



Food for the Journey

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

As the story is told, two men were talking about why they go or do not go to church every weekend. One argued why he no longer comes to Mass: “I went every Sunday for almost thirty years and I can’t remember a single sermon from all those years that I sat in a pew.” The other thought about that and then replied, “You know, my wife and I have been married for more than twenty-five years. Just about every day during those years my wife and I sat down and shared a meal at least twice a day. Now I can’t say that I remember more than one or two of those meals, but if we hadn’t sat down to share those meals every day, I don’t think we would still be married today.”

Surely there are many reasons why Catholics come

to the Eucharist each weekend. Some come for the homily, some for receiving holy Communion, others for the singing, and still others to be part of a faith community. For most, it is probably some of each. Yet behind all of it, though most might not think of saying so, is a commitment to be people of faith, to believe in the Lord Jesus, and to live as his disciples. It is the same commitment the Hebrews made in the desert in Exodus 24:3: “We will do everything that the LORD has told us.” Indeed, how long would we be believers and disciples of Jesus without being fed at his table? ●

Reflect

Why do you come to Mass each week?

[Jesus said,] “This is my
blood of the covenant, which
will be shed for many.”

MARK 14:24

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

1003 WYOMING ST, BLUEFIELD, WV 24701

JUNE 1 & 2, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 1- 6:00 PM

✠ **Bedford Baker** by Fred Butler & Deborah Garton

Sunday, June 2- 9:00 AM

✠ **Deceased Members of Sacred Heart**

Tuesday, June 4- Noon

✠ **Nancy Holbrook** by the Parish

Wednesday, June 5- 9:00 AM

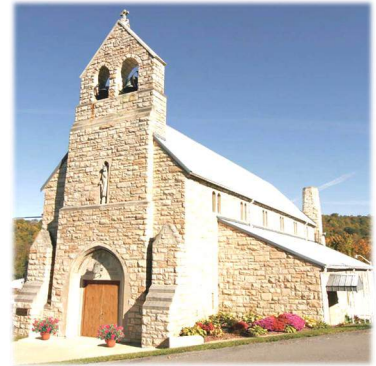
✠ **People of the Parish**

Saturday, June 8- 6:00 PM

✠ **Cathy Hedrick** by Feleesha Moran

Sunday, June 9- 9:00 AM

✠ **Pro Populo**



Office Hours: 304-327-5623

Monday- Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm

Friday 9:00am-12:00pm

Food Pantry Hours:

Wednesday 10:00am -2:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 2: Seminarian Ice Cream Social 6 pm

