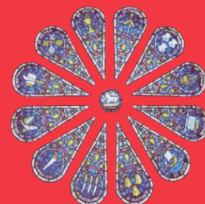




St. Vincent de Paul Parish

2244 Marshall Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003



Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion - March 24th, 2024



*Christ's Entry into Jerusalem
Circa 1306-1345, Pietro Lorenzetti 1280-1348*

Gospel at the Procession with Palms - Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16 Jesus enters Jerusalem as the crowds shout, "Hosanna!"

First Reading - Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord's servant will stand firm, even when persecuted.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 22:8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24

A cry for help to the Lord in the face of evildoers.

Second Reading - Philippians 2:6-11

Christ was obedient even to death, but God has exalted him.

Gospel Reading - Mark 14:1—15:47

Jesus is sentenced to death and crucified. The centurion who witnessed his death declared, "This man was the Son of God."

Living the Word This Week

How can I make my life a gift for others in charity?

As much as possible, participate in your parish's celebration of the Paschal Triduum.

Parish Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm **Phone:** (304) 242-0406 **Fax:** (304) 243-0837

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Submit announcements / articles to James Laurine at technology@saintvincentparish.org
Submission Deadline - Tuesday 5:00 pm

MASS CELEBRATIONS

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - 5:30 pm
Wednesday - 5:30 pm
Thursday - 8:00 am
Friday - 8:00 am
Saturday - 8:00 am

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday - 5:00 pm (Vigil)
Sunday - 9:00 am & 11:30 am

- **Rosary** 30 minutes prior to each Mass
- **Adoration** Tuesdays from 10:00 am - 5:30 pm
- **Reconciliation** Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 pm, and on the 1st Saturday of the Month after morning Mass

NEXT MASS AT OLSD Sunday, April 7th, 10:15 am / NEXT LATIN MASS AT OLSD Sunday, April 21st, 3:00 pm



St. Vincent de Paul Parish School

Education for Your Child's Mind, Body, & Soul



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SVS - A LOOK AHEAD...

March 23rd to April 1st	Easter Break - NO SCHOOL
Tuesday, April 2nd	School Resumes / 1st Day of 4th Grading Period / Spring Uniform Begins All Greenbacks Raffle Tickets & Money Due!
Wednesday, April 3rd	SVS BINGO, Doors open at 4:30 pm / Bingo Starts at 6:00 pm
Thursday, April 4th	School Mass, 9:45 am (Led by 4th Grade) Rosary in Gym, 2:35 pm
Friday, April 5th	8th Grade Washington D.C. Meeting, for Students (8th Period)

26th Annual
Greenbacks
Dinner & Auction
Saturday, April 13
St. Vincent de Paul Parish Center
6 - 10pm

Honoring Fr. Gary Naegele
Raffle Tickets
\$20 each

1st Drawing - \$2,000
2nd Drawing - \$2,000
3rd Drawing - \$2,000
4th Drawing - \$2,000
5th Drawing - \$2,000
6TH DRAWING \$10,000

Silent Auction
Thousands of dollars in Silent Auction items!

Dinner Tickets
\$50 single or \$80 couple
Dinner prepared by Chef Adam Lulise

ENTERTAINMENT BY Ron Retzer Trio

Raffle and dinner tickets can be purchased by calling the School Office. (304) 242-5844

HELP WANTED

We could use a few extra hands to help with our Wednesday Night Bingo!

Contact the School Office to sign up!

AND... Join us and play!
Doors open at 4:30pm - Bingo at 6pm

March 6 20 April 3 17 May 1 22

St. Vincent de Paul Parish School

Now enrolling Preschool through 8th Grade

WV HOPE Scholarship financial aid available

HOPE SCHOLARSHIP APPROVED EDUCATION PROVIDER

Come find your fit at SVS!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH FESTIVAL

Please save the dates for the return of the St. Vincent's Parish Festival!

Friday, June 7th & Saturday, June 8th
4:00 - 10:00 pm

Food - Music - Family Fun - Kid's Games - Inflatables
50/50 Raffle - Basket Raffle - Adult Games and Much, Much More!

All proceeds benefit our Parish School!

Can't wait to see YOU at the Festival!

Parish Information

Attendance for March 16th & March 17th

5:00pm - 116 / 9:00am - 172 / 11:30am - 116

Total Attendance: - 404

Offertory for March 16th & March 17th

Collection: \$3,690 / WeShare: \$1,828.25

Total Collection - \$5,518.25

Second Collection Update, March 3rd - Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund - \$984 / \$512 / \$139
Upcoming Second Collection, March 29th - Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUAL PARISH SUPPORT!

