

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 (for men)

ADOPTION RESOURCES

www.genesisphg.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 — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalm — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading — God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens (Ephesians 1:17-23) or *Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23*.

Gospel — As Jesus blessed his disciples he parted from them and was taken up to heaven (Luke 24:46-53).

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, MAY 9

7:30 am +Kevan Komorowski

TUESDAY, MAY 10 St. Damien de Veuster

7:30 am +Robert DeFelice

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

7:30 am +Fr. Thomas Gornick

9:00 am First Holy Communicants (SJGS 2nd grade)

10:25 am +Dr. Carol Hudachek (MHS)

6:00 pm +Norman Troia

THURSDAY, MAY 12 Ss. Nereus, Achilleus & Pancras

7:30 am +Leona Pulice

FRIDAY, MAY 13 Our Lady of Fatima

7:30 am +Howard Lammers and Fr. Stephen Dube

SATURDAY, MAY 14 St. Matthias

4:00 pm +Mike Smoljanovich Sr. and

+Mike Smoljanovich Jr.

SUNDAY, MAY 15 Pentecost Sunday

7:30 am +Salvatore Pellegrino and
All Parishioners

11:00 am +Saverio & Anna Veltri

5:00 pm +Rocco Piermarini

+Please pray for the soul of Joe Lipan, the father of Vicki Hirkala. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

"Jesus fights the devil: first criterion. Second criterion: he who is not with Jesus is against Jesus. There are no attitudes in the middle. Third criterion: vigilance over our hearts because the devil is astute. He is never cast out forever. It will only be so on the last day." —Pope Francis giving three criteria of his own to use in spiritual combat. (www.catholicbible101.com)



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, MAY 8

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

7:30 am Holy Name

4:00 pm CONFESSION

MONDAY, MAY 9

11:30 am Hour of Prayer in the church

5:30 pm Bell Choir

6:30 pm Never Alone

7:00 pm Natural Family Planning intro session

7:30 pm K of C 4th Degree meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 10

6:00 pm Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy

6:45 pm Friends of Faith Bible Study in church

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

2:00 pm Bereavement meeting

THURSDAY, MAY 12

8:00 am Confession

5:30 pm Choir

FRIDAY, MAY 13

5:30 pm Confession before Mass at Sacred Heart of Mary

7:00 pm Mass for Babies Who Died Before Birth at SHM

SATURDAY, MAY 14

12-1 pm CONFESSION

SUNDAY, MAY 15

2:00 pm Madonna High School Graduation Ceremony

4:00 pm CONFESSION

5:00 pm Confirmation meeting

Please, take a moment to **STOP and PRAY** for
EXPECTANT MOTHERS, MOTHERS, GODMOTHERS

during the month of May at

3 p.m. each day, the Hour of Mercy.

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION— 5/8/16
FOR THE SOUL OF
LEONA PULICE
FROM:
DAVID & KATHY BISCHOF

HOSPITAL LIST

Weirton Medical Center: Daniel Laska, Jane Mason,
Eva Barbati

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"Even a quarter of an hour's prayer in front of the Eucharist perhaps gains more graces than all the other spiritual exercises of the day (outside of Mass).
—St. Alphonsus Ligouri

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab;
Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21;
Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab;
Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;
Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or
Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35,
27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17;
Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

A special "Thank You" to everyone; workers, "chef" parishioners who generously made spaghetti sauce and set-up & clean-up committees who helped make the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker Spaghetti Dinner a huge success. We appreciate all your help and support. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit the parish and grade school. Rich Saxon was the winner of the 50/50 raffle and Marlayna DiMaggio won the Italian Basket. God bless everyone!!

St. Joseph the Worker will hold an Hour of Prayer each Monday from 11:30 am-12:30 pm. We pray for the intentions of our world and community. Please come and join us in the church.

Everyone loves the beauty and innocence of a baby. As an expression of that love, St. Joseph the Worker announces an adoption program. **Parishioners will have the opportunity the weekend of May 14-15 to "spiritually" adopt a child who is newly conceived.** Not all newly conceived babies are allowed to be born. In fact, more than 4000 babies lose their lives to abortion each day. It is these babies you are being asked to "adopt". You may adopt a child individually or as a family by signing up during the weekend of May 14-15. You will name the child for whom you will be praying, thereby giving the baby the humanity he or she deserves. You will be asked to pray for your unborn child and for all unborn children, for the power of prayer is great. Monthly reports will be given in the bulletin describing your baby's development & your child will be born in February 2017! There are millions of unborn babies desperately in need of prayers. Won't you please "spiritually adopt" one and share the love for life that God has given you?

SUNDAY PARISH DONATIONS

TOTAL YEARLY GOAL:	\$676,000.00
TOTAL YEAR TO DATE 2016:	\$146,170.64
SUNDAY COLLECTION GOAL:	\$ 13,000.00
COLLECTION FOR APRIL 30/MAY 1	\$ 12,792.00
MONTHLY DEBT: MAY 1	\$ 535.00
MAY DOLLAR COLLECTION	\$ 636.26

Thank you for your continued generosity.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER AND ST. PAUL PARISHES ANNUAL VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. IT WILL BE HELD THE WEEK OF JUNE 13TH. CHECK THE BULLETIN FOR MORE INFORMATION TO COME.

The FertilityCare Center of the Upper Ohio Valley, Inc. and the Weirton Catholic Community Pro-Life Association are sponsoring a **Memorial Mass for Babies Who Died Before Birth**, whether by miscarriage, abortion, or ectopic pregnancy, on Friday, May 13th at 7 pm at Sacred Heart of Mary. No distinctions will be made. Confession will be offered beginning at 5:30 pm. This Mass is for anyone who has suffered such a loss whether recently or years ago. In order that we may best honor these children we are asking that those interested RSVP by calling 304-723-0478 or 304-748-0688. All family members and friends are welcome.

Spring has sprung and so it is **RAFFLE TIME AGAIN!!** St. Joseph the Worker Parish is once again asking for your support and generosity to our yearly raffle. "Early Bird" drawings for \$500 each month will be held May 31, & June 30. At our **Summer Festival on July 8-9-10** there will be three \$500 drawings, two \$1000 drawings, one \$5000 drawing and the grand drawing for \$10,000. Winners need not be present and it is possible to win more than one time, as your number is placed back in the hopper. Tickets are \$100 each and more than one person can go in on a ticket. **If you have not purchased a ticket in the past, but would like to call John Dovec at 304-723-5027.**

Tony & Ruth Licata were the winners for the April \$500 Early Bird Drawing! Next drawing is May 31st. **Make sure to purchase a ticket for a chance to win!!**

RICE AND/OR NOODLE DISHES are our donations during the month of **MAY** for the Community Bread Basket. Please place your items in the red baskets at any church entrance. Thank you.

Fr. Manny's farewell party is June 5th, 12:30 pm at Sacred Heart of Mary Hall. Please RSVP to the rectory at 304-723-2054, stjosephtheworker229@yahoo.com or on the sign-up sheets in the church vestibules.

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