



## ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS TWO DAYS TO APPLAUD OUR CATHOLIC INFLUENCERS!

This week we are given two days to applaud our Catholic Influencers! On Tuesday, Nov. 1st we celebrate All Saints Day, a holy day of obligation to acknowledge the saints – the men and women that the Church have recognized as our elite Catholic role models. On Wednesday, we get a bit more personal as we thank God on All Souls Day – a day set aside to remember and celebrate the souls who have had a great impact on our lives, the ones we love dearly, and our brothers and sisters in purgatory – it is our prayers that will help get them to heaven (and oh, by the way, in heaven they will be praying for us)!



The month of November is dedicated to praying for these souls. It is a Spiritual Work of Mercy. Ways we can concentrate on the souls in purgatory outside of the Mass is through our individual prayer, family prayers, praying at the cemetery, lighting a candle at home or church in their honor, and even performing an act of kindness in their name. Be creative and thoughtful.

The late Roger Smith of St. Jude in Glen Dale would purposefully take a drink from a water fountain when he would pass one not because he was always thirsty, but because he made it a good habit, reminding him to offer a prayer for the souls in purgatory who thirst for eternal happiness with Christ in heaven.

To make All Saints Day extra meaningful, create a personalized Litany of Saints. List of your patron saints – the saints whose names are shared in our families, schools, and parishes; your confirmation saint; patron saints of our work, desires, or struggles; and saints who we feel connected to and respect their life story (*template on page 2*). Thank God for their example. Looking for resources? Your FaithInWV e-bulletins are archived on [FAITHINWV.ORG](http://FAITHINWV.ORG). Each issue of FaithInWV features significant saints

for us to look up to each day. Have a particular saint in mind, use the search icon on our FaithInWV website or on the diocesan Facebook page to see how we have highlighted them for you.

The Church wants us to connect to the saints and see how we are united with them. God is calling us all to strive to be a saint.

Saint Paul reminds us in his letter to the Hebrews (12:1), “Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running

the race that lies before us...”

The great apostle is telling us that we need to have confidence as we run our race on earth, because we are surrounded everyday by great prophets and saints who are cheering us on and are there in spirit to pick us up, when we stumble.

Think about your personal cloud of witnesses who have deepened your faith. God put them in your life for a reason, Pope Francis has said many times. They, like Christ, are always with us.

“God never abandons us. Each time we need it, one of his angels will come to lift us up again and give us comfort; ‘angels,’ at times with a human face and heart because God’s saints are always here, hidden in our midst. This is difficult to understand and also to imagine, but saints are present in our lives,” Pope Francis, General Audience, June 21, 2017.

Because our saints are eternally in God’s presence, they all intercede for us before God. Acknowledge them as they accompany you on your journey to earn heaven. Let their spirit and grace encourage you each day. Above all, remember them and pray asking for their intercession.



# Our Family Litany

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.  
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

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All you saints and angels, pray for us. Christ, graciously hear us.

*Amen!*



# VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK IS NEXT WEEK

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE FAITHFUL TO RENEW SUPPORT OF RELIGIOUS LIFE

The Catholic Church in the United States, we celebrate National Vocation Awareness Week from Nov. 6-12 this year. Plan ahead and do something as a family, parish, Catholic organization, PSR (Parish School of Religion) program, or Catholic school.

Call upon the saints to intercede to not only have the Holy Spirit awaken the hearts, minds, and souls of young men and women being called to become dedicated priests, religious sisters and brothers, deacons, and ministry leaders for the Church, but also to move us to make a difference with our support. So, as Christ whispers inspiration to them, let us roar with our encouragement.

The United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB) tasks parishes all over the country to uphold and promote vocations, while encouraging those in their parish and diocese who are already in religious formation.

The National Religious Vocation Conference (NRVC) reported a recent study, reporting the average age of entrance to religious life is 28. The study looked at the last 15 years (through 2022) and of the new members of religious formation 73% attended a Catholic school, 71% had already earned a bachelor's degree, 35% discerned for more than two years before formally seeking religious life, 34% have a relative in religious life, and 70% had initially considered religious life before the age of 21. So, what is that telling us - the support of the faithful in parishes, schools, and family is crucial from grade school through and after college.