Parish Information

Liturgy and Minister Schedule

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion - March 24th, 2024

Gospel Acclamation: Phil 2:8-9 Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

Greeters for March 23rd & 24th

5:00 pm - Jeff Klosinski & John Bartsch / 9:00 am - Tammy Rosenthal & Cynthia Dimmey / 11:30 am - Paul & Susie Newmeyer

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Mar. 23rd <i>*Vigil</i>	8:00 am *5:00 pm	+ Holy Souls in Purgatory All the People of the Parish	Gwen Porter & Tom McFadden	Nancy LaBrosse, Tom McFadden & Carol Harris
Sun. Mar. 24th <i>Palm Sunday</i>	9:00 am 11:30 am	+ Lee Childers + Gary West	Denny Beiter & Dorothy Dudzik Cecilia Palmer & Heather Mazeroski	Marilyn Delbrugge, Susie Koval & Matt Koval Barb Napple, Karen Bates & Susie Newmeyer
Tues. Mar. 26th	5:30 pm	+ Edward & Ruth Shibben	ALTAR SERVERS (Weekend Masses) Logan Buchannan, Charleigh Carr, Georgia Carr, Claire Connley, Emma Dean, Ava Dominquez, Eleanor Hortet, Lydia Koval, Landon Kazemka, Billy Looney, McKenzie Looney, Luke Minor, Angelene Ricci, Andrew Rowan, Austin Schwanker, Ava Thomas, Emma Thompson, Justin Wilson	
Wed. Mar. 27th	5:30 pm	+ Paul, Eleanor, and Paul Jr. Shibben		
Thurs. Mar. 28th	6:00 pm	+ Betty Petri		
Fri. Mar. 29th	6:00 pm	<i>Celebration of the Lord's Passion</i>		

Greeters for March 30th & 31st

5:00 pm - John Bartsch / 9:00 am - Susie & Lydia Koval / 11:30 am - Nancy Freeman & Lisa Armstrong

Sat. Mar. 30th <i>Easter Vigil</i>	8:00 pm	+ Betty Dietrich	Tom McFadden	Nancy LaBrosse, Tom McFadden & Vickie Joseph
Sun. Mar. 31st <i>Easter Sunday</i>	9:00 am 11:30 am	+ Josephine, Jerry and Jenuzzo Ammirante All the People of the Parish	Nancy Georges Lori Buchanan	Mary K Bell, Lynn Hetzel & Derek Dimmey Judy Stadler, Karen Bates & Susie Newmeyer

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

M - MARCH 25TH - MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK Is 42: 1-7 / Ps 27: 1. 2. 3. 13-14 / Jn 12: 1-11.

CHRISM MASS: Is 61: 1-3A. 6A. 8B-9 / Ps 89: 21-22. 25. 27 / Rv 1: 5-8 / Lk 4: 16-21.

T - MARCH 26TH - TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK Is 49: 1-6 / Ps 71: 1-2. 3-4A. 5AB-6AB. 15 AND 17 / Jn 13: 21-33. 36-38

W - MARCH 27TH - WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK Is 50: 4-9A / Ps 69: 8-10. 21-22. 31 AND 33-34 / Mt 26: 14-25

T - MARCH 28TH - THURSDAY OF HOLY WEEK

EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: Ex 12: 1-8. 11-14 / Ps 116: 12-13. 15-16BC. 17-18 / Jn 13: 1-15

F - MARCH 29TH - GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

MASS IS NOT CELEBRATED TODAY. CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION: Is 52: 13 -- 53: 12 / Ps 31: 2. 6. 12-13. 15-16. 17. 25 / Heb 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9 / Jn 18: 1 -- 19: 42

S - MARCH 30TH - HOLY SATURDAY AT THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT OF EASTER

READINGS FOR THE EASTER VIGIL, WHICH IS AN EASTER SUNDAY MASS: Gn 1: 1 -- 2: 2 OR 1: 1.26-31A / Ps 104: 1-2. 5-6. 10. 12. 13-14. 24. 35 OR Ps 33: 4-5. 6-7. 12-13. 20-22 / Gn 22: 1-18 OR 22: 1-2. 9A. 10-13. 15-18 / Ps 16: 5. 8. 9-10. 11 / Ex 14: 15 -- 15: 1 / Ex 15: 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 17-18 / Is 54: 5-14 / Ps 30: 2. 4. 5-6. 11-12. 13 / Is 55: 1-11 / Is 12: 2-3. 4. 5-6 / BAR 3: 9-15. 32 -- 4: 4 / Ps 19: 8. 9. 10. 11 / Ez 36: 16-17A. 18-28 / Ps 42: 3. 5; 43: 3. 4 OR Is 12: 2-3. 4BCD. 5-6 OR Ps 51: 12-13. 14-15. 18-19 / ROM 6: 3-11 / Ps 118: 1-2. 16-17. 22-23 / Mk 16: 1-7

S - MARCH 31ST - EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD THE MASS OF EASTER DAY

Acts 10: 34A. 37-43 / Ps 118: 1-2. 16-17. 22-23 / COL 3: 1-4 OR 1 COR 5: 6B-8 / Jn 20: 1-9 OR Mk 16: 1-7 OR, AT AN AFTERNOON OR EVENING MASS, Lk 24: 13-35

Hosanna! To the Suffering Christ!

Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come! Hosanna in the highest!" Mark 11:9-10

My suffering Lord, I worship You and praise You with all my heart. As You entered Jerusalem for the Passover, You intended to give new power to that celebration by becoming the New and Eternal Paschal Lamb. May I always worship You Who suffered for me and give to You all that I endure in life to be transformed by Your saving act. Jesus, I trust in You.

