



## Being Emptied

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

In his book *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*, Robert Fulghum lists those basic qualities that enable us to negotiate the rest of life somewhat successfully. It's what you might expect the curriculum of kindergarten to be about: being kind, saying you're sorry, getting along with others, and sharing. In short, what we learned in kindergarten is about putting others' needs ahead of our own comfort. It's a kind of emptying of our selfishness that seems to take place.

Unfortunately, the process isn't finished by the time we reach adulthood. We still tend to hoard, slam one another with insults, cheat in business, and neglect to apologize. In spite of that extended learning curve

that seems to take place, we slowly do take on those attitudes noted by Fulghum. Marriage can smooth our rough edges. Children's needs call for self-sacrifice. Aging tends to mellow us. And somewhere along the line we learn that talking things out works better than hitting.

Saint Paul encouraged the Philippians to take on the attitude of the Lord Jesus, who emptied himself for our sake. Still, I think much of that emptying takes place in us unconsciously. Some would say it is simply the process of life. Maybe, but then again it may be the gentle hand of God. Saint Teresa of Calcutta is said to have commented that even God can't fill what is already full. So then maybe that emptying is God's way of making room for God. ●



**Humbly regard others  
as more important  
than yourselves, each  
looking out not for his  
own interests, but [also]  
everyone for those of  
others.**

PHILIPPIANS 2:3B-4

### Reflect

*Since kindergarten, have you become better at putting others first? What do you still need to work on?*

# SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

1003 WYOMING ST, BLUEFIELD, WV 24701

SEPTEMBER 30 & OCTOBER 1, 2023

## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

### Saturday, September 30- 6:00 PM

† Deceased Members of Sacred Heart

### Sunday, October 1- 9:00 AM

† Deceased Members of Sacred Heart

### Tuesday, October 3- Noon

† Pete Bellini

### Wednesday, October 4- 9:00 AM

† Jack Asbury by Deborah Garton & Fred Butler

### Saturday, October 7- 6:00 PM

† Sandi Cook by Cathy & Carl Cook

### Sunday, October 8- 9:00 AM

† Deceased Members of Sacred Heart



*Just a gentle reminder that our daily Mass on Wednesdays has been changed to 9am. Please consider joining us.*

**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

**October 1:** Blessing of the Pets 2 PM

**October 1:** Handbell Choir Practice 4 PM

**October 4:** RCIA Meeting 5 PM

**October 6-8:** Deacon Soplinski & Seminarian Tupta Visit

**October 6:** First Friday Mass 6 PM

**October 7:** First Saturday Reconciliation 10-11 AM

**October 8:** Youth Ministry Meeting in Princeton 12:30 PM

**October 9-13:** No Mass -Fr. Sebastian Out of Town

**October 10:** St. Anne's Altar Society Meeting 11 AM

**October 12:** Security Meeting in Lounge 6 PM

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

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

October 13 - Bluefield

October 27- Bluefield

October 20- Princeton

November 10 - Princeton

## CHURCH STAFF

**PASTOR:** Very Rev. Sebastian E. Devasya, Assoc. V.E., V.F.  
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**Daily Living**  
with Fr. Chapin  
**October 5, 2023**  
**6:00 PM**

Sacred Heart Presents...  
**Fr. Chapin Engler**  
INSIGHTFUL DISCUSSION

Attendance is free.  
A contribution to Father Chapin's television ministry would be welcome.  
<https://mydailyliving.com/support/>

PRISON FELLOWSHIP  
**ANGEL TREE**

It is time for Angel Tree! This year we will be returning to the more traditional program for Angel Tree. There will be a tree in the church, parishioners can pick a child and purchase a present, and groups of volunteers will make sure the presents get delivered.

If you would like to volunteer to help with Angel Tree this year, Please call Barbara Musolin at 304-922-1934.

*Thank You*  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Sacred Heart Bluefield and Sacred Heart Princeton collected a combined **\$4,000** to help the United States' most impoverished parishes preach God's word through the mission of **Catholic Extension**. Thank you! **GENEROSITY IS LOVE IN ACTION**. Our parishes exemplify giving, love and generosity to those less fortunate, and Catholic Extension is a perfect vehicle for this purpose.

**CRUSADERS**  
**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**October 8th**- Youth ministry meeting at 12:30pm in the prayer garden at Princeton Sacred Heart. Lesson presented by seminarian Michael Tupta with a nacho bar and pumpkin carving.

**October 22nd**- Youth Sunday

*Sacred Heart Ornaments*

Perfect for Christmas to hang on the tree! Buy one for yourself or as a gift to family members and friends! These beautiful ornaments are an exact replica of our Sanctuary Altar at Sacred Heart!

