



HOLY WEEK/EASTER SCHEDULES



SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER

STATIONS ~ GOOD FRIDAY ~ 3:00 PM

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 ~ **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE - 7:00 PM**
 ~ **HOLY SATURDAY VIGIL - 8:30 PM**
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SACRED HEART OF MARY

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TENEBRAE ~ WEDNESDAY 4/5 ~ 8:00 PM

SAINT PAUL

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ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

Pastor, Very Rev. Dennis R. Schuelkens, Jr., V. E.

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 Associate Pastor, Rev. Tony Thurston Permanent Deacon, Rev. Mr. Vince Olenick

PARISH OFFICE

Mary Beth Simon, Bookkeeper
 Sally Frantz, Secretary
 stjosephtheworker229@yahoo.com

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm

PARISH PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Office: 304-723-2054
 304-723-2057
 Parish Fax: 304-723-3961

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00pm
 Sunday: 7:30am, 11am, 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday 7:00am
 School Mass: (see bulletin)

JOINING THE PARISH

New parishioners are welcome.
 Contact the parish office to register.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 12-1 pm at Sacred Heart
 Sundays: 4-4:45 pm
 Thursdays: 7:30—8:00 am

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Mark Tirona, Director, Religious Education
 joetheworkerdre@gmail.com
 Salvador Brambila, Youth Minister
 sjtwym316@gmail.com

PARISH MUSIC

Rebecca Harding, Music Director
 Sean Harding, Cantor/Violinist

ST. JOSEPH GRADE SCHOOL

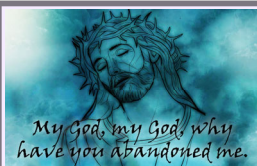
Recheal Fuscado, Principal
 weirtonstjoseph.net
 304-723-1970

MADONNA HIGH SCHOOL

Phil Rujak, Principal
 weirtonmadonna.org
 304-723-0545

ST. JOSEPH DAY SCHOOL

Recheal Fuscado
 weirtonstjoseph.net
 681-328-3217



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
APRIL 2, 2023

Holy Orders

Any men exploring the possibility of becoming a Priest or Deacon or anyone contemplating Religious Life should contact Fr. Dennis.

Baptism

Parents should contact Mark Tirona to make arrangements.

Reconciliation and Penance

Celebrated on Saturdays from 12:00-1:00 pm at Sacred Heart of Mary and on Thursday from 8:00-8:30 am and Sunday from 4-4:45 pm St. Joseph's

Holy Eucharist

First Communion is celebrated every year in the spring for children in the second grade

Matrimony

Engaged couples should contact Father Dennis at least six months prior to the desired wedding date.

Confirmation

Scheduled every two years

Anointing of the Sick

Please contact Father Dennis. Catholics are encouraged to receive this sacrament before surgery.

Becoming Catholic (RCIA)

Any non-Catholic interested in becoming a Catholic Christian can contact Mark Tirona for information regarding The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

CCD/PSR

Sundays 9:30-10:45 during school year.

Charter for Protection of Children & Young People

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston maintains an Office of Safe Environment in accordance with the USCCB's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. To Report Suspected Cases of Sexual Abuse of Children: The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston encourages reporting to civil authorities first and foremost if a crime has been committed. We also encourage utilizing www.reportbishopabuse.org to make a report about any bishop in the U.S. If you have reason to believe that a bishop has engaged in sexual misconduct, please contact civil authorities in the applicable jurisdiction and visit www.reportbishopabuse.org. To Report to Civil Authorities: Contact your local law enforcement; numbers will vary based on your location. If you believe someone is in immediate danger, call 911. To confidentially report any incidence of suspected child abuse or neglect, including sexual abuse, contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families' Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. To Report to Diocesan Authorities: In addition to civil authorities, the diocese encourages reporting to the appropriate church authorities. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse of children by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, contact one of the following designees at 1.888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; or Very Rev. Dennis Schuelkens, Jr., V.E., ext. 270. You may also call the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504.

