

# Blessed Sacrament Parish

## September 10, 2017

*We, Blessed Sacrament Parish, Are a Christ-Centered Community,  
Committed to Worship the Father, Committed to Respond to the Spirit's Gifts,  
Committed to Loving Service to All God's People*

*Nosotros, la Parroquia del Santísimo Sacramento, Somos una Comunidad Centrada en Cristo,  
Comprometidos a Adorar al Padre, Comprometidos a Responder a los Dones del Espíritu Santo,  
Comprometidos en el Servicio Amoroso a Todo el Pueblo de Dios*

### We Remember in Our Prayers:

Sal Ambrosio, KB, Toni Bowers, Bill Breese, Bobbi Lee Casey, Jim Cavanaugh, Elizabeth Coleman, Jim Conrad, Matthew Crabtree, Rhonda Crede, Jody DeBias, David Divita, Karol Dunford, Patty Farry, Mary Ann Gargarella, Patty Geissinger, Roger Green, Kathleen Groom, Ann Henderson, Betty Hines, Mike Howard, John Lynch, Louann Lynch-Kelley, Alec Mansfield, Alex Mansfield, Jr., Libby McGinn, Missy Mowrer, Clara Reynolds, Phyllis Safreed, Mary Ann Shear, Michelle Smith, Gary Sutton, Tim Wells, Jr., Sandy Wheeler and Lily Woolwine.

### Many Thanks to the Good Stewards of God's Grace!

- who facilitated and participated in our Pastoral Council meeting on Monday!
- who participated in the choir and instrumental rehearsal on Thursday!
- who have offered support and encouragement to Nicholas Taylor!
- who bring their young children to church and share them around!
- who assist with child care in our nursery!
- who provide sweet refreshments after each 9am Mass!



Thank you to everyone who is helping us with the death of our son David, praying for his family, and lighting his way and ours.  
Don and Susan Churchill

### **PARISH PICNIC NEXT SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17 !!**

Our annual celebration of our community will be held at Shawnee Park in Institute. It begins at 11:00am with an outdoor Mass. If possible, please bring portable chairs (*bring an extra if you can, too!*) or a blanket to put on the grass. If you need directions to the park, please reply to this email. Please note the change in our Mass schedule for September 17. There WILL be a 5:30pm Mass in our church as usual on Saturday evening. There will be NO Masses in our church on Sunday morning.

**New Adult Faith Formation Opportunity!**  
**First and Third Tuesdays, 7:00—8:30pm**  
**Start Date: October 3 in Conference Room**  
**Catholic Social Teachings & Justice Issues**

Rick Brennan will lead a discussion of the book, [A Concise Guide to Catholic Social Teaching](#) by Kevin E. McKenna. All are welcome to attend. Please contact the office if childcare would be helpful.

**Another Special Parents Night Out Is Coming!**  
**Saturday, September 23, 5:00—9:00pm**

Parents, treat yourselves to a special night out and let your parish family provide the babysitting! Drop your children off any time between 5:00-9:00pm and we will treat them to crafts, games, snacks, etc. Reservations are preferred and can be made with Jeanne Haas at 304-744-5523 or [haasjeanne@hotmail.com](mailto:haasjeanne@hotmail.com) or sign up in the gathering space.

**Many adult and teen volunteers needed!** You will assist with babysitting, craft-making, games, etc. Any time you can give during the evening would be very helpful. Community service credit can be given. Please contact Jeanne Haas by texting 304-382-2631 or emailing [haasjeanne@hotmail.com](mailto:haasjeanne@hotmail.com)

**The Blessing Cup—Make One for Your Home!**



*The blessing cup is part of an old Jewish custom which has been incorporated into our modern day celebration of the Eucharist. Used as a symbol in a household, the blessing cup can become a sign of togetherness and a means to strengthen the lives in the home. Through its use, the hopes, fears, joys, and sorrows can be expressed in a simple, yet profound way.*

Every household is invited to make a Blessing Cup at a gathering on Sunday, October 15 at 3:00pm in the parish hall. The Pottery Place will be here to assist us in making a Blessing Cup to use in prayer in our homes. Ways to prayerfully use this special symbol to celebrate birthdays, achievements, First Communions, holy days and holidays, etc. will be shared. One Blessing Cup per household and Advanced Reservations are required at [haasjeanne@hotmail.com](mailto:haasjeanne@hotmail.com) or 304.744.5523 or sign up in the gathering space.

