

# Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church

129 Elmore St., Oak Hill, West Virginia 25901



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## **SCHOOL STAFF:**

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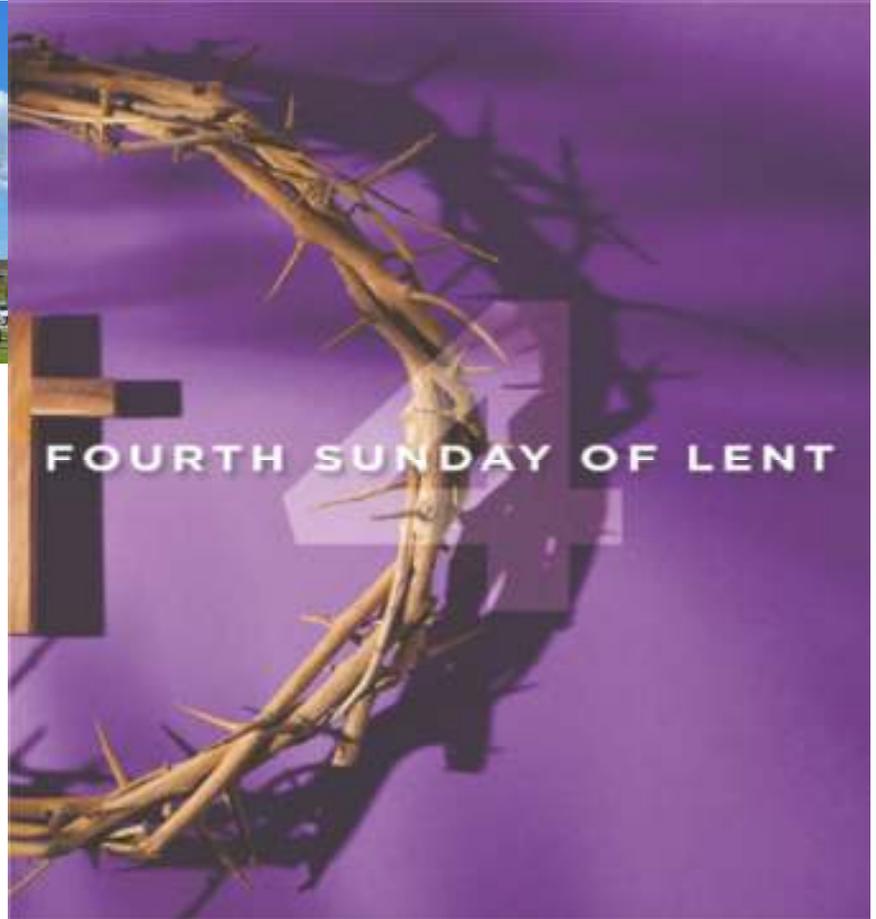
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**School Mailing Address:**  
123 Elmore St., Oak Hill, WV 25901



**March 10, 2024**

## **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.

**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. Mar. 9 Vigil**

4:15 -5:15p.m. Adoration

5:30p.m. †Mark Pino req. by Bill & Terri Light

**Sun. Mar. 10 Fourth Sunday of Lent**

8:00a.m. For our Parish Family

9:15a.m.-10:15a.m. **Penance Service for Faith Formation**

10:30a.m. †JoAnn Jarosz req. by The Graves Family

**Mon. Mar. 11 No Mass**

**Tue. Mar. 12**

5:00p.m. **Adoration**

5:30p.m. †Mary Kennedy

req. by Scott & Brenda Vargo

**Wed. Mar. 13 School Mass**

8:00a.m. **Adoration**

8:30a.m. †Lon Jones req. by Regina O'Neal

**Thur. Mar. 14**

5:00p.m. **Adoration**

5:30p.m. †Janes Lagos req. by Art & Mary Gonzales

6:00p.m. **Stations of the Cross**

**Fri. Mar. 15**

8:00a.m. **Adoration**

8:30a.m. †For Jody Munhall  
req. by Alan & Kathryn Wickline

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

**Sat. Mar. 16 Vigil**

4:15 -5:15p.m. **Adoration**

5:30p.m. †Deceased Members of the Lopinsky Family  
req. by Emma Davis

**Sun. Mar. 17 Fifth Sunday of Lent**

8:00a.m. For our Parish Family

9:15a.m.-10:15a.m. **Adoration**

10:30a.m. †Larry Cole req. by Bracken Family

### Lenten Calendar 2024

#### Stations of the Cross

Thursdays at 6:00pm following 5:30pm Mass  
led by different ministries

Fridays by SSPP Students at 2:30pm

#### Living Stations

Palm Sunday, March 24 at 7:00p.m.

