



# St. Vincent de Paul Parish

2244 Marshall Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003

We are the Roman Catholic Parish of St. Vincent de Paul in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, established in 1895, embracing the spiritual and corporal needs of Elm Grove and Wheeling. We strive to live as faith-filled disciples of Christ and in doing so, spread His Gospel message of Love, Hope, Mercy and Eternal Life.



The Fourth Sunday of Lent - Sunday, March 15th, 2026

## 4TH SUNDAY

### OF LENT YEAR A



One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see.  
~ John 9:25



#### First Reading - 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Samuel is sent by the Lord to anoint one of Jesse's sons as the new king of Israel, replacing Saul. Initially, Samuel believes that Eliab, Jesse's eldest son, must be the chosen one, but the Lord reveals to him that he looks at the heart, not outward appearances, and leads him to anoint David, the youngest son, who is a shepherd.

#### Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

The Lord is a faithful and loving shepherd who provides for and protects his sheep. The psalmist describes the Lord's provision of green pastures and still waters, his guidance through dark valleys, and his comforting presence, and concludes by affirming his confidence in the Lord's goodness and mercy throughout his life.

#### Second Reading - Ephesians 5:8-14

Believers should live as children of light, putting aside the works of darkness and walking in the ways of righteousness. The passage emphasizes the importance of exposing and reproving evil deeds, and notes that everything that is exposed by the light becomes visible and that Christ will shine on those who follow him.

#### Gospel Acclamation - John 8:12

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

#### Gospel Reading - John 9:1-41

Jesus heals a man who was born blind, but the Pharisees are skeptical and investigate the miracle. They interrogate the man and his parents, and ultimately cast the man out for declaring his belief in Jesus as the Son of God.

#### Lenten Reconciliation Service at SVDP

Wednesday, March 18th - 6:15 pm

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday through Thursday, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm / Friday, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

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#### PARISH STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. Fr. Jeeson Stephan  
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#### COUNCILS & COMMITTEES

**Altar Society Chairs:**  
Mary K Bell & Cathy Piazza

**Finance Council Chair:**  
Larry Bandi

**Pastoral Council Chair:**  
Deacon Tom McFadden

**SVS School Advisory Board:**  
Lori Buchanan

#### BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

**The weekly Bulletin Submission Deadline is Tuesday evening!**  
Please submit any announcements, articles and information to be included in the weekly bulletin by emailing them to:  
**technology@saintvincentparish.org**

#### MASS SCHEDULE

##### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - 5:30 pm

Wednesday - 5:30 pm

Thursday - 9:00 am

*(When School is not in session, Mass time is 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

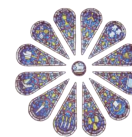
- Adoration Tuesdays from 10:00 am - 5:30 pm followed by Mass

- Reconciliation Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 pm, and on the 1st Saturday of the Month after morning Mass



# St. Vincent de Paul Parish School

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



127 Key Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003  
(304) 242-5844

**Julie Peroni**, Principal  
Tracy Thomas, Office Manager & Administrative  
Assistant to the Principal

School Office Hours:

Monday through Friday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Email: [jperoni@stvincentschool.org](mailto:jperoni@stvincentschool.org)

Website: [www.stvincentschool.org](http://www.stvincentschool.org)

Facebook, Instagram & YouTube: [@SVS.Wheeling](https://www.facebook.com/SVS.Wheeling)

Thursday, March 19th	~ School Mass, 9:00 am
Friday, March 20th	~ Stations of the Cross, 9:00 am ~ 3rd Grading Period Ends
Tuesday, March 24th	~ 4th Grading Period Begins

## 6 CHANCES TO WIN

28th Annual Greenbacks  
April 11 | St. Vincent Parish Center

5 \$1,000 winners

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## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH SCHOOL FESTIVAL: JUNE 5 & 6

### Parish Information

Ways to donate to St. Vincent de Paul Parish - Weekly Envelopes, Loose Check or Cash, On-line Giving.  
How to give on-line: Go to the Church Website, [www.saintvincentparish.org](http://www.saintvincentparish.org). Click on **DONATE** at top right of page. / Click on the **White Give Online** box. / It will take you to the page to give. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call the Parish Office.