## **Basketball**

We would like to know what level of interest our younger parishioners have in playing basketball on a Blessed Sacrament team, and whether we have any parishioners interested in coaching and/or organizing our Blessed Sacrament basketball teams. If you or your family members would like to be involved with a team, please show your interest by noting your information on the sign-up sheets in the gathering space.

We will gather this information through Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. For more information, contact CB Bragg 304-542-9128 or [cbragg1975@icloud.com](mailto:cbragg1975@icloud.com)

If there is not enough interest to field teams – don't despair! We will share contact information with would-be players so they can find teams that need more members.

## **Help Wanted - Teens!**

If you are a middle school or high school student, we can use your help at the parish picnic on Sunday, September 17. As always, there will be games, face painting, hair spraying etc. This is where your help is needed - to work with these things at the picnic. Activities will begin once people have finished their meals. Not only will you be providing a great service to our parish family, but this will also count for community service hours with your school - so bring your form if you have one. And, so that we will be ready for the "crowds," all game workers will go through the food line first. If you can help out, please e-mail Jeanne Jarrett at [jarrett104@aol.com](mailto:jarrett104@aol.com) before the picnic.

## **CYO Youth Leadership Council Meeting**

This Sunday, September 10 at 1:00pm in Room 5 – all interested youth and adult welcome!

## **Special Collection – Diocesan Scholarship Association THIS WEEKEND**

This weekend our collection baskets will be passed only once to receive both our regular parish support and special donations to provide funding for WV pastors to recommend their parishioners who attend Wheeling Jesuit University to receive small scholarships. There is a special envelope in our packets. All checks for the special collection should be payable to Blessed Sacrament Church with "DSA" on the memo line.

## **Special Collection – to Help Houston-Area Flood Victims NEXT WEEKEND**

### **A Letter from our Bishop**

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I have asked all parishes and missions in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to take a second collection during all liturgies on the weekend of September 16-17, 2017, to support recovery efforts related to the historic flooding that has struck in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey. Proceeds from this collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and will provide pastoral support and rebuilding assistance to impacted dioceses through the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

As we hold the victims and first responders in our prayers during these critical days, let us also spend time in prayer and discernment as we prepare for this upcoming collection. As we know from our own experience, it is the poor and the very poor that will suffer the most and are least able to rebuild their lives. I have witnessed many times the generosity of the faithful of our diocese as we come together to help our own families in need. Let us come together now to support our brothers and sisters in Christ who are suffering this horrible loss.

For those who wish to make a gift now, you may contribute online at <https://catholiccharitiesusa.org/>

Please remember in prayer those who have lost their lives as a result of this flooding, as well as all those who are injured and lost their homes, cars, employment, access to food and water and to those who remain without electricity or are stranded.

Entrusting you to the care of Our Lady, Help of Christians, I am,

Most Reverend Michael J. Bransfield, Bishop of Wheeling-Charleston

*Our collection baskets will be passed a second time at each Mass on Sep 16-17, including the parish picnic Mass at 11:00am at Shawnee Park. To have your donation recorded for tax purposes, please write a check payable to Blessed Sacrament Church with the memo "flood" or place cash in any envelope with your name and the word "flood" on the outside.*

### **Our Partners in Community Service**

Catholic Charities WV's Tools for School Supply Drive was a big success! The Western Region would like to thank you for donating items to the drive. Through the generosity of parishioners and community members, we collected 740 items and were able to donate supplies to students and children in need in Kanawha, Putnam, Cabell, Clay and Boone Counties.

