



Assumption Catholic Church

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Second Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2026



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, 6:00 p.m.

Confessions

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.
Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday, 10 a.m.

Sunday Reflection: Second Sunday of Lent

Are we prepared to see the glory of the Lord and to share in his glory as well? The Lord Jesus not only wants us to see his glory - he wants to share this glory with us. And Jesus shows us the way to the Father's glory - follow me - obey my words. Take the path I have chosen for you and you will receive the blessing of my Father's kingdom - your name, too, will be written in heaven. Jesus fulfilled his mission on Calvary where he died for our sins so that Paradise and everlasting life would be restored to us. He embraced the cross to win a crown of glory - a crown that awaits each one of us, if we, too, will follow in his footsteps.

Luke's Gospel tells us that while Jesus was transfigured, Peter, James, and John were asleep (Luke 9:32)! Upon awakening they discovered Jesus in glory along with Moses and Elijah. How much do we miss of God's glory and action because we are asleep spiritually? There are many things which can keep our minds asleep to the things of God: Mental lethargy and the "unexamined life" can keep us from thinking things through and facing our doubts and questions. The life of ease can also hinder us from considering the challenging or disturbing demands of Christ. Prejudice can make us blind to something new the Lord may have for us. Even sorrow can be a block until we can see past it to the glory of God. Are we spiritually awake? We, as disciples of Jesus Christ, are called to be witnesses of his glory. The Lord wants to reveal his glory to us, his beloved disciples. Do we seek his presence with faith and reverence? Let us pray: Lord Jesus, keep me always alert to you, to your word, your action, and your constant presence in my life. Let me see your glory.

**Readings for Next Sunday,
March 8, 2026**
Exodus 17:3-7
Romans 5:1-8
John 4:5-42

Saint of the Week... St. Casimir

Born the third of thirteen children in 1461, Casimir was a prince of Poland. From birth his life was destined to cement his father's authority and increase Poland's power. However, Casimir realized at an early age that his life belonged to a much higher King than his father. Despite pressure, humiliation, and rejection, he stood by that loyalty his whole life.

For Casimir, the riches around him were temptations to forget his true loyalties. Rebelling against the rich, he wore the plainest of clothes and even rejected ordinary comforts. He slept little, spending his nights in prayer. When he did sleep, he laid on the floor instead of a bed.

Casimir's father had him lead an army to take over the throne of Hungary, and while Casimir felt it was wrong, he obeyed his father. When soldiers started deserting, he was happy to return home. His father, however, was furious and banished Casimir to a castle, hoping that imprisonment would change his mind. His commitment to what he believed only grew stronger in his exile and he refused to cooperate with his father's plans any more. He participated in his true King's plans instead by praying, studying, and helping the poor. Casimir died at the age of 23 from lung disease. He is the patron saint of Poland and Lithuania.



Feast Day: March 4

Source: catholic.org



Gerri Bennett, Jan Biser, Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Leslie Bosley, Angela Bowers, Kara Breedlove, Mickey Brooks, Darlene "Bitsy" Brown, Sue Burns, Braely Burton, Hailey Claire, Abby Clark, Raymond Clark, Linda Davis-Kyle, Gloria DeMasi, Palma Devic, Marion Dorsey, Curtis Drew and family, Cam Duncan, Dave & Jean Dunn, Lucas Dupuis, Scott Furey, Wanda Gahr, Marilyn George, Kathy Golaski, Barbara Gratto, Sue Greco, Steve Grubbs, Donna Hanlin, Shawn

Harbaugh, Bob Harman, Shawn Hartman, Marion Hollingsworth, Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Charity Jones Kasraoui, Margie Keister, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Joanne Knott*, Jeffrey Labonte, Pam Launi, Bill Lupis, Angelo Luvara, Francy Lyons, Rhonda Martin, Margaret McGee, Blain McLaughlin, Cindy Mills, Steve Miner, Wanda & Randy Nairn, Arjun Padha, Debbie Pappas, Cathy Pardee, Diane Parrish, Crystal Pollet, Susie Radcliffe, Katherine Revell, Carole Rhodes, Carla Riggelman, George Rosedale, Charlotte Sanders, Helen Shallis, Sparrow Shannon, Toni Shillingburg, Esther Shockey, Crystal Snitz, Fran Sommers, Barbara Stanislawczyk, Melissa Stanislawczyk, John Stephen Jr., Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Maleigha Taylor, Nathaniel Taylor, Barbara Tenney, Nick Trager, Shawn Whetzel, Courtney Whiteman, Becky Whitlock*, Barbara Willis.

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



This Week's Birthdays

March 3

Martin Alt

March 8

Landon Rhodes

If we have an incorrect date or if we miss your birthday, please let us know so we can update our records! If you would prefer that your birthday not be listed, please contact the Parish Office.



A second collection is scheduled for next weekend to support the Priests' Health and Retirement Association (PHRA), a fund that provides health insurance and retirement benefits to retired priests of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Please take a moment to reflect on the many years of service by our priests and how we can take this opportunity to thank them in a very particular way with a gift to the PHRA collection.



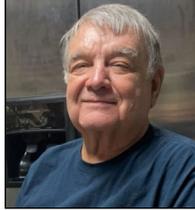
Be Like Otto!

