



# Blessed Sacrament Parish

## November 3, 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                                    |
|------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|--------|--|
| <b>All Souls</b><br>Saturday | 11/02 | <b>10:00am</b><br>4:00 pm | +<br>+ | Poor Souls<br>Jean Haid by Jack & Anne Dever |
| Sunday                       | 11/03 | 9:00 am                   |        | Robert Lucas by Diane Ferguson & Family      |
|                              |       | 11:30 am                  |        | The People of Our Parish                     |
| Monday                       | 11/04 |                           |        |  |
| Tuesday                      | 11/05 |                           |        |  |
| Wednesday                    | 11/06 | Noon                      | +      | Tim Wharton by John & Arlene Hanna           |
| Thursday                     | 11/07 | Noon                      | +      | Sylvester & Marie Edquist by Sue Bowyer      |
| Friday                       | 11/08 | Noon                      | +      | Jerry Roy by Union Carbide Ladies            |
| Saturday                     | 11/09 | 4:00 pm                   | +      | Jean Haid by Jack & Ann Dever                |
| Sunday                       | 11/10 | 9:00 am                   | +      | Mary Southam Hamilton by Beth Boyd           |
|                              |       | 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, 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

Thank  
You

A heartfelt thank you to Mary Gargarella for her many years of dedicated service in washing the linens used at Mass each week. We also extend our gratitude to Sue Bowyer, Shelia Francis, and Carla Stricker for volunteering to take on this essential behind-the-scenes role. Your contributions are greatly appreciated!

# This Week at Blessed Sacrament



## Saturday, November 02

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

## Sunday, November 03

- **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.
- **Youth Music Ensemble** at 10:00-10:12am
- **Youth Pizza and Cookie Baking Extravaganza** – 12:45pm in the Parish Hall

## Monday, November 04

- **OCIA Inquiry Meeting** – 6:00pm to 8:00pm in Room 5
- **Energy Efficiency Meeting** - 6:00pm to 7:00pm room TBA

## Tuesday, November 05 (The office is closed.)

- **Brown Bag Book Club** - 12:00pm to 1:55pm in Room 5
- **BSP Lyres Club in the Worship Space** – 5:30pm to 6:30pm

## Wednesday, November 06

- **Bible Study** - 10:00am to 11:30am in Room 5
- **Bible Sharing** –6:30pm to 8:00pm in Room 5
- **Study Guide** <https://blessedsacramentwv.org/download/november-6-2024/?wpdmdl=2121&refresh=6723c13076cbe1730396464>
- **Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85136740699?pwd=Q2pXLzdZdNNU1NajVpeEtKU0hJQT09>

## Thursday, November 07

- **Youth Meeting at Church** - 5:00pm to 6:00pm
- **Bells Rehearsal** – 6:00pm to 7:00pm
- **Choir Rehearsal** - 7:00pm to 8:00pm

## Friday, November 08

## Hygiene Sunday Second Collection – Military Services

## Saturday, November 09

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

## Sunday, November 10

- **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.
- **Youth Music Ensemble** at 10:00-10:12am

### Blessed Sacrament Parish Online Collection Basket

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## DIocese OF WHEELING-CHARLESTON

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October 25, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope this letter finds you in good spirits and filled with the peace of our Lord. I am writing to share with you an exciting initiative that promises to shape our diocese in meaningful ways: a partnership with the Catholic Leadership Institute (CLI), a distinguished national apostolate that has dedicated more than 30 years to nurturing and supporting the Church's leaders. This collaboration offers us a notable opportunity to engage deeply in programs and action steps designed to create a three-year evangelization plan for our diocese.

A key component of this partnership will be the implementation of the Disciple Maker Index, a parish survey tool that has successfully gathered the voices and experiences of over 600,000 parishioners across more than 40 dioceses in the United States since its inception in 2013. What I find particularly compelling about the Disciple Maker Index is that it invites you—the faithful of our Diocese—to reflect on where you are in your journey of faith, both as disciples and as missionaries. I know the Diocese has offered different surveys in the past, and we recently completed a Synod process, but please know your feedback in the Disciple Maker Index will be invaluable in helping us understand how we can better serve each of you and our wider community.

