

Blessed Sacrament Parish April 28, 2024



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.

Mass Times & Intentions

Day	Date	Time		Intention
Saturday	04/27	5:00 pm	+	John Lordan by Tom & Ruth Kirk
Sunday	04/28	9:00 am		The People of Our Parish
		11:30 am	+	Gilda Goulart by Ruth Odin
Monday	04/29			
Tuesday	04/30			
Wednesday	05/01	Noon		Blessings for Charlene Zimmerman
Thursday	05/02	Noon	+	John Johnson by John and Arlene Hanna
Friday	05/03	Noon	+	Rich Harris by Fr. Paul Wharton
Saturday	05/04	5:00pm	+	Toni Van Meter by Kathleen and Bob Groom
Sunday	05/05	9:00 am		People of Our Parish
		11:30 am	+	Patrick Burriss by Mary Burriss

We Remember in Our Prayers

Barbara Baldy, Barbara Breese, Bo Burdette, Elizabeth Coleman, Matthew Crabtree, Juanita Diehl Loretta DiGiorgi, Joe Eisel, Marietta Fenton, Bob Galloway, Dante Geronilla, Joe Gregg, Jane Ann Grishaber, Brad Grishaber Bob & Kathleen Groom, Mary Lou Hammock, John & Arlene Hanna, Gary Hoskins, Rob Hrezo, Claire Johnson, Anita Lorenzo, Bob Lucas, Linda Lynch,

Louann Lynch-Kelley, Sheila Kerns, Alec Mansfield, Keith Morgan, Diane Roberts, Bradley Smith, Pat Walker, Sandy Wheeler, and the Urecki family

Pray They Rest in Peace

Karen Bowling - a funeral will be held on Monday, April 29 with a visitation Sunday evening in Pineville. Fr. John has more details.



Helen Huzoski, mother of Charlie Wilson

Patrick Dever, brother of Jack Dever

Mary, sister of Ruth Conrad

This Week at Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, April 27

- Men's Bible Sharing- 9:00am, Room 5
- **Reconciliation** 4:00pm to 4:30pm in the Reconciliation Room

Sunday, April 28

- Faith Formation for Students 10:15am
- Blessed Sacrament Symposium The Problem and Mystery of Suffering III 10:15am

Monday, April 29

<u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 30</u> (The office is closed.)

• **BSP Lyres Club** – 5:30pm in the Sanctuary

Wednesday, May 01

- **Bible Study** 10:00am to 11:30am in Room 5
- **Bible Sharing** 6:30pm in Room 5 and Zoom

Study Guide: https://blessedsacramentwv.org/download/bible-share-05-01-24/?wpdmdl=1737&refresh=662adf5637e131714085718

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZ0lduisqD0sE923wHRoszXqNBSkCL57ORPg/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGhpjorHtKTthCORpx5Goj4d-jwpiFdj_oPzwjNMS9AeDvnGMBxOZFTRY

Thursday, May 02

- Youth Meeting 5:00pm 6:00pm in the Gathering Area
- **Bell Rehearsal** 6:00pm in the Sanctuary
- **Choir Rehearsal** 7:00pm in the Sanctuary

Friday, May 03

Saturday, May 04

- Men's Bible Sharing- 9:00am, Room 5
- **Reconciliation** 4:00pm to 4:30pm in the Reconciliation Room

Sunday, May 05

• Faith Formation for Students – 10:15am

Blessed Sacrament Parish Online Collection Basket

https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/bspwv



Thank you for your generosity.

Blessed Sacrament Symposium

On **Sunday, April 28 at 10:15 am** in the church and (hopefully online), The Mystery of Suffering and Evil, Part 3, will take place. The Panel will explore more two very helpful approaches to the question "Why do bad things happen to good people. There will be time for questions and comments. Molly Linehan-Belcher, Terry Matthias, Mary Odin, and Fr. Paul will present.

FYI latest from Fr. Chapin for his parishioners and others.

