St. Patrick's Church

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April 13th, 2025

Palm Sunday



Meditation on Holy Week

Now we enter the holiest part of Lent. The Church has prepared us step by step for this sacred experience. A steady crescendo in the liturgy has been taking place since Ash Wednesday. Each week the sound rose higher, and louder. Although Mother Church often spoke about the Cross and the resurrection, she did so in veiled signs and figures, as if she feared exposing a most precious object to profane eyes. Not until this moment does she remove the curtain. Now we see the Holy of Holies; and more than that, we are asked to participate in the most sublime drama of religious history.

The greatest and holiest of weeks is about to begin. We should not call it a week of mourning, for Cross and resurrection are inseparable. Christ's redemptive work did not end with death, it continues on in the victory of His resurrection. Therefore, we must not separate the passion from the resurrection, but rather regard the Cross as the way to Easter victory.

The liturgy does not make this week one of sorrowful lamentation or tearful sympathizing with our suffering Lord. That was the medieval approach. No, through the whole week there runs a note of victory and joy, a realization that Christ's sacred passion was a prerequisite to Easter glory. We cannot understand the Church's liturgy unless we keep this in mind.

There is no day in the entire coming week when the theme of Easter and victory does not resound loud and clear. Think only of Palm Sunday with its homage to the King; of Holy Thursday with its solemn Mass and consecration of the Holy Oils; of Good Friday with the solemn exaltation of the Cross; of Holy Saturday, the beginning of the Easter solemnities.

Four days take on special importance, viz., Palm Sunday and the sacred Triduum. The remaining three days, Monday through Wednesday, do not differ radically from other days in Passiontide. Palm Sunday may be called the golden gateway leading to the holy mysteries of Easter.

—Dr. Pius Parsch, The Church's Year of Grace: Septuagesima to Holy Saturday

WEEKLY BULLETINS VIA E-MAIL

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH, WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

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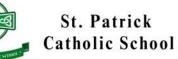
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Mass Schedule

Monday - 8:15 p.m. Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday - 6:00 p.m. Thursday - 8:15 a.m. Friday - 8:15 a.m. Saturday Vigil - 5:30 p.m. Sunday- 10:30 a.m.

(See the Weekly Schedule for changes to Mass times or location!)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday & Wednesday: 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Saturday: 5:00 - 5:20 p.m. Sunday: 10:00 - 10:20 a.m.

Adoration

Tuesday & Wednesday - 5 - 5:45 p.m. (During Lent - Adoration begins at 1pm on Wednesdays.)

Sacrament of the Sick & Last Rites

The anointing of the sick is administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness, especially near the time of death. It is most likely one of the last sacraments one will receive.

Please call the parish office to schedule or if you are in danger of death, please call 304-691-0537

Protecting God's Children

St. Patrick Church takes seriously this 'VIRTUS' pursuit of excellence in our community. With the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, we are committed to making every environment — a safe environment. All employees and volunteers are required to complete VIRTUS Training. Participants of this training complete short video modules to learn how to best protect the vulnerable in our community. These short sessions empower participants to accurately identify and correctly report all instances of suspected child abuse. To create or update your account, please go to **virtusonline.org**.

Thank you for your continued support in making the environment at St. Patrick Church and school safe for everyone.

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. In addition to civil 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; Sr. Martha Gomez, ext. 264. Or you may call Rev. Don Higgs, 304.685.2367, the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504, or Victims Assistance Coordinator Erin McFarland at 304.559.6742. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

"Forward, always forward, everywhere forward! We must not be held back by debts, bad years or by difficulties of the times. Man's adversity is God's opportunity."

Archbishop Boniface Wimmer, O. S. B.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 12, 2025	5:30 PM	Mass for the People of the Parish
Sunday, April 13, 2025	10:30 AM	Mass for †John Butcher by Mary Lynn Catsam
Monday, April 14, 2025	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday, April 15, 2025	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday, April 16, 2025	6:00 PM	Mass for †Jim Hill by the Bell Choir.
Thursday, April 17, 2025	6:00 PM	Mass for †Mr. & Mrs. John (Rosalee) Jordan Jr.
Friday, April 18, 2025	6:00 PM	Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord
Saturday, April 19, 2025	7:30 PM	Mass for †Veronica Brumley by Cathy & Chad Mezera
Sunday, April 20, 2025	8:30 AM	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10:30 AM	Mass for †Betty Heavner by Nicholas and April Cutright

