

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH SACRED HEART CHAPEL



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Happy Thanksgiving

When I was growing up, my family would attend mass every Thanksgiving. After mass, our parish priest gifted each of us with a giant red apple. This may likely have been an “attendance incentive,” but we sure looked forward to it every year. During our Thanksgiving feast, our parents would suggest that we go around the table and talk about what we were thankful for, a tradition I have carried forth with my children. And now, the tradition continues with my grown children and grandchildren, and even though some mumblings occur, they amaze me with their thankfulness.

Sadly, we have postponed our Thanksgiving family gathering for this year. The dreaded virus has forced us to remain apart, but maybe we can gather on Zoom, and express our thanks without sharing the turkey and pie.

This Thanksgiving, I am reminded of another family that deserves my thanks, my parish family. During this odd year I have seen our parish staff come together to create a plan to safely open our parish for worship and prayer, to keep our stay at home parishioners up to date through emails and an online presence, and make sure we have materials for growth. I have watched as our liturgical ministers continue to carefully serve our parish, and our environment team decorates the sanctuary for those few brave souls who don their masks in the name of our holy mass. Many others, too numerous to mention, deserve our thanks, and at this time of year, please know that we are very grateful for the many ways that you build up the community which is Holy Rosary Parish. What is Thanksgiving for, if not for thanking the very people you love. May this Thanksgiving be a season of gratefulness to almighty God, who gives us all that is good. Happy Thanksgiving!

Thanksgiving Beatitudes

Be thankful that you don't already have everything you desire. If you did, what would there be to look forward to?

Be thankful when you don't know something, for it gives you the opportunity to learn.

Be thankful for the difficult times. During those times you grow.

Be thankful for your limitations, because they give you opportunities for improvement.

Be thankful for each new challenge, because it will build your strength and character.

Be thankful for your mistakes. They will teach you valuable lessons.

Be thankful when you're tired and weary, because it means you've made a difference.

—Author unknown

Dear Parishioners,

Let us continue to adhere to CDC directives with regard to COVID-19 Pandemic guidelines: wearing of face mask, keeping social distancing 6 feet, handwashing or sanitizing at all meetings. I am concerned with the new surge of the coronavirus in our county. I am very grateful to our entire family of Holy Rosary Parish for your compliance with these CDC directives and for your continued generous assistance to the Parish.

Please make sure you leave your name and phone number at each liturgy for contact tracing.
Father Ed

Wednesday Holy Hour Intentions

Our Wednesday, November 25th Holy Hour prayer intentions will be in Thanksgiving to God for his abundant blessings for us.

Thanksgiving Mass

Are you thankful for all of the many gifts that our Lord has given you? Join us at our annual Thanksgiving liturgy on Thursday, November 26, at 9 am in Holy Rosary Church. Please wear your masks!

Young Adult Group Is Forming at HRC!

Holy Rosary Church is looking for men and women between the ages of 18 to 30 who are interested in learning more about God! This Young Adult Group will meet on Saturday evenings at 8pm in Marist Hall for learning and social activities. Samuel Walker and Kaitlyn Luterek are organizing the group, hoping to build a strong youth community that is passionate about growing in their faith. Interested? Contact Kaitlyn at 304-516-1968 or Samuel at 304-519-4017.

Cheryl Moore and John Weber

Elected to Vicariate Pastoral Council

Election results are in after recent weekend voting at Mass and on Flocknote. The two persons who received the highest number of votes are Cheryl Moore and John Weber.

Cheryl and John will represent Holy Rosary Church at Vicariate Pastoral Council meetings. Holy Rosary is in the Clarksburg Vicariate. The Vicar Forane for the Clarksburg Vicariate is Fr. Casey Mahone, pastor of Immaculate Conception in Clarksburg, who will share any plans/hopes he has concerning the Vicariate Council. A Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary will determine future meeting dates and functioning of the council in consultation with Fr. Mahone. The intent is to have a functioning group of laity that helps the Vicar Forane.

From each Vicariate Council (there are six Vicariates in the Diocese), three persons will be elected to serve on the Diocesan Pastoral Council. That council will meet three times per year with the Bishop.

THANK YOU for voting! THANK YOU, Cheryl and John, for agreeing to serve! THANK YOU to all the nominees who agreed to have their names on the ballot!

Last Week's Collection

Envelopes: \$1,403.00

Loose: \$175.00

Attendance: 11/14 - 44 11/15 - 45



St. Joseph Missals Are Here

Our Saint Joseph Missals have arrived! The books contain all of the readings for each week, plus some extra prayers and reflections. To avoid social contact, we have placed these books in Marist Hall for you to pick up. When you take a missal, please put your \$3.50 donation in the envelopes provided and drop the envelope in the regular collection basket. Thank you so much!

Christmas Dinner Help Needed

The annual Parish House dinner on Christmas Day will be carry out or delivery only. No dine-in option. However, we need help! We need volunteers to dish up, clean up, or to deliver meals.

If you can spare a couple of hours on Christmas Day to help our neighbors, please call or text coordinator Carol Mersey at 304-472-4465. Thank you for giving this gift of your time and energy.

Lector's Work books Are Here

Attention Lectors! Your 2021 Lector' Workbooks have arrived. Please pick up your copy in the sacristy today! Parish House. You are God's gift to us! Fr. Ed

Campaign for Human Development Collection is This Weekend

This weekend, our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Forty million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

Scripture Sharing During Advent

During the month of December, we hope you will join Father Ed and members of our parish family in taking a look at Mary in Scripture. We will come together in Marist Hall every Thursday at 10 a.m. for an hour to focus on Mary's role in our salvation history. Plan to make this a part of your Advent. More details next week.