Prayer & Worship

Prayer List, Mass & Adoration Opportunities, Religious Education



At St. Vincent de Paul Parish we believe in prayer, its power and the daily necessity for it. We invite you to submit your requests to us and we will pray for you. We get it that prayer needs happen anytime all the time. We understand that you might not know how to ask or what to say. You don't have to be a member of our Parish family, just someone who has a prayer need.

Abina Baker, Charles Ballard, Barb Bennett, Russ Bennett, Patricia Bock, Marsha Boissy, Steven Bonenberger, Carl Bott, Mary Kay Britt, Bill Childers, Theresa Comer, Gerald Cook, Holly Custer, Allison Dunlap, Ethan Eckman, Barbara Fitzsimmons, Rita Gallo, Faith Hicks, Greg Hicks, Joe Holly, Frederick Jaquay, Susie Koval, Flavia Langan & Family, Ray Laudermit, Marcia Laughlin, Jacqueline Laurine, Brandi Mackey, Rosemary Mackey, Sue Marple, Brandt Mazerowski, Wally McMasters, Kelsey Miller, Arlene Muccioli, Mike Perring, Aileen Rader, Vincent Rodak, Jenna Russell, Paul Russell, Julie Shiess, Addison Stephens, Joe Tankovits, Stephanie Temple, Marlene Trischler, Katrina Turkaly, Glen Ullom, Lynn Uraco, John Wagner, Pete Walker, John Walt, Ann & Charlie Wolfe, Dick Wolfe, All Homebound, Sick and Shut-Ins
 Those in Continuous Care: Good Shepherd - Ted McKeets, Joseph Moskitis, Fr. Joe Wilhelm / Peterson - Jim Sengewalt

COMMEMORATIVE MASS ASSOCIATION (March)

Dean Bishop, Lora & Bud Bishop, Pam Bishop, Hazel Hudock, Violet Morrison, William Ralph Morrison Jr., Pat Napple, Leonard & Yolanda Napple, Mary Sofka, Michael Sofka, Kenneth Wardle, Mildred Wardle

COMMEMORATIVE MASS ASSOCIATION (April)

Nancy Leonard, Thomas Leonard

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 on **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.

MASS INTENTIONS

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, concluding with a **Benediction at 5:30 pm** followed by Mass.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION HELPERS NEEDED!

Helpers are needed for Eucharistic Adoration, especially between the hours of **4:00-5:00 pm.**

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

SVDP PARKING LOT MINISTRY

Before the COVID shutdown, we had a wonderful group of Parking Lot Ministers for each Sunday Mass. We would like to bring back this important ministry for all of the Masses during Holy Week and Easter, then continue each Sunday after Easter.

With that being said; **we are in need of volunteers to be Parking Lot Ministers!**

What does a Parking Lot Minister do?

We need volunteers to share the love that God has for each of us with others by lending a hand to those needing assistance. Whether it be with helping someone find a place to park, carrying items for those with their hands full, showing a first time guest around our facility, or simply holding the door for someone; all with a heart of gratitude and love for that person.

If interested, please contact the Parish Office at (304) 242-0406 and we will "reserve a spot" for you.

FUNERAL LUNCHEON MINISTRY

We are in need of Funeral Luncheon Workers. If you would like to help with prepare and serve our luncheons, please contact **Rea Stein at 304-280-8948**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

On **Good Friday**, Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at Our Lady of Seven Dolors Mission at **3:00 pm.**

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 11th: St. Vincent de Paul, Wheeling; 5:00 pm



PRAY



FAST



GIVE

Parish Outreach

Service Organizations, Announcements & Ministries

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Another “**UNDIE SUNDAY**”
sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Society

Wheeling’s homeless and underserved population is in need of donations of new underwear. They get plenty of used clothing donations, but we all deserve new undergarments.

Please bring your donations for men and women, very small to very large and everything in between, tops and bottoms and long-johns **to Mass any Sunday before Palm Sunday, March 24th** so that we can distribute them as soon as possible.

There will be a barrel in the back of church. As usual, thank you for your compassion and generosity.

“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**. The next meeting is **Tuesday, March 19th at 6:15 pm** in the Youth Room. (*We are attending Mass at 5:30 pm and meeting after Mass.*)

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Mary's Conference - Elm Grove has had another busy and productive year of service in 2023! We were able to help 1,048 individuals and we made 326 home visits (a hallmark of the Society). Society members and friends, all lay volunteers, gave a reported 1,083 hours of service and an estimated 2,872 driving miles to assist the Society in its work.

We were able to give \$39,627 in assistance to those we serve - anyone in need, for whatever reason, in our local community area. Our bed ministry continues to be successful! With beds donated by hotel/motel operations, college/university sources, individual donations and beds purchased directly with donations, we provided 264 beds to families in need. We were able to accomplish this with the much appreciated help of our volunteer truck drivers and their families and friends. Recently we have been blessed to have the help of local high school students who generously help us on weekends, making it easier to deliver more beds at once. This gives the students an opportunity to do service and learn about the Society.

