

Faith IN WV

DIocese of Wheeling-Charleston

MARCH 21, 2021



A YEAR OF FAITH IN WV

When a national emergency was declared and churches were closed one year ago due to the pandemic, the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston launched our weekly e-bulletin as a means of communication with the faithful to not only keep everyone informed, but also to help us all grow in faith by providing the Mass readings, prayer intentions, and feature stories about saints, significant events in the Church, and more. It was a way to be together virtually, while away physically from our parish families.

Christ in us amidst a time of uncertainty and adversity. Ultimately, it is a tangible outlet to emphasize our faith in God and the Church.

The e-bulletin celebrated the call to vocations of four individuals this past year through the ordinations of Father Justin Golna and Deacon Phillip Szabo; and the profession of the vows by Sister Jennifer Berridge to the Congregation of St. Joseph and Sister Albertine Cevallos to the Congregation of Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia.



A MESSAGE FROM MOST REVEREND MARK BRENNAN
BISHOP OF WHEELING-CHARLESTON

How long it's been since we've been in a period of great concern and uncertainty over the happenings in the United States and throughout our nation and our world. I want to assure you as Bishop of this diocese, that upon our great faith, that I am in constant prayer with you and for you as we face this unprecedented time. I realize it is particularly challenging that we are faced to remain open during this holy season of Lent - a time when we are used to gathering often in prayer, in reflection, and penance as we await the joy of the Lord's Resurrection. We are experiencing for a short time what millions of our fellow Christians experience for years on end because they live in areas of the world where the Christian faith is forbidden or in free exercise severely restricted. How long we'll be required to keep our churches closed and remain open at all unknown. As work, I urge you to make time each day for prayerful reflection, alone or with family members, and in a spirit of solidarity with your fellow Catholics who are also deprived of our sacramental life during this time. Traditional devotions such as the recitation of the rosary and the Divine Mercy chaplet can be done together or individually. Or a family could simply read a short passage of Scripture, perhaps from one of the daily Mass readings, let each person prepare a reflection, offer some prayers for the sick and those who care for them and read with the Our Father. We would also like to remember that the Lord abides with us always, and in very

place - and is not limited by physical boundaries. He waits to be with us, to comfort us and to speak to us in our powerful reflections, in the quiet of our souls. I urge you to use this time, when we are forced to disengage from our daily routine, to reflect on and renew your commitment as Christians as his disciples journeying with Him to the cross of Calvary. Technology offers you the ability to join the Mass that is live-streamed from the Cathedral of St. Joseph each day at 12:05 PM. Sunday Mass is also live-streamed at 8 PM on Sundays and remains on our Diocese website until Monday. We do not yet know the impact that these restrictions will have on our Holy Week celebrations on our Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Brought. We will communicate further with you as the routine opportunity when we see the need ahead more clearly. Let us now offer you this from today's readings, a passage from Psalm 25. Your eyes, O LORD, make haste to me; for my soul is in anguish. Do not let your wrath and anger be kindled against me, for you are God my savior. Remember that your compassion, O LORD, and your kindness are from of old. In your kindness remember me, because of your goodness, O LORD. Good and upright is the LORD; he shows steadfast love. He guides the humble to justice, he teaches the humble his way. The Lord keeps us not - and in our constant guide and teacher in the way of His righteousness - he shows us the way to His truth, and it will be always, even in the darkest hours. May the Lord comfort and sustain you and your friends and loved ones in these difficult days and enlighten our hope with the promise of His strength and constant presence. God bless you all!
Mark R. Brennan

As Bishop Mark Brennan said in our first issue, "We pledge to you to do our very best to stay connected and to continue to provide you spiritual resources and the assurance of our prayers," and that continues to be our commitment.

The e-bulletin is emailed to more than 11,000 people each week and is also highlighted on the DWC Facebook page and our website, WWW.DWC.ORG, where archived editions are available to view and download.

The e-bulletin was named after the #FaithInWV profile features showcased on our FAITHINWV.ORG website and monthly in The Catholic Spirit and DWC social media pages. Like its namesake, the e-bulletin content gives hope, helps us focus on our faith, and encourages each of us to lead by the example of great saints and disciples.

