5 and closes at midnight on May 7. Last year, we raised over \$10,000 for our Promethean boards, and we look forward to this year's Day of Giving!



S.S. Peter & Paul School is seeking a **6th/7th grade teacher** for the 2026-2027 school year. Candidate should have a bachelor's degree preferably in education. Long-term sub permit candidates would also be considered. Applicant needs to be able to create lesson plans and implement curriculum that align with state standards, have a passion for teaching, and support students in their academics. If you or someone you know may be interested, a resume may be submitted to Natasha Seay at nmucho@ssppcatholic.org.

Knights News: Grand Knight: Dr. Ricky White
1-405-812-5448 Rickyd.white@gmail.com

We are going to put **flags at high lawn cemetery** on Friday, May 22 and will meet here at 7:45a.m. Wear Knights shirts if you have them.

Our council is still looking for any catholic gentlemen over 18 yrs to join, first year dues are free.

If you are an inactive Knight we welcome you to come back, just pay this years dues of \$25.00.



The Knights of Columbus will be holding a **Pancake Breakfast Sunday, May 17 at 9:00am.** Donations accepted

Recognition Mass

We are inviting all our graduates (High School, College & University Graduates) on **Sunday May 17, at 10:30a.m Mass** for a time to recognize your achievements and thank our Lord.



Please contact Parish Office, Laura Kilianny or Megan Gilkerson to be added to the list.

Our Parish community would like to applaud your success and join you in prayer for your future plans.

Please come and participate in your Graduation Gown & Cap.

Blue Sunday – April 26, 2026

National Day of Prayer for Children and Families affected by Abuse.

Observed on **Sunday, April 26**, "Blue Sunday" is a National Day of Prayer for victims of abuse. On this day, please pray the Holy Rosary or the Divine Mercy Chaplet and spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.



PASTORAL COUNCIL: Robert Littreal (Chair Person), Kathryn Bracken (Vice-Chair Person), Leon Jarosz, Marty Mrozek, Andre Re, Rob Rosiek, Ronald Sheehan, Susan Woods and Stephen Zagata.

Ex-officio: Anthony Gerard and Brenda Vargo

FINANCE COUNCIL: Jim Lively (Chairperson), Elizabeth Campbell, Debbie Hatcher, Bill Klenk, Denise Light, Mike Malay and Scott Vargo. Ex-officio: Natasha Mucho-Seay

If you have any concerns, please let our Council know



Evangelization Weekend & Social

Every fourth weekend of the month we celebrate with a special intention for Evangelization. After Mass there will be a Social and fellowship to meet our evangelization team.



Please bring your family, friends and neighbors who want to know more about the Catholic Church and its teaching. Also, invite those you know who have been away from the Church. We will have an intercessory prayer to Saint Monica, Mother of Saint Augustine for winning back the lost sheep. There are prayer cards available in each of the pews.

There are leaflets and spiritual books available to take home for inquirers. Plan to stay for the social following each Mass. At this time, questions can be answered by Rev. Jojan Joseph and evangelization committee members.

More activities relating to evangelization will be introduced in upcoming bulletins.

Prayer to Saint Monica Mother of Saint Augustine



In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Exemplary Mother of the great Saint Augustine, you perseveringly pursued your wayward son not with wild threats but with prayerful cries to heaven.

Intercede for all mothers in our day so that they may learn to draw their children to God.

Teach them how to remain close to their children, even the prodigal sons and daughters who have sadly gone astray. Amen.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

If you are sick, homebound, in nursing home or hospitalized and would like to have a visit from a homebound minister of the parish, you may contact:

- Jenelle Cantebury at 304-237-7032
- Emma Davis at 304-228-4637
- Debbie Hatcher at 304-222-0623
- Steve Morel 214-878-0983

