



Blessed Sacrament Parish

August 11, 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	08/10	5:00 pm	+	Sam Carcione by Ro DeBias
Sunday	08/11	9:00 am	+	Mary Spradlin by Mary Ann Johnson
		11:30 am		The People of Our Parish
Monday	08/12			
Tuesday	08/13			
Wednesday	08/14	Noon		Christopher Teufel by Joan Fernandes
Thursday	Holy Day of Obligation the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary			
Thursday	08/15	Noon 6:00pm	+	Fr Charles Teufel by Ron & Kay Teufel Kathy Wharton by Father Paul
Friday	08/16	Noon	+	Ernie Mowrer by Missy Mowrer
Saturday	08/17	5:00pm	+	Tim Wharton by the John & Mary Ellen Providenti
Sunday	08/18	9:00 am	+	Karen Bowling by Mary Ann Johnson
		11:30 am		The People of Our Parish

In Memoriam

Carla Stricker's stepmother, Marcella Corkrean
 Jerry Roy's brother, Paul Roy
 Valerie Rist's sister, Loretta DiGiorgi
 Ann Winton's sister, Pam Johnston

GOOD NEWS. Both entrances are now open. The little asbestos there has been removed. The air tests clean in the Old School. The installation of the new flooring begins on Monday, August 19. So, this coming week is an ideal time for **VOLUNTEERS** to **PAINT** the walls. Please call or email the office if you'd like to help Tom Sawyer paint.

The area is still off limits until the flooring has been installed.

Thursday Aug. 15 is the **FEAST** of the **ASSUMPTION** of the **BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**, a holy day when those who can are obliged to come to Mass. Mass will be at 12 and 6pm.

This Week at Blessed Sacrament

Hygiene Sunday Hotel-size items are very welcome. Home-size shampoos and body wash, non-alcoholic mouthwash, sanitary napkins, and deodorant are needed.

Blessing for students and educators

Saturday, August 10 -

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

Sunday, August 11

Monday, August 12

- **Pastoral Council** - 6:00pm to 8:00pm in the Parish Hall
- **OCIA Informal Session** – 6:00pm in the Gathering Space

Tuesday, August 13 (The office is closed.)

Wednesday, August 14

- **Bible Study** - 10:00am to 11:30am in Parish Hall
- **Bible Sharing** –<https://blessedsacramentwv.org/download/bible-share-08-14-24/?wpdmdl=2027&refresh=66b4aac39a77c1723116227>
Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85136740699?pwd=Q2pXLzdzZFdNNU1NajVpeEtKU0hJQT09>

Thursday, August 15

Friday, August 16

Second Collection for the Education of Seminarians

Saturday, August 17

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

Sunday, August 18

Blessed Sacrament Parish Online Collection Basket

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



Thank you for your generosity.



If you or someone you know are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church with the possibility of becoming Catholic (if so desired), please call or text Deacon Tommy Ross (304) 590-5003 or Fr. Paul Wharton (343) 433-7472. There is an informal get together for everyone interested on **Monday, August 12** at 6pm in the Parish Hall. Please use the entrance on the North Side of our facilities.

We Remember in Our Prayers

Mary Beth Abbot, Barbara Baldy, Barbara Breese, Bo Burdette, Genevieve Chmellik, 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, Linda Lynch, Louann Lynch-Kelley, Alec Mansfield, Keith Morgan, Diane Roberts, Bradley Smith, Pat Walker, Sandy Wheeler, Kevin Whelan and the Urecki family



Flooring Schedule

August 19th -New Flooring installation will start and run through September 9th. The Parish Business Office will continue to function from the Community Room until September 9th.

Sept 9th -Furnishing will be moved back from Parish Hall / Gym to old School and Offices.

Volunteers Needed for Painting and Organizing

In the coming weeks, we would greatly appreciate the support of volunteers to help with painting. Once the new flooring is installed, we will also need assistance in putting the rooms back together. You won't have to move anything back into the rooms; we simply need help unpacking boxes and organizing the spaces. Please see Natalie in the normal or temporary parish office once you arrive.

