

What more could be
done for my vineyard
that I did not do?

ISAIAH 5:4

When God Daydreamed Us

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

At the end of the Broadway musical *Camelot*, King Arthur finds himself confronted by the fact that his dream of the Round Table and justice for all has died without having borne the fruit he had hoped. A young boy, Tom of Warwick, comes up to him asking if he might be dubbed a knight. Arthur does so, and then commissions him to go forth and tell the story of Camelot to everyone he meets, all with the hope that someone someday will dare to try again to create a world with equal justice for all.

We all live with dreams of what we might be, of what life might be. They seldom turn out the way we had imagined, yet what would life be without such dreams. They push us into new futures. They create hope and new possibilities. They bring meaning to our lives.

The parable of the landowner and his vineyard is really a story of God and the dream God has for us. It is a story of how God withholds nothing from caring for his vineyard that it might bear fruit, that is, from trying to make his dream for us a reality, even to the point of giving his Son over to that dream.

Dreams never come easy. If they did, they would not be dreams. It was so for those who founded this nation in 1776. It is so for parents with dreams for their children. It is so as well for God, who dreams dreams for us in Jesus. ●

Reflect

Do the dreams you have for your life and the lives of your children reflect God's dreams for you?

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

1003 WYOMING ST, BLUEFIELD, WV 24701

OCTOBER 7 & 8, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 7- 6:00 PM

✠ Sandi Cook by Cathy & Carl Cook

Sunday, October 8- 9:00 AM

✠ Deceased Members of Sacred Heart

Tuesday, October 10- Noon

✠ Deceased Members of Sacred Heart

Wednesday, October 11- 9:00 AM

✠ Deceased Members of Sacred Heart

Saturday, October 14- 6:00 PM

Seminiarian Michael Tupta by The Pascasio Family

Sunday, October 15- 9:00 AM

✠ Mary & Bill Albert by The Albert's



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 9: Knights of Columbus Meeting 7 PM

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

October 11: RCIA Meeting 5 PM in School Building

October 12: Security Meeting in Lounge 6 PM

October 18-19: NO MASS -Fr. attending PACE conference

October 19: PPC Meeting 6 PM

October 21-22: World Mission Collection

October 22: Youth Sunday

October 23: Knights of Columbus Meeting 7 PM

October 25: Finance Council Meeting 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

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The Hand Bell Choir will be meeting this Sunday, October 8 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!



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

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**. In an amazing coincidence, Catholic Extension received a triple matching challenge fund which **automatically turned our \$4,000 contribution into a \$12,000 gift!!** 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.



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 week! 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

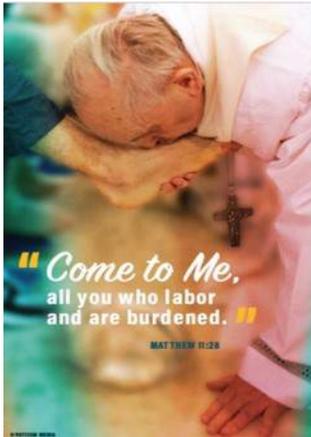
FAITH FORMATION

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 8, 22 ~ Regular Sessions
- October 15 ~ Rosary Lesson
- October 29 ~ **VIRTUS Lesson** first part of class, **All teachers please be present.**
- November 5, 12, ~ Regular Sessions
- November 19 ~ **NO** faith formation for Confirmation Sunday
- 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 Holiday
- January 7 ~ **NO** Faith Formation for Holiday

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



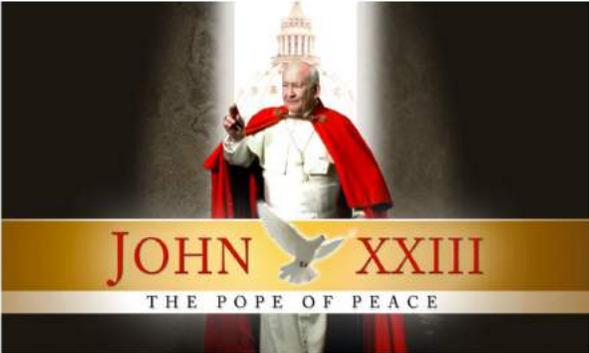
Walking the path as a Catholic is a lifelong commitment. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults or RCIA Team is seeking individuals interested in joining the Catholic faith. Come on a journey with us to Catholicism. RCIA is the process for welcoming new members. The next meeting is October 11 at 5pm in the school. 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.

