

Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church

129 Elmore St., Oak Hill, West Virginia 25901



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SCHOOL STAFF:

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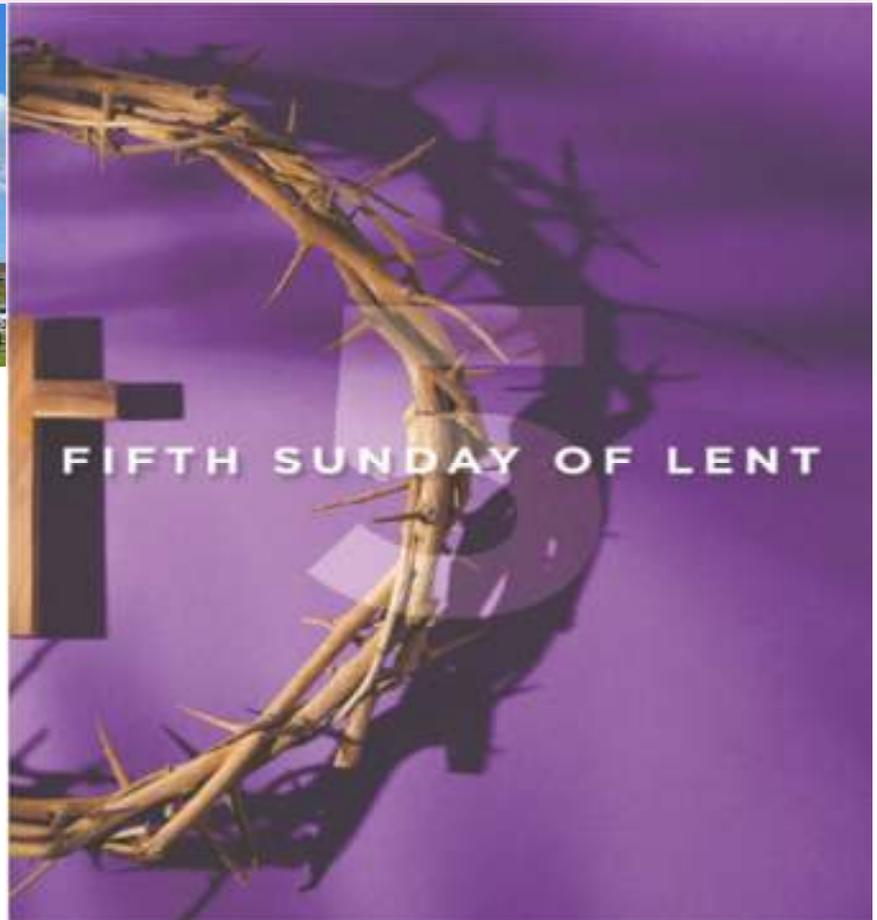
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March 17, 2024

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. 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

Mon. Mar. 18 No Mass

Tue. Mar. 19 Feast of St. Joseph

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

5:30p.m. †John Turner req. by Dena Turner

Wed. Mar. 20 School Mass

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

8:30a.m. †Patrick Dougan req. by SSPP Ladies Guild

6:00p.m. Lenten Penance Service

Thur. Mar. 21

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

5:30p.m. †James Lagos req. by Amy Inghram

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

Fri. Mar. 22

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

8:30a.m. †Lon Jones req. by SSPP Ladies Guild

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

Sat. Mar. 23 Vigil - Palm Sunday

4:15 -5:00p.m. **Adoration**

5:30p.m. For our Parish Family

Sun. Mar. 24 Palm Sunday

8:00a.m. †Gina Demasi req. by Dena Turner

10:30a.m. †Elizabeth LaRocco

req. by Craddock Family

7:00p.m. Living Stations of the Cross In Silhouette

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.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday we commemorate
Jesus' triumphal entry into
Jerusalem.

Masses will begin with the
procession of Palm branches. So
please gather at the main entrance
of the school, near our fish pond,
ten minutes prior to the Mass.



Liturgical Ministry Schedule for Mar. 23/24

Altar Servers	Lectors	Hospitality Ministers	Extraordinary E.M.
<u>Saturday 23, 5:30p.m.</u> Magnolia Campbell Kennedy O'Neal	Scott Vargo (N) Brenda Vargo (V)	Rebecca Stinnett Curtis Richards Scott Vargo	Randy Rosiek Emma Davis Steve Morel
<u>Sunday 24, 8:00a.m.</u> Brandt & Blake Kemlock	Robert Littreal (N) Aaron Kemlock (V)	Debbie Garvin Kathryn Wickline	Debbie Hatcher Paula Lagos Anthony Gerard
<u>Sunday 24, 10:30a.m.</u> Tripton Kiliany Adalynn Ince Adriana & Natalia Ibarra	Herman Hundley (N) Alison Ibarra (V)	Jose Ibarra Art Gonzales Fred Neudek Ron Sheehan	Kathy Alexander Keylie Alexander Gemma White

If you are unable to serve, please find a substitute

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

Flounder	\$12.00	Child Fish or	
Shrimp	\$13.00	Shrimp	\$7.00
Combo	\$14.00	Child Pizza	\$5.00

Dinners include:

Baked Potato, Baked Beans, Slaw, Dessert and Bread

All proceeds benefit

Saints Peter & Paul Catholic School.

Don't forget your desserts for our final Fish Fry Dinner!

Please drop-off desserts to the school by 3:00pm Thursday

Happy Saint Patrick's Day, March 17

Pope's Prayer Intention for March

For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.