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

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUAL PARISH SUPPORT!**

#### Attendance for March 7th & March 8th

5:00 pm - 88 / 9:00 am - 159 / 11:30 am - 85

Total Attendance: - 332

#### Offertory for March 7th & March 8th

Collection: \$5,356 / Online Giving: \$2,649

Total Collection - \$8,005

Second Collection Update, March 8th - Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund: \$1,623  
Upcoming Second Collection, April 3rd - Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land

# Parish Information

## Liturgy and Minister Schedule

### The Fourth Sunday of Lent - Sunday, March 15th, 2026

#### Greeters for March 14th & March 15th

5:00 pm - John Bartsch & Jeff Klosinski / 9:00 am - Cynthia Dimmey & Nancy Georges / 11:30 am - Nancy Freeman & Karen Bates

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. March 14th	8:00 am 5:00 pm	† Frank & Norma Dorsch † Bernie Coyne	Vickie Joseph	Nancy LaBrosse, Tom McFadden & Vickie Joseph
Sun. March 15th	9:00 am 11:30 am	† Thomas Brookover II All the People of the Parish	Denny Beiter Gwen Gress	Denny Beiter, Matt Koval & Susie Koval Lisa Armstrong, Tom McFadden & Susie Newmeyer

#### Background on the Gospel Reading:

As we did last week, we are reading today from the Gospel of John. In today's Gospel, the healing of the man born blind invites us to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus' response to a prevalent belief of his time: that misfortune and disability were the result of sin. That belief is why Jesus is asked the question of whose sin caused the man's blindness—his own or his parents'. Jesus does not answer directly, but instead gives the question an entirely different dimension—through this man's disability, God's power will be made manifest. Jesus then heals the man.

The healing is controversial because Jesus heals on the Sabbath. The Pharisees, the religious authorities of Jesus' time, understood that the law of Moses forbade work (including healing) on the Sabbath. They also have trouble believing that Jesus performed a miracle. To determine whether the man was really born blind, the Pharisees question him and his parents. The man challenges the leaders of the synagogue about their assessment of the good that Jesus has done. In turn, they expel the man for questioning their judgment. *(continued on page 8)*

#### Living the Word This Week: *How can I make my life a gift for others in charity?*

*Make a commitment to keep Sunday holy by attending Mass and avoiding work as much as possible.*

Tues. March 17th	5:30 pm	† Margaret & ♥ Ken Keyser	<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY (3.15.26):</b> Mary Rose Nichols  <b>ALTAR SERVERS (Weekend Masses)</b> Sam Anderson, Logan Buchannan, Emma Dean, Ava Dominquez, Lilly Eikey, Eleanor Hortet, Lydia Koval, Landon Kazemka, Aria Moore, Andrew Rowan, Brody Turkaly, Justin Wilson
Wed. March 18th	5:30 pm	† Barbara Key	
Thur. March 19th	9:00 am	† Agnes & John Miller	
Fri. March 20th	8:00 am	† Rusty Jebbia	

#### Greeters for March 21st & March 22nd

5:00 pm - John Bartsch & Jeff Klosinski / 9:00 am - Matt & Susie Koval / 11:30 am - Paul & Susie Newmeyer

Sat. March 21st	8:00 am 5:00 pm	† Bud & Helen Mahkle All the People of the Parish	Larry Bandi	Nancy LaBrosse, Vickie Joseph & Carol Harris
Sun. March 22nd	9:00 am 11:30 am	† Sharon Basham † Bernie Coyne	Mary K Bell Cecilia Palmer	Marilyn Delbrugge, Mark K Bell & Maria Minor Judy Stadler, Tom McFadden & Karen Bates

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

##### **M - MARCH 16TH - MONDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT**

Is 65: 17-21 / Ps 30: 2 AND 4, 5-6, 11-12A AND 13B / JN 4: 43-54. OPTIONAL FOR ANY DAY THIS WEEK: MI 7: 7-9 / Ps 27: 1, 7-8A, 8B-9ABC, 13-14 / JN 9: 1-41

##### **T - MARCH 17TH - TUESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT**

Ez 47: 1-9, 12 / Ps 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9 / JN 5: 1-16