As a worship aid and evangelization resource the FaithInWV e-bulletin continues to be a means to help us to choose to find the good in our circumstances, and let others see



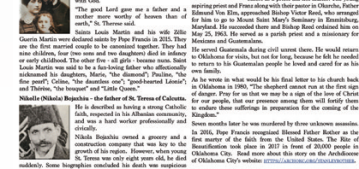
TO BE A MOTHER IS A GREAT TREASURE - POPE FRANCIS

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston! Pope Francis has encouraged mothers to be generous and open to their children's needs and to be patient with their children's mistakes. He has also encouraged mothers to be joyful and to share their faith with their children. Pope Francis has also encouraged mothers to be patient with their children's mistakes and to be joyful and to share their faith with their children. He has also encouraged mothers to be patient with their children's mistakes and to be joyful and to share their faith with their children.



CELEBRATING FATHERS AND THE MEN WHO MENTOR AND GUIDE US

Happy Father's Day! Today we honor our fathers - the strong men who are the backbone of our families, the men who are the backbone of our families, the men who are the backbone of our families. They are the men who are the backbone of our families, the men who are the backbone of our families, the men who are the backbone of our families. They are the men who are the backbone of our families, the men who are the backbone of our families, the men who are the backbone of our families.



Some biographies concluded his death was anticipated

Two of our most popular stories were published in our Mother's Day and Father's Day issues. On Mother's Day the relationship of Pope Francis and his mother Regina Bergoglio and paternal grandmother "Nonna Rosa" Rosa Vassallo was highlighted; and on Father's day we featured the fathers of St. Teresa of Calcutta, St. Theres of Lisieux, and Blessed Father Stanley Rother.

It has been our pleasure to present to you the FaithInWV e-bulletin this past year and we look forward to continuing to provide this resource to you as we all grow in faith together.

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and you would like to, please email JOYCE BIBEY AT JBIBEY@DWC.ORG.

REGISTER NOW FOR CAMP CARLO YOUTH CAMP

Summer camp registration for The Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Camp, affectionately known as Camp Carlo, is open!



Final planning is underway for the summer of a lifetime at Camp Carlo in beautiful Huttonsville, West Virginia. Between getting counselors interviewed and promotional materials out the door, your camp ministry team, while following public health protocols, is eager to welcome campers.

Camp Carlo, dedicated to leading young people to Christ & His Church will have sessions running from June 27th through July 24th.

Camp Carlo provides an exciting opportunity for young people to encounter Christ and His Church, adventure through God's creation, and grow in their Catholic faith alongside peers from all over the state of West Virginia. Campers will grow in faith while backpacking up a mountain, horseback riding through hidden trails, sliding down mystic waterfalls, and gathering in front of the true Presence of our Lord during Mass and Adoration.

Summer 2021 session are as follows:

- **June 27th – July 3rd Rising 3rd graders to 5th graders.**
- **July 4th – July 10th Rising 6th graders to 8th graders.**
- **July 11th – July 17th Rising freshmen to seniors in high school.**
- **July 18th – July 24th A “catch all week” from 3rd grade thru 12th grade.**

To register: [CLICK THIS REGISTRATION LINK.](#)

Riley Keaton, of Spencer, is serving as Camp Director. Sadie Shields, of Clarksburg, is the summer program director.

Those interested in joining the professional Camp Carlo staff are encouraged to contact Keaton at RKEATON@DWC.ORG before March 31. Staff at Camp Carlo are held to high standards of conduct including putting needs of campers above self; keeping Christ as the center of life and ministry; exciting youth and colleagues about our mission, ideas, and actions; and following all policies to keep campers and staff safe.

“It’s an exciting time to be a young Catholic in West Virginia,” Keaton said.

WHY THE NAME CAMP CARLO?

Blessed Carlos Acutis is a relatable teen for youth today. The Italian teen was beatified on Oct. 10, 2020. He is described by family and friends as a seemingly average teen, who was most commonly dressed in jeans, tennis shoes, and sweatshirt. Blessed Carlo was from Milan, Italy, and died at the age of 15

in 2006, a week after he was diagnosed with leukemia.

