

Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church

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Parish Pastoral Staff

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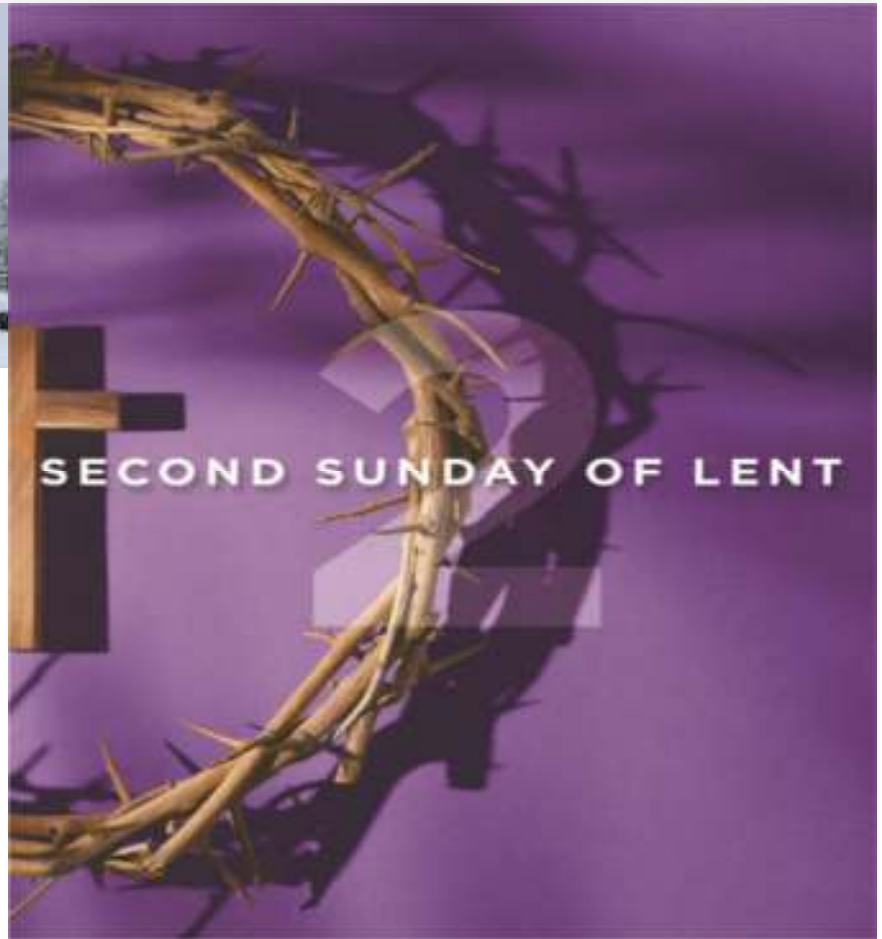
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Second Sunday of Lent

March 1, 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

This Week's Liturgy Schedule

Sat. Feb. 28 Vigil - Second Sunday of Lent
 5:00p.m. Rosary
 5:30p.m. †Jones & Vietnam Families
 req. by James & Hue Jones

Sun. Mar. 1 Second Sunday of Lent
 7:30a.m. Rosary
 8:00a.m. For Our Parish Family
 10:30a.m. †JoAnn Jarosz req. by Leon Jarosz

6:00p.m. Parish Mission

Mon. Mar. 2
6:00p.m. Parish Mission

Tue. Mar. 3
8:00a.m. Eucharistic Adoration
8:30a.m. †Michael Dodd req. by Vicki Lagos

Wed. Mar. 4
 8:30a.m. †Jones & Vietnam Families
 req. by James & Hue Jones

Thu. Mar. 5
 5:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
 5:30p.m. †Woods & McKnight Families
 req. by John & Susan Woods

6:00p.m. Stations of the Cross

Fri. Mar. 6
 8:00a.m. Eucharistic Adoration
 8:30a.m. †Carmela & Larry Demasi
 req. by Dena Turner

2:30p.m. Students Stations of the Cross

Sat. Mar. 7 Vigil - Third Sunday of Lent
 5:30p.m. †Anna Sheehan by Ron Sheehan

Sun. Mar. 8 Third Sunday of Lent
 8:00a.m. For Our Parish Family
 10:30a.m. Good Health of Ed & Penny Kiliany



**Parish Mission
 by Rev. James Conyers**

Saturday, February 28, 2026 at 5:30p.m.
 Sunday, March 1, 2026 at 8:00a.m.
 and 10:30a.m.
 Sunday, March 1, 2026 at 6:00p.m.
 Monday, March 2, 2026 at 6:00p.m.

