

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.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

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, APRIL 27

7:30 am +John Perfetti

TUESDAY, APRIL 28 Sts. Peter Chanel & Louis de Montfort

7:30 am +Helen & Trent Ciarrocchi

2:00 pm Mass at Serra Manor

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29 St. Catherine of Siena

7:30 am +Dennis Quintana

2:00 pm +Elizabeth Wilson (at Wyngate)

6:00 pm +Frank "Keener" DeCaria

THURSDAY, APRIL 30 St. Pius V

7:30 am +Cosmo T. Brancazio

FRIDAY, May 1 St. Joseph the Worker

7:30 am +John Mihalyo, Sr.

9:00 am SJGS & MHS All School Mass

7:00 pm All Parishioners

SATURDAY, MAY 2 St. Athanasius

4:00 pm +Saverio Veltri

SUNDAY, MAY 3 Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30 am Memorial Fund & All Parishioners

11:00 am +Anna & Saverio Veltri

1:00 pm First Holy Communion Mass

5:00 pm +Madeline Lucas

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION-APRIL 26TH
FOR THE SOUL OF:
COSMO BRANCAZIO
FROM: MARY ROLLISON

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

A pictorial directory is a powerful tool in our church to help each of us know each other better. Our last directory is now out-dated and it is time for a new one. Please make an appointment to have your portrait made at one of the sign-up locations at the church on one of the sign-up Sundays. Your participation will help the church and yourself. Every family photographed for the directory will receive a copy of the directory and an 8 x 10 portrait at no cost. You will also have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits at the time of photography. So please sign-up today!



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

Spaghetti Dinner/Basket Raffle Tickets sold after Masses

MHS Track Team Bake Sale after Masses

9:45 am LAST CCD

12:00 pm First Holy Communion Practice in the church

4:00 pm Confession

MONDAY, APRIL 27

6:00 pm Prayer Shawl Circle

6:30 pm Never Alone

7:30 pm Youth Choir practice

TUESDAY, APRIL 28

6:00 pm Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy in church

6:45 pm Bible Study in church

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

6:30 pm Bell Choir

THURSDAY, APRIL 30

8:00 am CONFESSION

5:30 pm Choir

FRIDAY, MAY 1

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER FEAST DAY

4-6:30 pm Spaghetti Dinner at MHS Cafeteria

SATURDAY, MAY 2

12-1 pm CONFESSION

1:30 pm Jonna Brown-Bryan D'Alesio
Sacrament of Matrimony

SUNDAY, MAY 3

Catholic Daughters Basket Raffle Tickets sold after Masses

4:00 pm CONFESSION

6:00 pm CONFESSION

"God's patience is comfortable and sweet like a summer's night." — Pope Francis

During the month of April at 3:00 p.m. each day please take a moment to **STOP AND PRAY** for all persecuted Christians throughout the world. Thank you.

St. Joseph the Worker Parish will be celebrating it's Feast Day on Friday, May 1st with a Spaghetti Dinner from 4-6:30 p.m. followed by Mass at 7 p.m. If anyone is interested in volunteering to help at the dinner with setting up, serving or clean up, please call the rectory at 304-723-2054.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"Our Lord is hidden there in the Blessed Sacrament, waiting for us to come and visit Him, and make our requests to Him." —St. John Vianney

Remember our former Associate Pastor, Fr. Alfred? He will be celebrating his 10-year Ordination Anniversary on June 11, 2015. St. Joseph the Worker was his first assignment as a new Priest. His current address is St. James The Apostle Parish, 2107 Pride Avenue, Clarksburg, WV 26301 and his email is aobiudu@dwc.org. Please keep him in your prayers...or drop him an email or a card in the mail...he would be honored. Also if anyone has any photos of him while here at our parish please send them to Noreen Saxon at nsaxon129@comcast.net or mail to her at 116 Roselawn Drive, Weirton. A compilation of the past 10 years of his priestly life is being put into a book. Thank you.

Grief Support Group for Parents who have lost children will meet at St. Anthony in Follansbee the first Tuesday of each month in the Church Hall at 6:30 pm. This is a confidential gathering of parents who have suffered the loss of a child at any age and in any circumstance. It is open to people of all faiths. Our next gathering is May 5th. For more information call the church office at 304-723-2286.

If you want help with **INFERTILITY**; if you are interested in learning about today's effective methods of **NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING**; if you are married or single and looking for a way to treat **WOMEN'S HEALTH PROBLEMS** other than using birth control pills then you need to come to a **Creighton System Introductory Session**. The next session will be held on Monday, May 4th at 7 pm in St. Joseph Room in the church. There is a \$10 fee and reservations are necessary. For more information or to make a reservation call Kathy Hirkala at 304-723-0478 or visit www.fertilitycareuov.org.

Spring is here and it's 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 April 30, May 31 & June 30**. At the Parish Picnic held on July 12 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 for each drawing. \$20,000 is given as prizes and \$30,000 goes to the church for repairs, etc. 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 please call John Dovec at 304-723-5027.

We are still in need of any spare gift-cards you have at home, or any you want to purchase, to donate to the Parish Picnic Raffle. These will be used as part of the raffle as an incentive for our regulars to purchase their tickets early and also for new parishioners to enter the drawing. If you have any questions you may call the rectory at 304-723-2054.

SUNDAY PARISH DONATIONS

• TOTAL YEARLY GOAL:	\$676,000.00
• TOTAL YEAR TO DATE 2015:	\$172,716.50
• SUNDAY COLLECTION GOAL:	\$ 13,000.00
• COLLECTION FOR APRIL 18/19	\$ 7,105.00
• COLLECTION/MONTHLY DEBT: 4/18-19	\$ 220.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

I and the entire Catholic Charities WV staff offer sincere appreciation to the parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish on behalf of those served directly by Catholic Charities WV for their outpouring of generosity on Christmas Day. We received \$2,394.67 from the second collection. In addition, we deeply honor your commitment to caring for the poor and vulnerable in your local and statewide community.

Yours in Charity, Mark Sliter-Hays, Executive Director

IN THE HOSPITAL

Weirton Medical Center: Ada Tonacchio, Susan Detore, Thomas Barbara

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. No distinctions will be made. The Mass will be held on **Friday, May 15th at 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart of Mary Church**. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered beginning at 5:30 p.m. 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.

St. Joseph the Worker Grade School will hold open registration for pupils in 3-year old pre-kindergarten through 8th grade for the 2015-16 academic year from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday through Friday at the school located at 151 Michael Way. There is a waiting list for 7th grade. All pupils must have current vaccination records, a state-certified birth certificate, if applicable. Pre-kindergarten pupils must be 3 or 4 years old and kindergarten students must be 5 years old by August 31st. Danielle Weimerskirch & Karen Frankovitch will teach pre-kindergarten. Kindergarten screening will be held on a date to be announced. The registration fee is \$45.

MADONNA HIGH SCHOOL 60th REUNION

August 7, 2015-School Open House, walk through the halls and see our exciting renovations. Reminisce with former classmates and teachers.

August 8, 2015-All School Reunion-Mountaineer Race Track & Gaming Resort-Class pictures will be taken and memories will be shared.

August 9, 2015-Friends of Madonna Picnic. Watch our website www.weirtonmadonna.org for further updates. Like us on Facebook & Twitter.

St. Joseph the Worker Parish is being asked to donate **CHEF BOYARDEE and TOILET PAPER** during the month of April for the Community Bread Basket. Please place your items in the red baskets at any church entrance. Thank you for your generosity.

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