



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

MARCH 31, 2024

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

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

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PARISH OFFICE

Mary Beth Simon, Bookkeeper
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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



**THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE; LET
US REJOICE AND BE GLAD.— PSALM 118:24**

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	\$ 93,165.24
Sunday Collection	3/24	\$ 6,127.00
Monthly Debt Collection	3/24	\$ 145.00
E-Giving	3/1—3/24	\$ 5,267.22
Catholic Charities	3/24	\$ 75.00
Good Friday—Holy Land	3/24	\$ 42.00

COLLECTION

March 25/26 2023

Envelopes	\$ 4,943.00
Loose	\$ 923.00
Debt	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 5,896.00

March 23/24, 2024

Envelopes	\$ 5,169.00
Loose	\$ 958.00
Debt	\$ 145.00
Total	\$ 6,272.00

COLLECTION

YEAR TO DATE - 2023 (1/1/23—3/26/23)

Envelopes	\$ 97,173.10
Loose	\$ 16,215.18
Debt	\$ 16,955.00
Total	\$130,343.28

YEAR TO DATE - 2024 (1/1/24—3/24/24)

Envelopes	\$ 90,859.93
Loose	\$ 16,526.24
Debt	\$ 5,063.00
Total	\$112,459.17



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 1	7:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ Evelyn Bahen By: Paulette Nagy	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday, April 2	7:00 am Fr. Gerald	✠ Althea Haberman By: Paulette Nagy	Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday, April 3	7:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ Stephanie Mikos By: Bob Connors & Family	Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday, April 4	7:00 am Fr. Gerald	✠ Ginger Yachini By: Paulette Nagy	Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday, April 5	7:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ Angela Guglielmo By: Bill & Sandy D'Alesio	Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-14
	9:15 am Fr. Gerald	with GS	
	6:00 pm Fr. Neiman	✠ Rick Harcharik By: The Hudek Family	
Saturday, April 6	7:30 am Fr. Neiman	✠ Coleen Scheider By: Bob & Denise Schwab	Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk 16:9-15
	4:00 pm Msgr. Peterson	✠ Sue Schmidt By: John & Janet Fisher & Family	
Sunday, April 7 <i>Second Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>	7:30 am Fr. Tony	All Parishioners	Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31
	11:00 am Fr. Tony	✠ Laura Chiarelli By: Dan & Francesca Chiarelli	
	5:00 pm Fr. Gerald	✠ Memorial Fund	

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

Psalm — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4)

Gospel — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9)

MADONNA HIGH SCHOOL



TAX RELIEF RAFFLE

\$20/each

\$5,000

April 15, 2024

DRAWING BASED ON WV EVENING DAILY 3

Contact Christine Holmes at
cholmes@weirtonmadonna.org to purchase tickets.

Thank you to all parishioners who donated baked goods or bought them from Saint Joseph the Worker Grade School Kindness Club last weekend. We appreciate your support as we continue to spread kindness in our schools and community.



Please pray for the soul of Bill Swanson, husband of Mary Swanson. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.



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.

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.

The next class on Reacquainting Ourselves with the Catechism with Paco will take place on Wednesday, **April 3rd** 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.

WHAT DO YOU HAVE AS A CATHOLIC?



AS A CATHOLIC:

- You have the Catholic Church which is the only church founded by the Son of God, JESUS CHRIST!
- You have over 2000 years of members and Tradition!
- You have beautiful churches throughout the world!
- You have the saints to show you the way!
- You have a Guardian Angel to help you on your journey to Heaven!
- You have the Blessed Mother, Queen of Heaven and Earth, who is the most powerful intercessor for you with her Son, Jesus!
- You have the Sacraments of the Church given to you by Jesus to provide grace in your soul from cradle to grave!
- You have what no other church has, **EUCCHARIST, TRULY JESUS, BODY, BLOOD, SOUL, and DIVINITY**, Who you can receive every day at Mass, if you choose!
- You have **JESUS** waiting for you in the **Adoration Chapel!**

What do you have as a Catholic? You have it **ALL!**

We currently have **EMPTY** hours that need to be filled, **Saturday 1:00-2:00 PM and 2:00-3:00 PM** in order to finish opening Adoration on Saturdays until the 4 PM Mass.