Acutis loved the outdoors, video games, sports, and computers. He also enjoyed school mainly, because it was a chance to hang out with friends. He was actually considered a computer expert for his age, having learned programming in elementary school at a collegiate level. While he was extremely savvy in and enthusiastic about technology, he was also devoted to something else on an extraordinary level - Christ and the Church. His faith has been described as “pure and certain.”

He went to Mass every day. When people would ask him what his plans were for the future he would say, “To always be close to Jesus. That’s my life plan.”



He was surprised, as he grew older, that his friends did not have the same devotion and need for Christ in their lives. He frequently told his friends that the “Eucharist is my highway to heaven.” He hoped the same for them. He knew the power of the internet and chose to use it as online evangelization. He created a website dedicated to the Eucharistic Miracles of the

World - WWW.MIRACOLIEUCARISTICI.ORG. There he presented his research as a virtual museum. His friends and family continue to carry on the website and Acutis’ hope that it will bring people to Church and the Eucharist. The site is presented in 17 languages and the Eucharistic Miracles exhibit can be downloaded as posters for free.

The story of Carlo not only provides inspiration and relatability for today’s youth, but also provides all the faithful an example of how we can be modern day saints.

CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK FROM THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT JOSEPH

ALL MASSES LIVE THROUGHOUT THE STATE AT WWW.DWC.ORG/MASS

MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Bishop Mark E. Brennan - Celebrant

Holy Thursday, April 1 • 6:00 p.m. - LIVE

PASSION OF THE LORD

Fr. Martin Smay - Celebrant

Good Friday, April 2 • 3:00 p.m. - LIVE

EASTER MASS

Bishop Mark E. Brennan - Celebrant

April 4 • 10:30 a.m.

LIVE & BROADCASTED ON

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THE ANNUNCIATION ~ MARCH 25



During Lent, while we wait for the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, we honor Annunciation. It is the announcement of conception of God the Son through the Holy Spirit by Angel Gabriel to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We know Mary's response through the Gospel of Luke (1:38), "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

It is a great day to pray the Angelus. This is a beautiful meditative prayer that is traditionally said three times a day – dawn, midday and dusk (or 6 am, noon, and 6 pm). It shows our respect to Mary and encourages us to imitate her. Let this prayer remind us and help us teach the children in our lives that we should not always ask God to do things for us but show him we are willing to do for him. Praying the Angelus everyday gives us the opportunity to purposefully pause, remember the amazing mystery of the Incarnation, and honor our Blessed Mother Mary.

ANGELUS

The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:
And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

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

Behold the handmaid of the Lord:
Be it done unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary ...

And the Word was made Flesh:

And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary ...

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,
that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, thy son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

THE CHURCH DECLARES YEAR OF THE FAMILY FOR STRENGTH, BLESSINGS

As we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph our great guardian, Pope Francis inaugurates the year of "*Amoris Laetitia Family*," which will conclude on June 26, 2022.

"The pandemic experience has highlighted the central role of the family as the domestic Church and has shown the importance of community ties between families," a statement from the Dicastery of Laity, Family and Life at the Vatican note.

Amoris Laetitia is Latin for "the joy of love". The year is intended to help people "experience the Gospel of the family as a joy that fills hearts and lives (*Amoris laetitia*, 200). A family that discovers and experiences both the joy of having a gift, and of being a gift for the Church and society, 'can become a light in the darkness of the world' (AL,66)."

A second objective is to emphasize the precious value of the

sacrament of marriage, which has "in itself a transforming power of human love." Further objectives include enabling "families to become active agents of the family apostolate," and making "young people aware of the importance of formation in the truth of love and in the gift of self."



**Amoris Laetitia
Family**
Year 2021 - 2022

Lastly, there is an invitation to broaden the vision and action of pastoral care for the family during the year, so that it can become more transversal and include all family members, including married couples, children and young people, the elderly, and those in difficult

family situations. Therefore, this year of the family is not a celebration per se, it is more about seeking blessings and strengthening the faithful.

