Holy Rosary Catholic Church Sacred Heart Chapel

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February 23, 2025 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

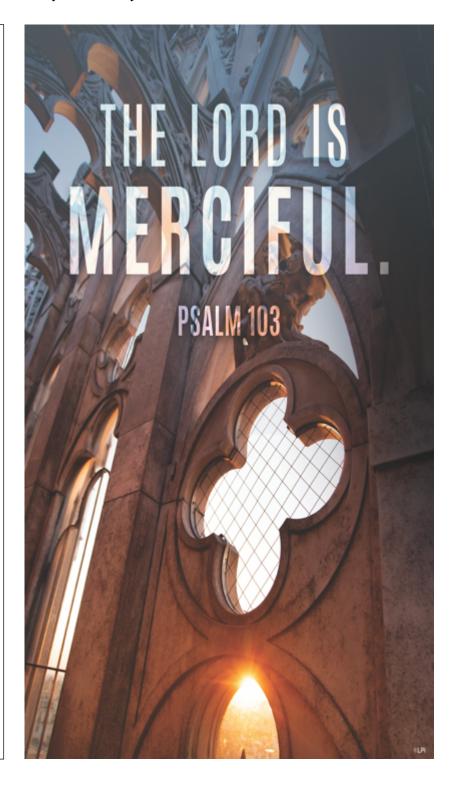
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In case of emergency, please dial:
609-510-1090
Sacraments
Baptism~ Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment for baptism preparation.

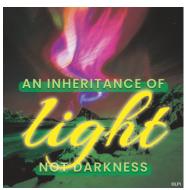
Marriage~ Please call the parish office at least six months before you schedule a wedding.

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



7th Sunday of Ordinary Time Luke 6:27-38

ne of my favorite new singers/songwriters is Noah Kahan. I'm a little biased because, like me, he is originally from Vermont. In a fine song entitled "Stick Season," he sings of his hope to "cancel out the darkness I inherited from dad." This lyric articulates his painful recognition of a dark spiritual "inheritance" from his father, and his hope to be free of it. We all inherit some degree of evil from our earthly forebears. It's easy to feel doomed to repeat their darknesses.



But we're not so doomed, thank God. This week's Gospel proclaims this. Whatever good or bad we received from our parents, we have a more definitive and perfect inheritance in God. Jesus commands us, "Be merciful just as

your Father is merciful" (Luke 6:36). We have a perfect Father in heaven and are destined to inherit and reflect that perfect and merciful love. We have an inheritance of light, not darkness, and thus a whole new possibility of magnanimous love. Like any inheritance, this is a free gift to us.

What are we destined to repeat? Not the darkness of our earthly parents. We are destined to be a reflection of God's life. Jesus liberates us from the inevitability of repeating whatever evils and imperfections are in our familial or cultural upbringings. It's time to claim that perfect inheritance. — $Father\ John\ Muir$ ©LPi

Do You Have Old Palms?

We will burn your old palms to use as ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please bring any old palms in by March 2^{nd} . You may deposit them in the basket placed at the entrance of the church.

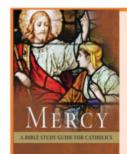
Our Winter Coat Collection

Our Winter Coat Collection was a huge success! Many thanks to all who organized this event and to all who donated coats for our friends in need.

Forever Fit

Join us every Tuesday for our Forever Fit Program. We will be walking for health and/or taking part in the Silver Sneakers program at 11 am every Tuesday in Marist Hall. Men, women and children are encouraged to join us for this free program and get fit!

February 25 - Silver Sneakers March 4 – Walking March 11 – Silver Sneakers



Holy Rosary Women's Group Presents

MERCY

A 4-week Lent Bible study using Fr. Mitch Pacwa's book

All sessions begin at 6pm in the Parish Hall

March 10: Introduction, Chapters 1-2

March 17: Chapter 3March 24: Chapter 4

• March 31: Chapters 5-6

Register in the vestibule or parish hall to reserve your book!

Second Collection for February

The Second Collection for February is for Church Missions within the United States. This collection combines the collection for Black and Indian/Native American Missions and Catholic Home Missions. Your kind donation will be split between these two causes, unless you specify a particular intent on your envelope. Thank you for helping the missions in the US.

Advertise in the Bulletin

For a full year, 52 weeks, your ad can reach nearly 200 people per week, for as little as \$5/week.

- 70% of all households are <u>aware of and look at</u> the advertising in the church bulletin.
- 68% of Catholic households are inclined to choose businesses who advertise in the church bulletin vs. other businesses in the same industry
- 41% of households do business with a company specifically because they advertise in a church bulletin and support local churches

You can design your bulletin ad, or we can do it for you. Contact Mary Hendricks at the parish office for more information. ALSO, please ask the company you work for if they would be interested in advertising or tell them to give us a call at 304-472-3414.

First Reconciliation

Please pray for our 5 children who will be making their First Reconciliation soon.

- JC Cummins, Jr. son of James Cummins and Stepson of Ally Miller Cummins
- Roselynn Harper Daughter of Kassandra Wagner
- Kennedy Hinton Daughter of Rob and Jackie Hinton
- Leah Long Daughter of Derek and Maria Long
- Valerie Long Daughter of Derek and Maria Long

Scholarship Opportunity for Seniors

The Knights of Columbus Council 603 has a longstanding tradition of supporting educational endeavors through scholarships and community programs. Their commitment to fostering the growth and development of young individuals within the Catholic community is evident through various initiatives they undertake each year. Among these, the Father Mark T. Gallipeau Scholarship holds a special place, reflecting the values and dedication of its namesake, offering one \$2000 scholarship to an active catholic High School senior. Applications are open to all active members of the Holy Rosary, Saint Patrick's of Coalton, or Saint Brendan's parish. The Scholarship is intended to recognize a catholic student High School senior who has demonstrated commitment to their school, church, community and exhibited academic achievement. The informational letter along with the application can be downloaded from the St. Brendan Website. The application deadline in April 22.