June 3: Seminarian Summer Talk Series 6 pm

June 7: First Friday Mass & Benediction 6 pm

June 8-9: Peter's Pence 2nd Collection

June 8-9: John Soplinski Presiding & Reception

June 9: Seminarian Summer Talk Series 6 pm

June 10: Knights of Columbus Meeting 7 pm

June 15: Women's Day of Recollection in Princeton

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

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

June 14~ Bluefield June 28~ Bluefield

June 21~ Princeton July 12~ Princeton

CHURCH STAFF

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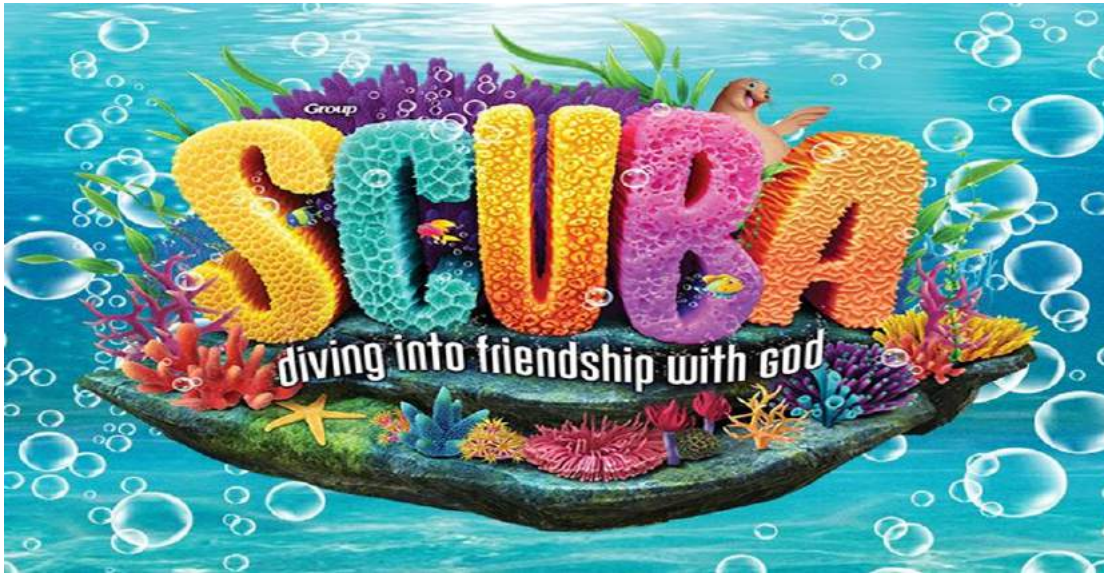
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To our non-Catholic friends, we extend a warm invitation to for you to come forward and receive a Blessing when our Catholic brothers and sisters come forward to receive Holy Communion. Please come up to the Priest or Eucharistic Minister with your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



The Best Time of the Summer!

**New Friends *Amazing Crafts *Creative Games
*Delicious Snacks *Surprising Video Adventures *Incredible Music*

Vacation Bible School 2024

Location: Sacred Heart Bluefield

VBS will last from: June 17 ~ 19

Monday & Tuesday ~ 6-8pm

Wednesday ~ 6-8:30pm

Each day's fun begins at 6:00pm in the lounge with Music and Snacks

We move to the School for Games, Video Adventures, and Crafts

Kids should be picked up in the school/gym each night.

Note: The last night will be extended until 8:30.

For more info or if you can help,

call: 304-327-5623 and ask for Julia

Or email: julia@sacredheartblfd.org

Registration forms are in the back of the Church

Quo Vadis Retreat

Middle School Discernment Retreat

Boys in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades are invited!

Noon on June 17
through 1pm on June 20

Priest Field Pastoral Center
Kearneysville, WV

Campers will enjoy outdoor activities including:

**Prayer • Kayaking • Discernment
Camp Fire • Games**

Opportunities for Charitable and Spiritual
Works of Mercy

The camp is staffed by laypeople, priests
and seminarians from the
Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.



To Register, scan the QR code or visit WVPriests.org



Join our

WEBSTER SPRINGS WORK CAMP

July 6-12

Ora et Labora: Prayer and Work
For Rising 10th Graders to
Seniors in College

For More info or to register, visit the
Parish Office or talk to Joe Derico
Requested \$50 donation-Scholarships
Available



Celebrate!

June 8-9, 2024

Fr. John Soplinski

Please join us on the weekend of June 8th and 9th to celebrate Deacon John Soplinski as he presides over Mass as a newly ordained priest! We will also be having a reception after 6pm Mass to congratulate John on his ordination.



RCIA

*The next RCIA Meeting will be
Wednesday, June 5th at 5:00 pm.*

**EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL REFLECTION
THIS WEEKEND WE WILL FOCUS ON...**



The Eucharist as Spiritual Food

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Jesus entrusted the ministry of reconciliation to the Church. The Sacrament of Penance is God's gift to us so that any sin committed after Baptism can be forgiven. Sacred Heart Church is increasing the opportunities to have reconciliation.