During the weekend Masses of Parish Mission the homily will be a bit long.

**Welcome Rev. James Conyers
 to Saints Peter & Paul Parish**

Beckley Vicariate Lent Penance Services

Tue., Mar. 3 | 6:00 p.m. | Sacred Heart, Princeton
 Wed. Mar. 4 | 6:00 p.m. | Sacred Heart, Bluefield
 Sun., Mar. 8 | 3:00 p.m. | St. Francis de Sales, Beckley
Sun., Mar. 15 | 3:00 p.m. | Saints Peter & Paul, Oak Hill
 Sun., Mar. 22 | 3:00 p.m. | St. John Evangelist, Summersville

Keep Our OCIA Members in Your Prayers

Sunday, February 22, 2026 Saints Peter & Paul Parish OCIA catechumens and candidates went before Bishop Mark E. Brennan for the Rite of Election.

Catechumens

Jacob Allen Stage
 Chad Keeney, Sr.

Candidates

Jennifer Erin Sorrent
 William Carl Lehrter
 Thomas D. Slowirowski.
 Chase Canterbury



Please pray for their continued conversion and understanding of Catholic teaching and God's love.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for Mar.7/8

Altar Servers	Lectors	Hospitality	Extraordinary E.M.	Security
<u>Saturday 7, 5:30p.m.</u> Steve Morel, Allison Light Stephen Zagata	Brenda Vargo	Curtis Richards Brenda Vargo	Paula Lagos Emma Davis	Randal Rosiek
<u>Sunday 8, 8:00a.m.</u> Blake & Brandt Kemlock	Cynthia Everly	Randy Rosiek Anthony Gerard	Aaron Kemlock Cynthia Everly	Kimberly Thomas
<u>Sunday 8, 10:30a.m.</u> CJ Wickline Natalia Ibarra Adriana Ibarra	Alison Ibarra	Jose Ibarra Ron Sheehan	Gemma White Herman Hundley	Jerry Hypes

If you are unable to serve, please find a substitute

LENTEN ACTIVITIES 2026

Lenten Parish Mission

February 28 - March 2
Sunday, March 1 at 6:00p.m.
Monday, March 2 at 6:00p.m.

Reflection: Do Not Be Afraid to Believe

Wednesdays at 7:00pm - 8:30pm
March 4 & 11.

Stations of the Cross

Thursdays at 6:00pm following 5:30pm Mass
Fridays by SSPP Students at 2:30pm

March 5 - Knights of Columbus
March 12 - Music Ministry
March 19 - Ladies Guild
March 26 - O.C.I.A & Sponsors

Living Stations

Palm Sunday, March 29 7:00pm
Good Friday, April 3 2:00pm

Lenten Eucharistic Adoration

Half an hour before weekday Mass except Holy Week

Lenten Penance Service

Sunday March 15 at 3:00pm
Extra Opportunities for Confession
before or after daily Mass

Lenten Parish Challenge

Fasting & Abstinence on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent; Attending three Stations of the Cross; 10 Masses of weekdays; Reading "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Fr. Peter Stravinskis

Prayer Challenge for Family

10 - 15 Minutes of daily Family Prayer: Praying through the daily Scripture reading using "The Word Among Us" or Praying Rosary or Stations of the Cross.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday April 2 - 5:30p.m.

Washing of the Feet
Repose of the Blessed Sacrament
Repository open until 8:00p.m.

Good Friday April 3

2:00p.m. Stations of the Cross
5:30p.m. Service & Veneration of the Cross

Easter Vigil - 8:00p.m. Saturday Evening

Easter Sunday - 8:00a.m. & 10:30a.m.