Ministers	Sat. Feb. 22	Sun. Feb. 23	Sat. Mar. 1	Sun. Mar. 2
Lectors	Skip G. Xavier S.	Addison Z. Lindsay Z.	Cheryl M Rosanne W.	Sandy K. Brenda A.
Greeters	John K.	Charlie M.	Jerry & Cheryl	Donna & Joe
Musicians	Gini J. Shirley L.	Elaine A Diane P	Ed P. Shirley L	Lena Rose Shirley L.
Eucharistic Ministers	John W. Rue T.	Charlie M. Doris S. Rue T.	John W. Rue T.	Doris S. Diane P. Rue T.

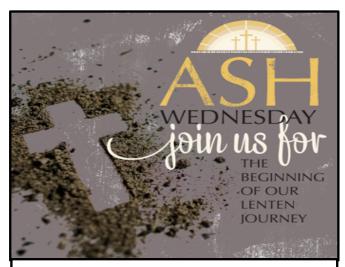
Prayers Please: Angela Endrizzi, Tony Derico, Bob Slaughter, Mark Cerullo, Rhonda Cerullo, Josephine Baxa, Mary Kriner, Kay Sienkiewicz, Bruce Maine, Jalen Welcome, Jane Garton, Pat Daigneault, Francis Girard, Dennis & Cindy Cortes, Louise Hawkinberry, Felicia Endrizzi, Phillip Dahman, Jeanne Norlin.

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, Barbara Hillberry, Rose DeProspero, Linda Coyner, Jean Lantz, Janine Robinson, Barbara Elmore, Helena Bessinger, Alan and Jimmie Jo Simmons, Margaret Balli, William McLean, Patricia Long.

First Saturday is March 1

We pray the Rosary at 8:30 am with mass following at 9 am. We pray for a fruitful Lenten Season.



Wednesday, March 5, 2025

Mass and Distribution of Ashes

12:05 pm

7:00 pm

Holy Hour

6 - 6:45 pm

We pray for God's mercy for our world.

February Birthdays and Celebrations

Diana Thompson - Feb.22 Joe Kolodziej - January 26

Alexa Kolodziej - February 24

Congratulations to Joe and Alexa Kolodziej who celebrate 32 years together on February 20!

Congratulations to Mike and Linda Hicks who celebrate their 55th anniversary on February 6!

Last Week's Offering

Envelopes:\$2,416

Loose: \$141

Attendance

2/16: 36 2/17: 89



Catholic Daughters Meeting

Our Catholic Daughters Meeting is Tuesday, March 4 at 6 pm in Marist Hall. All Catholic women are invited to join the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. Ask us for more information.

First Friday is March 7

Please remember that Friday, March 7 is First Friday. Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the church from 9 am until 6:45 pm. First Friday Mass will be celebrated at 7 pm. Please join us at any time during the day for some quiet time with the Lord. Stations of the Cross will follow the mass at 7:30 pm.

Ash Wednesday

Question: Is Ash Wednesday a holy day of obligation?

Answer:

Despite the often packed churches, you may be surprised to hear that the answer is no! Holy days of obligation commemorate a particular event (such as the birth of Christ at Christmas) or celebrate particular people (such as Mary's Immaculate Conception or the feast of All Saints). Ash Wednesday is a day of penance, fasting, and abstinence to begin the season of Lent. In a sense, it focuses on a *concept* rather than something particular and concrete.

Of course, repentance ought to be reflected in particular, concrete ways! That's one of the reasons that attending Mass on Ash Wednesday is a very good idea. It marks the beginning of a solemn season of penance. Despite all its comparisons to the desert, Lent can be very fruitful for our spiritual growth! Beginning this season with the celebration of Mass and the reception of ashes is a sign of our commitment to God and to spiritual growth. ©LPi

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Mass Intentions

Mass intentions
Saturday, February 22
7 pm Noel Carmona IntentionsHoly Rosary Church
Sunday, February 23
9 am Holy Rosary Parishioners Holy Rosary Church
Monday, February 24
7:30 am For those living in fear in this country and in the
world
Tuesday, February 25
7:30 am Keith Jones
Wednesday, February 26
Holy Hour: 6 pm. We pray for law enforcement
officers and their families
7 pm George Beljan+Holy Rosary Church
Thursday, February 27
7:30 am Beth Carson Holy Rosary Church
Friday, February 28
7:30 am Sal Carmona intentions
Saturday, March 1 (First Saturday)
8:30 am - Rosary. 9 am Mass (We pray for a fruitful Lenten
Season
7 pm Holy Rosary ParishionersHoly Rosary Church
Sunday, March 2
9 am Jalen WelcomeHoly Rosary Church
Noon Helen SnebergerSacred Heart

All Friday masses during Lent will be at 7 pm in Holy Rosary Church. The stations of the Cross will begin immediately after the mass at 7:30 pm.

Psalm Response

"The Lord is kind and merciful."

February 23 – Seventh Sunday of the Year

A Vocation View: Jesus helps our faith be fruitful when we follow where he leads. Where is Jesus leading you today?

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