Fr. Sebastian will be available for Reconciliation

~Prior to the start of Saturday and Sunday Mass

~During Eucharistic Adoration

~By Appointment



SEMINARIAN ICE CREAM SOCIAL



JUNE 2

6PM IN LOUNGE

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE WELCOME OUR NEW SEMINARIAN JOE DERICO. JOE CURRENTLY ATTENDS ST. JOHN PAUL II SEMINARY AND IS FROM ST. PATRICK PARISH IN WESTON.

WE WILL HAVE ICE CREAM SUNDAES, BANANA SPLITS, HOTDOGS, AND MORE!



CRUSADERS YOUTH MINISTRY

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

June 2 – Join us to welcome Joe Derico our new seminarian at the ice cream social in the lounge at 6pm

June 17-19 – We will be volunteering to help with Vacation Bible School. Join us for a fun week!



Sacred Heart History Book

A NEW BOOK ABOUT THE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH IS BEING WRITTEN.

What are your favorite memories of our parish or school?
Please share them!

If you have photos (label date and people) or memories you would like to share, please email them to tbales54@gmail.com or give them to Theresa Bales at church.

Summer Talk Series by Seminarian Joe Derico

Don't miss out on the opportunity to expand your understanding of our Catholic Faith. Join us on Sunday, Monday or Tuesday in Bluefield or Princeton to uncover new insights and deepen your knowledge.

Sunday June 2 - 4:00 pm - Princeton
Monday, June 3 - 6:00 pm - Bluefield

Dei Verbum: Divine Revelation and Vatican II

Sunday, June 9 - 6:00 pm - Bluefield
Monday, June 10 - 6:00 pm - Princeton

Sacrosanctum Concillium: The Sacred Liturgy and Vatican II

Sunday, June 23 - 6:00 pm - Bluefield
Tuesday June 25 — 6:30 pm -Princeton

Gaudium et Spes: The Church in the Modern World and Vatican II

Sunday June 30 - 4:00 pm - Princeton
Monday, July 1 - 6:00 pm - Bluefield

Lumen Gentium: Go Forth Baptizing All Nations

Sunday July 14 — 4:00 pm - Princeton
Monday, July 15 - 6:00 pm - Bluefield

Confession: Receiving the Merciful Love of the Lord

Monday July 22 - 6:00 pm - Bluefield
Tuesday July 23— 6:30 pm -Princeton

The Virtue of Hope: “In You O Lord is Our Hope, and We Shall Not
Hope in Vain”



Reverence for Holy Communion

On this feast of Corpus Christi and as we conclude the Eucharistic Revival inaugurated by the United States Bishops Conference three years ago, it seems fitting to reflect upon the importance of the reverence that we show to the Blessed Sacrament.

Genuflecting to the Tabernacle & Preparation for Mass

We should genuflect to the tabernacle when we enter our pew before mass. This genuflection is made with the right knee touching the floor, and the back straight, so that we might gaze upon Him to whom we genuflect. It is also fitting that we kneel at least for a moment after having entered our pew, to prepare ourselves for the Holy Sacrifice. We ought to thank the Lord for allowing us to live another moment to witness this miracle yet again, and we should also thank Him for the many times when we have received Him before. A brief, but helpful formula might be, "Lord, help me to receive this communion as if it were my first communion, my last communion, my only communion."

Observing Silence in the Church

Once we enter the nave of the church (the part with pews), we should observe complete silence. Not even a whisper to our neighbors. We have entered into the throne room of the Lord, and we should treat it as such. Who, standing before any earthly King seated on his throne, would turn, and speak to his neighbor? So why would we do the same seated in front before the Lord who is the only king who actually matters?

The Reception of Holy Communion

We should receive Holy Communion with the utmost reverence. The Church permits three postures, and these postures alone. The first, is to receive while kneeling, and on the tongue. This has two advantages. 1.) Why would we not kneel in this deep moment of personal encounter with the Lord? If He is really who we claim Him to be, kneeling hardly seems reverent enough. 2.) Receiving Holy Communion on the tongue prevents particles from the precious body being profaned.