Are you a veteran (or know of one) behind on rent or facing an eviction? If so, please contact **HELPING HEROES, INC....a center for veteran resources**. For more information, call 304-810-4291 or email helpingheroesorgbox@gmail.com.

SUNDAY DONATIONS

		Amount
Total Year To Date	2023	\$119,471.18
Sunday Collection	3/26	\$ 5,866.00
Monthly Debt Collection	3/26	\$ 30.00
E-Giving	3/1-3/26	\$ 5,617.44
Priest Retirement	3/26	\$ 30.00

COLLECTION

March 26/27, 2022

Envelopes	\$ 5,273.00
Loose	\$ 964.00
Debt	\$ 10.00
Total	\$ 6,247.00

March 25/26, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 4,943.00
Loose	\$ 923.00
Debt	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 5,896.00

COLLECTION

YEAR TO DATE - 2022 (1/1/22—3/27/22)

Envelopes	\$ 94,556.66
Loose	\$ 19,554.79
Debt	\$ 8,997.00
Total	\$123,108.45

YEAR TO DATE - 2022 (1/1/23—3/26/23)

Envelopes	\$ 97,173.10
Loose	\$ 16,215.18
Debt	\$ 16,955.00
Total	\$130,343.28



Lenten Regulations

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT: Catholics in the United States age 14 and older (with no maximum age) are obliged to abstain from meat on ASH WEDNESDAY (February 22), the FRIDAYS OF LENT and GOOD FRIDAY. Church law forbids consuming meat, but does not prohibit eggs, milk products, or condiments made with animal fat.

FASTING: Catholics in the United States, from the day after their 18th birthday until the day after their 59th birthday, are obliged to fast on ASH WEDNESDAY and GOOD FRIDAY. Church law allows for only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit the taking of some food in the morning and evening. The combined quantity of the two meals should not exceed the quantity eaten at the full meal. The drinking of ordinary liquids does not break the fast. Note: People taking medications or with health concerns should follow their doctor's advice on fasting. Catholics are also reminded they should fast from solid food one hour before receiving the Eucharist.

PRAYER AND ALMSGIVING: Abstinence and fasting should lead Catholics to a deeper prayer life. Almsgiving provides an opportunity for a deeper understanding and response to the needs of others – particularly the poor.

The Community Bread Basket is in need of volunteers

to help pack boxes to be delivered to Freedom Place on Fridays from 8:00 am—11:00 am. If you're able to help, call 304-748-7595 and ask for Ashley or Cherie or our church office. Thank you in advance for your assistance.



COMING IN JULY
HOGWARTS LEGACY.....
A NEW RAFFLE
STAY TUNED!!!

MASS DATE	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS	READINGS
Monday, April 3	7:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ Anne Micklos By: Cecilia Arrico & Joe Povich	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
	9:15 am Fr. Dennis	with GS	
	12:00 pm Fr. Dennis	with MHS	
Tuesday, April 4	7:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ Maxine Dube' By: Dave Dube'	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday, April 5	7:00 am Fr. Dennis	✠ Tony Conforti By: Bill & Sandy D'Alesio	Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday, April 6	7:00 pm Fr. Dennis	✠ Elmer C. Ernst By: John & Janet Fisher & Family	Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday, April 7	7:00 pm Fr. Dennis	Passion of the Lord	Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday, April 8	8:30 pm Fr. Dennis	All Parishioners	a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; e) Is 55:1-11; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10
Sunday, April 9 <i>Easter Sunday</i> 	7:30 am Fr. Tony	✠ Robert Herkle By: Charles & Thelma Kittle	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10
	11:00 am Fr. Dennis	✠ Teresa & Michele Di Bacco By: The Di Bacco Family	

TODAY'S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — O my God, why have you cast me off? (Psalm 22)

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Matthew (Matthew 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]).

