



Assumption Catholic Church

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Divine Mercy Sunday

April 12, 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, 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

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

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9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday, 10 a.m.

Sunday Reflection: Divine Mercy Sunday

Divine Mercy Sunday is a special day for Christians around the world. It is a time to remember and celebrate the incredible love and forgiveness that God has for all of us. On this day, we reflect on the mercy and compassion that God offers to each and every one of us, no matter our past mistakes or shortcomings. One of the most important aspects of Divine Mercy Sunday is the opportunity for confession and reconciliation. It is a chance for us to acknowledge our faults and ask for God's forgiveness, knowing that He will always forgive us if we come to Him with sincere hearts.

In addition to seeking forgiveness, Divine Mercy Sunday is also a time to extend mercy and compassion to others. Just as God shows us mercy, we are called to show mercy to those around us – forgiving others who have wronged us and offering a helping hand to those in need. Throughout the day, many churches hold special services and prayers to honor Divine Mercy Sunday. These services often include the Divine Mercy Chaplet, a prayer that focuses on God's mercy and forgiveness. But Divine Mercy Sunday is not just a single day of celebration – it is a reminder of God's mercy that we can carry with us every day of the year. It is a reminder to be grateful for the love and forgiveness that we receive from God and to share that love and forgiveness with others. So, as we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, let us take time to reflect on God's incredible mercy and love, and let us strive to live lives filled with mercy, compassion, and forgiveness.

Readings for Next Sunday,

April 19, 2026

Acts 2:14, 22-33

1 Peter 1:17-21

Luke 24:13-35

Saint of the Week... St. Teresa of Los Andes

One needn't live a long life to leave a deep imprint. Teresa of Los Andes is proof of that. As a young girl growing up in the early 1900's in Santiago, Chile, Juana Fernandez read an autobiography of a French-born saint, Thérèse, popularly known as the "Little Flower." The experience deepened her desire to serve God and clarified the path she would follow. At age 19 Juana became a Carmelite nun, taking the name of Teresa.

The convent offered the simple lifestyle Teresa desired and the joy of living in a community of women completely devoted to God. She focused her days on prayer and sacrifice. "I am God's," she wrote in her diary. "He created me and is my beginning and my end."

Toward the end of her short life, Teresa began an apostolate of letter writing, sharing her thoughts on the spiritual life with many people. At age 20 she contracted typhus and quickly took her final vows. She died a short time later, during Holy Week.

Known as the "Flower of the Andes," Teresa remains popular with the estimated 100,000 pilgrims who visit her shrine in Los Andes each year. Canonized in 1993 by Pope John Paul II, she is Chile's first saint and is the patron of young people and the sick.

Source: franciscanmedia.org



Feast Day: April 12



Gerri Bennett, Jan Biser, Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Leslie Bosley, Angela Bowers, Mickey Brooks, Darlene "Bitsy" Brown, Sue Burns, Braely Burton, Hailey Claire, Abby Clark, Raymond Clark, Marshal Clarke*, 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, 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, Davis Wilson.

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



This Week's Birthdays

April 13	Amber Hatfield Sonja Stanislawczyk
April 14	Lucas Dupuis
April 17	Phyllis Harman
April 18	Geoff Newlin
April 19	Erica Mangold

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.



Sister and brother Meredythe Barrick and Geoff Newlin, and Geoff's daughter Harper, were the assistants at our last Stations of the Cross on March 27. Thank you to all of our parishioners who volunteered to serve at these Lenten events!

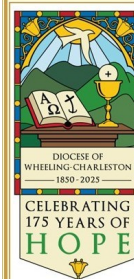


Confirmation Next Sunday!

Next Sunday we will welcome the Most Rev. Mark Brennan, Bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, as he celebrates the Sacrament of Confirmation at our parish!

Our ten candidates have been preparing for this spiritual milestone for over a year. Thank you to their catechists, Kelley Kuhn and Joe Maybury, for giving their time and sharing their faith with our young people!

The Confirmation Mass will be held next Sunday, April 19 at 4 p.m. (There will be no change to our normal weekend Mass times). If you are planning to attend the Confirmation Mass, it will fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation.



Martinsburg Vicariate Gathering:

Celebrating the 175th Anniversary of the Diocese

Tuesday: April 28, 2026
St. Vincent De Paul Parish
67 Liberty St. Berkeley Springs WV

Mass at 6:00pm
Celebrated by Bishop Brennan
and priests of the Martinsburg Vicariate

Reception to follow the Mass

All are welcome!!