The second permitted posture is to receive the Eucharist standing, and on the tongue. This may be the best posture for those who are unable to kneel for health reasons. Still, it prevents the profanation of the Eucharist as efficaciously as possible.

Third, it is permitted to receive Holy Communion standing, and in the hand. When this is done, one hand should be placed below the other, and clearly extended, so that there is easy manner for the priest to place the Lord into your hands. Never should we grab the Sacred Host from the hands of the priest. Great care should be taken to ensure that no particles are left in the hand, lest the Lord be profaned.

Furthermore, if you are aware of any sin which you have not confessed, you should not receive Holy Communion, since doing so constitutes another mortal sin. If the sin which is not confessed is only a venial sin however, then it suffices to express sincere contrition during the penitential rite of the mass, since the reception of Holy Communion also remits venial sin.

Thanksgiving after Mass

We should make a brief thanksgiving after mass is over. Kneel in the pew and take a few moments to thank God for giving you the Eucharist. Thank Him for allowing you to witness this great miracle yet once more. Again, you should stand and leave in silence. Keep any conversation for the Narthex after mass. Genuflect to the Lord once more before you leave Him. St. Maximilian Kolbe said, "If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion." Let us receive the Lord as if we recognize the gift which he offers freely to us.

June Ministry Schedule

| Mass Date Time | Sacristan | Rosary Leader | Altar Servers | Lectors | Eucharistic Ministers | Hospitality | Collection Counters |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--|---------------------------|---|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sat. 6/1 6:00 pm Corpus Christi | T. Lowery | T. Lowery | A. Peretti E. Peretti T. Brown A. Froy D. Kelley P. Buenafe | F. Moran | 1.T. Hager 2.L. Mariotti 3.J. McCloud | The Pascasio's | R. Albert C. Albert |
| Sun. 6/2 9:00 am | Winfree's | A. Torrez | R. West K. Oakes R. Aiello H, Wills K. Wills | M. Rebuck A. Rebuck | 1.S. Copolo 2.C. Havens 3.K. Kirk | Randy Albert | |
| Sat. 6/8 6:00 pm | P. Peretti | F. Moran | D. Kelley | C. Saunders | 1.P. Peretti 2.F. Moran | John Monaco | D. Duritza R. Malamisura |
| Sun. 6/9 9:00 am | M. Malamisura | M. Malamisura | H. Wills K. Wills | T. Bales C. Ott | 1.T. Lampert 2.K. Kidd 3.A. Robinson | Bob Buzzo | |
| Sat. 6/15 6:00 pm | P. Buenafe | TBA | P. Buenafe | T. Behrmann | 1.T. Hager 2.A. Peretti 3.L. Mariotti | The Pascasio's | D. Shumate M. McCoy |
| Sun. 6/16 9:00 am | Winfree's | B. Musolin | C. Tran TBA | B. Buzzo R. Albert | 1.M. Malamisura 2.TBA 3.TBA | Steve Copolo | |
| Sat. 6/22 6:00 pm | P. Peretti | D. Garton | A. Peretti E. Peretti | TBA | 1.P. Peretti 2.C. Saunders 3.T. Hager | John Monaco | W. Aiello G. Aiello |
| Sun. 6/23 9:00 am | T. Lampert | T. Lampert | R. Aiello A. Zinsmeister | A. Torrez R. Ciccolini | 1.A. Robinson 2.W. Aiello 3.G. Aiello | Rocky Malamisura | |
| Sat. 6/29 6:00 PM | P. Buenafe | P. Buenafe | D. Kelley | T. Behrmann | 1.F. Moran 2.J. McCloud 3.T. Hager | The Pascasio's | TBA |
| Sun. 6/30 9:00 AM | M. Malamisura | M. Malamisura | T. Brown A. Froy | B. Musolin T. Bales | 1.K. Kirk 2.C. Havens 3.TBA | R. Ciccolini | |

