



Assumption Catholic Church

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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 5, 2025

Faith

THE SIZE OF A
MUSTARD SEED

Luke 17:5-10

May you find Christ here...may you take 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, 10 a.m.

Sunday Reflection: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

How strong is our faith in God and how can we grow in it? Faith is not something vague, uncertain, undefinable, or something which requires a leap of the imagination or worse, some kind of blind allegiance. In fact, it is quite the opposite. Faith is a response of trust and belief in what is reliable, truthful, certain, and real. To have faith is to believe and trust in someone or something. We believe in the power of electricity even though we can't visibly see it with the naked eye. We know we can tap into that power and use it to do things we could not do by our own human power. Faith in God works in a similar way. Jesus is God's visible proof that his word is reliable and true - his love is unfailing and unconditional - and his power is immeasurably great and unlimited.

What did Jesus mean when he said to his disciples that our faith can move trees and mountains as well (Luke 17:5-6)? The term "mountain remover" was used for someone who could solve great problems and difficulties. What appears impossible to human power is possible to those who believe in God's power. Faith is a gift freely given by God to help us know God personally, to understand his truth, and to live in the power of his love. God expects more from us than we can simply do by ourselves. That is why Jesus gives us the gift and power of the Holy Spirit who helps us to grow strong in faith, persevere in hope, and endure in love. For our faith to be effective it must be linked with trust and with obedience - an active submission to God and a willingness to do whatever he commands. Do we trust in the grace and strength which God freely gives to help us resist temptation and to overcome obstacles in doing his will?

Readings for Next Sunday,

October 12, 2025

2 Kings 5:14-17

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Luke 17:11-19

Saint of the Week... Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary was instituted to honor Mary for the Christian victory over the Turks at Lepanto on October 7, 1571, attributed to Pope St. Pius V and all Christians praying the rosary.

The development of the rosary has a long history. First a practice developed of praying 150 Our Fathers in imitation of the 150 Psalms. Then there was a parallel practice of praying 150 Hail Marys. Soon a mystery of Jesus' life was attached to each Hail Mary. In the 16th century, the rosary as we know it was developed with the 15 mysteries (joyful, sorrowful and glorious). In 2002, Pope John Paul II added the five Mysteries of Light to this devotion.

The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. The main focus is on Jesus—his birth, life, death, and resurrection. The Our Fathers remind us that Jesus' Father is the initiator of salvation. The Hail Marys remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of his earthly and heavenly existence. The Glory Bes remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Trinity.

The simplicity of the rosary appeals to many. The constant repetition of words helps create an atmosphere in which to contemplate the mysteries of God. We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever.

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Feast Day: October 7



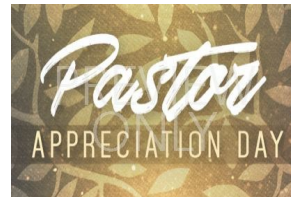
Jan Biser, Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Leslie Bosley, Angela Bowers, Kara Breedlove, Mickey Brooks, Darlene "Bitsy" Brown, Sue Burns, Raymond Clark, Hailey Claire, Linda Davis-Kyle, Gloria DeMasi, Palma Devic, Marion Dorsey, Cam Duncan, Dave & Jean Dunn, Lucas Dupuis, Scott Furey, Marilyn George, Barbara Gratto, Sue Greco, Donna Hanlin, Shawn Harbaugh, Jean Harber, Sue Harber, Shawn Hartman, Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Margie Keister, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Joanne Knott*, Jeffrey Labonte, Pam Launi, Bill Lupis, Angelo Luvara, Rhonda Martin, Betty McAvoy, Cindy Mills, Steve Miner, Paul & Connie Murray, Wanda & Randy Nairn, Debbie Pappas, Cathy Pardee, Diane Parrish, Crystal Pollet, Susie Radcliffe, Katherine Revell, Carole Rhodes, Carla Riggleman, George Rosedale, Charlotte Sanders, Helen Shallis, Sparrow Shannon, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Barbara Stanislawczyk, Melissa Stanislawczyk, John Stephen Jr., Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Maleigha Taylor, Nathaniel Taylor, Shawn Whetzel, Becky Whitlock*, Barbara Willis.

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Congratulations to the Dupuis family whose marriage was con-validated in the Church last week! Alisha and Mike are shown here with Fr. Thomas and their children Liam (who served as Lector at the Mass) and Lucas (who was an Altar Server).

If you were not married in the Church and are interested in having your marriage con-validated, please contact the Parish Office to determine your specific needs.