PRAYER
FASTING
ALMSGIVING



Last Week's Attendance & Giving

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
February 21 & 22, 2026	215
<u>Regular Collection Combined Masses</u>	
Weekly Offering	\$ 2,953.00
Online	\$ 630.00
Parish Maintenance	\$ 310.00
Votives	\$ 24.00
School - Blue Trim	\$ 150.00
- Green Trim	\$ 30.00
Food Pantry	\$ 0.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 30.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 205.00
Give Love	\$ 0.00
Catholic Sharing Appeal	\$ 0.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 460.00
Second Collection for	
Black & Indian (Church Missions)	\$ 30.00

Thank you for your generous support !

Retirement Fund for Diocesan Priests Collection March 7-8, 2026

A special second collection is scheduled for March 7-8, 2026, to support the Priests' Health and Retirement Association (PHRA), a fund that provides health insurance and retirement benefits to retired priests of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

Ladies Guild Meeting Rescheduled

The Ladies Guild meeting has been moved to March 10, 2026 at 6:00p.m. in the school cafeteria. We will be discussing upcoming Parish Events for the year. All women of the Parish are considered members, and we welcome everyone's input so please come join us in fellowship. Refreshments served.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!

SSPP Ladies Guild Easter Basket Raffle

Tickets are available for purchase every weekend following the Masses. Drawing will be held Easter Sunday, April 5, following the 10:30a.m. Mass.

Ticket Pricing: 1 ticket for \$5.00
3 tickets for \$10 / 7 tickets for \$20.

++R.I.P.++

We give our prayerful support and condolences to the family members and friends of Norma Jean Menei who passed away on February 18, 2026. May she experience perfect peace and joy in the Kingdom of Heaven. Let us also express our condolences to the Menei & extended families.

"May her soul and the souls of all of the faithfully departed rest in peace." Amen



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

We thank everyone involved with making our first Fish Frys such a success. We appreciate your time, prayers, and monetary donations as well as the all the delicious baked goods. Our success is because of you! **Thank You.**



Volunteer Bakers Needed for Fish Fry Dinners



Our Parish’s Lenten Fish Fry Dinners have begun. We have greatly appreciated all the volunteers in years past who have donated desserts, and hope everyone can help again this year.

This year, we are requesting homemade desserts such as frosted cakes, cupcakes, brownies, fruit crisps, pies, etc., and we will be happy to package them in individual dessert containers.

If you are able to volunteer, please let the school (304-465-5045) know in advance.

Please drop-off desserts to the school by 3:00pm every Thursday prior to Fish Fry Friday.

We couldn't do it without you! Thank you!

Lenten Fish Dinner

SSPP School
Drive-Thru Curbside Only
4:30 pm to 7:00 pm
ALL Fridays of Lent
February 20, 27
March 6, 13, 20 & 27

Flounder \$13.00	Child Fish or Shrimp \$8.00
Shrimp \$14.00	Child Pizza \$5.00
Combo \$15.00	

Dinners include:
Baked Potato, Baked Beans, Slaw, Dessert & Bread

Drive-Thru Curbside Only
Cash/Checks Accepted
All proceeds benefit
Saints Peter & Paul Catholic School.

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

Join the Knights of Columbus. The first year is free, after that \$25.

We are looking to get back all Knights that are no longer active. Come back and see the what new changes have occurred.

St. Francis de Sales School in Beckley is seeking a Pk-8th Grade Principal

The Candidate must be a practicing Catholic in good standing with Church precepts and act as an example and motivator toward the fulfillment of the Catholic identity of the school.

The ideal candidate would have an earned Master’s Degree in Educational Leadership or Administration or begin the process of completing degree requirements; or hold a valid Educational Leadership certification from the state of West Virginia or be eligible for such certification.

The candidate will have a minimum of three years of successful educational experience with a preference for administrative experience.

A resume with three references may be emailed with all attachments in PDF to Sister Pat Murray, C.S.J. at sisterpat@sfcwv.org.

Applications will be accepted through March 16, 2026.