Thank You!

Below are some of the dates/times when we will need volunteers:

You are not volunteering for the whole period – only as long as you can.

Painting Prep (spackling, removing outlet covers, cutting in, sanding, etc.)

Monday, August 12 – 1:00pm – 7:00pm

Painting Prep (as needed)/Painting with rollers

Wednesday, August 13: 8:00am – Noon

Thursday, August 14: 1:00pm – 7:00pm

Friday, August 15: 8:00am – 3:00pm

An unpacking/organizing schedule will be shared soon.

Following all Masses on the weekend of August 24-25, there will be a discussion about the disillusion, disappointment, and disapproval with the scandals created by a small number of priests and the coverups undertaken by their bishops. In the Sunday gospel, as many disciples decide to abandon Jesus, he turns to the apostles and asks, “*Do you also want to leave?*” After each Mass this weekend, there will be an opportunity for comments, questions, and discussion. You can read the following article to help fuel the discussion. Besides Fr. Paul, one of our Deacons, and another person or two will acts as a panel and briefly share, “Why I am Still Catholic.”

- [LINK: <https://dwightlongenecker.com/for-those-who-are-angry-with-the-church/>]

Walter CATEchist at Work inspecting one of many boxes now in the Parish Hall. The Hall is being used for storage while flooring in the school is being removed and replaced. Your PATIENCE is both needed and appreciated.





SAINT OF THE WEEK :

Saint Maximilian Kolbe

August 14

The 47-year-old Franciscan Conventual priest St. Maximilian Kolbe volunteered to die in place of a stranger 80 years ago on August 14, at the German Nazi concentration and death camp of Auschwitz in Poland. St. Kolbe, the founder of the worldwide evangelization movement, Militia Immaculatae, and a missionary in Japan in the 1930s, faithfully followed the path of Christ’s sacrifice and His words in John’s Gospel: “No one has a greater love than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends”.

The priest was arrested in February 1941 on charges of aiding Jews and the Polish underground and was imprisoned in Warsaw. He was deported to the death camp of Auschwitz, Poland, where he was stripped of his Franciscan habit and assigned prisoner number 16670. He was forced to the most humiliating jobs, such as carrying dead bodies to the crematorium. Nevertheless, he continued his charity and priestly ministry, for which he was subjected to violent beatings by the guards.

However, things took a dramatic turn at the end of July 1941, when a prisoner escaped from Auschwitz. In retaliation, the deputy camp commander picked up 10 men to be starved to death in an underground bunker to deter further escape attempts. When one of the selected men, Franciszek Gajowniczek, cried out, “My wife! My children!”, Kolbe volunteered to die in his place, arguing he was a Catholic priest and older than Gajowniczek, 41. The deputy commander accepted the offer. St. Pope Paul VI, who described Kolbe as a “martyr of love”, said the priest offered his life in exchange for the life of a husband and father of 2 sons, who later recounted those dramatic moments. “Kolbe left the ranks, risking being killed on the spot, to ask the camp leader to replace me,” Gajowniczek said. “It was not conceivable that the proposal would be accepted, indeed much more likely that the priest was added to the ten selected to die of hunger and thirst together,” he added.

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2021-08/saint-maximilian-kolbe-martyr-august14-1941-80-years.html>

Saint Maximilian is a Patron Saint of amateur radio operators, drug addicts, political prisoners, families, journalists, and prisoners.

Spiritual Icebreakers and Soup Starters 111

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.

