

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

229 California Avenue, Weirton, WV 26062 **Rectory Phone:** 304-723-2054 **Fax:** 304-723-3961 **Hours:** M-F 8:00 am-4:00 pm
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St. Joseph Grade School: 304-723-1970 Principal Alfred Boniti **Madonna High School:** 304-723-0545 Principal Jamie Lesho
WEEKEND MASS: SAT 4 pm SUN 7:30 am, 11 am, 5 pm WEEKDAYS: MON-FRI 7:30 am WED 6 pm

Pastor: Rev. Manuel T. Gelido

Director of Religious Education: Mrs. Sally Frantz

Office Staff: Miss Mary Beth Simon, Mrs. Marie Weigel

Music Coordinator: Mr. John Neurohr

Wedding Coordinator: Ms. Debbie Bernardi 304-559-7490

Letters of Recommendation: Issued to parishioners baptized & confirmed, registered for at least six months, attend Mass regularly & if married, in conformity with the Church.

Religious Education: CCD PreK-9 Sunday 9:45-10:45 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 12-1 pm Sun 4-4:45 pm

Sacrament of Baptism: Call rectory for an appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Call rectory at least six months in advance and call Wedding Coordinator to set up Pre-Cana classes and for wedding ceremony preparation.

Sacrament of the Sick: Call the rectory, also please notify us for visits and/or communion calls to the sick & shut-ins.

POST ABORTION RESOURCES

Rachel's Vineyard (24-Hours) 1-877-467-3463

www.rachelsvineyard.org

Abortion Recovery Counseling 949-679-9276

www.silentnomoreawareness.org

www.healinghearts.org

www.mistymtn.org & www.menandabortioninfor.com (for men)

ADOPTION RESOURCES

www.genesispg.org and www.bethany.org

Facing an unexpected pregnancy, dealing with the pain of a past abortion, or questioning your sexual health? Contact:

THE AIM'S WOMEN'S CENTER

248 N. 5th Street, Steubenville, Ohio

740-283-3636

aimhelpcenter@sbcglobal.net

www.aimwomenscenter.com

24-HOUR helpline 740-283-3636 or 1-800-395-HELP

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Ezra read from the book of the law of God to the assembled people. They understood and accepted the law (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

Psalm — Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

Second Reading — As the body with its many parts is still one body, so it is with Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]).

Gospel — While attending worship in the Nazarean synagogue, Jesus reads from the prophet Isaiah and declares himself to be the fulfillment of the prophecy (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JANUARY 25 The Conversion of St. Paul

7:30 am +Nella Fiocca

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26 Ss. Timothy & Titus

7:30 am +Mary Reardon

2:00 pm Mass at Serra Manor

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27 St. Angela Merici

7:30 am +Robin Drennan

10:25 am +Madeline Greco (MHS Mass)

2:00 pm Mass at Wyngate

6:00 pm +Lori Eckels

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28 St. Thomas Aquinas

7:30 am +Mary Rollison

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29

7:30 am +Regina Haberman

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30 Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00 pm +Charles L. Nagy, Sr.

+Charles L. Nagy, Jr.

+Stefanie Kolin Nagy

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am All Parishioners

11:00 am +Joe Bengier

5:00 pm +Giacomino Pulice

School Masses are cancelled when school is cancelled or delayed due to weather. The intention for that Mass will be rescheduled.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24

9:45 am CCD

4:00 pm CONFESSION

MONDAY, JANUARY 25

8 am-12 pm Madonna High School Blood Drive in the gym

5:30 pm Bell Choir

6:00 pm RCIA at SHM

6:30 pm Never Alone

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26

6:00 pm Pastoral Council meeting

6:00 pm Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy

6:45 pm Friends of Faith Bible Study in church

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28

8:00 am CONFESSION

5:30 pm Choir

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

12-1 pm CONFESSION

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

9:45 am CCD

4:00 pm CONFESSION

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION— 1/24/16

FOR: **MY SON**

FROM: **ANONYMOUS**

HOSPITAL LIST

Weirton Medical Center: Joan Schmalstieg, Lena Butto

Shadyside, Pitts.: Mary Madden

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 10th. Easter Sunday is March 27th. First Holy Communion will be on Sunday, May 1st at 1 pm.

