



ALLELUIA

HE IS RISEN



Blessed Sacrament Parish

March 31, 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	03/30	8:30 pm		John and Janie Adkins, and Judy Bailey
Sunday	03/31	9:00 am	+	Bob Wharton by Fr. Paul Wharton
		11:30 am		People of Our Parish
Monday	04/01			
Tuesday	04/02			
Wednesday	04/03			No Mass Today
Thursday	04/04	Noon	+	John Lordan by Sandy Williams
Friday	04/05	1:00pm	+	Funeral for Evelyn Miller
Saturday	04/06	5:00pm	+	Sam Femia by Bob and Kathleen Groom
Sunday	04/07	9:00 am		Healing for Brad Grishaber by Jane Ann Grishaber
		11:30 am		The People of Our Parish

We Remember in Our Prayers

Barbara Baldy, Barbara Breese, Bo Burdette, Elizabeth Coleman, Matthew Crabtree, 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, John & 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 She Rests in Peace

Evelyn Miller

A funeral Mass will be held on Friday, April 5 at 1:00pm. Visitation begins at 11:00am

This Week at Blessed Sacrament

Easter

A special box will be available in our gathering area for your special donations for the Holy Land, a traditional Good Friday collection. These funds help the Church support pastoral, charitable, educational and social work in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.



Saturday, March 30

- **Men's Bible Sharing**- 9:00am, Room 5

Sunday, March 31

Monday, April 01

- **OCIA** - 6:00pm to 8:00pm in Rooms 5A and 5B

Tuesday, April 02 (The office is closed.)

- **BSP Lyres Club harp ensemble** - 5:30pm – 6:30pm in the Sanctuary

Wednesday, April 03

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

Study Guide:

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89811466699?pwd=UVdFVmo1SmJObUJqc3VqcytQOTdpQT09>

Thursday, April 04

- **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, April 05

Saturday, April 06

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

Sunday, April 07

Blessed Sacrament Parish Online Collection Basket

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



Thank you for your generosity.

Please return the Lenten Rice Bowls in the special basket in the gathering space.



Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and climate change, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all.

+Blessed Sacrament Symposium - Upcoming Events+

April 14 - 10:15 am - **The Problem and Mystery of Suffering I** - in the church/streamed.

How Christians Need to Discuss the Topic, Bad Solutions and So-so Solutions

April 21 - 10:15 am - **The Problem and Mystery of Suffering II**- in the church/streamed.

More So-so Solutions

April 28 - 10:15 am - **The Problem and Mystery of Suffering III**- in the church/streamed.

Towards a Solution and the Christian Response to Suffering



Ever been audited?

On Tuesday, March 12, we all were. That was the day when independent auditors arrived at our Blessed Sacrament office to evaluate our methods, record-keeping, and compliance with the Virtus Child Protection policies of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Literally hundreds of us here at Blessed Sacrament have completed the education and other requirements to become Virtus-certified, Natalie has it all documented and beautifully organized, and the auditors were very impressed. This week, we learned that we not only passed the audit, but you might say we got an A+. They especially liked Natalie's "Wall of Fame" poster with all our names on it in the Gathering Space, so much that they're going to share that idea with other parishes.

So, congratulations, people of Blessed Sacrament!

You passed with flying colors!

Gardens Project - Update

Last April, we began sharing information about a Gardens Project for our property across 4th Avenue from our north entrance.

The first phase is underway: building a community garden with raised beds and installing a fence around the perimeter of the whole field.

To help us fund this huge project, we've applied for two grants. (Donations for this project are always welcome! Just note "Gardens Project" in the memo line of your check.) The following questions and answers came from one of the grant applications.



Community Garden for Health and Wellness

Project Description Summary

In five sentences or less, please summarize the project(s) for which funding is requested.

We will create a garden bountiful with fresh vegetables and beautiful flowers. The garden will provide a place to rest, work, and meet new friends, but especially to provide fresh vegetables for the people living in our neighborhood, food pantries in our area, and members of our parish family. It will help with the food insecurities experienced by not only our parishioners but the community as well. It will be a way to build community by providing for both the physical and spiritual needs of our neighbors.

New or Existing Project?

If this is a new project, why is this a good time for the organization to begin this project?

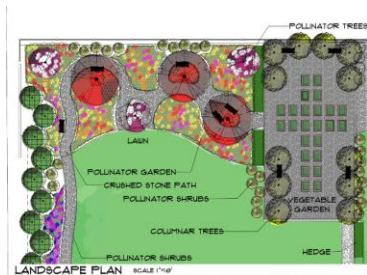
This is a new project for us. We feel it is a good time to begin this project because our parishioners are eager for a variety of reasons to have a community garden. Our Youth Group and other parishioners are looking forward to the service possibilities. Others would welcome the rest and work a garden provides. Many have already offered their gardening skills and experience to us, volunteered to help build and maintain the garden, and committed to donate money as they are able.

Project Need

Who will the project serve? • What need(s) will the project address?