##### **W - MARCH 18TH - WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK IN LENT**

Is 49: 8-15 / Ps 145: 8-9, 13CD-14, 17-18 / JN 5: 17-30

##### **T - MARCH 19TH - SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

2 SM 7: 4-5A, 12-14A, 16 / Ps 89: 2-3, 4-5, 27 AND 29 / ROM 4: 13, 16-18, 22 / MT 1: 16, 18-21, 24A OR LK 2: 41-51A

##### **F - MARCH 20TH - FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT**

Wis 2: 1A, 12-22 / Ps 34: 17-18, 19-20, 21 AND 23 / JN 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30

##### **S - MARCH 21ST - SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT**

JER 11: 18-20 / Ps 7: 2-3, 9BC-10, 11-12 / JN 7: 40-53

##### **S - MARCH 22ND - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

Ez 37: 12-14 / Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 / ROM 8: 8-11 / JN 11: 1-45

#### Spiritual Sight Restored:

*As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him." John 9:1-3*

Reflect today on your own need to see more clearly. We need our spiritual sight restored and sharpened if we are to perceive ourselves and our world with divine Wisdom. It takes humility to admit we have poor spiritual sight, and profound humility to admit if we are spiritually blinded by sin. Learn from the wonder and awe that this healed blind man experienced, and know that our Lord wants us to have clearer spiritual vision.

# Prayer & Worship

## Prayer List, Mass & Adoration Opportunities, Religious Education



### Prayer Requests

Abina Baker	Sue Marple
Charles Ballard	Brandt Mazerowski
Michelle Banducci	Wally McMasters
Brenda Beiter	Kathleen Huffman Miller
Barb Bennett	Kelsey Miller
Russ Bennett	Joseph Moskittis
Patricia Bock	Arlene Muccioli
Adrian Boggs	Lois Naegele
Linda Boggs	Bob Neidhardt
Cheryl Boissy	Curt Nethercutt
JP Boissy	Nancy Oliver
Steven Bonenberger	Joan Pack
Carl Bott	Michael Pichette
Mary Kay Britt	Josie Purpura
Bill Childers	Jenna Russell
Kayla Clayton	Paul Russell
Theresa Comer	Peggy Shalvey
Gerald Cook	Jessica Shell
Linda Curtis	Julie Shiess
Holly Custer	Addison Stephens
Judy Dietrich	Robbie Stern
Kerry Dietrich	Joe Tankovits
Buck Ebert	Dave Taylor
Ethan Eckman	Stephanie Temple
Barbara Fitzsimmons	Joann Thomas
Sandy Frasnelli	Monica Thomas
Keven Freeman	Marlene Trischler
Rita Gallo	Glen Ullom
Mary Beth Greenwood	Lynn Uraco
Barry Helms	Christy Yopal
Anne Hellstern	Kathy Wagner
Greg Hicks	Machelle Walton
Joe Holly	A.D. & Pam Wilson
Ginger Kent	Ann & Charlie Wolfe
Rosemary Kimmins	Dick Wolfe
Alice Knollinger	Logan Wolfe
Lori Konarski	Barbara Zorn
Susie Koval	All Homebound, Sick and Shut-Ins
Al Kreitzer	
Flavia Langan & Family	<b>Good Shepherd:</b>
Marcia Laughlin	Ted McKeets
Jacqueline Laurine	Joseph Moskittis
Gerilyn (Gigi) Latz	
Brandi Mackey	<b>Peterson:</b>
Richard Mackey	Jim Sengewalt
Rosemary Mackey	

Due to privacy concerns, we cannot publish names of sick or hospitalized without the permission of the individual or their family. To have someone placed on the prayer chain or taken off the prayer chain, please call the Parish Office at (304) 242-0406.

### MARCH DEVOTIONS



By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to certain devotion.

**The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph.**

### THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2026

#### For disarmament and peace

*Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.*

<https://popesprayerusa.net/popese-intentions/>

### COMMEMORATIVE MASS ASSOCIATION (March)

#### Please pray for:

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

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



This invitation is from Jesus, and it is personal to you! To spend just one hour each week with Him. Eucharistic Adoration takes place **Tuesdays, 10:00 am - 5:30 pm.** Benediction is at **5:30 pm,** followed by Mass.

In the Garden of Gethsemane Jesus reminds us of this invitation: "Could you not keep watch for one hour with me?"

### BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for a meeting with Deacon Tom McFadden as well as the necessary preparation.

### MARRIAGE

Engaged couples should contact the parish Office at least six months in advance to make an appointment with Fr. Jeeson.

### PSR

**PSR Classes meet every Sunday from 10:15 am - 11:15 am in the Parish Center.**

If you would like to register your child for these classes, please pick up a form in the vestibule of the church. Completed forms can be turned into the parish office.

If you have any questions, please email Derek Dimmey at [ddimmey@stvincentschool.org](mailto:ddimmey@stvincentschool.org)

### OCIA

Any non-Catholic interested in becoming a Catholic can contact the Parish Office for information regarding the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults or contact Cynthia Dimmey at [cdimmey2015@gmail.com](mailto:cdimmey2015@gmail.com).

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available to bring Holy Communion to parishioners confined to home. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements. Those who are seriously ill or who are preparing for surgery should request a priest for Anointing of the Sick.

### HOME VISITS

Anyone knowing of a homebound or sick parishioner that might like a visit from Fr. Jeeson, please contact the Parish office at **(304) 242-0406.**

### THEMES FOR THE 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR A

The 4th Sunday of Lent Year A invites us to reflect on seeing with the eyes of faith. The readings show how God looks at the heart, brings light to darkness, and heals spiritual blindness.

**Seeing as God Sees:** God chooses David because of his heart, not his appearance. This reminds us to value inner goodness and to look beyond outward appearances.

**Light and Darkness:** Believers are called to live as children of light. This means rejecting sin and letting Christ's light guide our actions.

**Spiritual Blindness and Sight:** Jesus heals the man born blind, revealing spiritual blindness in those who refuse to believe. This shows the importance of faith and openness to God's truth.

**Faith and Conversion:** The blind man's journey from physical healing to faith in Jesus shows a deep conversion. This challenges us to grow in faith and recognize Jesus as the Son of God.

**God's Choice and Calling:** God chooses David, the unlikely shepherd, to be king. This shows that God often chooses the humble and overlooked to fulfill His plans.

**Courage to Witness:** The healed man boldly defends Jesus before the Pharisees. His courage inspires us to stand up for our faith, even when challenged.

The 4th Sunday of Lent Year A challenges us to open our hearts to God's light and see with faith. It calls us to grow in trust, courage, and love for Christ.

# Parish Outreach

## Service Organizations, Announcements & Ministries

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



~The Knights of Columbus distributed Baby Bottles the weekend of February 22nd.  
 ~The Knights kindly ask to please put cash or loose coins in the bottles.  
 ~The bottles will be collected on **Palm Sunday, March 29th.**  
 ~All proceeds will go to help assist women with young children or crisis pregnancies.  
 ~Thank you for your support and cooperation!

### 40 CANS FOR LENT



~ The Knights of Columbus 40 Cans for Lent initiative encourages families to donate one can or non-perishable item per day during Lent to support the Catholic Charities food pantry.  
 ~ Collection bins are located in church vestibule for items like canned proteins, vegetables, and soups.

### ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS



In the name of St. Patrick, the Glorious Apostle of Ireland, the members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Div. 1, Wheeling, WV, wish you a Happy St. Patrick's Day and Irish-American Heritage Month!

Men: celebrate and be proud of your Irish-Catholic heritage all year long by joining the AOH!

Info at [www.aoh.com](http://www.aoh.com), [facebook.com/roadbowling](https://www.facebook.com/roadbowling) or contact **Tom Connelly at 304-280-4350.** Slainte!

### RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

The West Virginia Institute for Spirituality is an ecumenical center for prayer and spiritual growth, located in the heart of the city of Charleston, West Virginia. Presently, our calendar reflects the following:

#### Praying with the Four Teresas: In-person Retreat

This in-person retreat has been moved to **Saturday, April 25th, (9:30 am – 3:30 pm)** – Sr. Cheryl Clemons, OSU, Ph.D., Executive Director of WVIS, will offer a Day of Prayer and Reflection entitled “Deepening Our Prayer Life: Advice from the Four St. Teresas.” For more information, visit our website at [www.wvis.org/programs](http://www.wvis.org/programs) or email Sr. Cheryl at [exec.director@wvis.org](mailto:exec.director@wvis.org).

