

# Holy Rosary Catholic Church

## Sacred Heart Chapel

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### Welcome

#### Our Mission Statement

The Mission of Holy Rosary Catholic Community is Jesus Christ. As members of his body in Upshur, Barbour, and Randolph Counties, we are called through Baptism to live as a communion of saints by praying, celebrating the sacraments, and building up one another. We are sent from the Eucharistic table to bring Jesus Christ to the world by generous witness of a holy life, and to bring the citizens of the world to Jesus Christ by words of testimony, invitation, and welcome. We strive to be a holy and spiritual people in living relationship with God, with each other, and with all our neighbors, under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary, and the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

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In case of emergency, please dial:  
609-510-1090  
Sacraments

Baptism~ Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment for baptism preparation.

Marriage~ Please call the parish office at least six months before you schedule a wedding.

Sacrament of the Sick~ If you or a loved one would like to receive this sacrament, please call the parish office.

### Third Sunday of Lent

Paul reminded the Corinthians, "We proclaim Christ crucified." Christ's weakness is stronger than any human strength. The power of the cross is greater than anything the world or evil has to combat it.

The Lenten season is one of repentance, self-denial, almsgiving, and prayer. Many in our modern world do not see any wisdom in denying themselves anything. Those swept away in a consumer culture want more and they want it faster, bigger, and better. They also are looking for easy and quick satisfaction, unwilling to wait long.

Paul speaks of the "foolishness of God" and how it is wiser than any human wisdom. Lent is a time to put aside that which we feel and think as humans and put on the attitude of Christ. The cross of Christ is neither easy nor fleeting, and it will ask us to deny our very selves for him. To the human mind it makes no sense. However, by putting on Christ and seeing with his eyes, we see reality with clarity. Our sacrifice can lead to riches that only a "foolish" man would covet. But it is exactly there that we are satisfied and fulfilled.

**THIRD**  
*Sunday  
in Lent*



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

I am the Lord your God . . . You shall not have other gods beside me. —Ex 20:2-3

One of the greatest golfers of all time — if not the greatest — was Jack Nicklaus. Which is why it is baffling that at the beginning of each season he would return to his childhood coach and re-learn how to grip the golf club. It's like Shakespeare re-learning the alphabet and grammar. Why would he do that? Because Jack knew that the fundamentals are always relevant. Perfecting and obsessing over his grip allowed him to do everything else in the game well. In sports and life, the best ones love the basics.

Similarly, as we begin Lent, we re-learn the spiritual basics in the Ten Commandments. Consider the first, to “have no other gods besides me.” This is our “grip.” Is our connection to God one of absolute fidelity and exclusive worship? Am I willing to let go of my precious idols, the things I cling to instead of God? Once we say “yes” to this fundamental question of our spiritual “grip,” then we are ready to properly engage with everything else in life. Watch how beautifully the game of life unfolds in the next nine commandments (numbered in parentheses): how we speak to God and others (2 and 8), how we organize our week (3), how we relate to our family (4) and the wider community (5 and 7), how we live our sexuality (6), and how we order all the other desires of the human heart (9 and 10). But don't rush to these later Commandments too soon! Everything in life is built on the first Commandment. The more we focus on worshiping God alone, the better we navigate the complexity of life with panache, effectiveness, and love.

Lenten challenge: This week, identify what you can do to better worship God alone. If you're not sure, scan the last nine commandments to identify what you are most likely to worship instead of God. Power, pleasure, control of your time, possessions, family, health, reputation, money? Commit to concrete action to help you let go of this “idol” to better hold on to God alone in faithful worship. Remember: the best love the basics.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

#### Lenten Penance Service

Our Lenten Penance Service is scheduled for Monday, March 11 at 7 p.m. in the church. A short prayer service and examination of conscience will be held, and three priests will be available for confessions immediately after. If you cannot make this particular night, a similar service will take place on Tuesday at St. Brendan's in Elkins. Of course, you are welcome to call the rectory to schedule a confession at any time.

**Holy Rosary Parish-Monday, March 11 @ 7 pm**  
**St. Brendan Parish – Tuesday, March 12 @ 6:30 pm**

### Stations of the Cross

Walk the way of the cross with us each Friday at 6:30 pm. Good Friday Stations are at noon.

#### Parish Lenten Bible Study

Join us in Marist Hall each Thursday during Lent for our weekly Bible Study. We will meet at 10:30 for an hour-long discussion of the readings for the next week. All are welcome.

#### Almsgiving

We are encouraged during Lent to consider almsgiving along with our prayer and fasting. This year, we have two specific causes we would like to focus on for Lenten giving, and we will have special baskets for each one during Lent:

**CRS Rice Bowls** - Your donation helps communities around the world affected by hunger and poverty. Pick up a rice bowl at the entrances of the church.

**WV Pregnancy Center**— Your Lenten donations for mothers and babies in our area are appreciated. Baby items are welcome. (We will send a check to the center when Lent is over so that the pregnancy center can use the money where it is most needed.)

#### Liturgy Changes for Lent

Please note that during Lent, ALL MASSES on Fridays will begin at 7 pm in the church. Stations of the Cross are prayed at 6:30 pm. (Every Friday during Lent.)

#### Join Us For Eucharistic Study

Our Parish Eucharistic Revival team will be hosting a series of Eucharistic Studies, unveiling God's saving work. All parishioners are encouraged to attend these informative sessions, as this is the year of Parish Renewal. You may attend any or all of these sessions. Come and be renewed and transformed. These sessions will be held on Saturdays and lunch will be provided. Save these dates:

Mar: 16- 10:00am - 2:00 pm  
April 13-10:00 am -12:00pm

#### Saint of the Week

Kennedy Hinton, daughter of Rob and Jackie, is the “saint” of the week. She is a second grader at Academy Elementary School. She loves art class and



enjoys math and reading classes too. She loves the color purple and playing mousetrap game. She likes

soccer and playing softball. Elray is her favorite restaurant and favorite food is shrimp tacos. Virginia and Ohio are places she likes to visit. She has an older sister, Reagan and younger sister, Madison. Please keep Kennedy in your prayers this week.