There are also several hours where Guardians need partners. Please call 304-374- 6170 to register for the hour of your choice. Sign up form are also in all of 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 **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						
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

3/5/2024

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

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, MARCH 31 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	7:30 AM 11:00 AM	EASTER SUNDAY MASS EASTER SUNDAY MASS <i>THERE WILL BE NO 5:00 PM MASS TODAY</i>
MONDAY, APRIL 1	8 AM—8 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	ADORATION T. M. I. Y. K OF C
TUESDAY, APRIL 2	8 AM—8 PM 6:00 PM	ADORATION ROSARY
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3	8 AM—8 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	ADORATION CONFIRMATION PRACTICE CATECHISM
THURSDAY, APRIL 4	7:30 AM 8 AM-8 PM	CONFESSION ADORATION
FRIDAY, APRIL 5	8 AM—8 PM 6:00 PM	ADORATION FIRST FRIDAY MASS
SATURDAY, APRIL 6 <i>SMILE WEEKEND</i>	7:30 AM 12:00 PM	FIRST SATURDAY MASS CONFESSION AT SHM
SUNDAY, APRIL 7 <i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i> <i>SMILE WEEKEND</i>	6:00 AM 2-4 PM 4:00 PM	T. M. I. Y. DIVINE MERCY AT SACRED HEART OF MARY CONFESSION

PACO'S CORNER

St. Augustine gave us this exclamation; *"We are an Easter People and Alleluia is our song!"* This indeed is the season where the entire country knows that we Christians express our joy our glorious triumph of the risen Lord Jesus from the dead. This is no time to be shy. Wear your joy on your sleeve! Let your light shine.

To one another we proclaim; Christ our Light! Thanks be to God! Our fearless leader defeated the power of death, *"death has trampled down death and to those in the tomb has granted life"* is joyously chanted by our Eastern Catholic and Orthodox brothers and sisters.

So when your family members and friends ask why so are so happy, let them hear the good news of the risen Lord Jesus who has won the victory over sin and given us power to *walk in newness of life!* A blessed Easter season to you all.



Our Bible Discussion Group will resume 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!

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

week of 3/31/24 for the soul of

PHILIP RALSTON

BY

JENNIE RALSTON



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.

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.*

How to Receive the Graces of DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



- *Celebrate the feast on Sunday, April 7 Firmly trust in the Divine Mercy of Jesus
- *Come to Jesus with a humble and contrite heart, repent of all your sins
- *Go to confession on that day if possible, otherwise seven days before or after the feast, as approved by the Church
- *Receive Holy Communion on the Day of the Feast
- *Venerate the Image of Divine Mercy
- *Be merciful as God is merciful. Practice works of Mercy, physically by helping others or spiritually by prayers of intercession

**Sacred Heart of Mary Parish—Sunday, April 7
2:00-4:00 p.m.**

Join in song, prayer, and a Eucharistic Holy Hour--ALL for JESUS!
Talk, "The Story of The Lost Original Image of Divine Mercy"
Confessions will be available

Concerning the Feast of Mercy Jesus said: *"Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to our neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to absolve yourself from it."* (Diary 742)



Christian Mothers Card Party will be held Sunday, April 21st at 2:00 pm in the grade school Dube' Dome. Doors open at 1:00 pm and tickets are \$10.00. No tickets will be sold at the door. To purchase tickets, call Barbara Raynolds 304-723-9772. They will be mailed upon receipt of your check made out to St. Joseph Christian Mothers if you include a self-addressed stamped envelope. Tickets for card party and 50/50 raffle will also be sold at church the weekends of April 6-7 & April 13-14.

The Northern Panhandle Chapter of West Virginians for Life is having a "Passionately Pro-life Dinner & Live Auction" on Monday, April 8, 2024 at 6:00 pm. Time to mingle and browse auction items will begin at 5:30. It will be held at Corpus Christi Parish Center, 1508 Warwood Ave, Wheeling. Auction payments by cash or check only. To purchase tickets (\$20.00 each) or to get information regarding sponsorship, contact Judi Varner Meyer at 304-639-3041.