Do Not Be Afraid to Believe

You are warmly invited to join us for the inspiring “Do Not Be Afraid to Believe” class led by Alex White.

This series offers a welcoming space to explore faith with courage, address doubts, and deepen your trust in God’s promises—perfect for anyone seeking to grow spiritually or simply curious about what it means to believe without fear.

Come as you are, and let’s journey together in openness and encouragement. Sessions begin at Wednesday, at 6:00p.m. in the school cafeteria.

We look forward to seeing you there—your presence will enrich us all!

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

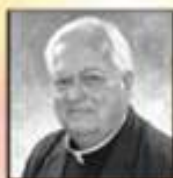
FINANCE COUNCIL: Jim Lively (Chairperson), Elizabeth Campbell, Debbie Hatcher, Bill Klenk, Denise Light, Mike Malay and Scott Vargo. Ex-officio: Natasha Mucho-Seay

If you have any concerns, please let our Council know



RETIREMENT FUND FOR DIOCESAN PRIESTS

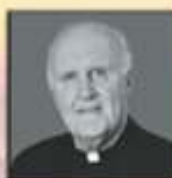
Collection Date: March 8, 2026



Msgr. Frederick P. Annie



Msgr. Patrick L. Fryer



Msgr. Jeremiah F. McSweeney



Msgr. Eugene S. Ostrowski



Msgr. Samuel S. Sacis



Rev. William A. Anderson



Rev. James C. Conyers



Rev. Harry N. Cramer



Rev. John V. Di Biase, Jr.



Rev. Larry W. Dorsch



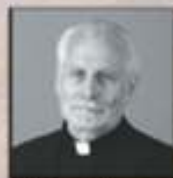
Rev. John H. Fennell



Rev. John R. Gallagher



Rev. Patsy J. Inquinta



Rev. Giles LeVasseur



Rev. George M. Marjadi



Rev. Thát Sơn Ngươc Nguyễn



Rev. Robert A. Pennillo



Rev. William J. Petro



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Rev. Ronald G. Precht



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Rev. David J. Schmitt



Rev. Douglas B. Sutton



Rev. Anthony G. Thurston



Rev. Laurence Wynn



Rev. Paul D. Yumger

"I thank you for your lives given in service to the Kingdom, for your daily labors, for so much generosity in the exercise of the ministry, for all that you live in silence, and that at times is accompanied by suffering or misunderstanding." ~ Pope Leo XIV

A Place to Begin Again

They had just been watching the weather reports that night, like everyone else. Storm advisories were scrolling across the screen. The wind was picking up, but they never imagined how quickly it would turn.

At home were a grandmother and grandfather raising their two young grandchildren, ages 4 and 6. The youngest was staying with another grandmother. Grandpa and the 6-year-old were in the living room. Grandma was in the bedroom.

Then they heard it.

She said it sounded like a train bearing down on the house. She shouted for them to get to the bedroom. They made it down the hall just seconds before a tree crashed straight through the living room. Glass exploded. Wood splintered. The force of it nearly split the home in two.

The storm kept raging. Trees were snapping outside. In the front yard, another tree crushed the water lines, sending water spraying into the air. There was no time to think.

Grandma grabbed her granddaughter and ran out the back door. Grandpa flipped the breakers and followed close behind. They ran to a neighbor's house and waited, listening to the wind tear through what had been their home.

By morning, there was nothing left to salvage. The house was a total loss.

This is a family that works hard and serves others. Grandpa is a full-time firefighter. Grandma works two full-time jobs. They are raising their grandchildren and doing everything they can to provide stability and love.

After the storm, they pushed forward. They qualified for a new mobile home loan with a down payment of \$12,810. They emptied their savings and committed their next paychecks, but they still could not quite get there.

That is when they reached out to Catholic Charities West Virginia (CCWVa).

Through disaster case management, CCWVa was able to walk alongside them and provide \$5,000 toward their down payment. That support helped close the gap and made a new home possible.

Today, their family is safe, dry, and together under one roof again. In the middle of crisis, they found steady ground. And because our community steps up when it matters most, they have a place to call home once more.