Our local Conference currently has 14 active members and 5 associate members. We had 2 new members this year. We also have 32 non-Vincentian members, 20 of whom are new.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's outreach depends upon volunteers and donations. The Church community has always been generous in providing both. Poor box collections, Thrift Store distributions, Grants, individual donations and member contributions make up the bulk of our financial resources. Ninety-seven percent of the funds we receive goes directly to those we serve! The remainder is used to maintain our phone line and for liability insurance and other supplies. The services we provide include food vouchers to Riesbeck's Food Market, assistance with rent and utilities, personal care and cleaning supplies, gasoline, beds and linens and other services to empower those in need.

We deeply appreciate the on-going support of our community! Be assured of the gratitude and prayers of our Society members and those we serve. We ask that you continue to be a part of our Society through your prayers and financial donations. If you feel called to join the Society, you would be most welcome! If you have questions, please call Mary Lou Kent at 304-242-1019

MARIST THIRD ORDER OF MARY

Meetings are scheduled for the second Saturday of the month at **10:00 am** in the Caveney Room.

Next meeting will be Saturday, April 13th.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The members of this ministry make prayer shawls, lapghans, and baby afghans.

These are available to give to anyone in need of consoling after the loss of a loved one or prayers when you are in need of physical or spiritual comfort. We also make afghans to celebrate baptisms.

Knitters and crochet'ers are always welcome to join us.

We meet on the **1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm** in the library at the parish office.

If you or anyone you know needs a prayer shawl, contact the parish office. We appreciate any monetary or yarn donations.

ST. VINCENT'S YOUTH MINISTRY

St. Vincent’s **Summer Camp** has been officially scheduled for **Sunday, June 23rd through Saturday, June 29th, 2024!**

About: St. Vincent’s Summer Camp started in 1985, and has always been 100% volunteer run! Attendees learn to become leaders while focusing on faith, fun, and friendship. The camp is located in Huttonsville, WV, at 225 Catholic Conference Center.

Activities: Archery, Arts & Crafts, Boating, Campfires, Group Competitions, Horseback Riding, Lip-Sync Battle, Prayer, Rockwall, Swimming, Various Sports, Waterslide, Zipline, and more!

Registration: Camper Rates: \$300 (Students who have completed 7th - 9th Grade) Counselor Rates: \$200 (Students who have completed 10th - 12th Grade)

Forms are available at the Parish Office or at svscamp.com. Financial assistance available if needed.

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: Deacon Doug Breiding, Tom & Michele McFadden
Sponsored by Mount Calvary Cemetery

Next gathering will be Monday, March 25th

HOLY WEEK RESOURCES

Holy means “set apart.” Christians set apart an entire week—Holy Week—to recall the events surrounding the suffering, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus.

Find information and activities for Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday from Loyola Press, click on the links below.

[Link to Palm Sunday Resources](#)

[Link to Holy Thursday Resources](#)

[Link to Good Friday Resources](#)

[Link to Holy Saturday Resources](#)

Lenten Season

Journey With Us



Themes for Palm Sunday Year B - Passion Sunday

The readings for Palm Sunday Year B (Passion Sunday) focus the sacrifice which Jesus Christ made for me and you. The reading for the procession of the palms tells of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The first reading from Isaiah foretells Jesus' suffering. The psalm sings "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?", which is the Psalm Jesus prayed from the cross. The second reading from Philippians speaks of the how Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior. And in the gospel we hear how Jesus first celebrated the Passover, and then became the sacrificial lamb for us.

Palm Sunday Year B weaves together a rich tapestry of themes that resonate deeply with the Christian experience, reflecting on the final days and ultimate sacrifice of Jesus Christ. These themes include:

Kingship and Humility: Both the Procession readings from Mark and John highlight Jesus' entry into Jerusalem as a king, but in a way that defies worldly expectations. Riding on a colt or donkey, He fulfills ancient prophecies about the Messiah's humble arrival, emphasizing the contrast between divine kingship and earthly power.

Obedience and Suffering: The reading from Isaiah and the account of Jesus' passion in Mark showcase the obedience of the servant, who, despite facing suffering and humiliation, remains steadfast and trusts in God's plan. This obedience even unto death highlights the depth of Jesus' commitment to fulfilling His Father's will.

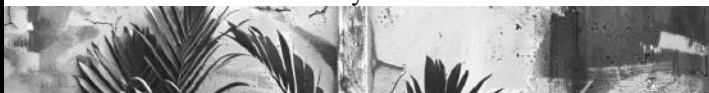
Salvation and Redemption: The passion narrative, particularly Jesus' crucifixion and death, focuses on the themes of salvation and redemption. Jesus' sacrificial love, evident in His willingness to endure the cross, opens the path for humanity's reconciliation with God, offering hope and the promise of eternal life.

Divine Exaltation: The reading from Philippians speaks to the theme of divine exaltation, where Christ's humility and obedience lead to His ultimate glorification by God. This exaltation serves as a testament to Jesus' lordship and the acknowledgment of His divine nature by all of creation.