POEM

Take time to work, it is the price of success.
Take time to think, it is the source of power.
Take time to play, it is the secret of perpetual youth.
Take time to read, it is the fountain of wisdom.
Take time to be friendly, it is the road to happiness.
Take time to dream, it is hitching your wagon to a star.
Take time to look around, it is too short a day to be selfish.
Take time to laugh, it is the music of the soul.
— Author Unknown



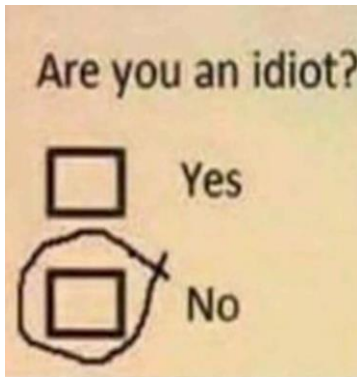
PRAYER

My Father in Heaven,
When I am discouraged, reveal how far I have come
When I am comfortable, convict me to press forward
When I am weak, bring attention to your sovereignty
When I am strong, expose my weaknesses
When I am tired, let me rest in your grace
When I am restless, light the path before me
When I am impatient, give me a Spirit of peace
When I am complacent, stir in me a love for others
Help me learn to live that I might always be...
...at least a little hungry
...at least a little thirsty
...at least a little tired
...at least a little hurt
...at least a little uncomfortable,
for then I might not take too much, nor deprive myself too severely
Let me learn to run at such a pace to finish, and not quit
Let me not stop, nor grow too weary
Let me walk with you, Jesus...
Divinely Discontent
— Yaholo

MYSTIC MORSELS

Since Christ Himself has said, 'This is My Body'
who shall dare to doubt that It is His Body?
— Saint Cyril of Jerusalem (c. 313-386)

The appearance of God is ineffable and indescribable,
and cannot be seen by eyes of flesh. For in
glory He is incomprehensible, in greatness
unfathomable,
in height inconceivable, in power incomparable,
in wisdom unrivaled, in goodness inimitable,
in kindness unutterable.
— Saint Theophilus of Antioch (Second Century)



A guy browses products at a farmers' market. In one corner, he sees an unassuming stand with just four apple seeds displayed on it. He asks the seller: "What are these?"

"Those are apple seeds, they're for intelligence. If you eat them you'll become smarter. These four are \$10."


Intrigued, the guy hands \$10, takes the seeds, and eats them. After just a few seconds he says, "Wait a minute, with \$10 I could've bought a whole bag of apples and get a lot more than four seeds!"

The seller replies "See? I told you! They're working! You are becoming smarter!"

Amazed, the guy says "Wow! That's amazing! Give me four more!"

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

Sun	08/11	Joe Deegan / Tony O'Leary
Mon	08/12	Nancy McLaughlin
Tue	08/13	Mike Granata
Wed	08/14	Shelley Nason / Kathy Pojman
Thu	08/15	Moon Musilli and Peg Musilli
Fri	08/16	Mary Odin / Connie Jarzynski / Theresa O'Leary / Pippa Maramba
Sat	08/17	Bowles Family

 <p>MANNA MEAL SO THE HUNGRY CAN EAT</p>	<p>AUGUST</p> <p>August 13 Tony O'Leary August 14 John Ellison August 20 Dennis Thornburg August 21 Kelley Endres August 27 Tony O'Leary August 28 Matt Leary</p>
<p>MANNA MEAL/KROGER PICK UP SCHEDULE</p>	

Key Blessed Sacrament Ministries for the Ailing

<p>Transportation Provide rides to and from church, as well as doctor's appointments.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">David Brown davarr@gmail.com Home: 681-265-1094 Cell: 681-264-0010</p>	<p>Angels for the Ailing Provides 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.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Anne Dever anneh.dever@gmail.com</p>	<p>Pastoral Needs: Confessions, anointing, counseling, home visits, etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pastor: Rev. Paul Wharton E-mail: pjw424@gmail.com Cell Phone: 304-433-7472 (For emergencies only after 8:00pm)</p>
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Liturgical Ministries – August 10 & 11