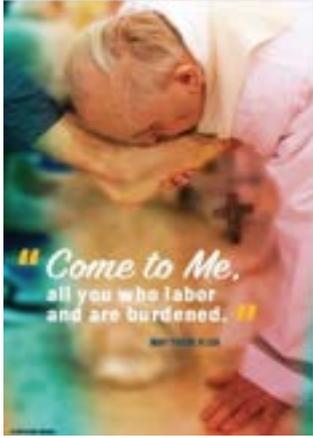
**The ornaments will be selling for \$20.00 each.**

There will be a sign-up sheet for orders in the back of the church. We will be selling them at Mass or you may call Ann Robinson at (304) 887-2421, Theresa Bales at (304) 920-8104, or the parish office to place your order.

**Submit Your Recipes**

**We have extended the timeline for collecting recipes for the Church Cookbook!** We are now collecting recipes for the **next 2 weeks!** Please donate as many recipes as you would like! there are recipe forms in the bulletin, in the back of the church, and in the parish office. You can drop your forms in the collection basket at mass, at the parish office, or you can email them to Cynthia Stacy at [cystacy0622@gmail.com](mailto:cystacy0622@gmail.com)

## FAITH FORMATION

*Faith Formation 2023 - 2024**Theme for 2023**"Come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened and I will refresh you."**Matthew 11:28***The schedule for September through January 2024:**

October 1, 8, 22 ~ Regular Sessions

October 15 ~ Rosary Lesson

October 29 ~ **VIRTUS Lesson** first part of class, **All teachers please be present.**

November 5, 12, 19 ~ Regular Sessions

November 26 ~ **NO** Faith Formation for Thanksgiving Holiday

December 3, 10 ~ Regular Sessions

December 17 ~ Practice for Christmas Eve Children's Mass in the Church

December 24 ~ Children to participate at 4pm Christmas Eve Mass

December 31 ~ **NO** Faith Formation for HolidayJanuary 7 ~ **NO** Faith Formation for Holiday

January 14, 21, 28 ~ Faith Formation Regular Sessions

Confirmation will be celebrated on November 19 at the 9am Mass. Please pray for our Confirmandi:  
Rhys Aiello, Madison Rebuck, Sophia Tran, and Keagan Wills.

## RCIA



*Walking the path as a Catholic is a lifelong commitment. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults or RCIA Team is seeking individuals interested in joining the Catholic faith. Come on a journey with us to Catholicism. RCIA is the process for welcoming new members. The next meeting is October 4 at 5pm in the School Building. The RCIA process allows you to journey through the full liturgical year and the timeline can vary from person to person as to the readiness of reception of the Sacraments of Initiation ~ Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. To learn more, please contact Barbara Musolin at 304-922-1934 or Julia at the parish office at 304-327-5623.*

## Eucharistic Revival Mass Reflections



This Weekend We Will Discuss: **Liturgy of the Eucharist: Part 1**



**PREPARATION OF  
THE GIFTS**



# SABIKA

## BINGO

**DOOR PRIZES 50/50 CONCESSIONS**  
*Games, funs, and jewelry*

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023**

PRINCETON SACRED HEART CHURCH  
507 HARRISON STREET, PRINCETON WV

EVENT OPENS: 1:00PM  
BINGO BEGINS: 2:00PM

Tickets can be purchased starting at 1:00pm for \$25  
Includes 16 games cards - Additional cards: \$5  
Seating is limited to the first 80  
Cover all cards: \$5 each or 3 for \$10  
Contact CCWVA at 304-425-4306



All proceeds benefit programs and services provided by Catholic Charities West Virginia's Southern Region.



## HANDBELL CHOIR

The Hand Bell Choir will begin rehearsals on Sunday, October 1 at 4pm. Future rehearsals will be on Sunday at the 4pm time slot. The Hand Bell ringers are seeking new members. If you interested in this wonderful music ministry, please contact Carol Asbury at 304-887-4707. No prior knowledge of ringing is required. Please consider joining!



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## October BIRTHDAYS

	Bobby Johns	9	Henry Ward	23
	Shannon Powe	9	Patricia Nester	24
	Chardy Staton	11	Ryleigh West	25
Melinda Fanning	Sue Richmond	12	Valerie Hager	26
Casi Noble	Marilyn McCoy	13	Mary Blevins	27
Terry Lampert	Michelle Bacho	14	Cyra Vagheei	27
Patsy Malamisura	Theresa Lewis	14	George Aiello	29
Dennis Tumbokon	James Valeyko	15	Ryan Albert	29
David Kelley	Courtney Hawkins	16	Stacey Wright	30
Sharon Rothausen	Linda Pendleton	18	Kathleen Blaydes	31
Stephanie Blevins	Gina Vescio	18	Kelly Bourne	31
Theresa Thomason	Tristan Brown	20	Jami Rust	31
Kimberlee Husband	Tess McCloud	21		
Rosalie Rocchetti	Gray Peretti	22		