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, April 11	4:00 pm	Deceased Members of the Travis & Barrick families	The Barrick family
Sunday, April 12	8:30 am	Soul of Helen Fitzwater	Paul & Connie Murray
Monday, April 13	No Mass		
Tuesday, April 14	No Mass		
Wednesday, April 15	5:00 pm	People of Assumption & Our Lady of Grace Parishes	
Thursday, April 16	12:00 pm	Soul of Tracy Harman Alt.....	Kelley & Jeff Kuhn
Friday, April 17	9:00 am	Souls of Sandra Calemine, Rosalee Freeman and James A. Calemine.....	Carole Rhodes
Saturday, April 18	4:00 pm	Soul of Ron Willis & Intentions of Barbara Willis.....	Kelley & Jeff Kuhn
Sunday, April 19	8:30 am	People of Assumption & Our Lady of Grace Parishes	
	4:00 pm	Our Confirmation Candidates.....	Assumption Parish

Your Faithful Stewardship

April 4-5, 2026

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$3,215
Loose Donations	\$897
Easter Flowers.....	\$90
Total	\$4,202

Attendance

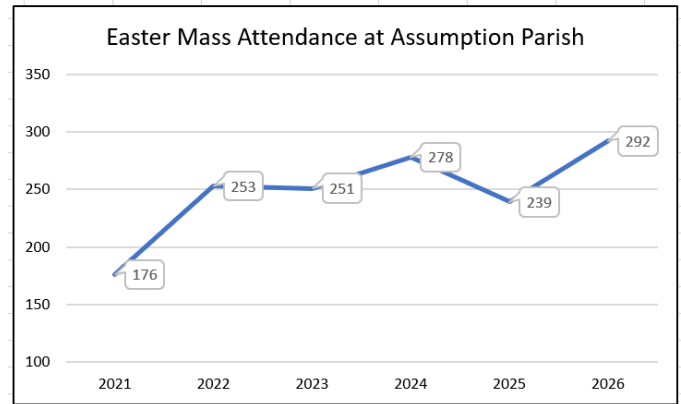
Saturday, 4/4.....	88
Sunday, 4/5.....	204
Total	292

Diocesan Collection

Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land \$765

March Balance Sheet

Income.....	\$21,440
Expenses.....	\$19,386
Balance.....	\$2,054



Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, April 18

Lector: John Gustafson
Servers: Sue Harber, John Gustafson & Morgan Gustafson
EMs: Bill Lupis, Mary Wagoner (c), Eric Hatfield (c)
Cantor: Julie Alt
Greeters: Mike & Robin McDowell

Sunday, April 19

Lector: Alan Taylor
Servers: Jane Placka, Harper Newlin & Pippa Dolechek
EMs: Jane Placka, Charlotte Delilo (c), Dave Minnich (c)
Cantor: Mike Dupuis
Greeters: Tony & Marie Del Signore

Saturday, April 25

Lector: TBD
Servers: Alan Taylor & Paul Bogdan
EMs: John Gustafson, Karen Yowler (c), Jean Harber (c)
Cantor: Mike Dupuis
Greeters: Dena Turner & Mary Shannon

Sunday, April 26

Lector: Celia Cole
Servers: James & Tess Maybury
EMs: TBD, Rosie Landis (c), Mike Landis (c)
Cantor: Linda Marsh
Greeters: Tina Stephen & Melissa Stanislawczyk

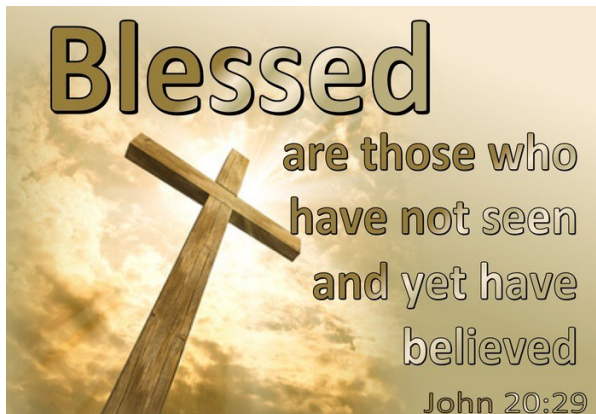
Keyser Healthcare Center EM

April 16 Joanne Stickley
April 23 Meredythe Barrick

Attention Volunteers!

VIRTUS Safe Environment Requirements

All those who serve our parish as a catechist (including OCIC), adult altar server, and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to the nursing home or homebound (not at the altar), are required to maintain compliance with the VIRTUS Safe Environment database. Both a background check and awareness training must be completed every three years, and many of our volunteers are now due for renewal. If you received an email from the parish this week about taking action, that means you are out of compliance. Please take a few minutes to log in to your VIRTUS account to complete the necessary steps. Thank you!



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.