ENCOUNTER WITH THE CROSS

The journey of Lent brings us to an encounter with the cross. During Lent, we have been led more deeply into questions at the heart of our faith: Who is God? And who are we, the Church? The Gospel of Matthew indicates that, in the crucifixion, God's true nature is most fully revealed in Jesus. In Jesus, God is the self-emptying One, who embraces humility and suffers rejection, as Paul tells the Philippians. God's power is redefined, present not in coercion and violence, but in Jesus' unbounded love. We the Church can learn who we are, the followers of the Crucified One, when we bear crosses that offer life and hope to the world. We more fully become the Church when we empty ourselves by sharing in others' sufferings, rejecting violence, and taking risks for justice and reconciliation. Like Jesus, we may reveal God's power as compassion and mercy.



You are invited to join the Rosary Group, which meets every Tuesday evening 6—7 pm in the church. The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet are prayed as well as a prayer for priests and the unborn, with special intentions to St. Anthony and a prayer of abandonment. All the prayers are from a booklet designed by Fr. Jose Manuel Escalante. For more information, call the church office.

COUNSELING AVAILABLE at St. Joseph the Worker Church!

Dr. Ann Stipe, PhD, has over 50 years of mental health nursing and counseling experience. She was a psychiatric nurse, RN, for 25 years before she returned to school and received her PhD in social work from the University of Maryland at Baltimore. She also has a certification in addictions counseling, CAC. She is licensed in West Virginia. Dr. Ann has retired and would like to do pro bono work for the Church. If you would like to schedule an appointment with her, please contact the parish office.



Is the Lord calling you?

Call Rev. Brian Crenwelge at the Vocations Office, Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston at 304-233-0880, ext. 298

DONATE ONLINE

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go to
www.stjoeweirton.org
click **DONATE**

Facing an unexpected pregnancy, dealing with the pain of abortion, questioning your sexual health?

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aimhelpcenter@sbcglobal.net www.aimwomenscenter.com
24-HOUR helpline 740-283-3636 or 1-800-395-HELP

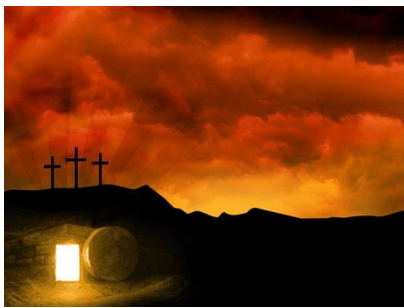
FATHER DENNIS HOMILIES

If you would like to view or review one of Father Dennis' homilies, you can go to [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and put in the search bar, **Father Dennis Schuelkens Homilies** or you can go to the parish website, stjoeweirton.org.

ARE YOU STRUGGLING TO PAY RENT, MORTGAGE OR UTILITIES?

Catholic Charities can help!! If you are a Brooke or Hancock County resident, please contact the Northern Region Case Manager at 304-830-2410 for an appointment.

As If Easter Wasn't Enough



There is only a week left before Easter. The relatives are calling to see who is going to bring what for Easter dinner this year. The local Hallmark has a swiftly diminishing wall of Easter cards, Wal-Mart is less loaded with baskets and chocolate candy and the moms are finishing shopping for the finishing touches to their new spring outfits for themselves and the kids.

Don't let this time of preparation go to waste. The weeks during Lent give us the time to prepare for the celebration of the Paschal Mystery: the Crucified and Risen Christ. Christ is Mercy Incarnate. His death and Resurrection rises from the love of a merciful God who wants to share His love with us. The celebration doesn't begin and end on Easter but continues throughout the Easter season – especially on the Octave Day of Easter, Mercy Sunday.

Prepare for the feast by placing more and more trust in the mercy of God and being merciful to others. St. Faustina, in her diary, states: "I spend every free moment at the feet of the hidden God. He is my Master; I ask Him about everything; I speak to Him about everything. Here (in Adoration) I obtain strength and light; here I learn everything; here I am given light on how to act toward my neighbor. I enclose myself in the tabernacle together with Jesus my Master."

