

**SCHOOL NEWS....Natasha Mucho-Seay** Language Arts-  
English teacher)

Dear friends in Christ,

This past week at SSPP school we enjoyed the school Christmas program; a collaborative effort by all of our students under the direction of Mrs. Mucho-Seay. What a beautiful reminder of what the season of Advent is about.

In the coming week we have Christmas parties followed by the midyear break. Remember there is "no vacation from vocation!" So attend church where ever you go. God sent his son to save us from sin. Should we ignore his gift?

Let's be reminded that this season, of waiting for a baby's cry, is one of JOY. A reading taken from a booklet of Advent meditations by Pope Francis tells us: "Do not be men and women of sadness: a Christian can never be sad! Never give way to discouragement! Our joy is not born of having many possessions, but from having encountered a person: Jesus, in our midst. We know that with him we are never alone, even at difficult moments, even when our life's journey comes up against problems and obstacles that seem insurmountable -- and there are so many of them! We accompany and follow Jesus...This is our joy, this is the hope that we must bring to this world."

So then friends, lets watch and wait and listen hopefully for that tiny cry of new joy during this season of darkness waiting for the light of the world, Jesus.

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](http://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

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



*December 25, 2016*  
*The Nativity of the Lord*  
*Christmas*

**PASTORAL STAFF:**

Pastor/Administrator:  
Rev. Symeon Galazka

Parish Office Manager:  
Amy Inghram

RCIA Facilitator: Toni Webb

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Tony Gerard

Maintenance:  
Kathy Ryder

School Principal:  
Ricky D. White

School Secretary:  
Jennifer Williams

Parish Office: 304-465-5445

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304 465-8726

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**Mass Intentions**

**Sat. Dec. 24-** Vigil  
5:30 p.m. †David Foster by, Peg Foster

**Sun. Dec. 25** Nativity of the Lord  
**12:00a.m.** For All Parishioners  
10:30a.m. †Deceased Members of Booth Family, by the Family

**Mon. Dec. 26**  
6:00p.m. †Joe Kania by, Nira Kania

**Tue. Dec. 27**  
6:00p.m. Intentions of John & Mary Pino on their wedding anniversary by, Gene & Kathy Glover

**Wed. Dec. 28**  
6:00p.m. †Baler, Nick, Margaret Taraczkozy & deceased members of family by, Nancy Sanger

**Thu. Dec. 29**  
6:00p.m. †Stevie Crisp by Tom & Carol Shively

**Fri. Dec. 30**  
6:00p.m. †Gaynell Walker by Bruce & Toni Webb

**Sat. Dec. 31**  
8:30a.m. For All Parishioners  
**News Year Eve Vigil**  
5:30p.m. †Gary Perry by Tom & Jeanay Booth

**Sun. Jan. 1 Solemnity of Mary - Holy Mother of God (News Year Day)**  
10:30a.m. †Robert Dempsey by, Sylvia Sallie Robinson

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

**Offerings December 18, 2016**

Env/Loose	\$ 2,615.00	Votives	\$17.00
Online	\$ 165.00	Parish Maint.	\$25.00
School	\$ 150.00	Christmas Flowers	\$140.00

**Lectors**

**Sat. (Vigil): 12/31**  
5:30p.m. : Jimmy Lively

**Sun. 01/01**  
10:30a.m.: Bev & Herman Hundley

**Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

**Sat. (Vigil): 12/31**  
**5:30p.m. :** Gene & Kathy Glover

**Sun. 10:30a.m.: 01/01**  
Ricky & Gemma White

**Altar Server Schedule:**

**Saturday (Vigil): 12/31**  
8:30a.m.: Dominic & Andre Re  
5:30p.m.: Corey & Gracie Littreal/  
Jaden Lagos

**Sunday: 01/01**  
**10:30a.m.:** Bethany Rosiek/  
Chloe Kania/Anna Pauley

**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](mailto:ssppp1216oh@dwc.org) or call: 304-465-5445.

**CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL 2016**  
**PARISH GOAL: \$17,150.00**  
**Current Status: \$19,030(111%)**  
*61gifts*

**This Week.....**

**Sun.** No RCIA  
**Wed.** 4:15p.m. "Saturday Choir" rehearsal  
5:30p.m. "Sunday Choir" rehearsal  
**Thurs.** 7:00p.m. Meditation Class—Fr. Moore



**Christmas Masses:**

**Christmas Eve: Dec. 24: 5:30p.m.**  
**Christmas: Midnight Mass**  
**Christmas Day: 10:30a.m.**

**Second Collection - Catholic Charities**

Catholic Charities WV is inviting all people to join in its vision of hope for WV by contributing to the "Be With Us" appeal. Proceeds the weekend of December 24/25 will directly support the outreach services throughout the state. CCWV provides disaster relief, feeding the hungry, sheltering those in need, assisting with adoptions, providing education and training to those in need and also caring for the vulnerable. Contributions can also be made to [CatholicCharitiesWV.org](http://CatholicCharitiesWV.org) or by mail at 2000 Main Street, Wheeling, WV 26003.

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

Let it Snow!!!!

We are excited to be working with Winterplace Ski Resort this year and look forward to forming a group that would like to participate in Ski School. Winterplace offers many different classes in Skiing, Snowboarding, and Snow Tubing all at discounted rates for our group. They provide flexible days and rates for the 5 week and 8 week programs. If you are interested, please stop by the school office to pick up paperwork or call the school at 304-465-5045.

**MARRIAGE AND BAPTISM in our PARISH**

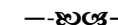
**Marriage:** Before planning a wedding, make an appointment with the pastor to schedule the date. Marriage preparation requires a minimum of six months to complete.  
**Baptism:** Participation in the Baptismal Preparation Session is required for parents. Baptism preparation requires a minimum of three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

**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.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Winners of the 1/2 Hog Raffle with SSPP School :  
Ron Moore and Ricky Massey



To the "Keeping Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest  
Winners at SSPP:  
Holly Jones, Samantha Dean and  
Hannah White

Each winner received \$15.

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all the students who took part in the contest!

The Ladies Guild wishes to thank the Ss Peter & Paul parish for its tremendous support of our Christmas Gift Basket project. In addition, we thank all of the Businesses & individuals who donated items to be included in the basket.

Merry Christmas and a very  
Happy New Year!!

Congratulations to our winners:

Grand Prize: Angela Littreal  
Second Prize: Mason Ratliff