Good Friday, March 29 at 2:00p.m.

#### Adoration

Half an hour before weekday Mass

Saturday 4:15p.m. - 5:15p.m.

Sunday 9:15a.m. - 10:15a.m.

#### Lenten Penance Service

Wednesday, March 20 at 6:00pm

#### Holy Thursday March 28 - 5:30p.m.

Washing of the Feet

Repose of the Blessed Sacrament

Repository open until 8:00p.m.

#### Good Friday March 29

Living Stations of the Cross—2:00p.m.

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

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

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

#### Stations of the Cross - Facilitators

March 14: Eucharistic Ministers, Readers & Ushers

*Praying the Stations with St. Pope John Paul II*

March 21: Music Ministry

*The Way of the Cross Adapted from an Old Latin  
Compilation of Liturgical and Biblical Texts.*

### Liturgical Ministry Schedule for Mar. 16/17

Altar Servers	Lectors	Hospitality Ministers	Extraordinary E.M.
<b><u>Saturday 16, 5:30p.m.</u></b> Kennedy O'Neal Magnolia Campbell	Brenda Vargo	Rebecca Stinnett Scott Vargo John & Susan Woods	Emma Davis Steve Morel
<b><u>Sunday 17, 8:00a.m.</u></b> Brandt & Blake Kemlock	Dan Doyle	Debbie Garvin Kathryn Wickline	Aaron Kemlock Anthony Gerard Dianne Murphy
<b><u>Sunday 17, 10:30a.m.</u></b> Trace Rosiek Adalynn Ince CJ Wickline	Herman Hundley	Fred Neudek Ron Sheehan Judy Conner Eddie Chornobay	Gemma White Paula Lagos

**If you are unable to serve, please find a substitute**



### 2024 Parish Goal of CSA: \$16,335

Your generosity through CSA in 2023 allowed us to receive two grants; our school received \$4,000 and our Parish received \$11,247 in addition to what we raised over 50% (all of which comes back to our parish) of the CSA goal .

This year our CSA goal is for a school roof and Church portico.

We are now into our fourth week of Lent, have you returned the pledge card received or made your CSA Lenten Alms giving donation yet?

**Please consider our purpose when giving,  
It's your generosity that makes it happen!**

**Donations received: 10 - Total raised to date: \$930.00**

### Last Week's Attendance & Giving

Mar. 2/3, 2024

Attendance: 217

#### Regular Collection Combined Masses

Weekly Offering	\$5,067.25
Online	\$ 455.00
School	\$ 220.00
School Maintenance	\$ 195.00
Parish Maintenance	\$ 220.00
Pictorial Directory	\$ 25.00
Votives	\$ 60.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 20.00
HolyLand—Good Friday	\$ 20.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 140.00
Second Collection -	
Priest Retirement Fund	\$ 651.85
Mass Stipends	\$ 50.00
Give Love ~ Live Love	\$1,150.00

**Thank you for your generous support  
to our Parish Family**

## Who is your parish sending?



To participate in **National Eucharistic Congress** on July 17 - 21, 2024 at Indianapolis, if anyone wanted to represent our parish, it's not too late, but you must register by March 15 with our diocese and notify us, parish will sponsor one representative.

**Sponsorship received: \$1,000**

**Knights News:** Grand Knight: Dr. Ricky White  
1-405-812-5448 [Rickyd.white@gmail.com](mailto:Rickyd.white@gmail.com)

The Knights gave our school \$1,315.00 to replace the microprocessor fire alarm system. The Knights also gave \$4,197.50 to the local Fayette County Special Olympics.

As you are putting away your winter coats, keep in mind the less fortunate for when we will be passing out coats at the Lewis Center this December.

We are still looking for more Veteran pictures for our Wall of Honor.

We are looking for new members to the Knights.

**♥ This Week - 3 New Donations \$1,150 ♥**



### Lenten Sacrificial Love GIVE LOVE ~ LIVE LOVE Campaign Our Parish will receive 100% of your donation.

This year our GIVE LOVE~LIVE LOVE campaign and Catholic Sharing Appeal goal is for the repair of the school roof and a new Church portico. The goal is to raise \$300,000. In the



first phase our purpose is to raise \$50,000 by Easter. Any amount you donate to Catholic Sharing Appeal comes back to our Parish now.