Greeter's Schedule

Sat. 11/21– Mary Blake
Sun. 11/22 – Frank Girard
Sat. 11/28– Jerry & Cheryl Moore
Sun. 11/– 29 – Charlie Malcolm

Lector's Schedule

11/21: John Weber
11/22: Linda Hicks
11/28: Mary Blake
11/29: Andrea Ellis

Please pray for our homebound

Gene & Mary Stump, Denna Bayless, Anna Stalnaker, Ron Frye, Rocena Asbury, John Sneberger, Lorraine McLean, James McCartney, Nancy Beverlin, Shirley Linger, Shirley Helmick, William McLean, Anna Powell, Barbara Elmore, Gerry Stankus, Helena Bessinger, Virginia Cerullo, Alan and Jimmie Jo Simmons, and Jeanette Willett.

Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday, Nov. 21 – Parishioners 7 p.m.
(Holy Rosary)
Sunday, Nov. 22 – The Pallottines 9 a.m. – (Holy Rosary)
Monday, Nov. 23 – All those affected by the virus
Tuesday, Nov. 24 – +Lorene Hardman
Wednesday, Nov. 25 – Rex Hardman (7 p.m. at Holy Rosary)
Holy Hour begins at 6 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 26 – +Wolfgang Flor
Friday, Nov. 27 – +Vincent Lundell
Saturday, Nov. 28 – 7 p.m. – Deceased members of the Waschuck Family (Holy Rosary)
Sunday, Nov. 29 - 9 a.m. – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)
Noon – Danny Vacca (Sacred Heart)

A Special Birthday

Long time parishioner Amelia Derico will be 96 years old in November! She misses her parish family! If you would like to send her a birthday card, please mail it to 955 Derico Rd., Buckhannon.

Homebound Parishioners Visits

If any homebound parishioner would like Fr. Ed to visit and bring Holy Communion to him/her, please call the parish office (304) 472 3414 or Fr. Ed's cell phone (609) 510-1090. Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, Fr. Ed will wear a face mask, face shield and gloves when visiting a homebound parishioner. In case you would not like a visit but would just like to talk on the phone, please do not hesitate to reach out to Fr. Ed.

Please remember in your prayers

Bertha Small, Kate Deasy, Rosemary Austin, Phil Halligan, Randy Trent, Macyah Riley, Karen Trent, Jack Call, Matthew Linger, David Vincent, Seth Poling, Cathy Lipscomb, Hugh Hensil, Barbara Elmore, Freddy Caimotto, James Barton, Mike Cerullo, Darell Hyre, Diane Hyre, Vicki Dibble, Eric Harkness, Pat Daigneault, Duane Lohr, Jeff Ball, Linda Hicks, Jane Baxter, Shaelyn Posey, P.T. Garton, Jalen Welcome, Ron Byrd, Helena Bessinger, Dennis Cortes, Kay Sienkiewicz, Danny Morgan, Patty Griffith, Gene Zara, Paula Ball, Dee Hendricks, Christopher Jones, Janine Robinson, Elaine Katai, Terry McKisic, Tori Odom.

Please pray for men and women in the military.

Celebrate With your Parish Family!

Now accepting November celebrations!

November 8	Carroll Westfall
November 9	Kristen Sayre
November 10	Patty Sayre
November 16	Amelia Derico
November 17	Ed Poach
November 17	Mary Kriner
November 19	John Kriner
November 19	Greg Jasinto
November 20	Reese Allbright
November 24	Sarah Ziemis
November 25	Mary Derico

Wedding Anniversaries

Libby and Charles
Anderegg- Nov. 21

If you see Patty Sayre, wish her a very special 60th November Birthday!

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Attention Men of the Parish

All men of the parish are invited to their fall study series from the Knights of Columbus called *Into the Breach*. This is a 12-part video series for men. Each video is about 12-15 minutes and a study guide with questions is available by contacting Skip Gjolberg. Each meeting will last about one hour, and the men will have plenty of time to view the video and discuss the questions. Please contact Skip for more details at 681-533-8170 or email: sgjolberg@gmail.com. We hope that all men prayerfully consider learning and praying with other men from our parish!

From Where I Sit...A Lay Perspective on Advent

And so our year ends, that is, our liturgical year ends with the coming of Advent. We begin anew. This past year has been a memorable one for us. Around the world there have been untold hardships. Places have been consumed by fire and by flood. There have been political uprisings around the globe and we have begun to be aware of climate change and its lasting effects on us as citizens of the world. We have wrestled with a global pandemic; we have witnessed shortages of paper products and social gatherings. But 2020 has not been all distressing. We have seen the wondrous work of our first responders, of doctors, nurses, caregivers, firemen, and police officers. We have witnessed the absolute goodness of people caring for their neighbors in a time of unrest and insecurity. God indeed has been so good to us.

What is this Advent all about? For too many of us, it has been a hurry to buy presents, to spend

more than we should, to decorate our house to the rooftops, and to bake and clean and prepare. But what are we preparing for? Of course, we say we are preparing to remember the birth of Jesus; we are preparing for the great Nativity of God coming to dwell among us. If we truly believe that, we will put aside ample time to prepare for that...not just by shopping and baking and cleaning but by pushing the taproot of our lives into true faith. This means more than the usual praying, more than the usual Scripture reading, more than the usual mass attending. We need to prepare for his generous coming by giving over more time spent with Him, more time in joyful and hopeful prayer, more time in reflection on why He came to earth to be with us. We must prepare our hearts more than we prepare for other things. We must prepare our hearts, minds, and souls to be ready for December 25. Make a good Advent!!



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Charity Manspeaker
"I give my soul to Jesus."
Bl. Solanus Casey

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