



**November 24, 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	11/23	4:00pm	+	Jerry Roy by Diane Ferguson & Family
Sunday	11/24	9:00 am	+	Robert Lucas by Joan Fernandes
		11:30 am		The People of Our Parish
Monday	11/25			
Tuesday	11/26			
Wednesday	11/27	Noon	+	Becki Graham by John & Arlene Hanna
<b>Thanksgiving Thursday</b>	<b>11/28</b>	<b>1:00pm</b>	+	Sister Carole Riley by Blessed Sacrament Parish
Friday	11/29			We will not have Mass today.
Saturday	11/30	4:00 pm	+	Jerry Roy by Marietta Fenton
Sunday	12/01	9:00 am	+	John Johnson by John & Arlene Hanna
		11:30 am		The People of Our Parish

**We Remember in Our Prayers**

Barbara Baldy, Barbara Breese, Bo Burdette, Genevieve Chmellik, Mary Cole, Elizabeth Coleman, Matthew Crabtree, Juanita Diehl, Joe Eisel, Marietta Fenton, Bob Galloway, Mary Gargarella, 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

# This Week at Blessed Sacrament

**This Sunday is the last day to sign up for Thanksgiving Dinner this Thursday. Sign-up sheets are in the gathering area.**

## Saturday, November 23

- **Men's Bible Sharing**- 9:00am in Room 5
- **Reconciliation** - 3:00pm to 3:30pm in the Reconciliation Room

## Sunday, November 24

- **Youth Music Ensemble** – 10:00 – 10:12am in the Worship Area
- **Adult Faith Formation** – 10:15 am to 11:15 am in the Parish Hall
- **Children & Youth Faith Formation** - 10:15 am to 11:15 am – various room.

## Monday, November 25

**NO OCIA**

## Tuesday, November 26 (The office is closed.)

- **BSP Lyres Club** in the Worship Space

## Wednesday, November 27

- **NO BIBLE STUDY** -
- **Bible Sharing** –6:30pm to 8:00pm in Room 5
- **Study Guide** <https://blessedsacramentwv.org/download/bible-share-11-20-2024/?wpdmdl=2146&refresh=673619e540e481731598821>
- **Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85136740699?pwd=Q2pXLzdZFdNNU1NajVpeEtKU0hJQT09>

## Thursday, November 28 - Thanksgiving

**Thanksgiving Dinner following the 1:00pm Mass**



Friday, November 29 – **Our building will be closed today.**

## Saturday, November 30

- **Men's Bible Sharing**- 9:00am in Room 5
- **Reconciliation** - 3:00pm to 3:30pm in the Reconciliation Room

## Sunday, December 01

- **Youth Music Ensemble** – 10:00 – 10:12am in the Worship Area
- **Adult Faith Formation** – 10:15 am to 11:15 am in the Parish Hall
- **Children & Youth Faith Formation** - 10:15 am to 11:15 am

**Blessed Sacrament Parish  
Online Collection Basket**

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



Thank you for your generosity.



## November 28th

### Thanksgiving Dinner, November 28 following the 1:00 PM Mass

**The last day to signup is this weekend!**

Our annual Thanksgiving Dinner is back and will take place in the Parish Hall on Thursday, November 28 following the 1:00 PM Mass. This will be a Homecoming Celebration. All parishioners are welcome to attend as well as family, friends and neighbors. Blessed Sacrament will be providing the turkeys, and you can bring a side dish to share if you are able. There will be a Kid's Corner with activities for the children. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help in any way, please contact Terry Mathias at 304-741-0045

### Thanksgiving Dinner Transportation

Are you unable to drive? Would you like to attend Mass and dinner with us on Thanksgiving? David Brown is ready to arrange a ride for you. **Call David by noon on Monday if you need a ride.**

David Brown at 1-681-264-0010 to learn more or request a ride.

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## \*\*\* Faith Formation \*\*\*

**YOUTH FAITH FORMATION** continues **this Sunday, at 10:15 am**. If you would like more information, please contact Theresa O'Leary ([mtoleary93@gmail.com](mailto:mtoleary93@gmail.com))

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION** continues **this Sunday, in the Parish Hall at 10:15am**. "Jesus: His Life", explores the story of Jesus Christ through the people in his life. Each video session will run approximately 43 minutes, leaving time for any discussion desired afterwards. They will be presented each Sunday through November 24. All are welcome at all sessions, or whenever you can attend.