This Lenten season, I request all of you through fasting and abstinence (Fridays of Lent) donate that amount to GIVE LOVE ~ LIVE LOVE in order to reach our goal. You may choose a piggy bank or an envelope for submitting your Lenten Sacrificial love. **Have you picked up your Give Love ~ Live Love envelope yet?**

**If we reach \$50,000, the donor will match \$50,000.**

All donations will remain in our parish and will be closely monitored by the parish finance council for the expenses of school roof replacing, parish office building & Church portico. ~Parish Finance Council

**Our goal: \$300,000 ♥ Donations received: 22 ♥ Total raised to date: \$15,199.71**



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, please contact 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org) under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods. Sts. Peter & Paul Church has named Amy Inghram the Coordinator for our church's Safe Environment team.

**Eucharistic Revival**



**Father in heaven, you have made us for yourself;  
our hearts are restless until they rest in you.  
Fulfill this longing through Jesus, the Bread of Life,  
whose sacramental Body we receive in the Eucharist,**

**so that we may witness to him who alone satisfies the hungers of the human family.**

**By the power of your Spirit**

**lead us to the heavenly table where we may feast on the vision of your glory for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

**The Year of Parish Revival**

**School News**

Thank you so much to the Knights of Columbus for their ongoing support for our school. Through their pancake breakfasts and yard sale, they have raised just over \$1,300. We have earmarked that money to replace the microprocessor for our school's fire alarm system. We appreciate all you do for us!

**New Enrollment**

We are accepting new students for the 2024-25 school year, and we accept the Hope Scholarship. To apply for our school, please visit [www.ssppcatholic.org](http://www.ssppcatholic.org).

The **WV Hope Scholarship** is now accepting



applications for the 2024-25 school year. The amount of the scholarship is \$4,921.39 which will cover the tuition with money left over for supplies.

All incoming kindergarten students and transfer students who have

been in a WV public school for at least 45 days are eligible.

To apply, please visit [www.hopescholarshipwv.com](http://www.hopescholarshipwv.com)

~Natasha Mucho-Seay, Principal

**Lenten Fish Dinner**



**SSPP School**

**Drive-Thru Curbside Only**

**4:30 pm to 7:00 pm**

**ALL Fridays of Lent**

**February 16, 23**

**March 1, 8, 15, 22**

<b>Flounder</b>	<b>\$12.00</b>	<b>Child Fish or</b>	
<b>Shrimp</b>	<b>\$13.00</b>	<b>Shrimp</b>	<b>\$7.00</b>
<b>Combo</b>	<b>\$14.00</b>	<b>Child Pizza</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>

**Dinners include:**

*Baked Potato, Baked Beans, Slaw, Dessert and Bread*

All proceeds benefit

Saints Peter & Paul Catholic School.

**Desserts Needed for Fish Fry Dinners**

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!**



The SSPP Ladies Guild wishes to convey the sincere gratitude of Birthright International for the overwhelming amount of donations received from our 2023 Angel Tree project.

The organization needed that help which Saints Peter & Paul parishioners made possible. **Thank you!**

**PASTORAL COUNCIL :**

Anthony Gerard (Chairperson), Herman Hundley, Dianne Murphy, John Woods, Robert Littreal, Susan Woods, Andre Re, Rob Rosiek and Marty Mrozek.

**FINANCE COUNCIL:** Jim Lively (Chairperson), Mike Malay. Denise Light, Bill Klenk, Debbie Hatcher, Scott Vargo and Elizabeth Campbell.

**If you have any concerns, please let our Council know**

## Litany of Humility

O Jesus! meek and humble of heart,  
*Hear me.*

From the desire of being esteemed,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being loved,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being extolled,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being honored,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being praised,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being preferred to others,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being consulted,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the desire of being approved,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being humiliated,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being despised,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of suffering rebukes,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being calumniated,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being forgotten,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being ridiculed,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being wronged,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

From the fear of being suspected,  
*Deliver me, Jesus.*

That others may be loved more than I,  
*Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.*

That others may be esteemed more than I,  
*Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.*

That, in the opinion of the world,  
others may increase and I may decrease,  
*Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.*

That others may be chosen and I set aside,  
*Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.*

That others may be praised and I unnoticed,  
*Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.*

That others may be preferred to me in everything,  
*Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.*

That others may become holier than I,  
provided that I may become as holy as I should,  
*Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.*

Amen.

# Women's Discernment Retreat

June 21-23, 2024 St. Joseph Retreat Center, Wheeling, WV



The Office of Consecrated Life presents a discernment retreat for single Catholic women ages 18 and over. In a world that lacks moments of silence and reflection it can be easy for us to ignore our callings. Join us and take this time to get to know yourself, your heart, and how Christ is working in your life.

- ✦ Retreat is free.
- ✦ Be with other discerning women.
- ✦ Register now - space is limited!



