

Holy Rosary Catholic Church

Sacred Heart Chapel

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During the month of May, let us lift our eyes toward the Mother of God, our consolation and sure hope, and let us pray together the Rosary to face the trials of this moment together and to be ever more united as a spiritual family.

Pope Francis

6th Sunday of Easter

“Spiraling out of control,” is a phrase that can easily “Remain in my love,” and, “I call you friends,” are powerful words that are found in John’s Gospel. Most of us probably have them committed to memory or have at least heard them proclaimed dozens of times. They are words that can easily become trite and quickly glossed over without fully pondering and digesting their profound beauty. When we take the time to immerse ourselves in them, they can radically change our lives and our relationships. They can open up new doors of adventure and hold countless possibilities for meaning. The essence of love and friendship are things that can easily be taken for granted. They have always been there and are a significant part of our lives. Many would say that they could not live without love and friendship, and they put a great deal of care into preserving, deepening and sustaining them. Love and friendship share a mutual relationship with each other that deserves more reflection.

Where does love come from? We can consider relationships that have not succeeded and conclude that they were somehow due to our “failures in love.” In doing so, we assume that human beings are the ones responsible for love, its success and also its failure. While our weakness, emotional composition and sinfulness can easily impact our ability to love, its origin is not human. God is love. God is love’s author and origin. When we love, it is God who loves in and through us. It is because of this divine closeness that Jesus is able to call us friends! It is not because of anything we have done but simply because of who we are. Realizing and contemplating this awesome reality becomes a game changer across the board. It gives us reason to clear the table of anything that can adversely affect the way we love so that we can open the door for its author to shine forth.

Coming upon this truth is what leads folks like St. Francis of Assisi to leave that which is comfortable and worldly and live a radical life. They relate with the love of God that radiates in and through all living things and appreciate their sacredness. It was having an intimate experience of God’s love and friendship that propelled St. Francis and others to embrace simplicity, act nonviolently, pursue humility, love enemies, care for the earth and open up avenues for true justice. Understanding this profound truth will also help us find peaceful solutions to world’s problems, restore relationships with our sisters and brothers, bring the grace of loving stewardship to creation and heal many wounds. Once we begin to see how wonderfully holy all of life really is, we discover joy. We lose our need for fear, develop a fierce fortitude, act prudently and seek justice. There is great power in love because it comes from God. It will never fail. It also enjoys the company of two other friends who are eager to become our friends as well: faith and hope. These are just as important to have and to share. ©LPi



Welcome Father John

Father John Hue Tran, SVD will be joining our parish family effective May 6th. Father Tran has been helping Father Thien Nguyen, SVD in Gassaway and Clay and now he will be assisting Father Ed here with

pastoral work. We are blessed to have him our parish! Congratulations to Fr. John! He celebrated his Silver Jubilee of priestly ordination on March 23. He was ordained on March 23, 1996. We wish him God's blessing as he continues to serve God and His holy people.

New Diocesan Guidelines

Our Bishop Mark has issued updated Covid Guidelines for our diocese. Masks are still required at mass, and we are still restricted to every other pew, but we are now permitted to use our hymn books, utilize our altar servers, plan parish meetings and use Marist Hall for coffee and donuts! Restrictions apply, of course, and we are committed to remain open in a safe manner for all concerned. The full guidelines were sent to you on Flocknotes, or you may access them on the diocesan web page, www.dwc.org.

Welcome Back Holy Rosary Altar Servers

Our Holy Rosary altar servers will be back soon! We have missed you! We welcome any new students who would like to serve on the altar. Please call Father Ed or contact Lindsay Zirkle at (304) 613-3306 to express your interest. Watch for more information to come about a servers' orientation and training meeting.

Coffee and Donuts

Would you like to be a part of the great group of parishioners who prepare the coffee and donuts for us each week? Maybe you can help with parish receptions like graduations, Father's Day, or other gatherings. Contact Father Ed and we hope to get organized soon!

Our Sympathies

Our sympathies are extended to the family of William (Bill) Stalnaker, our friend and long-time parishioner who died recently. Please keep his wife, Anna, and her family in your prayers.

We also offer our condolences to our parishioners Francis and Colleen Boyle, who lost their son, Francis

Tad Boyle this week. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.

A Note from Father Ed

The Feast of Ascension of the Lord will be celebrated on Sunday, May 16 in our Diocese. Therefore, Thursday, May 13 is not a holyday of obligation and there will only be one mass (7:30 a.m.) in the church that day. Readings for the weekend, or the Ascension of the Lord are: Acts of Apostles 1:1-11, Responsorial Psalm 47:2-3,6-7,8-9, Ephesians 1:17-23 & Mark 16:15-20.

