

SAVE THE DATE!!

St. Joe's Parish Lenten Mission

With Dr. Dan Schneider

(personal assistant to world renowned exorcist Fr. Chad Ripperger & author of the Liber Christo Method!)

Feb. 19-21, 2024

7:00 – 8:00 PM: TALK

8:00 PM – TBD: CONFESSION, MEET & GREET, BOOK SALES, ETC.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

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

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Parochial Vicar, 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; Saturday 7:30am
School Mass: (see bulletin)

JOINING THE PARISH

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

DIRECTOR OF EVANGELIZATION

Paco Gavrilides 734-328-4305

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

Celia Mergen, Music Director

ST. JOSEPH GRADE SCHOOL

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

MADONNA HIGH SCHOOL

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

ST. JOSEPH DAY SCHOOL

Caitlin McLane
weirtonstjoseph.net
681-328-3217

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ FEBRUARY 4, 2024

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	2024	\$ 29,162.24
Sunday Collection	1/28	\$ 7,255.00
Monthly Debt Collection	1/28	\$ 150.00
E-Giving	1/1/-1/28	\$ 5,524.72
Church in Latin America	1/28	\$ 50.00
Pastoral Solidarity for church in Africa	1/28	\$ 25.00
Church in Central and Eastern Europe	1/28	\$ 25.00

COLLECTION

Jan. 28/29, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 5,702.00
Loose	\$ 1,379.83
Debt	\$ 90.00
Total	\$ 7,171.83

Jan. 27/28, 2024

Envelopes	\$ 5,925.00
Loose	\$ 1,330.00
Debt	\$ 150.00
Total	\$ 7,405.00

COLLECTION

YEAR TO DATE - 2023 (1/1/23—1/29/23)

Envelopes	\$ 32,008.00
Loose	\$ 5,542.37
Debt	\$ 12,315.00
Total	\$ 49,865.37

YEAR TO DATE - 2024 (1/1/24—1/28/24)

Envelopes	\$ 27,274.00
Loose	\$ 6,652.24
Debt	\$ 1,560.00
Total	\$ 35,486.24



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 **February 25, 2024 at 6:00 pm** in the church. All are welcome.....men, women, singles or couples. Call the church office with any questions.

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 is doing pro bono work for the Church. If you would like to schedule an appointment with her, please contact the parish office.



"Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!" And this is precisely what That Man is You is eager to promote in our parish. In a world that is falling apart from disunity, we men of the Church can bear witness to the gift of brotherhood, growing together in our love for God, for one another, and for our parish. Men, it's time to step up and make a difference as Catholic men! All men from 18 years old until we pass into glory are most welcome. This year we give you the option to meet on Sunday mornings at 6:00 am at St Joseph grade school cafeteria, or on Monday nights at 7:00 pm at the same location! In That Man Is You, we want to be men who build one another up in love, who grow in the knowledge of God, and become powerful witnesses to Christ, in the home, the church, and the world. Let's gather for life, fellowship, and strength in Christ!

Scan this code with your phone to register.



MASS DATE	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS	READINGS
Monday, February 5 <i>St. Agatha</i>	7:00 am Fr. Tony	Intentions of Paulette Nagy By: Eli & Mary Evkovich	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8 10; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday, February 6 <i>St. Paul Miki & Companions</i>	7:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ Jean Colangelo By: Sue Sakara & Family	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday, February 7	7:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ Bill Davis By: Sharon Davis Green	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
	10:10 am Fr. Bill	with MHS	
Thursday, February 8 <i>St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita</i>	7:00 am Fr. Gerald	✠ John Mihalyo By: Denise & Robert Schwab	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40; Mk 7:24-30
Friday, February 9	7:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ Marlene Nardelli By: Andy Perhacs	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10- 11ab, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 7:31-37
	9:15 am Fr. Gerald	with GS	
Saturday, February 10 <i>St. Scholastica</i>	7:30 am Fr. Gerald	✠ Junior Bennett By: Michael & Karen Wonkovich	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22; Mk 8:1- 10
	4:00 pm Fr. Dennis	✠ Nicolos DiMaggio By: Sheila Cupini Cavalet	
Sunday, February 11 <i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	7:30 am Fr. Tony	✠ Dolores Bengier By: Mary Jane & Mike Arena	Lv 13:1-2; 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31—11:1; Mk 1:40-45
	11:00 am Fr. Dennis	✠ Sam & Teresa Di Bacco By: The Di Bacco Family	
	5:00 pm Fr. Tony	All Parishioners	

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Job finds life on earth to be drudgery; he is filled with restlessness (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Psalm 147).

Second Reading — Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel. I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

Gospel — Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).

