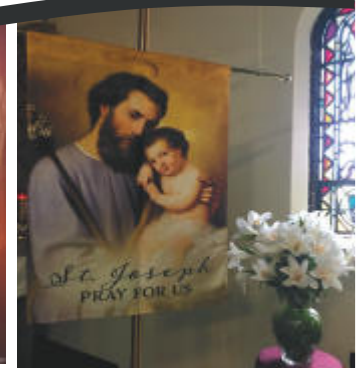
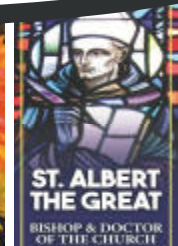


# St. John THE Evangelist CATHOLIC PARISH

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NOVEMBER 14, 2021 • THIRTY-THIRD 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 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.

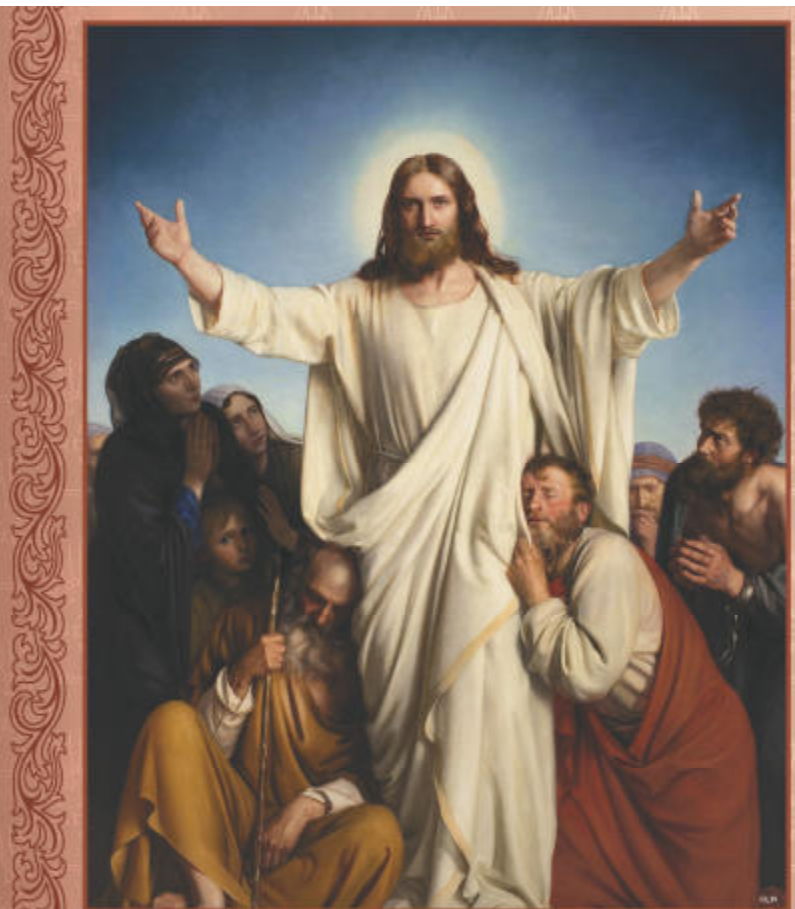
## SACRAMENTS

**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. 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](http://www.dwc.org) under "Accountability" for more info.*



**33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY** *in ordinary time*

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." - Mk 13:31

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**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

“And then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in the clouds’ with great power and glory.” Take a moment to ponder these words from today’s Gospel. How does this image make you feel? For people to truly understand the significance of this message, something profound has to happen within. If we find ourselves reacting with a sense of dread or fear, we have to step back and ask why. Our answer will reveal a great deal about our relationship with God. It’s hard to fall in love with a God of whom we are afraid. God does not want us to be afraid. Nor does He want us to align our wills to His in order to avoid some kind of horrendous eternal consequence. That sounds like too much of a superficial power play on the part of God who continues to seek out His children in love.

In order for these words to carry any type of significant meaning for us, they have to resonate with and touch us on a deeper level. They have to be able to connect some dots and have meaning for us in order for this promise to change our lives. Sometimes we get preoccupied with the uncertainty of our deaths. Not knowing when or how we will eventually die can be unsettling. But, more so than needing an answer to the “when” of death, the “what” of death answer we provide has more significance. What happens to us when we die? Whether we die during the natural course of our lives or when Christ comes again, the experience is the same. If we believe that we are meant to live in union with God eternally and that death completes and does not diminish us, then it is worth our time and effort to wait in vigilant hope of the Lord’s coming in glory. Our journey back to God is something beautiful to be



Sat	4:00pm	People of the Parish
Sun	8:00	Mike & Anne Zdinak+
Sun	10:30	Sue Simonetti+
Mon	8:30	Sick & Homebound
Tue	8:30	Mary Dombrosky+
Wed	5:30pm	Harold DeGarmo+
Thur	8:30	Sarah Gundling+
Fri	5:30pm	Loreto Pettini+
Sat	4:00pm	Gary Antigo & Ricky Mercer+
Sun	8:00	People of the Parish
Sun	10:30	The Lauck, Opaskey, Parent & Main Fam.+

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

desired, not dreaded or feared.

Sadly, many folks believe that life is no more than a random occurrence without any purposeful direction or meaning. Death is simply death and nothing more. For them, the Second Coming of Christ and God’s eternal promise have no meaning. When we understand the truth about who we are, it changes things up. We then can see ourselves as works in progress who have the choice to either resist the inspirations of the Divine Artist or give into the wonderful creativity of His will. Life awaiting the fullness of Christ to come becomes an unfolding of Divine surprises and abundant joy. God is eternally merciful, forgiving, and welcoming. It is only when we directly reject this gift and turn our backs on Love itself that we have anything to fear.