Prophetic Fulfillment: Throughout the readings, there is a strong emphasis on the fulfillment of prophecy. Jesus' actions and experiences, from His triumphant entry into Jerusalem to His suffering and death, are seen as the culmination of biblical prophecies about the Messiah, underscoring the divine plan at work in His life and mission.

Faith and Perseverance: Implicit in these readings is the call to faith and perseverance for believers. As followers of Christ, we are invited to embrace humility, endure suffering, and remain faithful to God's will, inspired by Jesus' own example.

These themes for Palm Sunday Year B collectively invite reflection on the paradox of Jesus' kingship, the mystery of His suffering for our salvation, and the call to live out these truths in our own lives with faith and humility.



Most glorious King, blessed are You Who continuously comes to us, leading the way to Heaven. Hosanna in the highest!

As I begin this most Holy Week, commemorating Your gift of salvation, I pray that this commemoration will also be a real and transforming participation in Your life, death, and resurrection.

Thank You for redeeming us, dear Lord. Please open my heart to receive Your grace fully.

Jesus, I trust in You.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday:

Saturday, March 23rd - Mass at 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 24th - Mass at 9:00 am & 11:30 am

Holy Thursday:

March 28th - Mass at 6:00 pm

Good Friday:

March 29th - Stations of the Cross at OLSD at 3:00 pm

March 29th - Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 6:00 pm

Holy Saturday:

March 30th - Easter Vigil at 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday:

March 31st - Mass at 9:00 am & 11:30 am

RESOURCES FOR YOUR LENTEN JOURNEY

Palm Sunday is a day of high emotions, teetering on the edge between happiness and heartbreak. Christ and the disciples meet the approaching crowd. The big, docile donkey drives a wedge into the crowd, plodding forward with humility and good will, come what may. Christ on the donkey's back is determined, blessing the crowd as he advances, his gaze resting on the boy waving the palm. His face is a visual depiction of the line from Isaiah: "I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame." It is a face that is resolved but peaceful, with a quiet gratitude for the crowd that exclaims "Hosanna!" to welcome him and a deep trust in the love of the Father to see him through what he is approaching.

The exclamation "Hosanna!" is a way to praise God, but also carries the literal meaning "God save us." The children climbing up and tangled in the trees, the palm frond raised above the donkey like a scourge, the donkey as the humble beast of burden, and the people stripping down their garments all evoke moments of the passion and hint at what is to come after this Palm Sunday. Between happiness and heartbreak, this day calls us to let go and give our fears, sorrows, and burdens over to Christ as he approaches Calvary.

Click on the link to open. <https://www.lovolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/len/arts-and-faith-for-lent/cycle-a/arts-and-faith-palm-sunday-cycle-a/>

Lenten Season

Journey With Us

WAYS TO PRAY DURING LENT

What do we do when we're facing an upcoming big event, celebration, or special occasion in our lives? We prepare for it. Holy Week and Easter are "big events" in the liturgical year of the Church and in the spiritual life of a Christian. So, as Christians, we prepare spiritually for these through the forty days of Lent. This means that, during Lent, we rededicate ourselves to prayer.

There are as many ways to pray as there are pray-ers in this world, but a few prayer methods can help us in particular to spiritually prepare ourselves during Lent:

Start a practice of daily prayer that will last after Lent!

Perhaps the best prayer advice is to use Lent as a time to instill prayer habits that will last long after Lent has concluded. Resources such as yearly prayer guides—for example, A Prayer Book of Catholic Devotions can get you started and help you stay consistent. So enjoy your Lenten prayer. And don't think you have to do all of these (1. Make your abstinence a prayer-in-action, 2. Renew yourself through personal reflective prayer, 3. Pray the Stations of the Cross, 4. Meditate on Holy Scripture with Lectio Divina, 5. Reflect deeper on your liturgical prayer, 6. Join or start a prayer group, 7. Pray with children or as a family, 8. Start a practice of daily prayer that will last after Lent.)

Perhaps choose one or two of these prayer methods to concentrate on—and then you can more fully experience the pilgrim journey toward Easter that is Lent.

HAND-MADE RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

We are delighted to invite you to see and purchase handmade religious articles made by the Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent (Belarus).

The exposition will take place on the **Tuesday, April 16th, Wednesday, April 17th, and Thursday, April 18th** after the Masses.

Sisterhood of St. Elisabeth was founded in 1996. Our missionary began in National mental hospital located not far from the Convent. Sisters take care of mentally challenged children and adults. Life of the child with diagnoses such as Down syndrome, birth traumas or congenital physical defects may be quite short and it is painful to see them suffering. Also, the adult patients need constant support owing to the fact that their illnesses make it impossible for them to adapt socially.

In the recent years a shelter and house of Labor for former drug and alcohol addicted people was organized 20 miles away from the Convent. A lot of homeless, struggling and lost people get a chance for new start in life to find the God.

In order to help these people some workshops were organized on the premises of the Convent where vulnerable people have a possibility to express themselves in art for God working together with nuns and sisters and making icons (including hand painted), crosses, crucifixes, wood carvings, embroidered and ceramic gifts, rosaries and vestments. All these goods made with love and prayer bring blessings to their owners.