In addition to the Disciple Maker Index, all active priests in our Diocese will reflect on their leadership and seek opportunities for growth through the Priest Leadership Inventory, a comprehensive assessment designed to foster individual development within our clergy. This self-reflection will lead to the creation of personalized growth plans, with support available from trained leadership coaches provided by CLI.

Throughout this initiative, we will also be gathering additional insights through one-on-one interviews with a small number of parishioners, engaging focus groups, and undertaking an envisioning process with CLI. This comprehensive approach will allow us to gather diverse perspectives and ensure that the final outcomes resonate with our entire diocesan family. This work will conclude by August 2025.

I am excited about the potential fruits of these tools and initiatives. As we begin this process, I want you to specifically understand that I am not commissioning this project to close parishes. This is an effort to revitalize and grow our Catholic community in this Diocese. Even if our state is losing population, our Church can grow if we make a determined effort, through prayer and action, to reach out to our absent Catholics and to the many West Virginians with no religious affiliation. To that end, I am asking you to join me in this effort, and I have a specific request for you.

As a part of the process, each parish will assign a parish point of contact person who will be the liaison between the parish and the Catholic Leadership Institute as well as spearhead the sharing of information about the Disciple Maker Index process. Please prayerfully consider if this is a role you are being called to and, if it is, please inform your Pastor no later than Friday, November 1, 2024.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our Diocese as we strive to answer the Lord's call to evangelize all peoples. Together, through this partnership with the Catholic Leadership Institute, let us strive to grow as a vibrant and active community of disciples, living out our call to evangelize and serve Christ and our world.

May God bless you abundantly.

Sincerely in Christ,

+Mark E. Brennan

Bishop of Wheeling-Charleston

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

**YOUTH FAITH FORMATION** continues **this Sunday, November 03 at 10:15 am**. If you were unable to attend orientation last Sunday, please contact Theresa O'Leary ([mtoleary93@gmail.com](mailto:mtoleary93@gmail.com)) to provide registration information and learn where your child's class meets.

**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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### St. Anne's Guild

St. Anne's Guild is open to new members from our parish – men or women.

Our mission is to support the parish primarily to provide coffee, water, and mints for funeral wakes. We also meet once each month (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday) for lunch at a local restaurant. Dues are \$10 each year.

If you would be interested in joining us, please notify Peggy Musilli: 304-389-9238 or 304-776-6548  
Or call Margaret McGarrity 304-552-6104



### SAVE THE DATE for Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 20 to Thursday, July 24, 2025 from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

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| <b>Just a Reminder from Fr Paul</b> |
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| <b>PLEASE KNOW and REMEMBER</b> |
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| I will <b>ONLY</b> text you from my cell phone (304) 433 7472 |
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| <b>NO</b> member of the Blessed Sacrament Parish staff by text or email or another person will EVER ask you to buy gift cards or anything else. Only do so, if he or she asks in person and puts the cash in your hand! |
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### Portraits are Available to View and Purchase!

Portraits made earlier in the summer for our directory are now available for you to view and purchase. Check your email. A link to each household's portraits was emailed to each household. If you do not use email, please call Natalie (304-744-5523) and we will find a way for you to see and select your photos.

Our photographer, Michael Switzer, will choose which portrait is used in our directory for each household. If you purchase a portrait that is different from the one he has chosen for the directory, he will give consideration to your choice.

We hope you will help support our parishioner and local business owner by ordering one or many portraits from SwitzerDesigns.

**National Vocation Awareness Week, celebrated November 3-9, 2024**, is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. NVAW began in 1976 when the U. S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year for NVAW. In 1997, this celebration was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which falls on January 13 in 2013. Beginning in 2014, NVAW was moved to the first full week of November.



#### **Why I am Still Catholic # 4**

I remember a few years ago a priest friend asked me—over pizza—how did I stay in the Church? I admit he had heard me rant more than once about issues and responses from institutional church leadership. My friend had just returned from a men's retreat in the New Mexico desert so I don't know if he was asking me as an assignment from the retreat or out of his own curiosity, but what I do remember is how I struggled to answer his question. And now I am faced with answering this question again.

