# Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church

129 Elmore St., Oak Hill, West Virginia 25901



### **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 Ryder
Music Director: Ms. Caitlin Watkins
caitlinwatkins2002@gmail.com

Parish Office: 304-465-5445

Parish Email: ssppoffice@stsppcatholic.org

<u>Director of Religious Education</u>: Dr. Ricky White Rickyd.white@gmail.com; 1-405-812-5448

<u>Ladies Guild:</u> Mrs. Susan Woods susanwoodsrx@gmail.com

# Knights of Columbus/Food Pantry:

Mr. Anthony Gerard / agerard1956@gmail.com

# **PARISH WEBSITE & Facebook Page:**

http://www.stsppcatholic.org (FB) SSPPCatholicChurchOakHill,WV

#### Parish Mailing Address:

129 Elmore St., Oak Hill, WV 25901

# **SCHOOL STAFF:**

<u>School Principal</u>: Mrs. Natasha Mucho-Seay nmucho@ssppcatholic.org

<u>School Secretary:</u> Mrs. Kristy Humphrey secty@ssppcatholic.org

**School Office**: 304-465-5045 **Parish/School Fax**: 304 465-8726

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267th Pope Leo XIV

**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 at either Saints Peter & Paul Catholic School, or the Faith Formation Program of our Parish.

# **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 9th grade who have been prepared during their 8th grade year. Catholic adults who have not been confirmed should contact the Parish Office to be included in the celebration.

<u>Marriage</u> Contact Parish office or Fr. Jojan Joseph <u>6 months in</u> advance of the marriage date.

#### Anointing of the Sick & Visiting of the Sick/Homebound

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

# 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 practice the Catholic Faith. Registration forms are available on the bulletin boards in the back of the Church.

# This Week's Liturgy Schedule

Sat. May 10 Vigil - Fourth Sunday of Easter

5:30p.m. †Vicky Lucas

req. by Debbie & John Garvin

Sun. May 11 Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00a.m. For Our Parish Family

10:30a.m. †Macil Childers & Margaret Hundley

req. by Herman & Bev Hundley

**Parish Mission** 

6:30p.m. Rosary 7:00p.m. Preaching

Mon May 12 Parish Mission

6:30p.m. †Mary Frances D'Angelo

req. by SSPP Ladies Guild

7:00p.m. Preaching

Tue. May 13 Parish Mission

6:30p.m. †Alan Wickline req. by Leon Jarosz

7:00p.m. Preaching

Wed. May 14 School Mass

8:30a.m. †Lee Ball req. by SSPP Ladies Guild

Thur. May 15

**8:30a.m.** †Pete Lokant req. by Kathryn Wickline

6:30p.m. School Musical "It's a Hit"

Fri. May 16

8:30a.m. †Mary Kiska req. by Rosemary Roberts

Sat. May 17 Vigil - Fifth Sunday of Easter

5:30p.m. †Carmella Demasi

req. by Dena Turner

Sun. May 18 Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00a.m. †Vento Family

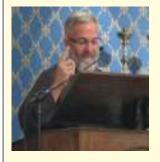
req. by Judy Learmonth

10:30a.m. For Our Parish Family



PARISH MISSION
May 10 - 13 Fr. Joseph Tuscan,
OFM Cap.

# REPENT AND BELIEVE



Rev. Joseph Tuscan celebrates Mass Saturday, May 10, at 5:30p.m. Sunday, May 11, 8:00a.m. and

10:30a.m.

Relics of St. Padre Pio and Blessed Solanus Casey will be available for veneration

Sunday: May 11, 6:30p.m. Rosary 7:00p.m. Preaching

The Greatest Threat to Holiness Today

Monday: May 12, 6:30p.m. Mass 7:00p.m. Preaching

Pray, Hope and Don't Worry

Tuesday: May 13, 6:30p.m. Mass 7:00p.m. Preaching

The Solution

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for May 17/18					
Altar Servers	Lectors	<b>Hospitality Ministers</b>	Extraordinary E.M.		
Saturday 17, 5:30p.m.					
Maddox Gerencer		Rebecca Stinnett	Tom Gerencer		
Alison Light , Steve Morel	Brenda Vargo	Curtis Richards	Paula Lagos		
Sunday 18, 8:00a.m.					
		Debbie Garvin	Dianne Murphy		
Brandt & Blake Kemlock	Jordanne McVey	Kathryn Wickline	Aaron Kemlock		
Sunday 18, 10:30a.m.					
		Fred Neudek			
Abel & Maryanne Pritt		Ron Sheehan	Kathy Alexander		
CJ Wickline, Magnolia Campbell	Barbara Breshock	Andy Wickline	Herman Hundley		
If you are unable to serve, please find a substitute					

# **Mother's Day Luncheon**

Sunday, May 11, following 10:30 Mass The Knights of Columbus will be honoring all Mothers with a delicious luncheon. El Rio restaurant will be catering the food.



