



## About Being Sent

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**A** cousin died recently. After the burial, I walked among the gravesites remembering many of those I had once known who were now buried nearby. I came across a tombstone engraved with the epitaph: "In all of life God brings us to where we should be." I noted the statement was not about where we *want* to be or where we think we *need* to be, but about where we *should* be. I agree. Even though we may find ourselves grumbling about how it is that we ended up where we are in life, the gospel suggests that God has sent us to that place.

We may think to ourselves: *this is not the life I chose; this is not the marriage I thought it would be; this is not what I thought raising a family would look like; this is not what retirement is supposed to be.* We may think that little of life is what we chose it to be. Yet somehow, God brings us to where we are, as if we've been sent as the Twelve were sent to overcome evil and bring about healing, even though no one ever asked if it was what we wanted. Wherever we are, it is there that we have been chosen to become holy. The Letter to the Ephesians tells us that God chose us, even before the world began to unfold, chose us to be holy, to be the presence of God in all that comes our way. ●

### Reflect

**How is God calling you to be holy where you are today?**



[The Twelve] drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

MARK 6:13

# SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

1003 WYOMING ST, BLUEFIELD, WV 24701

JULY 13 & 14, 2024

## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

### Saturday, July 13- 6:00 PM

✠ Tom Pochick by Dan Pochick

### Sunday, July 14- 9:00 AM

✠ Bruno & Marianna Lijoi & Family by Vittoria Lijoi

### Tuesday, July 16- Noon

✠ Charles & Opal Garton by Fred Butler and Deborah Garton

### Wednesday, July 17- 9:00 AM

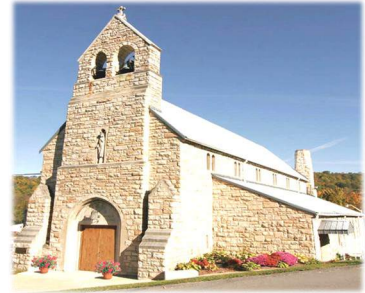
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### Saturday, July 20- 6:00 PM

✠ Mario A. Lijoi by Natalie & MaryAnn Lijoi

### Sunday, July 21- 9:00 AM

✠ Ray Shumate by Delores Shumate



**Office Hours:** 304-327-5623  
Monday- Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm  
Friday 9:00am-12:00pm

**Confession:**  
Before Weekend Masses  
During Eucharistic Adoration  
By Appointment

**Food Pantry Hours:**  
Wednesday 10:00am -2:00 pm

## UPCOMING EVENTS

July 15: Summer Talk Series by Joe Derico 6 pm

July 17-21: Eucharistic Congress Trip

July 20-21: 2nd Collection: Communications & Human Development

July 22: Seminarian Summer Talk by Joe Derico 6 pm

July 28: Church Picnic

July 29: Silver Rose Prayer Service 6 pm

July 30: Joint Litnic at Modena's House 6:30 pm

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

Friday's from 6:00-7:00 PM

July 26 ~ Bluefield                      August 16 ~ Bluefield

August 9 ~ Princeton                      August 23 ~ Princeton

## CHURCH STAFF

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*To our non-Catholic friends, we extend a warm invitation to for you to come forward and receive a Blessing when our Catholic brothers and sisters come forward to receive Holy Communion. Please come up to the Priest or Eucharistic Minister with your hands folded across your chest, so we will know that you wish to receive a Blessing. We are grateful for your presence.*



# *Sacred Heart Church Building Centennial*

# **WE NEED YOUR HELP!!**

## **Church Directory**

To go along with our Centennial Celebration this year we will be compiling a new church directory.

We will need a family picture submitted digitally, if you already have one. We will not have picture packages or sales team involved. If you don't have a current picture, arrangements will be made to have family pictures taken.

Anyone wanting to submit a digital picture may send them to:  
[shcc\\_bluefieldmedia@yahoo.com](mailto:shcc_bluefieldmedia@yahoo.com)

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## **History Book- Church Building Pictures**

If you have any photos or memories you would like to share about our Church Building, please send them to:

[shcc\\_bluefieldmedia@yahoo.com](mailto:shcc_bluefieldmedia@yahoo.com)

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If you are unsure how to turn your hard copy pictures digital, you can either email the above address or call the church office, leave a message and someone will call you back.



*The next RCIA Meeting will be Wednesday,  
July 17 at 5pm in the school.*

## Summer Talk Series by Seminarian Joe Derico

Sunday, July 14 - 4:00 pm ~ Princeton

Monday, July 15 - 6:00 pm ~ Bluefield

**Confession:**

Receiving the Merciful Love of the Lord

## Liturgy + Picnic = LitNic

Summer LitNics are back and being scheduled! We share the liturgy for spiritual growth followed by the picnic for fellowship and good food. Those attending please bring a potluck dish. LitNics begin at 6 PM on Wednesdays. If you would like to host a Litnic please contact Ann Robinson at 304-887-2421.