One of our youngest parishioners Otto Mitchell is serious about his Lent readings! Otto is the son of Matthew and Jennifer Mitchell. Please keep his mom Jen, along with our other candidates, in your prayers as they prepare to enter the Church this Easter!

In Loving Memory



Sam Fazzalore
Born into Life
June 4, 1941
Born into Eternal Life
February 19, 2026



Francis "Dave" Burgess
Born into Life
December 30, 1947
Born into Eternal Life
February 25, 2026

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May Sam's and Dave's souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.

Stations of the Cross

During Lent, Mass on Fridays is at 6 p.m. (instead of 9 a.m.) and will be followed by the Stations of the Cross. Leading the stations this week are members of the Finance Committee.

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, February 28	4:00 pm	Intentions of Mike & Joanne Stickley	Jeff & Kelley Kuhn
		Intentions of Sue & Jean Harber	Mike & Joanne Stickley
		The Alt, Cobb & Kuh Families	Dean & Kathy Alt
Sunday, March 1	8:30 am	Soul of Leroy House.....	Tammy & Larry Dale
		Soul of Sheila Golden.....	Assumption Parish
Monday, March 2	No Mass		
Tuesday, March 3	No Mass		
Wednesday, March 4	5:00 pm	Soul of Anita Martel.....	Tammy & Larry Dale
		The Alt, Cobb & Kuh families.....	Dean & Kathy Alt
Thursday, March 5	12:00 pm	Intentions of Toni Shillingburg.....	Sue & Jean Harber
		Intentions of Andrea Barrick.....	The Barrick Family
Friday, March 6	6:00 pm	Souls of John & Hazel Coffman	Mary Shannon
		Soul of Richard Gibson	Kathleen Gibson
Saturday, March 7	4:00 pm	Soul of Gwendolyn DeMasi	Her Loving Family
		Soul of Sam Fazzalore.....	Mary Wagoner
Sunday, March 8	8:30 am	Souls of Ralph & Catherine Rice.....	The Rice Family
		Souls of George & Jennie Ebner.....	Assumption Parish
		Intentions of Francy Lyons	Sue & Jean Harber



The Ladies Guild will meet on Thursday, March 12 at 1 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall. If you're a lady...you're a member! Please join us if you can!

Baked Potato Sale

The Ladies Guild is sponsoring a baked potato sale the weekend of March 7-8. Loaded baked potatoes with the toppings of your choice will be available for eat in or carry out on Saturday, March 7 after the 4:00 Mass and for carry out on Sunday, March 8 after Mass/CCD. Cost is \$5 each. A sign-up sheet is available in the Vestibule; orders can also be placed by contacting Robin McDowell (304-813-0790).

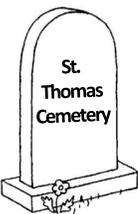
Your Faithful Stewardship
February 21-22, 2026

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$3,455
Loose Donations.....	\$1,070
Total.....	\$4,525

Attendance

Saturday, 2/21.....	94
Sunday, 2/22.....	105
Total.....	199



Cemetery Flowers

If you have Christmas or winter flowers at St. Thomas Cemetery that you would like to keep, please remove them by March 7. Thank you!

Sunday, March 8, 2026
Don't forget to set your clocks forward an hour next Sunday!

Why No Gloria? Why No Alleluia?

You may have noticed that Mass music and hymns change during Lent. Solemn music during Lent helps align us with the season's themes of repentance, sacrifice, and reflection on Christ's journey to the cross. Hymns and chants are selected to focus on confession, the weight of redemption, and the wilderness journey of Jesus. By omitting elements like the *Gloria* and the *Alleluia*, the Church creates a period of "musical fasting." This heightens the anticipation of Easter, bringing profound joy and renewal.

From the Desk of Linda Davis-Kyle, Music Director

K of C 300 Club Raffle Winners

Drawing held February 19, 2026

\$100 Winners	\$50 Winners	\$25 Winners
Tammy Dale	Bill Smith	Ann Marie DeMasi
Larry Dale	Mellani Shears	Dean Nofsinger
		Mike Stanislawczyk

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, March 7 (Knight's Mass)

Lector: Doug Minnich
 Servers: Mike Landis & Paul Bogdan
 EMs: Mike Landis, Bill Lupis (c), Alan Taylor (c)
 Cantor: Linda Marsh
 Greeters: Bob & Karen Yowler

Sunday, March 8

Lector: Michael Stanislawczyk
 Servers: Liam & Lucas Dupuis
 EMs: Beverley Iser, Dave Minnich (c), Pam Williams (c)
 Cantor: Patrick George
 Greeters: John & Debbie Krumpach

Saturday, March 14

Lector: Alan Taylor
 Servers: Paul Bogdan & Alan Taylor
 EMs: Sue Harber Cathy Pardee (c), Jean Harber (c)
 Cantor: Julie Alt
 Greeters: Jean Harber & Diana Myers

Sunday, March 15 (Youth Mass)

Lector: CCD Students
 Servers: Liam Dupuis & Jude Barrick
 EMs: Mike Landis Rosie Landis (c), Kelley Kuhn (c)
 Cantor: Mike Dupuis
 Greeters: CCD Students

Keyser Healthcare Center EM

March 7 Jean Harber/Bob Konka
 March 12 Joanne Stickley