Give Back with Outback Steakhouse – to benefit Manna Meal. Outback Steakhouse, located in the Charleston Town Center, will donate 15% of your check to Manna Meal on Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 10pm. Just let them know you are a supporter of Manna Meal.

2017 Kay Hall Hike for Hunger – to benefit Heart and Hand. This event will take place at Oakes Field in South Charleston on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> from 2 to 4pm. Registration forms for individuals (deadline September 15<sup>th</sup>) are on the credenza in the gathering space.

Heart & Hand Thrift Store – volunteers needed. Volunteers can help in a variety of ways at the store (corner of D Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue in South Charleston). Stop in during their store hours to see what needs to be done that day: Monday and Saturday from 10:00am – 3:00pm and Tuesday through Friday from 10:00am to 5:00pm.

Pedal with a Purpose – to benefit Faith in Action of the Kanawha Valley. Sign-up to experience a “mini-Zen” (20-minute) ride at Zenergy Cycling, located at 906 Walnut Road in Charleston (next to The Bistro) on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Net proceeds from registration fees and sponsorships will be donated to Faith in Action. To learn more call Zenergy Cycling, 681-265-9185, John McGarrity, 304-343-5219, or visit [www.flipcause.com/index.php/secure/cause\\_pdetails/MjExNzI=](http://www.flipcause.com/index.php/secure/cause_pdetails/MjExNzI=)

**Buckle Up Baby**



**Car Seat Drive**

**Throughout the month of September**

Sponsored by  
**The Gabriel Project of West Virginia**

**Seeking Donations of New Car Seats**

AND/OR

Make a cash, check, or credit card donation toward the purchase of a new car seat to keep babies safe on our highways.  
\$60 suggested donation, but any amount is welcome.

CONTRIBUTIONS ACCEPTED AT

**Metro Valley Gabriel Project Chapter**

Asbury United Methodist Church  
501 Elizabeth St., Charleston, WV 25311

**304-414-4666**

Cash contributions & donated items are tax deductible.



For 20 years The Gabriel Project of West Virginia has been making a difference in the lives of needy mothers and their babies with immediate, compassionate, and practical support.



## **Other Items of Interest**

The 4th Annual Charleston Rosary Rally will be held Saturday, October 7, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the St John XXIII Pastoral Center. Join us in praying the Holy Rosary with your friends from all our Charleston area parishes. The rally will be followed by a light reception. ALL ARE WELCOME!

### **Diocesan Job Opening: Director Of Curriculum And Instruction**

The Catholic Schools Office of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is currently accepting applications for the position of Director of Curriculum and Instruction, who will assist the Superintendent of Schools in all activities which monitor, support and evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of Diocesan schools. This position is based at Diocesan offices in Wheeling, West Virginia.

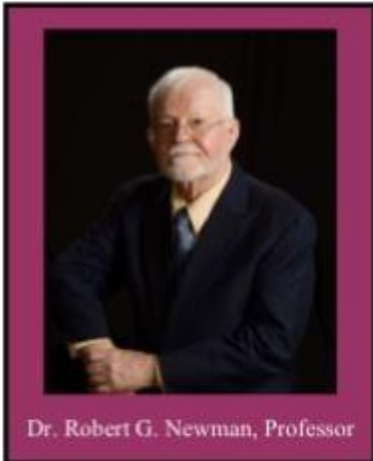
This position oversees curriculum and instruction issues in all Catholic schools, PK-12; manages the certification process for personnel; implements the standardized testing program for Catholic schools' students; collects and analyzes testing data; researches and studies education trends in curriculum development; and assists principals with local curriculum development. The successful candidate will also plan and execute the biennial teachers' conference and manage both the teacher evaluation and teacher mentoring processes. This position requires moderate travel as well as some work on evenings and weekends.

Qualifications include a Master's degree (MA) in education or a related field, five years of experience as a teacher and/or principal, a strong leadership, organizational and interpersonal communication skills; and the ability to organize, plan, think creatively, make decisions and administer programs. This employee must adhere to the teachings of the Catholic Church and be able to work collaboratively in a team environment.