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## Advent Supplies Table (Advent begins next weekend)

Stop by our table in the gathering space this weekend. We will have sets of candles (blue & pink and purple & pink), daily devotionals, advent calendars, etc. If you do not have an advent wreath, we have one for you on the table.

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## Lector Workbooks

### Lectors/Readers:

Please pick up your new Lector Workbooks in the gathering area this weekend. If you do not see one with your name on it, please let Natalie know.

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES** are available at Saint John Pastoral Center in Charleston. For more information and a job description, please contact Gerri Wright at 304.342.0507 or [gwright@dwc.org](mailto:gwright@dwc.org) Guest Services Coordinator and Cook are two openings.

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## **SHINING STARS – There are only a dozen or so left (out of 100)!**

A tree full of stars are now available in the gathering area. Each star will have the gender and age of a needy child in our area and suggestions for gifts. Your donations of gifts can be placed in our gathering area, unwrapped, with the shining star attached. Catholic Charities will pick up all our donations **on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** and take them to a distribution point for needy families.

### **December 7th**

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Eucharistic Adoration will take place the first Friday of every month beginning December 7<sup>th</sup> in the main worship space. Exposition is at 6 p.m. with song and prayer and Benediction is at 8 p.m., also with song and prayer. All are invited to spend quiet time with Christ at any time during this two-hour window, whether it be for two minutes or two hours.

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### **December 9th**

#### **DECEMBER LUNCH BUNCH--SPECIAL DAY, SPECIAL DATE!**

Dear Friends,

Please join us for a turkey dinner Lunch Bunch on a special day and date in December. We will celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception at noon Mass on Monday, December 9th, lunch to follow Mass. Please bring side dishes, desserts, and friends!

Kathy Monahan and the Lunch Bunch Team

### **December 15th**

#### **Blue Christmas Service**

Not everyone is up and cheery for the Christmas holidays. Some of us are feeling blue dealing with the death of a loved one, facing life after divorce or separation, coping with the loss of a job, living with cancer or some other disease that puts a question mark over the future, and several other trials make parties and joviality painful for us. A **BLUE** Christmas service seeks to acknowledge whatever shade of **BLUE** we may have, support one another, and find comfort and strength in God. Blessed Sacrament Parish will hold a blue Christmas Service on **Sunday, December 15th at 3:00pm**. It is open to the public.

### ***Suggestion Box:***

**My suggestion is: daycare helpers.**

My suggestion would benefit helping with the kids while their parents go to church.

**Response:**

We hope every child (and their caregivers) will feel welcome in our worship area during the Masses.

If a caregiver would like to attend Mass without their young child (age 4 and younger), we have a nursery staffed with volunteers during the 11:30am Mass.

Also, we have a quiet play area in the gathering area where caregivers and children can spend time together during the Mass. (The prior location, the breezeway is too cold and the breezeway's heaters at floor level are too hot to touch.)



## Service Opportunities at Blessed Sacrament Parish and Elsewhere

**OCIA MEALS/SNACKS SIGN-UP** - Blessed Sacrament Parish under the leadership of Gina McCune, provides meals and snacks for those coming to learn more about possibly becoming Catholic on Monday nights. It means a lot to all the candidates and their families to provide them with food during their studies. **Volunteers are needed for December 9 and 16.** A sign-up sheet on the table in the gathering area and if you can help, please add your name, email and phone number and Gina will get in touch with you.  
Email [Gina\\_mccune@yahoo.com](mailto:Gina_mccune@yahoo.com)

If you're interested in discussing the next phase of our **COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT**, we invite you to our meeting on Saturday, December 7th, at 2:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

We have a report about Phase One – You will find it pinned to the bulletin board beside the ramp.

If you would like to learn more about volunteer opportunities with **MEALS ON WHEELS**, please contact Valerie Rist: 304-552-6347.