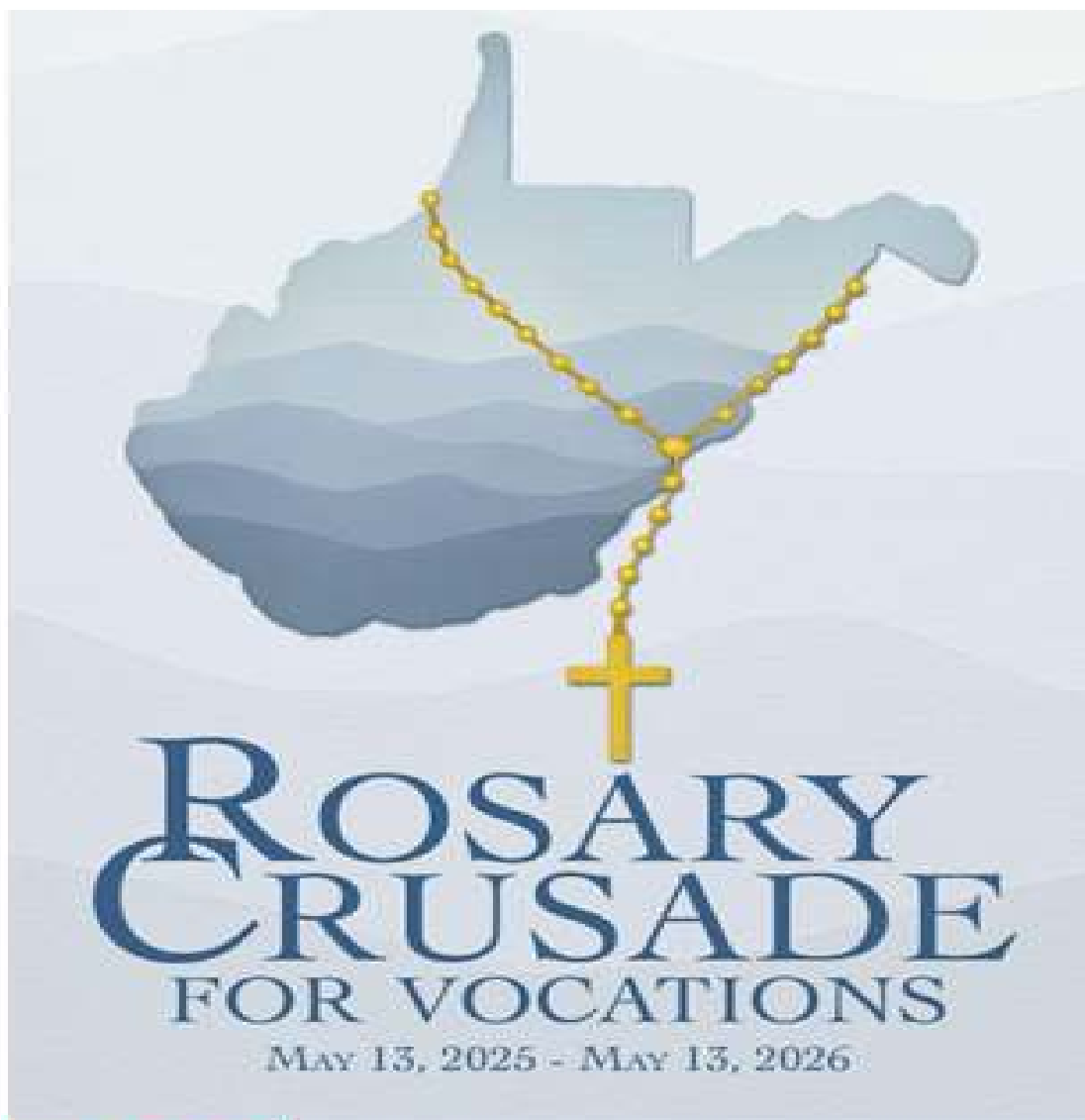
If you would like to have your home blessed, receive Sacrament of Reconciliation, or Anointing of the Sick, contact Fr. Jojan Joseph 304-281-0086.

Please Notify Us: If a family member is hospitalized, homebound or in an area nursing home, would love to bring Holy Communion to those parish members who cannot come to us.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Protecting God's Children for Adults

April VIRTUS bulletin issue is now available in the back of the Church and in the Parish office. You can also read it by signing in to your VIRTUS account.



Let's go all out
for Jesus and the Church!

dwc.org/rosary-crusade



An Ordinary Man for an Extraordinary Plan

St. Joseph the Worker – Pray for Us!

Honor the Guardian of the Redeemer, St. Joseph the Worker on this feast May 1.

While we know May is a Marian month, honoring the Guardian of the Redeemer on this day was a significant and intentional move by the Church.