## October ANNIVERSARIES

Tullio & Linda Ramella	10	Danny & Ann Robinson	21
Bob & Beth Staton	18	James And Donella Crigger	25

**October Ministry Schedule**

Mass Date & Time	Sacristan	Rosary Leader	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Hospitality	Collection Counters (Sundays)
Sat. 9/30 6:00 pm	Purita Buenafe	Purita Buenafe	David Kelley	Tom Behrmann	1.A. Peretti 2.F.Moran 3.T. Hager	John Monaco	Randy Albert Cindy Albert
Sun. 10/01 9:00 am	Greg & Callie Winfree	Anthony Torrez	Tristan Brown Antonio Froy	Randy Albert Theresia Bales	1.A. Robinson 2.C. Havens 3.K. Kirk	Steve Copolo	
Sat. 10/7 6:00 pm	Jean McCloud	Valerie Hager	Purita Buenafe	Tom Behrmann	1.J. McCloud 2.V. Hager 3.L. Mariotti	The Pascasio's	David Duritz Rocky Malamisura
Sun. 10/8 9:00 am	Mary Malamisura	Mary Malamisura	Kylie Oaks Ryleigh West	Carey Ott Anthony Torrez	1.C. Stacy 2.J. Stacy 3.M. Malamisura	Rocky Malamisura	
Sat. 10/14 6:00 pm	Patty Peretti	Purita Buenafe	Purita Buenafe	Feleesha Moran Anthony Peretti	1.P. Peretti 2.V. Hager 3.T. Hager	John Monaco	Delores Shumate Marilyn McCoy
Sun. 10/15 9:00 am	Terry Lampert	Terry Lampert	Hadley Wills Keagan Wills	Bob Buzzo Barbara Musolin	1.S. Copolo 2.K. Kidd 3.K. Kirk	Randy Albert	
Sat. 10/21 6:00 pm	Theresia Lowery	Theresia Lowery	David Kelley	Maria Zalduondo Anthony Peretti	1.L. Mariotti 2.TBA 3.P. Peretti	The Pascasio's	Wendi Aiello George Aiello
Sun. 10/22 9:00 am Youth Sunday	Greg & Callie Winfree	Anthony Torrez	Rhys Aiello Aiden Zinsmeister	Youth TBA	1.S. Copolo 2.W. Aiello 3.G. Aiello	Youth TBA	
Sat. 10/28 6:00 pm	Jean McCloud	Maria Zalduondo	Anthony Peretti Eli Peretti	Tom Behrmann Valerie Hager	1.J. McCloud 2.F. Moran 3.P. Peretti	John Monaco	Ron Ciccolini Bob Buzzo
Sun. 10/29 9:00 am	Mary Malamisura	Mary Malamisura	Ryleigh West Christine Tran	Ron Ciccolini Gene Abromitis	1.T. Lampert 2.K. Kidd 3.C. Havens	Bob Buzzo	



**Parishioners:** George Aiello Sr, Jeanne Ameli, Peggy Austin, John Babbitt, Mary Jo Babbitt, Stephanie Blevins, Richard Canterbury, Loretta Carrigan, Sherry Ciccolini, Ron Ciccolini, Tony Colobro, Victoria Crofcheck, Teresa Derenge, Fran Derenge, Alex and Joanne Ercoline, Debbie Ameli Froy, Angie Genovesi, Katie & Ron Goodwin, James (Tom) Hager, Mary Claire Keenan, Susan Kerr,

Daniel Kirk, Claire Lampert, Tracy Lyon, Harold Mabardy, Sue Mazol, Mary McGonagle, Aalannah McPeak, Feleesha & Patrick Moran, Shane Neal, Jacob Nester, Patricia Nester, Ernesto Pascasio, Barbara Pickett, Nancy Pochick, Nancy & Dr. Anthony Rasi, Jerry Rasi, Kathy Richards, Rosalie Rocchetti, Sharon Rothausen, Rodney & Jami Rust, Mariam Salaita, Virginia Shumate, Wayne Shumate, Ann Switch, Laura Zande Taylor, Stella Mae Taylor, Joe Thomas, Jason and Clay Thomason, Theresa Thomason, Larry Zande Jr., Patricia & Larry Zande Sr., Kara Zande and Analeigh Dawn, Joan Zingale

**Homebound Parishioners:** Linda Angelelli, Joy Formica, Patsy Malamisura, Dolores Pritchett, Mitzi Romeo, Theresa Soulis

