

Holy Rosary Catholic Church

Sacred Heart Chapel

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April 7, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

Many months ago it was brought to my attention (to tell the truth I did notice it) there is a good deal of talk before our Saturday and Sunday Masses. In the lobby of the church we tend to get into conversations with those who enter. In the church itself we converse about many things. (Note, I said “we” because I do it too). What I realize is, it inhibits our ability to prepare ourselves for the celebration of the Mass. Also, others in the church who are quietly praying are disturbed by our talking.

There is an important aspect of preparing to worship together: we need to acknowledge one another, say hello and introduce ourselves to visitors. This can and must still be done. However, we can speak in softer tones and not carry on lengthy conversations before the Mass. We can say that we will meet after Mass and continue the conversation.

But, another important aspect of preparing to worship in a Catholic Church revolves around our recognition that we are in the presence of our God present in the tabernacle. He deserves our greatest attention while not ignoring the presence of others. To prepare to celebrate Mass we need to acknowledge those around us but also take time to reverently love and honor Him.

Many forget to bless themselves with Holy Water, others forget to bow or genuflect when entering a pew, some forget to kneel (if possible) and pray after entering the pew. These are all dispositions that prepare ourselves to prayerfully enter into the celebration of the Mass. For a while it might be good if we dim the lights in church before Mass to help with the quiet reverence. This will call our attention to the altar where the lights will be centered on the crucifix and tabernacle.

After Mass, It is good to say hello to those with whom you worshipped. If the weather is good, maybe step outside or go to the hall to continue the conversations. It is okay to converse in Church if that is the only place you can do so. I will occasionally remind all of us to continue a reverential attitude especially upon entering and preparing for Mass.

May Jesus bless you in his love and peace

From Where I Sit...A Lenten Perspective 5

Lent is a time for focusing on our need for God and for remembering God’s abundant resources for filling that need. We can look outside and see the beauty of God’s resources for us. We can look at our lives and see God at work in every nook and corner of our being. Thinking about God this week, I took these internal notes:

- God is faithful to me, even when I am sometimes not faithful.

- God never leaves me, even though sometimes I do not think of God at all.
- God loves me so much, even when I forget about God.
- God always tries to seek me out, even when I do not seem to seek God.
- God calls on me to be his ambassador, so I must conduct myself according to God’s teachings.

- God brings joy and laughter to my life and a deep sense of God's love for me.

In two weeks, we will celebrate the great feast of Easter. May we be ready to say, "I heard you, Lord, and I will always answer your call. Use me as your will. Amen."

ON NOT HIDING FROM GOD

Our problem with that, given the fear that what is wrong in us will somehow lessen God's affection, amounts to this: While we find it easier to raise our minds to God, we rarely really lay bare what is actually inside of our hearts.

Instead we treat God as we would a visiting dignitary, namely, we show God what we think God wants to see in us, tell God what we think God would want to hear about us, and hide all those things that we feel will lessen God's affection. The same is true in our church lives: Invariably, when we most need God and the support of the community of faith, we stay away from church and community. I know so many people, especially young people, who because something is wrong in their lives stop going to church.

They stop going to church precisely until such a time when, all on their own, they can somehow rectify the problem and then they go back to church and present their "unsullied" selves, now seemingly more at rights with holiness and goodness. Generally

Psalm Response: The Lord has done great things for us we are filled with joy.

this expresses itself this way: "Given how I'm living, I would be a hypocrite if I went to church! I'm too honest and humble to go to church right now." That may sound noble and humble, but it betrays a false understanding of God and ultimately does us no favours.

In fact, on this score we might well learn a lesson from Adam and Eve. After they sinned, they too did what comes naturally, they hid and tried to

So Proud of our Youth!

Friday Buckhannon Upshur High School inducted members into the National Honor Society. Autumn Fitzsimmons was inducted last year and still remains a member. Joining her as this year's new members from our parish are the following: Payton Knicely, Kennedy Lewellyn, Mackenzie Lewellyn, and Samuel Walker. Congratulations, we are proud of you!

More Congratulations

camouflage their shame by their own efforts at clothing themselves. But their shame remained until God found them and gave them real clothing with which to cover their guilt.

We do not know God very well at all when we

fear coming into God's presence replete with all that is within us, weaknesses as well as strengths. Nothing we do can ever lessen God's tenderness towards us.
RON ROLHEISER, OMI

Last Week's Collection

Envelopes: \$2,222.00

Loose: \$172.00

OFFERTORY GIVING THROUGH YOUR BANK

For our parishioners who want to give electronically instead of writing checks, it can be done through your bank using the "Bill Paying Features." You can write "use the bill pay features" to send your donations to Holy Rosary Church through your bank. You can send electronic checks every week, month, etc. to the church. This makes it very convenient for parishioners who already use this feature to pay their bills. Simply add Holy Rosary and our address P.O. Box 848 and use this feature to give to the church. Please check with your bank to see if this feature is available for you to use.

