

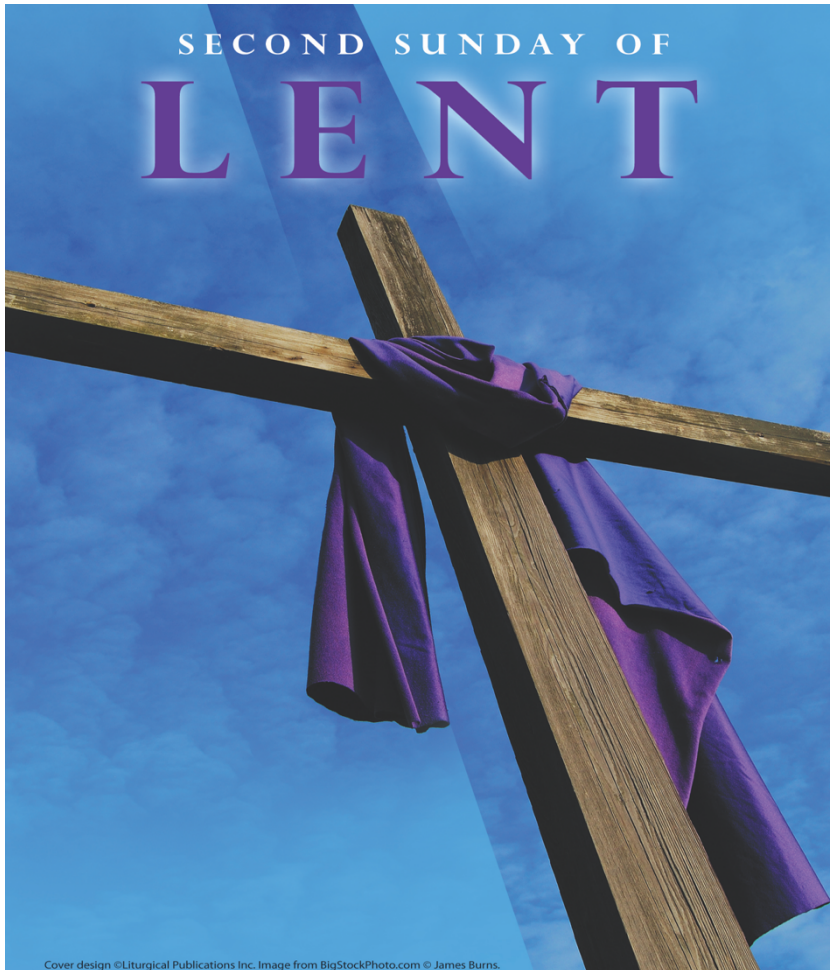
Holy Rosary Catholic Church

Sacred Heart Chapel

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March 16, 2025
Second Sunday of Lent



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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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.

St. Patrick | March 17

Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 – 493) is a well-known saint around the world.

St. Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, a deacon and local official, and brought into slavery in Ireland. He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family.

His years of captivity changed him and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyrdom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ. ©LPi

2nd Sunday of Lent

Luke 9:28b-36

St. Thomas Aquinas said that friends share three things: time, possessions and secrets. For example, how do I know if you're my friend? Well, let's say we've been to Mexico together, you've tried my shaky attempts at pasta carbonara, and you know what ridiculous costume I wore in a music video I filmed in my early twenties. We, dear reader, are definitely friends. We've shared time, possessions and secrets.

How does friendship with Jesus develop? The same way. Jesus lives and eats with his disciples. Then he takes Peter, James and John to Mount Tabor and there reveals to them his deepest secret: his glorious, divine Sonship. The majesty of God shines from within his humanity in a way that goes beyond description. God the



Father confirms this “secret,” saying, “**This is my chosen Son, listen to him**” (Luke 9:35). It's all so precious that “**they fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone.**”

Do we take time to be alone with Christ, to allow him to mystically share this “secret” with us as his dear friends?