We are happy and thanking God for the opportunity to introduce and offer them to you.

With Love in Christ,
Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent

LENT 2024 | Reflect. Repent. Restore.

March 24	March 28	March 26	March 27	March 28	March 29	March 30
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come! Hosanna in the highest!" (Mark 11:9-10)	"Lent leads to Easter: the 'retreat' is not an end in itself, but a means of preparing us to experience the Lord's passion and cross with faith, hope and love, and thus to arrive at the resurrection." (Pope Francis, Message for Lent 2023)	As Lent draws to a close, reflect on your Lenten journey. How have you grown closer to God? How have you grown in holiness? Give thanks to God for accompanying you in this season.	O Lord, our God and Father, who have given us life through the Passion of your Son, grant that, joined through penance to his Death, we may also be sharers, with all people, in his Resurrection. (Order of Penance, Appendix II, no. 15)	Holy Thursday On the night before he died, Jesus instituted the Sacrament of the Eucharist at his Last Supper with his friends. Pray for the grace to be ever aware of Jesus' Real Presence in the Eucharist.	Good Friday We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world.	Holy Saturday If possible, spend today in quiet prayer, praying for those who receive Sacraments of Initiation tonight and that you will have renewed strength to live your baptismal call.
March 31 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. (Mark 16:6)	<p>"Dear brothers and sisters, may the Holy Spirit inspire and sustain us this Lent in our ascent with Jesus, so that we may experience his divine splendour and thus, confirmed in faith, persevere in our journey together with him, glory of his people and light of the nations."</p> <p>- Pope Francis, Message for Lent, 2023</p>					

Lenten Season

Journey With Us

Background on the Gospel Reading

This Sunday, called Palm or Passion Sunday, is the first day of Holy Week. Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday are called the Triduum—three days that are the highlight of the Church year. There are two Gospels proclaimed at today's Mass. The first Gospel, proclaimed before the procession with palms, tells of Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. Riding on a borrowed colt, Jesus was hailed by the crowds as they blessed God and shouted "Hosanna!" This event is reported in each of the four Gospels.

At the Liturgy of the Word on Palm Sunday, the events of Jesus' passion are proclaimed in their entirety. In Lectionary Cycle B, we read the passion of Jesus as found in the Gospel of Mark. We will hear these events proclaimed again when we celebrate the Triduum later in the week. On Good Friday, we will read the passion of Jesus from the Gospel of John. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' passion and death are presented as the consequence of the tension between the Jewish authorities and Jesus that had been building throughout his public ministry. This tension reached its breaking point when Jesus drove the merchants and moneychangers from the Temple. After this event, the chief priests and scribes began seeking a way to put Jesus to death, and yet, this is only the surface explanation for his death.

When Jesus was arrested and brought before the Sanhedrin—the council of Jewish priests, scribes, and elders—he was charged with blasphemy, citing his threat to the Temple. When he was brought before Pilate, however, the religious authorities presented his crime as a political one, charging that Jesus claimed to be king of the Jews. In continuity with a theme of Mark's Gospel, the messianic claim of Jesus is widely misunderstood.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' disciples are rarely models of faith and do little to invoke confidence in their capacity to continue his ministry after his death. They fare no better in Mark's narrative of Jesus' passion and death. At the Last Supper, the disciples insisted that none among them would betray Jesus. When Jesus predicted that their faith would be shaken in the events ahead, Peter and the other disciples protested vehemently. Yet in the garden of Gethsemane, Jesus returned three times to find them sleeping. Jesus prayed in agony over his impending fate while his disciples slumbered through the night. Just as Jesus predicted, Peter denied Jesus, and the disciples were absent during Jesus' passion and death. Only the women who had been followers of Jesus in Galilee are said to have been present at the Crucifixion, but they remained at a distance.

Throughout this Gospel, Mark challenges the reader to consider the claim with which the Gospel begins: Jesus is the Son of God. When we read Mark's account of the passion, we begin to comprehend the deeper theological statement being made about Jesus' death. In Mark's telling of the passion narrative, Jesus understood his death to have been preordained, and he accepted this death in obedience to God's will. Jewish Scripture is quoted only once, but there are several references to the fulfillment of the Scriptures. Jesus understood his anointing in Bethany as an anticipation of his burial, and he announced that this story would be told together with the Gospel throughout the world. Jesus predicted his betrayal by Judas as well as Peter's denial. At his arrest, Jesus acknowledged that the preordained time had arrived. Jesus was both confident and silent before his accusers. After he was sentenced to death, Jesus did not speak again until his final cry from the cross. The bystanders misunderstood and believed that he was calling for Elijah. The Roman centurion, however, affirmed what Mark has presented throughout this Gospel: Jesus is the Son of God. Nowhere was this revealed more fully than in his death on the cross.

During Holy Week, we prayerfully remember the events of Jesus' passion and death. As we meditate on the cross, we ask again and anew what it means to make the statement of faith that Jesus, in his obedient suffering and dying, revealed himself to us as God's Son.



