




ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER
 Thursdays—1:20 pm
 Fridays—3:00 pm

SACRED HEART OF MARY
 Fridays—6:00 pm



SACRED HEART - Wednesdays 11-6 pm
SAINT PAUL - Fridays 11-6:00 pm
SAINT ANTHONY-Fridays 11:00-6:00 pm



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Open Monday—Friday
 8 am until 8 pm
 Saturday—8 am—12 Noon



Lenten Penance Service

March 20—7:00 pm

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



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 12, 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	\$ 94,665.18
Sunday Collection	3/5	\$ 10,648.00
Monthly Debt Collection	3/5	\$ 905.00
E-Giving	3/1-3/5	\$ 1,467.14
Good Friday—Holy Land	3/5	\$ 50.00
Priest Retirement	3/5	\$ 784.00

COLLECTION

March 5/6, 2022

Envelopes	\$ 9,722.00
Loose	\$ 2,695.00
Debt	\$ 560.00
Total	\$ 12,977.00

March 4/5, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 9,398.00
Loose	\$ 1,250.00
Debt	\$ 905.00
Total	\$ 11,553.00

COLLECTION

YEAR TO DATE - 2022

(1/1/22—3/6/22)

Envelopes	\$ 78,095.66
Loose	\$ 14,461.79
Debt	\$ 6,922.00
Total	\$ 99,479.45

YEAR TO DATE - 2022

(1/1/23—3/5/23)

Envelopes	\$ 74,375.68
Loose	\$ 11,805.68
Debt	\$ 15,792.00
Total	\$101,973.36



Lent

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.

This weekend and during the Mission this week, the opportunity to register as a Eucharistic Adoration Guardian will be made available. Stop by the Adoration display in the main vestibule for more information or to select your hour.



COMING IN JULY

SONIC FRONTIERS.....

STAY TUNED!!!

MASS DATE	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS	READINGS
Monday, March 13	7:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ John Brancazio By: Sandra & Dick Donnelly	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday, March 14	7:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ Viola Petrisak By: Jim & Linda Pauchnik	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday, March 15	7:00 am Fr. Dennis	✠ Kelly Donkers By: Mike & Ruth DelRe	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday, March 16	7:00 am Fr. Dennis	✠ Joe Pulice By: Bill & Sandy D'Alesio	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday, March 17 <i>St. Patrick</i>	7:00 am Fr. Dennis 9:15 am Fr. Dennis	✠ Robin Underwood By: Elaine Underwood with GS	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday, March 18 <i>St. Cyril</i>	4:00 pm Fr. Tony	✠ Chris Gillette By: Richard & Noreen Saxon	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday, March 19 <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> 	7:30 am Fr. Tony 11:00 am Fr. Dennis 5:00 pm Fr. Tony	✠ Willie Pulice By: Dorothy Herkle ✠ John Bright By: Scott & Jan Hicks All Parishioners	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the LORD heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).

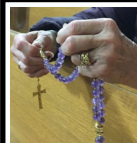
Psalm — Listen to God's voice today; be not hardhearted (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

Gospel — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).

GOD EVER PURSUES US

We hear today of God's unrelenting pursuit of us. Our readings tell stories of God's intense desire to share the divine life with us. From Exodus, we see how God shows endless persistence and compassion, even to those who grumble against God, or seem to have forgotten God. From the Gospel of John, we hear of how Jesus, in his extended conversation with the Samaritan woman, gives her dignity, names uncomfortable truths, and gradually leads her into a new path of faith. We can have confidence that as we bring our own confusions, fears, and failings to God, we may receive God's mercy and forgiveness. God always persists and continually finds new ways to invite people into unity with God. As Paul describes in Romans, in the cross we see how God will go to any length to demonstrate the depth and breadth of divine love.



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.



Mark your calendar

Our Lenten Penance Service will be held on Monday, March 20th at 7:00 pm. Several priests will be available to hear confessions.



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?

THE AIM 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

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.

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.

Guardian Recruitment This Week!

MOVING FORWARD TOWARDS PERPETUAL ADORATION

COMMUNION OF SAINTS ADORATION CHAPEL

Stop by the display in the front vestibule
of the Church to register.

