



# 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 Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy) - Sunday, April 12th, 2026

# DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY YEAR A

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."  
~ John 20:21



### First Reading - Acts 2:42-47

The early Christian community was devoted to apostolic teachings, fellowship, sharing meals, and prayer. United, they shared resources, sold possessions to support the needy, and worshiped together, growing daily in number and favor.

### Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Israel, Aaron's descendants, and those who fear the Lord proclaim His steadfast love forever. In distress, He frees and strengthens us. The rejected stone becomes the cornerstone.

### Second Reading - 1 Peter 1:3-9

We're reborn into a living hope and imperishable inheritance through Christ's resurrection. Our faith, tested by trials, is precious and will bring praise at Christ's revelation. Unseen, He is loved, believed in, and brings us inexpressible joy.

### Gospel Acclamation - John 20:29

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!

### Gospel Reading - John 20:19-31

In a locked room, the resurrected Jesus appeared to his disciples, offering peace and showing his wounds, which brought them joy. He empowered them with the Holy Spirit and the authority to forgive sins. Thomas, absent initially, doubted their testimony. Later, Jesus appeared again, inviting Thomas to touch his wounds, leading to Thomas' declaration of faith. Jesus blessed future believers who wouldn't see yet believe. These events were recorded to affirm faith in Jesus as the Christ.

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

**Phone:** (304)242-0406 **Fax:** (304)243-0837 **Email:** info@saintvincentparish.org **Website:** www.saintvincentparish.org **Facebook:** @StVincentWheeling

### PARISH STAFF

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### COUNCILS & COMMITTEES

**Altar Society Chairs:**  
Mary K Bell & Cathy Piazza  
(next meeting on Friday, April 24th)

**Pastoral Council Chair:**  
Deacon Tom McFadden  
(next meeting on Thursday, April 16th)

**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

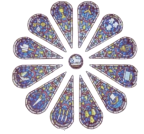
Saturday - 5:00 pm (Vigil)  
Sunday - 9:00 am & 11:30 am

- 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](#)

Thursday, April 16th

~ School Mass, 9:00 am

## GREENBACKS

### THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

#### PRESENTING

#### PANHANDLE CLEANING & RESTORATION

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## 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 April 2nd & April 3rd

Holy Thursday 6:00 pm - 156 / Good Friday 9:00 am - 105

**Total Attendance: - 261**

#### Offertory for April 2nd & April 3rd

Holy Thursday Collection: **\$1,638**

**Total Collection - \$1,638**

#### Attendance for April 4th & April 5th

8:00 pm - 102 / 9:00 am - 303 / 11:30 am - 251 / 10:15 am - 77

**Total Attendance: - 733**

#### Offertory for April 4th & April 5th

Collection: **\$10,528** / Online Giving: **\$914.20**

**Total Collection - \$11,442.20**

**Second Collection Update, April 3rd - Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land: \$70.00 + 1,200**

**Upcoming Second Collection, May 24th - Catholic Relief Services**

**Raised \$10,275 of \$49,310 with 50 gifts**

**21%**

# Parish Information

## Liturgy and Minister Schedule

### The Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy) - Sunday, April 12th, 2026

#### Greeters for April 11th & April 12th

8:00 pm - John Bartsch & Jeff Klosinski / 9:00 am - Nancy Georges & Cynthia Dimmey / 11:30 am - Derek & Madelyn Reed

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. April 11th	8:00 am 5:00 pm	† Richard Wieczorkowski All the People of the Parish	Vickie Joseph	Carol Harris, Tom McFadden & Vickie Joseph
Sun. April 12th	9:00 am 11:30 am	† Pam Ammirante † James McGrail & ♥ Brittany Knapp	Mary K Bell Nick Cochran	Marsha Boissy, Marilyn Delbrugge & Derek Dimmey Judy Stadler, Lisa Armstrong & Susie Newmeyer

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

*Research evangelization efforts in your parish and diocese and identify ways that you might become involved.*

Tues. April 14th	5:30 pm	† Alice Gilson	<b>CHILDREN'S LITURGY (4.12.26):</b> Susie Koval  <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. April 15th	5:30 pm	† Tom & Sue Hohman		
Thur. April 16th	9:00 am	† Generoso & Grazia Cerone & Dante Camastro		
Fri. April 17th	8:00 am	† Alice Gilson		

#### Greeters for April 18th & April 19th

8:00 pm - John Bartsch & Jeff Klosinski / 9:00 am - Tammy Rosenthal & Susie Koval / 11:30 am - Nancy Freeman & Zina Kimmins

Sat. April 18th	8:00 am 5:00 pm	† Mike & Cindy Perring All the People of the Parish	Vickie Joseph	Nancy LaBrosse, Tom McFadden & Carol Harris
Sun. April 19th	9:00 am 11:30 am	† Barbara Key † Robert Willming	Dorothy Dudzik Gwen Gress	Lynn Hetzel, Tom McFadden & Maria Minor Lisa Armstrong, Tom McFadden & Karen Bates