Attention Parishioners

We have refreshed our prayer list, if there is anyone you would like to add to our new list, please call the parish office at 304-327-5623 or you may email Lucy at lbrinegar@sacredheartblfd.org

Sacred Heart Prayer List

Parishioners: George Bowling, Mary Bruch, Loretta Carrigan, Ron Ciccolini, Donella Crigger, Benny Disibbio, Angie Genovesi, Daniel Kirk, Claire Lampert, Tommie Jo Longworth, Claude Morgan, Sharon Rothausen

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: Teddy Bradshaw, Loretta Carrigan. Chuck Comer, Christina Easton, Fr. Chapin Engler, Jason Fortney, Steve Hamm, Yael Issacs, Sandy Kegley, Sherry Khatib, Family of Aiden Kinzer, Stan Lawson, Bob Mahood, Laura Lee Null, Christina Rochester, Leanna Smith, Larry Sarever, Cathleen Underwood, Debby VanBlaricom, Steve Vaught



| Weekly Collection | weekend May 25-26 | YTD Actual | YTD Budget |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Envelopes | 4,390.00 | 109,258.10 | 94,000.00 |
| Loose Offertory | 272.00 | 9,856.00 | 10,000.00 |
| Total Contributions | \$4,662.00 | \$119,114.10 | \$104,000.00 |
| Food Pantry | 200.00 | 12,354.00 | 0.00 |
| Dioc: Catholic Relief Services | 926.00 | 1,026.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Attendance: | 6pm: 51 | 11am: 96 | |

Catholic Sharing Appeal

We have raised \$26,966

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

Thanks everyone for your generous donations,

Please continue to donate if you can!



You Can Mail Your Donations To

Catholic Sharing Appeal
Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston
PO Box 230
Wheeling, WV 26003

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,

Do we need both bread and wine to receive Christ's Body and Blood? If I receive only the host—not the Precious Blood—am I participating fully in the Eucharist?

By only taking the host you are participating fully. And if you only drink from the chalice, you also are participating fully. Christ is always fully present in each form.

Many times, it is not possible to offer the chalice to a large congregation. There are also times when one cannot receive the host, especially a person who is very ill, and consuming the Precious Blood is easier.

In the Church's teaching on the Eucharist, we are invited to receive both. The *Eucharisticum Mysterium* (32) says it is especially fitting to receive Christ in both forms during the celebration of the Eucharist. This allows the Eucharist to appear more perfectly as a banquet, a feast that is a foretaste of the banquet that will be celebrated with Christ at the end of time when the kingdom of God is established in its fullness. In John 6, Jesus invites us to both eat and drink, so it is good to do both if you are able. If you aren't able, or if the chalice isn't offered at your church, you still participate fully by taking the host. Both forms are always present, because the priest must always receive both. ●



KYNA STUDIO / SHUTTERSTOCK

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSSR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
|---|---|---|--|--|--|---|
| June 3 <i>St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs</i> 2 Pt 1:2-7 Mk 12:1-12 | June 4 <i>Weekday</i> 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18 Mk 12:13-17 | June 5 <i>St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr</i> 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12 Mk 12:18-27 | June 6 <i>Weekday</i> 2 Tm 2:8-15 Mk 12:28-34 | June 7 <i>Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i> Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9 Eph 3:8-12, 14-19 Jn 19:31-37 | June 8 <i>Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 2 Tm 4:1-8 Lk 2:41-51 | June 9 <i>Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Gn 3:9-15 2 Cor 4:13-5:1 Mk 3:20-35 |



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

As we are nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ... we receive his love within us, not to hold it back selfishly, but rather to share it with others. This logic is inscribed in the Eucharist: we receive his love within us and we share it with others. This is the eucharistic logic.

ANGELUS, ROME, JUNE 3, 2018

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