Here it is: Let me begin by simply saying how much I miss you all and appreciate the many cards and letters of support. And while I cannot respond to them all, please know that they make my heart smile. I began my chemotherapy treatment on Good Friday. The basic drill is one week of infusions. One week of getting sick. One week of recovering. And then the process repeats. I began my second infusion on Monday and as you hear this will be entering into the challenging week. But with your prayers will be followed by a week of recovery, and then a CT scan to show if the tumors have shrunk which I already know that they have because my persistent headaches that I have been having for the last six months have already dissipated. Again, testifying to the power of your prayers. I will have a third infusion, followed by a third week of sickness, followed by a third week of recovery, and then move into the second phase of radiation. The amount of radiation will depend on the size of the tumors. The most they will be is five weeks daily. And then I should be cancer free. Once again, I thank you all for your prayers. I know they are efficacious, and that the Lord is with me. I have come to understand that we are much closer to the will of God within suffering then pleasure simply because pleasure leads us to become attached to our own will.

Love you all

Father Chapin



From the Vocations Committee

Upcoming Seminarian Birthdays.

Birthday cards keep us connected, cards are a small gesture that make someone feel thought of in a way that email does not quite achieve. Please consider sending a card to:

Clifton Mastran (His birthday is May 1^{st)}
Pope St. John XXIII Seminary, 558 South Avenue, Weston, MA 02493

April 20 - May 5: Spring Food Drive for Good Shepherd Food Pantry, Coalburg

Our Spring food drive to fill the shelves in Coalburg begins this weekend. Crackers and soup, bags of rice and beans, boxes of cereal and cans of meat, peanut butter, etc. Small cans are especially appreciated, as many of the clients do not have transportation. Please bring your donations to the walkway between the gathering area and the parish hall.

ITEM		ITEM	SIZE
Can corn	16oz	Spaghetti sauce	43 oz
Can green beans	16oz	Spaghetti noodles	16 oz
Can mixed veggies	16oz	Can white potatoes	15 oz
Baked beans	16oz	Can tomatoes	14.5 oz
Fruit 1	15 oz	Vienna sausages	4.6 oz
Fruit 2	15 oz	Jello-any flavor	6 oz
Vegetable soup	10.5 oz	Cheerios	12 oz
Tomato soup	10.5 oz	Frosted Flakes	12 oz
Soup chicken noodle	10 ³ / ₄ oz	Baked beans	16 oz
Tuna	12 oz	Can pork and beans	16oz
Can chicken	10 oz	Pudding cups	
Crackers	1 lb	Raman noodles	3 oz
Pinto beans-dry	2 lb	Navy beans	1# or 2#
Mac and cheese	7.25 oz		
Peanut butter-creamy	16 oz		



Love to Cook? Angels for the Ailing needs your help.

We provide comfort by making and delivering food for those who are sick, recuperating, recovering from surgery, or adjusting to new life circumstances by providing loving service to God's people.

These meals are provided on a temporary basis and are not a long term commitment.

If you are interested in helping with this ministry please contact Anne Dever anneh.dever@gmail.com

HELP NEEDED FOR CARPENTRY PROJECT AT BLESSED SACRAMENT

Several members of the Parish Dismas Club have worked to clear out the old boiler room and reposition things like electrical boxes so that the space can be converted to a much-needed storage area. The floor of the boiler room is, unfortunately, well below the entrance to the room.

A project to place a wooden floor in the boiler room making it even with the entrance (kind of like a deck) is being planned for May 2, 3, 4, and 6th if needed (for you non-retirees note that the 4th is a Saturday). We would like to form a crew or crews (you don't need to commit to every day) to perform the work. Basic carpentry skills are a plus, but unskilled labor is also helpful.

We are also looking for volunteers to prepare lunch. If you can help please contact Ted Streit (ted@streitfamily.net); Terry Ricketts (terry.l.ricketts@gmail.com); or Don Becher (donbecher@gmail.com)





Please take home an easter kalanchoe (located in the south entrance).

Watering

As succulents, Kalanchoes need minimal water. Allow the soil to dry out completely between waterings, and then water deeply. Overwatering can lead to root rot, so it's important to avoid letting the plant sit in water.

Fertilizing

Kalanchoes are not heavy feeders and will thrive without any fertilizer. Should you choose to fertilize, use a balanced, water-soluble fertilizer diluted to half-strength during the summer growing season.

Pruning

Pruning isn't usually necessary, but deadheading spent flowers can encourage new blooms. You can also prune back leggy growth to maintain a compact, bushy shape. When grown indoors as a houseplant, most Kalanchoe remain around 12 inches tall.



"Many hands and cheerful hearts make light work."