**Friends & Family:** Betty Akers, Andrew Arczynski, Sandy Arczynski, Jim Archer, Jeffery Arkland, Tim Arnold, Jack Asbury, Jonathon Bays, Robert Below, Maggie Blankenship, Cara Blankenship, Amanda Bolton, Vanessa Boyer, Teddy Bradshaw, Chris Buckner, Melissa Carnett, Zac Carter, Sandy Cassidy, Michelle Coker, Chuck Comer, Jimmy Coplo, Lisa Dalton, Barry Dinger, Kim Duesing, Christina Easton, Mike Farmer, Cathy Feather, Tina Fitzgerald, Phil Gesotti, Larry Gilliam, Mary and Colin Gillespie, Vincent Godfrey, Dr. James Godwin, DDS, Skip Harless, Becky Harris, Gary Haynes, Owen Hime, Claire Holt, Alpha Jean Holly, Shannon Honaker, Madilyn Humphreys, Josh Husband, Trish Johnson, Cyndi Jones, Joseph Justin, Sherry Khatib, Sandy Kegley, Melonie Koch, Charlotte Kohlmeyer, Zoe Kotsko, Michael Kovach, Eddie Lanter, Dawn Lawless, Stan Lawson, James & Pam Linkous, John Paul Lovell, Jaysen Marshall, Jacob and Tara Matney Andy McKoy, Brandon McKoy, Linda Meadows, Chase Miller, Kim & Doug Miller, Scott Morris, Jacob Morton, Helen Mullins, Jane Murphy, Ane Montarroyos, Bobby Neal, Shane Neal, Jonny Phillips, Annette Pike, Thomas Presley Sr., William Ray, Brian Richard, Roy Rogers, Mayra Rolon, Charles Rose, Barbara Sadler, Brittany Scott, Courtney Shade, Devin Shamro, Raymond Shumate, Leanna Smith, Bryan Statn, Adam Stuart, Laurie Stuart, Robert Shade, Ellie Spencer, Teresa Taylor, Jim Thompson, Evelyn Turnbough, Sarah Turner, Cathleen Underwood, Debby VanBlaricom, Jane Walthall, Charlotte Woolwine



**CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL**

**Church Goal: \$25,340**

**Amount Raised: \$63,584**

**251% of our Goal!**

WEEKLY DONATIONS	weekend Sept 23-24	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Envelopes	3,617.00	167,811.90	183,000.00
Loose Offertory	323.00	16,142.60	14,500.00
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 3,940.00</b>	<b>\$ 183,954.50</b>	<b>\$ 197,500.00</b>
Faith Formation	70.00	315.87	500.00
Food Pantry	485.00	29,676.35	0.00
Dioc: Catholic University	518.00	643.00	0.00
Dioc: CSA Parish	2,000.00	43,400.00	0.00
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>6pm: 38</b>	<b>9am: 101</b>	

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

**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,

**Where does Church teaching on angels come from? Where did we get their division into classes and the concept of the guardian angel?**

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states that the existence of angels is "a truth of faith" known in both Scripture and Tradition (CCC 328). Here is an ancient definition: An angel is a mighty, concentrated personality standing in God's presence, ready to do his bidding instantly.

Jesus famously speaks of what we take to be the guardian angels of children. He says the angels of these children always look on the face of God (see Matthew 18:10). Angels took care of Jesus (see Matthew 4:11).

The Church understands angels to be spirits. Angel means "messenger," and angels are servants of God. Different classes of angels are mentioned in the Bible (for example, Ephesians 1:21 and 3:10, and Colossians 1:16). We speak of Michael, Raphael, and Gabriel as archangels because the jobs God gave them to do were so important.

The Church holds that Satan is a fallen angel (CCC 391). Jesus tells us Satan "was a murderer from the beginning and does not stand in truth, because there is no truth in him" (John 8:44). ●



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
October 2	October 3	October 4	October 5	October 6	October 7	October 8
<i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>St. Francis of Assisi</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	<i>Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Zec 8:1-8	Zec 8:20-23	Neh 2:1-8	Neh 8:1-4a,	Bar 1:15-22	Bar 4:5-12,	Is 5:1-7
Mt 18:1-5, 10	Lk 9:51-56	Lk 9:57-62	5-6, 7b-12	Lk 10:13-16	27-29	Phil 4:6-9
			Lk 10:1-12		Lk 10:17-24	Mt 21:33-43



## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

**Today let us look at our hands, so often empty of love, and let us try to think of some free gift that we can give without expecting anything in return. That will please the Lord. And let us ask him: "Lord, let me rediscover the joy of giving."**

**HOMILY, ROME, JANUARY 6, 2018**