≡ Welcome ≡




PLEASE WELCOME BACK TO SACRED HEART DEACON JOHN SOPLINSKI AND SEMINIARIAN MICHAEL TUPTA WHO WILL BE VISITING THIS WEEKEND, OCTOBER 6-8TH.

FORMED THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.



JOHN XXIII
THE POPE OF PEACE

John XXIII: The Pope of Peace

This movie tells the life story of John XXIII from his youth through his young priesthood, episcopacy, life as cardinal, and eventually his life as pope. Elected supposedly as an "interim Pope" who would just keep the status quo and listen to the advisers around him, John XXIII proved to be his own man when he surprised the Church and world by calling for the Second Vatican Council.

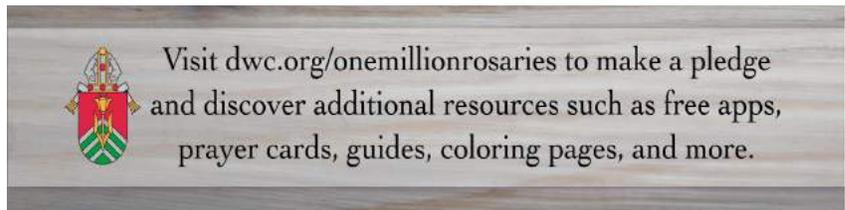
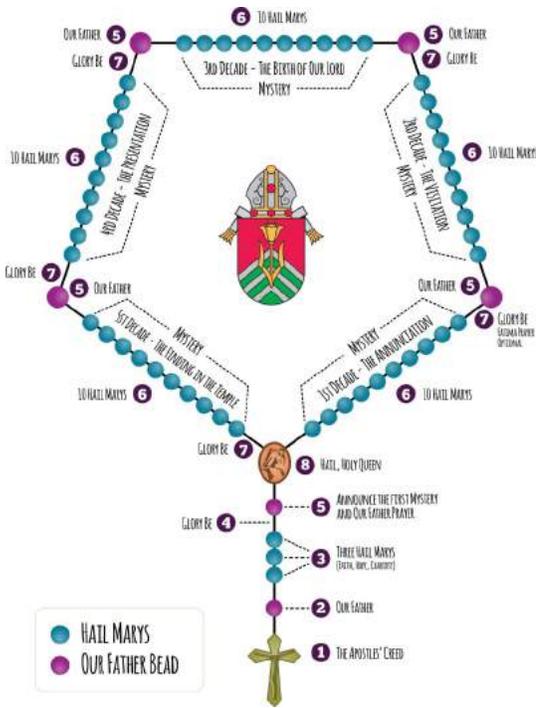
October is National Rosary Month

October is designated by the Catholic Church as the “Month of the Rosary” because in this month the Church celebrates the Marian advocacy of “Our Lady of the Rosary” on October 7.

Pope Pius IX declares, “Among all the devotions approved by the Church, none has been so favored by so many miracles as the rosary devotion.”

Will you be a part of the movement in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to pray one million rosaries for vocations between the Feast of the Assumption on August 15th to the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on Oct. 7th?

In WV we have 66,925 Catholics. We have 24 Catholic schools with nearly 5,000 students and staff; 110 priests; 12 religious communities of priests; five religious brothers; three religious communities of brothers; 82 religious women; 21 religious communities of sisters; 50 permanent deacons; 92 parishes; 20 missions; 18 chapels; 7,665 PSR/ CCD students; five assisted living/nursing homes; nine Campus Ministries; and a strong community of Catholic organizations like Knights of Columbus, Serra Club, Rosary Altar Societies, etc. Together we can reach our goal of one million rosaries and increase vocations for our diocese through the intercession of Mary through the Rosary.



