

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

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Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell: lizesquire@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus/Food Pantry:

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

Mr. Anthony Gerard: agerard1956@gmail.com



School Staff

School Principal: Mrs. Natasha Mucho-Seay

nmucho@stspccatholic.org

School Secretary: Mrs. Kristy Humphrey

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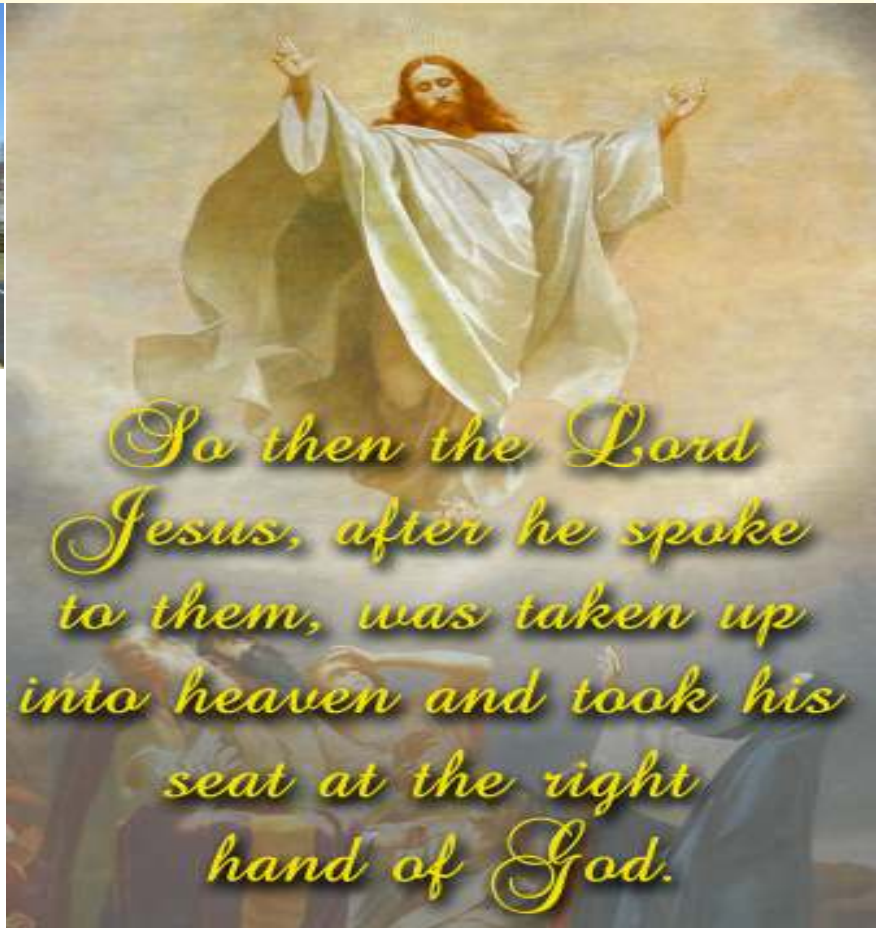
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The Ascension of the Lord

May 17, 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

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://stsp catholic.flocknote.com/register>** to register.

This Week's Liturgy Schedule

Sat. May 16 The Ascension of the Lord - Vigil
 5:00p.m. Rosary
 5:30p.m. For Our Parish Family
Sun. May 17 The Ascension of the Lord
 7:30a.m. Rosary
 8:00a.m. †Carmela Demasi req. by Dena Turner
 10:30a.m. For Our Parish Family
Mon. May 18 - Wed. May 20 No Mass
Thu. May 21
 5:30p.m. †Jim Woodrow Copley, Jr.
 req. by SSPP Ladies Guild
6:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
Fri. May 22 School Mass
8:45a.m. For Our School Family
Sat. May 23 Pentecost Sunday -Vigil
 5:30p.m. For Our Parish Family
Sun. May 24 Pentecost Sunday
 8:00a.m. For Our Parish Family
 10:30a.m. †Vicenta Taisacan Stark
 req. by Julia Artero



**CLASS OF
2026**
CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Recognition Mass

This **Sunday May 17, at 10:30a.m** Mass we are celebrating the following graduates: Kasey Compton, Ethan Vargo-Thomas and Marc White. This is a time we will recognize and applaud your achievements and thank our Lord for all his blessing. Our Parish community joins in prayer for your future plans.

**Sunday, May 17 from
9am - 12 noon**

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a
Pancake Breakfast

All are welcome.
Donations accepted




SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Protecting God's Children for Adults

May Bulletin is now available.

A folder containing these and prior bulletins is located in the back of the church as well as in the Parish office. Those with VIRTUS accounts can log on at any point this month and read the bulletin online. Anyone wishing to read these important bulletins are welcome and encouraged to take as well.



