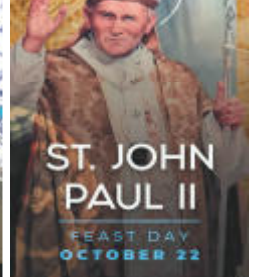
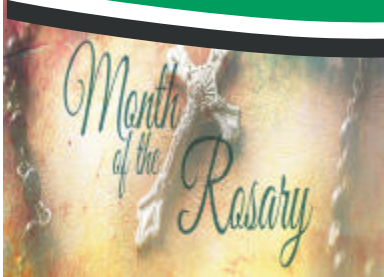


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OCTOBER 17, 2021 • TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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. Arul Anthony
Dir. of Music/Organist.....Wendi Mitchell
Dir. of Religious Education.....Monica Biery
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.

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. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one the Bishop's designees at 304-233-0880 or 888-434-6237: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Father Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304-230-1504. Visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for more info.



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"But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:43-45

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“What do you wish me to do for you?” Whether we realize it, this is a question God is always asking. It’s an important question because the answer we provide will reveal a great deal about where our hearts lie. Our requests of God can often appear very noble and altruistic. They consist of requests for healing for someone in need of prayers, successful resolution of a personal conflict, assistance in overcoming a disease and myriad other desires for both ourselves and others. We are especially concerned about those we love and can easily find ourselves bringing their struggles to God for a hearing in our prayer.

Is that really all that prayer is about? The woman in today’s Gospel, having been put in her place by Jesus, was only looking out for the wellbeing of her sons. She was doing what mothers do, protecting and securing the livelihood of her children. But she was sadly mistaken, her request was not granted. We all make this same misguided mistake from time to time. The goal of prayer is not to convince God of the worthiness of our agenda or to gain a hearing. Sometimes we believe that the more we multiply our prayers or discover the right combination of supplications that we will receive more of God’s attention. That’s not how it works. Even though God desires to hear, know, and be an intimate part of what is on our minds, it goes much deeper.

What we need from God is a relationship. It’s a relationship that guides and immerses us in the very stuff of life and in the direction of the Gospel. This relationship sees God’s kingdom and agenda, not our own, as what is most important. It



Sat	4:00pm	People of the Parish
Sun	8:00	Brenda Zurbuch+
Sun	10:30	Helen Lamone+
Mon	8:30	Ron Ujcich Jr.+
Tue	8:30	Sick & Homebound
Wed	5:30pm	Don Mitchell+
Thur	8:30	Mary Dombrosky+
Fri	5:30pm	Bill Bayless+
Sat	4:00pm	Millie Comandini+
Sun	8:00	People of the Parish
Sun	10:30	Helen & Loretto Pettini+

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday, 3:00—3:30pm, by appointment,
and weekdays after Mass.

builds the strength of character necessary to bring God’s Gospel into a world that may not receive it with open arms. It may cause us discomfort and suffering. We are asked to heroically journey with God through suffering, hardship, ridicule, and even death! Ultimately, our desire from God must become our desire for God. It is only when this happens that the powerful words “thy will be done” will be found with sincerity and humility on our lips. Whatever God wishes becomes what we wish as we see this glorious union of wills. Our humble lives will then become powerful witnesses, and what happens to us in God’s eternal kingdom the result of his mercy. We become true servants and find ourselves discovering God’s definition of success. That definition has nothing at all to do with status, income, or privilege.

THE FOOD PANTRY is open every Wednesday from Noon to 3:00 p.m. to assist residents of Brooke County who are in need of food. ID required for applicant.

USHERS PLEASE COUNT

THE READINGS for this weekend are in the hymnal at **1013**.

The **Praise & Worship Group** meets Mondays at 6:30 p.m. in the church. All are welcome!

During the month of October we will **PRAY THE ROSARY** Wednesdays at 5:00pm followed by Mass at 5:30pm. **WE NEED** volunteers to lead the Rosary. Please see Fr. Arul or call the office.

The Altar Rosary is having a Sarris **CANDY BAR SALE** for \$2 each. There are Pretzel Rods and a Variety of Candy Bars. If anyone would like a case to sell (\$72) or some single bars, please call Diane at 304-215-2927.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

“Advice” books abound on marriage and parenting. Jesus tells us in today’s gospel the real secret: satisfying relationships depend on how well we sacrifice our needs to serve others. It is not about “getting,” it’s about “giving” ourselves. If you feel like you are a servant to your children and spouse, then you are doing it right.