Parish Outreach

Community Events & Announcements

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FESTIVAL!



Friday, June 7th, 4:00 - 10:00 pm

Saturday, June 8th, 4:00 - 10:00 pm

Food - Music - Games - Inflatables

Bingo - 50/50 - Basket Raffle

Family Fun - and Much More!

If you would like to help as a Planning Committee Member or as a Volunteer, please attend the next Parish Festival planning meeting on **APRIL 23rd, at 6:30 pm** in the Marist Center.

Future Festival Planning Meetings are scheduled for:

Tuesday, **April 23rd**, 2024 - 6:30pm

Tuesday, **May 7th**, 2024 - 6:30pm

Tuesday, **May 14th**, 2024 - 6:30pm

Tuesday, **May 21st**, 2024 - 6:30pm

Festival Setup: June 5th & 6th, 2024

Festival Dates: June 7th & 8th, 2024

Festival Cleanup: June 9th, 2024

SPIRITUAL WARFARE FOR TODAY'S TIMES

Presenter: Fr. Joe Freedy

Date & Time: Wednesday, April 3rd at 6:15 pm

Location: St. Michael's Parish, 1225 National Road, Wheeling

This evening is hosted by the St. Michael Parish Confraternity of Christian Mothers and Christian Women.

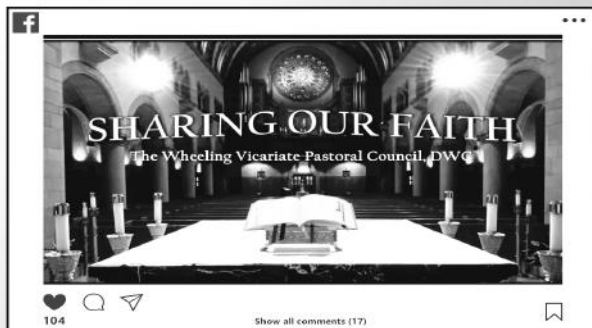
Social immediately following. All are welcome!

PASSIONATELY PRO-LIFE DINNER & LIVE AUCTION

The Northern Panhandle Chapter of West Virginians for Life is having a "Passionately Pro-life Dinner & Live Auction" on **Monday, April 8th, 2024 at 6:00 pm**. Time to mingle and browse auction items will begin at 5:30 pm. It will be held at Corpus Christi Parish Center, 1508 Warwood Ave, Wheeling, WV. Auction payments by cash or check only. To purchase tickets (\$20 each), please contact **Judi Varner Meyer at 304-639-3041**

Wheeling Vicariate Pastoral Council, DWC

The Wheeling Vicariate Pastoral Council has launched a Facebook page. This platform will enable us to share updates on events taking place in our local parishes. Let's unite and share our faith with one another.



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AFTER RESURRECTION...EMMAUS: THE EMMAUS ROAD, PARADIGM OF OUR JOURNEY WITH JESUS

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One of the post-Easter gospels is always Luke 24:13-35, the beloved account of Jesus meeting two strangers on a sad journey, joining them on the journey, and changing their sorrow into joy. The text is a paradigm of Christian spirituality. We will closely examine the text focusing on the themes of Walking, Word, and Eating (journey, scripture, eucharist). There will be silent time for prayer, and personal reflection and talking fellowship at lunch, and will close with Q & A.



DATE:
SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

TIME:
10:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

LOCATION:
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COST:
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A native of southern West Virginia, Bonnie Thurston lives "down the road from" her "dear neighbors" at Mt. St. Joseph. She earned a B.A. from Bethany College, M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Virginia. The subject of her dissertation was Thomas Merton. Bonnie taught at the university and seminary level for over 25 years, has written or edited 24 books on scripture or spirituality and 8 of poetry. She has served as co-pastor, pastor, or interim of five churches, in overseas ministry, and is an experienced spiritual director and retreat leader. Bonnie is an avid walker, reader, gardener, and cook, enjoys classical music, and loves the West Virginia hills.

HUMAN RESOURCES GENERALIST

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- Firm knowledge and understanding of human resources best practices.
- Knowledge and experience working with payroll and HRIS applications. Labor relations and policy experience a plus.
- Ability to maintain confidentiality.
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Qualified candidates should forward a cover letter and current resume to:

Debbie Turziano, Director of Human Resources at dturziano@dw.org.

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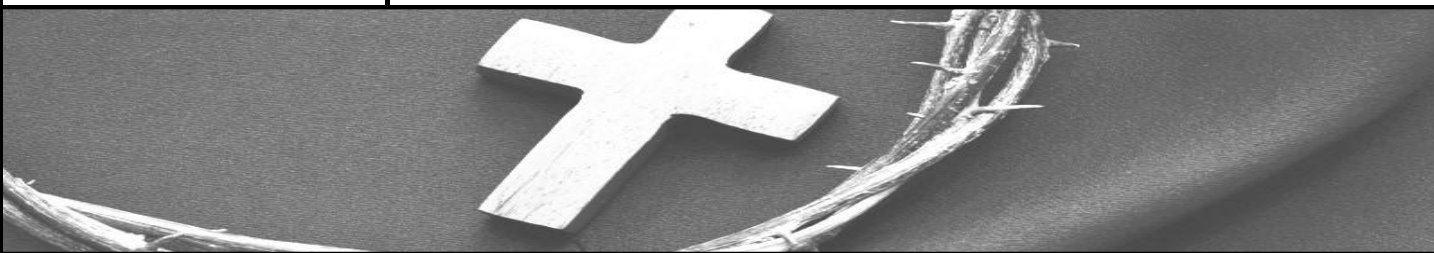
Weekly Calendar & Upcoming Events

SVDP - A LOOK AHEAD...

