



June 9, 2023

## Weekly Email from Father Paul Wharton

Camp Leon begins on Sunday. It allows children to just have fun with new friends and to focus on God. If you're looking for a place to grow in faith, this is a great opportunity. One indication of how special Camp Leon can be is the number of former campers who come back as willing workers, junior counselors, counselors, cooks, musicians, and overseers of various activities come back again and again. Some even give of a week of their vacation time to help make a difference.

Here are some reasons for children to come.

- **FOOD.** While not as good as mom's, it is better than school lunches.
- **FRIENDSHIP.** Some life-long relationships have begun at Camp Leon.
- **FAITH.** When young children see older children, teenagers, and young adults express the love for God with deep faith and cheerful joy, it can be contagious.
- **ACTIVITIES.** Wall climbing, zip lines, swimming, contests, are exhilarating and fun.
- **EXPERIENCING GOD** in a real way in nature, worship, and one another is the Pearl of Great Price Jesus speaks of in one of his parables.

Camp Leon takes place at Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Camp in Huttonsville beginning June 11. Please pray for the campers, staff, and volunteers in attendance. It costs about \$300 per person. Donations may be sent to Blessed Sacrament Parish with "Camp Leon" clearly marked on the memo line or envelope. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

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Faith in West Virginia

<https://faithinwv.org/latest-bulletin/>

This Sunday's Readings

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/061123.cfm>

**This Sunday's Bulletin**

<https://blessedsacramentwv.org/download/june-11-2023/?wpdmdl=1212&refresh=64835d3f66aa61686330687>

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## Headlines and Happenings

**DAILY MASS** this Monday and Thursday at noon.

**LUNCH BUNCH** – This Thursday! We hope you will join us after the noon Mass for fried and baked chicken! Remember – it's free! Bring a salad, dessert, or side dish to share as well as a neighbor or friend. (If you bring something with nuts, please label it.)

Have you made an **Almost Heaven Retreat**? The WVIS Retreat Center in Charleston, WV is open and there are still spaces available for you to make an Almost Heaven Silent- Directed Retreat this June. While the typical length of a retreat is three days, you choose the length that is right for you and then come to the retreat house for an experience of rest, mindfulness, and prayer. During your retreat, you will engage in meditation rooted in the Sacred Scriptures and the Ignatian Tradition. Questions/Schedule: email Sister Carole Riley, C.D.P., Ph.D. at [wviscr@aol.com](mailto:wviscr@aol.com) or call 304 345 0926. Donation: \$90/night (includes retreat, retreat house accommodation, and all meals). Scholarships are available for those who need some assistance. Please ask Sister Carole about a scholarship for Blessed Sacrament Parishioners.

**POEM**      Life's Daily Doses

Life is measured in daily doses  
Of trials and pleasures each.  
Day by day grace is dispensed  
To meet our immediate needs.  
Comfort comes to the weary  
We find that which we seek.  
A bridge is built at the river  
And power is given to the weak.  
One day's load we have to bear  
As we travel on life's way.  
Wisdom is given for the occasion  
And strength to equal each day.  
We are never required to stagger  
Under tomorrow's heavy load.  
We journey one day at a time  
As we travel life's rugged road.  
God's mercy is new every morning  
And His faithfulness is sure.  
God perfects all that concerns us  
And by our faith, we will endure.  
— Lenora McWhorter

## MYSTIC MORSEL

One may go toward God on many paths and in very different ways. Some fly, others walk, and others, most people, stumble. And since God wants it that way, then so do I.

— Saint Rafael Arnaiz

## CARBONATED GRACE \*\*\*

Two deer hunters hired a pilot to take them way back into the forest in Canada. After the hunt, the pilot returned and saw that they had six deer. “The plane won’t carry six deer, you’ll have to leave two of them,” said the pilot. Unwilling to leave their deer, the hunters said “We got six on the plane last year.” After going back and forth for a few minutes, the pilot gave in, and just five minutes after takeoff the plane crashed into the forest. Lucky to be alive, one of the hunters said, “Any idea where we are?” The second hunter said, “Yeah, right about where our plane went down last year.”

\*\*\* Anne Lamott calls laughter *carbonated grace*