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 4th. 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.

St. Joseph the Worker Parish is having a 6:00 pm Mass on First Friday, **April 5th** to honor The Sacred Heart of Jesus. Jesus' Heart burns for love of you. Jesus appeared to St. Mary Margaret Aloccoque in the 17th century and asked her to establish Devotion to His Sacred Heart by the faithful attending Mass and receiving the Eucharist on nine consecutive monthly First Fridays. Many graces are given through this practice. Please attend Mass on Friday, **April 5th** at 6:00 pm & Saturday, **April 6th** at 7:30 am as you are able.

Back by Popular Demand!!!

THE DUELING PIANOS



Please join us for a night of **FUN**
including the comical dueling pianos
incredible gift baskets
FREE food and a
cash bar

@ St. Joseph the Worker school gym,
The Dube Dome

Friday, April 12, 2024

doors open at 7:00

The Pianos start at 8:00

Tickets \$40
can be purchased at the school office
any questions call 304-723-1970



APRIL



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 8 am—8 pm Adoration 7 pm T. M. I.Y. 7:30 pm K of C	2 8 am—8 pm Adoration 6 pm Rosary	3 8 am—8 pm Adoration 6 pm Confirmation practice 7 pm Catechism 7 pm NHS in church	4 7:30 am Confession 8 am—8 pm Adoration	5 First Friday 8 am—8 pm Adoration 9:15 am GS Mass 6 pm First Friday Mass	6 First Saturday <i>Double up weekend</i> 7 am Rosary 7:30 am Mass 8 am-12pm Adoration 12-1 Confession <i>Smile Weekend</i>
7 Divine Mercy Sunday 6 am T. M. I. Y. 2-4 pm Divine Mercy at SHM 4-4:45 pm Confession <i>Smile Weekend</i>	8 The Annunciation of the Lord 8 am—8 pm Adoration 7 pm T. M. I.Y. 7:30 pm K of C 4th Degree	9 8 am—8 pm Adoration 10 am Bible Group 10:10 am MHS Mass 6 pm Rosary 6:30 pm Bingo	10 8 am—8 pm Adoration	11 St. Stanislaus 7:30 am Confession 8 am—8 pm Adoration 7 pm Confirmation	12 8 am—8 pm Adoration 9:15 am GS Mass 7 pm Dueling Pianos	13 St. Martin 8 am-12pm Adoration 12-1 Confession at SHM
14 3rd Sunday of Easter 9 am Spanish Mass 9:30 am PSR 4-4:45 pm Confession	15 8 am—8 pm Adoration 4 pm Prayer Shawl	16 8 am—8 pm Adoration 10 am Bible Group 6 pm Rosary	17 8 am—8 pm Adoration 10:10 am MHS Mass 7 pm Catechism	18 7:30 am Confession 8 am—8 pm Adoration 7 pm N. F. P.	19 8 am—8 pm Adoration 9:15 am GS Mass	20 8 am-12pm Adoration 12-1 Confession at SHM
21 4th Sunday of Easter 9:30 am PSR 2 pm Christian Mothers Card Party 4-4:45 pm Confession	22 8 am—8 pm Adoration	23 St. George; St. Adalbert 8 am—8 pm Adoration 10 am Bible Group 6 pm Rosary	24 St. Fidelis 8 am—8 pm Adoration 10:10 am MHS Adoration	25 St. Mark 7:30 am Confession 8 am—8 pm Adoration	26 8 am—8 pm Adoration 9:15 am GS Mass	27 8 am-12pm Adoration 12-1 Confession at SHM
28 5th Sunday of Easter 1:30 pm First Holy Communion 4-4:45 pm Confession	29 St. Catherine of Siena 8 am—8 pm Adoration 6 pm Lectio Divina	30 St. Pius V 8 am—8 pm Adoration 10 am Bible Group 6 pm Rosary				



FertilityCare™ Center
of the Upper Ohio Valley Inc. features NatProTechnology

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)

MAY 7, 2024

ONE MISSION ONE DAY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

SAVE THE DATE