### Current Dates

July 30<sup>th</sup> – Ralph & Linda Modena

Aug 7<sup>th</sup> – George & Wendi Aiello

Aug 14<sup>th</sup> – Kenny & Theresa Bales

Aug 21<sup>st</sup> – Stephen & Laura Ward



## Sacred Heart Church Building Centennial

### Part 10: The Bells & More

*The Spanish Gothic style of the church is seen in the interior design of the church as well as the exterior. This is most evident in the bell tower, which is incorporated into the façade of the church.*

*The peak of the bell tower includes a gothic cross and following below it carved in stone are the letters "IHS" which is viewed as an acronym for the Latin Iesus Hominum Salvator, meaning "Jesus Savior of Mankind."*



*The two bells are each framed by arched openings which allow the bells to be in full view. Due to structural concerns, the bells are currently inoperative. However, plans are underway to restore them to their original glory using modern technology.*

*Joyful Send-off!*

After each Mass this weekend there will be time to offer Seminarian Joe Derico a fond farewell for the time he has been with us.

We wish him many blessings moving ahead in his journey to the priesthood and look forward to hearing updates from him. There will be a basket in the back of the Church for cards. Thank you Joe for everything!

# LETS TALK



with  
Seminararian Joe Derico  
#8

## The Third Precept of the Church

You shall receive Holy Communion at least once a year, during the Easter Season

This precept of the Church seems like a no brainer. You might remark "I receive communion every time I go to mass." This sentiment however was not always that common, Catholics as early as the turn of the 20th century only received communion once a year, because the sacraments weren't always available to them, or because they considered themselves unworthy to receive our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. With that in mind, we must see the Blessed Sacrament as a gift to us from God, rather than a right which we have as Catholics. This is why the church says that we must be in the state of grace (absence of sin) in order to receive the Blessed Sacrament, because it is not a right, it is a privilege.

So, while the church commands us to receive holy communion at least once per year, we must receive our Lord worthily. In order to do this, we must observe the first two precepts of the church as well as the third. We must go to confession and to mass, before we are worthy to receive our Lord in the Eucharist. So, the next time you go up the aisle to receive communion, take a minute to see if you are really worthily receiving our Lord. And if you aren't, then get to confession, there is no shame in going, but there is a lot of shame in not going.



July Ministry Schedule							
Mass Date & Time	Sacristan	Rosary Leader	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Hospitality	Collection Counters
Sat. 7/13 6:00 pm	T. Lowery	T. Lowery	P. Buenafe	F. Moran	1.T. Behrmann 2.L. Mariotti 3.T. Hager	The Pascasio's	D. Duritzza R. Malamisura
Sun. 7/14 9:00 am	M. Malamisura	T. Lampert	R. West K. Oakes	T. Bales C. Ott	1.C. Havens 2.M. Malamisura 3.A. Robinson	B. Buzzo	
Sat. 7/20 6:00 pm	J. McCloud	P. Buenafe	A. Peretti E. Peretti	TBA	1.J. McCloud 2.P. Peretti 3.D. Garton	J. Monaco	D. Shumate M. McCoy
Sun. 7/21 9:00 am	T. Lampert	B. Musolin	R. West K. Oakes	A. Torrez R. Ciccolini	1.C. Havens 2.A. Robinson 3. T. Lampert	R. Malamisura	
Sat. 7/27 6:00 pm	P. Buenafe	T. Lowery	A. Zinsmeister P. Buenafe	F. Moran	1T. Hager 2.A. Peretti 3.L. Mariotti	The Pascasio's	W. Aiello G. Aiello
Sun. 7/28 9:00 am	M. Malamisura	M. Malamisura	R. Aiello C. Tran	B. Buzzo R. Albert	1.W. Aiello 2.G. Aiello 3.M. Malamisura	R. Malamisura	

*Our Deepest  
Condolences*

WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY WE ANNOUNCE  
THAT JOHN COX PASSED AWAY ON  
JULY 1, 2024

WE SEND OUR SINCEREST CONDELENCES TO  
JOHN'S WIFE MARIA, HIS CHILDREN MICHAEL  
AND ADAM, AND HIS COUSIN GEORGE  
BOWLING, OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR.

MAY OUR LORD COMFORT AND SEND YOU ALL OF  
THE ANGELS AND SAINTS, PEACE TO ALL WHO  
MOURN, AND MAY JOHN REST ETERNALLY IN THE  
ARMS OF JESUS AND IN THE COMPANY OF ALL THE  
ANGELS AND SAINTS.