### Warm-up Sunday is coming, December 14-15!

For the last several years at this time of year, we have brought new hats, scarves, mittens, and socks to church, and our youth have assembled them into Christmas presents for the women at Recovery Point.

To make it even easier this year, you can order matched sets online and have them shipped directly to Blessed Sacrament. You can do a quick online search for “hat scarf glove set for women” or point your smartphone’s camera to the QR code below and tap the link that comes up on your phone screen.

Women’s socks are also needed, and they don’t need to match the hats and gloves; just each other!

When you check out online, please use the following shipping address:

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church  
305 E Street

South Charleston, WV 25303      Thank you!



### 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:

**December 4th**

**Chris Nelson**- Pope St. John Paul II College Seminary 145 Taylor Street NE, Washington, DC 20017




## DONATIONS OF COATS AND BLANKETS SOUGHT

For the past several years a collaborative of various service providers and community volunteers have run a temporary overnight warming station/shelter for the homeless, and those living with inadequate heating in Kanawha County. The goal of the warming station is to keep our fellow human beings warm, safe, fed **AND ALIVE**.

Clean blankets and coats are being sought for the warming shelter, as well as for others served by United Way needing to keep warm. **Beginning before the 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday December 7 through Sunday December 8, and again all of the following weekend – December 14 and 15** -- a parishioner will park his older and abused silver Ford Ranger pickup truck with a black truck-cap in the main church lot to collect coats and blankets. The truck-cap will be unlocked, and donations can be placed in the back. There will be a sign in truck-cap window.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

 <p><b>MANNA MEAL</b> SO THE HUNGRY CAN EAT</p>	<p><b>MANNA MEAL/KROGER PICK UP SCHEDULE</b></p>
<p><b>NOVEMBER</b></p> <p>November 26 Dennis Thornburg November 27 Kelley Endres</p>	<p><b>DECEMBER</b></p> <p>December 3 Matt Leary December 4 Tony O'Leary December 10 Don Becher December 11 Kelley Endres December 17 Dennis Thornburg December 18 Matt Leary December 24 Don Becher December 31 Don Becher</p>

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

<b>Sun</b>	11/24	Mary Ellen Providenti
<b>Mon</b>	11/25	Elaine King / Todd Witsberger / Tina McCready / Melissa Coleman
<b>Tue</b>	11/26	Kelley Endres / John Wharton
<b>Wed</b>	11/27	Fr. John Finnell / Joan Wilson
<b>Thu</b>	11/28	Bernie Mabe / Smithberger Family / Edd McDevitt
<b>Fri</b>	11/29	Irene Galloway / Therese Cox
<b>Sat</b>	11/30	Jim Scharf / Jack Dever / Carla Stricker

## **SAINT OF THE WEEK : Saint Gertrude the Great November 16**

St. Gertrude the Great was born on January 6, 1256, in Germany. She eventually chose to follow the Lord by pursuing a vocation as a Benedictine Nun. Her deep relationship with the Lord in prayer led to her being hailed as a mystic. She was also regarded as a great theologian. Although little is known about Gertrude's childhood, it is widely accepted that at just four-years-old, she was enrolled in the Cistercian monastery school of Helfta in Saxony, under the governance of Abbess Gertrude of Hackerborn.

The Cistercian movement was an effort to bring the Benedictine religious community back to a stricter and more faithful adherence to the original "Rule" or way of life encouraged by St Benedict. Some sources speculate that Gertrude's parents offered their child as an oblate, a layperson especially dedicated to God or to God's service, while others believe she may have entered the monastery school as an orphan.

St. Mechtilde, the younger sister of the Abbess Gertrude, took care of young Gertrude. Gertrude and Mechtilde had a strong bond that only grew deeper with time, allowing Mechtilde to have a great influence on Gertrude. Gertrude, known for being charming and able to win people over, entered the Benedictine Order at Helfta and became a nun. She devoted herself to her studies and received an education in many different subjects. Gertrude was both fluent in Latin and very familiar with scripture and works from the Fathers of the Church, including Augustine.

In 1281, 25-year-old Gertrude experienced her first series of visions that would continue until the day she passed away. Her visions altered her life and she saw this moment as her new birth. Her priorities turned away from secular teachings and focused more on studying Scripture and theology. Her life became full with this awakening and she was an enthusiastic student, writing for the spiritual benefit of others.