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MARCH IS THE MONTH OF OUR DIOCESAN PATRON

ST. JOSEPH: MODEL OF DEVOTION AND TRUST

March is dedicated to St. Joseph - Guardian of the Redeemer, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary - patron of the Church & our diocese.

Let him be our role model for devotion, faith, humility, & courage.

Walk through Lent, reflecting on his character. His Solemnity is March 19th.

Turn to St. Joseph, the Terror of Demons for spiritual guidance, knowing his most significant role for Almighty God & the Church.

The prominent place that Saint Joseph holds in our Church Tradition can be seen in his patronage, his liturgical feasts, the religious communities that have taken his name, his apparitions with the Blessed Mother, the major shrines & basilicas dedicated to him, the Church documents written about him, the prayers said for intercession by him, his place in the liturgy, as well as the studies devoted to him.

God chose him, a poor man, to be the earthly father of Jesus, & husband to the Virgin Mary.

Reflect on his life through the Joyful Mysteries, considerate of his mindset, heart, humility, & strength.

1. The Annunciation: Luke 1:26-38 & Matthew 1:18-25 (focus on his response to Mary's pregnancy, & to the angel's message)
2. The Visitation: Luke 1:39-56 (focus on his response to Mary's Magnificat)
3. The Birth of Christ: Luke 2:1-20 & Matthew 1:25-2:15 (focus on his response to seeing Christ for the first time)
4. The Presentation: Luke 2:21-40 (focus on his response to the prophecy of Simeon)
5. Finding Jesus in the Temple: Luke 2:41-52 (focus on his response to Jesus being lost, & finding him in the temple)



Sculpture from
St. Anthony's in Folansbee

Hail, St. Joseph,
Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.



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Finding God in The Everyday

ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT MARCH 20-22



The Annual Women's Retreat at St. John XXIII Pastoral Center, 100 Hodges Road, Charleston, is set for March 20-22, with the theme Finding God in The Everyday.

Pause, reflect, and rediscover how God is already at work in your daily life.

The keynote presenter is WV native John Angotti, a nationally honored singer-songwriter, speaker, and music missionary who uses his gift of song to awaken

hearts and bring healing to communities. Angotti travels the world sharing the Gospel through concerts, retreats, and worship experiences that bridge tradition and contemporary sound.



The cost of the weekend: overnight guests single rooms \$250; overnight double occupancy \$210 per person; and commuters \$125. Register at DWC.ORG/2026-WOMENS-RETREAT For more info contact Gerri Wright at gwright@dwc.org or call 304-552-3662.

The West Virginia Institute for Spirituality is an ecumenical center for prayer and spiritual growth, located in the heart of the city of Charleston, West Virginia. Presently, our calendar reflects the following:

Praying with the Four Teresas: In-person Retreat

This in-person retreat has been moved to **Saturday, April 25, 2026 (9:30 – 3:30)** – Sr. Cheryl Clemons, OSU, Ph.D., Executive Director of WVIS, will offer a Day of Prayer and Reflection entitled “Deepening Our Prayer Life: Advice from the Four St. Teresas.” For more information, visit our website at www.wvis.org/programs or email Sr. Cheryl at exec.director@wvis.org.

Ignatian Silent-Directed Retreats

If you've ever wondered what it would be like to take a little “vacation with God,” we invite you to come to the WVIS retreat house for a 1-, 3-, or 5-day retreat experience. The retreat house is open and available to retreatants on March 19-28 and April 19-29 (there are more dates can be found on our website www.wvis.org/ignatian-silent-directed-retreat). Questions, email Sally at sally.orcutt@wvis.org.

Sister Mary Irene Sorber, SCC

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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



Come and See / Welcome Home Evangelization Weekend & Social

Every fourth weekend of the month we celebrate Come and See / Welcome Home Evangelization Mass.

Please bring your family, friends and neighbors who want to know more



about the Catholic Church and it's 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 Deacon Rick, Rev. Jojan and evangelization committee members.

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

Prayer to Saint Monica Mother of Saint Augustine



Saint Monica
pray for us

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