



**ST LEO**  
**CATHOLIC**  
**CHURCH**

**SECOND SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 15-16, 2022**



**Pastor: Fr. Alfred Obiudu**  
**Deacon: Deacon Brian Crim**

**Mass times:**

**Monday, Thursday, Friday:  
12:00pm**

**Wednesday: 7:00pm**

**Saturday: 5:00pm**  
**Sunday: 9:00am**

**Confession:**

**Wednesday, 6:30pm**  
**Saturday, 4:30pm**

**Confession also available by  
appointment. Please  
contact the parish office.**

**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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**Monday through Thursday-9am-4pm**

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**2109 Sulphur Spring Rd., Inwood, WV 25428**

### **Saturday January 15**

**5:00pm** +Dottie Anderson by John Anderson

**Readings:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

### **Sunday January 16**

**9:00am** +Dawn Martincheck by St. Leo Choir

**Readings:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11  
/Jn 2:1-11

### **Monday, January 17**

**12:00pm**+Genie Tobin by Elaine Gerhard

**Readings:** 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

### **Tuesday, January 18**

**5:00pm Bingo**

**Readings:** 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

### **Wednesday, January 19**

**7:00pm** +Andrew and Margaret Hovanec by Len & Gloria Verge

**Readings:** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

### **Thursday, January 20**

**12:00** Living and Deceased members of the Witt Family by  
Any Kee and Jim Kee

**Readings:** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/  
Mk 3:7-12

### **Friday, January 21**

**12:00pm** Fr. Brian Shoda (return to good health)  
by Kathy Rice and Marita Barnes

**Readings:** 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

### **Saturday, January 22**

**5:00pm** +Carol Roy by Deacon Brian and Marie Crim

**Readings:** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

### **Sunday, January 23**

**9:00am** +John Lynch, Sr by Dr. Beverly (Fulayter) Baird Booth

**Readings:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30  
or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

## **COLLECTIONS**

**General (first collection used for operating expenses)** \$776.00

**Debt Reduction (second collection used to pay the mortgage)** \$730.00

**Solemnity of Mary** \$45.00

**Tornado Disaster Relief** \$100.00

### **On-line donations**

\$3214.00(\$1870.00/general;  
\$994.00/debt; \$250.00/Christmas;  
\$100.00/pantry)

**Thank you to everyone that has mailed in their contributions and donated online. Your support is critical and much appreciated during this difficult time. God Bless you for your generosity!**

**If you wish to donate online, please visit our website- [www.stleo.com](http://www.stleo.com)-and scroll down to the donate button. You can choose a one time donation or set up a recurring donation.**

**If you wish to mail a donation into the church, please us the following address: P.O. Box 93, Inwood, WV 25428.**

**The Altar Wine for the month of **January** is offered by St. Leo's Catholic Church in honor of all those on our prayer list.**

**The Sanctuary Candles for the month of **January** are offered by Connie Marino in memory of her mom and dad.**

**The Hosts for the month of **January** are offered by Dwight and Kathy Daugherty in memory of Charlie Emery.**

## **Attendance**

**Saturday 5:00PM-70**

**Sunday 9:00AM-**

**A BIG THANK YOU** to everyone in the parish who made Christmas happen for the children in the Berkeley/Jefferson County Schools. The Advent Giving Tree celebrated its 37th anniversary in 2021 and helped 124 children this year! We were back on track this year and were able to extend assistance to all 8 of our local schools! It looked so nice to see the gifts piling up in the front pews! Distribution went well. Thank you all so much for continuing to nurture this ministry every year, especially during a pandemic! God Bless you all!  
Larry and Shirley Slebodnick

**Mat making! Please join us on January 22nd at 10:00AM in the Confirmation room to learn how to make mats for the homeless or to continue working on a mat you have started. Contact Debbie for more information at [debktesch@gmail.com](mailto:debktesch@gmail.com).**

**The Food Pantry is looking for the following items which will be used for the Homeless in Martinsburg:**  
**Tote Bags**  
**Small pop top Baked Beans**  
**Small individual cereal boxes**  
**Fruit cups, protein bars**  
**Pop tarts, peanut butter/cheese crackers**  
**Cereal bars, small box raisins, boxed tuna/chicken salad.**