#### Ignatian Silent-Directed Retreats

If you've ever wondered what it would be like to take a little “vacation with God,” we invite you to come to the WVIS retreat house for a 1-, 3-, or 5-day retreat experience.

The retreat house is open and available to retreatants on **March 19th-28th** and **April 19th-29th** (there are more dates can be found on our website [www.wvis.org/ignatian-silent-directed-retreat](http://www.wvis.org/ignatian-silent-directed-retreat)).

Questions, email Sally at [sally.orcutt@wvis.org](mailto:sally.orcutt@wvis.org).

### From the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston



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**. 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**.

### PSR - IMPORTANT DATES

If your child is preparing to receive First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation, here are the dates for upcoming Sacraments.

- ~ **First Communion Retreat**, scheduled for **Saturday, May 2nd**
- ~ **First Communion**, scheduled for **Sunday, May 3rd.**
- ~ **Confirmation Retreat**, scheduled for **Thursday, April 30th** after 9:00 am Mass
- ~ **Confirmation** at SVDP, **Saturday, May 16th** at 5:00 pm Mass

If you have any questions please email Derek Dimmey at [ddimmey@stvincentschool.org](mailto:ddimmey@stvincentschool.org)

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

*“It is better to give than to receive”*

This Catholic lay organization leads women and men to join together to service those who are needy and suffering.

#### We are looking for New Members!

If you would like to attend a meeting, please call **Mary Lou Kent at 304-242-1019.**

### THIRD ORDER OF MARY

The Third Order of Mary are not meeting in the months of January and February.

The next meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, April 11th, 2026 at 10:00 am** in the Caveney Room.

### 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, Deacon Tom & Michele McFadden  
 Sponsored by Mount Calvary Cemetery

Next gathering will be on Monday, March 30th

### KITTY KOMRADES

## SHOE DRIVE

"SHOES TO SAVE"

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APRIL  
15

Got gently worn, used, or new shoes you no longer need? Clean out your closet and give them a second life by donating to our Shoe Drive Event!

All sizes and styles welcome  
 Clean out your closet for a cause

Ask friends, family, coworkers, and neighbors to contribute

#### DROP OFF LOCATIONS:

Happy Tails - McMechen  
 Little One Crystal - Glen Dale  
 Bayer Heritage Bank - Moundsville  
 Mounds of Nutrition - Moundsville  
 Dogs Den - Elm Grove  
 Hightower Brewing - Bayland  
 (MORE TO COME)

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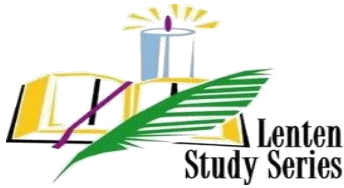
ADOPTION EVENT EVERY SUNDAY AT PET SUPPLIES PLUS, ST. C FROM 12-4PM!  
 You are welcome to drop off there as well as visit some sweet kitties looking for their furr-ever homes too!



For more information:  
 Email: [kittykomradesrescue@gmail.com](mailto:kittykomradesrescue@gmail.com)  
 -OR-  
 Via Facebook

# Lenten Study Series Topics

*"Conversion and Renewal: A Lenten Journey with Christ"*



**Each Thursday** during the Lenten Season, St. Vincent de Parish will be hosting a study series that is open and available for anyone to attend. Each study series begins at **6:00 pm** in the **Sanctuary**.