Did you sign up to watch **FORMED**? Just visit FORMED.org, click Sign Up, Select St. John Parish or 26070, enter your email—and you’re in! More info is in the vestibule.

**USHERS PLEASE COUNT**

**THE READINGS** for this weekend are in the hymnal at **1025**.

**SECOND COLLECTION:**  
Building & Maintenance Fund

**The SANCUTUARY CANDLE** is burning in memory of *Mike and Anne Zdinak* from November 12th thru November 25th.

**COLLECTION NEXT WEEK:**  
Next week our special collection will support the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. More than 38,000,000 people in the U.S. live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities.

**Fr. ARUL** wants to visit all our parishioners who are in the hospital or nursing facility, who are homebound or who are unable to attend Mass at this time. Please call the office at 304-737-0429 and schedule a time for Fr. Arul to come and visit. He would like to do this during the month of December.

**Readings**

- Sunday:** Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32
- Monday:** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43
- Tuesday:** 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10
- Wednesday:** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/ Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15/ Lk 19:11-28
- Thursday:** 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44
- Friday:** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chron 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd / Lk 19:45-48
- Saturday:** 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19/Lk 20:27-40
- Next Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

**Stewardship Report ~ November 7 , 2021**

Offertory Collection.....\$3052.00	Active Parishioners.....272
Budgetary Needs.....\$2900.00	Attended Mass.....135
Envelopes Returned..... 56	Support Military Chaplains.....\$279.00





**November 20, 4:00 PM**

Gre Gene & Judy Cipoletti  
 Ser Will Harvey  
 Lec Mary Beth Harvey  
 Min Pam Boyd

**November 21, 8:00 AM**

Gre Bob & Linda Stuckey  
 Ser Theresa Kowcheck  
 Lec Lana Gilkey  
 Min Linda Stuckey

**November 21, 10:30 AM**

Gre Susie Mullenbach  
 Ser Chase Beall  
 Lec Monica Biery  
 Min Carolyn Mason

**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.

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

Today's gospel teaches us UNCERTAINTY is normal. There are some things in life which "no one knows... only the Father." Marriage and parenting are full of uncertainty for like the fig tree in the gospel, the people we love grow and change.

This year **GIVING TUESDAY** is November 30th. Giving Tuesday is a global generosity movement that began in 2012 and encourages people to do good. Over the years it has grown to inspire hundreds of millions of people to give, collaborate, and celebrate generosity. Parishes who are over 50% of the parish CSA goal will receive the full amount of all Giving Tuesday donations. St. John is over 50% so it all comes back to the parish. Gifts can be made securely online to [dwc.org/csa](http://dwc.org/csa) or checks can be made payable to Catholic Sharing Appeal and mailed to PO Box 230, Wheeling, WV 26003 or drop it in the collection basket.

**Catholics United for the Faith** is an international lay apostolate founded in 1968 whose purpose is "to unite the faithful from all walks of life in order to support, defend, and advance the efforts of the Teaching Church in accord with the teachings of the Second Vatican Council." In the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston the St John Henry Newman Chapter promotes doctrinal and spiritual formation in the Catholic faith, personal renewal, and engagement in evangelization and catechesis. Now more than ever we need to be able to articulate and defend our faith so that we can grow in holiness. For more info, email us at [cuf.dwc@gmail.com](mailto:cuf.dwc@gmail.com) or visit [www.wvlaity.org](http://www.wvlaity.org).



**Sat:** Marie McGowan; **Sun:** ;  
**Mon:** Frank Canistraro Sr., Kevin Farrell; **Tue:** ; **Wed:** ; **Thur:** ;  
**Fri:** Eva Lucas; **Sat:** Martha Lallone;  
**Sun:** Lucas Neel.

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**PLEASE REMEMBER** those we have lost: Aileen Potter, John "Moe" Crabtree, William E. Diserio, John R. Sperlazza, Rosalie Scherich, Paul "Bud" Billiard, Anna Sperlazza, William "Buck" Bayless Sr., Karen Teeters, Matthew Camilletti, Karen Sue Simonetti, Joseph Carissimi Sr., Heather Liddington, Patricia Moncman, Mary Dombrosky, David E. Smith, Marie Lewis, Donald L. Mitchell, Sara Gundling, and Millie Fillinger.

The **Book of the Dead** is on the Joseph Altar for you to write your deceased loved ones name in it.

**CONSTRUCTION** of the addition for the elevator is moving along with the projected finish date by Christmas. With the recent increase in building materials, the cost of the addition has gone up. If anyone is able to donate to this project it will help to cut down on the amount we will need to borrow from the Diocese. If you have already donated, "thank you." If you would like to donate, make your check out to the church and write elevator on the memo or the front of the envelope and put it in the collection basket.

**THE DIOCESE** has approved the formation of the **Confraternity of St. Nicholas**, who is the patron saint of children. Members of the Confraternity will seek St. Nicholas' intercession for the protection of all youth from sexual abuse, human trafficking, pornography, and scandal. They will do so by prayer, fasting and good works. Pamphlets are in the vestibule for those who would like to have more information about the Confraternity.

**A.I.M. Women's Center** is searching for a Part Time RN to work Tuesdays and Full Time RN to serve as Nurse Manager. Call 740-283-3636 for info.

**THE FOOD PANTRY** is asking for donations of \$10 Kroger Gift Cards to be put in their Christmas Baskets. You can drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the church. All cards must be received by Sunday, **December 5th**.

**THE FOOD PANTRY** is open Wednesday from Noon to 3pm to assist residents of Brooke County who are in need of food.

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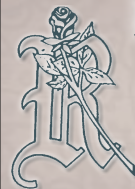
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