



Assumption Catholic Church

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Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3, 2024

THE GREATEST COMMANDMENTS

Love God ♡ Love Thy Neighbor

MARK 12:28-34

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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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

What is the purpose of God's law or commandments? The Pharisees prided themselves in the knowledge of the law and their ritual requirements. They made it a life-time practice to study the 613 precepts of the Old Testament along with the numerous rabbinic commentaries. They tested Jesus to see if he correctly understood the law as they did. Jesus startled them with his profound simplicity and mastery of the law of God and its purpose. What does God require of us? Simply that we love as he loves! God is love and everything he does flows from his love for us. God loved us first and our love for him is a response to his exceeding grace and kindness towards us. The love of God comes first and the love of neighbor is firmly grounded in the love of God. The more we know of God's love and truth the more we love what He loves and reject what is hateful and contrary to His will.

What makes our love for God and his commands grow in us? Faith in God and hope in his promises strengthens us in the love of God. They are essential for a good relationship with God, for being united with him. The more we know of God the more we love him and the more we love him the greater we believe and hope in his promises. The Lord, through the gift of the Holy Spirit, gives us a new freedom to love as he loves. Do we allow anything to keep us from the love of God and the joy of serving others with a generous heart?

Readings for Next Sunday,

November 10, 2024

1 Kings 17:10-16

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

Saint of the Week... St. Charles Borromeo

Saint Charles Borromeo was born in 1538 at the castle of Arona near Milan. His father was the Count of Arona and his mother a member of the House of Medici. The young count suffered from a speech impediment that made him appear slow to those who did not know him. Despite this challenge, he performed well and earned a doctorate in canon and civil law.

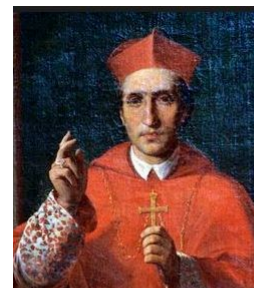
Although he belonged to the Milanese nobility and was related to the powerful Medici family, Charles devoted himself to the Church. When his uncle, Cardinal Giovanni Angelo Medici, became Pope Pius IV, he went to Rome and was soon made a cardinal. His duties included supervision of the Knights of Malta, Franciscans, and Carmelites. He was only 23 years old.

In 1562 his brother died and his family urged him to leave the service of the church to preserve the family name; Charles refused. He became more insistent upon becoming a good bishop and in compelling others to lead exemplary lives of clerical service. He was ordained to the holy priesthood in 1563, as a bishop later that same year, and Archbishop of Milan in 1564.

During the plague and famine of 1576, Borromeo fed up to 70,000 people daily. To do this he borrowed large sums of money that required years to repay. Whereas the civil authorities fled at the height of the plague, he stayed in the city where he ministered to the sick and the dying, and helped those in need.

The Archbishop's work and toil began to take its toll. In 1584, he became ill with a fever. He returned to Milan where his condition worsened. He died on November 3 at the age of 46. St. Charles Borromeo is the patron of bishops, catechists, cardinals, seminarians, spiritual leaders and apple orchards.

Sources: franciscanmedia.org, catholic.org



Feast Day: November 3

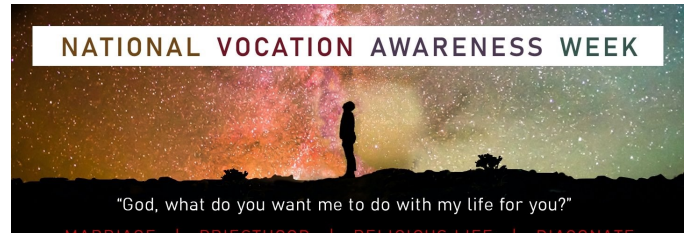
 Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Leslie Bosley, Angela Bowers, Mickey Brooks, Darlene "Bitsy" Brown, Sue Burns, Raymond Clark, Hailey Claire, Linda Davis-Kyle, Palma Devic, Cam Duncan, Bill Fazzalore*, Scott Furey, Barbara Gratto, Sue Greco, Donna Hanlin, Shawn Hartman, Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Margie Keister, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Joanne Knott*, Jeffrey Labonte, Jim Lambert, Pam Launi, Lance Lupis, Betty McAvoy, Paul & Connie Murray, Randy Nairn, Debbie Pappas, Crystal Pollet, Susie Radcliffe, Charles Ravenscroft, Katherine Revell, Carla Riggleman, Jeff Roth, Margie Roy, Graydon Shade, Helen Shallis, Sparrow Shannon, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Barbara Stanislawczyk, Melissa Stanislawczyk, John Stephen Jr., Michaela Stickley, Bill Stine, Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Jeremy Taylor, Maleigha Taylor, Doris Tetric, Courtney Whiteman.

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





Rosemary Nugent (being held by her mother Elizabeth) and Patrick Nugent (front center) were baptized into the Catholic faith during Mass last Saturday. Also shown is their brother Jackson and (back row) godmother Katie Kuhn, Fr. Thomas, their father Matthew Nugent, and godfather Jared Nugent. Congratulations Patrick and Rosemary, and welcome to our parish family!