Readings

- Sunday:** Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5,18-19, 20, 22/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45
- Monday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9
- Tuesday:** Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38
- Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48
- Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53
- Friday:** Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59
- Saturday:** Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9
- Next Sunday:** Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

Stewardship Report ~ October 10 , 2021

Offertory Collection.....\$2361.00	Active Parishioners.....272
Budgetary Needs.....\$2900.00	Attended Mass.....112
Envelopes Returned.....60	



October 23, 4:00 PM

Gre Rob & Marcie Morris
Ser Avery/Liam Morris
Lec Mary Schwertfeger
Min Pam Boyd

October 24, 8:00 AM

Gre Anna DeGarmo & JeJe Huff
Lec Lana Gilkey
Min Joan Lazear

October 24, 10:30 AM

Gre Susie Mullenbach
Ser Bailee Beall
Lec Monica Biery
Min Kim Caldwell

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 for the next Mass.

The SANCUTUARY CANDLE is burning in memory of James Rockey from October 15th thru October 28th.

Last week's insert contained information about a new opportunity for you to discover thousands of books, audio talks, documentaries, and studies about the Catholic faith at your home or anywhere on your phone. Did you sign up to watch FORMED? Just visit FORMED.org, click Sign Up, Select St. John Parish, and enter your email—and you're in! The pic of the week is The Jeweler's Shop-A Modern Mystery by Pope John Paul II. This film tells of the triumphs and struggles of 3 married couples.

Wellsburg Christian Church at 1001 Charles Street invites all ladies to an ECUMENICAL BREAKFAST on Saturday, October 30th from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Breakfast will consist of breakfast casseroles, cheesy potatoes, french toast sticks, sausage and drinks. Cost: A suggested donation at the door of \$10. Please RSVP by October 21st to St. John Church (304-737-0429) and we will give the total attending from St. John's.

You are invited to a BREAKFAST sponsored by Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic Women, on Saturday, October 23rd. Pamphlets in vestibule.

Please patronize the sponsors located on the back of the bulletin. We thank them for supporting our parish!

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HOMEMADE SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS DINNER TODAY from Noon to 5pm at St. John Parish in Benwood, 700 Main Street. Adults \$10/Children \$4. Eat In or Carry Out.

EVANGELIZATION & DISCIPLESHIP, a VLCFF course from the University of Dayton, will be offered at St. Anthony Parish in Follansbee, beginning October 13th at 6:00pm. This five-week course explores our call to conversion and discipleship, the meaning of evangelization from a Catholic perspective and its relationship to word, worship, and service. This course is facilitated by Shirley Carter. If you are interested in attending this 2.5 CEU course, contact Jeanne McKeets at 304-233-0880 x 374 or jmckeets@dwc.org. All are welcome!

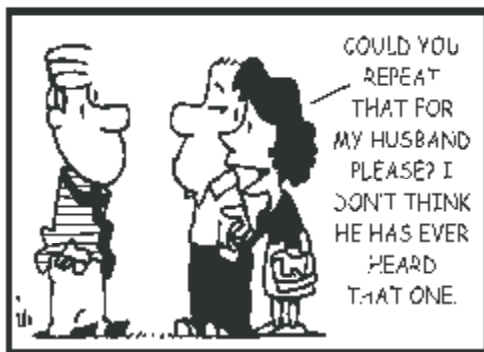
The St. Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston present the Together in Holiness Formation series. Year-round marriage enrichment for small communities of spouses that equips them with the formation, encouragement, support, and practical tools to grow together in holiness and to form their children in the Catholic faith. To get involved, contact Daniel Maul at dmaul@dwc.org or for more info visit thformation.forlifeandfamily.org.

A CARD PARTY will be held at St. Alphonsus Parish Hall in Wheeling on November 14th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$10 per seat. For reservations call Barb at 304-243-0604 or the church at 304-232-4353.



St. John Altar Rosary will host its annual AIM (Assistance in Motherhood) BABY SHOWER on Wednesday, November 3rd at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall. Ladies are asked to bring an unwrapped baby item such as diapers, wipes, clothing, blankets, etc. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Bring a friend and come for an enjoyable evening as we help to assist mothers and babies in need.

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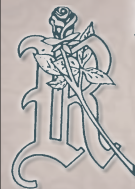
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