Lenten

challenge: This week, identify one time when you experienced an awareness of some specific aspect of Jesus — perhaps on a retreat,

at Mass, in prayer or in an act of service. Spend ten minutes consciously re-living that experience in your heart. If you can't recall one, set aside at least two hours this Lent as a mini retreat, either alone in nature or in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Focus on him and ask him to share the secrets of his heart with you. He will. Then, as his friend, share the secrets in your heart.

— *Father John Muir.* ©LPi

Olive Wood Carvings from the Holy Land

This week we welcome the folks from Jerusalem Wood Carvings who will display and sell their handmade olive wood carvings from Bethlehem in the Holy Land. These sales support the Christians in the Holy Land who continue to live in hard economic situations. Stop by Marist Hall after the masses on March 15 and 16 to purchase your gifts for this worthy cause.

Prayers, Please!

Please pray for Lany and Danny Hyre. Their new little boy, Daniel Jr., arrived early and is currently in the NICU at WVU Children's Hospital in Morgantown. Please pray for Daniel, and for Lani as she recovers and for her sweet little boy, Daniel, Jr. They are all doing well.

Purple Prayer Sheets

Let's increase our prayer during this Lenten Season. We encourage you to pick up a few purple sheets and pray for the two intentions listed during Lent: We pray for specific parishioners, and we pray for a general intention in our world. Prayer is powerful...help us to pray for each other. Please take a few purple sheets from the baskets provided by the side altars.

Lenten Reading

We encourage you to pick up one of our “Little Black Books” again this year. These prayer aids feature quotes, scripture verses, readings and reflections to help us along our Lenten journey. We also are offering the Living Faith and Daily Reflections for Lent booklets. Check on the table at the entrance to the church or in Marist Hall.

Stations of the Cross

Walk the way of the cross each Friday at 7:30 pm. The Stations of the Cross will be prayed immediately after the 7 pm mass in the church. 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 am for an hour-long discussion of the readings for the next week. All are welcome.

Women's Group Bible Study

The Holy Rosary Women's Group presents a Lenten Bible Study entitled “Mercy,” based on the book by Father Mitch Pacwa. Sessions are on March 17, 24, and 31 in Marist Hall and begin at 6 pm. Sign up at the entrance to the church to reserve your book today.

Penance Service

Our Lenten Penance is scheduled for March 31, at 7 pm. Several priest will be at Holy Rosary for this service. You may also attend the Penance Service at St. Brendan's Church in Elkins on March 25 at 6:30 pm. Confessions are available before each mass and anytime by appointment. Please call the rectory to make an appointment.

Adventure Club Fun

One weekend, two easy Adventure Club outings! Saturday, we gathered to watch The Last Supper Movie. Then, on Sunday, March 16 we will meet for Mass at noon at Sacred Heart in Pickens, followed by a pancake breakfast at the Maple Syrup Festival! The cost of the movie tickets and the pancake breakfast will be covered! <https://thecatholicerald.com/a-cinematic-vale-of-tears-mauro-borrellis-last-supper/>

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!

March 18 – Walking

Our Sympathies

Our parishioner Francis Gerard passed away recently and we extend our sympathies to his wife of 58 years, Shirley and their son, Trent. Viewing is at Poling St. Clair Funeral Home on Monday from 4-8 pm and the funeral mass is Tuesday at 11 am at Holy Rosary. May he rest in God's peace.

Do You Need Weekly Envelopes?

We have received a second shipment of blank envelopes for your donations each week. You are welcome to pick up a box in Marist Hall, but please put your name on the envelopes each week. Thanks so much for your generosity.

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.

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, 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, Pam Wilson.

Last Week's Offering

Envelopes: \$3,194

Loose: \$117

Attendance

3/8: 54

3/9: 82

The Second Collection for March is for the Diocesan Priest's Retirement Fund. Please remember those men who have served our diocese for so many years.

