



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

2244 Marshall Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003



The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) - December 25th, 2022



Mass during the Day

First Reading - Isaiah 52:7-10

God's salvation is announced to the world.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 98:1-6

A prayer of praise for God's salvation.

Second Reading - Hebrews 1:1-6

God now speaks to us through his Son.

Gospel Reading - John 1:1-18

John announces that in Jesus, the Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday December 26th.

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Monday through Friday, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

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Liturgy / Holy Mass Schedule:

* Rosary 30 minutes prior to each Mass

Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:30 am

* 10:30 am at OLSD 1st Sunday of the Month

Tuesday: 5:30 pm

Wednesday: 5:30 pm

Thursday: 8:00 am

Friday: 8:00 am

Saturday: 8:00 am / 5:00 pm (*Vigil*)

* Reconciliation every Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm

* Reconciliation 1st Saturday of the Month after morning Mass

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

DECEMBER 26 - ACTS 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59 / Ps 31: 3CD-4, 6 AND 8AB, 16BC AND 17 / Mt 10: 17-22

DECEMBER 27 - 1 JN 1: 1-4 / Ps 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12 / JN 20: 1A AND 2-8

DECEMBER 28 - 1 JN 1: 5 2: 2 / Ps 124: 2-3, 4-5, 7B-8 / Mt 2: 13-18

DECEMBER 29 - 1 JN 2: 3-11 / Ps 96: 1-2A, 2B-3, 5B-6 / LK 2: 22-35

DECEMBER 30 - THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
SIR 3: 2-6, 12-14 OR COL 3: 12-21 / Ps 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5 / Mt 2: 13-15, 19-23

DECEMBER 31 - 1 JN 2: 18-21 / Ps 96: 1-2, 11-12, 13 / JN 1: 1-18

JANUARY 1 - OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD : NM
6:22-27 / Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 / GAL 4:4-7 / LK 2:16-21

Next Mass at OLSD

Sunday, January 1st at 10:30 am



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SVS - A LOOK AHEAD...

Sunday, December 25th

Merry Christmas!

Sunday, January 1st

Happy New Year!

Wednesday, December 21st through Tuesday, January 3rd - Christmas Break

Wednesday, January 4th

School Resumes!



The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Masses

There are four Masses that are celebrated for the Feast of Christmas and each is given its own set of readings to help us contemplate Christ's birth. The Gospel for the **Vigil Mass** on Christmas Eve is taken from the beginning of the Gospel of Matthew. The **Mass at midnight** proclaims the birth of Jesus through the Gospel of Luke. The **Mass at dawn** on Christmas morning continues the story of the birth of Jesus as found in Luke's Gospel, ending with the shepherds' visit to the infant Jesus. In each of these Gospel readings, we hear portions of the infancy narratives with which we are familiar.

The Gospel for the **Christmas Mass during the day** is taken from the beginning of John's Gospel, but this part of John's Gospel is not an infancy narrative like those found in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Instead, John's Gospel starts at the very beginning and presents the Creation story as the framework for announcing the Incarnation. John's opening words echo the first verse in the Book of Genesis. This framework invites us to view Jesus' birth from God's perspective. Each of the Gospels makes clear that Jesus' birth was the result of God's initiative. John's Gospel, however, emphasizes that Jesus' birth was the divine intention from the moment of Creation.

Parish Information

Liturgy and Minister Schedule

Today is the Fourth of Advent

On this the Fourth Sunday of Advent, our Gospel Reading permits us to begin our contemplation of the mystery of the Incarnation we celebrate at Christmas: "Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about" (Matthew 1:18).

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Mass Intentions</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Saturday, December 24th <i>* Children's Program!</i> <i>** OLSD</i>	8:00 am * 4:30 pm 7:00 pm **9:30 pm	+ CMA All the People of the Parish + Leah Newmeyer All the People of the Parish	Dave Soloninka Gwen Porter Mary K Bell	Lynn Hetzel Susie Newmeyer Joann Drnach
Sunday, December 25th	9:00 am	+ CMA	Larry Bandi	Dennis Beiter
Tuesday, December 27th	5:30 pm	+ Barb Smith	<u>ALTAR SERVERS (WEEKEND MASSES)</u> <i>Logan Buchanan, Charleigh Carr, Georgia Carr, Riley Chiazza, Mallory Connley, Emma Dean, Ava Dominguez, Lydia Koval, Landon Kazemka, Billy Looney, Sarai Macias, McKenzie Looney, Luke Minor, Angelene Ricci, Austin Schwanker, Ava Thomas, Emma Thompson, Justin Wilson</i>	
Wednesday, December 28th	5:30 pm	+ Hazel Hudock		
Thursday, December 29th	8:00 am	+ CMA		
Friday, December 30th	8:00 am	+ Shirley Seamon		
Saturday, December 31st	8:00 am 5:00 pm	+ CMA + Harold Bandi (A)	Wally McMasters Richard Oswald	Tom McFadden Marilyn DelBrugge
Sunday, January 1st <i>* OLSD</i>	9:00 am * 10:30 am 11:30 am	All the People of the Parish + CMA + Robert Brosh	Gwen Porter	Dave Soloninka