Food Pantry Report for September 2023

Date	Adults over 18	Children under 18	Total Clients	New Families	Clothing	Hygiene Products	Total # of Distributions
6-Sep	142	39	181	7	492	229	76
13-Sep	119	29	148	1	174	195	73
20-Sep	203	75	278	6	503	458	113
27-Sep	154	84	238	13	374	154	92
Monthly Totals	618	227	845	27	1543	1036	354
Y-T-D Distribution	5334	2115	7433	205	10696	8851	3042



Join us for

**SACRED HEART AUTUMN FESTIVAL
&
COVERED DISH DINNER**

MUSIC • GAMES • FOOD • PRIZES

Saturday, October 28

7:00 pm * School Gym

Bring a dish to feed 10-12 people

Costume Contest for Adults & Children

Pumpkin Decorating Contest

Cake Walks

Games & Delicious Food





Congratulations!

On the New Babies at Sacred Heart

Elise Marie Austin

Daughter of Brandon & Krystin Austin

Grandparents ~ Lane & Peggy Austin and Michelle Bourdua

Sister ~ Claire

Born July 18, 2023

Alexandria Kate Wright

Daughter of Charles & Stacey Wright

Grandparents ~ Greg & Laura Rogers and Lisa Wright

Brother ~ Kaiden and Sister ~ Charlotte

Born September 19, 2023

Michael Carl Rebuck III

Son of Michael & Ashley Rebuck

Grandparents ~ Debbie Rebuck and Joel Hammond

Sisters ~ Madison and Molly

Born September 28, 2023

May the Lord Bless You and Keep You Always!

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

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504.





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, Barbara Polatz, 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: \$64,159

253% of our Goal!

Weekly Collection	Sept 30 - Oct 1 Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Envelopes	4,221.00	172,032.90	186,600.00
Loose Offertory	300.00	16,442.60	14,800.00
Total Contributions	\$ 4,521.00	\$ 188,475.50	\$ 201,400.00
Food Pantry	505.00	30,181.35	0.00
Dioc: Catholic University	30.00	673.00	0.00
Auth Missions: Srs of	2,262.00	2,262.00	0.00
Attendance	6pm: 50	9am: 79	

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,

How is an icon different from a regular painting of a saint?

Generally, *icon* means a symbol or image. In the Church, it refers to an image depicting Bible stories or holy people. "Icons express in images the same Gospel message that Scripture communicates by words" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1160).

Even though an icon is an image created with paints, icons are written, not painted. Icon writing, called iconography, is a vocation as well as a talent. The difference between a painter and an iconographer is that iconographers follow strict rules and standards set forth in Eastern Church canon law and Christian tradition. Rooted in God's word, icons are rich in symbolism. The colors, gestures, and shapes speak spiritually to invite us to pray and worship.

Icons can be written on almost any surface, but historically most were written on wood and had a gold-leaf background. One example of this type of icon is Our Mother of Perpetual Help, which is believed to have been written in the fifteenth century. Pope Pius IX gave it to the Redemptorists in 1865, telling the order to "make her known throughout the world." It now hangs in the Church of Sant' Alfonso in Rome.

To see the original icon in real time and learn more about icons, please visit omphicon.org. ●



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Discernment...involves hard work....We do not find set before us, prepackaged, the life we are to live. No! We have to decide it all the time, according to the reality that comes. God invites us to evaluate and choose: He created us free and wants us to exercise our freedom. Therefore, discerning is demanding.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, AUGUST 31, 2022



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MONDAY

October 9

Weekday

Jon 1:1–2:2, 11

Lk 10:25–37

TUESDAY

October 10

Weekday

Jon 3:1–10

Lk 10:38–42

WEDNESDAY

October 11

Weekday

Jon 4:1–11

Lk 11:1–4

THURSDAY

October 12

Weekday

Mal 3:13–20b

Lk 11:5–13

FRIDAY

October 13

Weekday

Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2

Lk 11:15–26

SATURDAY

October 14

Weekday

Jl 4:12–21

Lk 11:27–28

SUNDAY

October 15

Twenty-eighth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Is 25:6–10a

Phil 4:12–14, 19–20

Mt 22:1–14 or 22:1–10

Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

Since 1964, the Redemptorists' *Scrupulous Anonymous* free monthly newsletter has ministered compassionately to those struggling with scrupulosity. To subscribe, visit ScrupulousAnonymous.org.