

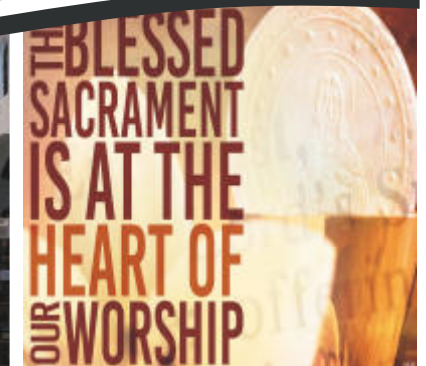
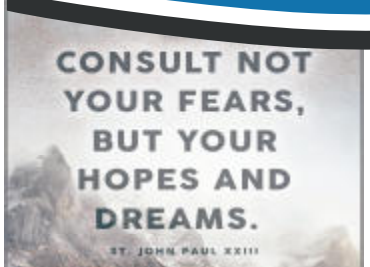
# St. John THE Evangelist CATHOLIC PARISH

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## JUNE 14, 2020 • THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

### MISSION STATEMENT

We the family of St. John the Evangelist Parish commit ourselves to the call of Baptism: To Listen, To Learn, To Live and To Share the Word of God through our lives.



## THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." - Jn 6:51

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### PASTORAL TEAM

**Pastor** ..... Rev. Joseph Daniel Pisano  
**Dir. of Religious Ed. & Youth Dir.**..... Kristin Newton  
**Dir. of Music/Organist**.....Wendi Mitchell  
**Parish Secretary**.....Connie Cooper  
**Parish Council** .....Wilma Stewart  
**Finance Council** .....Bill Garvey

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday** ..... 4:00 p.m.  
**Sunday** ..... 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
**Monday, Tuesday and Thursday** ..... 8:30 a.m.  
**Wednesday and Friday** ..... 5:30 p.m.

### SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** For Infants: Parents make arrangements with the pastor/office. For Adults: Baptism will be given on Easter Vigil after completing the RCIA program. For details, please contact Parish Office.

**MARRIAGE:** Please make arrangements with the pastor. Six months minimum notice is required for the celebration of marriage.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** Please contact the parish office for arrangements.


*To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800-352-6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 304-233-0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Father Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304-230-1501.*

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

It is no wonder that followers of Christ are called the Body of Christ. After all, sharing in the same spiritual food and sacred meal, they become what they eat and reveal the Divine Image. There is so much power for healing in the community of believers. Through the Eucharist, Christ becomes as present in those who have partaken of his Body and Blood as he has the elements themselves. The very presence of God touches the depths of the human soul and visits a part of us that no human being can ever hope to explore. We are God's. The sacred Eucharistic meal is a celebration of intimacy, the reunion of two loves in constant search of and longing for the other.

The community of believers receives the power and the presence to touch and heal in the name of the One they have welcomed within. It is now within their grasp to change the way life is lived and to more intentionally put into practice the Beatitudes that the Divine Guest has revealed. We are asked to be like Christ and work to create a world of sufficiency, where the greed of some no longer creates the want of others but where all of God's children can find a home and a place at the table of life. The One who makes a home within calls us to live a life that transforms. We are changed ourselves and now become agents of change for others. We are the Body of Christ. God is with us. We have been nourished.

Sadly, many are afraid to try. We know what we are called to do, but we struggle with feelings of doubt as to whether God really is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Do our systems have to change? Is it possible that we somehow missed



	Sat	4:00pm	People of the Parish
	Sun	8:00	Edna May Niven+
	Sun	10:30	Sperlazza/Rockey Family+
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	Mon	8:30	Sick & Homebound
	Tue	8:30	Holy Souls in Purgatory+
	Wed	5:30pm	Special Intention
	Thur	8:30	Martha Hynes+
	Fri	5:30pm	Felix & Modesta Diserio+
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	Sat	4:00pm	Pete Giglio+
	Sun	8:00	People of the Parish
	Sun	10:30	Lee Family+

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** There will be no confession at this time.

the mark when we put all of our social networks in place and established the business of our lives? Perhaps we have to radically rethink our approach and that can scare us. We might have to give something up or change, and we don't want to. As long as want, injustice, division, prejudice, and scarcity still exist, there is tremendous work for the Body of Christ.

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**Featured Sponsor this week!**

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**USHERS PLEASE COUNT**

The SANCUTUARY CANDLE is burning in memory of *Andy & Stella Matusic* from June 12th through June 25th.

**SECOND COLLECTION:**  
Building and Maintenance Fund

**PLEASE TAKE** all trash from the pews and put it in the trash can as you leave. Pews will be disinfected after every Mass.

Please **DO NOT LIGHT** any Candles yourself. Ask Fr. Dan or call Connie at 304-737-0249 and they will light the candles for you. Thank you for your cooperation.