Please Pray for:

Jim Baller, Richard Blatt, Patricia Bock, Mary Kay Britt, Shirley Carter, Bill Childers, Gerald Cook, Holly Custer, Allison Dunlap, Melissa Hipkiss, Ginny Johnson, Ray Laudermilt, Marcia Laughlin, Mike Perring, Jenna Russell, Isaac Salva, Nancy Shalvey, Marlene Trischler, Glen Ullom, Ryan and Krystyn Wamsley, Fr. Joe Wilhelm, Ann & Charlie Wolfe, Dylan Wolfe, John Zumpetta, All Homebound, Sick and Shut-Ins

If you would like to add the name of a friend or loved one to our prayer list, please contact the Parish Office at (304) 242-0406.

Attendance Update - December 10th & 11th

SVDP 5:00 pm - 124
SVDP 9:00 am - 147
SVDP 11:30 am - 89
Total Attendance: - 360

Offertory Update - December 10th & 11th

Collection: (SVDP) - \$3,715
Collection: (OLSD) - \$691
Collection: (WeShare) - \$1983.89
Total Collection - \$6,389.89

Second Collection Update - December 24th & 25th

Catholic Charities - \$70

Catholic Sharing Appeal

Our Annual Appeal is progressing nicely and continues through January 31st, 2023!

The first 50% of our CSA goal (\$19,360) goes to the Diocese.

Anything exceeding 50% of our CSA goal **comes directly back to our Parish!**

St. Vincent's CSA progress is currently at **188%** of our goal having raised **\$72,786** of \$38,720 with **102** gifts.

Our Lady of Seven Dolors CSA progress is currently at **8%** of our goal having raised **\$415** of \$5,225 with **7** gifts.

This year, through the generous hearts of the members of our Parish Councils and Committees; a matching grant has been offered to our Parish. These members have decided to match up to \$67,000 of gifts exceeding 50% of our CSA goal!

That means if our Parish raises \$86,360 in Annual Appeal funds, their matching grant will add an additional \$67,000 which would bring our Annual Appeal total to \$153,360!

We ask that you please prayerfully discern a gift to the Annual Appeal and join others around the Diocese in supporting its work.

When writing checks for any collection, please make all checks payable to **St. Vincent's Church.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUAL PARISH SUPPORT!

Prayer & Worship

DAILY MASSES

We are now celebrating daily Masses on **Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 5:30 pm** and on **Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00 am**.

We will be taking Mass Intentions for any Mass. If you would like to offer a Mass for a loved one or for your intention, please contact the Parish Office.

The offering for any Mass on weekdays is \$10. For Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation \$20.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays from 10:00 am - 5:30 pm.

We will be praying the Miraculous Medal Novena at 5:00 pm, followed by Rosary, Benediction and Mass at 5:30 pm.

Helpers are needed for Eucharistic Adoration, especially between the hours of 12:00 - 1:00 pm.

Please call **Joann Drnach** at **304-238-6534** to sign up.

ROSARY

We will be praying the Rosary **30 minutes prior to each Mass**. The Rosary is also prayed each **Friday at 4:00 pm** in the **Mary Mother of Mercy Chapel**.

If you would like to lead the Rosary before Mass, please contact the Parish Office to sign up.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word returns to St. Vincent de Paul! Children's Liturgy of the Word is designed to make the gospel message and the celebration of the liturgy relevant to the lives and experiences of young children.

During the **9:00 am Sunday** liturgy, **Pre-K through 2nd Grade** parishioners (*those that have not yet received first communion*) will be invited to be dismissed before the first reading and will return before the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

For more details, contact **Derek Dimmey!**

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND, SICK & SHUT-INS

The Parish is updating our Pastoral Care and Communion to the Sick ministry. Please call the parish office if you or a family member would like a visit or communion.

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE

If you would like to have your child Baptized, contact **Fr. Jeesson**, or the **Parish Office** to make arrangements.

Engaged couples should contact **Fr. Jeesson**, or the **Parish Office** preferably six months prior to the desired wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Individual reception of the sacrament can be arranged by contacting **Fr. Jeesson**, or the **Parish Office**. Anyone who is anticipating surgery is encouraged to request this sacrament prior to entering the hospital.

