

Assumption Catholic Church



Do whatever he tells you. JOHN 2:5

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Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 27, 2023



WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?

MATTHEW 16:15

May You Find Christ Here...May You Bring Christ to the World!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 noon

Friday, 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

At an opportune time, Jesus tests his disciples with a crucial question: Who do people say that I am, and who do you say that I am? He was widely recognized in Israel as a mighty man of God, even being compared with the greatest of the prophets, John the Baptist, Elijah, and Jeremiah. Peter, always quick to respond, exclaimed that he was the Christ, the Son of the living God. No mortal being could have revealed this to Peter; but only God. Jesus plays on Peter's name which is the same word for "rock" in both Aramaic and Greek. To call someone a "rock" is one of the greatest of compliments. Jesus then confers on Peter authority to govern the church that Jesus would build, a church that no powers would overcome because it is founded on the rock which is Christ himself.

The Lord Jesus offers us the gift of unshakeable faith, enduring hope, and unquenchable love - and the joyful boldness to proclaim him as the one true Savior who brings us the kingdom of God both now and forever. Let us pray: Lord Jesus, I profess and believe that you are the Christ, the Son of the living God. You are my Lord and my Savior. Make my faith strong like Peter's and give me boldness to speak of you to others that they may come to know you personally as Lord and Savior and grow in the knowledge of your great love.

Readings for Next Sunday,
September 3, 2023
Jeremiah 20:7-9
Romans 12:1-2
Matthew 16:21-27

Saint of the Week... St. Augustine of Hippo

St. Augustine is the patron of brewers because of his conversion from a former life of loose living, which included parties, entertainment, and worldly ambitions. His turnaround and conversion has been an inspiration to many who struggle with a particular vice or habit they long to break.

This famous son of St. Monica was born in Africa and spent many years of his life in wicked living and false beliefs. His sins of impurity and pride darkened his mind so much that he could not see or understand the Divine Truth anymore. Through the prayers of his holy mother and the marvelous preaching of St. Ambrose, Augustine finally became convinced that Christianity was the one true religion.

Full of sorrow for how he had been living his life, Augustine cried out to God, "How long more, O Lord? Why does not this hour put an end to my sins?" Just then he heard a child singing, "Take up and read!" Thinking that God intended him to hear those words, he picked up the book of the Letters of St. Paul, and read the first passage his gaze fell on. It was just what Augustine needed, for in it St. Paul says to put away all impurity and to live in imitation of Jesus. From then on, Augustine began a new life.

He was baptized at age 33, became a priest at 36, and a bishop at 41. He was a famous Catholic writer, founder of religious orders, and one of the greatest saints that ever lived. On the wall of his room he had the following sentence written in large letters: "Here we do not speak evil of anyone."

St. Augustine overcame strong heresies, practiced great poverty and supported the poor, preached very often and prayed with great fervor right up until his death.

Source: catholiconline.org



Feast Day: August 28

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Restless Heart, the first full-length feature movie on St. Augustine, uses a historic backdrop to tell the true story of one of the Church's most beloved and well-known saints. Its message of sin, conversion and redemption is as timely today as it was in the 5th century.



Littlest Saints features the lives of the saints as told by kids. In each episode, a young child dons a habit, a cassock, a uniform, anything and everything, and acts out a different heavenly hero's story, full of drama, comedy, and everything in-between.



Special Mass and Parish Picnic on September 17 Kick Off Sesquicentennial Jubilee Celebration!

The big day is fast approaching: the official start of our Sesquicentennial Jubilee celebration!

On Sunday, September 17, our parish family will gather at Brookdale Farm for a special Mass followed by lunch, fellowship, games and more!

The day will begin at 1 p.m., and we will have a team of individuals available to assist with unloading vehicles and parking so that everyone can be ready for the celebration of a special Mass which will be at 1:30 p.m.*

Lunch will follow the Mass, with the parish providing fried chicken and hot dogs. Parishioners are asked to bring an appetizer, side dish, dessert, or cooler of bottled water to share. Please also bring drinks for your family.

After lunch there will be a corn hole tournament. Brookdale also has a corn maze, hay rides and a playground. Those events will require a wristband at no cost to our families.

Please sign up in the vestibule with the number of people attending and the dish you will be bringing. We hope you will be able to join us for this wonderful start to our jubilee year!

**The Mass at Brookdale Farm will fulfill your Sunday obligation; however, the 4:00 Vigil Mass and 8:30 Sunday Mass will still be held.*

UPCOMING JUBILEE EVENTS

Sunday, September 17

Opening Mass and Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 24

Teaching Mass with Fr. Giles

Sunday, October 15

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Team Trivia Competition



Aim your phone's camera here for more Jubilee information!