**General pantry needs for Food Distribution:**  
**Shelf or dried milk, 1lb canned ham, canned chicken, broth, soups, stews, 1 or 2lb bags of rice, pancake mix, syrup, cereal, small jars jelly, small jars peanut butter, small jars of oil, pasta sauce, pasta, yams, gravy, small bag sugar/ flour (1lb) pudding and jello, cake mix and frosting, canned pumpkin pie and fruit filling, graham cracker pie crust, instant coffee/tea.**

**As always, thank you all for your support and generosity!**

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**Thank you, our St. Leo Parish Family! As a result of everyone's unselfish giving and loving compassion for children in need, our St. Leo Knights of Columbus Council 10756, was able to purchase 15 cases of coats in this year's Coats for Kids campaign. This purchase, combined with the matching program sponsored by the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus, our total number of cases distributed to those most in need increased to 30 cases of coats. 30 cases of coats equates to 360 individual coats available for distribution. Thank you again for putting your Faith in Action and supporting this worthy ministry.**

**The St. Leo Knights of Columbus invites our Parish family to join us on January 22, 2022, at 3:30 pm for an in-person Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity being held in our Church. The Exemplification is the process of entry for new candidates wishing to join our Order. Come join us and give our candidates, Charles Steg and Ross Semler your support as they become Knighted and add an additional path to the enhancement of their Faith journeys.**

**Greg Hilleary**  
**Grand Knight**



**The St. John Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston invite all married and engaged couples to the first**

### **Together in Holiness marriage conference**

**on Saturday, February 12, 2022 from 8:30 am – 3:30 pm at the Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center in Charleston, WV.**

**Dynamic Presentations | Mass | Childcare**  
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**Featuring: Damon Owens, Founder of Joyful Ever After**

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**Scholarships available upon request.**  
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**For more information, please visit [togetherinholiness.org](http://togetherinholiness.org) or email [michelle@forlifeandfamily.org](mailto:michelle@forlifeandfamily.org).**



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## Please Pray For Our Military

S/Sgt. Christopher Woynicz, Navy, deployed  
 Ryan Toelle, Army, Lone Star Dust Off, El Paso, TX  
 Cpt. Philip Allen, Marines, deployed  
 Mason Willett, Army  
 Lari Bittinger, Air Force,  
 Zane Craighead, Marines,  
 Ryan Christopher Walker, Navy  
 Joshua Tristan Walker, Navy  
 Conor Clapsaddle, Coast Guard  
 John Posadas, Army  
 Lt. Melanie Arehart, Army,  
 Valerie Herndon, Navy  
 Joseph Zygmunt, Air Force  
 2nd Lt. Kaige Edgar, Army  
 SrA James Rand, Air National Guard  
 PFC Carlos Jared Sanchez,  
 Nebraska National Guard,  
 Fr. Josh Stephens, Air Force, Chaplain,  
 Columbus AFB, MS  
 Airman 1st Class Shailey Petik, Air Force,  
 Offutt AFB, Nebraska  
 Maj. Blake Bennett, Air Force, deployed  
 Spt.-E4 Gabriel Mollica, Army,  
 Ft. Campbell, KY

Do you have a family member or friend currently serving? Please let us know. Call the office at 304-229-8945 or email [secretary@stleo.com](mailto:secretary@stleo.com).

**Gift cards are sold before Mass on Saturdays and after Mass on Sundays. They are also available from the parish office Monday through Thursday, 9:00am-4:00pm. You can contact Joseph Ash in the office during the week at 304-229-8945 or [business@stleo.com](mailto:business@stleo.com). We have Sheetz, Royal Farms, Martins, Food Lion, Weis, Target, Walmart, Lowe's, and Amazon cards on hand.**

**If you would like to order retail/restaurant cards for gifts, there is a list on the gift card table. You can also find the list on our website-[www.stleo.com](http://www.stleo.com). Simply email Melanie Nesselrodt with your order at [nesselrodtmelanie@gmail.com](mailto:nesselrodtmelanie@gmail.com).**

**St. Leo receives a percentage of every card sold which helps us pay down our mortgage debt. Please consider supporting this ministry!**

**And if you shop Amazon frequently, please use [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and choose St. Leo as your charity of choice. A percentage of your purchase will come back to St. Leo. St. Leo recently received a disbursement of \$137.62, which is from the shopping period of July 1, 2021-September 20, 2021.**