To Register/More Info:



Sister Martha Gomez, RGS,  
mgomez@dwc.org



Office of Consecrated Life  
(304)233-0880 ext. 264

## Hallow

Pray every day this Lent  
Pray40 Challenge  
Download the app.  
[HALLOW.COM/PRAY](http://HALLOW.COM/PRAY)  
For details see the brochures  
in the back of the Church.



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.

Register online at  
Wheeling-Charleston  
Retreats or Go to  
<https://dwc.org>

## UPCOMING DATES

April 13-14, 2024 at John XXIII  
July 13-14, 2024 at John XXIII  
Nov. 16-17, 2024 at John XXIII

**Adult Bible Study**  
Sundays 9:15am-10:15am

## 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.



# WE NEED A NEW ROOF!



**GIVE LOVE ~ LIVE LOVE Campaign**  
Our Parish will receive 100% of your donation.



In this year of 2024 our GIVE LOVE ~ LIVE LOVE Campaign and Catholic Sharing Appeal are for a new roof for our school and for a portico for the parish church building & renovations of the parish office building. Our goal is to raise \$300,000.

**If we raise, during this Lenten season \$50,000, an anonymous donor will match \$50,000.**

All donations will remain in our parish and will be closely monitored by the parish finance council for the expenses of school roof replacing, portico and renovation of parish office building

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**Goal of GIVE LOVE ~ LIVE LOVE: \$300,000**



**Our Parish Goal of CSA: \$16,335**

The Catholic Youth Group of  
Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church

Presents

## **The Living Stations of the Cross In Silhouette**

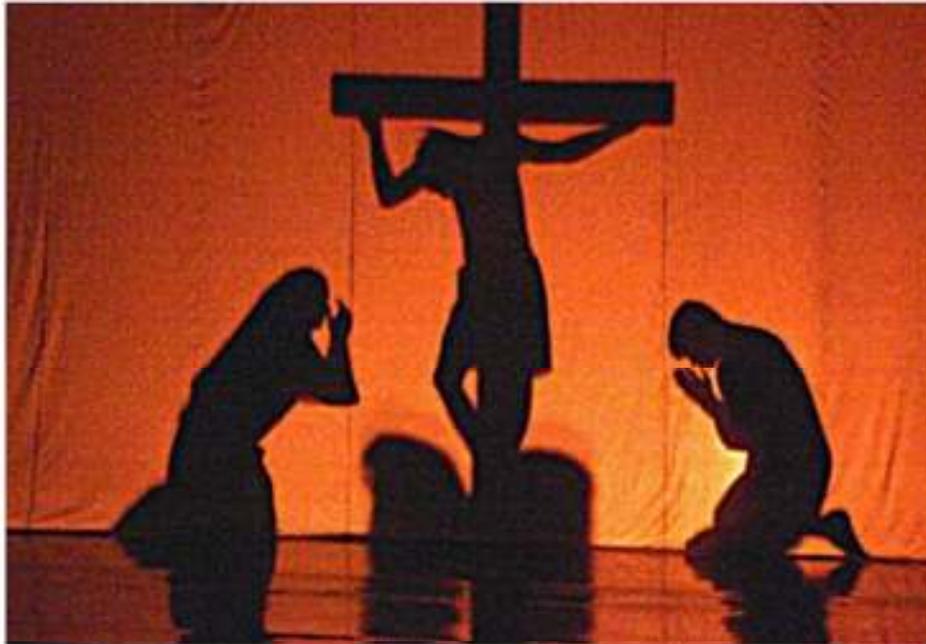


Photo by Steve Pilon

**Palm Sunday, March 24th**

**7:00 pm**

**Good Friday, March 29th**

**2:00pm**

**SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church**

**All are welcome!**

We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you.

Because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.



## PRAYERS IN THE PEW™

# National Eucharistic Revival Supplement – March 2024

During the National Eucharistic Revival, we are reminded of our need to be spiritually prepared to receive our Eucharistic Lord. The disciples on the Road to Emmaus discovered Him in the breaking of bread.



### THE IMPORTANCE OF THE EUCHARISTIC FAST

#### Eucharistic Saint



**St. Rose Philippine Duchesne (1769 -1852)** – This French nun was a Sacred Heart Sister who came to evangelize the Native American tribes in the mission territory of St. Louis, Missouri. She could not learn the native languages so she spent countless hours praying before the Eucharist for the other missionary sisters instead. The Indians gave her the name of “The Woman Who Prays Always.”

#### Back to Basics

**THE EUCHARISTIC FAST:** Bodily fasting before receiving a spiritual gift has a long history in our tradition. Moses fasted for forty days before receiving the Ten Commandments (Ex 34:28), and the prophet Elijah journeyed for forty days through the desert before his experience of God on the mountain (1 Kgs 19:8).