Prayer List

Those who are sick: Vicki Almase, Heman Ayala, Jill Balser, Cyndee Becker, Bill Bennett, Tim Bennett, Dan Brannon, Jamie Breen, Pam Campbell, Margaret Carr, Jody Craig, Ron Cullen, Brad Curtis, Bonnie Detamore, John Determan, Libby Ferrell, Sara Ferrell, Charles Frame, Katie Frazer, Jeff Garton, Marsha Garton, Dave Gissy, Coretta Jefferson, Ellen Ketron, Shawn Keyser, Pat Kiddy, Dave King, Bernadette Law, David Lewis, Catherine Lipps, Rochelle Long, Matt McCauley, James McClain, Robert McClain, Lisa Marlow, Jennifer Hubbs Morris, Sara Murray, Judy Nicholas, Sue Nutter, Amy Price, Raylee Rahming, Brenda Riley, Dan Rittenhouse, Cody and Lindsey Skinner, Mary Smith, Rob Snuffer, Micki Snyder, Terry Sprouse, Tammy Stalnaker, Tom Stark, Marge Tierney, Diane Walker, Jane White, Kyle Wilkinson

Those who have died: May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

All Veterans, and Military Personnel:

Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

All seminarians: Especially Joe Derico, and Bryan Tedeschi

Former priests and religious of and from our parish

Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.

All struggling with infertility.

To add or remove names to the prayer list, please call or email Sandy at the parish office!



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CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO SPONSOR THE SANCTUARY LAMP FOR A TWO WEEK PERIOD!



The sanctuary lamp is burning in memory of Paul Derico, April 5 - 19, 2025.

Attendance & Collections			
Saturday	119		
Sunday	205		
Total	324		
Saturday	\$1977		
Sunday	\$765		
Mail/Drop Box	\$2525		
Total	\$5267		
School	\$230		
Votives	\$101		
Maintenance	\$150		
Loan	\$		
Organ	\$80		
Wesbanco Balance	\$39,344.89		
Organ Loan Balance	\$63,964.22		



CSA 2025

Goal \$24,400 Raised \$1300 5%

Letus Pray.

show me how to give generously, pray purposefully, and serve joyfully for a purpose greater than myself.

Amen.

Invitation to the Sacrament of Penance & Reconcilliation

"Neither will I condemn you. Go your way and from now on sin no more." These are the words spoken by Jesus Christ, God, to the woman caught committing serious sin. Even to the thief on the cross, Jesus said: "This day thou shalt be with Me in paradise."

No matter how deeply we have fallen into sin, we should never fear God because He is our Father Who knows our weaknesses but loves us without limit. Never fear any priest in the confessional as he is God's representative placed there to help us, and he, too, is a sinner in need of God's mercy.

If it is a long time since your last confession, if there are some sins that you don't know how to confess or are afraid to tell the priest, if you are mixed up about past confessions or if you have any questions or problems, ask the priest in the confessional to help you.

DON'T POSTPONE YOUR CONFESSION. THAT NEVER SOLVES ANYTHING.

Join us for our annual penance service, Spy Wednesday beginning at 5:00 PM with guest priest, Father Maghsoudi. (Confessions will be heard before, during, and after Mass)

Simple Examination of Conscience

- 1. Do I love God above all else? Do I put anything ahead of Him: money, power, sex? Blamed Him when I was dissatisfied?
- 2. Have I sworn falsely? Used profanity?
- 3. Have I attended Mass on Sunday? Prayed often?
- 4. Do I respect my parents and all in authority?
- 5. Been critical of them? Do I support my parents if they need it?
- 6. Have I injured or endangered anyone by anger, drunkenness or carelessness? Have I used drugs or alcohol to excess?

- 7. Have I been pure in thought, word and deed? Faithful to my marriage vows? Watched pornography? Used contraception? Had an abortion?
- 8. Advised, procured or participated in an abortion?
- 9. Have I stolen? Damaged property? Given to the Church?
- 10. Have I lied about anyone? Gossiped? Damaged anyone's reputation?
- 11. Have I been jealous or envious? Been mean or petty toward those who have more than I?
- 12. Have I respected the marriage bonds of others even in my thoughts?