She went on to become one of the great mystics of the 13th century. Along with St. Mechtilde, she practiced what is known as "nuptial mysticism," seeing herself as the bride of Christ. She embraced charity for both rich and poor, she was a simple woman with a deep solidarity with those not yet ready for the beatific vision, who are still being purified in the state of repose known as purgatory.

source: <https://stgertrudechicago.org/who-was-st-gertrude?>

Saint Gertrude is a Patron Saint of the Dead and the Poor Souls in Purgatory.



### **Where's Walter CATEchist?**

Walter is near the base of the Altar in the Sanctuary of Blessed Sacrament Parish. You are invited to Mass and Dinner on Thanksgiving Day.

## Blessed Sacrament Weekly Email - Nov. 22, 2024

(Today's weekly letter was written by our Music Director and Youth Ministry Coordinator Mary Odin. She has been sharing her gifts, talents, faith, and love with Blessed Sacrament ever since the Covid 19 Pandemic. We are especially blessed to have the wonderful staff we have including our Pastor Emeritus Fr. John Finnell and Deacon Emeritus John Hanna who continue to share their preaching from time to time. )



Many of you have heard me speak of my beloved grand-mother, Nama. She told the same stories over and over, using the same words and phrases each time, with the result that her voice still rings clearly in my mind. I was a very small child when I first heard her tell of her little sister, Dorothy Virginia Von Canon. "She was so beautiful and talented," Nama said. "I wish you could have known her."

Dorothy Virginia was smart, athletic, musical, and full of faith. She had it all, until one day when she was hit in the stomach by a basketball at school. A few days later, she was still suffering with abdominal pain, and the doctor came to the house. He applied heat to relieve her, and suddenly she felt much better. She got out of bed, went to the living room, and began playing the piano and singing. But her apparent healing was short-lived. Without surgery or antibiotics, the infection from her ruptured appendix spread quickly throughout her body, and in a few hours Dorothy Virginia Von Canon was dead. She was just fifteen years old. Her grave marker reads, "She came to raise our hearts to heaven. She goes to call us there."

A couple weeks ago, I woke up at 3am with rumbling abdominal pain. Having not encountered a basketball in a number of years, I decided it was indigestion and took some Tums. I remained miserable all day, and Wayne went to Mass that evening without me. While he was gone, I googled remedies for abdominal discomfort and found an article that advised me to "drink plenty of fluids and apply heat." As I reached for my heating pad, I heard my grandmother's voice clearly in my mind: *He applied heat to relieve her.*"

Four hours later, the results of my CT scan were in, and I was being prepped for surgery. I did not suffer the fate of Nama's little sister; I was in recovery fewer than twelve hours after the onset of my pain. My appendix was removed intact, having never ruptured because, quite literally, my grandmother warned me *not* to apply heat. Don't tell me the saints don't come to our aid.

Each year, Thanksgiving invites us to call to mind and express gratitude to God for the blessings specific to each of our lives. This year, I am grateful to God for calling people to serve in the field of medicine. I'm grateful for God-given human curiosity that drives people to discover scientific truths and invent CT scanners. I'm grateful for my grandmother, her stories, and her voice that still rings clearly in my mind. I'm especially grateful for Rabbi Blair and Rabbi Urecki and Father Paul who united their congregations to lift me up in prayer, releasing a flood of treats, cards, texts, prayers, and love from God's people. I'm grateful to God for you.

Dorothy Virginia Von Canon lost her life on November 14, 1924.  
The surgery that saved my life took place on November 9, 2024.  
For all these things and for so much more, thanks be to God!

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# Spiritual Icebreakers and Soup Starters 125

*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.*

## A SAINTLY EXHORTATION

Recognize to whom you owe the fact  
that you exist,  
that you breathe,  
that you understand,  
that you are wise, and, above all,  
that you know God  
and hope for the kingdom of heaven.

You have been made a child of God,  
co-heir with Christ.  
Where did you get all this,  
and from whom?  
What benefactor has enabled you  
to look out upon the beauty of the sky,  
the sun in its course,  
the circle of the moon,  
the countless number of stars  
with the harmony and  
order that are theirs,  
like the music of a harp?