Help Keep Adoration
Open and Growing!

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 **March for July 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

Guardian Enrollment Status						
Time	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8:00 AM						
9:00 AM						
10:00 AM						
11:00 AM						
12:00 PM						
1:00 PM						
2:00 PM						
3:00 PM						
4:00 PM						
5:00 PM						
6:00 PM						
7:00 PM						

	Need 2 Guardians
	Need 1 Guardian
	Need 0 Guardian

2/19/2023

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, MARCH 12	12:00 PM 2:00 PM 4:00 PM	FELLOWSHIP SMALL GROUPS IN MHS CAFETERIA SPANISH MASS CONFESSION GIFTS FROM THE HOLY LAND AFTER ALL MASSES
MONDAY, MARCH 13	8 AM—8 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	ADORATION LENTEN MISSION K OF C 4TH DEGREE
TUESDAY, MARCH 14	8 AM—8 PM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	ADORATION ROSARY LENTEN MISSION
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15	8 AM—8 PM 7:00 PM	ADORATION LENTEN MISSION
THURSDAY, MARCH 16	8 AM—8 PM 7:30 AM 1:20 PM	ADORATION CONFESSION STATIONS
FRIDAY, MARCH 17	8 AM-8 PM 3:00 PM	ADORATION STATIONS
SATURDAY, MARCH 18	8 AM—12 PM 12:00 PM	ADORATION CONFESSION AT SHM
SUNDAY, MARCH 19	9:30 AM 12:00 PM 4:00 PM	PSR FELLOWSHIP GROUPS IN GRADE SCHOOL CAFETERIA CONFESSION

Please, STOP and PRAY during the month of **MARCH** at 3 p.m. each day, the Hour of Mercy, for **those entering the church at Easter.**

GIFTS FROM THE HOLY LAND

Today we have a display of beautiful handmade olivewood carvings from the Holy Land. The Christians of the Holy Land have been suffering and continue to live in difficult economical situations. Our mission is to support our fellow Christians by selling some of their carvings which are one major source for their income. Proceeds from the sale will benefit Christian families in Bethlehem/Holy Land. By your support, 200 families will be helped to remain in the Holy Land. Supporting these families is important also for the peace in the Middle East. Stop by the tables in the vestibule and get your gifts directly from the little town of Bethlehem.

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, March 27th 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 **MARCH** is **Pancake Mix**. 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, PASTA & SAUCE**. 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 3/12/23 for the soul of

DELORES PIRRAGLIA

FROM

CONNIE & CLIFFORD DAVIES



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!

Join **40 DAYS FOR LIFE** – help save innocent lives in the Tri-State area and promote the dignity of human life! Please consider taking a public stand for the unborn with other members of our Weirton Catholic Churches, on Friday, March 17th from 3p - 5p, OR Tuesday, March 21st from 11a - 1p, outside Planned Parenthood, 933 Liberty Ave, Pittsburgh. Sadly, close to 3,000 abortions happen yearly just at this one location! This vigil runs daily from 7am – 7pm through November 6th, if other times better fit your schedule. Carpooling is available. Call Sheila Cavalet at 818-523-2893 for more information. Check out 40daysforlifepittsburgh.com and read the inspiring stories of how **lives continue to be saved** during this vigil.

MADONNA:
FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST...
LEADERS IN THE WORLD.



Madonna High School is seeking qualified candidates to substitute teach grades 7th—12th. If you are interested, please contact Sharon Higgins in the school office at 304-723-0545.



That Man is You men's group began the Second Semester, "The Fight of Faith" on Sunday, January 22, 2023, from 6:00 am to 7:15 am in the St. Joseph the Worker School Cafeteria. Join the over 30 men from St. Joseph's, Sacred Heart of Mary, and St. Paul's parishes to learn more about our faith as Catholic men. Please join us for faith, food, fellowship, and fun.

