

DUELING PIANOS 2024



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

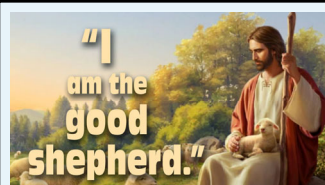
Recheal Fuscardo, Principal
weirtonstjoseph.net
304-723-1970

MADONNA HIGH SCHOOL

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

ST. JOSEPH DAY SCHOOL

Caitlin McLane
weirtonstjoseph.net
681-328-3217



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 21, 2024

**I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD, SAYS THE LORD; I KNOW MY SHEEP,
AND MINE KNOW ME. JOHN 10:15**

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	\$121,193.24
Sunday Collection	4/14	\$ 6,643.00
Monthly Debt Collection	4/14	\$ 256.00
E-Giving	4/1—4/14	\$ 2,345.86
Good Friday—Holy Land	4/14	\$ 5.00

COLLECTION

April 15/16, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 5,474.00
Loose	\$ 2,040.00
Debt	\$ 195.00
Total	\$ 7,709.00

April 13/14, 2024

Envelopes	\$ 5,210.00
Loose	\$ 1,433.00
Debt	\$ 256.00
Total	\$ 6,899.00

COLLECTION

YEAR TO DATE - 2023

(1/1/23—4/16/23)

Envelopes	\$117,653.51
Loose	\$ 21,928.45
Debt	\$ 20,064.00
Total	\$159,645.96

YEAR TO DATE - 2024

(1/1/24—4/14/24)

Envelopes	\$110,450.30
Loose	\$ 19,926.24
Debt	\$ 6,651.00
Total	\$137,027.54



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 **April 29, 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, April 22	7:00 am Fr. Tony	Living & Deceased Members of the Ballato Family By: A Friend	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday, April 23 <i>St. George; St. Adalbert</i>	7:00 am Fr. Gerald	✠ Angelo Guglielmo By: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Capito	Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday, April 24 <i>St. Fidelis</i>	7:00 am Fr. Tony 10:10 am Fr. Bill	✠ Evelyn Bahen By: Rose Barnhart with MHS	Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8; Jn 12:44-50
Thursday, April 25 <i>St. Mark</i>	7:00 am Fr. Gerald	✠ Sue Schmidt By: John & Janet Fisher Family	1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
Friday, April 26	7:00 am Fr. Tony 9:15 am Fr. Gerald	✠ Evelyn Bahen By: Eli & Mary Evkovich with GS	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday, April 27	7:30 am Fr. Gerald 4:00 pm Msgr. Peterson	✠ Mike Dishauzi By: Mary Ann Anderson ✠ Diane Jordan By: Joe & Sheila Cavalet	Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sunday, April 28 <i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	7:30 am Fr. Tony 11:00 am Fr. Tony 5:00 pm Fr. Gerald	All Parishioners ✠ Teresa & Sam Di Bacco By: The Di Bacco Family ✠ Dan Thurston By: John & Janet Fisher Family	Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — There is no salvation through anyone else (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalm — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

Gospel — The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).

Courage Apostolate is a ministry for Catholics with same-sex attraction who are striving to live faithfully to the teachings of Christ and His Catholic Church. Courage meets monthly in Morgantown for prayer, fellowship and support. The heart of Courage is the belief that sanctity is possible in everyday life. Through the Courage Apostolate those persons experiencing same-sex attractions are encouraged to deepen their Christian discipleship through participation in the sacramental life of the Church, particularly through the frequent reception of the Eucharist and frequent confession, as well as through a regular prayer life, witness, counsel, service, and self-giving. If you are interested in learning more, visit dwc.org/courage-apostolate/ or email couragedwc@gmail.com.

MAY 7, 2024




**ONE MISSION ONE DAY
TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

SAVE THE DATE



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

The next class on Reacquainting Ourselves with the Catechism with Paco will take place on Wednesday, **May 1st** 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.

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.

Are You Real Yet?



"To be or not to be" is Hamlet's lasting question. As a Catholic, that question begs an object – "To be or not to be like Jesus." It is a question each one of us wrestles with as we work out our salvation "with fear and trembling." (Phil. 2:12)

Yes, we are made in the image of God but the likeness takes a lifetime to achieve. How do I become like God, yet remain myself? St. Bernard of Clairvaux said, "In those respects in which the soul is unlike God, it is also unlike itself." In other words, your true self is your good self.