PACO'S CORNER

It's time to share your testimony. The right moment has arrived! We will start with these comments and then develop them.

1. What is a testimony?

a. Definition: A Sharing about Your relationship with God. • An explanation of how God has worked in your life, an account of a specific saving action of the Lord in your life.

b. The Subjective Gospel (Testimony) & Objective Gospel (Kerygma) -> Evangelistic 1-2 punch!

c. Purpose: To open listeners to God and lead them to draw closer to Him.

d. Content & Structure (We will practice one for Personal conversion, 3-minute length)

• Various types: Personal Conversion, Baptism in the Holy Spirit, Vocation, Healing, Growth in prayer.

My suggestion to anyone who is desirous of helping someone discover the saving love of God is that you think through these points and start praying for the grace to speak convincingly of your experience of God in your life. Further instruction next week.

The next class on Reacquainting Ourselves with the Catechism with Fr. Dennis and Paco will take place on **Wednesday, February 28th** at **7:00 pm** in the grade school cafeteria. All are welcome! We recommend that you bring the Catechism of the Catholic Church with you.



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

Donate



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 the parish website, stjoeweirton.org.

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.



The Catholic Church is in Ordinary Time. The USCCB writes that this is a time of conversion, a time to reflect on the scripture readings that focus on events in Jesus' life: what he said, did, and prayed while living among the people of His time. Imitating Jesus, we can live the life of Christ ourselves and bring Him to all we meet.

So, what can we do during Ordinary Time? We can offer up every thought, word, and action to God. It's not hard. Something as simple as peeling potatoes can suddenly become a saving and sanctifying act when it's offered up. Meditate on the hidden lives of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Pick any mundane task and turn it into a prayer. When it's turned into a prayer it can become a joy.

There's a lot of possibilities to choose from...how about becoming a registered Guardian? If that wasn't a New Year's resolution, why not include it now? Visiting Jesus, present in the Holy Eucharist, at the Adoration Chapel can become a beautiful habit that sanctifies oneself, one's family, one's community, one's nation, even the world. Our efforts are never dismissed by Jesus, and, once one makes the decision to visit Him, He will certainly give you the grace to continue. This is one action that can certainly have eternal effect – for the good. Make the ordinary become extraordinary!

EMPTY HOURS

3 PM Thursday and 11 AM Friday

The following Adoration Hours need a partner:

Monday 8AM, Tuesday 3PM, 4PM, 5PM, Wednesday 10AM, 11AM, 5PM Thursday 9AM, 2PM, 6PM, 7PM, Friday, 2PM, 3PM, 3PM, 4PM, 5PM, 6PM.

To become a registered Guardian call 304-374-6170 or sign up in the church vestibules.

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 **February for June 2024**. 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.

Let's Get This Done! We Know You Can Do It!

Do what, you ask? HELP GET RID OF THE YELLOW AND RED! The hours filled with red in the chart currently have NO Guardian and are most in need. The hours with yellow below are hours where there is only ONE Guardian. When two or more Adorers are signed up for a specific hour, they can cover for each other when their partner can't make it because Jesus is never left alone.

For the last 5 ½ years our Adoration Chapel has been open and adding hours as we continue to move forward towards the goal of Perpetual Adoration. As empty hours appear, the Holy Spirit sends us someone to fill the hour. Thank You Holy Spirit! Thank you registered Guardians also! Your dedication and commitment to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is inspirational and commendable!

This Lent, help up turn the chart green! How? By stepping up and volunteering for an hour. The following hours are most in need: Thursday 3PM and Friday 11AM. Let's get this done! We know you can do it! Please call 304-374-6170 to volunteer to be a Registered Guardian.

Guardians Enrollment Status						
Time	Mon	Tues	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 Guardians

1/19/2024

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4 <i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6:00 AM 9:30 AM 4:00 PM	T. M. I. Y. PSR CONFESSION
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5	8 AM—8 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	ADORATION T. M. I. Y. K OF C
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6	8 AM—8 PM 10:00 AM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM	ADORATION EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL IN HOSPITALITY ROOM ROSARY EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL IN G.S. CAFETERIA BINGO
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7	8 AM—8 PM 6:00 PM	ADORATION RCIA
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8	7:30 AM 8 AM—8 PM 7:00 PM	CONFESSION ADORATION N. F. P.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9	8 AM—8 PM	ADORATION
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10	8 AM—12 PM 12:00 PM	ADORATION CONFESSION AT SHM
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11 <i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6:00 AM 8-11 AM 9:00 AM 4:00 PM	T. M. I. Y. SWEETHEART BREAKFAST MASS IN SPANISH CONFESSION

Grounds Crew and Christian Mothers ~ Donation Only ~ Sweetheart Valentines Breakfast will be Sunday, February 11th from 8 am-11 am at St. Joseph the Worker Grade School Cafeteria. Watch the bulletin for further details.



TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

week of 2/4/24 for the souls of

**EMMA LISAC, HUGO MASCIÒ &
EDDIE CHESKY**

BY

GEORGE & KAY MASCIO

Finding Freedom in Christ, Healing Life's Hurts with Dr. Matthew Breuninger will be a 1 day retreat held at St Vincent de Paul Parish in Wheeling Saturday Feb 24th from 8am to 4 pm , beginning with Mass at 8 am. Cost for the retreat is \$25 per person. Seating is limited, reserve early by calling St Vincents at 304-242-0406 to reserve your spot. Dr. Breuninger is an associate professor of psychology at Franciscan University. He is a research fellow with the Austin Institute for the Study of Family and Culture as well as a member of the Catholic Psychotherapy Association. He is a husband and father of 6 children and brings humor to the topic of healing.

**Please, STOP and PRAY during the month of FEBRUARY
at 3 p.m. each day, the Hour of Mercy, for
ENGAGED AND MARRIED COUPLES.**

If you would like a 2023 financial statement of your donations to the church for tax purposes, please call the church office during regular business hours.

The Hancock County Health Department is having a Food Handlers Class on February 7th at 9:00 am in St. Paul's Cafeteria.

The next Christian Mothers meeting will be **March 20th** at 6:00 pm in St. Joseph's Grade School Cafeteria.

The Community Bread Basket donation for FEBRUARY is SHAMPOO & CONDITIONER. Please place your items in the red baskets at all the church entrances.



Please pray for the soul of
Ruth Brostman.
Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon her.

THE ITEMS THAT ARE NEEDED AT THIS TIME FOR THE TABLE OF HOPE: 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.*

PILGRIMAGE TO CAREY, OHIO

As part of the second year of the Eucharistic Revival, we are planning a pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey, Ohio. The bus will leave at 6:00 am and will return around 5:00 pm on Saturday, May 25th with a stop for lunch. You can reserve your seat on the bus by calling the church office no later than February 19th. If the bus is close to being full, the price will be around \$60.00 per person which includes the church paying half of the bill.

All NEW OVER \$600 Lucky Ball

St. Joseph the Worker School

Different size packets available \$25-\$35-\$45

\$500 TOP 3 Lines

The First TUESDAY of every month DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 Games start at 6:30-8:30

St. Joe's gym

\$500 Progressive Jumping Jackpot

New Games New Day

Refreshments Door Prizes FREE Coffee

BINGO!

Deacon Vince is now offering House Blessings.

If you would like your house blessed, contact Carissa at Sacred Heart of Mary Parish at 723-7175 to schedule an appointment.

St. Joseph the Worker Catholic School

BACK TO School

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

FAMILIES- NEW TO OUR SCHOOL

Applications open

Friday February 9, 2024

Visit www.weirtonstjoseph.net, choose admissions, click apply

Sunday, February 11th @ 9:00 AM

Join us in our monthly celebration of the Holy Mass in Spanish, February 11th at 9:00 am. **Confessions** will be heard before and after Mass. We look forward to seeing you there!

Annual Lenten Fish Fry

Feb. 14, 21, 28 & Mar. 6, 13, 20
from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Sacred Heart of Mary Cafeteria
200 Preston Ave.
PIKE IN OR TAKE OUT

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

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



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL VIDEO SERIES

Learn of Jesus' love for us through the Church and Sacraments, especially the Eucharist! Feel free to attend any of the following TUESDAY sessions: February 6th, 13th and 27th. Choose from the morning session 10:00-11:30 am in the hospitality room of the rectory or the evening session 6:00-7:30 pm in St. Joseph the Worker Grade School Cafeteria.

St Joseph the Worker Church
40 Hours DEVOTION
February 14-15, 2024



"AND BEHOLD I AM WITH
YOU ALWAYS, UNTIL THE
END OF THE AGE."

Matthew 28:20

*This Lent,
Could you not
spend one hour
with Him?*

The Forty Hour Devotion is a special period of continuous prayer made before the Blessed Sacrament in solemn exposition. All the faithful throughout the Upper Ohio Valley are invited to participate in this beautiful devotion.

40 Hours Devotion begins:

Ash Wednesday, February 14th at 8:00 AM.

Adoration will continue all night and day through

Thursday, February 15, till 12:00 PM midnight.

At least two people are needed for every hour. Please call 304-374 6170 to select an hour or sign up on the clip boards in the church vestibules.