

# Holy Rosary Catholic Church Sacred Heart Church A Marist Community

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**Last weekend, our School of Religion students participated in a play about the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks to all who participated in the play, who made the beautiful manger and to Tracy Murphy and Lori Reed who organized the students.**

FROM  
THE  
PASTOR



Dear Parishioners.

What a  
Blessing!!! This is  
my second  
Christmas with all

of you wonderful parishioners of Holy Rosary Parish. What blessings God has bestowed upon us and continues to do so. I together with Brother Roy and visiting Fr. Paul extend to all of you a heartfelt prayer for a peace filled Christmas. May your families experience God's peace and each of your hearts be opened to the great gift of Jesus' love for you.

I will be visiting my siblings and Marist community this coming week in Washington DC. I will be back on Saturday the 30th to celebrate with you the New Year.

My prayers and love to each of you'  
Merry Christmas  
Fr. Joe

**The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)** is December 25 and is a holy day of obligation for all Catholics. We will celebrate the Vigil Mass on December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. (Christmas carols begin at 6:30 p.m.) Mass on Christmas Day, December 25 will be celebrated at 9 a.m.

**Masses for the Feast of Christmas**

December 24 – 6:30 - 7 p.m. Vigil

December 25 – 9 a.m.

December 25 – noon at Sacred Heart

**Decorating the Church for Christmas**

We will decorate the church for Christmas after the 9 a.m. liturgy on Sunday, December 24th, so please consider staying an extra hour to help us.

Many hands make light work, and if we have several people, it should only take a little while.

All are welcome.

**Catholic Charities Collection on Christmas**

Our second collection on Christmas is for Catholic Charities of WV. Pope Francis recently observed the first World Day of the Poor on November 19<sup>th</sup>. He reminded us that we are all one in the Body of Christ and we must care for the suffering within the Body. Please support the good works that Catholic Charities West Virginia is doing on our behalf for the poor and suffering. Contributions may be made online at [www.CatholicCharitiesWV.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesWV.org), mail to 2000 Main Street, Wheeling, WV 26003 or in the second collection on Christmas.

**Thanks for the Calendars**

Our Holy Rosary 2018 calendars have arrived. Many thanks to Nicholas Cutright, owner of Heavner and Cutright Funeral Home in Buckhannon for sponsoring our calendars. The calendars are located at the doors of the church for each family.

**Congratulations!**

Congratulations go to Carroll Westfall, a faithful and long time member of our parish. Carroll was the winner of the drawing sponsored by our Fellowship Ministry. Proceeds from the drawing will go toward the support of the Fellowship Ministry's many activities aimed at creating even more of a family feeling at Holy Rosary. Thanks you to all who participated in the drawing.

**Send a Christmas Card**

While you are sending Christmas cards this year, why not send one to a U.S. soldier who is having a difficult time this Christmas? Your card might lift the spirits of a man or woman who is unable to spend Christmas with their family this year.

Send your cards to:

**A Veteran**

**1 Freedom's Way**

**Clarksburg, WV 26301**

**The Feast of Mary, Mother of God**

The Feast of Mary, Mother of God, is a holy day of obligation and falls every year on January 1<sup>st</sup>. This year, because the feast falls on a Monday, the bishops have rescinded the obligation but still encourage parishes to have a holy day mass. For this reason we will have our regular weekend schedule for December 30 and 31<sup>st</sup>, but will not have a Vigil Mass on Sunday. We will have one Mass to celebrate the Feast of Mary the Mother of God on Monday, January 1st at 9 a.m. We strongly encourage you to attend this Mass to pray through Mary's intercession for a peace filled New Year.

### Angels Among Us

Have you taken a good look at our parish kitchen? If you did, you couldn't help but notice that it is newly painted, that the stove has taken on a brand new look, that the cabinets have been cleaned inside out, and that there is a freshness we haven't seen in a long time. All of that just didn't happen over night. Two angels in the parish worked long and hard to make that happen. Let's be sure to say a prayer of thanks for those angels (who wish to remain anonymous).

### Women's Group

Our next Women's Group meeting will be on Thursday, 12/28/17 at 6:30 p.m. in Marist Hall! We will be finishing the book and discussion guide at that meeting and we will be discussing plans for future book or Bible studies!

### School of Religion

**December: Advent: We Prepare for the Christ Child**

**Participate in our Church's Advent Activities  
Send a Christmas card or note to a shut in or nursing home**

12/24 - No classes Christmas Break -  
Fourth Sunday of Advent Luke 1:  
26-38  
12/31 - No Class Holiday Break -  
Happy New Year



### Find the Bulletin Online

Have you misplaced your weekly bulletin, or did you miss mass one weekend? You can find our bulletins online on our Holy Rosary

Website! Log on to [www.holyrosarywv.org](http://www.holyrosarywv.org) to check out the weekly bulletins and more about our parish. Many thanks to Jessie Disbrow who manages our website!

### Lost and Found

A St. Lucy Medallion was found in the parking lot across from the church. Dr. O'Loughlin found it and gave it to Sandy Boyd, thinking it might belong to one of our parishioners. He said it looked like someone may have had it for a long time. Could this be yours? You may contact Sandy Boyd at 304-439-6764 to claim your medallion.

### Men's Breakfast

The next men's breakfast is set for Saturday, December 30, at 9 a.m. at Audrey's Restaurant in Buckhannon. All the men of the parish are invited.