# Mother's Day Blessing

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



# **Baccalaureate Recognition Mass**

We are inviting all our graduates (High School, College & University Graduates) to join us on **Sunday May 25, at 10:30a.m Mass** for a time to recognize your achievements, thank our

Lord and pray for your future plans.

Please help us plan this event by contacting the parish office, Laura Kiliany or Megan Gilkerson with your details and to be added to the list.

Please come and participate in your Graduation Cap & Gown.



**Thank you** to all who joined in the Celebration of First Holy Communion. Thanks to Tom Gerencer and Josie Wriston who prepared them spiritually.

# Last Week's Attendance & Giving

<u>Date:</u> <u>Attendance:</u> May 3 & 4, 2025 229

# Regular Collection Combined Masses

Weekly Offering Online		3,475.00 695.00
Parish Maintenance	\$	45.00
Votives	\$	21.00
Food Pantry	\$	0.00
School - Blue Trim	\$	50.00
- Green Trim	\$	200.00
Mass Stipends	\$	60.00
Cemetery Maintenance		20.00
Easter Flowers		75.00
Second Collection month of May		
Catholic Relief Services	\$	20.00

Thank you for your generous support!

# **Catholic Sharing Appeal 2025**

Parish Goal \$17,200.00

(50% = \$8,600.00)

30 gifts received \$7,360 (43%)

**Goal Balance \$9,840.00** 

This year our purpose of CSA is

for lighting up school & parish campus and for digital sign posts.

Thank you for your generous giving.

# ++R.I.P.++

May we give our sincere condolences to the family members and friends of Gary Neil who passed away on May 2, 2025. May he experience perfect peace and joy in the Kingdom of Heaven. Let us also extend our condolences to his daughter Erica Hypes.

"May his soul, and the souls of all faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace." Amen

> Adult Bible Study May 11, 2025 - No class

<u>PASTORAL COUNCIL</u>: Anthony Gerard (Chairperson), Herman Hundley, Dianne Murphy, John Woods, Robert Littreal, Susan Woods, Andre Re, Rob Rosiek and Marty Mrozek.

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

If you have any concerns, please let our Council know



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**

Twenty-four schools across our diocese participated in **One Mission One Day** on Tuesday. We raised \$5,654. Students were given incentives such as treasure box reward, uniform pass, and a chance to pie a teacher. Also, a big thanks to Denise Light who has reached out to some businesses and private donors to commit to donating an additional \$8,000. The money raised will be used to purchase Promethean interactive boards for our classrooms. We are now short only \$346, who will donate?



**New Teacher:** SS. Peter and Paul School is looking for a first grade teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. If you are interested or know of someone interested, please contact the office at 304-465-5045 or email a resume to <a href="mailto:nmucho@ssppcatholic.org">nmucho@ssppcatholic.org</a>.

Child Shadow for a Day: If you know of parents who may be interested in having their child attend our school, please invite them to have their child shadow for a day on Tuesday, May 13. They may call the school to set that up.

**Enrollment:** SS. Peter and Paul School is accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year for new preschool students. To apply, please visit our website <a href="https://www.ssppcatholic.org">www.ssppcatholic.org</a>. The cost is \$3,575/year, and we offer a 10-month payment plan. If you are interested, or if you know of anyone who may be interested, please let us know.

It's a Hit: SSPP School will be performing in a spring musical called *It's a Hit!* on Thursday, May 15 at 6:30 PM. Please join us! ~Natasha Mucho-Seay, Principal

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

# Food & Hygiene Pantry

New pantry items. Stop by and see some of the new items we have for food, hygiene and our new spice pantry. You do not need to have a DHHR form for parish or school personnel. Pantries are open Monday - Friday 9:00am to 3:00pm.



We would like to receive Flowers for weekly Sanctuary beautification. If you would like to donate for this purpose, be sure to include the names of those you would like to have remembered.

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.

<u>Please Notify Us:</u> 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.

Rev. Jojan Joseph

# SAFE ENVIRONMENT

# **Protecting God's Children for Adults**

May VIRTUS bulletin issue is now available in the back of the church and in the parish office. Please keep updated on these announcements, as recommended by the Office for Safe Environment in Wheeling. You can also read it by signing in to your VIRTUS account.

# SSPP Prayer Chain

Contact: If anyone is sick, hospitalized or just needs prayers, please call or text Paula Lagos @ 304-731-8889 (cell) or 304-574-3310



# ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES

# Prayer Event Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

**Month of Mary** 

Mother's Day Weekend

This is an international effort to have 1,000,000 Rosaries said for the following intention:

For the protection of unborn human persons and true respect for life from the moment of conception through natural death

We are attempting to sponsor **1000** rosaries with this special intention. **Will you help?** Pass this on to everyone you know! This is an international event started by Saint Michael The Archangel Organization. Please help spread the word!