Who has blessed you  
with rain,  
with the art of husbandry,  
with different kinds of food,  
with the arts, with houses,  
with states,  
with a life of humanity and culture,  
with friendship and the easy familiarity of kinship?

Is it not God  
who asks you now in your  
turn to show yourself generous  
because we have received  
from him so many wonderful gifts,  
will we not be ashamed to refuse him  
this one thing only, our generosity?  
— Saint Gregory Nazianzen



## PRAYER

I give you thanks today, Lord God,  
I give you thanks for the day,  
for the gift of waking,  
the grace of breathing,  
for the bounty of breaths I will draw  
and thoughts I will think,  
words I will exchange,  
and work I will do.

Thank you for every moment of safety I will enjoy,  
for every bite of nourishment,  
every taste of pleasure.

Thank you for every moment of sight,  
for the grace of seeing,  
the privilege of gazing on my wife, my children, my grandchildren, my friends,  
and the thousands of objects and images my eyes will see today.

Thank you for the sounds I will hear, the grace of hearing,  
the blessing of lover's voice and music and speech and  
even the cacophony of traffic and machinery.

Thank you, Father, for all your kindnesses to me,  
which daily go unmarked, unthanked, unappreciated.  
Make me more mindful of the thousands of graces you bestow on me today,  
and make me glad to be alive, and sensate, and able to enjoy so much.

Grant me to enjoy even the least enjoyable,  
remembering that the sense to taste bitter as well as sweet is a grace as well, in Jesus' name, amen.





OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

## DIOCESE OF WHEELING-CHARLESTON

1311 BYRON STREET  
POST OFFICE BOX 230  
WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA 26003

November 19, 2024

Dear Brother Priests and Deacons,

You are aware of the annual collection for retired religious sisters, brothers and priests. I ask you to encourage your parishioners to be generous in their support of the Retirement Fund for Religious collection, which will be held in all our parishes on the weekend of December 7-8, 2024.

The Church today gives more generous stipends to the religious who serve in various ministries, taking into consideration their need for financial support when they retire. I had religious sisters on my staff at my last parish and paid their Congregation a sizeable amount of money each year to keep them. It was worth it. We bore the cost and got the benefit of wonderful service.

In the era in which today's retired religious were serving, however, the Church kept religious poor. Their stipends were minimal, and they often had to pay rent to live in the convent of the parish in whose school they taught! As understandable as it was to respect their vow of poverty, it was a myopic approach which forgot that the twenty-five-year-old nun would someday be seventy-five. Hence, the need for the Retirement Fund for Religious collection.

Many of your people and you yourselves have benefited from the ministry in which these consecrated women and men have served. You might ask a religious to speak to your people December 7-8 to encourage their support.

Let us pray for and give material aid to our aged religious in gratitude for all the good they have done for God's' people!

Asking God's blessing on you and your parishioners, I am

Fraternally in Christ,

+Mark E. Brennan  
Bishop of Wheeling-Charleston

### Liturgical Ministries – November 23 & 24

	5:00pm	9:00 am	11:30 am
<b>Lectors</b>	R Brennan	D Burgess	R Brennan
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Chip	J Borman M Mathias	F & P Maramba
<b>Cantors</b>			
<b>Communion Principal</b>	T Witsberger	T Streit	C Frye
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	A Davis T Ciliberti	A Bradley P Musilli	R Brennan P Garnett
<b>Communion to the Sick</b>		L Hayes A Bradley T Aluise	
<b>Greeters/Ushers</b>	J Haas J Providenti	N & D McLaughlin	R Norman S Nason T Champe

### Liturgical Ministries – Thanksgiving Day

	1:00pm
<b>Lectors</b>	
<b>Altar Servers</b>	C Council D Bowles
<b>Cantors</b>	
<b>Communion Principal</b>	K Lester
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	N Zellers T Mathias
<b>Greeters/Ushers</b>	Volunteers Needed