May 9 – Sixth Sunday of Easter
A Vocation View: **“God shows no partiality.” He does not call those who are equipped for the work; He equips those whom He has called.**
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Adult Faith Ministry

Men and women of all ages, we need you! The Adult Faith Ministry is inviting you to help plan learning opportunities for our parish. A one-hour meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Monday, June 7, in Marist Hall. Please join us!



Month of May Rosary

Join us before each liturgy in May to pray the rosary. We will begin about 20 minutes before the hour.

Crosslines Immediate Need

Crosslines is in immediate need of grape jelly! They also have a need for dish soap and shampoo. Can you help? Drop your donation off at Crosslines or at the church anytime! Thanks very much!

Daily Mass is Back

Our weekday Masses are back at Holy Rosary Church! Please note the following schedule:

Tuesday: 7:30 a.m.

Wednesday: Holy Hour 6 p.m. & Mass at 7 p.m.

Thursday and Friday: 7:30 a.m. (On First Fridays, Holy Hour will be at 6 p.m. and Mass at 7p.m.) At the present time, there will not be a mass on Monday morning.

2021 High School Graduates!

Are you a 2021 high school graduate? We would like to recognize you at Holy Rosary! Call the parish office, or email dpoach@frontier.com for further information.

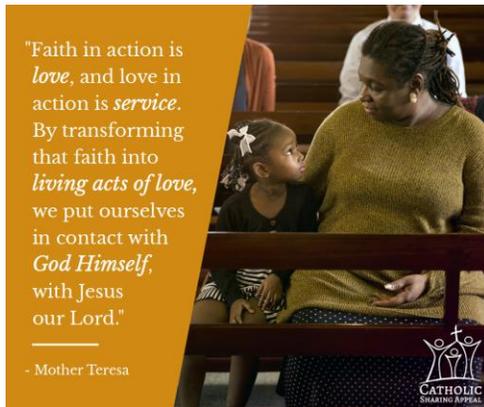
Catholic Sharing Appeal

There are a lot of ideas out there about what it takes to be happy: earn a certain income, have certain experiences, achieve certain things. In today's Gospel, Christ presents us a vision of happiness that is wildly counterintuitive to our contemporary, individualistic society: "love one another."

Jesus reveals that we find ourselves only by giving ourselves away. This is because we are made for relationship, not self-indulgence. Christ tells us that there is no greater love than to "lay down one's life one's friends," not in an effort to scare us, but so that his joy may be in us and that "your joy may be complete."

So how do we live out this self-giving love? Most of us aren't called to be missionaries in foreign lands, or to completely devote our lives to caring for the poor or sick. Yet opportunities to lay down our lives for others abound. One simple way? Support our ongoing Catholic Sharing Appeal. Your offering will directly contribute to our ability to share the love of Christ with a world in desperate need, truly producing "fruit that will remain."

Looking for an opportunity to "lay down your life" for your friends? Well, don't overlook our Catholic Sharing Appeal. This is a concrete way to make a difference in our parish community, and to truly produce fruit that will remain. Consider contributing today. Our goal is \$11,330.



"Faith in action is *love*, and love in action is *service*. By transforming that faith into *living acts of love*, we put ourselves in contact with *God Himself*, with Jesus our Lord."

- Mother Teresa

Homebound and Nursing Home Visits

Father Ed has had both of his Covid vaccines and is available to visit the sick and those in the hospital. Please, call him to schedule an appointment, as he will limit his visits to one per day and follow all safety precautions and hospital regulations. We know that many of you are private about your health concerns. Please, you must let Father Ed know if your loved one is in need of a visit, is in the hospital, or if you would like to put their name in the bulletin.

Please remember in your prayers

Bertha Small, Kate Deasy, Rosemary Austin, Phil Halligan, Randy Trent, Macyah Riley, Karen Trent, Jack Call, Matthew Linger, Seth Poling, Cathy Lipscomb, Hugh Hensil, Freddy

Caimotto, James Barton, Mike Cerullo, Darell Hyre, Diane Hyre, Vicki Dibble, Eric Harkness, Pat Daigneault, Duane Lohr, Jeff Ball, Jane Baxter, Shaelyn Posey, P.T. Garton, Jalen Welcome, Ron Byrd, Helena Bessinger, Dennis Cortes, Kay Sienkiewicz, Danny Morgan, Gene Zara, Paula Ball, Janine Robinson, Elaine Katai, Terry McKisic and Tori Odom, Mary McCoy, Andrew Schmidt, Gay Little, Denise Karlen.

Please pray for men and women in the military.

Please pray for our homebound: 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.



SoulCore Schedule

SoulCore will meet on the following Thursdays at 6:30 p.m., in Marist Hall: Every Thursday in May: May 13, May 20, May 27. Please wear a mask.