We have many tasks to do that will benefit everyone and will take a little time if you volunteer to help us with them. We will post these tasks here and on a corkboard in the gathering area. Let Natalie know if you would like to help: 304-744-5523 or BSCCWV@gmail.com



A volunteer or volunteers to clean/straighten small kitchen at the end of the south hallway.

Several groups use a small kitchen near room 5 and the K-1 classroom. They do not always remember to put things away, wipe up spills, etc.

This job would involve putting away coffee urns and utensils in the drying rack by the sink, wiping the counter free of crumbs and coffee drips, and general loving care.

This would probably need to be done once a week, for about 30 minutes.

Please contact Mike in advance: 304-744-5523 or mikegranata3@gmail.com

Message Board



Changing the messages on our sign at the corner of E Street and 4th Avenue.

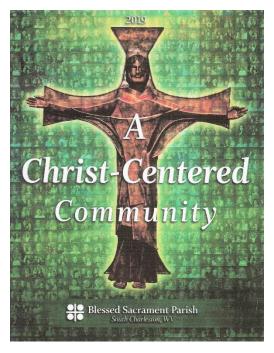
Time Requirement: 10 minutes – 1 hour Perhaps once a month



Drywall Repair

The drywall in the parish office is in need of repair after the wall paper was removed. Estimated repair time is about 1-2 hours. If interested please contact Mike in advance: 304-744-5523 or mikegranata3@gmail.com





New Pictorial Directory!

Look for information about this directory in the gathering space.

We are happy to tell you we are putting together a new pictorial directory for our parish. Once again, our parishioner (and professional photographer and graphic designer) Michael Switzer will take beautiful portraits and design the directory.

We hope to share not only contact information for everyone, but also share information about skills and hobbies (babysitting, lawn mowing, tax prep, etc.) and companies that our parishioners own, with everyone in our parish.

Each household with their portrait and contact information in the directory will receive a free directory. **

For this to be a useful guide for everyone, we need each person/household to try their best to:

- 1) Verify your contact information. More about this later. *
- 2) Have your portrait made or choose to reuse your portrait from the last pictorial directory.

We have a limited number of sessions available for having a new portrait made. Sign up soon! You will find sign-up sheets in the gathering area near the big windows.

The dates when new picture sessions are available:

May 28 - 30

June 2 - 4

June 16 - 18

If you would like to reuse the beautiful portrait Michael made for you in the last directory, let us know by noting your preference on the sign-up sheets by the big wooden doors in the gathering space. We have copies of pages from our prior directory there to help you in your decision.

* Next weekend - We do not have contact information forms and questionnaires ready for each household - yet!

This small packet will contain: 1) Your contact information and information about each member of your household - as appears in our records. Please correct/add/cross-out as needed so we have correct information. Place it in a special collection box in the gathering space.

There will also be a short questionnaire with questions about skills and hobbies you have and would like to share, businesses you own that you would like our parishioners to know about, etc.

** Also next weekend - we will share our idea for ads to help us cover the publishing cost of the directories.

If you are unable to come to church to sign up for a portrait session, or to pick up your packet of information, let us know: Please contact Natalie 304-744-5523 or email BSCCWV@gmail.com if you have any questions



Saint Zita of Lucca was a member of the Third Order of St Francis. Lucca is in Tuscany; and since the Third Order was widely propagated there after its founding, this holy servant girl of the thirteenth century would quite naturally join its ranks. Zita was born at the village of Monte Sagrati in 1218, at the time that St Francis was entering upon his career as a knight-errant of Christ. Her parents were poor, devout Christians; an older sister afterwards become a nun; and her uncle

Graziano was a saintly hermit. When she was twelve years old, Zita went to Lucca, eight miles from her home, to be a servant girl of the Fatinelli family which carried on a prosperous wool and silk weaving business; and she remained in their employ until she died forty-eight years later. . .

At the same time, she led a very prayerful and penitential life. She rose nightly for prayer; and daily she attended the first Mass in the adjacent church of San Frediano. The good food she received for herself she gave to the poor and lived on waste scraps or fasted. She wore only the poorest clothes and never put on shoes, even in winter. For some years Saint Zita had much to bear from her fellow servants, who despised her way of life and insulted her repeatedly. Though she performed her work faithfully, her employers too were prejudiced against her for a time and treated her as a common drudge. But in the spirit of the suffering Christ, she bore these trials without complaint and never lost her temper or peace of mind. . .