The Adoration Chapel is open Monday – Friday (except Good Friday) 12 hours a day, 5 days a week and every Saturday Morning.

West Virginia Child Abuse Hotline

1-800-352-6513

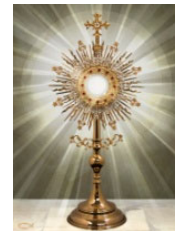
Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

Victim Assistance Coordinator ~ 304-242-6988

Please pray for the needs of our parishioners who are in the hospital, homebound or ill. Call the church office if you want your name on our prayer line list or in the bulletin and/or you want a visit from a Priest, Deacon, or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion while in the hospital or homebound. If you have a sacramental emergency, don't hesitate to contact Father Dennis or Father Tony.

The following is the policy for scheduling Mass intentions: Our church receives requests to have Masses scheduled almost daily and we try our best to get them scheduled as soon as possible. We are able to schedule 4 months ahead. This practice has been in place for more than 4 years. The next intention we can schedule will be in the month of **April for August 2023**. Having intentions for a Mass is a sacrifice of \$10.00 during the week and \$20.00 on the weekend. Call the church office during regular hours if you have any questions.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



To register for the hour of your choice
call 304-374-6170 or visit St. Joe's website

Guardians Enrollment Status						
Time	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8:00 AM						
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12:00 PM						
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4:00 PM						
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6:00 PM						
7:00 PM						

	Need 2 Guardians
	Need 1 Guardian
	Need 0 Guardians

3/20/2023

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 2	9:30 AM 12:00 PM 4:00 PM	PSR FELLOWSHIP GROUPS IN MHS CAFETERIA CONFESSION
MONDAY, APRIL 3	8 AM—8 PM 7:30 PM	ADORATION K OF C
TUESDAY, APRIL 4	8 AM—8 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	ADORATION ROSARY BINGO BIBLE STUDY
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5	8 AM—8 PM 4:30 PM 8:00 PM	ADORATION RCIA TENEBRAE AT SHM
THURSDAY, APRIL 6 HOLY THURSDAY	8 AM—6 PM 7:00 PM	ADORATION MASS-ADORATION WILL FOLLOW THE 7:00PM MASS UNTIL 12AM OFFICE CLOSED
FRIDAY, APRIL 7 GOOD FRIDAY	3:00 PM 7:00 PM	STATIONS PASSION SERVICE OFFICE CLOSED
SATURDAY, APRIL 8 HOLY SATURDAY	2:00 PM 8:30 PM	BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS EASTER VIGIL MASS
SUNDAY, APRIL 9 EASTER SUNDAY	7:30 AM 11:00 AM 2:00 PM	MASS MASS MASS IN SPANISH NO EVENING MASS

Please, STOP and PRAY during the month of **APRIL**
at 3 p.m. each day, the Hour of Mercy, for
AN END OF ABORTION.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE

One in 4 women and 1 in 7 men aged 18 and older in the United States have been the victim of severe physical violence by an intimate partner in their lifetime. On average, 24 people per minute are victims of rape, physical violence or stalking by an intimate partner in the U.S.—more than 12 million women and men over the course of a year. We're here to listen. Reach our trained advocates 24/7 to get the support you deserve. There are no fees, no names, no judgment. JUST HELP. Call 1-800-799-7233. For the deaf and hard of hearing, 1-800-787-3224.

LECTIO DIVINA

Lectio Divina—praying to God through scripture to promote communion with Him and increase the knowledge of God's Word. The next meeting will be Monday evening, **April 24th** at 6:00 pm in the church. All are welcome.....men, women, singles or couples. Call the church office with any questions.

The Community Bread Basket donation for **APRIL** is **Baked Beans/ Pork n Beans**. Please place your items in the **red** baskets at all the church entrances.