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**M - APRIL 13TH - MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER**

ACTS 4: 23-31 / Ps 2: 1-3, 4-7A, 7B-9 / JN 3: 1-8

**T - APRIL 14TH - TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER**

ACTS 4: 32-37 / Ps 93: 1AB, 1CD-2, 5 / JN 3: 7B-15

**W - APRIL 15TH - WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER**

ACTS 5: 17-26 / Ps 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 / JN 3: 16-21

**T - APRIL 16TH - THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER**

ACTS 5: 27-33 / Ps 34: 2 AND 9, 17-18, 19-20 / JN 3: 31-36

**F - APRIL 17TH - FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER**

ACTS 5: 34-42 / Ps 27: 1, 4, 13-14 / JN 6: 1-15

**S - APRIL 18TH - SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF EASTER**

ACTS 6: 1-7 / Ps 33: 1-2, 4-5, 18-19 / JN 6: 16-21

**S - APRIL 19TH - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

ACTS 2: 14, 22-33 / Ps 16: 1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11A) / 1 PT 1: 17-21 / LK 24: 13-35

#### The Inexhaustible Depths of Divine Mercy:

*Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name. ~ John 20:30-31*

Divine Mercy Sunday is a day on which we are to profess our belief in this Mercy. To do so, we must ponder these inexhaustible treasures, probe their depths with the aid of Saint Faustina's private revelations, and then allow our Lord to reveal them to us within the depths of our souls.

Reflect today on the infinite and inexhaustible treasures found in the Person of Christ and His Divine Mercy. His Mercy draws us into countless unrecorded and glorious graces that we are called to receive and rejoice in. Believe in His Mercy. Be open to it. Call upon it today, and receive it more abundantly.



**Most Merciful Jesus,  
Your mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel,  
will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity.**

**On this Divine Mercy Sunday,  
I pray that You will pour out Your Mercy upon me and on the whole world.  
Fill us with the grace You won through Your Paschal Mystery  
so that all people will come to believe in You as their Lord and God.  
Jesus, I trust in You.**

# 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
Keven Freeman	Monica Thomas
Rita Gallo	Marlene Trischler
Mary Beth Greenwood	Glen Ullom
Barry Helms	Lynn Uraco
Anne Hellstern	George Vopal
Greg Hicks	Kathy Wagner
Joe Holly	Machelle Walton
Ginger Kent	A.D. & Pam Wilson
Rosemary Kimmins	Ann & Charlie Wolfe
Alice Knollinger	Dick Wolfe
Lori Konarski	Logan Wolfe
Susie Koval	Barbara Zorn
Flavia Langan & Family	All Homebound, Sick and Shut-Ins
Marcia Laughlin	
Jacqueline Laurine	<b>Good Shepherd:</b>
Gerayln (Gigi) Latz	Ted McKeets
Brandi Mackey	Joseph Moskittis
Richard Mackey	
Rosemary Mackey	<b>Peterson:</b>
	Jim Sengewalt

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.

### APRIL DEVOTIONS



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

**The month of April is dedicated to The Holy Spirit**

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

#### For the use of the new technologies

*Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.*

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

### COMMEMORATIVE MASS ASSOCIATION (April)

*Please pray for:*

*Nancy Leonard, Thomas Leonard*

### EUCHARISTIC 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?"

### Condolences and Prayers

*to the family and friends of*  
**Al Kreitzer**  
*who was laid to rest on*  
*Thursday, April 9th.*

### 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**.

## BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

### SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, CYCLE A (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

The Gospels tell us that Jesus appeared to the disciples on several occasions after they discovered that his tomb was empty. Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples not as a spirit but in bodily form. The bodily form was not one that the disciples recognized though. In John's Gospel, Mary of Magdala does not recognize that the figure standing before her is Jesus until he speaks to her. In Luke's Gospel the disciples who meet Jesus on the road to Emmaus do not recognize him until he breaks bread with them. The resurrected Jesus had a physical presence, but the disciples couldn't recognize Jesus unless he allowed them to. His resurrected body, nonetheless, showed the marks of his crucifixion.

From readings such as today's Gospel, we also see that in his resurrected body, Jesus seems to be free of physical constraints. He appears to the disciples despite the fact that the doors were locked.

Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace and the gift of the Holy Spirit. In doing so, Jesus commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." During the meeting, Jesus also shows the integral connection between forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The story of Thomas illustrates our Christian experience today: We are called to believe without seeing. In fact, all Christians after the first witnesses have been called to believe without seeing. Thomas's doubt is hardly surprising; the news of Jesus' appearance was incredible to the disciples who had seen him crucified and buried. Thomas's human nature compelled him to want hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to the disciples after his death was indeed the same Jesus who had been crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to act on that desire. He is our witness that Jesus is really risen.