At Mass on the Feast of St. James this year, the first two readings really spoke to me as I contemplated what keeps me rooted in my Catholic faith. The first reading from Isaiah spoke about the Spirit of God being upon "me" and the second reading reminded us that we are all earthen vessels. These readings gave me hope. I know I am an earthen vessel—cracked, broken, patched. I also know I have been graced to experience the Spirit of God within.

My rational brain would not allow me to stay in this very human work of God, this Church as we know it; but the gift of faith, of being called and formed by God and experiencing the fullness and richness of the Catholic community keep me rooted as a Catholic.

I would describe my spiritual life, my relationship to God as both personal and communal. My personal prayer is formed, informed, impacted, made deeper and fuller by sharing prayer and Eucharist, by challenging homilies, by inspired spirit-filled leadership, by friendships with those who journey and pray with me, by our call to take these prayer experiences to the larger community and through outreach ministry and my daily work.

In my volunteer ministry at St. James and in my daily work, I have often found community, prayer and Eucharist. We often don't name it in this way but on reflection I know I can see it and feel it and this is what I believe God wants us to be about.

I personally need the support of the people of God, the Communion of Saints, the Servant Church, the sacramental life and our Catholic imagination. These all call me to prayer and keep me rooted.

And besides all this the fact is that for me I can't imagine any other way to live than as a searching, patched, very human Catholic.

So, what keeps you rooted as a Catholic? Try answering the question... for me this has been a positive and reflective experience... and has forced me to pause and identify why I stay.

— Betsy Mickel

(We forgot to add this to the October 20 bulletin, so we are sharing it now.)

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## Blessed Sacrament Weekly Email - October 18, 2024

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For a number of years now, a frequently asked and always dreaded question in parish life every December is “What time is midnight Mass?” Even before 2011 when *Midnight Mass* officially changed to *Mass at Night* in the Roman Missal, many parishes including Saint Peter’s in Rome & our Co-Cathedrals began this celebration at 10:30 pm.

This news is unwelcome by some, but no surprise to many. Blessed Sacrament Parish will no longer have Christmas Midnight Mass. The decision to drop the Midnight Mass was discussed at Staff, Liturgy Committee, and Pastoral Council meetings. The fact is that Midnight Mass has disappeared from many, if not most parish churches due to the reality that Catholics have clearly indicated they prefer to worship on Christmas Eve the late afternoon, early evening, or Christmas morning. Here is a summary of the discussions that took place, but I learned long ago *Reason doesn’t matter when it is an affair of the heart*. Nevertheless . . .

Even before Covid, the attendance here at Blessed Sacrament’s Midnight Mass was growing steadily less. The attendance post-Covid has been only about 45. About half of those present were there because of one of our several Liturgical Ministries: reader, server, Eucharist, greeter/usher, cantor, choir member, and musician. It seems that the overwhelming majority of folks have chosen other Masses. It is a more prudent use of our Vocal Choir and ministers to serve at another Christmas Mass. Besides, a mostly empty church with a few non-ministerial parishioners widely scattered would appear to be sad to many people

There is an overwhelming consensus by the Liturgy Committee, Pastoral Council, and Staff that our parish will be better served by pouring our energies into joyful celebrations at 4:00pm and 7:00pm on Christmas Eve and at 10:00am on Christmas morning. I understand why some parishioners will be disappointed and we will provide information of any local parish with a midnight Mass.

*Fr. Paul*

### **Thanksgiving Dinner, November 28 at 2:00 PM**

Due to popular demand, our annual Thanksgiving Dinner is back and will take place on Thursday, November 28 at 2:00 PM in the Parish Hall. 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. Sign-up sheets are available in the gathering space. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help in any way, please contact Terry Mathias at 304-741-0045 or [tsmathias@earthlink.net](mailto:tsmathias@earthlink.net).