This garden will be a significant source of vegetables for needy neighbors, parishioners, and clients of the Heart and Hands Food Pantry one street over. Some fresh vegetables will be provided to Cafe Appalachia (a Pollen8 organization that helps people in recovery learn skills for employment in Food Services).

A community garden is a shared activity. Volunteers from within and outside the parish will be welcome. Working together and sharing stories will bring them closer together.



Gardening is an excellent way to share Catholic principles of social justice such as feeding the hungry and caring for creation.

This will provide opportunities to teach gardening skills and promote healthy living.

Certain plants - pollinators - will help the garden grow, increase the beauty of the garden, and attract bees and hummingbirds. Blooming flowers, trees, and shrubs will replace a decrepit house.

There is very little green space in this part of town for people to enjoy.

Easter Liturgical Ministries – March 30 & 31



	Easter Vigil 8:30pm	9:00 am	11:30 am
Lectors	Diane Lordan, Peg Nagem Kathleen Bors	T McLane	Felix Maramba
Altar Servers	Jackson Davis Liz James	Maureen Mathias	Need Volunteer
Cantors	John Dever, Matt Leary, Nancy McLaughlin, Charlie Wilson	Rory Isaac	Heather White
Communion Principal	Todd Witsberger	Terry Mathias	Kathy Lester
Chalice Minister	Missy Mower Bill Frame	Rob Plutro Susan Churchill	Jo Midkiff John Priestley
Communion to the Sick		Mike Burgess Missy Summey Laura Hayes	
Greeters/Ushers	John Providenti David Lewia	Dan McLaughlin Kelly Plutro	Mary Beth Abbot Shelley Nason Tristan Champe

Liturgical Ministries – April 6 & 7

	5:00pm	9:00 am	11:30 am
Lectors	Rick Brennan	Tim DiPiero	Kathy Lester
Altar Servers	Karen Lewia	Gary & Madison Ferrell	Tommy Ross
Cantors			
Communion Principal	Ron Teufel	Peggy Musilli	Missy Summey
Chalice Minister	Ted Streit Natalie Zellers	Sr Fran Kirtley Maureen Mathias	Pat Garnet Rick Brennan
Communion to the Sick		Tom Aluise Susan Bowyer Jackie Lilly	
Greeters/Ushers	Pat & Mike Habenschuss	Dan McLaughlin Shelley Nason	Ken & Emilie McNeil

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

Sun	03/31	Carla Stricker
Mon	04/01	Mary Gargarella / Bev Schissler
Tue	04/02	Joan Fernandes / John McGarrity
Wed	04/03	Sister Frances Kirtley / Marla Weiner
Thu	04/04	Missy Summey
Fri	04/05	Mary Ann Johnson / Vince Stricker
Sat	04/06	Ro DeBias / Sue Anderson

 <p>MANNA MEAL SO THE HUNGRY CAN EAT</p> <p>MANNA MEAL/KROGER PICK UP SCHEDULE</p> <p>"I was hungry and you gave me something to eat." Matthew 25:35</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">APRIL</p> <p>April 2 Dennis Thornburg April 3 Kelley Endres April 9 Matt Leary April 10 Tony O'Leary April 16 Rob Schissler April 17 Rob Schissler April 23 Dennis Thornburg April 24 Don Becher April 30 John Ellison</p>
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St. Paul Catholic Radio: WLUX 1450 AM Dunbar; WNUX 89.7 FM Beckley; WOUX 105.3 Parkersburg is now streaming Catholic radio to a smartphone.



The Catholic Spirit_Our diocesan newspaper, <http://thecatholicspiritwv.org/>



Our Diocese was asked by the WV Council of Churches to disseminate this survey regarding Flood Resiliency in WV. If you wish to participate, details are in the following paragraph:

A research team from West Virginia University and SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry is seeking insights from West Virginians on their experiences with past floods and preparation for future floods. The team is conducting an online survey on the topic and any WV resident 18-years or older is encouraged to participate. The survey should take 20-30 minutes to complete, and insights will help the research team create an online resource to help increase flood resiliency for West Virginia communities. Anyone who takes the survey can choose to be entered into a raffle for one of eight \$250 gift cards. To find out more and to fill out the survey, go to mapwv.gov/civic and click on “flood survey” at the top or to go to the survey directly, use this link: <http://tinyurl.com/WestVirginiaFRE>.

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.

<p>Pastor: Rev. Paul Wharton</p> <p>E-mail: pjw424@gmail.com Cell Phone: 304-433-7472 (For emergencies only after 8:00pm)</p>	<p>Office Manager: Natalie Zellers 304-744-5523 Office E-mail: BSCCWV@gmail.com</p>
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<p>Blessed Sacrament Parish Pastoral Council: Chip Council, facilitator; Jackson Davis, Anne Dever, Jack Dever, Christine Fernandes, David Lewia, Molly Linehan-Belcher, Philip Maramba, Terry Mathias, Katie Smithberger, and Charlie Wilson</p>	



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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."