SSPP Prayer Chain Contact:

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

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for May 23/24				
Altar Servers	Lectors	Hospitality	Extraordinary	Security
<u>Saturday 23, 5:30p.m.</u>				
Stephen Zagata Alison Light	Rebecca Stinnett	Jim Lively Scott Vargo	Paula Lagos Steve Morel	Curtis Richards
<u>Sunday 24, 8:00a.m.</u>				
Blake & Brandt Kemlock	Aaron Kemlock	Randy Rosiek Anthony Gerard	Debbie Hatcher Cynthia Everly	Stephen Zagata
<u>Sunday 24, 10:30a.m.</u>				
CJ Wickline Giana Tonelli Magnolia Campbell Emmeline Campbell	Alison Ibarra	Judy Conner Fred Neudek Eddie Chornobay	Gemma White Herman Hundley	Andrew Wickline
If you are unable to serve, please find a substitute				

Save the Date

Sunday, May 31 after 10:30a.m. Mass: Mother's Day and Father's Day Joint Luncheon.

Sunday, June 7 after 10:30a.m. Mass: Corpus Christi Procession.

Friday, June 12: Solemnity of the Sacred Heart and Consecration of our nation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Masses: 8:30a.m. and 6:00p.m. followed by one hour Special Eucharistic Adoration.

Monday, June 29: Parish Feast of Saints Peter & Paul. Mass: 6:00p.m. and Social.

Sunday, August 9 at 4:00p.m.: Parish Picnic with Potluck Dinner & Entertainment.



We wish Happy Birthday to Fr. Jojan Joseph on May 26. God bless him with long life, good health and happiness in life. We are truly blessed to have him as our Pastor. Birthday Mass will be 5:30p.m. **Happy Birthday!**

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.

Italy Pilgrimage



May 31 - June 7, 2027

Lourdes Extension: June 7 - 10, 2027

Join St. John's University Parish on a handcrafted pilgrimage from Rome and Assisi with an extension to Lourdes. Journey back to the early Church where you will witness the living testimony of the apostles and saints in the basilicas and churches of Rome and Assisi. Consider the optional extension to immerse yourself in the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes, praying at the Grotto of Massabielle with its healing spring as St Bernadette did. This journey of faith is the journey of a lifetime. Allow these encounters with the saints to bring you to the heart of the universal Church. For more information, visit : www.versoministries.com/st-john-pilgrimage

Last Week's Attendance & Giving

Date: May 9 & 10, 2026 Attendance: 236

Regular Collection Combined Masses

Weekly Offering	\$ 2,638.00
Online	\$ 488.00
Parish Maintenance	\$ 75.00
Votives	\$ 16.00
School - Blue Trim	\$ 205.00
- Green Trim	\$ 55.00
Food Pantry	\$ 40.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 40.00
Church Flowers	\$ 20.00
Cemetery Maintenance	\$ 20.00
Give Love	\$ 0.00
Catholic Sharing Appeal	\$ 0.00

Second Collections:

Catholic Relief Services \$ 0.00

Thank you for your generous support !

Second Collection: May 23/24, 2026

The Catholic Relief Services—Reveal Christ's Love

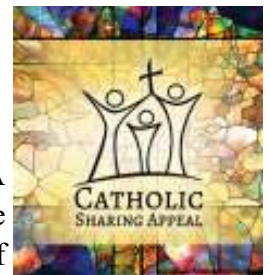
Catholic Sharing Appeal

Goal 2026 - \$20,500.00

Received \$7,775

Goal Balance \$12,725.00

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



Thank you for your generous 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.



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. If you suspect someone is in immediate danger, call 911. 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

On Friday, May 22, we will host a breakfast for our parents and students. Afterwards, we will recognize our kindergarten graduates during the 8:45 AM mass followed by an awards ceremony. All of our students have worked extremely hard this year, and we would like to recognize them for their gifts.

The last day of school will be Wednesday, May 27. We are still accepting applications for enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year. We are currently up 20% from our current enrollment, and I am pleased to announce that some grades have a waiting list! We greatly appreciate all of the prayers and support from our SS. Peter and Paul Church Family!

~Natasha Mucho-Seay, Principal

Adult Bible Study

May 17th meeting at Pancake Breakfast



Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood of
Reverend Mr. Clifton Mastran
and
Ordination to the Sacred Diaconate of
Mr. Michael Aiello

Saturday, May 30 at 10:00am

Cathedral of St. Joseph
1300 Eoff Street, Wheeling, WV 26003

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.

The Knights invite all to join May 19, 2026 at 6:00p.m. in the Fr. Moore room for a meeting with Jack Walsh about retirement planning. Meeting is open to members and non-members.



CONSECRATING THE U.S.A. TO THE SACRED HEART ON JUNE 12

To commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the United States of America, the Bishops of our country voted last fall to consecrate the United States to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. On June 12, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart, Bishop Brennan asked all parishes to celebrate a Mass to observe the consecration of our nation to the Lord Jesus. Please see bulletin for Mass times and Consecration time for our Parish.