THE ITEMS THAT ARE NEEDED AT THIS TIME FOR THE TABLE OF HOPE: BOTTLED WATER, CAPRI SUN, CANNED FRUIT. *The Table of Hope is opened on Mondays only. Bring in your donations to the church office during regular weekday hours.*



TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

week of 4/2/23 for the souls of

BILL, SR., BILL, JR. & EMMA MASGIO

FROM

GEORGE & KAY MASGIO



Our Friends of Faith Bible Discussion Group will continue on Tuesdays from 7:00 pm—8:00 pm in the Hospitality Room of the rectory. The group is now studying the new video led program, **"Holy is His Name"**, presented by Scott Hahn. Books are available at the church office for \$25.00. All are welcome!

Back by Popular Demand!!!

THE DUELING PIANOS

Please join us for a night of **FUN**
including the comical dueling pianos
incredible gift baskets and
dream vacations to bid on

Featuring:

**FREE food and a
cash bar**



@ St. Joseph the
Worker school gym,
The Dube Dome
Friday, April 28, 2023
Doors open at 7:00
The Pianos start at
8:00

Tickets \$40

can be purchased at the school office any questions call 304-723-1970

We are
offering
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DaySchool
staff

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RSVP:
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St. Joseph the Worker School

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Lines**

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New
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**Refreshments
Door Prizes
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BINGO!



The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Christians observe Easter on the first Sunday after the first full moon that follows the vernal equinox. For Christians, Easter is the anniversary of the creation of the world.

Did you know that the full moon rises just as the sun sets? And that it sets when the sun rises? On the night of a full moon there is no moment of the night when the moon isn't shining. Christians think that this phenomenon makes a wonderful image of heaven's perpetual light. Easter is our sacramental entrance into the light of Christ, the light of eternity.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum, the three-day Passover of the Lord, is our Easter festival. It begins on Holy Thursday at sunset. We count the days in the Jewish manner, from sunset to sunset. In this way the Triduum begins on the biblical "sixth day of the week," the day God created human beings. Its middle day is the "seventh day of the week," the Sabbath, the day of rest. And its final day is the "first day of the week," the day God began the work of creation by creating light and separating it from darkness. God the Father chose a "first day" to raise his Son from the dead. God the Spirit gave birth to the Church on a "first day" as well, the day of Pentecost.



For any future announcements from the pulpit, please have the information in by 9:00 am on Friday morning.

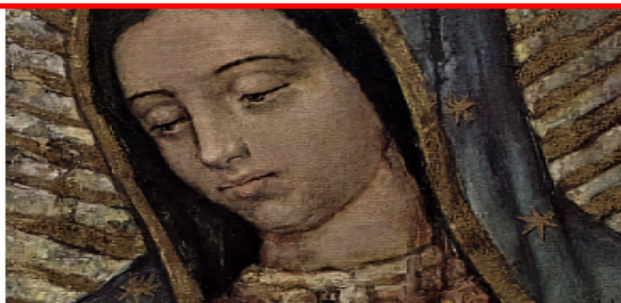
Coffee and Donuts: Weekly at Madonna High School Cafeteria after 11 AM mass.

We will discuss the readings and the homily as well as share fellowship. Small groups will be formed to help us become better disciples of Jesus. This is a new ministry at SJTW, it has had tremendous results at other parishes. Come and be part of the future, and yes, the donuts and coffee are free! *(no meeting will be held on Easter Sunday and on 4/16 the meeting will be held in the grade school cafeteria.)*

The Laymen's Retreat League invites all Catholic Men of the area to join us for a day of reflection with Reverend Freddie D'Souza from 8am to 5pm. The day includes light breakfast and lunch. Cost: \$30 JOIN US . . . April 22nd, 2023 Saint Vincent dePaul Parish's Marist Center, Wheeling, WV. Contact Don Klamut at 304-280-4626 or laymensretreatleague@gmail.com



If you have difficulty hearing during Mass, you may head to our sacristy and check out one of our "assistive listening" devices so that you can better hear the Word of the Lord in all it's glory!