## Adventure Club Fun

It's time for another movie!! Join us on Saturday, March 9, 2024 to watch Cabrini at the Meadowbrook Mall Cinemas. We will meet for lunch at Chick-fil-A in the Meadowbrook Mall at 1:30 p.m. The movie will begin at 3:05 p.m. If there is extra time, you can use it to shop between lunch and the movie! Anyone needing a ride, please let either Rachel Weber or Mary Hendricks know! The movie is about Mother Cabrini, who was the first U.S. citizen to be canonized a saint by the Catholic Church, on July 7, 1946.

JOIN US Sunday March 17, as we venture over to Pickens, WV for mass at Sacred Heart at noon. We will then enjoy some pancakes at the Maple Syrup Festival! Spend the afternoon with us enjoying all the annual festival has to offer. If the weather is nice, we may swing by Holly River to see the waterfalls. Sign up in the hall to let us know if you plan to come along! It also helps to have your contact information for trip updates or changes!

**Prayers, Please:** Tori Odom, Cindy Raffety, Angela Endrizzi, Alina Vernarsky, Tony Derico, Bob Slaughter, Mark Cerullo, Rhonda Cerullo, Josephine Baxa, Angie Murphy, Mary Kriner, Carroll Westfall, Kay Sienkiewicz, Bruce Maine, Ann Ellis.

**Please pray for men and women in the military and please pray for those who have died. And don't forget to pray for our first responders.**

**Please pray for our Homebound:** Mary Stump, Ron Frye, Rocenia Asbury, Lorraine McLean, James McCartney, Shirley Linger, William McLean, Barbara Hillberry, Donnie Cox, Rose DeProspero, Linda Coyner, Jerry Stankus, Jean Lantz, Janine Robinson, Barbara Elmore, Helena Bessinger, Alan and Jimmie Jo Simms, Ann Austin.

## Our Diocese is Serious

About Safe Environment in each parish. Anyone who volunteers in our parish in ANY way MUST complete the online VIRTUS training and background check. The Diocese has hired an outside company to check parish compliance in February of this year. PLEASE go online today to make sure you have an online account. [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org)

## Celebrate With your Parish Family!

MARCH RIGHT UP WITH YOUR CELEBRATIONS!

Rachel Westfall – Mar. 4  
Rue Thompson – Mar. 6  
Sr. Francesca Lowis – Mar. 7  
Rick Manspeaker – Mar. 8  
Diane Poach – Mar. 9  
Janine Robinson – Mar. 9  
Jalna Jones – Mar. 11  
~Mary and Ralph Smith  
will celebrate their 54<sup>th</sup>

Colleen Boyle – Mar. 19  
Cheryl Moore – Mar. 20  
Aliyah Albright – Mar. 21  
Jason Albright - Mar. 21  
Tin Vu Trung – Mar. 21  
Krista Lewellyn – Mar. 24  
Mike Derico – Mar. 28  
Jerry Jones - Mar. 28

wedding anniversary on March 27. Mike and Andrea Ellis are celebrating their 38<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on March 22! Congratulations and best wishes!

## This Week's Offering

Envelopes: \$1,346.95

Loose: \$153

Attendance: Sat. Feb.24: 41

Sun. Feb. 25: 88

## Second Collection for March - PHRA

A special second collection is scheduled for March 2-3 to support the PRIESTS' HEALTH AND RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION, a fund that provides health insurance and retirement benefits to retired priests of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Please take a moment to reflect on the many years of service by our priests and how we can take this opportunity to thank them in a very particular way with a gift to the PHRA collection.

## Apply for the Knights of Columbus Scholarship

The Elkins Council 603 of the Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce the 2024 **Father Mark T. Gallipeau High School Scholarship**. Applications are open to all active members of the Holy Rosary, Saint Patrick's of Coalton, or Saint Brendan's parish. One \$2000 scholarship will be awarded (divided into 4 \$500 payments over four years as long as the student is enrolled in a full-time program).

The Father Mark T. Gallipeau Memorial Scholarship is intended to recognize a Catholic High School senior who has demonstrated commitment to their school, church, and community, and exhibited academic achievement. The scholarship information with application can be downloaded on the home page of the St. Brendan/St. Patrick web site (<http://stbrendanwv.weebly.com>) by clicking on the appropriate button.

Ministers	Sat. Mar. 2	Sun. Mar. 3	Sat. Mar. 9	Sun. Mar. 10
Lectors	John W. Rachel W.	Joe B. Sue S.	Laurie A. Xavior S.	Sandy K. Andrea E.
Greeters	Jerry M. Cheryl M.	Diana T.	John K.	Donna & Joe B.
Musicians	Gini J. Shirley L.	Sarah Z. Shirley L.	Ed P. Jalna J.	Elaine A. Diane P.
Eucharistic Ministers	John K. Rue T.	Mike E. Brenda A. Elliot L.	John W. John K.	Tracy M. Sue S. Charlie M.

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## Death, Where is Your Sting? w/ Sarah Kirchner | Fearless | Episode 4

Despite our attempts to cheat it, we all must face death eventually. Listen as Chris shares the powerful story of Sarah Kirchner and her courageous battle against pediatric bone cancer. Who can bring us victory in the face of such significant trials? Find out in this lesson.

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