	5:00pm	9:00 am	11:30 am
Deacon	Tommy Ross	Tony O'Leary	Tony O'Leary
Lectors	Ro DiBias	Brian Caldwell	Tom McLane
Altar Servers	C Council W Stella	J Borman	F & P Maramba
Cantor			
Communion Principal	V Stricker	R Plutro	R Brennan
Eucharistic Ministers	D Lewia T Streit	B Sherrard C Wirts	Pat Garnet J Priestley
Communion to the Sick		D Elliott B Sherrard S Bowyer	
Greeters/Ushers	J Haas J Providenti	D Elliott P Cochran	K McNeil J Tridico

Liturgical Ministers for August 15

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

	Noon	6:00pm
Deacon		
Lectors	Carla Stricker	Pam Council
Altar Servers	TBD	TBD
Cantor	Patty Frame	Charlie Wilson
Communion Principal	Vince Stricker	Rick Brennan
Eucharistic Ministers	Missy Mowrer Ro DeBias	Missy Summey Carolyn Frye
Greeters/Ushers	John Providenti	David Lewia

Liturgical Ministries – August 17 & 18

	5:00pm	9:00 am	11:30 am
Deacon	Tony O'Leary	Tony O'Leary	Tony O'Leary
Lectors	J Priestley	M C Davis	K Lester
Altar Servers	R Brennan D Bowles	E & N Simonton	M Mathias
Cantors			
Communion Principal	Christine Fernandez	T Streit	
Eucharistic Ministers	M Mowrer B Frame	M Belcher A Bradley	R Brennan K Lester
Communion to the Sick		M Summey M Belcher A Bradley	
Greeters/Ushers	D Lewia J Providenti	N & D McLaughlin	R Norman S Nason T Champe



5 Keys to Monitoring Kids Online Activity

By Caitlin Bootsma

Technology is here to stay. Not only is it here to stay, it's everywhere! Televisions, mobile phones, iPads, interactive video games, smart watches, you name it and it's hooked up online.

The following are five starting points for guiding kids to use the internet and technology safely and well. Each family may come up with their own limits around technology use, but every family should think through how they want to approach these areas of monitoring online activity.

Use Protective Software: One of the most foundational things you can do to manage what your kids access online is accountability and filter software on all of your online devices. Systems like Covenant Eyes, Bark Home Web Filter, Circle, and options on your router or with your internet provider can help you not only limit what sites and apps kids access and when, but also allow you to see their online activity.

Share Passwords and "Friend" or follow Your Kids' Accounts: Many parents establish some ground rules when their kids are old enough to have their own email and social media accounts. These rules may include friending or following them so that you see what's happening on their pages and/or sharing passwords—though it's important to know that many platforms allow them to block some people from seeing everything. Other rules can include only connecting with people they know in real life and not sharing any personal information such as address, phone number, email, or banking information. You can go through their accounts with them to ensure they are as safe as possible.

Discuss Photo/Video Sharing: Photo/video sharing should only be done with people they know in real life. Let them know any images they choose to share remain online permanently, and that once they share a photo or video, they can't get it back. If anyone ever asks them to send photos or videos of a sexual nature, they should immediately inform a safe adult.

Keep Online Activity Visible: Consider only having your kids use technology in public spaces in the house. This can help reinforce the message that they should not be accessing anything inappropriate and also make it easy for them to talk to you if they encounter anything questionable. Another option to consider is to remove access to electronic devices during bedtime hours. However, keep in mind that children may take electronic devices with them, or may use technology in places apart from your home, which means that regular conversations are important!

Regularly Talk about Online Activity: It can be easy for adults and kids to become isolated in their online activity; it can easily become their own world, separate from the family. Make technology use part of your dinner table conversation—did they hear from any friends today? Read an interesting article? See something new they want to watch? Like any other area of their lives, technology is a sphere where you can provide invaluable guidance and feedback.

As we know from our own lives as adults in the digital era, the internet has a lot to offer. It also has a number of risks, including safety, online addictions, wasting time, and more. We have the opportunity to help guide our kids how to use the internet safely and well!

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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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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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.”