Español

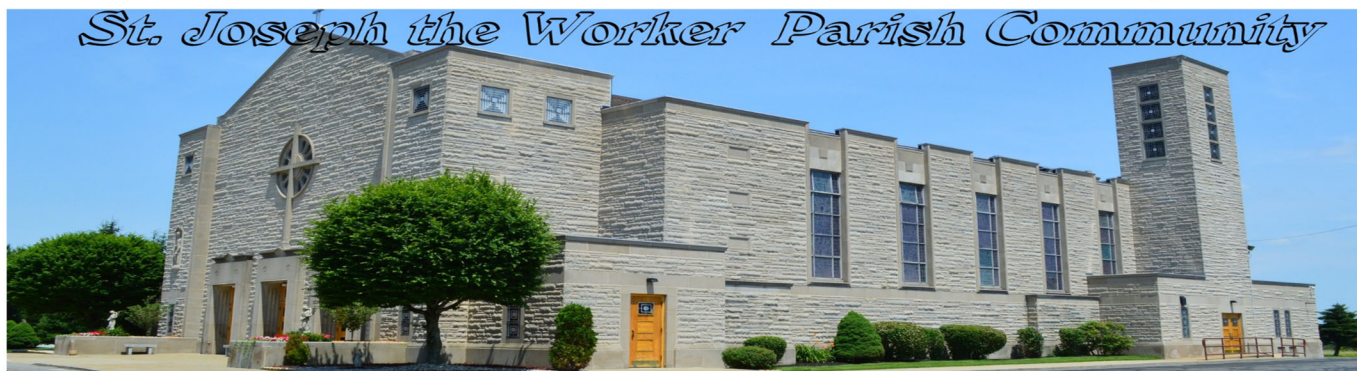
SUNDAY, APRIL, 9TH @ 2:00 PM

St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Weirton, WV

Join us in our celebration of The Holy MASS in Spanish on Sunday,
April 9 - 2:00PM at St Joseph the Worker Parish, Weirton

Confessions Will be heard before Mass 12:45 to 1:45pm

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Community



We look forward to seeing you there!

*Acompáñenos en la celebración de la Santa Misa en español el domingo
9 de Abril en San José Obrero, Weirton

Confesiones Antes de la misa, a partir de las 12:45 hasta la 1:45pm

Unidos En la Fe! Católicos que hablamos español en West Virginia y Ohio

Next Spanish Mass Is 2nd Sunday in May the 17th.

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229 California Avenue

Weirton, WV 26062

304-723-2054

Pastor, Very Rev. Dennis R. Schuelkens, Jr., V.E.

Director of Religious Education, Mark Tirona



PRAY THE DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

The DIVINE MERCY NOVENA begins on Good Friday, April 7 ending on Saturday, April 15. The celebration of Divine Mercy takes place Sunday, April 16.

What is the Divine Mercy Novena? Jesus appeared to St. Faustina, a Polish nun, and gave her the prayers for the Divine Mercy Novena a 9-day prayer that leads up to the Divine Mercy Sunday celebration. What makes this novena unique is that Jesus himself composed it and each day a prayer can be offered for one specific group of souls such as children, priests and religious, luke-warm souls, fallen-away Catholics, and so on.

To learn how to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Novena, go to:
http://www.missa.org/nmd_e.php.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE continues through April 2nd. Please consider taking a public stand for the unborn any **Tuesday from 11am-1pm**, OR any time daily from 7am – 7pm, **outside Planned Parenthood, 933 Liberty Ave, Pittsburgh**. Call Sheila Cavalet at 818-523-2893 for more information. And check out 40daysforlife.com - subscribe to the emails and read the inspiring stories of how **lives continue to be saved** during this vigil and throughout the year. Please pray daily for abortion-vulnerable women, that they will be open to all the support available to them and avoid the pain and regret that comes with abortion.