Notice

In the not too distant future we will be demolishing the St. Joseph Building. One person expressed a desire to go in and retrieve any usable wood or other items. If you have this desire, please let me know. If there are others, we will determine the best way to share the opportunity fairly. Each person will have to sign a notice of intent to not hold the parish or the diocese liable for any accident or injuries. Please talk to Fr. Joe to express your interest.

SoulCore Schedule for April: All classes meet at 6:00 p.m. in Marist Hall

Tuesday 4/9/19

Tuesday 4/23/19

Tuesday 4/30/19

Congratulations to brothers Adin Post and Asa Post for helping their Lewis County High School Boys Basketball team make it all the way to states this year! It had been more than 34 years since the Minutemen were last seen at the tournament and a proud moment for the entire community. Way to go! Newly inducted member, Asa Post will join his brother Adin Post as a member of the Lewis County High School National Honor Society. Entrance into NHS is

MARCH RIGHT UP WITH YOUR CELEBRATIONS!

Celebrate With Your Parish Family!

Do you have a birthday or special celebration in your family for April? Celebrate with your parish family! Just drop a note in the collection basket or give it to Fr. Joe. We are always proud of the accomplishments of our parish family, but we need you to tell us about them so we can share it with everyone! Don't be shy! Call the office or drop a note in the collection basket.



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| April 15 | Libby Anderegg |
| April 18 | Dennis Cortes |
| April 18 | John Kriner |
| April 19 | Lany Wijayani |
| April 24 | Donna Gjolberg |
| April 28 | Arthur Sayre |
| April 29 | Denna Bayless |
| April 29 | Brian Nanners |
| April 30 | Chase Lewellen |

Congratulations to Shirey and Roger Lundell as they celebrate their granddaughter Abby! She graduated from basic training camp for the United States Army! Best of luck, Abby!

Prayers, Please!

Fr. Ron Nikodem, Bertha Small, Steve Zellhofer, Kate Deasy, Rosemary Austin, Phil Halligan, Randy Trent, Macyah Riley, Karen Trent, Steve Tilson, Casandra Wagner, Jack Call, Jalen Welcome, Joe Morton, Matthew Linger, David Vincent, Joseph Queen, Seth Poling, Cathy Lipscomb, Baby Abigail Rolenson.

Please pray for all men and women serving in the military.

Please pray for our homebound: Gene and Mary Stump, Jeanette Willett, Denna Bayless, Virginia Cerullo, Anna Stalnaker, Ron Frye, Gerald Hackney, Rocena Asbury, John Sneberger, Betty Ledford, Bob Jeran, Lorraine McLean, James McCartney, Nancy Beverlin, Shirley Linger, Rosie Ketterman, Shirley Helmick, William McLean, Lorene Hardman

based on Service, Leadership, Academic Achievement, and Character. Congratulations!

School of Religion Schedule

The Knights of Columbus Council 603 Scholarship

The Elkins Council 603 of the Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce the 2019 Father Mark T. Gallipeau High School Scholarship. The Elkins Council is offering one scholarship to an active catholic high school senior from Holy Rosary, St. Patrick's in Coalton, or St. Brendan's in Elkins. One \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded to a senior who has demonstrated commitment to their school, church, and community and has shown academic achievement. Priority will be given to children and grandchildren of Council 603 members. This scholarship is for incoming freshmen who will be enrolled full time in an

- April 7 class
- April 14 class
- April 21 Easter, no class
- April 28 class/end of the year

Appreciation Dinner from the Parish House

The Parish House will be hosting its annual Appreciation Evening for all of us who donate our time at Crosslines or the Parish House. The Holy Rosary family is especially invited as our church gives much time to Crosslines. THE DINNER IS AT 6 P.M. ON THURSDAY, APRIL 11 AT CHAPEL HILL METHODIST CHURCH. You do not have to bring anything; the meal is totally furnished. Holy Rosary should fill up at least 3-4 tables as we volunteer every week. Let Brother Roy know if you are coming by April 7. Let's show them who and how many there are!

You Are Invited

Come one, come all to a "Life in the Spirit" seminar on April 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. at St. Francis de Sales parish in Morgantown. Have you ever wondered what your spiritual gifts are...or if you have any at all? Would you like to nurture the spiritual gifts you already have? Attend the seminar, hosted by the women of Morgantown Magnificat, and you will be blessed with a greater awareness of the gifts given you by the Holy Spirit. You will also learn how to use those gifts for the good of all. Pamphlets and a registration form can be found at the entrance of the church. You are called and gifted by God. Now discover what those gifts are!