Celebrate With Your Parish Family!

Do you have a birthday or special celebration in your family for May? Celebrate with your parish family! Just drop a note in the collection basket or give it to Fr. Ed. Happy Birthday to the following people who celebrate their birthdays this month:

May 7 Emmett Paul Ball
 May 8 Elaine Abel
 May 17 Daniel Hyre
 May 17 Rose DeProspero
 May 18 Betty Coughlin
 May 20 Rosanne Siggia-Walker
 May 21 Morgan Knicley
 May 24 Lena Rose Walker
 May 25 Linda Coyner
 May 27 Shanna Ericsson
 May 30 Will Lothes
 May 30 Kassandra Dahman

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Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday, -7 p.m. May 8 – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)
Sunday, May 9 – 9 a.m. – +Guy Derico (Holy Rosary)
Monday, May 10 – No Mass
Tuesday, May 11 – 7:30 a.m. +Pat Fallon (Holy Rosary)
Wednesday, May 12 - 6 p.m. Holy Hour (We pray for our Holy Rosary Graduates and all graduates) -7 p.m. +Rodger Lundell (Holy Rosary)
Thursday, May 13 – 7:30 a.m. +Rodger Lundell (Holy Rosary)
Friday, May 14 – 7:30 a.m. +Paul Derico (Holy Rosary)
Saturday, May 15 - 7 p.m. – Parishioners (Holy Rosary)
Sunday, May 16 - 9 a.m. – +Charles Sandreth (Holy Rosary)
 Noon – +William Stalnaker(Sacred Heart)

Institute for Spirituality

The West Virginia Institute for Spirituality is an ecumenical center for prayer and spiritual growth, located in the heart of the city of Charleston, West Virginia. Our ministry promotes spiritual life through silence, prayer, retreats, education, spiritual direction and inter-faith dialogue. Presently, our calendar reflects the following opportunities for WVIS to live its ministry in offering the following:

Almost Heaven Spring/Summer Retreats. Beginning April 1st through August 15th, 2021, WVIS will offer our Almost Heaven Retreats. These retreats can be made via Zoom or reservations can be made by registering at WVISreg@gmail.com. Following the CDC Guidelines, we are respecting limits for in-house registrations. Call 304-345-0926 for more information.

Celebrate the Spirit. Join us Saturday, May 22 (via Zoom) from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm to deepen our insights and explore the Spirituality of the 12 Steps. To register, contact Sr. Molly M. at WVIS (wvissrmolly@aol.com) \$10.00 offering. Scholarships provided. Zoom ID number and passcode will be provided once registration has been completed.

Greeter's Schedule

Sat. 5/8 – John Kriner
Sun. 5/9 – Charlie Malcolm
Sat. 5/15 – Nancy & Tony
Sun. 5/16 – Frank Girard

Lector's Schedule

5/8: Skip Gjolberg
5/9: Virginia Carmona
5/15: John Weber
5/16: Shanna Ericsson

Last Week's

Collection:

Envelopes: \$2,060.00
Loose: \$117.00
Attendance: 4/17: 35
4/18: 70



Hey Kids...Camp Carlo is Open This Summer

Our diocesan Catholic camp in Huttonsville, West Virginia is open with a new name and exciting plans for students in grades 3 through 12. There are four different one-week camps:

Week 1 -- June 27 through July 3 (Elementary)

Week 2 -- July 4 through July 10 (Middle School)

Week 3 -- July 11 through July 17 (High School)

Week 4 -- July 18 through July 24 (Mix of all age groups)

The rate is \$325.00 per child with scholarships available. \$275 Early Bird rates apply. Registration forms are on the diocesan website: dwc.org.

Principal Needed

St. Patrick Church of Weston, West Virginia is seeking a Principal for St. Patrick Catholic School, pre-school through eighth grades.

A resume with three references may be emailed with all attachments in PDF to Rev. Father Douglas A.

Ondeck, dondeck@dwc.org. or mailed to 210 Center Ave., Weston, WV by May 14, 2021.

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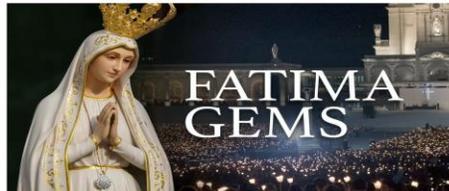
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WATCH

FATIMA GEMS

Fatima Gems, hosted by Fr. Andrew Apostoli, focuses on the beauty of Our Lady's messages to three young children in 1917. This series demonstrates ways to apply the Fatima teachings to our everyday lives, showcasing that this apparition is just as relevant to our culture today as it was 100 years ago.



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