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! *(meetings will be held in the grade school cafeteria on 3/19, 3/26, and 4/16)*

To Celebrate the Year Of the Holy Eucharist, as proclaimed by Pope Francis, Corpus Christi Parish will host an evening **Holy Hour** every third Monday of the month for a specific cause. You are invited to attend this event in the month of March, to **pray for those affected by Cancer and chronic illness**. In today's world it seems that most everyone knows someone who has been diagnosed with cancer, who is fighting cancer, who has survived cancer or who has died from cancer and many people have chronic illness such as rheumatoid arthritis, diabetes, heart disease or stroke to name a few. The holy hour for those affected by cancer and chronic illness will take place on Monday, **March 20th at 6:30pm** in Corpus Christi Church. Let's all gather together and pray for those who have been affected by these conditions and for their families, to pray for those looking for cures and those medical professionals who diagnose and care for those with these crosses in their lives. At the holy hour there will be music and we will be reciting the rosary and/or the divine mercy chaplet and divine praises—if you haven't recited these beautiful, traditional Catholic prayers in a while or would like to learn them, all the prayers will be in the leaflet provided and will make it easy for you to follow along. Please bring a rosary. All are welcome to attend!

MADONNA HIGH SCHOOL



OPEN ENROLLMENT



APPLY TODAY AT

www.weirtonmadonna.org

HOPE
SCHOLARSHIP
WEST VIRGINIA

Applications Open
MARCH 1
- **MAY 15**



www.hopescholarshipwv.com

Disclaimer- The HOPE Scholarship program is a WV Treasury Program. The HOPE Scholarship program is NOT administered by the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

In the name of St. Patrick, the Glorious Apostle of Ireland, the members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Div. 1, Wheeling, WV wish you a Happy St. Patrick's Day and Irish-American Heritage Month! Men: celebrate and be proud of your Irish-Catholic heritage all year long by joining the AOH! Info at www.aoh.com, facebook.com/roadbowling or Tom Connelly: 304-280-4350. Slainte!

Annual Lenten Fish Fry

Wednesday, February 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22,
29 from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM



Sacred Heart of Mary Cafeteria

200 Preston Ave.

DINE IN OR TAKE OUT

to order call 304-723-1648 or download the
Sacred Heart of Mary Church app.

Baked or Fried Fish & Shrimp
Pierogies- Potato or Sauerkraut
Haluski, Mac-n-Cheese, French Fries
Homemade Bread and Desserts



Sunday, March 12th @ 2:00PM
Join us in our monthly celebration of the
Holy Mass in Spanish, March 12th at
2:00 pm. **Confessions** will be heard before and
after Mass. We look forward to seeing you there!



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!

St. Joe's Parish Lenten Mission

229 California Ave., Weirton, WV.



Dr. John Bergsma, speaker

Nationally renowned speaker and author, Bible Scholar and former Protestant Pastor, Vice-President of the St. Paul Center of Biblical Theology, full time professor of Theology at Franciscan University.



Scan the QR code to register for free!

*Mon, Tues, Wed.
March 13 - 15*

*7- 8 PM
Mission Talk*

*8 - 9 PM
Confession/Meet+Greet*

*Talk #1 (Monday)
Confession as
Spiritual Warfare*

*Talk #2 (Tuesday)
Eucharistic
Testimony*

*Talk #3 (Weds.)
Spiritual Discipline
in Spiritual Warfare*

*Book sales and signing,
meet and greet and
refreshments.*

All Are Welcome!



ROSE SOCIETY DINNER, THURSDAY, April 13, 2023 West Virginians for Life will hold its 25th Annual Rose Dinner on Thursday, April 13 at Lakeview Resort, 1 Lakeview Drive in Morgantown. The keynote speaker will be Jay Sekulow, Chief Counsel for the American Center for Law and Justice. He is an accomplished Supreme Court advocate, renowned expert on religious liberty, a no. 1 New York Times bestselling author, and a respected broadcaster. Reception begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30. Tickets are \$50 each or \$1,000 for sponsoring a table of eight. Other levels of financial support are available. There will be a silent auction. All proceeds go to the tax-deductible WVFL Educational Trust Fund. To register online, go to wvforlife.org. For more info, contact West Virginians for Life by emailing info@wvforlife.org or by calling 304-594-9845.

Safe Environment Compliance Period

All parish volunteers must become Safe Environment compliant by March 15, 2023 through www.virtus.org. Volunteers who are unable to do so by the deadline will be withdrawn from their ministry schedules until they become compliant. If you have any questions, please contact Mark at the church office.