Stations of the Cross

March 21: Music Ministry

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

Last Week's Attendance & Giving

Mar. 9/10, 2024

Attendance: 170

Regular Collection Combined Masses

Weekly Offering	\$2,651.00
Online	\$ 475.00
School	\$ 100.00
School Maintenance	\$ 25.00
Parish Maintenance	\$ 75.00
Votives	\$ 34.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 0.00
HolyLand—Good Friday	\$ 0.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 146.00
Second Collection -	
Priest Retirement Fund	\$ 425.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 10.00
Give Love ~ Live Love	\$1,100.00

Thank you for your generous support
to our Parish Family

This Week: 5 New Donations totaling \$215



This year our CSA goal is for the repair of the school roof and Church portico. Our assigned goal is \$16,335.

The fifth week of Lent, has come so quickly, by now many of you have returned your pledge cards, some are still discerning. We wish to remind you that the Lenten season is the best time to pledge your sacrifices to CSA for our parish.

Donations received: 15
Total raised to date: \$1,145

It is your generosity that makes it happen!

❤️ This Week - 3 New Donations \$1,100 ❤️

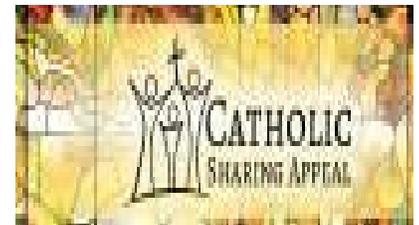


Lenten Sacrificial Love

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.

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: 25 ❤️ Total raised to date: \$16,779.71



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 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

We were excited to have Sister Teresita and Alejandra, missionaries from Beckley, visit the classrooms; they plan to visit each Wednesday. This past week they did a read aloud with the students and incorporated Christian lessons into the story. The students enjoyed their positive messages and look forward to seeing them again this week.

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.

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

~Natasha Mucho-Seay, Principal

The Living Stations of the Cross In Silhouette

presented by SSPP Catholic Youth Group



Palm Sunday

March 24th 7:00 pm

Good Friday

March 29th 2:00 pm

Saint's Peter & Paul Church

Knights News: Grand Knight: Dr. Ricky White

1-405-812-5448 Rickyd.white@gmail.com

If you have a veteran family member, or currently serve in one of the USA military branches, we also welcome your photos. The honor wall began for veterans, but represents those who serve our country protecting our freedoms, past and present. We thank you all!

Food & Hygiene Pantry:

Items are available for anyone in need from our parish, school, as well as surrounding community members. Hours are 9:00a.m. - 3:00p.m. Contact: Anthony Gerard at 304-673-1054.

Triduum Customs: The Triduum is marked by a variety of customs and rituals observed worldwide. Here are some key customs that are celebrated in our Parish.

Washing of the Feet: Our Parish will wash the feet of 12 parishioners on Holy Thursday, following Jesus' example of humility when he washed the feet of his disciples at the last supper.

Empty Tabernacle: On Holy Thursday Mass begins with empty Tabernacle (no Host inside), to symbolize the absence of Jesus. This is because Holy Thursday marks the Last Supper, where Jesus shared the Passover meal with his disciples and instituted the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Holy Orders.

By starting the Mass with an empty tabernacle, it represents the moment when Jesus was taken away from his disciples and the world. It emphasizes the somberness and anticipation of Jesus' sacrifice and his ultimate absence during his crucifixion and burial.

The empty tabernacle also serves as a reminder of the importance and significance of the Eucharist, which is central to the Catholic faith.

Stripping of the Altar: After Mass on Holy Thursday, the Altar is stripped bare, symbolizing the desolation of Christ's impending Passion.

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

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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

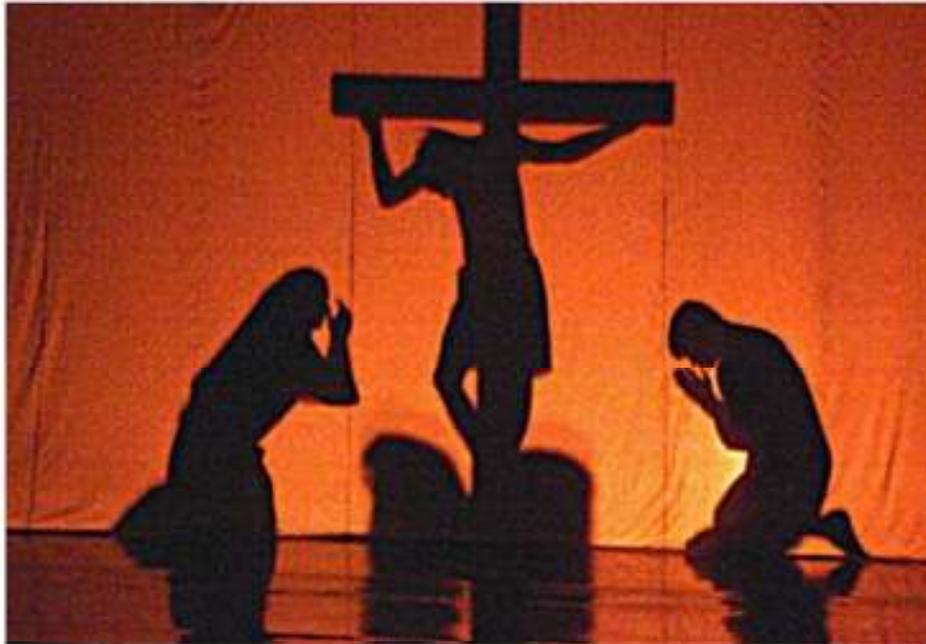


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Palm Sunday, March 24th

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. For news on the upcoming Eucharistic Congress, please see www.eucharisticcongress.org. You can also get the *Eucharistic Revival Edition Prayer Cards* at 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.