The faithful need to pray and vocalize their support and encouragement. The Knights of Columbus conducted a survey that disappointingly revealed that 75% of Catholic young people who had seriously considered religious life were not encouraged to pursue that goal.



## SERRA CLUBS



St. Junipero Serra, canonized by Pope Francis on Sept. 23, 2015, is the patron saint of vocations to Church ministry. A group of lay Catholics, men and women of all ages and backgrounds, called Serrans, are dedicated to promote and foster vocations. The USA Council is part of Serra International. In the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston we have three formal Serra Clubs around the state: Wheeling ([CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO](#)), Charleston ([CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO](#)), and Clarksburg (contact the Clarksburg Vicariate Vicar Forane, Father Casey Mahone, of Immaculate Conception Parish, at 304-622-8243 for more information).

As we enter National Vocations week, let us all be mindful to pray daily for an increase in Church ministry leaders, while listening ourselves to God's call.



# A MESSAGE FROM VOCATIONS

*Father Brian J. Crenwelge, Diocesan Director of Vocations and pastor of St. John University Parish, Morgantown.*

“Who will you bring to heaven?” This thought crossed my mind frequently back when I was discerning the priesthood as a college student. I was always moved by the fact that a parish priest administered to hundreds (or even thousands) on people on a single weekend. Each weekend, a priest is responsible for bringing his people a little closer to heaven. Yet, he is not simply bringing people to heaven on the weekend. Just recently, I got a call from the new WVU Children’s Hospital in Morgantown to baptize a dying baby. Last week, I heard Confessions and anointed a few patients who were in the hospital. I witnessed the marriage of a young couple. I counseled a college student about his vocational discernment. All these circumstances are a way a priest brings people to heaven outside of Sunday Mass. The priest’s mission—to perhaps oversimplify it—is to keep Christ in the lives in the people. That’s what his role is, and honestly, there is no greater glory than to give your life for Christ.

We are celebrating Vocations Awareness Week from Nov. 6th – 12th. We are not simply celebrating the priesthood, but the gift of every vocation—marriage, single life, priesthood, religious life and diaconate. Yet, in a particular way, we are focusing on raising awareness of the vocations of priesthood and religious life. Each vocation’s role is to bring people to heaven. A married person is supposed to bring his or her spouse and children to heaven. A single person is supposed to bring his or her friends and co-workers. A deacon and religious are supposed to bring those to whom they are sent to minister. A priest is supposed to bring his congregation. That being said, all of us can easily through our own, imperfect actions, do the opposite, if we are not careful.

And so, a good question for each us to reflect on this week as we celebrate the different vocations—“Who am I bringing to heaven?”

Learn more about vocations at [WVPRIESTS.ORG](http://WVPRIESTS.ORG)





# FIND STRENGTH OF MIND AND HEART IN ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

The story of the life of St. Martin de Porres teaches us to tune out the noise and any hatred toward us. In St. Martin we see to not only focus on Christ, but be merciful and compassionate to all like He taught us.

St. Martin was born in Peru in 1579. He was of mixed race - his mother was a freed slave, and his father was of Spanish nobility. Martin, his mother, and sister were abandoned by his father, forcing the family into poverty.

No matter the difficulty they faced St. Martin knew to honor God with his life for He is our heavenly Father. At the age of twelve, he took up the trade of barber, which also in that era included minor medical procedures and medicine/pharmacy roles.

While he wanted to enter religious life, he was forbidden in Peru, because it was against the law for anyone of African or Native American descent to take vows. He persisted with his desire, and when he was 15, he was accepted as a volunteer for the Dominicans who assigned him the least favored tasks at the monastery - cleaning, laundry, and barbering. For that he was able to wear their habit and live inside their community. Eight years later, his diligence, loving heart, and reverence paid off, Juan de Lorenzana disregarded the law discriminating against St. Martin because of his race, and allowed the young man to take his vows as a member of the Third Order of St. Dominic. That didn't mean life was easy for St. Martin, nor did it stop the racist and mean comments from some of his brother religious, who shamed him, called him degrading names, and mocked his presence.