### Please Pray

Robert Fulton, Mary Plocki, Joe Morton, Kim Casella, Fr. John Baran, Mike Derico, The Family of Janine Robinson, the Jones Family, James Dunn Family, Braden Berry, Mary Kimberly Moore, Charles Sandreth, Gary Cortes, Craig Cortes, Lori Wilcox, Joseph Cortes, Sid Holic, Lorene Hardman, Louise Hawkinberry, Kate Deasy, Rosemary Austin, Shana Erickson, Victor Zara, Msgr Michael Doyle, Brenda Gullo, Kimberly Moore, Jeff Rosenbury, Allen Rosenbury, Mary and Bob Shutran, Mike Hanson, Marsha Garton, Lorraine McLean, Mike Farah, Phil Halligan, Shaelyn Posey, Levi Abel, Rose DeProspero, Evelyn Jack, Phil Murphy, Sheila Marsh, Chris, Pat Marsh, Rose Mary Tomblyn, Vonda Brandt, Janice Korish, Aaron Walden. Kathleen Chatfield, Ann Wilson, Hugh Hensil, Roger Abel.

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

### Please pray for our homebound

Gene and Mary Stump, Jeannette Willett, Denna Bayless, Virginia Cerullo, Toni and Emerick Cerullo, Anna Stalnaker, Ron Frye, Edna Anadon, Gerald Hackney, Rose Deprospero, Rocena Ashbury.

### Server's Schedule

December 23 – Kennedi and Makenzi  
December 24 (9 a.m.) Vincent  
December 24 (7 p.m.) Christmas Eve – Vincent  
December 25 (9 a.m.) Volunteers

### Birthdays and Anniversaries



Will Baxa IV	December 5
Mariann Jack	December 10
Tracy Murphy	December 9
Harrison Walker	December 15
Gene Stump	December 19
Gene Bryant	December 25
Andrea Ellis	December 27
Grant Murphy	December 27
Mike Wilson	December 28
Mike Ellis	December 31

**DON'T FORGET**

**Christmas Eve** -Sunday, December 24  
 – Carols at 6:30 p.m. and mass at 7 p.m. (Holy Rosary)

**Christmas Day** – Monday, December 25 – mass at 9 a.m. (Holy Rosary) and at noon at Sacred Heart.

**Mass Intentions for 2018**

Do you have a specific mass intention for next year? Would you like to have a mass offered for a loved one or a deceased member of your family? Please drop your intentions (plus your \$5 donation) in an envelope or give it to Father Joe. Specific dates may go quickly, so act now.

**National Memorial for the Pre-Born**

You are invited to join pro-life leaders and activists of all ages in Washington, DC on the morning of the March for Life, January 19, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. for the National Memorial for the Pre-Born and Their Mothers and Fathers at historic Constitution. This exciting service features prayer, praise, music and inspirational speakers and is always a time of renewed focus on these topics. It is free, no tickets required, large groups are welcome and Constitution Hall is only a short walk to the March for Life rally starting point. The address is 1776 D Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006. A catholic mass begins at 7:30 a.m.

**Envelopes for 2018**

The envelopes for 2018 are in Marist Hall. Not all families will receive envelopes initially. We only ordered the numbers for the parishioners who used envelopes on a regular basis last year. Please pick up your envelopes and check to see if your address is correct. If there is an error,

please drop a note in the collection basket with your proper information.

If your family did not receive a box of envelopes for this year and you would like to use envelopes, we can still order envelopes for you.

please sign the sheet on the table by the envelopes and we will order more for you.

**We must base all**

**envelopes on your permanent parish number so only**

**take the envelopes with your number.** If you are not registered in the parish and would like a box of envelopes, please sign the sheet, but provide your address and phone number as well



**Eucharistic Liturgies**

**Saturday, December 23**

- 5 p.m. – No Mass (WVWC)
- 7 p.m. – Ruth McGushin (Holy Rosary)

**Sunday, December 24**

- 9 a.m. – For our parishioners (Holy Rosary)
- Noon – No Mass (Sacred Heart)

**Sunday, December 24** Christmas Vigil Mass

- 7 p.m. – For our parishioners

**Monday, December 25** Christmas Day Mass

- 9 a.m. – For our Parishioners

**Tuesday, December 26**

- 7:30 a.m. – The Pallottines (Hospital)

**Wednesday, December 27**

- 6 p.m. – Nancy Westfall (dec) (Holy Rosary)

**Thursday, December 28**

- 7:30 a.m. – Guy Derico (dec) (Hospital)

**Friday, December 29**

- 7:30 a.m. – Ethel Doyle (Holy Rosary)

**Saturday, December 30**

- 5 p.m. – No Mass (WVWC)
- 7 p.m. – Frank Williams IV (Holy Rosary)

**Sunday, December 31**

- 9 a.m. – For our Parishioners (Holy Rosary)
- noon - For those considering abortions (Sacred Heart)

**Monday, January 1**

- 9 a.m. – For our Parishioners (Holy Rosary)

and we will assign a number for you.  
Boxes of envelopes are expensive. If you are sending your weekly donation electronically from your bank, thank you!

### **COLLECTION AMOUNT**

LAST WEEK'S ENVELOPES: \$3,342.00

LAST WEEK'S LOOSE: \$125.00

### **Christmas Flowers**

Thank you to all who donated towards our Christmas flower fund. Special thanks to the Westfall Family, who donated a poinsettia in honor of Nancy Westfall.