You are encouraged to visit <https://www.usccb.org/weholdthesetruths> to locate a variety of resources to assist you in making this a special occasion in the life of our nation and in our diocese.

Invitation for joining Parish Ministries



We are looking for new Lectors/Readers, Sacristans, Homebound Eucharistic ministers, Hospitality and Extraordinary Eucharistic ministers and Adult Altar Servers to join our already formed groups.

Those who have recently received First Holy Communion are invited as Altar Servers and their training date will be informed shortly.

The first meeting for the interested persons will be on **June 14th after 10:30a.m Mass in the church.** Sign up sheets are in the back of the church.





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



**Happy 50th Anniversary of
Priesthood, Bishop Brennan**

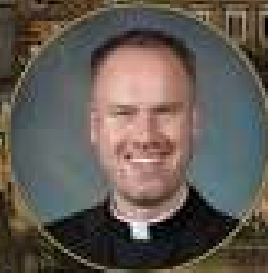
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MAY 31 - JUNE 7, 2027

LOURDES EXTENSION: JUNE 7 - 10, 2027



St. John University
PARISH



Fr. Brian Crenwelge

For details, visit VersoMinistries.com/st-john-pilgrimage

Join St. John University Parish on a pilgrimage through Rome and Assisi. Pray at the tombs of the apostles in St. Peter's Basilica and Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, walk through the ancient catacombs, and attend a Papal Audience. Journey to Assisi to visit sacred places, including the Basilica of St. Francis.

Also consider signing up for the optional Lourdes extension! Grow closer to Christ through the saints and sacred places on this unforgettable pilgrimage.



**Pope Leo XIV Accepts Resignation of Bishop Mark Brennan of Wheeling-Charleston;
Appoints Bishop Evelio Menjivar-Ayala as Successor. The Mass of Installation will be celebrated on
July 2, 2026, at 2:00 P.M., at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Wheeling.**





*May: A Month to Celebrate
Mary, Our Blessed Mother*

Getting Married?
Join us for one of our
Preparing for Christian
Marriage Retreats

May 16-17 &
August 29-30

John XXIII
Pastoral
Center,
Charleston,
WV

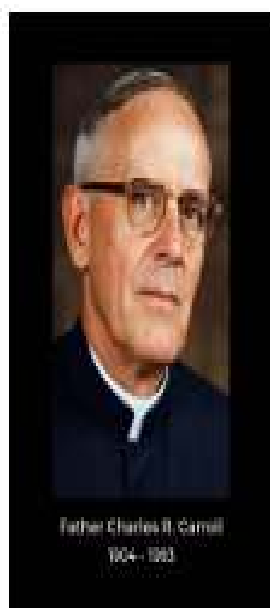
Register at:
wvmarriage.org



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. Perry at 304.233.0000, ext. 326, or ajperry@wvpc.org.



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/>

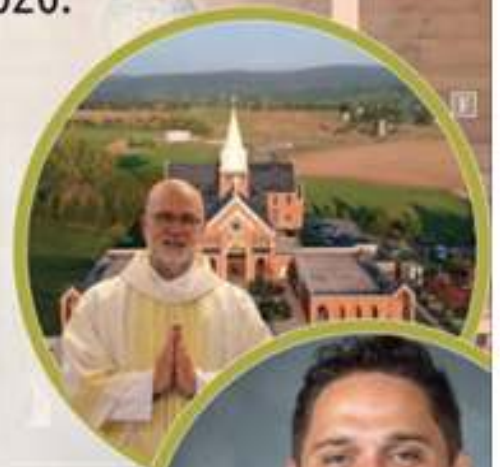
Newest Updates to 2026 QUO VADIS DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Now: Sunday, June 28 - Wednesday, July 1

Date change due to Bishop Menjivar-Ayala's
Installation Mass on July 2, 2026.

Middle School Boys (6th - 8th) will be led by
Deacon Dave Galvin and the trained staff of
St. James the Greater Parish.

High School (9th - 12th) Boys will be led by
Seminarian, Michael Tupta, with his fellow
Seminarian brothers along with our DWC priests.



Priest Field Pastoral Center
Kearnysville, WV

 **REGISTER NOW**

WVPriests.org





CAMP CARLO

FAITH & FRIENDSHIP



HIGH SCHOOL WEEK: JUNE 28TH – JULY 4TH (GRADES 9-12)
WEEK 1: JULY 5TH – 11TH (GRADES 3-12)
WEEK 2: JULY 12TH – 18TH (GRADES 3-12)
WEEK 3: JULY 19TH – 25TH (GRADES 3-12)

Cost: \$300 for a week
*Financial Assistance
Available Upon Request

 304-233-0880 ext 373

 campcarlowv.org

EMAIL GGUST@DWC.ORG FOR
MORE INFORMATION OR
QUESTIONS

Activities:

- climbing wall
- giant swing
- backpacking
- camping
- fishing
- Adoration
- Confession
- Mass
- so much more!