To read the Amoris Laetitia [CLICK HERE](#). As it begins, "The Joy of Love experienced by families is also the joy of the Church.



NEWS FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES WEST VIRGINIA

CELEBRATING NATIONAL CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM WEEK MARCH 14-20, 2021

By: Katie Hinerman Klug, Catholic Charities West Virginia Marketing Communications Specialist

A key part of the mission of Catholic Charities West Virginia (CCWVa) is working to ensure that every child in our state has access to the services that he or she needs to be healthy, happy, and to reach his or her full potential.



Our CCWVa Child Care Food Program helps to support the health and growth of children by supporting healthy meal choices in homes of child care providers. Our program provides education and assistance to care givers in meal planning and application for meal reimbursements.

March 14-20, 2021 is National Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Week.

“This week especially, we celebrate the partnership between parents, children, providers, and Catholic Charities West Virginia, recognizing the important role that the CACFP plays in promoting lifelong healthy eating habits in children,” said Jane Rose, CCWVa Child Care Food Program Director.

The primary goal of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) is to serve nutritious meals to children attending childcare homes and centers. Secondary goals are as follows: 1. The establishment of positive eating habits at the earliest stages of development; 2. Reduction of future health care and education costs due to lack of proper early development; 3. Training and support of local child care personnel.

“Children in our program benefit from early nutrition education that helps them establish positive eating habits that will enrich the quality of their diet throughout their lives,” said Rose.

Child care providers in the program receive nutrition education and support services that help them serve nutritious meals and create a positive eating environment for children.



The CCWVa Child Care Food Program supports healthy meal choices in homes of child care providers in West Virginia.

“The quality of child care provided in West Virginia is improved due to educational and financial resources available to caregivers through our program,” said Rose.

The CCWVa Child Care Food Program served 2,997 children in 21 counties of West Virginia last year.

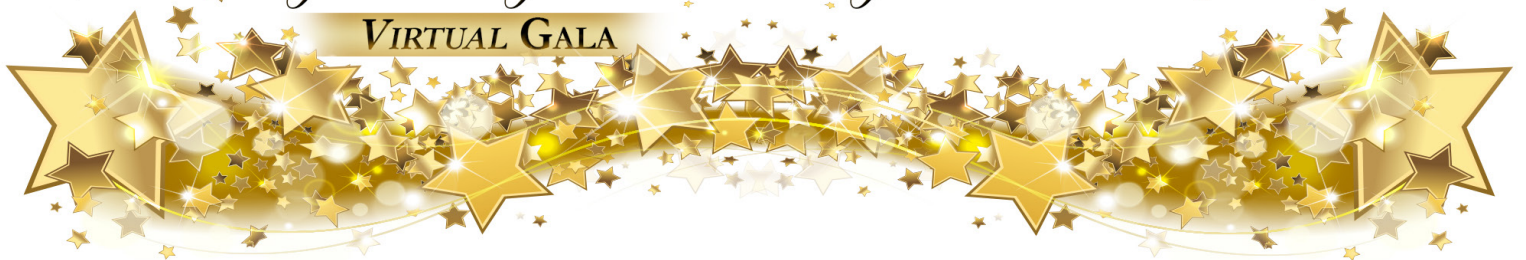
Through the CCWVa Child Care Food Program and all of our children’s services, we work to give the young people in our state the best possible start, helping to ensure that their opportunity to succeed is not hampered by circumstances beyond their control.

To learn more about Catholic Charities West Virginia, visit www.CatholicCharitiesWV.org.

Catholic Charities West Virginia
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VIRTUAL GALA

VIRTUAL GALA
Now through March 21 at 9p.m.
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading JEREMIAH 31:31-34

The days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers the day I took them by the hand to lead them forth from the land of Egypt; for they broke my covenant, and I had to show myself their master, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD. I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer will they have need to teach their friends and relatives how to know the LORD. All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the LORD, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more.

Responsorial PSALMS 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15

R. (12a) Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me.

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.

A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. Cast me not out from your presence, and your Holy Spirit take not from me.

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Give me back the joy of your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me. I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners shall return to you.