### Will Rogers (1879-1935)

My all-time favorite journalist was Will Rogers, the great Native-American humorist who was loved by both conservatives and liberals. This grinning, biracial, Cherokee Indian cowboy from Oklahoma kept our nation laughing through the depths of the Great Depression of the 1930s.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt said, "Will Rogers held the secret of banishing gloom, of making tears give way to laughter, of supplanting desolation and despair with hope and courage."

Politicians from both parties invited Rogers to run for President on their ticket, but he refused.

Raised a Methodist, he was ecumenical in his respect for all faith traditions. He advised: "Hunt out and talk about the good that is in the other fellow's church, and you will do away with all the religious hatred you hear so much of today." Rogers was a peacemaker, a healer.

When Rogers died in 1935 in an airplane crash, the entire nation mourned. Over 100,000 mourners walked by Roger's casket at his ecumenical funeral. His memorial

service was presided over by a Protestant minister, a Catholic priest, and a Jewish singer who sang a Hebrew mourning chant. Mexican-Americans nearby placed a memorial wreath in their neighborhood. An African-American group joined a parade in Rogers' honor. In Oklahoma, Cherokee Indians performed a death dance in his honor.

Will Rogers had a loving heart, He was fair-minded, He never became obsessed with the bad news of his times. He had credibility with the American people. "We will never have true civilization until we have learned to recognize the rights of others," Rogers said.

Rogers requested that the following epitaph appear on his gravestone: "I joked about every prominent man of my time, but I never met a man I didn't like."

In these tumultuous times, we could all learn from Will Rogers. He was a sane and believable voice who had a talent for bringing people together.

— Cal Samara, Editor *The Joyful Noiseletter* used with permission

We need more people like the extraordinary Will Rogers. It's been said we get the politicians we deserve. I don't know about that, but it makes me sad to see the vitriol, hatred, lies, name-calling, disrespect, and utter lack of civility this is so prevalent today in politics and so-called social media. It is a shame that people seem more ready to tear down, rather than build up and to criticize rather than compliment. We Christians ought to heed the promise and warning of Jesus. "Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." (Luke 6:37-38)

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# Spiritual Icebreakers and Soup Starters 122

*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 | PRAYER

The rain is falling,  
Great big tear-like drops that wrench at my heart.  
How often our tears are closer than praise.  
Yet God's love still surrounds us,  
Jesus still comforts us,  
The Spirit still dwells within.  
When tears are closer than praise,  
Let us sit and welcome them into our souls.  
May they foster compassion,  
Inspire love,  
Give birth to peace.  
Our trust is in you, O Eternal One,  
We put our hope in your transforming love,  
And wait for you to wash away tears  
From all the peoples of the earth.  
— Christine Sine [godspacelight.com](http://godspacelight.com)



## PRAYER

Grant me, O Lord, the grace  
to know what should be known;  
to praise what is most pleasing to you,  
to esteem that which appears most precious to you  
and to count as nothing what is unclean in your sight.  
Do not allow me to assess things according to the light of my bodily eyes,  
nor to pass judgment according to the hearing of ignorant people's ears.  
But rather, let me distinguish with true judgment  
between things visible and spiritual, and  
always seek above all things your good pleasure.  
— Thomas à Kempis (1380-1471)

## MYSTIC MORSELS

Friend, don't give up your spiritual journey. You still have time.  
Why do you keep putting off your decision day after day?  
You can start immediately. You can say,  
"This is the moment to start moving."  
Now is the time to begin the fight and the change my ways."  
— Thomas à Kempis (1380-1471)





**MANNA MEAL**  
SO THE HUNGRY CAN EAT

**MANNA MEAL/KROGER  
PICK UP SCHEDULE**

**NOVEMBER**

November 5 Rob Schissler  
 November 6 Matt Leary  
 November 12 Dennis Thornburg  
 November 13 Kelley Endres  
 November 19 Rob Schissler  
 November 20 Tony O'Leary  
 November 26 Dennis Thornburg  
 November 27 Kelley Endres