**Week 5: Thursday, March 19th**

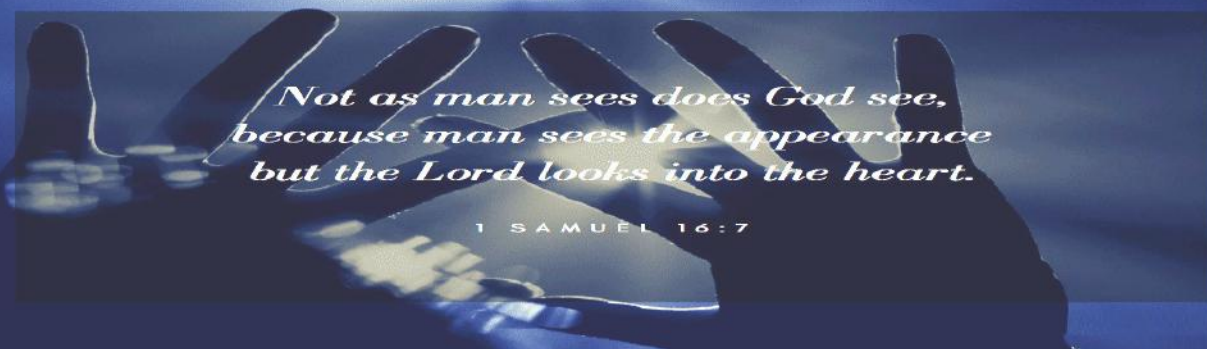
**"The Seven Last Words of Christ"**

Forgiveness, suffering, hope, trust, surrender.  
Presented by Fr John Soplonski, Vocation Director, DWC

**Week 6: Thursday, March 26th**

**"Walking with Jesus to Calvary: The Passion Narratives"**

Study the Passion in the gospel of John  
Presented by Fr Jeeson Stephen, Pastor St. Vincent de Paul, Wheeling




## LENT 2026 | Reflect. Repent. Restore.

Sunday March 15	Monday March 16	Tuesday March 17	Wednesday March 18	Thursday March 19	Friday March 20	Saturday March 21
<p><b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b></p> <p>Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth.</p> <p>Ephesians 5:8-9</p>	<p>If possible, spend some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, asking God to fill you with his grace so that you may draw ever closer to the Body of Christ.</p>	<p>On this Memorial of Saint Patrick, pray for missionaries and all who are called to spread the Gospel.</p>	<p>The Church, like a mother, accompanies those who are walking. Where the world sees threats, she sees children; where walls are built, she builds bridges. ... In every rejected migrant, it is Christ himself who knocks at the door of the community."</p> <p>Pope Leo XIV, Dilexi te, no. 75</p>	<p>Today is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph. Pray for all fathers and those who exercise a father's responsibility, that they may give the children in their care an example of self-sacrificial love.</p>	<p>As spring brings new life to the earth, take a walk in your community to praise God in his creation. (Bonus points if you pick up trash as you walk!)</p>	<p>In Lent, we are called to renew our baptismal commitment. We recall those waters in which we were baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.</p>

# Lenten Calendar

## SVDP Lenten Schedule

### MARCH 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
15 4th Sunday of Lent	16	17	18 Lenten Reconciliation Service - 6:15 pm	19 Lenten Study Series "The Seven Last Words of Christ" - 6:00 pm	20 Day of Abstinence OLSD Fish Fry! Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm	21
22 5th Sunday of Lent	23	24	25 Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord	26 Lenten Study Series "Walking with Jesus to Calvary: The Passion Narratives" - 6:00 pm	27 Day of Abstinence OLSD Fish Fry! Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm	28
29 PALM SUNDAY	30					

### APRIL 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 HOLY THURSDAY	3 GOOD FRIDAY Day of Fasting and Abstinence	4 HOLY SATURDAY
5 EASTER SUNDAY						

## JOIN US FOR HOLY WEEK!

 <b>Palm Sunday</b> -March 28 & 29 - Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Sunday Mass 9:00 & 11:30am	 <b>Holy Thursday</b> -April 2- The Lord's Supper 6:00pm Procession & Adoration to Follow	 <b>Good Friday</b> -April 3- Stations of the Cross 3:00pm – OLSD Passion of the Lord 6:00pm	 <b>Easter Vigil</b> -April 4- Easter Vigil Mass 8:00pm	 <b>Easter Sunday</b> -April 5- Mass 9:00am 10:15am-OLSD 11:30am
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# Lent

## Announcements

### Background on the Gospel Reading: (continued from page 3)

The final revelation and moment of enlightenment comes when the man born blind encounters Jesus again. Having heard the news of his expulsion, Jesus seeks out the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. In this moment, the man born blind shows himself to be a man of faith and worships Jesus. Jesus replies by identifying the irony of the experience of many who encounter Jesus: Those who are blind will now see, and those who think they now see will be found to be blind.

As in last week's Gospel about Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman, today's reading has many allusions to Baptism. The washing of the man in the pool of Siloam is a prototype for Christian Baptism. Through the man's encounter with Jesus, the man born blind is healed, his sight is restored, and his conversion to discipleship begins. The man born blind gradually comes to a greater understanding about who Jesus is and what it means to be his disciple, while the Pharisees (those who should see) are the ones who remain blind.