By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to certain devotion. **The month of April is known as the Month of the Holy Spirit.** To believe in the Holy Spirit is to profess that the Holy Spirit is one of the persons of the Holy Trinity, consubstantial with the Father and the Son: "with the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified." (Catechism of the Catholic Church) The Holy Spirit is the Person of Love in the life of God. He is also like a breath, an aspiration of infinite Love, from which we draw the breath of life.

On the day of Pentecost the Divine Spirit communicated such an abundance of life to the whole Church that to symbolize it "there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind coming, and it filled the whole house where they (the Apostles) were sitting." But it is also for us that the Holy Spirit has come, for the group in the Cenacle represented the whole Church. The Holy Spirit came to remain with the Church forever. This is the promise of Jesus Himself. He dwells in the Church permanently and unfailingly, performing in it without ceasing His action of life-giving and sanctification. He establishes the Church infallibly in the truth. It is He Who makes the Church blossom forth with a marvelous supernatural fruitfulness, for He brings to life and full fruition in Virgins, Martyrs, and Confessors those heroic virtues which are one of the marks of true sanctity.

Sunday, March 24th <i>Palm Sunday</i>	PSR, 10:15 am - 11:15 am Small Group , (Drnach), 10:30 am - 12:00 pm (Roundtable discussions with a Priest, a Rabbi and a Minister for The Chosen series)
Monday, March 25th	Bell Choir Rehearsal , from 4:30 - 5:30 pm OCIA (RCIA), 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, in the Youth Room
Tuesday, March 26th <i>Adoration, 10:00 am - 5:30 pm</i>	Small Group , (LaBrosse), 2:00 - 4:00 pm, in the Youth Room (My Father's Father) Stitching Group , (McFadden), 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 27th	Small Group , (Mazzzocca), 6:00 - 8:00 pm (My Father's father from the Wild Goose Series) Small Group , (McKeets), 6:00 - 8:00 pm (Video series on the Blessed Mother)
Thursday, March 28th HOLY THURSDAY	Parish Office - CLOSES at NOON
Friday, March 29th GOOD FRIDAY	Parish Office - CLOSED Stations of the Cross , 3:00 pm at OLSD
Saturday, March 30th HOLY SATURDAY	EASTER VIGIL , 8:00 pm
Sunday, March 31st EASTER SUNDAY	EASTER MASS , 9:00 am & 11:30 am
Monday, April 1st	Parish Office - CLOSED



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TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, April 19th

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Marist Centre
Doors open at **6:30 pm**
Trivia starts at **7:00 pm**
\$10 per person
Please call the Parish Office
or see Jacki to sign up

EUCHRE NIGHT

Saturday, May 4th

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Marist Centre
Doors open at **6:30 pm**
Partner play starts at **7:00 pm**
\$10 per person
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SIP-N-LEGO

Sunday, May 17th

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Marist Centre
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Event starts at **1:00 pm**
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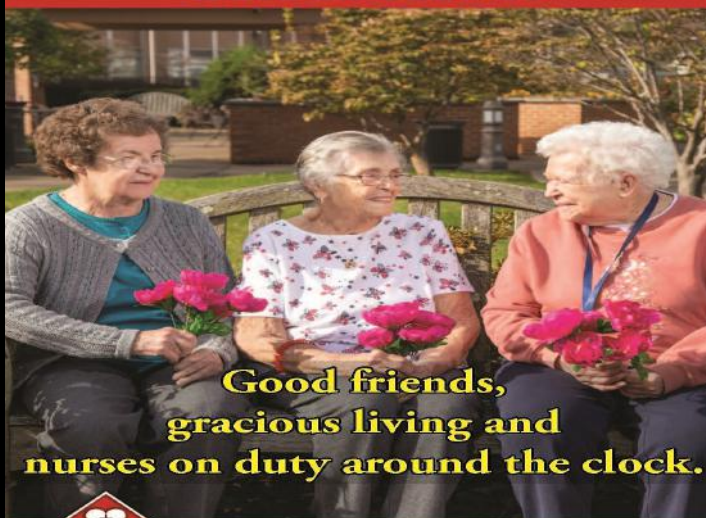
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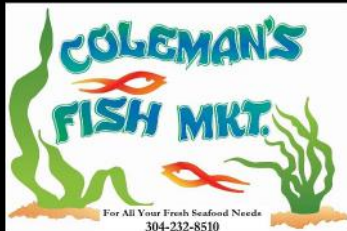
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