The first of May, known as “May Day” in the mid-19th Century, honored laborers around the World. A century later though there was a movement to rename it and change the distinction to “Communist Worker’s Day,” as a way to influence communism on society.

Upset, but putting his concerns before God, Venerable Pope Pius XII made the bold decision to call upon the faithful to pray for St. Joseph’s intercession.

He said there is “no better protector” than the Terror of Demons, to guard the world from evil and specifically to denounce communism.

“Go to Joseph!”

That is the direction of Venerable Pope Pius XII, to the faithful on May 1, 1955, when he declared the day as the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. He said the Guardian of the Redeemer will go directly to Christ with our prayers.

Look to St. Joseph and let him teach all of us how to work for God, family, and community.

As the patron of the universal Church and our diocese, he watches over and protects us.

Prayer to St. Joseph the worker by Pope John XXIII:

O glorious Joseph!

Who concealed your incomparable and regal dignity of custodian of Jesus and of the Virgin Mary under the humble appearance of a craftsman and provided for them with your work, protect with loving power your sons, especially entrusted to you.

You know their anxieties and sufferings, because you yourself experienced them at the side of Jesus and of His Mother.

Do not allow them, oppressed by so many worries, to forget the purpose for which they were created by God.

Do not allow the seeds of distrust to take hold of their immortal souls.

Remind all the workers that in the fields, in factories, in mines, and in scientific laboratories, they are not working, rejoicing, or suffering alone, but at their side is Jesus, with Mary, His Mother and ours, to sustain them, to dry the sweat of their brow, giving value to their toil.

Teach them to turn work into a very high instrument of sanctification as you did.

Amen.





Guild for the Cause of Father Carroll

The Guild for the Cause of Father Carroll is in the process of advancing the canonization process for beloved West Virginia priest, Fr. Charles R. Carroll. Last month, the Catholic World Report featured an article on the cause as well as the details of the life and ministry of Father Carroll. It can be found at this link

<https://www.catholicworldreport.com/2026/02/12/the-memory-of-a-vianney-like-priest-lay-hidden-in-the-west-virginia-mountains/>

Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain Prison Ministry connects prayer “warriors” on the outside with inmates. Prisoners, wanting prayer, will be connected with someone who will commit to daily prayer for their assigned inmate. Often the heaviest chains are those in our heart and mind. Through prayer, let Jesus break the Chains of those needing real freedom and hope.

To offer your prayers or the name of someone who needs prayers call or email A.J. Emery at 304.233.0880, ext. 326 , or aemery@dwc.org.

Women's

DISCERNMENT RETREAT

"CALLED & CHOSEN" MATTHEW 22:14

"Each of you has a personal vocation which He has given
you for your own joy and sanctity"
-Pope Benedict XVI

MAY 8 - 10 2026

Starting on Saturday at 7pm

This Discernment Weekend is for any
young adult women who are open to or
discerning their vocation.



AGES 18-35

[REGISTER NOW](#)



Priestfield Retreat center

4030 Middleway Pike
Kearneysville WV 25430
United States





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Where are you going?

9TH-12TH GRADE BOYS'
DISCERNMENT

RETREAT



Priest Field Pastoral Center
Kearneysville, WV

June 29 to July 2, 2026

Staffed by seminarians and priests of
the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

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Director
Seminarian Michael J. Tupta
Pontifical North American College

**EXCITING
NEWS!**

QUO VADIS CAMP

for Middle School Boys

Due to high demand, we announce:

Quo Vadis Camp - a dedicated Middle School track. These boys and the high schoolers attending Quo Vadis Retreat meet at the same location, but middle schoolers will have activities tailored for them.

Deacon Dave Galvin and trained staff from nearby St. James the Greater Parish will guide them on an adventurous path to strengthen their relationship with God and the Church as they enjoy the amenities of the Priestfield Pastoral Center - hiking trails, the scenic Opequon creek, and 38 acres of beautiful cedar forest.



Priest Field Pastoral Center
Kearneysville, WV

June 29 to July 2, 2026

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Join us at Camp Carlo 2026 to

ENCOUNTER

God in the mountains.

**REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!**



Camp Carlo 2026

Our Catholic Youth Adventure Camp

**High School Week:
June 28th – July 4th**

Week 1: July 5th – 11th

Week 2: July 12th – 18th

Week 3: July 19th – 25th

Go to: campcarlowv.org