**C.A.M.P Wade
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40th year of C.A.M.P.**

Yes, this is the 40th year of C.A.M.P. or the Catholic Awareness Midsummer Program, as the letters CAMP stand for. The staff and we are very excited to be

celebrating the wonderful occasion. We will have some special events that week, along with the many other fun and faith filled activities we always offer our campers. Please mark these dates on your calendar. As always, there are scholarships available, if needed. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Deacon Ray Shaw at 304-642-2279. Thank you all for your attention to this message.

Ministers	Sat. Mar. 15	Sun. Mar. 16	Sat. Mar. 22	Sun. Mar. 23
Lectors	Xavior S. Skip G.	Brenda A. Sandy K.	Rosanne W Cheryl M.	Lindsay Z. Addison Z.
Greeters	Marianne G.	Mary H.	John K.	Donna & Joe
Musicians	Lena Rose Shirley L.	Sarah Z. Shirley	Ed P. Jalna J.	Sarah Z. Diane P.
Eucharistic Ministers	Mike G. Rue T.	Amy W. Renee L. Rue T.	John W. Rue T.	Brenda A. Rue T. Mary S.

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 55th wedding anniversary on

March 27. Mike and Andrea Ellis are celebrating their

39th wedding anniversary on March 22!

Congratulations and best wishes!

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

What's Happening?

- Catholic Sharing Appeal: The CSA is beginning for this year. All parishioners should have received a letter from Father Ed explaining the importance of this Appeal for the diocese, our parish and our future growth. If you did not get a letter, either you are not a registered parishioner or we do not have your correct address. Please complete a registration form for us.
- Acoustic Tiles in Marist Hall: The Finance Council has ordered acoustical tiles for Marist Hall to help with the noise. They will be installed soon.
- Fundraising Ideas: We are putting together a team to coordinate and implement fundraising for our capital campaign. Watch for more details!

thank you

Come to the Parish Lenten Retreat

Join us on Saturday, March 29th from 9 am until 1 pm for our parish Lenten Retreat. Parishioner and retreat master Sue Smith will lead us in our morning gathering as we reflect on our personal Lenten experience and our **2025 Year of Hope.**

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.

Baby Bottle Boomerang – Change for Life Program

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring the **Baby Bottle Boomerang - Change for Life Program** until Mother’s Day of this year. 100% of donations will go to support the K of C Aid and Support After Pregnancy program and the Central WV Pregnancy Center, with an additional 20% match from the WV State Council. Bottles will be available in the vestibule of the church: take one home and fill it with spare change, cash, or checks (payable to: Knights of Columbus Council #603). Bottles will be collected on or before Mother’s Day. **Thank you for your generosity!**



Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 15
7 pm Holy Rosary Parishioners.....Holy Rosary Church

Sunday, March 16
9 am Charles Sandreth+.....Holy Rosary Church
Noon Sacred Heart Parishioners.....Sacred Heart

Monday, March 17
7:30 am A Special Intention.....Hospital Chapel

Tuesday, March 18
7 :30 am For the sick of our parish...Holy Rosary Church

Wednesday, March 19
Holy Hour: 6 pm (We pray for families going through difficult times.)
7 pm Colleen Boyle+.....Holy Rosary Church

Thursday, March 20 For the SVDs in formation....Holy Rosary Church

Friday, March 21
7:30 am For those whose lives have been interrupted by flood or fire as well as job insecurity.....Holy Rosary Church

Saturday, March 22
7 pm Parishioners.....Holy Rosary Church

Sunday, March 23
9 am A Special Intention.....Holy Rosary Church

Looking for Volunteer Opportunities?

Literacy Volunteers of Upshur County is looking for volunteers to help with our annual spring book sale and other community events. We are compiling a list of folks interested in any event so that we can have a “pool” of possible volunteers when called upon. Please call Literacy Volunteers of Upshur County 304-472-2343 with your name and contact information. You may also stop by our office at 88 W. Main St., Monday – Thursday, 11 am – 4 pm.

Psalm Response

“The Lord is my light and my salvation.”

March 16 – Second Sunday of Lent

A Vocation View: Are you listening to Jesus, the Chosen One? Be open to what he reveals to you. Let his message dwell in your heart.

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