**NATIONAL  
Eucharistic  
Congress**

*Please pray for a safe and fun trip for  
Fr. Sebastian, Lorin Albin, Joe Derico,  
Loretta Hammond, Mary Malamisura,  
Laura Wyatt, and Maria Zalduondo as  
they travel to Indianapolis to attend the  
National Eucharistic Congress this  
coming week.*



## Sacred Heart Prayer List

**Parishioners:** George Bowling, Mary Bruch, Loretta Carrigan, Ron Ciccolini, Donella Crigger, Benny Disibbio, Angie Genovesi, Valerie Hager, Daniel Kirk, Claire Lampert, Tommie Jo Longworth, Feleesha Moran & Family, Claude Morgan, Sharon Rothausen, Carolina Ferrare

**Homebound Parishioners:** Linda Angelelli, Richard Canterbury, Alex Ercoline, Joanne Ercoline, Lou Ercoline, Mary Claire Keenan, Sue Mazol, Joan Monaco, Ernesto Pascasio, Barbara Pickett Kathy Richards, Rosalie Rochetti, Mitzi Romeo, Miriam Salaita, Anna H. Switch, Joan Zingale

**Friends & Family:** Donald Bowles, Shelby Bowles, Teddy Bradshaw, Patrick Clark, Chuck Comer, Carolyn Crigger, Christina Easton, Fr. Chapin Engler, Jason Fortney, Steve Hamm, Larry Hicks, Yael Issacs, Sandy Kegley, Sherry Khatib, Stan Lawson, Bob Mahood, Connor McKenzie, Laura Lee Null, Leanna Smith, Larry Sarever, Cathleen Underwood, Debby VanBlaricom, Steve Vaught

If there is anyone you would like to add to our prayer list, please call the parish office at 304-327-5623 or you may email Lucy at [lbrinegar@sacredheartblfd.org](mailto:lbrinegar@sacredheartblfd.org)



We have raised \$28,641

We have surpassed our goal of \$24,620!

Thanks everyone for your generous donations!

Please continue to donate if you can!

Weekly Donations	Weekend Jul 6-7	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Envelopes	4,296.00	136,415.10	119,400.00
Maintenance	117.00	1,819.00	2,800.00
Loose Offertory	458.00	12,273.00	12,800.00
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 4,871.00</b>	<b>\$150,507.10</b>	<b>\$ 135,000.00</b>
Food Pantry	680.00	14,798.00	0.00
Attendance:	6pm: 35	9am: 107	



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### What is the Anointing of the Sick?

Illness, suffering, and death are some of the greatest problems we face as humans. In the Anointing of the Sick, God offers us grace to strengthen us in illness and the priest can pray with us on behalf of the Church, in the midst of our suffering.

[What is the Anointing of the Sick? - Unit 20 | Anointing of the Sick - FORMED](#)

### IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY AND A PRIEST IS NEEDED, PLEASE CALL:

Parish Office (304) 327-5623

Princeton Office (304) 425-3664

**In case of serious or life-threatening sickness or the actively dying:** {Please consider, with Fr. Sebastian out of town, it will take longer to contact a priest. Please call the church office as soon as you can} The church should be contacted as soon as possible. People deserve the opportunity to confess their sins, profess their faith, be anointed, and receive Holy Communion – the foretaste and pledge of eternal life. PLEASE don't wait until after the person is unconscious or so sedated that he or she cannot communicate. It is imperative with current situations, that there be enough time for Fr. to go through the appropriate protocol to visit the actively dying.

**In case of illness:** Please call the parish office to let us know if you, a family member, or a parishioner is sick. We can place your name on the prayer list. If requested, Fr Sebastian will arrange for distributing Holy Communion in the home.

**Nursing homes & Hospitals:** are not permitted to contact the church. If someone you know is in the hospital, please call the church office.

# Dear Padre,

## *Does praying to the saints really do any good?*

Prayer can connect us, however mysteriously, to those who have gone before us in faith. If prayer can change people, opening them to God's grace and healing, then surely the saints and our deceased loved ones can facilitate similar healing from their communion at God's right hand. Such prayer also calls us, however subtly, to the central mystery that we also shall one day die and be a part of that communion. Thus, even as we seek the intercession of the saints for our earthly cares, such prayer reminds us that the fire of our own lives is being consumed daily, and that each of us will inevitably receive a call to death when it becomes God's will.

When Sr. Thea Bowman (1937–1990)—brilliant, creative, beautiful, and passionately alive—was diagnosed with cancer, she wondered how to pray. “I didn't know if I should pray for healing or death. Then, I found peace in praying for what my folks call ‘God's perfect will.’ As it evolved, my prayer became ‘Lord, let me live until I die.’ By that I mean I want to live, love, and serve fully until death comes. If that prayer is answered, I am able to truly live until I die. How long really doesn't matter.” ●



GERARD POTTEAUM

*The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org*

## **Do you have a question for the Padre?**

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
July 15	July 16	July 17	July 18	July 19	July 20	July 21
<i>St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Is 1:10–17 Mt 10:34–11:1	Is 7:1–9 Mt 11:20–24	Is 10:5–7, 13b–16 Mt 11:25–27	Is 26:7–9, 12, 16–19 Mt 11:28–30	Is 38:1–6, 21–22, 7–8 Mt 12:1–8	Mi 2:1–5 Mt 12:14–21	Jer 23:1–6 Eph 2:13–18 Mk 6:30–34



## **A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS**

*Jesus...makes [the disciples] see that the Christian journey is simply about changing hearts. One's own heart first all.... It is about learning to live differently, under a different law, with different rules. It is about turning from the path of selfishness, conflict, division, and superiority, and taking instead the path of life, generosity and love.*

HOMILY, ÑU GUAZÚ, ASUNCIÓN (PARAGUAY), JULY 12, 2015