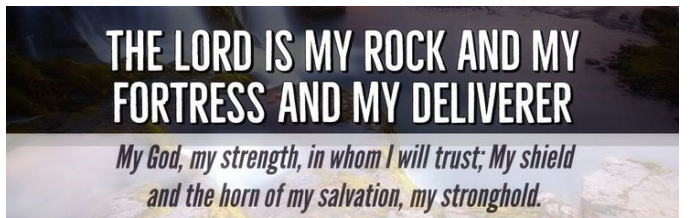
National Vocation Awareness Week is celebrated in our country November 3-9, 2024. Please ask our Lord for more priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our community, and respond genuinely to the gift of vocation.

LADIES GUILD HOT DOG DAY

The Ladies Guild will host a hot dog day following the 4:00 Mass next Saturday, November 9. The menu will include hot dogs with chili sauce and other toppings, chips and soda or water. Eat in or take out. Free will offering with all proceeds benefiting the Ladies Guild.



A special program entitled, **“Serving the People of God as ministers and catechists; what is your role in the liturgy?”** will be presented at our church on Sunday, November 24 from 6-7:30 p.m. More details will be shared soon.



PSALM 18:2

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, November 2	4:00 pm	Souls of Bill & Helen Semenuk	Cathy Pardee
Sunday, November 3	8:30 am	Soul of Helen House	Rene & Kevin Trezise
Monday, November 4	No Mass		
Tuesday, November 5	No Mass		
Wednesday, November 6	5:00 pm	Soul of Angela Dorsey	Marion Dorsey
		Soul of Jim Ogden.....	Tammy Dorsey-Dale
Thursday, November 7	12 noon	Souls of Bill & Helen Semenuk	Cathy Pardee
		The Harber Family	Jean Harber
Friday, November 8	9:00 AM	Soul of Richard Gibson.....	Kathleen Gibson
		Souls of Anna & Wilbur Myers.....	Virginia Collins
Saturday, November 9	4:00 pm	Souls of Joe & Jean Quinn	Marg Quinn
Sunday, November 10	8:30 am	Soul of Margie Konka	Bob Konka

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

Your Faithful Stewardship

October 26-27, 2024

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$2,475
Loose Donations.....	\$165
Votive Candles.....	\$167
Poor Box.....	\$171
Total	\$2,978

Attendance

Saturday, October 26.....	85
Sunday, October 27.....	87
Total	172

10/27 Special Collection

Hurricane Relief.....	\$1,773
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Upcoming Diocesan Collection

A Diocesan collection to benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services will be taken next weekend.

Sacramental Needs

Baptism/Eucharist & Reconciliation/Confirmation

Contact the Parish Office for specific information on requirements, preparation, and dates for the sacrament you are requesting.

Marriage

Contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance of your wedding date so that the appropriate preparation can be scheduled and completed.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office if you would like Fr. Thomas to give you or a loved one an anointing. This sacrament is also given quarterly after Mass (date announced in the bulletin).

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults and Children

Are you worshipping with us on a regular basis and would like to become Catholic? Were you baptized Catholic but not Confirmed? If you are an adult or have a child age 8 or older, our OCIA program is for you. Please contact the Parish Office for details.

Annulments

Confused or intimidated by the annulment process? Contact the Parish Office to determine your needs and to help you through the process.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, November 5

Election Day

Saturday, November 9

Ladies Guild Hot Dog Sale

Sunday, November 17

Youth Mass and Donut Sunday

Saturday/Sunday, November 23-24

Ladies Guild Bake Sale

Sunday, November 24

Guest Speaker: Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu

Thursday, November 28

Thanksgiving, Mass at 9 a.m.

Friday, November 29

No Mass

Sunday, December 1

No CCD Classes, Thanksgiving Break

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, November 9

Lector: Sue Harber

Servers: Martin & Micah Alt

EMs: Janet Corley, Alan Taylor (c), Jean Harber (c)

Cantor: Julie Alt

Greeters: Bob & Karen Yowler

Sunday, November 10

Lector: Kelley Kuhn

Servers: Jane Placka, Beverley Iser, Nick McKenzie

EMs: Rosie Landis, Nancy Starcher (c), Charlotte Delilo (c)

Cantor: Patrick George

Greeters: Kenny & Karen Brant

Saturday, November 16

Lector: Alan Taylor

Servers: Tucker Newlin & Jude Barrick

EMs: Mary Wagoner, Bill Lupis (c) & Eric Hatfield (c)

Cantor: Linda Marsh

Greeters: Jean Harber & Diana Myers

Sunday, November 17 (Youth Mass)

Lector: CCD Students

Servers: CCD Students

EMs: Pam Williams, Jane Placka (c), Mike Landis (c)

Cantor: Julie Alt

Greeters: CCD Students

Keyser Healthcare Center EM

November 7 Joanne Stickley

November 14 Cindy Alt

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.