**DECEMBER**

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

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

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| <b>Sun</b> | 11/03 | Sister Frances Kirtley / Marla Weiner / Wayne Miller |
| <b>Mon</b> | 11/04 | Missy Summey   |
| <b>Tue</b> | 11/05 | Mary Ann Johnson / Vince Stricker                    |
| <b>Wed</b> | 11/06 | Ro DeBias / Sue Anderson                             |
| <b>Thu</b> | 11/07 | Philip Maramba / John Priestley / Elizabeth Battle   |
| <b>Fri</b> | 11/08 | Peg Nagem  |
| <b>Sat</b> | 11/09 | Carolyn Frye   |

**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:

**November 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Andrew Dean** - Mount St. Mary's Seminary 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road, Emmitsburg, MD 21727

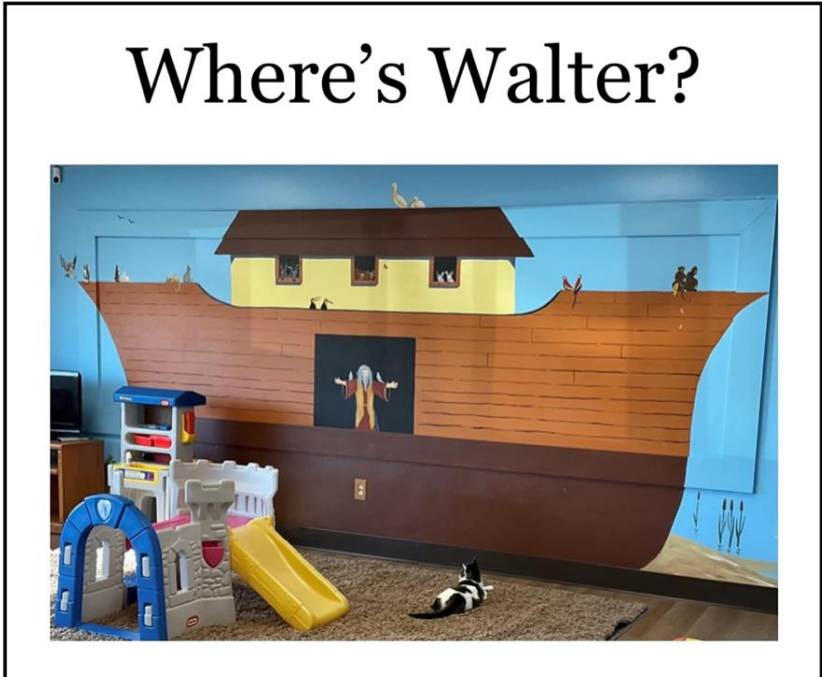
**December 4<sup>th</sup>**

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

# Noah's Wife Getting Sinking Feeling She Left The Stove On

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### Liturgical Ministries – November 2 & 3

|                                  | 5:00pm                | 9:00 am                             | 11:30 am              |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Lectors</b>                   | J Deegan              | B Caldwell                          | MP Peck               |
| <b>Altar Servers</b>             | C & V Stricker        | E & N Simonton                      | F & P Miramba         |
| <b>Cantors</b>                   |                       |                                     |                       |
| <b>Communion<br/>Principal</b>   | V Stricker            | Mike Burgess                        | Rick Brennan          |
| <b>Eucharistic<br/>Ministers</b> | N Zellers<br>M Mowrer | Chuck Wirtz<br>Sr Fran Kirtley      | Chip & Pam<br>Council |
| <b>Communion<br/>to the Sick</b> |                       | T Aluise<br>M Belcher,<br>M Burgess |                       |
| <b>Greeters/Ushers</b>           | B & R Schissler       | Kelly and Rob Plutro                | The Crane family      |