Applicants may send a cover letter, resume and three professional references to the Human Resources Office, Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, P.O. Box 230, Wheeling WV 26003 or email the same to [bminor@dwc.org](mailto:bminor@dwc.org).

# Comparative Religions

with Dr. Robert G. Newman



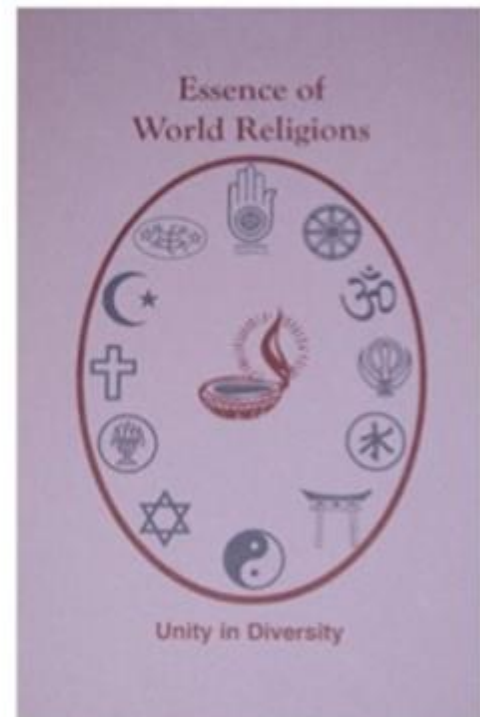
Join the Lay Academy as we begin our journey through the religions of the world and gain knowledge and understanding of our neighbors and their beliefs.

All Lay Academy classes are open to the public and free of charge for audit study.

This course is available for credit\* through the University of Charleston.

We will meet at 4:00 p.m. on Sundays from September 3, 2017– December 10, 2017 with the exclusion of October 15 and November 19 and 26. Class will be held in the Dining Room of the Activities building of First Presbyterian Church, 16 Leon Sullivan Way, Charleston, WV 25301.

**For more information, complete schedule, course syllabus or to register, please call the church office, 304-343-8961.**



The text book, *Essence of World Religion: Unity in Diversity*, by Pravin K. Shah, will be given free to all who register for this course.

\*If you choose to take this course for credit through the University of Charleston, you will need to register with the university. A tuition will be charge through the university. To register for credit, please call the University of Charleston Student Solutions Office at 304-357-4800.

### Editorial

In the edition of the TV program "60 minutes" to be aired this weekend, interviewer Charlie Rose speaks to Steve Bannon, former chief of strategy for President Trump and now back at his position with Breitbart News. The network showed a small portion of the interview (concerning the President's recent decision on DACA) ahead of time as a "teaser" and it provoked a lot of backlash. You can see the clip here: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KpwCsYe\\_BZA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KpwCsYe_BZA). I have transcribed the relevant portions of the interview below (any errors are my responsibility) because Bannon likely expresses a view of the U.S. Catholic bishops' teaching that others share but seldom articulate so boldly. I commend him for his candor. I invite all of us to consider this view carefully. JHF

*Charlie Rose:*

Can I remind you, a good Catholic, that Cardinal Dolan is opposed to what's happening with DACA. Cardinal Dolan.

*Steve Bannon:*

The bishops have been terrible about this. By the way, you know why? Because unable to really come to grips with the problems in the church they need illegal aliens. They need illegal aliens to fill the churches. That's obvious on the face of it. That why the entire Catholic bishops condemning... they have an economic interest in unlimited immigration, in unlimited illegal immigration.

CR: That's a tough thing to say about your church!

SB: As much as I respect Cardinal Dolan and the bishops on doctrine, this is not doctrine. This is not doctrine at all. I totally respect the pope and I totally respect the Catholic bishops and cardinals on doctrine. This is not doctrine. This is about the sovereignty of a nation. And in that regard, they're just another guy with an opinion.

*response from Cardinal Dolan*

<https://soundcloud.com/siriusxm-news-issues/cardinal-dolan-bannons-statement-was-preposterous>

### Helpful Information

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