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, August 26	4:00 p.m.	The Harber Family.....	Jean Harber
		Intentions of Karin Burner.....	Linda Marsh
Sunday, August 27	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Jordan Placka.....	Jane & Doug Placka
Monday, August 28	No Mass		
Tuesday, August 29	No Mass		
Wednesday, August 30	5:00 p.m.	The Barrick & Adams Families.....	Howard & Karen Barrick
Thursday, August 31	12 noon	Intentions of Toni Shillingburg.....	Sheila Golden
Friday, September 1	9:00 a.m.	Soul of Jean Quinn.....	Marg Quinn
Saturday, September 2	4:00 p.m.	Souls of Bill & Helen Semenuk.....	Cathy Pardee
		Soul of Judy Williams.....	Rebecca & Kay Horan
Sunday, September 3	8:30 a.m.	Souls of Ginny & Tim Newlin.....	Kelley & Jeff Kuhn
		Intentions of Gina DeMasi.....	The DeMasi Family

Please join us 30 minutes before the start of each Mass to pray the Rosary as a parish family.



Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Mickey Brooks, Sue Burns, Palma Devic*, Cathy Dorsey, Debbie Kelley Evans, Bill Fazzalore*, Scott Furey, Barbara Gratto, Beth Grayson, Sue Greco, Larry & Marianne Hammel, Jean Harber, Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Joanne Knott*, Jeffrey Labonte, Pam Launi, Debbie Pappas, Charles Ravenscroft, Caroline Reeves, Katherine Revell, Jeff Roth, Sparrow Shannon, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, John Stephen Jr., Bill Stine, Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Maleigha Taylor, Courtney Whiteman.

**Resident of Keyser Healthcare Center (135 Southern Drive, Keyser WV 26726)*

Recovery Efforts in Maui

Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with all those affected by the devastating wildfires that have ravaged the island of Maui.

The Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation has gracefully asked dioceses across the nation to support the relief efforts to lend a helping hand to those who have lost so much. To make a financial contribution, visit <https://tinyurl.com/MauiCatholic> or visit dwc.org and look for the donation link.

We also add our prayers to those across the country for strength, resilience and healing for the fire victims and their families.

Your Stewardship

August 19-20, 2023

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$2,533
Loose Donations.....	\$479
R&M.....	\$15
Total.....	\$3,027

Attendance

Saturday, 8/19.....	76
Sunday, 8/13.....	91
Total.....	167

Diocesan Collection

Education of DWC Seminarians.....	\$425
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Courses Announced for Faith Formation

Two five-week virtual courses will be starting soon through the University of Dayton. They are composed of weekly live ZOOM lectures along with online course materials. Both tuition and the cost of any books are 100% underwritten by our Diocese. To register, contact the instructor at rodicastoicoiuphy@gmail.com.

Christology will examine how the church understands who Jesus is and what he did, and the reasons by the church holds this understanding. This class meets on Mondays beginning August 28.

Images of Jesus will offer the opportunity to examine what we know and believe about the central figure of the Christian faith and arguably the most influential person who ever walked the earth. Class meets on Wednesdays beginning August 31.

Donations Accepted for Local Recovery Facilities

The Staggers Recovery House, as well as the newly opened Hope Meadows Recovery Complex, both located in Keyser, offer residential living programs for women in recovery from alcohol or drug dependency. Both programs are part of Burlington United Methodist Family Services, Inc. In addition to the financial support they receive from our Knights of Columbus council, we are also seeking donations of personal hygiene products for use by the residents. Some examples are shampoo, conditioner, soap, lotion, deodorant and feminine products. Donations can be dropped in the tote in the vestibule now through September 17.

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

Hebrews 13:6

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, September 2 (Knight's Mass)

Lector: Kenny Brant
Servers: Mike Landis & Paul Bogdan
EM: Mike Landis, Bill Lupis (c), Alan Taylor (c)
Greeters: Bill Lupis & Dave Dunn
Cantor: Linda Marsh

Sunday, September 3

Lector: Alan Taylor
Servers: Abby DelSignore & Tess Maybury
EM: Kelley Kuhn, Jane Placka (c), Tina Stephen (c)
Greeters: Tony & Marie DelSignore
Cantor: Julie Alt

Saturday, September 9

Lector: Karen Yowler
Servers: Alan Taylor & Sue Harber
EM: Alan Taylor, Bill Lupis (c), Mary Wagoner (c)
Greeters: Dena Turner & Mary Shannon
Cantor: Anita Tetreault

Sunday, September 10

Lector: Mike Landis
Servers: Rudy & Pippa Dolechek
EM: Julie Alt, Mike Landis (c), Rosie Landis (c)
Greeters: Doug & Jane Placka
Cantor: Patrick George

Stonerise EM

August 31 Meredythe Barrick
Sept. 7 Stacy Rhodes