By her patience she gradually overcame all opposition and became the friend and advisor of the whole household, including the servants. Her master and mistress, realizing at last what a treasure they possessed in Zita, made her chief housekeeper and the children's nurse. . . This embarrassed her even more than the slights she had to bear during the earlier years. However, she fulfilled her duties so well that everyone fared so much better as a result. . . During the later years of her life, when she was relieved of much of the domestic work, she visited and helped the poor, the sick, and the prisoners to her heart's content. Absorbed in prayer, her eyes turned heavenward, and her hands crossed on her breast, she died on April 27, 1278, at the age of sixty.

source: https://www.roman-catholic-saints.com/saint-zita.html

Saint Zita is a Patron Saint of domestic workers, bakers, and lost keys.

Spiritual Icebreakers and Soup Starters 96

Icebreakers give us something to talk about. Soup starters make for a good beginning. Here is some spiritual kindling to use, think about, and pray with this week.

MYSTIC MORSELS

When people come to you for help, do not turn them off with pious words, saying: "Have faith and take your troubles to God!" Act instead as if there were no God, as though there were only one person in all the world who could help — only yourself.

- Martin Buber

Let the words of my mouth, the meditations of my heart and the actions of my life be as one, that I may live each day in harmony.

— Jennie Frost Butler

PRAYER

We cannot see you

and yet in so many ways we have seen you,

We cannot touch you

but we have experienced and felt you.

You have been in the full moon and the early morning mist,

the bright blue sky and the cool night air after a scorching day.

You are the rock that anchors us in uncertain times,

You are the hope that keeps us going on a road with few signposts,

You are the presence when we feel disoriented and estranged.

You are the compassion that knits us even to strangers,

You are the justice that tugs at our complacency,

You are the joy that unexpectedly overwhelms us,

You are the love that banishes all fear.

We praise you for revealing yourself to us in all these ways – and for Christ, your full revelation.

— Suellen Shay

POEM Why Do We Think We Understand

Why do we think we can understand, A God, who is infinite and bigger than our universe? Why do we think a God of love Could possibly reject those Who are flawed and imperfect In different ways than we are? We all fall short of the glory of God. We are all on a journey, towards the wholeness that God desires for us. There is nothing that can separate us, From the love of God. It is always above us, Beneath us, on right and on left Behind and before. God is always there. Loving, caring, drawing us close. The embrace of God is everywhere.

— Christine Sine

Walter's Poems

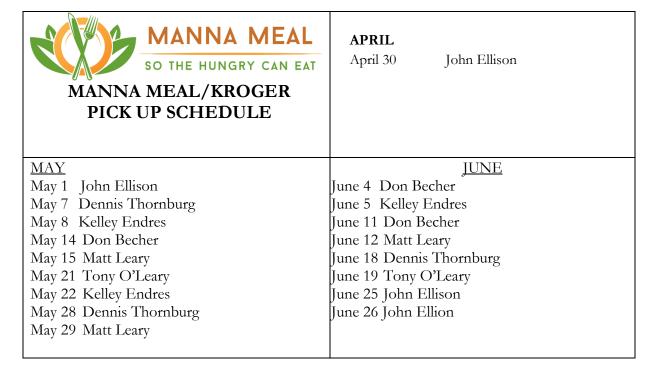
Water dish is full I cannot explain it but Your cup looks better

It's really simple: You indulge my every whim, I will sometimes purr.

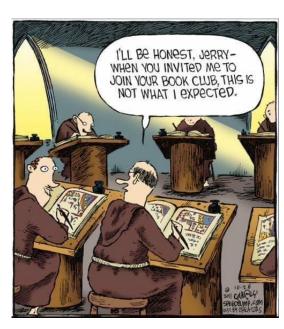


31 Club this week 31 Club members commit to praying for vocations one day each month.

Sun	04/28	Bernie Mabe / Lucy, Henry, & Katie Smithberger	
Mon	04/29	Irene Galloway / Therese Cox	
Tue	04/30	Jim Scharf / Jack Dever / Diane Lordan / Carla Stricker	
Wed	05/01	Mary Gargarella / Bev Schissler	
Thu	05/02	Joan Fernandes / John McGarrity	
Fri		Sister Frances Kirtley / Marla Weiner	
Sat		Missy Summey	