Men's Group News

The Men's Group will meet each Saturday as they continue on in the Catechism with *Chapters 5 and 6*. Also, Fr. Timothy Grassi is holding his annual **Men's Day of Reflection** on Saturday, April 13 from 9 a.m. until Mass at 5 p.m. at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Thomas, WV. The event is free and is open to teen boys, as well. His preaching is solid and faithful. There will be at least 4 priest s available for hearing confessions. Breakfast, snacks and lunch will be provided. If interested, please contact Father Grassi at least a few days before the event so that he can make sure he has enough food. Fr. Grassi's email: father@sttsite.com Carpools may be available if there is enough interest.

accredited four-year, two year, or technical program in the US. Applications can be downloaded at: <http://stbrendanwv.weebly.com>. The deadline for applications is May 1, 2019.

Open House for Catholic Education

An Open House will be held on April 14th at Lightburn's Family Diner in Jane Lew to help promote Catholic education. The times are 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Literature will be available for Saint Patrick's grade school in Weston, and Notre Dame High School in Clarksburg.

The Ten Commandments at the Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center in Clarksburg



Let's go to the movies! Come out for a historic movie screening of Cecil B. DeMille's epic masterpiece The Ten Commandments (1956) starring Charlton Heston on our BIG SCREEN! We'll have all the popcorn, candy, and drinks and an experience you and your loved ones will never forget! Box Office opens at 1:45pm. Doors open at 2:00pm. Movie starts at 3:00pm. Tickets

are \$7.00 (taxes and fees included) and can be purchased online anytime or over the phone at (855) 773-6283 on Monday - Friday from 10:00am - 11:00 pm. Concessions will be available. There will be a 15-minute intermission halfway into the four-hour film.

Looking for a Job?

Father Joe received this note recently: We own A Governor's Inn Bed and Breakfast here in Buckhannon, and we are looking for someone to work for us part time; cleaning, flipping rooms when guests leave and helping with breakfast service at times. I work full time as a teacher and my husband is also working so we need help. The pay is \$9.00 per hour and the hours are based upon the frequency of guests. Do you know of someone in the church who would like to have a part time job?

Thank you for your help,
Charla and Jack Reger
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April Serving Schedule

April 6: Samuel and Harrison
April 7: Kenney, Makenzi and Logan
April 13: Adin, Asa and Emma
April 14 (PALM SUNDAY): Madelyn, Allie and Vincent
April 18 (HOLY THURSDAY): Vincent, Adin, Asa and Emma
April 19 (GOOD FRIDAY): Addison, Madelyn and Allie
April 20 (HOLY SATURDAY): Adin, Asa, Kennedy and Makenzi
April 21 (EASTER): Addison, Allie, Madelyn and Vincent
April 27: Logan and Vincent
April 28: Samuel and Harrison

Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday, April 6

7 p.m – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)

Sunday, April 7

9 a.m. – Edward Lafferre (Holy Rosary)

Monday, April 8

7:30 a.m. – Emerick Cerullo (Hospital)

Tuesday, April 9

7:30 a.m. – Wolfgang Flor (Hospital)

Wednesday, April 10

7 p.m. – Troy Helmick (Holy Rosary)

6:30 p.m. - Adoration

Thursday, April 11

7:30 a.m. – Elizabeth Lanham (Hospital)

Friday, April 12

7:30 a.m. - Krysti Davis (Holy Rosary)

Saturday, April 13

7 p.m. – Thanksgiving mass intention for the Carillo family (Holy Rosary)

Sunday, April 14

9 a.m. – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)

Angel Flight East

Our program helps families by coordinating volunteer pilots who use their own planes to fly people to specialized medical facilities. We help needy persons receive treatment which otherwise would be inaccessible because of cost and distance.

Late-stage cancer, medical testing, and specialized care for rare diseases, orthopedics, heart and eye conditions are some of the examples of the critical needs we help meet. Every year we schedule over 800 flights for patients and help families alleviate the financial and logistical pressures of seeking treatment. Our values stand for compassion, volunteerism, and helping others in need. **We are a responsive resource, able to help and arrange flights usually in under five days. We also assist in compassion flights, in cases where a family member needs to travel to see a dying or ill relative.**

If you'd like to learn more, please visit our website www.angelflighteast.org, or feel free to reach out to us for more information.

Free Greeting Cards This Weekend!

Seriously! Holy Rosary parishioners are welcome to stop by Marist Hall this weekend and grab your free Hallmark Cards!

All types of cards are available: Easter, First Communion, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Graduation, Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy, Congratulations, Anniversary, Christmas and more!

These cards are a gift to you, and you are welcome to take one, ten, a hundred or as many as you like. All cards must go! Don't be shy! Help yourself!

Holy Week Schedule at Holy Rosary

Palm Sunday – Sunday, April 14 –Please meet in Marist Hall at 8:55 a.m. for our opening readings and Palm Sunday procession.

Holy Thursday -April 18: Mass of the Last Supper and washing of feet – 7 p.m.

Good Friday – April 19 – Stations of the Cross – noon
Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion – 7 p.m.

Easter Vigil – Saturday, April 20 – Easter Vigil – 8 p.m.

Easter Sunday – April 21 – Mass at 9 a.m. at Holy Rosary and noon at Sacred Heart Chapel, Pickens