**Thank you to all and God Bless!**

## **SEPARATED & DIVORCED MINISTRY**

### **Divorce and Beyond - A New Beginning**

**Four of the most dreaded words are: I want a Divorce! Along with those words comes, Fear, Denial, Anger, Grief, Guilt, Self-Worth, Loneliness, Singleness. We offer hope and healing, simply by listening and sharing experiences and insights with others. Even if you are seeing a therapist one on one, a group setting can help you by showing you that others are experiencing the same feelings. If you or someone you know is having difficulty with a recent Separation or Divorce we encourage you to join us.**

**We are meeting starting Tuesday, January 18th, 6:30pm at St. Agnes Catholic Church 106 S Duke Street, Shepherdstown, WV 25443. There will be 11 sessions for a total cost of \$10. Space is limited so you are advise to register early. For more information and a registration form Contact Richard Hitchcock at 803-331- 2565, email [rhitchsr@gmail.com](mailto:rhitchsr@gmail.com) or Lorraine Javorsky at [email, lormjav@gmail.com](mailto:lormjav@gmail.com).**

**A registration form is available on St. Leo's website at [www.stleo.com](http://www.stleo.com).**

**The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston and the Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents will be hosting a retreat for grieving parents at St. Mary Catholic Church in Morgantown, WV on Saturday, March 12, 2022, beginning at 9:30 am and ending approximately 7:30 pm. This spiritual retreat is for grieving parents whose children of any age have died by any cause, no matter how long ago. Please see the attached link for additional information including registration: <https://www.emfgp.org/events/03-12-22-one-day-retreat-at-st-mary-church-morgantown-wv/>. If you have any questions regarding the retreat, please contact Ed Cesa at 724-324-9222.**

## **MARY'S REFUGE, A MINISTRY OF SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH**

With a sense of joy and celebration, we announce a new ministry at Saint Joseph Catholic Church!

Father Gallagher wanted to find a use for the empty convent, and through prayer, reflection and the intercession of Mary, the concept of a maternity home began.

A maternity home is a warm, home-like environment where pregnant mothers in crisis can feel safe, nurtured and supported. The program is based on the needs of the individual mothers and their unique situations. The goal is to stabilize the family so they are able to see a positive and productive future, and gain independence.

We will call our maternity home Mary's Refuge to honor Our Most Blessed Holy Mother in a wonderful way.

There are many parts to creating this vision of a vibrant and beautiful home for mothers, including your loving support. We are hoping to welcome moms in late spring, early summer of 2022, into a safe, structured setting to celebrate the most wonderful creation - a newborn child!

Over the next few months, you will receive requests for support. We will focus first on fixing the electrical system, roof and plumbing, and then turn our attention to the rooms and how they will be refurbished. We will provide periodic progress reports about the house.

Kim Roche has been the driving force behind the ministry, and we appreciate her passion and energy concerning this project. Please reach out to her at [kimroche.marysrefuge@gmail.com](mailto:kimroche.marysrefuge@gmail.com) if you want more information about this ministry.

If you want to contribute to the project, please contact Pat Michel by calling 304-267-4893 or emailing [pmichel@stjosephwv.org](mailto:pmichel@stjosephwv.org). We welcome ideas, as well as financial and volunteer support.

Thank you, and God Bless you all.

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## MARY'S CORNER

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,  
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the  
Americas.

We fly to you today as your beloved children.  
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,  
as you did at the wedding in Cana.  
Pray for us, loving Mother,  
and gain for our nation and world,  
and for all our families and loved ones,  
the protection of your holy angels,  
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.  
For those already afflicted,  
we ask you to obtain the grace  
of healing and deliverance.

Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and  
fearful,  
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.  
In this time of trial and testing,  
teach all of us in the Church to love one  
another

and to be patient and kind.

Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land  
and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,  
knowing that you truly are  
our compassionate mother,  
health of the sick and cause  
of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your  
protection,  
keep us in the embrace of your arms,  
help us always to know the love of your Son,  
Jesus. Amen.

Per the office of Bishop Brennan, the  
Dispensation from the obligation to  
attend Mass has ended in West  
Virginia. You can read the Bishop's  
letter regarding this on our website,  
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