How to Go to Confession

- 1. Pray to the Holy Spirit for assistance. Prayerfully examine your conscience and write your sins down on a piece of paper.
- *Enter the confessional and kneel on the kneeler or sit in the chair available*
- 3. Father will greet you and say, "Let us begin in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit"
 Make the sign of the cross
- 4. Say: "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been ____ since my last confession"
- 5.*Read the sins on your paper*
- 6. When you are finished, say "For these sins, I am truly sorry."
- 7. Listen to any advice Father may give you and pay attention to the penance.
- 8. When Father says, "Now make a good act of contrition," Say, "Oh my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended thee and I detest all of my sins because I dread the loss of heaven and the pains of hell, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen"
- 9. Father will absolve you of your sins when he says, "God, the Father of mercies, through the death and resurrection of His Son has reconciled the world to Himself and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins; Through the ministry of the Church, may God give you pardon and peace, and I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."
- Father will then say, "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good." at which you respond, "His mercy endures forever."
- 11. The priest then concludes by saying, "Your sins are forgiven. Go in peace." and you respond, "Thanks be to God."
- 12. *Exit the confessional, go to your pew and immediately pray your penance.*

Holy Week

Spy Wednesday

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 12:30 PM
ADORATION 1:00-5:45 PM

PENANCE SERVICE @ 5:00 PM

MASS 6:00 PM

Maundy Thursday

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER 6:00 PM

NIGHT WATCH ADORATION
IMMEDIATELY AFTER MASS UNTIL 10:00 PM

Good Friday

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 3:00 PM CONFESSIONS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

LITURGY OF THE PASSION 6:00 PM

Holy Saturday

EASTER VIGIL MASS 7:30 PM NO CONFESSIONS BEFORE MASS

Easter Sunday

EASTER MASS 8:30 AM NO CONFESSIONS BEFORE MASS

EASTER MASS 10:30 AM CONFESSIONS BEFORE MASS

Catechumans & Candidates are in the Home Stretch!

Just two weeks before their official entrance into full communion with the Catholic Church, the Catechumens & Candidates were formally welcomed by Father Ondeck and the parish community during Sunday Mass. Afterwards, participants spent some quality time with their sponsors/godparents by sharing a delicious meal at Stillwaters.

Pray for our Catechumens & Candidates as they approach the sacraments this Easter.





























JOE'S CANDIDACY MASS







































1st Grade Egg-citement!





















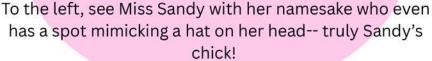




Upon emerging from their eggs, the chicks of Mrs. Moody's class first sight was of the beaming faces of children who have eagerly anticipated their arrival.



Students enjoyed holding and caring for their new little friends.







One Mission, One Day – Support St. Patrick School!

St. Patrick School is participating in One Mission One Day to raise funds for a brandnew reading curriculum to better serve our students! Your support will help us build
stronger readers and brighter futures. Donations can be made by cash or check (made
out to St. Patrick School) from now until May 6th or can give online at:
www.onemissiononeday.org/organizations/st-patrick-s-catholic-school from April 29th to
May 6th ONLY!

Thank you for supporting Catholic education and helping us grow!



Kindergarten Germ Unit













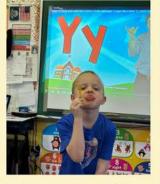


Kindergarten began a germ unit where they will observe what happens to bread after it has come into contact with particular germs such as those found on student's hands, crayons, and even from a cough. Wash up, kids!

Letter Show-and-Tell





















YOUR INPUT MATTERS

2025 Community Health

Needs Assessment

- WVU Medicine United Hospital Center (UHC) is conducting a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) to identify top health priorities.
- As an important member of the community, your thoughts on local health issues are essential for UHC to build a system that provides benefit to our service area.





For more information or questions about the 2025 CHNA in this region, please contact John at john.nardelli@wvumedicine.org.



Your input matters!

Camp Carlo 2025!

June 29th – July 5th – High School Week July 6th – July 12th – Catch All Week #1 July 13th – July 19th – Catch All Week #2 July 20th – July 26th – Catch All Week #3

High School week is for rising 9th through 12th graders and Catch-All Weeks are for any campers entering 3rd - 12th grade.

Register today at www.campcarlowv.org or scan the QR code!



Scholarships Available!

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month





Increase awareness, communicate concerns, report abuse, and save lives

It is up to us as caring adults and parents, all of us, to identify risks, and to guide and protect the most vulnerable. Together, we can do this!

Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist

It's undeniably a breathtaking sight to see a group of religious sisters in habits join us for Sunday Mass at St. Patrick's Church. These Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist stopped by on their way home from leading a talk for young women at St. Johns University Parish.

Have you talked to any young women in your life about discerning the call to religious life? Mother Theresa said: "If the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church, then the prayers of her nuns are the sunlight she needs to grow."

Pray for more religious vocations.



Who are the Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist?

We're Dominican

We are a recent addition to the ancient Dominican Order founded by St. Dominic in the 13th century. In the spirit of the founder, we prioritize evangelization, common life, cloister, times of silence, the choral Divine Office and daily Mass. As a visible sign of our commitment to our spiritual family, we wear the signature black and white habit of the Dominican Order.

We're Eucharistic

Each of our sisters begins her day with a visit to her Divine Spouse in Eucharistic Adoration and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. We also have periodic full days of adoration. Wherever we go, we are never far from the Bridegroom. He is present not only in the chapel of our Motherhouse, but also in the chapels of all of our mission houses.

We're Marian

No one was more faithful to Jesus than Mary. That is why we have taken her as our special patron. Every morning, we renew our consecration to her according to the method of St. Louis de Montfort. The Blessed Mother also inspires our call to spiritual motherhood, which we exercise especially by nurturing the minds and hearts of children in the classroom. We also seek to be spiritual mothers to priests by leading them to the Mother and encouraging them to carry the cross as Christ desires.

DONUT SUNDAY

JOIN US FOR DONUT SUNDAY ON SUNDAY, APRIL 13 SPONSORED BY THOSE COMING INTO THE CHURCH AT EASTER.

PLEASE STOP OVER TO MEET OUR CATECHUMENS AND CANDIDATES AND WELCOME THEM TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!



Come Pray with Us!

Scripture and Prayer Group Meeting: April 14th

What is this group? Well, it is a "revival" of the scripture prayer group that met once weekly up until Covid. In that peer-led group, folks discussed the upcoming Sunday readings and prayed together.

Our next meeting will be in the conference room in the Church Office/Convent on Monday April 14th after morning Mass (9:00). Everyone is welcome!

Holy Week Office Hours

Monday, April 14 - Wednesday, April 16 - 9-3 Thursday, April 17 - Wednesday, April 23 - Closed

Angotti Family Scholarship 2025

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Applications are being accepted for the Angotti family scholarship. To be considered for this scholarship the applicant must be either recently accepted into a college or university or currently enrolled and attending. Applicants must be members of St. Patrick. Application deadline is April 20, 2025.

Completed applications can be returned in the church collection basket or can be mailed to: St. Patrick Church, ATTN: Angotti Family Scholarship, 210 Center Ave., Weston, WV 26452.

Maundy Thursday Night Watch

The Night Watch is a biblical tradition where we reflect on Jesus's agony in the Garden of Gethsemane the night before His crucifixion. While undergoing this agony, he invited his disciples to watch and pray with him.

"...he said to them, "My soul is sorrowful even to death. Remain here and keep watch." -Mark 14:34

This Holy Thursday, the Lord invites us to keep watch and pray with Him in the Blessed Sacrament before Good Friday.

He will be exposed for adoration from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM.
All are encouraged to participate.

ON DECK

April 13 - 19 Holy Week

Sunday, April 13

10:30 a.m., Palm Sunday Donut Sunday

Monday, April 14

No Mass

Tuesday, April 15

No Adoration, Confession, or Mass

Wednesday, April 16

- 12:20 p.m., Stations of the Cross, upstairs students
- 1:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m., Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 5:00 p.m., Confessions
- · 6:00 p.m., Mass

Thursday, April 17

- 6:00 p.m., Mass of the Lord's Supper
- 7:00 p.m. 10:00p.m., Adoration

Friday, April 18

- · 3:00 p.m., Stations pf the Cross
- · Confessions immediately after.
- 6:00 p.m., Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, April 19

7:30 p.m., The Easter Vigil
Please enter the church in silence.

April 20

- 8:30 a.m., Mass (NO confessions before this Mass.)
- 10:30 a.m., Mass 9 (Confessions at the usual time.)
- · Angotti Family Scholarship deadline.

May 3

First Communion Retreat, morning, cafeteria

May 4

First Communion

First Communion Reception, cafeteria

Wednesday, May 28

5:30 p.m., Confirmation Mass

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