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

Parenting is a Eucharistic activity because from the first moment of conception children consume us, our flesh, blood, energy, time and resources. If we don't sacrifice ourselves, our children would not have life. This is the priesthood of parenting. Christ is present in this self sacrifice.

**Readings**

**Sunday:** Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/  
Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/  
1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

**Monday:** 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab,  
4b-6a, 6b-7/Mt 5:38-42

**Tuesday:** 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4,  
5-6ab, 11 and 16/Mt 5:43-48

**Wednesday:** 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/  
Ps 31:20, 21, 24/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2,  
3-4, 5-6, 7/Mt 6:7-15

**Friday:** Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4,  
6-7, 8, 10/1 Jn 4:7-16/  
Mt 11:25-30

**Saturday:** 2 Chr 24:17-25/  
Ps 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/  
Lk 2:41-51

**Next Sunday:** Jer 20:10-13/  
Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35/  
Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

| <b>Stewardship Report ~ June 7, 2020</b> |                             |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Offeratory Collection.....\$3981.00      | Envelopes Returned.....58   |
| Budgetary Needs.....\$2900.00            | Active Parishioners.....274 |
| Envelopes Issued.....201                 | Attended Mass.....70        |



**BAPTIZED:** We welcome into the church through the sacrament of Baptism, *Michael Jose Alvarez*, son of Anthony and Kelsey Alvarez; first grandson of John and Roberta Alvarez. May God help them fulfill the promises they made for little *Michael*.

**THANK YOU** to Pam and Cindy for weeding the flower beds.

**HOLY HUMOR**

God was talking to one of his angels and said, "Do you know what I have just done? I've just created a 24-hour period of alternating light and darkness on Earth. Isn't that great?"

The angel said, "Yes, but what will you do now?"

God said, "I think I'll call it a day."



**WHILE YOU ARE AT MASS** please turn off all Cell Phones and dispose of your gum properly. You are also asked to keep the space around you clean. Do not leave any trash or papers in the pews. Thank you for your cooperation and for keeping the pews neat & tidy.

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May **LOTTERY WINNERS** are: **\$50** went to Barb Jones, Carolyn Mason, Lisa Chiodo, Carolyn Mason, Dave Smith, Andria Miller, Shelley (Shalvis) Gager, Tina Postlethwait, Anthony Filberto and Shirley Jack. Billie O'Brien won **\$100**; William Marino won **\$1,000**. There was no \$300 or \$500 winner. The Food Pantry received **\$850** from May lottery proceeds.

**THE FOOD PANTRY** is open on Wednesdays from Noon to 3:00pm to assist Brooke County residents with food. Clients are asked to remain in their vehicle and a worker will come outside and get your information.

**LOTTERY TICKETS AND 50/50 RAFFLE TICKETS** are available in the parish office. Please send a request for tickets or call the office at 304-737-0429 and leave a message with your name and the number of tickets needed. I will mail them or you can pick them up at the office.

**WE WILL NOT** have Servers, Lectors or Eucharistic Ministers on the Altar per the Diocesan Guidelines.



**SAT:** Stanley Newton; **SUN:** Marcie Morris; **MON:** Linda Pfabe; **TUE:** Alex Weld; **WED:** ; **THUR:** Bill Black, Cole Sperlazza; **FRI:** Poke Beall, Lisa Ferguson, Alicia Kusic; **SAT:** Cathy Main; **SUN:** Linda Cox, AJ Mitchell.

**Question:**

Why do Catholics pray to Mary and the saints?

**Answer:**

One of the statements of faith we make when we pray the Nicene Creed and the Apostles Creed is that we believe in "the communion of saints." The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that this communion (another word for community) includes all the faithful on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the blessed women, men, and children who are in heaven. This teaching is grounded in our belief that, through Baptism, we are united with Christ and to one another with bonds that are stronger even than death.

And so from the time of the early Church, Christians have turned to other believers for prayers and assistance, including those who have gone before us, confident that God hears the prayers of all of His children. While we ask the saints (and one another) for prayers and support, we remember that the saints join us in prayer. But it is God who blesses and sanctifies us.

When we think of Mary and the saints in heaven, we have to remember that we can turn to them for intercession and assistance because they were faulted, limited human beings, just like us. This means that they are able to understand our struggles, doubts, fears, joys, and hopes. But as we learn their stories, we can also begin to recognize that they stand out in the history of the Church because they persevered in their commitment to follow Christ. Whether they were ordained, vowed religious, martyrs, husbands, wives, or even children, they show us that holiness is possible. We can not only follow their example but also benefit from their prayerful support.

Our devotion to the saints and gratitude for their witness, prayers, and protection should also be an inspiration for us, especially when we become aware of the needs of others or when others ask us to pray for them. We are called to share the blessings we receive. This is also part of our own journey of growing in holiness.

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