Saint Martin kept his focus on his dream job as a religious brother, and did so with God at the center of his life, refraining on slinging hate and ugly actions back at the men, who despite their ugly behaviors proclaimed they were too living in honor of God.

St. Martin was assigned to care for the sick, diseased, and dying. He cared for them with great love and compassion - seeing Christ's creation in their very being. It is recorded that he had

extraordinary abilities and truly miraculous knowledge.

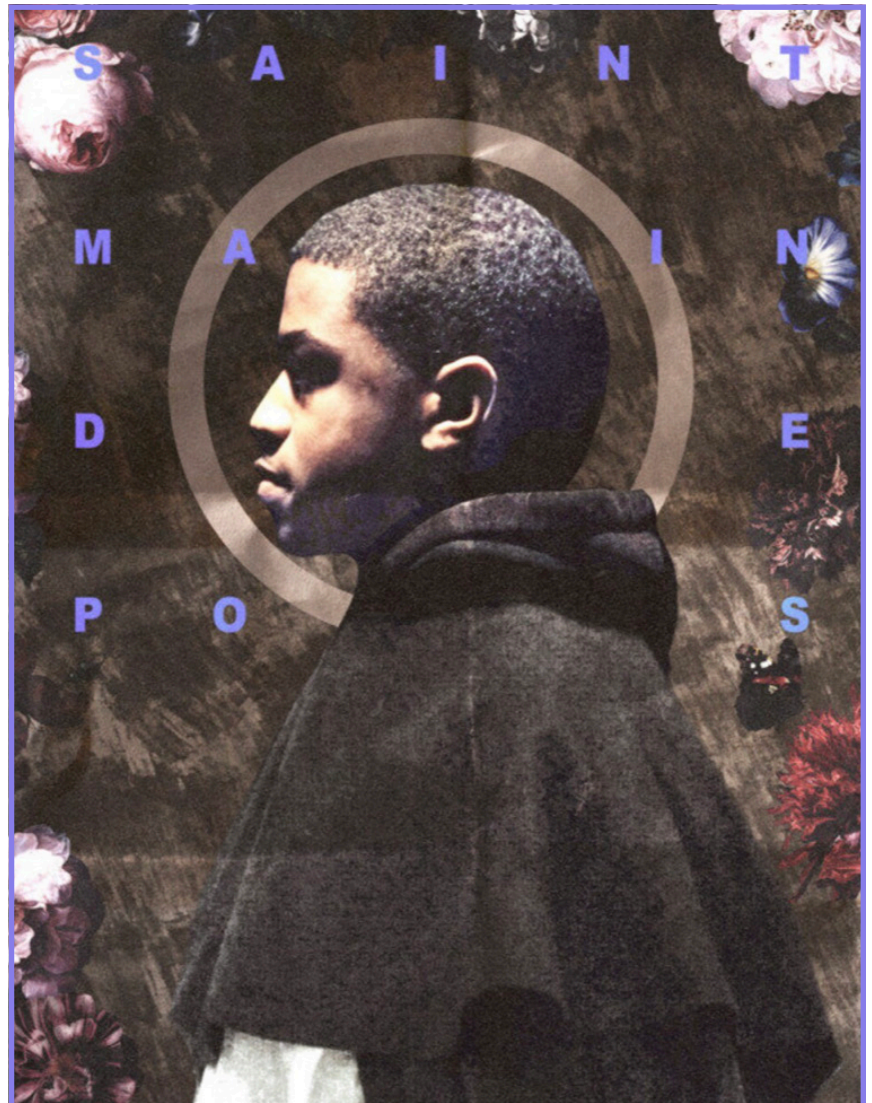
His life on earth was the epitome of one living out Christ's mission. He was friends with St. Rose of Lima, who was a member of the Third Order of Saint Dominic, and Dominican friar, St. Juan Macias. Many miracles have been attributed to him both after his life and during it.

Twenty-five years after his death his body was exhumed and was completely intact and reportedly a beautiful fragrance filled the air around those viewing the incorrupt body.