Our faith is based on the witness of the Church that has preceded us, beginning with Thomas and the first disciples. Through Baptism we receive the same Holy Spirit that Jesus brought to the first disciples. We are among those who are "blessed" because we believe without having seen.

# Parish Outreach

## Announcements, Service Organizations & Ministries

### PARISH DIRECTORY

We are pleased to announce that we will be compiling a 2026 pictorial Parish directory with Universal. It will include family portraits and contact information so we can stay connected.

Sign ups will take place in the vestibule before and after all masses on the weekends of:

April 4th & 5th / April 11th & 12th / April 18th & 19th

You can sign up online as well at [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com)

~ Click the photography session sign-up box

~ Code is **wv538**

~ Password is **538wv**

There will be No cost to be photographed, and each household will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait.

Only households who participate will receive a free directory!

Photography will take place on Tuesday, May 5th through Saturday, May 9th.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus Council 504 invites all fathers, grandfathers, sons, and daughters to our **"Honor Your Father" breakfast** on **Sunday, April 26th** following the 9:00 am Mass in the Angelus Center at St. Michael Parish.

Our featured speaker will be fellow Knight and California University of Pennsylvania Head Basketball Coach, Danny Sancomb.

You do not need to be a member of the Knights of Columbus to attend. Please RSVP by April 22nd to **Paul Curnes at 304-281-3943** or **Phil Emmerth at 304-312-0403**.

### 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 **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).

### SAINT MONICA GROUP

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday, May 6th at 7:00 pm.**

**Thursdays @ 7:00 p.m.**  
**Wheeling Area CIR Group at St. Alphonsus**

Catholic sacramental recovery and fellowship for those seeking freedom from addictions, compulsions, and unhealthy attachments.



FAITH | FREEDOM | FELLOWSHIP

### 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.**

### OLSD ALTAR SOCIETY

The next Seven Dolors Altar Society meeting will be on **Thursday, April 23rd, at noon.**

The Seven Dolors Altar Society Fish Fry **Appreciation Luncheon** is scheduled for **Friday, May 8th, at noon.**

All volunteers and all of our members are invited to attend. Please call **Mary K. Bell @ 304-242-2355** if you are planning to attend.

### 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, May 9th, 2026 at 10:00 am** in the Caveney Room.

### SVDP YOUNG ADULT GROUP

The SVDP Young Adult Group will be meeting on **Sunday, April 26th at 3:00 pm** in the Marist Center.

We will be teaming up with the Young Adult group from St. Michael's Parish.

We will read and discuss several Bible verses. Bring your Bibles. All are welcome!!!

### 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, April 27th**

### 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**.



# Themes for Divine Mercy Sunday

Year A

Divine Mercy Sunday Year A celebrates God's mercy and the hope we receive through Christ's resurrection. The readings highlight forgiveness, faith, and the joy of new life in Christ.

**God's Mercy and Forgiveness:** Jesus gives His disciples the power to forgive sins, showing God's endless mercy. This gift invites us to seek forgiveness and extend mercy to others.

**Faith Amid Doubt:** Thomas doubts the resurrection until he sees Jesus' wounds. His journey shows that faith can grow through questions and honest seeking.

**Peace Through Christ:** Jesus greets His disciples with peace, calming their fear. His presence brings peace that conquers fear and doubt.

**The Power of Community:** The early Christians prayed, shared resources, and grew together in faith. This shows the importance of supporting each other in living out the Gospel.

**Hope Through Resurrection:** Christ's resurrection gives us a living hope and an eternal inheritance. This hope sustains us, even through trials and challenges.

**Joy in Belief:** Although we cannot see Jesus, faith brings joy and purpose. Believing without seeing is blessed, as Jesus teaches Thomas.

Divine Mercy Sunday Year A invites us to embrace God's mercy and live in hope and faith. It calls us to be merciful, to believe with joy, and to support each other as a community of believers.

## IMAGES OF MARY

Images of Mary are all around us in the form of paintings, carvings, sculptures, and several other art forms. How many images or statues of Mary have you encountered in your lifetime? The Church presents Mary to us as our mother and as Mother of God. In these gatherings, we will identify and appreciate the Church's teachings about Mary and apply these notions to her pictorial portrayal within a variety of cultures.

Images of Mary is a 3-week series and it is recommended that participants attend all 3 gatherings as one session builds upon the other.



DATES: April 16, April 23, and April 30  
TIME: 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
LOCATION: St. Joseph Retreat Center  
DONATIONS WELCOME

FACILITATOR: Shirley Carter  
Director of Faith Formation  
Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston



Reserve your spot today:  
Contact Anna Marie Troiani  
Phone: 304-907-0171  
Email: [atroiani@csjoseph.org](mailto:atroiani@csjoseph.org)



Join us in Huttonsville, WV for  
St. Vincent's Summer Camp!