BECOMING CATHOLIC (RCIA)

RCIA still has space available! It is ideal for anyone interested in joining the Church, or simply learning about the Catholic faith. We meet on **Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm** in the Youth Room. Contact **Cynthia Dimmey** at **cdimmey2015@icloud.com** or **304-650-5857** (call or text) for more information.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)

Classes meet every Sunday from **10:15 - 11:15 am**. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the Church. For more details, contact **Derek Dimmey**.

ANGELUS PRAYER

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,
R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord,
R. Be it done unto me according to your Word.
Hail Mary...

V. And the Word was made flesh,
R. And dwelt among us.
Hail Mary...

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts: that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection.
Through the same Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Parish Outreach

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

"It is better to give than receive."

This Catholic lay organization leads women and men to join together to service those who are needy and suffering. If you would like to attend a meeting, call **Mary Lou Kent** at (304) 242-1019.

GIVING TREE UPDATE

The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank everyone who bought gifts for the Giving Tree!

Together with Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center we were able to help over 50 children and teens!

Thank you for your continuing generosity!

OLSD ALTAR SOCIETY

The Altar Society of Our Lady of Seven Dolors will be having their Christmas Party on **Thursday, January 5th, 2023 at 12:00 noon** at Seven Dolors Church.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES' NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

C.C.N.C. is looking for volunteers to deliver meals!

Each day, the Neighborhood Center feeds approximately 180 people through its meal delivery program. Our clients are homebound and unable to prepare their own meals.

Volunteers are urgently needed to deliver meals to individuals receiving this service. It would be greatly appreciated if you could support and help us. Please contact **Jodi Fogle** at 304-650-4937 or jfogle@ccwva.org if you are able to assist.

THE GABRIEL PROJECT

The Gabriel Project is in need of volunteers!

The Gabriel Project is open on **Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays** from **12:00 noon to 3:00 pm.** and located in the **St. James Lutheran Church** at **1409 Chapline Street .**

Please contact Jenny Matz by phone at **304-639-5039** or email at J.MatzNPGP@gmail.com if you are able to help!

ST. JOHN'S BEREAVEMENT GATHERING

Grief from a Faith Perspective:

If you or someone you know has lost a loved one and may benefit from a gathering for those grieving, please join us at **6:00 pm** on the **last Monday of each month** at St. John's Fellowship Hall in Benwood, WV.

Facilitators are Deacon Doug Breiding and Tom and Michelle McFadden.
Call the parish at 304-232-6455

Next gathering will be **December 26th**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus, Council 504 would like to thank everyone who contributed to the **Knights of Columbus's Kids Winter Wear Drive!**

Thanks to your generous support , we were able to donate:

88 pairs of gloves

99 coats

40 scarves

105 hats

20 pairs of socks

2 blankets

28 pants

and **2 pairs** of boots

to Youth Services System (YSS) in Wheeling!

CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE

Thank you to each and every one of our bakers and helpers for all of your time, talent and effort in helping make our first Cookie Sale successful!

And thank you to everyone who purchased cookies!

Together we raised a total of **\$3,157** for the Parish!

COMMEMORATIVE MASS ASSOCIATION

The Commemorative Mass Association - "**CMA**"

is a means for parishioners and friends to honor their loved ones with a total of 18 Masses throughout the year.

The Masses are said on
the **First Friday of each month**
as well as

Easter,
Mother's Day,
Father's Day,
the **Feast of the Assumption,**
All Souls Day,
and **Christmas Day.**

The annual cost is \$50.00 and you may add multiple deceased family members.

Contact the parish office at 304-242-0406 for more information or to register your deceased loved ones.

News & Announcements

SVDP - A LOOK AHEAD...

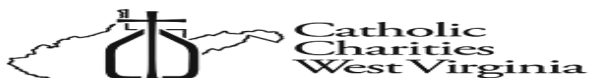
HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Masses - Saturday, December 24th at 4:30 pm / 7:00 pm
and 9:30 pm at OLSD

Christmas Day Mass - Sunday, December 25th at 9:00 am

New Years Eve Mass - Saturday, December 31st at 5:00 pm

New Years Day Mass - Sunday, January 1st at 9:00 am / 11:30 am
and 10:30 am at OLSD



Catholic Charities West Virginia is on a mission to end poverty, one family at a time.

Join us! Please donate.

- Give to the second collection at Christmas masses
- Donate online at: www.CatholicCharitiesWV.org
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It is more blessed to give than to receive.
- Acts 20:35



THANK YOU TO:

The Wilson Family for decorating the church for Christmas!

Panhandle Cleaning & Restoration for helping set up the Christmas trees!

Jacki Laurine, the Church Choir members, and Bell Choir members for the special music during Advent and Christmas!

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