## Liturgical Ministries – November 30 & December 01

	5:00pm	9:00 am	11:30 am
<b>Lectors</b>	P Council	S Churchill	
<b>Altar Servers</b>	W Stella R Brennan	G Ferrell M Ferrell	J Mattix J Crane
<b>Cantors</b>			
<b>Communion Principal</b>	R Teufel	T Mathias	K Lester
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	N Zellers M Mowrer	J Aluise B Sherrard	C & P Council
<b>Communion to the Sick</b>		B Sherrard M Summey S Bowyer	
<b>Greeters/Ushers</b>	P & M Habenschuss	S Manahan S Nason	The Crane Family

Mark Your Calendars for  
 November, December & January

**November 28th**  
Thanksgiving Day Mass at 1 pm followed by dinner.

**December 8th**  
Communal Reconciliation Service at 3:00 pm

**December 9th**  
Feast of the Immaculate Conception  
Mass at Noon and 6:00pm  
(Lunch Bunch will follow the noon Mass.)

**December 15th**  
Blue Christmas Service at 3:00 pm  
Christmas caroling at Hubbard Hospice House at 5:30pm.  
(Carolers will meet in the parish hall for pizza at 4:30pm)

**December 24th** - Christmas Masses at 4pm and 7pm

**December 25th** - Christmas Mass at 10 am followed by brunch.

**December 31st** - Mass at 4:00pm

**January 1st Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**  
Mass at 10:00am

**January 3rd** - Epiphany Concert at 6:00pm



**Date:** Saturday, December 14th, 2024 (10:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. Eastern)

**Registration Deadline:** Thursday, December 12, 2024

**Donation:** \$50 includes all materials. Partial scholarships available by emailing [exec.director@wvis.org](mailto:exec.director@wvis.org)

**Registration:** Go to [Registration - WVIS](#) and select "2024 Advent Retreat" from the dropdown box. *Be sure to click SUBMIT. You'll receive an email confirming your registration and your scholarship (if applicable).*

Trouble registering? Email [sally@sayyes2yourlife.org](mailto:sally@sayyes2yourlife.org)

**Questions:** If you have questions about the retreat, please email Sr. Cheryl at [cheryl.clemons@maplemount.org](mailto:cheryl.clemons@maplemount.org).



**Meister Eckhard, O.P. quoted St. Augustine who said, 'What does it avail me that this birth is always happening, if it does not happen in me? That it should happen in me is what matters.'**

#### How do we do that?

During this Advent Retreat, Sr. Cheryl Clemons, O.S.U., an Ursuline Sister and a WVIS Associate Spiritual Director will take us on a journey to concretely understand how we can do this today.

Mary is the model of faith. What she did, each of us is also called upon to do, namely, give birth to God in our lives. For God to take on real flesh and power in the world we must first do something. What? The answer lies in the way Jesus was born. Over 20 years ago, Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI, pointed out a four-fold pattern.



- Impregnation by the Holy Spirit
- Gestation of God within one's body
- The agony of giving birth
- Nurturing an infant into adulthood

Join us for this retreat day which will include times of reflection, small group sharing, and an opportunity to meet with one of our spiritual director interns to process and unpack what the Holy Spirit reveals to you during the retreat.

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Our parish office is open 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.

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

<p><b>Pastor: Rev. Paul Wharton</b>  E-mail: <a href="mailto:pjw424@gmail.com">pjw424@gmail.com</a>  Cell Phone: 304-433-7472  (For emergencies only after 8:00pm)</p>	<p><b>Deacons</b>  Tony O’Leary - cell: 304-395-6208 / email: <a href="mailto:aoleary@dwc.org">aoleary@dwc.org</a>  Tommy Ross – cell: 304-590-5003 / email: <a href="mailto:tross@dwc.org">tross@dwc.org</a></p>
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<p><b>Blessed Sacrament Parish Pastoral Council:</b>  Terry Mathias, facilitator, Chip Council, David Lewia, Katie Smithberger,  Charlie Wilson, Molly Linehan-Belcher, Rick Brennan, Dan McLaughlin, Jonathan Perry</p>	

St. Paul Catholic Radio - WLUX-AM 1450 Charleston/Dunbar



**DIOCESE OF WHEELING-CHARLESTON**

**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](http://www.dwc.org), under “Accountability” for additional reporting mechanisms.”