June 14-20

SVSC has been active since 1985 and offers attendees a unique blend of faith, fun, and friendship through a traditional summer camp experience.

Activities include: Boating, Swimming, Waterslide, Rockwall, Biking, Arts & Crafts, Prayer & Reflection, and so much more!

Register at [SVSCamp.com](http://SVSCamp.com)

Entering 8th, 9th, or 10th grade - \$300

Entering 11, 12, or recent graduate - \$200

Financial assistance is available

### 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:**

**May 1st, June 5th, July 3rd, August 7th, September 4th, October 2nd, November 6th, December 4th**

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### 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.

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### THE FERTILITYCARE™ CENTER

The FertilityCare™ Center of the Upper Ohio Valley, Inc. & the Weirton Catholic Pro-Life Group will be sponsoring a Memorial Mass for Babies Who Died Before Birth whether by miscarriage, abortion, ectopic (tubal) pregnancy (no distinction will be made) & whether occurring recently or years ago.

The Mass will be celebrated on **Friday, May 8th, 2026** at 7:00 pm at Sacred Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 200 Preston Avenue, Weirton, WV.

Confession will be available at 5:30 p.m.

So that we may best honor your child please call 304-723-0478 or 304-748-0688 to RSVP. (all family members and friends are welcome).

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### FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY

Franciscan University of Steubenville’s Theatre Program will present William Shakespeare’s *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* **April 24th - 26th at 6:00 p.m.** in a unique outdoor production on the campus lawn between Finnegan Fieldhouse and Christ the Teacher Hall.

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### THANK YOU!

Thank you to the **Wilson Family**, for decorating the church during Lent, Holy Week and Easter!

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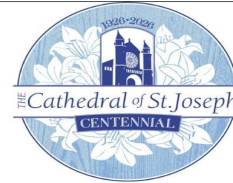
On **Tuesday, April 21st, 2026**, we will joyfully celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Cathedral of St. Joseph with a special Mass at 5:00 p.m., followed by a reception.

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# Parish Information

## Weekly Calendar of Meetings & Upcoming Events

### SVDP - A LOOK AHEAD...

<i>Prayer of the Week</i>	<i>Lord Jesus, on this Divine Mercy Sunday Year A, we thank You for Your mercy and love. Help us to receive Your forgiveness and to forgive others. Give us the courage to trust in You, even when we have doubts. Unite us as a community of faith and love. Amen.</i>
Sunday, April 12th	~ Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy) ~ Small Group, (Drnach), 10:10 am - 11:20 am (Apologetics from Ignatian Spirituality)
Monday, April 13th	~ Bell Choir Rehearsal, 3:00 - 4:00 pm (in the Mary Mother of Mercy Chapel)
Tuesday, April 14th	~ Adoration, 10:00 am - 5:30 pm ~ Small Group, (LaBrosse), 2:00 - 3:15 pm, in the Youth Room
Wednesday, April 15th	~ <b>WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO!</b> ~ Doors open at <b>4:30 pm</b> / BINGO starts at <b>6:00 pm</b>
Thursday, April 16th	~ Small Group, (McKeets), 2:00 - 4:00 pm (The Chosen - Season 4) ~ Small Group (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, April 17th	~ Rosary (Mazzocca), 4:00 - 5:00 pm ~ <b>TRIVIA NIGHT!</b> ~ Doors open at <b>6:30 pm</b> / TRIVIA starts at <b>7:00 pm</b>
Saturday, April 18th	~ <i>Prayerfully consider volunteering your time and talent at the Parish</i>
Sunday, April 19th	~ Third Sunday of Easter ~ Small Group, (Drnach), 10:10 am - 11:20 am (Apologetics from Ignatian Spirituality)

### UPCOMING SVDP SOCIAL EVENTS...

#### FUNDRAISING UPDATE FOR MARCH

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Bingo - \$9,065.92  
Total - \$9390.32



#### TRIVIA NIGHT - Friday, April 17th

Doors open at 6:30 pm  
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#### SVDP BINGO DATES FOR APRIL

Wednesday, April 1st - **NO BINGO**  
Wednesday, April 8th  
Wednesday, April 15th  
Wednesday, April 22nd  
Wednesday, April 29th

#### THANK YOU!

to each and every one of our  
**BINGO VOLUNTEERS (4.8.2026)**  
for helping to make our  
**Wednesday Night Bingo** successful!



*Lisa Armstrong, John Bartsch, Janie Davis, Gwen Gress,  
Jeff Klosinski, Camille Laudermilt, Jim & Jacki Laurine,  
Bruce & Anita Littleton, Cecilia Palmer, Stan Pawloski,  
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