### FIRST FRIDAY MASS

Join Us for First Friday Mass at the Bishops' Chapel at 5:30 pm at Mount Calvary Cemetery; Wheeling, WV.

#### 2026 Schedule:

April. 16th\* (not a First Friday),  
May 1st, June 5th, July 3rd, August 7th, September 4th,  
October 2nd, November 6th, December 4th

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at St. Vincent's Parish each **Friday** during Lent at **9:00 am (school)** and at **7:00 pm.**



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

### RESOURCES FOR YOUR LENTEN JOURNEY

As Catholics around the world gather for Mass and prayer services on Ash Wednesday, we are bonded by the physical and spiritual connection we share as followers of Jesus. Use the resources on this page to further your knowledge and appreciation of the sacred rituals of Lent.

<https://www.lovolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/lent/arts-and-faith-for-lent/cycle-a/arts-and-faith-week-1-of-lent-cycle-a/>

### ATTENDING MASS WHEN TRAVELING

If you are traveling or attending a new church, it can be difficult to find Mass times or church contact information within a specific area.

**CatholicMassTime.org** provides easy access to Mass schedules, church locations, parish contact information and more. Our mission is to connect Catholics with church information across the country, in every state within the USA. We hope our service will help you and your family more easily find Mass times while traveling or at home.

### **Our Lady of Peace Parish Infant of Prague Novena**



**January 26 - March 23 (9)**  
**Mondays at 7:00 pm**  
**Adoration and Guest Homilist**  
**"The More You Honor Me. The More I will Bless You"**

### LENTE DISCIPLINES OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.



*Our Lady of Seven Dolours  
Altar Rosary Society  
Annual Fish Fry!*

**Join us for Fellowship and Great Food!**

**Date: Beginning Friday, February 20, 2026**  
Every Friday of Lent (with the exception of Good Friday)

**Time: 11:00 am—5:30 pm (Or Until Sold Out)**

**Place: OLSD Church Hall in Triadelphia**

**Phone: 304-547-5342**

**Local Delivery Available: 11:00am to 1:00pm**

**For Carry Out Orders - see reverse side**



**50/50 Raffle tickets will be sold  
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**All Proceeds to support OLSD Church &  
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*Our Lady of Seven Dolours Altar Rosary Society Fish Fry*

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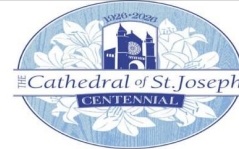
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# Lent

## Announcements

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Join Us for the  
100th Anniversary of the  
Cathedral of Saint Joseph

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Mass at 5:00 p.m.

1300 Eoff Street | Wheeling, WV 26003

Reception to follow in the Great Hall  
Central Catholic High School

### Wheeling Area HOLY THURSDAY PILGRIMAGE

APRIL 2, 2026

6 ALTARS OF REPOSE AT  
6 CHURCHES ON  
1 HOLY NIGHT

Bus starts from Cathedral  
at 9:00 p.m.

Please register by March 30  
by e-mailing [kstillion@dwc.org](mailto:kstillion@dwc.org)  
or by calling 304-233-0880, ext. 261

### Easter Basket Blessing

@ St. Alphonsus Church  
2111 Market Street, Wheeling

Saturday, April 4

(Holy Saturday)

1:00 pm

Bring a prepared basket with our family's

Easter foods:

**meats-cheese-butter-eggs-wine  
breads-candy-cake-salt**



### Recovering Our Soul Connections:

A Retreat for Women Who Have Been Sexually Abused

Begins online April 1, 2026 and culminates in an  
in-person retreat May 28-May 31, 2026

at The West Virginia Institute for Spirituality, Charleston, WV

To request an application or more information, email us at  
[soulconnection366@gmail.com](mailto:soulconnection366@gmail.com)

Register soon—space is limited to 8

Cost to retreatants is \$200. **Scholarships are available!**



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**Cindy Neely**, Spiritual Director, WVIS,  
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**Liz Deal**, Spiritual Director, WVIS,  
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Contributions from donors keeps the **cost to retreatants to \$200 each** if you would  
like to donate to support this effort, please contact Sally Orcutt ([sally.orcutt@wvis.org](mailto:sally.orcutt@wvis.org)).