The Eucharistic Fast has the same effect on us: it prepares us to be worthy vessels in which to receive our Eucharistic Lord. Canon Law states: “One who is to receive the Most Holy Eucharist is to abstain from any food or drink, with the exception of water and medicine, for at least the period of one hour before Holy Communion.” (Canon 919)

Physical mortification before receiving Communion makes us spiritually receptive to His grace.

#### Faith in Action



**Two Exceptions** – If a priest must celebrate more than one Mass in a day, he is obliged to keep the Eucharistic fast only before the first Mass. Likewise, the elderly, the sick, and those who care for them may receive Communion if they have eaten something within the preceding hour.

**Twice In a Day** – It sometimes happens that the faithful wish to receive the Eucharist more than once in a day. The Church allows a person who has already received the Eucharist to receive a second time on the same day, but it must be **within a Mass** (Canon 917).

*“May my heart ever hunger for Thee and be nourished by Thee, whose sight the angels desire; may my innermost soul be filled by the sweetness of thy savor and ever thirst for Thee, the fount of life, the fount of wisdom and science, the fount of eternal life, the torrent of joy, the plentitude of the house of God. ~ St. Bonaventure*

#### National Eucharistic Revival News and Resources

Make sure to keep up to date on the National Eucharistic Revival at the Bishops' central website: [www.EucharisticRevival.org](http://www.EucharisticRevival.org). For news on the upcoming Eucharistic Congress, please see [www.eucharisticcongress.org](http://www.eucharisticcongress.org). You can also get the *Eucharistic Revival Edition Prayer Cards* at [www.SitStandKneel.com](http://www.SitStandKneel.com) for great evangelization resources to spread the Eucharistic fire!



# MAKE HISTORY, WALK IN THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

## ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON ROUTE INCLUDES EVENTS IN WV

The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Procession is just three months away!

Organizers emphasize that America has never seen anything like this. From May 17 to July 16, Jesus will be carried along four unique routes on foot, by motorcade, and by boat across more than 6,000 miles of our nation. These routes form the shape of a cross, marking our nation with this holy sign of our salvation on Our Lord's way to the National Eucharistic Congress.

Thousands of Catholics will join Christ for portions of his journey across the nation all are invited to take part.

Today, we are happy to share the dates, details, and locations of events open to the public along the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route that runs through WV.

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton was the first American-born saint to be canonized by the Catholic Church. A lifelong protestant, the young mother was drawn to the Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. St. Elizabeth Ann opened the first free Catholic school for girls in America in 1810. Her work laid the foundation for what is now the parochial school system.

The Seton Route begins on May 18 with Pentecost Vigil at the tomb of Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut. From there, this route will journey through our nation's oldest diocese and across the Appalachian Mountains. Pilgrims will visit holy sites, embrace the sacraments daily, and publicly proclaim Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist as they accompany him on his way to the 10th National Eucharistic Congress.



Highlights for events in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston (for a full list [CLICK HERE](#)):

- **June 20** - 8 am Mass and Eucharistic Adoration pilgrims will gather at St. Joseph the Worker Church, in Weirton, followed by a Eucharistic Procession to nearby Sacred Heart of Mary Church for Benediction, Adoration, and Reflection.

- **June 20** - 7 pm Eucharistic Adoration with praise and worship at St. Paul Catholic Church, 140 Walnut Street, Weirton.
- **June 21** - 8:30 am Mass Sacred Heart of Mary Church, Weirton, followed by breakfast.
- **June 23** - noon to 4 pm Bishop Mark Brennan and Bishop Paul Bradley of the Diocese of Steubenville will gather pilgrims at the Steubenville Marina, along the Ohio River in Steubenville, while the Eucharistic Procession continues by sternwheeler! The bishops will bless pilgrims awaiting on the banks of the Ohio River at four sites between Steubenville and Bellaire Marina in Bellaire, Ohio.
- **June 23** - 7:30 pm Bishop Mark Brennan and the faithful around Wheeling will welcome the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage at the Cathedral of St. Joseph for an all-night prayer vigil.
- **June 24** - 8:30 am Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph followed by a Eucharistic Procession through the streets of downtown Wheeling to the historic St. Alphonsus Church (0.6 miles) where breakfast will be provided to all participants.

To Explore all the specifics about the Seton route, including events in Virginia, Maryland, and Pennsylvania for faithful in the Eastern Panhandle; and any of the other three routes across the country go to the [NEW INTERACTIVE MAP](#). Click on any of the routes to see exactly where and when this once-in-a-lifetime Eucharistic procession will be.