Join us to celebrate and honor Fr. Thomas for his loving service to our parish and Deacon Larry on his 90th birthday!

The event will take place on Saturday, October 11 at 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall. The Ladies Guild will provide ham, rolls, dessert and drinks. Families attending are asked to bring a side dish to share. Deacon Larry requests no gifts please! A sign up sheet is available in the Vestibule.

Blessing of the Animals

In celebration of the Feast of St. Francis, the patron saint of all God's creations, our parish will hold a Blessing of the Animals service. Fr. Thomas will offer a special blessing for our beloved pets who demonstrate the unconditional love of God.



The event will take place on Saturday, October 11 at 11 a.m. in the grotto area between the church and the rectory. Cats, dogs, hamsters, birds...all animals are welcome (and all should be appropriately leashed or crated).

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, October 4	4::00 pm	Soul of Fred Selders.....	Eddie & Dorothy Sandoval
		Soul of Adeline "Lena" Delilo	Devic & Delilo Families
		The Harber Family	Sue & Jean Harber
Sunday, October 5	8:30 am	Soul of Randy Kuhn	Mike & Joanne Stickley
		Intentions of Carrie Barrick	Howard & Karen Barrick
Monday, October 6	No Mass		
Tuesday, October 7	No Mass		
Wednesday, October 8	No Mass		
Thursday, October 9	12:00 pm	Souls of Toby & Anne Stickley	Anonymous
Friday, October 10	9:00 am	Soul of Karen Patterson.....	Esther, Molly & Linda
		The Alt, Cobb & Kuh families.....	Dean & Kathy Alt
Saturday, October 11	4:00 pm	Deceased Members, K of C Assumption Council.....	Brother Knights
Sunday, October 12	8:30 am	Deceased Members, K of C Assumption Council.....	Brother Knights

Note: There will be no Mass on Wednesday, October 8 while Father attends a Diocesan meeting in Morgantown.

Join us to pray the Rosary 30 minutes prior to each weekday Mass.

NEWS FROM
Assumption Ladies Guild

Meatball Sale

The Ladies Guild and the Knights of Columbus are holding a meatball sale next month! Delivery to local businesses will be offered on Friday, October 17 and pick up by individuals on Saturday, October 18. An order form is available in the Vestibule or you can contact any member of the guild or Knight to place an order. **All orders are due by October 13.** Cost is \$8 for a sub or \$5 for a container of four meatballs with sauce.

Pie Sale

The Ladies Guild is once again selling pies from The Pie Shoppe! These are 9-inch pies and come in a variety of flavors. Pumpkin rolls are also available. Cost is \$15.

Orders are due by Friday, October 31. Pick up date is Tuesday, November 11 from 4-6 pm at St. Mary's Hall. Make checks payable to Assumption Ladies Guild. Order forms are available in the Vestibule and payment can be dropped in the offertory basket or at the Parish Office. If you have any questions, please contact Robin McDowell at 304-813-0790.



Congratulations to Harper Newlin who recently made her debut as an Altar Server! She is shown here with Fr. Thomas.

Thank you Harper for being an important part of our parish ministry!

If you or your child would like to become an Altar Server, please contact Rosie Landis or the Parish Office.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, October 11

Lector: Doug Minnich
 Servers: Liam & Lucas Dupuis
 EMs: Norma Clark, Karen Yowler (c), TBD (c)
 Cantor: Mike Dupuis
 Greeters: TBD

Sunday, October 12

Lector: Pam Williams
 Servers: James & Tess Maybury
 EMs: Pam Williams, Mike Landis (c), Tina Stephen (c)
 Cantor: Patrick George
 Greeters: Paul Bogdan & Janet Corley

Saturday, October 18

Lector: Cathy Pardee
 Servers: Mike & Rosie Landis
 EMs: Jean Harber, John Gustafson (c), Cathy Pardee (c)
 Cantor: Linda Marsh & Anita Tetreault
 Greeters: Kelli & Kerri Wittman

Sunday, October 19 (Youth Mass)

Lector: CCD students
 Servers: Tess Maybury & Pippa Dolechek
 EMs: Charlotte Delilo, Beverley Iser (c), Jane Placka (c)
 Cantor: Patrick George
 Greeters: CCD students

Keyser Healthcare Center EM

October 9 Meredythe Barrick
 October 16 Cindy Alt

Your Faithful Stewardship

September 27-28, 2025

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes \$2,500
 Loose Donations \$415
Total \$2,915

Diocesan Collection

Catholic University of America \$280

Attendance

Saturday, 9/27 69
 Sunday, 9/28 116
Total 185

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 the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.