Please, take a moment to **STOP and PRAY** for **ALL PEOPLE IN THE ARMED SERVICES** during the month of January at 3 p.m. each day, the Hour of Mercy.

JELLY is our food donation during the month of **JANUARY** for the Community Bread Basket. Please, place your items in the red baskets at any church entrance. Thank you for your generosity.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"We should build the whole edifice of our spiritual life around Adoration. We should not hesitate to ask Him to work miracles, now, as He did in Palestine." —Fr. John Hardon

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-18 or 9:1-22; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

A sexuality class for engaged couples will be held on Saturday, February 20th from 2-4 p.m. in the Hospitality Room in the rectory. This is a **REQUIRED** part of Pre-Cana preparation for all engaged couples planning to be married at St. Joseph the Worker. All other engaged and married couples are welcome. Reservations are necessary and may be made by calling Kathy Hirkala at 304-723-0478. This class will also be offered on August 20th & November 12th. Please plan accordingly.

Weirton Madonna High School Drama Club will be holding a **TRIVIA NIGHT** on Friday, February 5th at 7 pm in the school cafeteria. Doors will open at 6:30 pm. Grab your favorite beverage and snack and get ready for a night filled with fun and facts! Admission is \$10 per person and you can have up to ten people per trivia team. For more information or to register, call 304-723-0545 or email sfournier@weirtonmadonna.org.

CALLING ALL CHRISTIAN MOTHERS; LET'S GET TOGETHER AND HAVE A PLAY DATE! We will host a CARD PARTY on April 3rd at 2 p.m. in Madonna High School gym. If any Christian Mother or other women of the parish would like to help plan this party, please contact Dolores Bengier at 304-723-0668. We will have a planning meeting on January 30th at 11 a.m. at Gio's Restaurant, time will be allotted for you to purchase lunch, as we discuss your great ideas!

"The cross conveys all of the negative strength of evil, as well as all of the omnipotent gentleness of God's mercy."
—Pope Francis

SUNDAY PARISH DONATIONS

TOTAL YEARLY GOAL:	\$676,000.00
TOTAL YEAR TO DATE 2016:	\$ 35,405.36
SUNDAY COLLECTION GOAL:	\$ 13,000.00
COLLECTION FOR JAN. 16/17	\$ 10,542.36
MONTHLY DEBT: JAN. 16/17	\$ 50.00

If you are needing a statement of donations made to St. Joseph the Worker Church for the year 2015 for tax purposes, please call the rectory. Thank you.

Also, parishioners making donations to the Catholic Sharing Appeal will receive a separate statement for tax purposes directly from the diocese.

Especially during this Jubilee of Mercy, we are challenged to examine ways that we can live the Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy. The Corporal Works of Mercy respond to a person's experience of lacking resources: whether internal (food, drink), external (clothing, shelter) or suffering (disease, imprisonment, death). The Spiritual Works respond to the deficiencies suffered in our spirituality: through instructing (giving counsel & teaching), comforting (during suffering or sadness), imploring the help of God in prayer, or reacting to the disorders of actions (admonishing, forgiving, patiently bearing wrongs).

—Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization.

In celebration of Catholic Schools Week, St. Joseph Grade School will hold an **OPEN HOUSE** for all parents, grandparents, benefactors and parishioners on Tuesday, February 2nd. You may visit the school from 8:10-10:15 a.m. and again from 12:00-2:00 p.m. Come and witness the difference Catholic education can make. Also, St. Joseph Grade School students will be attending Mass on Wednesday, February 3rd at 9 a.m. and all are welcome to attend.

What are you doing for Lent this year? **"Don't give up chocolate, do something life-changing instead."** This Lent join your fellow parishioners for the Best Lent Ever, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic, based on Matthew Kelly's book *Rediscover Jesus*—the same book you received after Mass this past Christmas! Each day you will get an inspirational email with a short video. Throughout Lent, you will be guided through each of the 40 chapters in the book and share simple ways to bring Jesus into your everyday life. The program is FREE. All you have to do is sign up at DynamicCatholic.com/Lent. If you did not pick up a book in church and would like a free copy visit DynamicCatholic.com.

The Memorial Angel Wings that were sold during the Christmas Season are ready for pick up in the back vestibule of the church. If you were not contacted about this, please call 304-723-0125.

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: