

SCHOOL NEWS.... Claudia Kania (Kindergarten teacher)

As we enter this very hectic time of the year, let's not forget that "JESUS" is the Reason for the Season. SSPP students have been very busy with school, basketball and cheerleading this week. Last weekend, Breakfast with St. Nicholas was very successful. We would like to thank everyone who attended, worked, or supported this special event.

In Kindergarten, we continue to work on learning letter sounds and letter recognition. My students are coming along very well in their reading abilities. They also have been working diligently in math learning addition and subtraction. December 6th was The Feast of Saint Nicholas, where the children learned about how he gained a reputation of gift-giving by putting coins in people's shoes - which is where the Christmas tradition of giving presents originates.

We pray that everyone will have a blessed Christmas remembering God's greatest gift ...Jesus!

Merry Christmas!

He Will be Great and Will be Called the Son of the Most High!
Luke 1:32

The **Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston** is committed to the protection of its children and young people. The Diocese complies with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* by maintaining an Office of Safe Environment. To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families/Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 (toll free) or 304.233.0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Msgr. Frederick Annie, ext. 267, or Msgr. Anthony Cincinnati, 270. For more information on the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment, please go to www.dwc.org, then click the "Diocese" tab, then click "Office of Safe Environment" under the "Offices" menu. To learn more about the Catholic Church's efforts in preventing sexual abuse of children in the United States, please visit <http://www.usccb.org>. Under "Issues and Action," click "Child and Youth Protection" from the drop down menu.

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church

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BRINGING THE MESSAGE OF
JESUS CHRIST TO OTHERS FOR OVER
100 YEARS



December 11, 2016
The Third Sunday
of Advent



Mass Intentions

- Sat. Dec. 10 - Vigil**
5:30 p.m. †Fr. Seamus Maguire by
Bruce & Toni Webb
- Sun. Dec. 11**
8:30a.m. For All Parishioners
10:30a.m. Intentions of Kimberly Stark
By Sylvia Sallee-Robinson
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- Mon. Dec. 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe**
8:30a.m. †Manola Maminta by
Glenn & Dianne Murphy
- Tue. Dec. 13** No Mass
School Christmas Program
- Wed. Dec. 14**
8:30a.m. †Luther Raynes by
Bruce & Toni Webb
- Thu. Dec. 15**
6:00p.m. Intentions of the Stark Family &
Children & in honor of the
Blessed Virgin Mary, by Vicente Stark
- Fri. Dec. 16**
8:30a.m. †Carl Phillips by Kathryn Wickline
6:00 p.m. Advent Penance Service
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- Sat. Dec. 17 - Vigil**
5:30p.m. †Vickie Fleming by Family
- Sun. Dec. 18**
8:00a.m. †Fr. Seamus Maguire by Nancy Sanger
10:30a.m. For All Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):
Saturdays 4:45p.m. or by appointment.

Offerings December 4, 2016

Env/Loose	\$ 4,016.36	Votives	\$ 21.00
Online	\$ 370.00	Parish Maint.	\$ 50.00
School	\$ 25.00	Christmas Flowers	\$345.00

Lectors

Sat. (Vigil): 12/17
5:30p.m. : Brenda Vargo
Sun. 12/18
8a.m.: Nancy Sanger
10:30a.m.: Margaret Staggers
Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sat. (Vigil):
5:30p.m. : Gene & Kathy Glover
Sun. 8a.m.: Vicki Caldwell and
Corey Littreal
Sun. 10:30a.m.: Mike Kemlock and
Debbie Hatcher

Altar Server Schedule:

Saturday (Vigil): 12/17
5:30p.m.: Josephine & Aidan Keaveny
Sunday: 12/18
8:00a.m.: Gracie Littreal/
Dominic and Andre Re
10:30a.m.: Michael Howerton/
Noah & Camden Craddock

Bulletin Deadline:

Any requested announcements for the bulletin must be turned into the Parish Office by **11a.m. on Wednesdays.** You may email to: ssppp1216oh@dwc.org or call: 304-465-5445.

CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL 2016

PARISH GOAL: \$17,150.00

Current Status: \$17,683(103%)
58 gifts

This Week.....

Sun. 9:00a.m. RCIA - Art Room
9:15a.m. Adult Bible Class—Fr. Moore Rm.
6:30p.m. High School Youth—Fr. Moore Rm.
6:30p.m. B.L.A.S.T. and 1st Communion
in cafeteria

Tues. 7:00 p.m. School Christmas Program

Wed. 4:15p.m. "Saturday Choir" rehearsal
5:30p.m. "Sunday Choir" rehearsal

Thurs. 7:00p.m. Meditation Class—Fr. Moore

Fri. 6:00p.m. Advent Penance Service

SSPP School Christmas Program

Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00p.m.
in the church.



Advent Penance Service
Friday, December 16th at 6:00p.m.

Reminder about Faith Formation (grades 1-8)

B.L.A.S.T. and First Communion Class will next Sunday (Dec. 18) with CYO to go Christmas caroling at a nursing home. Details to follow in next week's bulletin. (B.L.A.S.T. = Building Lives Around Sound Truth)

Second Collection—Support Elderly Religious

Support religious communities. "Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enables our younger sisters to continue in active ministry," writes a religious sister. Your gift to today's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious provides vital support for the retirement needs of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. It also helps ensure that younger members can continue the good works of their elders.

MARRIAGE AND BAPTISM in our PARISH

Marriage: Before planning a wedding, make an appointment with the pastor to schedule the date. Marriage preparation requires a minimum of six months to complete.
Baptism: Participation in the Baptismal Preparation Session is required for parents. Baptism preparation requires a minimum of three months to complete.

Church Cleaning

A special thank you to those who help in cleaning the church on Monday, December 5, 2016.

Debbie Ferri	Cathy Lively
Toni Webb	Pat Beverley
Regina O'Neal	Nira Kania
Nancy Sanger	Katheryn Wickline
Leon & Jo Ann Jarosz	

Baptism: We congratulate Gregory Blaise Whitney who was Baptized Sunday, December 4th. Gregory is the son of John & Monica Whitney.

God's richest blessings be with you.

++R.I.P. ++

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Family & Friends on the death of Lee Parlier.

May he rest in the peace of Christ.

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If you would like to be on the sub list please let us know. If you are interested please contact Ricky White at the school 304-465-5045 or via cell phone 405-812-5448.



Christmas Masses:

Christmas Eve: Dec. 24: 5:30p.m.

Christmas: Midnight Mass

Christmas Day: 10:30a.m.

"Adopt A Family"

Members of the CYO teen youth group will be collecting monetary donations at all 3 masses this weekend to provide Christmas gifts and dinner to a local family. Please consider donating to help us provide for those less fortunate this holiday season



Catholic Gentlemen

The Knights of Columbus would like to extend an invitation to Catholic men, 18 years & older, to join us. We will be holding a drawing for the Knights to pay the dues of a new 2017 Knight for one year. We must get 5 new Knights, but will pick 2 to cover their 2017 dues. If you need more information about this or the Knights in general, please contact me.

Anthony Gerard, Grand Knight

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has declared **Monday, December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, a National Day of Prayer for Immigrants and their Families.**

Here is a link to more information: <http://www.usccb.org/news/2016/16-168.cfm>

The Day of Prayer will be a time to place before a merciful God the hopes, fears, and needs of all those families who have come to the U.S. seeking a better life. Across the country Masses and prayer services will be held in many dioceses as the Church continues to accompany migrants and refugees seeking an opportunity to provide for their families. In this environment of uncertainty that multitudes of immigrants and refugees and their families are currently facing, the U.S. Catholic bishops are demonstrating their solidarity with our migrant and refugee brothers and sisters by asking Catholics to pray for the protection and well-being of this vulnerable population.

Angel Tree Project:

Please take an angel and get a gift for someone for Christmas. Write down the number of the angel you are taking beside your name on the sign up sheet in back of the church. Please wrap the gift and put the angel tag on top. All gifts can be left in the back of the church or in the church office. All gifts must be returned by December 16th. If you have any questions please contact Paula Prostrollo or Debbie Garvin. Thank you.!

The Advent Banks & Meditation Booklets are available to our families in the vestibule of the church. We also have the Banks & Booklets for our children. During Advent place your loose change in the bank, and the money donated from the Banks will be used to help those who come to us for utility help. Your support of this ministry is greatly appreciated.



Someone from the school will be selling the scrip cards after the 5:30pm mass and the 10:30am mass.

Knights of Columbus

Food of the Month—December
A Variety of items for Holiday Bag:

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| Corn | Canned Cranberry |
| Green Beans | Boxed Dressing |
| Can Sweet Potatoes | Gravy Package |
| Bag Mashed Potatoes | Canned Pie Filling |
| Biscuit Package Mix | Small bag Flour |
| Small Bag Sugar | |

Please place in Pantry bin in vestibule .



Christmas Flowers:

No set donation; whatever you wish to donate. Offering can be made in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special someone. Please list them on the envelope. Drop envelope in collection basket, or bring it to the parish office.



2017 Catholic Calendars:

The calendars are available in the vestibule of the church. The calendars are compliments of Tyree Funeral Home. We appreciate their generosity.

SSPP Ladies Guild

The Ladies Guild are selling raffle tickets for a Christmas Basket at each wknd Mass until the drawing on December 18, following the 10:30a.m. Mass. Donation of \$1 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5.

Butter Braids For Sale

Fund Raiser

The 7th & 8th grade class is selling Butter Braids to help with the cost of their class trip. Cost is \$13.00 each and will be available for purchase this weekend (10th & 11th) after the weekend masses. For more information, please contact Susan Mrozek.