## St. Joe's Parish Lenten Mission

with Deacon Harold Bunke-Sivens  
a.k.a. the Dynamic Deacon!

229 California Ave. Weinton, WV 26062  
Questions? Call 304-723-2054

March 22-24, 2026

7:00 - 8:00 PM: Talk  
8:00 PM-TBD: Confession,  
Meet & Greet, Book Sales,  
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## Introducing: Coffee & Connections

Catholic Charities West Virginia would love to host a Coffee &  
Connections at your parish!

#### These simple gatherings bring people together to:

- Share stories and experiences
- Learn about resources and services
- Build stronger community connections

#### What's included?

- Warm welcome and prayer
- Coffee, light snacks, and conversation
- A short highlight of Catholic Charities' programs

#### Why host?

Because when we gather, we grow stronger together. Coffee &  
Connections is an easy way to bring people closer, share hope, and  
live out our call to serve one another.

#### Invite us to your parish!

Contact our Director of Donor and Parish Relations, Bill Hagy at  
[bhagy@ccwva.org](mailto:bhagy@ccwva.org) or 304.360.4249



# Parish Information

## Weekly Calendar of Meetings & Upcoming Events

### SVDP - A LOOK AHEAD...

<i>Prayer of the Week</i>	<i>Lord, open our eyes to see as you see. Help us to look beyond appearances and to trust in your purpose. Lead us out of darkness and into your light. Give us faith to follow you and courage to share your love. Amen.</i>
Sunday, March 15th	~ <b>The Fourth Sunday of Lent</b> ~ <b>Small Group</b> , (Drnach), 10:10 am - 11:20 am ( <b>Apologetics from Ignatian Spirituality</b> )
Monday, March 16th	~ <b>Bell Choir Rehearsal</b> , 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm, in the Chapel
Tuesday, March 17th	~ <b>Adoration</b> , 10:00 am - 5:30 pm ~ <b>Small Group</b> , (LaBrosse), 2:00 - 3:15 pm, in the Youth Room
Wednesday, March 18th	~ <b>WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO!</b> ~ Doors open at <b>4:30 pm</b> / BINGO starts at <b>6:00 pm</b>
Thursday, March 19th	~ <b>Small Group</b> , (McKeets), 2:00 - 4:00 pm (The Chosen - Season 4) ~ <b>Small Group</b> (Mazzocca), 3:00 - 4:00 pm (now meeting at the Mazzocca's House. If you want to join their small group contact Barb Mazzocca.)
Friday, March 20th	~ <b>OLSD FISH FRY!</b> , 11:00 am - 5:30 pm (or until sold out) ~ <b>Rosary</b> (Mazzocca), 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Saturday, March 21st	
Sunday, March 22nd	~ <b>The Fifth Sunday of Lent</b> ~ <b>Church Choir Rehearsal</b> , 10:15 am - 11:00 am, in the Chapel ~ <b>Small Group</b> , (Drnach), 10:10 am - 11:20 am ( <b>Apologetics from Ignatian Spirituality</b> )

### UPCOMING SVDP SOCIAL EVENTS...



**HELP WANTED**

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


**SVDP BINGO DATES FOR MARCH**

- Wednesday, March 4th
- Wednesday, March 11th
- Wednesday, March 18th
- Wednesday, March 25th


**THANK YOU!**  
to each and every one of our **BINGO VOLUNTEERS (3.11.2026)** for helping to make our **Wednesday Night Bingo** successful!

*Thank You Volunteers*


**John Bartsch, Janie Davis, Donna Dolence, Dorothy Dudzik, Gwen Gress, Jeff Klosinski, Camille Laudermilt, Jim & Jacki Laurine, Bruce & Anita Littleton, Mary Ann Miller, Cecilia Palmer, Deb Pawloski, Don Stenger**



**TRIVIA NIGHT - Friday, April 17th**  
Doors open at 6:30 pm  
Trivia starts at 7:00 pm  
**\$10 per person**



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Sunday, July 12th**  
**SVDP Golf Scramble**  
Oglebay's Crispin Golf Course  
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