### Liturgical Ministries – November 9 & 10

|                                  | 5:00pm                      | 9:00 am                                       | 11:30 am                    |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| <b>Lectors</b>                   | J Priestley                 | M C Davis                                     | K Lester                    |
| <b>Altar Servers</b>             | Will Stella<br>David Bowels | Guy Ferrell<br>Madison Ferrell                | Rick Brennan                |
| <b>Cantors</b>                   |                             |   |                             |
| <b>Communion<br/>Principal</b>   | Ron Teufel                  | Rob Plutro                                    | Missy Summey                |
| <b>Eucharistic<br/>Ministers</b> | Ro DeBias<br>Ted Streit     | Jackie Aluise<br>Ofelia Duarte                | Rick Brennan<br>Jo Midkiff  |
| <b>Communion<br/>to the Sick</b> |                             | David Elliott<br>Jackie Lilly<br>Susan Bowyer |                             |
| <b>Greeters/Ushers</b>           | Bev and Rob Schissler       | David Elliott<br>Sue Manahan                  | Anna Sites<br>Jamie Tridico |



# Children's Therapy Clinic Light the Way 5K



Presenting Sponsor



Friday, November 22, 2024  
Coonskin Park, Charleston, WV

*Be Merry & Bright – Walk or Run  
through the Christmas Lights!*

Get the 1st look at the Lights at Coonskin Park  
before they open to the public.

Hot chocolate, caroling, and contests, too!

Contests Include: Ugliest Sweater, Best  
Costume, and Most Creative Team Theme

\*Every participant will receive a ticket to  
“Light the Night” at GoMart Ballpark

*Registration/Check-in begins at 4:30 pm, Event begins at 6pm*

Children's Therapy Clinic provides physical, occupational, speech and music therapies, as well as social skills groups to children who live in the Kanawha Valley. Services are provided on an income-based, sliding-scale fee, but ***CTC never turns away a child because their parents cannot pay.***

For more information, call 304-342-9515

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NOVEMBER

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 Children's  
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## **Answer to where's Walter**

Where's Walter? Walter CATechist is in our beautiful nursery. It is now open during the 11:30 am Mass. Babies and infants are always welcome at Blessed Sacrament parish, but sometimes mom and dad need to be able to focus on God.

**PLEASE NOTE that beginning on November 2  
Saturday Mass will begin at 4pm.**

### **Holiday Mass Times**

#### **November 1**

All Saints Day Masses at Noon and 6pm  
November 2 - All Souls Day Mass at 10 am

#### **November 28**

Thanksgiving Day Mass at 1 pm followed by dinner.

#### **December 9**

Immaculate Conception of the Holy Virgin Mary  
(Holy Day of Obligation)  
Masses at Noon and 6pm  
Lunch Bunch will follow the Mass at noon.

#### **December 24**

Christmas Masses at 4pm and 7pm

#### **December 25**

Christmas Mass at 10 am followed by brunch.

#### **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Masses**

December 31 – 4pm and January 1 at noon

### **Additional Notes**

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception** – December 8<sup>th</sup>  
**Communal Reconciliation Service** - December 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm  
**Blue Christmas Service** - December 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm  
**Epiphany Concert** – Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm



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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.**

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| <p><b>Pastor: Rev. Paul Wharton</b><br/> E-mail: <a href="mailto:pjw424@gmail.com">pjw424@gmail.com</a><br/> Cell Phone: 304-433-7472<br/> (For emergencies only after 8:00pm)</p>   | <p><b>Deacons</b><br/> Tony O’Leary - cell: 304-395-6208 / email: <a href="mailto:aoleary@dwc.org">aoleary@dwc.org</a><br/> Tommy Ross – cell: 304-590-5003 / email: <a href="mailto:tross@dwc.org">tross@dwc.org</a></p> |
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| <p><b>Music &amp; Youth Director:</b><br/> Mary Odin<br/> E-mail: <a href="mailto:wmodin@frontier.com">wmodin@frontier.com</a><br/> Phone: 304-767-9479</p>  | <p><b>Parish Therapy Cat</b><br/> Walter<br/> Email: <a href="mailto:WalterCatechist@gmail.com">WalterCatechist@gmail.com</a></p>   |
| <p><b>Blessed Sacrament Parish Pastoral Council:</b><br/> Terry Mathias, facilitator, Chip Counsil, David Lewia, Katie Smithberger,<br/> Charlie Wilson, Molly Linehan-Belcher, Rick Brennan, Dan McLaughlin, Jonathan Perry</p> |   |

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**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.”