Liturgical Ministries – April 27 & 28

	5:00pm	9:00 am	11:30 am
Lectors	Geri Wright	Denise Burgess	Mary Pat Peck
Altar Servers	David Bowles Chip Counsil	Gary & Madison Ferrell	Eli & Nathanial Simonton
Cantors	Joe Deegan	Ryan Walter	Heather White
Communion Principal	Vince Stricker	Ted Streit	Rick Brennan
Chalice Minister	Anne Davis Ro DeBias	Chuck Wirts Jackie Aluise	Jo Midkiff Missy Summey
Communion to the Sick		Tom Aluise Susan Bowyer Laura Hayes	
Greeters/Ushers	Jeanne Haas Jamie Tridico	Sue Manahan Dan McLaughlin	T Champe Shelley Nason Anna Sites

Liturgical Ministries – May 04 & 05

	5:00pm	9:00 am	11:30 am
Lectors	Carla Stricker	Rory Isaac	Felix Maramba
Altar Servers	Chip Counsil David Bowles	Maureen Mathias Jackson Davis	Felix & Pippa Maramba
Cantors			
Communion Principal	Ro DeBias	Terry Mathias	Kathy Lester
Chalice Minister	Natalie Zellers David Lewia	Ofelia Duarte Rob Plutro	Jamie Knox Pam Counsil
Communion to the Sick		Molly Belcher Ann Bradley Missy Summey	
Greeters/Ushers	Pat & Mike Habenschuss	Brian Cornell Kelly Plutro	Mary Beth Abbott Anna Sites

Family Life Center Pantry

Open to all Parishioners in Need

In response to the challenges posed by the pandemic and other economic difficulties, we've established a pantry to support our parish communities. This initiative aims to address emergency needs and significantly impact lives within our area.

PANTRY **OFFERINGS**

- Emergency Food Supplies
 Home Care Essentials
- · Personal Care Items

OPERATING HOURS

- · Tuesdays: 10:00 AM 12:00 Noon
- · Wednesdays: 2:00 PM 4:00 PM
- · Thursdays: 5:00 PM 7:00 PM

LOCATION

1024 Quarrier Street Charleston, WV

SUPPORT OUR PANTRY

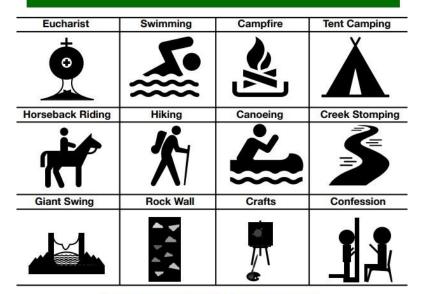
We encourage weekly/monthly donations of gift cards or monetary contributions to sustain our efforts. Please make checks payable to Blessed Sacrament Church (note: "Family Life Pantry" in the memo section). Your generosity helps us keep our shelves stocked.

Contact for Assistance or Volunteering: Tind Ramirez at (304) 552-3554





Camp Carlo



Interested in a Catholic Summer Camp?

Grow in your faith while having fun outdoors with LOTS of FUN ACTIVITIES! Register today at campcarlowv.org.

June 30th - July 6th July 7th - July 13th July 14th - July 20th July 21st - July 27th

Second Collections - cash, envelopes, or checks made out to Blessed Sacrament may be placed in a marked box in the Gathering Space.

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www.blessedsacramentwv.org

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Our parish office is open on Monday and Wednesday-Friday from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

The South entrance doors are unlocked during office hours. The North entrance doors are unlocked on days that there is a Mass.



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Parish Therapy Cat Walter Email: WalterCatechist@gmail.com			
Blessed Sacrament Parish Pastoral Council:			

Chip Counsil, facilitator; Jackson Davis, Anne Dever, Jack Dever, David Lewia, Molly Linehan-Belcher, Philip Maramba, Terry Mathias, Katie Smithberger, and Charlie Wilson



How to Report Suspected Cases of Sexual Abuse of Children

The Diocese encourages reporting to civil authorities first and foremost if a crime has been committed. 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, you may also report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel or volunteers of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, by contacting one of the Bishop's designees 1311 Byron St., PO Box 230, Wheeling, WV 26003 Fax: 304.233.4086 Phone 304.230.1504 at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: 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. You may also visit www.dwc.org, under "Accountability" for additional reporting mechanisms."