Presently, we live in an age that delights in tearing individuals down to their lowest form. Our Lord, on the other hand, delights in building up his kingdom, US! Visit Jesus in the Adoration Chapel. There you will receive the necessary graces to become that noble creature that God meant you to be. Spending time in Our Lord's company will rub off on you, giving joy to your heart!

We are not alone in this struggle. Philippians 2:13 states, "for God is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure." Our Lord is our most faithful companion along the journey to our heavenly home!

There are several hours where Guardians are requesting partners: : Wednesday – 5PM – 6PM, Thursday – 9-AM – 10 AM, 1-2 PM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 PM, 6 PM – 7PM, Friday – 11 AM – Noon, 3PM – 4PM, 5PM – 6PM, 6PM – 7PM Saturday – 12 noon – 1PM, 5PM – 6 PM. Please contact the Adoration Committee at 304-374-6170 to volunteer to be a Registered Guardian. You can also sign up by filling out a form and dropping it inside the registration box located in each church vestibule.

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 **April for August 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.

Eucharistic Adoration

We need YOU to Become a Guardian!

Eucharistic Adoration is open every Monday through Friday
8:00 A.M.– 8:00 P.M. and Saturday mornings 8:00 A.M. – 12 Noon
In the Communion of Saints Adoration Chapel



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						
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3:00 PM						
4:00 PM						
5:00 PM						
6:00 PM						
7:00 PM						

Need 2 Guardians
Need 1 Guardian
Need 0 Guardians

3/24/2024

For more info or to register by phone call 304-374-6170.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 21 <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	9:30 AM 12:00 PM 2:00 PM 4:00 PM	PSR BAPTISM CHRISTIAN MOTHERS CARD PARTY CONFESSION
MONDAY, APRIL 22	8 AM—8 PM 6:30 PM	ADORATION GRADE SCHOOL BOARD
TUESDAY, APRIL 23	8 AM—8 PM 10:00 AM 6:00 PM	ADORATION BOOK STUDY ROSARY
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24	8 AM—8 PM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM	ADORATION CHRISTIAN MOTHERS FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PRACTICE
THURSDAY, APRIL 25	7:30 AM 8 AM-8 PM	CONFESSION ADORATION
FRIDAY, APRIL 26	8 AM—8 PM	ADORATION
SATURDAY, APRIL 27	8 AM-12 PM 12:00 PM	ADORATION CONFESSION AT SHM
SUNDAY, APRIL 28 <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	1:30 PM 4:00 PM	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CONFESSION



FertilityCare™ Center
of the Upper Ohio Valley, Inc.

The FertilityCare™ Center of the Upper Ohio Valley, Inc. & the Weirton Catholic

Pro-Life Group will be sponsoring a Memorial Mass for Babies Who Died Before Birth whether by miscarriage, abortion, ectopic (tubal) pregnancy (no distinction will be made) & whether occurring recently or years ago. The Mass will be celebrated on Friday, May 17, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 200 Preston Avenue, Weirton, WV. Confession will be available at 5:30 p.m. So that we may best honor your child please call 304-723-0478 or 304-748-0688 to RSVP. (all family members and friends are welcome)



TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

week of 4/21/24 for the soul of

AARON DAVIES

BY

THE DAVIES FAMILY

Please, STOP and PRAY during the month of **APRIL** at 3 p.m. each day, the Hour of Mercy, for **THE END OF ABORTION.**

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.



Our Bible Discussion Group resumed on Tuesday, **April 9th at 10:00 am** in the Hospitality Room of the Rectory. The new study is **33 Days to Eucharistic Glory** by Matthew Kelly. Books will be available at the church office for \$25.00. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

The Community Bread Basket donation for **APRIL** is **TOILET PAPER**. 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: **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.

PACO'S CORNER

"Afterward he appeared to the Eleven themselves as they sat at table, and he upbraided them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. And he said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will accompany those who believe; in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them, they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover" (Mk 16: 14-17).

This is Jesus' commission to the entire Church. It is the unchanging mandate of our Lord until he come again. The message has not changed. The methods can change according to the culture and other factors. The power has not diminished. It is often not unleashed. When we step into the action in the love of Christ we will again see the power. The content of my "Corner" for the next number of weeks will touch on the elements in this text and in others as well.

OUR ANNUAL \$100 RAFFLE IS ON NOW!!!

**ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER
2024 SUMMER BLOCK PARTY
ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CHURCH
220 CALIFORNIA AVENUE | WESTON, WEST VIRGINIA**

\$20,000 CASH RAFFLE
GRAND PRIZE: \$10,000

EARLY BIRD CASH PRIZES
#1 April 30, 2024 \$500
#2 May 11, 2024 \$500
#3 June 30, 2024 \$500
PICNIC DATE: TBD

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER SUMMER BLOCK PARTY

ONLY 500 TICKETS SOLD
CASH DRAWINGS:
First Drawing: \$500 Cash*
Second Drawing: \$500 Cash*
Third Drawing: \$500 Cash*
Fourth Drawing: \$1000 Cash*
Fifth Drawing: \$1000 Cash*
Sixth Drawing: 2nd Place \$3,000 Cash*
Seventh Drawing: 1st Place \$10,000*

*ONLY FULLY PAID TICKETS WILL BE ENTERED FOR ALL DRAWINGS
Winner Need Not Be Present

DONATION \$100.00
*Final Drawings Held at Summer Block Party
Tickets Courtesy of Greco Hertrick Funeral Home
and Cremation Services

Buy your ticket now to be eligible for TEN drawings to WIN \$\$\$.
Contact the church office or call or text John Dovec at 304-374-7625.

SAVE THE DATE:

Our Block Party will be held on July 28th. Watch future bulletins for more information!

Hurting from an ABORTION?

Please call: Rachel's Vineyard 877-HOPE4ME (877-467-3463) www.RachelsVineyard.org

If you or someone you know is pregnant and needs help, there are several services available that are listed on the bulletin boards at the entrances of the church. You can contact the church office for a copy of these services as well.

PILGRIMAGE~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 April 29th. 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.



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



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!

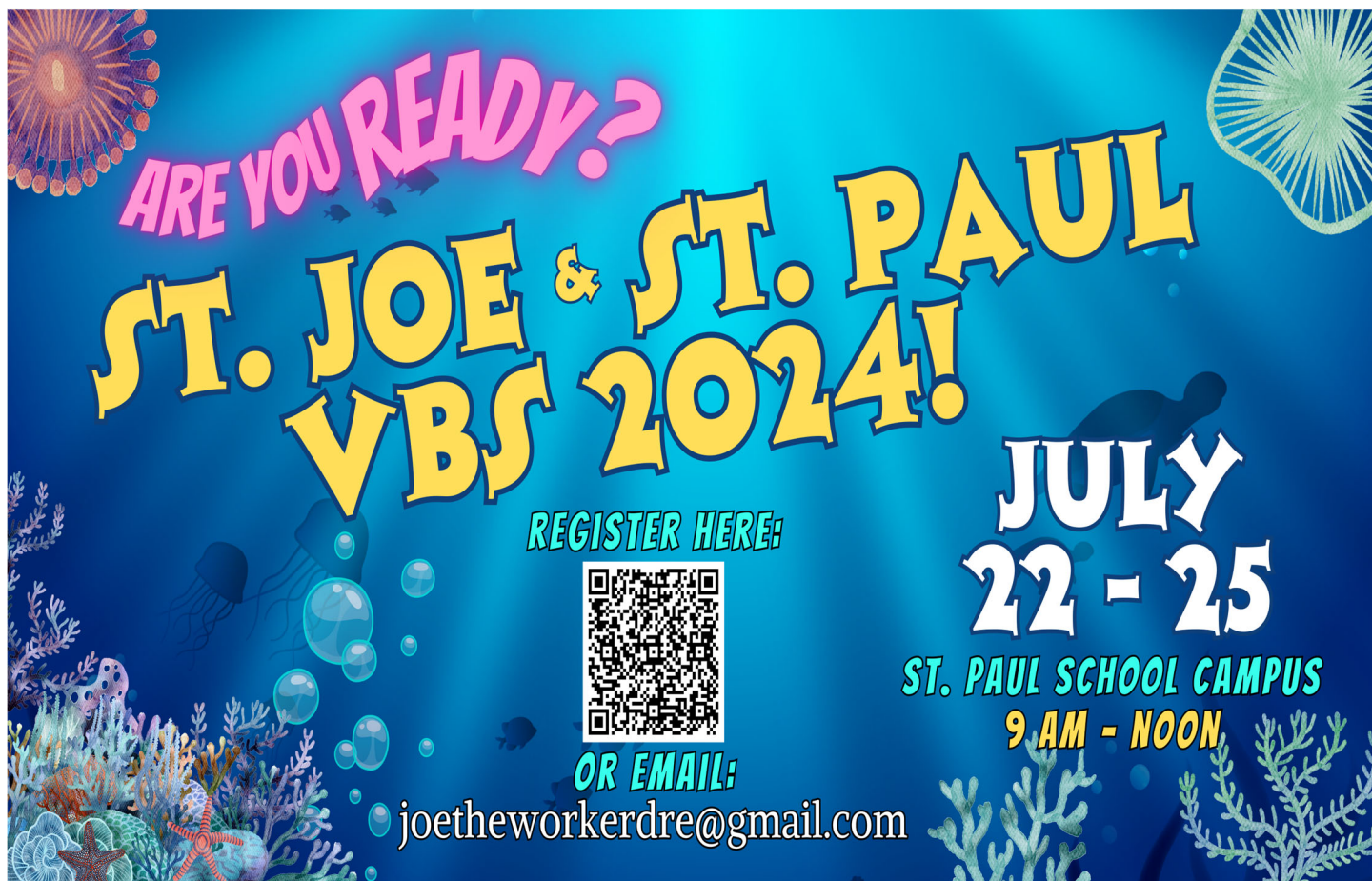
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE

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.

On Sunday, June 30th, Saint John the Evangelist Parish in Wellsburg, WV will be commemorating our Centennial Celebrations with Mass at 10:30 a.m. followed by the Parish Picnic with an All School Reunion as well as an Exhibit of Historical Photos from our 100 years on Charles Street and 170 years of serving the People of God in Brooke County! Please call the parish office at 304-737-0429 for more information. We hope you are able to join us in celebrating this momentous occasion in the life of our parish!

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.



ARE YOU READY?

ST. JOE & ST. PAUL VBS 2024!

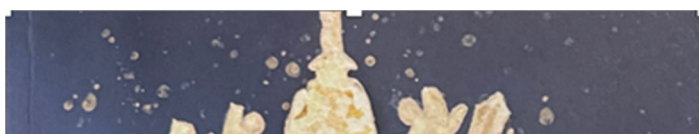
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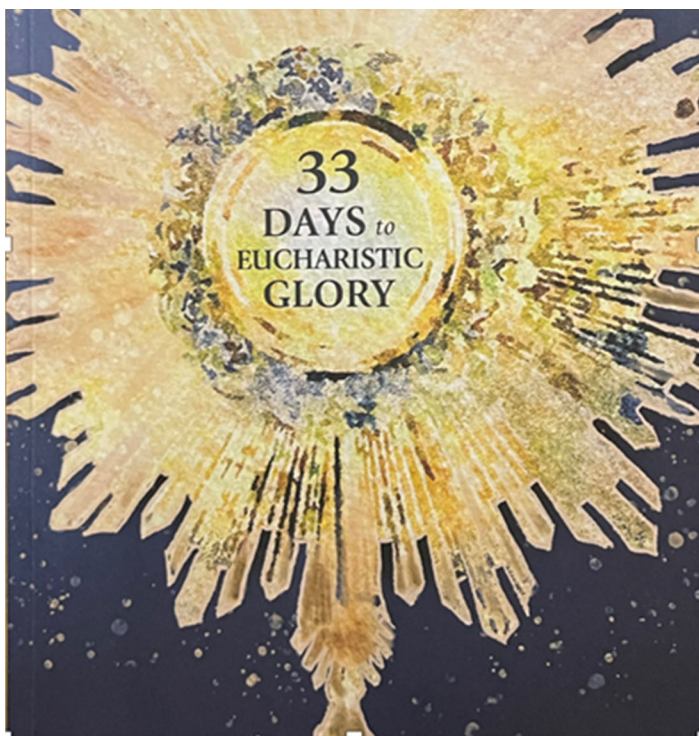
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**JULY
22 - 25**

**ST. PAUL SCHOOL CAMPUS
9 AM - NOON**



Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.—Hospitality Room. Reserve your book, \$25, at Church Office. All are welcome!



TOGETHER IN FAITH Wheeling Vicariate

This platform will enable all parishioners and parishes within the Wheeling Vicariate to share our best practices, events, discussions, and faith-related content. It encourages engagement in online Bible studies, discussions about faith, and sharing of uplifting content. The goal is to celebrate achievements, share positive narratives, and support each other on our spiritual journeys.

LET'S UNITE TOGETHER IN FAITH



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