Saint Martin de Porres is the patron saint of racial harmony, those of mixed race, social justice, and health workers.

You can read more about him at: [STMARTINSHRINE.ORG](http://STMARTINSHRINE.ORG).

The image of St. Martin de Porres was created by Heart of IESVS, Portland, Oregon.





# PREACH BY THE WAY YOU LIVE!

## ST. CHARLES BORRROMEO



On Nov. 4 we honor St. Charles Borromeo as one who worked toward educating seminarians, reforming the Catholic Church, and creating the first catechism of the Church.

If he were of our world today, he may be mocked for nepotism. After receiving a degree in both theology and law by the age of 22, he was summoned by the pope – who happened to be his maternal uncle. Pope Pius IV made Charles a Cardinal. The young man was known for his organizational skills and ability to relate to all people. As

Cardinal he served over several countries and religious orders before he helped organize the Council of Trent in 1562.

Despite his position of privilege, St. Charles remained focused in his positions, actions, and reforms to reflect Christ's love for the faithful. He wanted them to know that they are the Church and God listens to them – all of them not just the people of power.

In 1566, he was able to return to Milan to serve among the people of the Church and the streets. When the people were suffering from a devastating plague, he sold his possessions and even the curtains of his palace in order for the poor to have proper medicine.

“Charity knows no distinction... we are all brothers and sisters in the Lord,” he said.

He was known for not only preaching, but living out his faith with his loving heart and strong will to please God, bringing Christ alive within us.

He said, “Be sure that you first preach by the way you live.”

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us, the Church, and all living and discerning religious life. Amen!

FALL BACK  
1 HOUR ON  
NOVEMBER 6, 2022



## A DAY IN THE LIFE OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES WEST VIRGINIA

By Beth Zarate, CCWVa President and Chief Executive Officer

Catholic Charities West Virginia works across the state to provide caring, compassionate services to vulnerable West Virginians. Every day is an opportunity to change lives.

We invite you to experience A Day in the Life of Catholic Charities West Virginia:



**7:00 a.m.** – Betty reports to the homeless shelter in Wheeling to begin meal prep for the day

**7:30 a.m.** – An in-home care provider arrives at the house of an elderly senior in Charleston to provide a hot breakfast

**8:00 a.m.** – Nick and Jessica and their three children welcome volunteers to their home in Greenbrier County to repair damages sustained from recent flooding

**8:30 a.m.** – Brittany works with Heather, a single mother approved for child care assistance in Ohio County, so she can return to school to better her life for her children

**9:00 a.m.** – A case manager helps Asha with rent money and a new car battery so she has transportation to look for a job

**9:30 a.m.** – Jane shares with a new day care provider the benefits of the Child Care Food Program and how to introduce healthy food choices to the children she cares for

**10:00 a.m.** – Keith brainstorms with the IT team the purchase of 15 laptops for clients

**10:30 a.m.** – Chad celebrates with Debra, an adult learner in Huntington who passed her Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC) exam to pursue a career in nursing

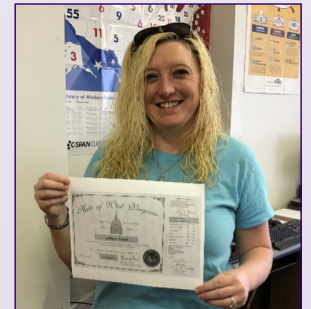
**11:00 a.m.** – Renée helps a new refugee family in Morgantown begin an English as a Second Language course

**11:30 a.m.** – Danielle and the finance team meet to review monthly financials

**12:00 p.m.** – Jeanne finishes up a community meeting in Romney to discern gaps in services and to solve challenges around lack of child care

**12:30 p.m.** – Beth and Sara have lunch with a donor to discuss our new Hospital Transition program

**1:00 p.m.** – Chris meets with his Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Outreach team to discuss how inflation is affecting families



**1:30 p.m.** – Wendy celebrates with a new mom as they review her child's progress upon receiving Birth to Three services for speech issues