It is important to know the number of Rosaries that will be said over the three days. Please write your pledge quantity on the signup sheets in the Back of the Church during signups or on the bulletin boards.

Or register online at: <a href="https://dwc.org/rosaries-for-life/">https://dwc.org/rosaries-for-life/</a>.

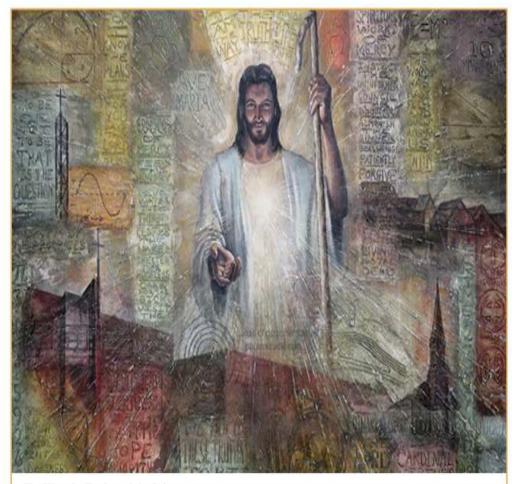
# HE LIVES! Celebrate Easter Season for 50 Days

Happy Easter! He Lives! Let Him reign fully alive within us.

Let us cling to our Easter joy and Christ's call to unite, serve, and love one another; turning away from division, selfishness, and casting stones. The entire Easter Season in the Catholic Church stretches 50 days - the longest celebration outside Ordinary Time.

We are an Easter people. Let us be fully alive.

For the next 50 days that culminate at Pentecost – the birthday of the Church - let us be mindful of our words and deeds emphasized in a prayer written by the beloved St. Teresa of Avila:



The Way, the Truth, and the Life by Catholic artist and WV native Christopher Santer. For this and more CHRISTOPHERSANTER.COM/COMMISSIONS-SACREDART

"Christ has no body now on earth, but yours,

no hands but yours,

no feet but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which is to look out Christ's compassion to the world:

Yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good;

Yours are the hands with which he is to bless men now.

Amen."

Let our good works we completed during Lent continue throughout Easter and the rest of the calendar year.

Let us remain focused on Jesus, His sacrifice, and the glorious Resurrection, and with that be a beacon of hope and joy for others.



Preparing for Christian Marriage Retreat

# REGISTER Online for Wheeling-Charleston RETREATS: johnxxiiipc.org

Preparing for Christian Marriage Retreats will be offered several weekends per year. They are held in collaboration with local parish leadership. In order to register, an engaged couple must be referred by their pastor, associate pastor or deacon who is assisting them in preparation for their marriage. It is recommended that Marriage preparation retreats be scheduled early during your engagement and completed at least one month prior to your wedding date.

Registration for a retreat in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is done by clicking the REGISTER link on the diocese website page.

UPCOMING DATES: April 26-27, 2025 at John XXIII

August 16-17, 2025 at John XXIII November 7-8, 2025 at John XXIII

Please register early, as spaces fill quickly.

As long as space allows, the registration deadline is 1 month prior to the start of the chosen weekend. In the event a diocesan retreat is canceled, registrants will be notified in advance.

Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center 100 Hodges Road Charleston, WV 25314

**LARCUM 2025** will gather 12-14 May 2025 at <u>Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center</u>, Charleston, WV, under the theme *Nicaea at 1700*. Attendees from all four traditions (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic, and United Methodist) will explore matters related to the Council of Nicaea of 325, 1700 years being a rather impressive anniversary. As we delve into events from so long ago, we will ask: what does this mean for us today and how does it inform our on -going ecumenical conversations?







Lutheran — Anglican — Roman Catholic — United Methodist Tetralogue

LARCUM 2025





Nicaea at 1700

12-14 May 2025 St. John XXIII, Charleston, WV

Register Now!

Registration Deadline: May 1

wv-wmd.org/LARCUM



















June 29 - July 5 July 6 - July 12 July 13 - July 19 July 20- July 26

Register online at campcarlowv.org







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# Saints Peter & Paul Parish Oak Hill, WV First Saturday/Sunday Rosary

~Listen on LoL Stream at www.rdo.to/WLOL~

All are welcome to join Saints Peter & Paul parishioners at 5:00p.m. every first Saturday, Sunday 7:30a.m. & 10:00a.m. to recite The Holy Rosary. This is an opportunity for you to participate in the mysteries of the Rosary as we get to know Jesus better through the





# "TEACH US TO PRAY"

# Living the Year of Prayer in Preparation for Jubilee 2025

#### THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity
and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

Franciscus

Open enrollment for the 2025 -2026 school year is now in progress. If you know of anyone who may be interested, they may apply online at our website. Any in coming school kindergarten student or WV public transfer student is eligible for the Hope Scholarship which is projected to be a little over \$5,200. Please note that this is NOT based on income. If anyone has any questions, please send them our way.