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Second Reading HEBREWS 5:7-9

In the days when Christ Jesus was in the flesh, he offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

Verse Before the Gospel JOHN 12:26

Whoever serves me must follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, there also will my servant be.

Gospel JOHN 12:20-33

Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me. "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself." He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.

PRAYER INTENTIONS


For the Church, that we may die to sin and serve our Lord, becoming like grains of wheat, bearing much fruit in the world around us, let us pray to the Lord. . .

For government and business leaders, that God will inspire them to develop and implement policies that are just and compassionate, and bring hope to all those who suffer, let us pray to the Lord. . .

For an end to racial discrimination, that all people know each one of us is made in the image of God, worthy of love and respect, let us pray to the Lord. . .

That the name of God may be glorified through the reverent worship, the compassionate mercy, and the selfless generosity of our faith community, let us pray to the Lord. . .

Lord hear our prayer



LET US GO *Rejoicing* TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD.

PSALM 122



UPDATED GUIDELINES RELEASED

Bishop Mark E. Brennan released updated guidelines for our churches and facilities.

- New Norms for Reopening Parish Facilities for Meetings and Gatherings
- Updated Liturgical Guidelines
- Music Protocols for Liturgical Celebrations

These are available online at www.dwc.org.

Liturgy of the Hours

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

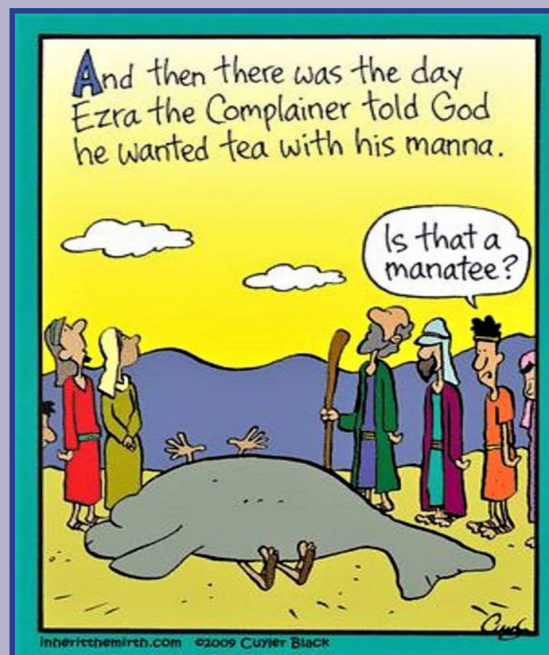
Pray the prayer for this day, this hour!

Scan the QR code or visit the link below to view a PDF version of the Liturgy of the Hours.

EBREVIARY.COM [LITURGY OF THE HOURS](#)



A LITTLE CATHOLIC HUMOR



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~Also Streaming in WV at www.rdo.to/WL0L~

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MASS ONLINE

Saturday 6pm Masses will continue to be livestreamed from the Cathedral of St. Joseph, and will be available on our website each Sunday at DWC.ORG.

Below are four options for enriching your spirit through daily Mass online.

- EWTN airs daily Mass from Our Lady of Angels Chapel, in Irondale, Alabama, at 8am, noon, and 7pm: [HTTPS://WWW.EWTN.COM/TV/WATCH-LIVE](https://www.ewtn.com/tv/watch-live)
- St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York has daily Mass live streamed at 7am: [HTTPS://SAINTPATRICKSCATHEDRAL.ORG/LIVE](https://saintpatrickscathedral.org/live)
- Catholic TV also streams its daily Mass: [HTTP://CATHOLICTV.ORG/MASSES/CATHOLICTV-MASS](http://catholicTV.org/masses/catholicTV-mass)
- Daily Mass Online at Notre Dame' Basilica of the Sacred Heart is live at 11:30 am Monday-Friday: [HTTPS://CAMPUSMINISTRY.ND.EDU/MASS-WORSHIP/BASILICA-OF-THE-SACRED-HEART/WATCH-MASS/SPECIAL-MASSSES/](https://campusministry.nd.edu/mass-worship/basilica-of-the-sacred-heart/watch-mass/special-masses/)