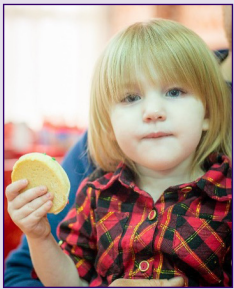
**2:00 p.m.** – The board of directors meet to review agency materials and discuss strategic goals

**2:30 p.m.** – John and the Advancement team meet to discuss the events calendar

**3:00 p.m.** – Matt and his team provide a food distribution at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Princeton

**3:30 p.m.** – Mark works with our attorney on new lease for Hazel's House of Hope in Morgantown

**4:00 p.m.** – Jeremy returns from a mobile food pantry distribution



in Roane County

**4:30 p.m.** – Tina helps a family with clothes in Webster Springs

**5:00 p.m.** – Bill works with the Knights of Columbus to coordinate their donation of a refrigeration unit



It takes all of us, working together, to ensure all people can access the services they need to be happy, healthy and reach their full potential. We appreciate all our supporters and partners who walk this journey with us.

To learn more about Catholic Charities West Virginia, please visit [www.CATHOLICCHARITIESWV.ORG](http://www.CATHOLICCHARITIESWV.ORG).

The Mission of Catholic Charities West Virginia: *Guided by God's love, Catholic Charities collaborates with community partners, parishes, and families to provide caring and compassionate services to people in need and work toward lasting and meaningful change.*



## THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### First Reading: Wisdom 11:22-12:2

God's mercy is for all. He loves everything and everyone He has made. In doing so, He reminds us to abandon our sinfulness and believe in His saving grace.

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### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145

"I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God."

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### Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

As St. Paul prays for the Thessalonians, he teaches us that Christ empowers us all to do good. Do not let false teaching keep you from eternal happiness with our Lord.

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### Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

Zacchaeus, who was considered in his community as a wealthy sinner, because he was a tax collector, was so excited to see Jesus he climbed a tall sycamore tree to witness the Redeemer. Jesus called out to him to come down and take Him into his home. Not only did the tax collector do it he also told Christ he would give half of his possessions to the poor and make right his wrongs. Jesus uses this moment to exemplify that He came to earth "to seek and save what was lost."

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# ALL SAINTS DAY

## NOVEMBER 1, 2022

### First Reading: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

The faithful of every nation, race, people, and tongue rejoice in the Lord in heaven.

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### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 24

"Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face."

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### Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

Have hope and trust in the Lord.

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### Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12a

Matthew shares the beatitudes proclaimed by Christ at the Sermon on the Mount. Although we may be suffering, God knows our afflictions and blesses us with His grace – hope we receive eternally in heaven.

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## PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Church and all her members, even if we have to go out of our way may we let nothing hinder our view of seeing Christ in the Eucharist and then go out into our communities to do the good God wants us to do, let us pray to the Lord. . .

For world leaders and all in position of authority, let us be living examples of mercy as we call upon God to be merciful to us – for this is the attitude we must have in order to be a people of peace in the world, let us pray to the Lord. . .

For those who are able but not physically present in the Church, may our prayers, love, and kindness open their eyes, making them as eager as Zacchaeus to see Christ and do good by Him, let us pray to the Lord. . .

For all the faithful, let us put our trust in the Lord, confidently thanking him in advance for all of our intentions spoken and unspoken, let us pray to the Lord. . .

*Lord hear our prayer*

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Church, that the saints and angels light our way as we continue our journey together for the Synod on Synodality to a united and energized congregation, let us pray to the Lord. . .

For government leaders, that they honor every human life from conception to natural death, let us pray to the Lord. . .

For all who are persecuted for their faith, let us be shielded from the wickedness of the devil and the evil spirits that prowl this earth, let us pray to the Lord. . .

For all the faithful, let us strive to live like the saints who inspire us, guide us, and intercede for us, let us pray to the Lord. . .

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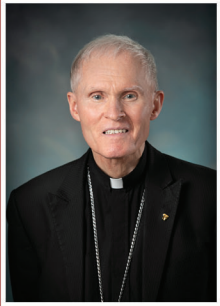




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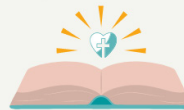
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