

St. John THE Evangelist CATHOLIC PARISH

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AUGUST 9, 2020 • NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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.

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 CouncilWilma Stewart
Finance CouncilBill 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.



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Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

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.

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY
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Be still and know that I am God. Silence is sacred. Silence speaks the language of the soul and is the foundation of all life and eternity itself. Silence takes us beyond the limits of our minds and allows us to seek and to love the essence of all love, perfect love, and being. In silence, we can be non-verbally present to things and to God in ways that words cannot accomplish. We can discover, encounter, and be present to truths that our minds struggle to conceive and then set aside the boxes we put around things when comprehending them is challenging. We can know the unknowable and touch eternity when we encounter the core silence in our souls.

We can do this even on a noisy street and in the midst of the greatest distraction. Once we have made friends with silence, the rambling noise of the world no longer seems to matter, and we can carry a deep forgiving peace within us, even when physical silence cannot be found. We know that we are loved, cared for, sustained, nourished, embraced, and carried. There is nothing to fear in silence, and I can be present to myself in the same way that God is present to me. I can see myself as God sees me. All of my faults, weaknesses, imperfections, failings, and sinfulness melt away in the abundance of God's mercy. All of the worldly things we see as being important no longer are.

It is in silence that all of the barriers that divide us disappear. There is no more "yours" and "mine" but only the oneness of "ours." There is no longer a need to "figure things out," and we tap into our desire to simply let things be. Silence is creative and



Sat	4:00pm	Continued healing for Hilda
Sun	8:00	People of the Parish
Sun	10:30	Tony & Elinore Filberto+
Mon	8:30	Sick & Homebound
Tue	8:30	Ann Carissimi & the Carissimi Family+
Wed	5:30pm	Special Intention
Thur	8:30	Don Huff Sr. & Jr.+
Fri	5:30pm	Al Cipoletti+
Sat	4:00pm	Mario Ficca+
Sun	8:00	Bennie Bucy+
Sun	10:30	People of the Parish

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

powerful and gives us hope. Silence is God's greatest blessing. God became one with humanity in silence. It allows us to be one with all of creation, with the moon and the stars and all of the creatures God has made. The smallest particle of creation radiates with beauty. Silence allows us to soar beyond ourselves and connect in ways that the mind can only imagine. When all is quiet, we begin to see that it is only our fear that keeps us from the Lord. It is our fear that causes us to sink and to fail. We can hear the gentle whisper that tells us to reach for God's hand. We discover that we yearn for the salvation and wholeness that only God can give to us. Be still my soul and be at peace.



CONGRATULATIONS to Randy and Estelle Shaffer who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 8th with a vow renewal.

USHERS PLEASE COUNT

The **SANCUTUARY CANDLE** is burning in memory of *Martha Diserio Hynes* from August 7th through August 20th.

Please **DO NOT LIGHT** any Candles yourself. Ask Fr. Dan or call Connie at 304-737-0429 and they will light the candles for you.

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.

You can see the **FaithInWV** weekly e-bulletin by going online at dwc.org.

August 15th is *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. This year it falls on a Saturday. We will have a vigil Mass on Friday, August 14th at 5:30 p.m..



Readings

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday: Ez 2:8 —3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/ Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/ Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/ 1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28

Saturday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/ Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/ 1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Next Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/ Mt 15:21-28

Stewardship Report ~ August 2, 2020

Offertory Collection.....\$2632.00	Envelopes Returned.....43
Budgetary Needs.....\$2900.00	Active Parishioners.....274
Envelopes Issued.....201	Attended Mass.....78



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The demands of family can be so overwhelming we feel walking on water would be easier. When Jesus was pressured, He dismissed everyone, so he could be "by himself and pray." When overwhelmed and stressed, go to a quiet place and surrender your pressured feelings to the Lord using Peter's prayer in today's gospel: "Lord, save me."



Sat: Sharon Pavlic; **Sun:** Paul Diserio, Tom Diserio; **Mon:** Val Giglio; **Tue:** Max Ferry; **Wed:** Margaret White; **Thur:** Pete Barsi, Mary Margaret Cipoletti, Josie Newton, Natalie Staffileno; **Fri:** Angela Cipriani; **Sat:** ; **Sun:** Ted Bolen, Katie Castellucci, Mark Sperlazza.

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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.

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.

JULY LOTTERY WINNERS:

\$50 went to Bob Stuckey, Margaret Mains, Bob Lisbon, Bob Swiger, Sarah Liddington, Tom Florio and Donna Shalvis. There was no \$100, \$300, \$500 or \$1,000 winner in July. The Food Pantry received **\$1,000** from July lottery proceeds.

THE CATHOLIC SPIRIT is now available by e-mail. To be added to the e-mail list send a message to crowan@dwc.org with "The Catholic Spirit e-list: in the subject line. Please indicate if you want E-mail only, and removed from the print mailing list or if you would like both print and e-mail versions sent to you. Beginning in June, the electronic version of every issue of The Catholic Spirit will be available under "Downloadable Spirit" at the catholicspiritwv.org.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Being Human is to Doubt

Humans doubt. It's what we do. We doubt ourselves and we doubt others. Before any of us say anything about Peter's doubting the words of Jesus that told him he could get out of his boat and walk on water, we need to get real with ourselves: How would I respond in the same situation? I remember when I was child taking swimming lessons. One day I simply tightened up my muscles and sank. The lifeguard pulled me up and asked what happened. I said I did not know. The truth is that I was sinking under the weight of my own doubt. I did not believe I could do what clearly, I was told I could. That was only in five feet of water in a pool! Now that I'm older, I can look back and laugh. But an adult, the swimming pool is life, and I would be lying if I said that there are no longer times I find myself sinking due to new doubts.

Much of our doubt comes about because of a lack of trust in God. We place our trust in material things, wealth, or imperfect people instead of the One who is worthy of our trust 100 percent of the time. Our stewardship is often hampered by our doubt that God will provide all that we need. If I give more, I may not have enough to survive! When we place all our trust in God, not only do we find that we have been given all we need – our doubt that cause us to sink in the pool of life fades away. We don't suddenly become perfect in our trust, and there will be times when we find ourselves with concerns again. However, it is in those moments we find that He is still there, speaking the words we need to hear: "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."

– Tracy Earl Welliver



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