Saint Agnes



St. Agnes is an inclusive Catholic community dedicated to the love of God and service to others. We rejoice in the Gospel, the celebration of the Liturgy, and the Sacraments. We welcome the opportunity to share God's message and to bring all into the life of Christ.

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Sunday Readings

Isaiah 50:4-7
Psalm 22:7-8, 16-17, 18-19, 22-23
Philippians 2:6-11
Matthew 26:14-27:66

April 2, 2023 Palm Sunday

Holy Week

Monday, April 3

11am Mass

Wednesday, April 5

11am Mass

Holy Thursday, April 6

7:00pm Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

(all those present will be invited to participate and have their feet washed)

9:30pm Night Prayer -Church open for quiet prayer & reflection until 11pm

Good Friday, April 7

9:00am Morning Prayer

3:00pm Stations of the Cross

7:00pm Liturgy of the Passion

and Death of the Lord

<u>Holy Saturday, April 8</u>

9:00am Morning Prayer

NO Reconciliation or 5:30pm Mass

8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

Reception following Mass

Easter Sunday, April 9

8:00am Easter Morning Mass

10:15am Children's Program before Mass

10:30am Easter Morning Mass

11:45am Easter Egg Hunt

Office Schedule

Parish Office: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm
Cash Card Sales: Weekdays during office hours
(please call first)

A Note of Thanks

Heart felt thanks to all of the wonderful friends who acknowledged my birthday. It made my day!

Irene Dunn

St Agnes Scholarships

St. Agnes announces the 2023 Annual Scholarship Award! Active, participating members of St. Agnes who are graduating high school in 2023 are encouraged to apply for a scholarship to assist in furthering their education. The scholarship may be used for any institute of higher learning or trade school. Applications are available in the Narthex and the parish center or can be emailed to interested applicants (office@stagnesshepherdstown.org). Deadline for application submission to the office will be May 5th.

In your kindness, please pray for Jolanta Szarzalska, cousin of Frank Bielicki, who died this past week. May Jolanta share in the fulness of God's love and peace.

Remember in Prayer

Please pray daily for those serving in the Military, our veterans in recovery, and those recently ill especially Gene Falck, Patti Rico (dear friend of Joann Algeo), Peter Gervickas (brother of Sue Bosco), Mark Switzer, Shayla Harris Brown, and Richard Hitchcock. Names are placed in the bulletin for approximately one month and then those names are placed on the 2nd Friday prayer list and are remembered in prayer each month.

2nd Friday Prayer Group

A list has begun for the 2nd Friday in April. Please contact Judy (see below) at any time with names of individuals you would like to add or to join the group. Please contact Judy: 301-432-2276, jslilga8@gmail.com.

Scripture Sharing

Our Scripture Sharing group continues to meet on Mondays at noon with the exception of holidays (no meeting Easter Monday). Check the events calendar on the website for the Zoom link! All are welcome.

JCCM Food Pantry Current Needs

Spaghetti Sauce

Canned fruit

Canned meat (vienna sausage, spam, chicken, tuna)

Canned beans

Canned vegetables (not green beans/corn)

Soups (hearty and condensed)

Canned chili

Rice (small bags)

Instant mashed potatoes

Jelly

Peanut butter

Syrup

Instant oatmeal

Cereal

Crackers

Boxed Pancake mix

Biscuit Mix

Cooking oil

Deodorant

Shampoo

Conditioner

Paper towels

Toilet paper

Dish Soap

Laundry Detergent

Dear Parishioners,

As we enter this week into the Easter Triduum, we celebrate our most sacred days, and, after our Lenten journey, we come to prepare ourselves for healing and renewal. As we know, Jesus suffered, died, and rose from the dead, and has ascended to the right hand of the Father. What we do these days is not a reenactment. We know Jesus has already completed his earthly journey. What we do is enter into the Paschal Mystery, his death and resurrection, as it unfolds in us the body of Christ. Let's enter deeply into the mystery and allow ourselves to be touched by words, symbols, signs, and gestures; to be transformed by the presence of Jesus who leads us in these most solemn days.

The Triduum is really one liturgy in three parts as we move from Holy Thursday, as we celebrate the Liturgy of the Lord's supper where we are called to lives of service through feet washing; Good Friday and the Celebration of the Lord's passion, as we put our lives at the foot of the cross; and Easter Vigil, where we welcome our newest members who will be baptized and where we will also be inviting those who desire to join us in full communion with the Catholic Church as they are confirmed and receive Eucharist for the first time. I am reminded of a song from Van Morrison titled "the Mystery." The song says to "Let go into the mystery." After preparing for these days, we let go and experience the Paschal Mystery, being led by the Holy Spirit as we journey through death to new life to be renewed by our Risen Lord and experience Easter Joy.

Fr. Andy

Volunteer Drivers Needed

Catholic Charities is working with a Ukrainian refugee who is living with a sponsor family in Ranson. She is in need of transportation daily from her work at Weis Grocery store in Ranson to her home. This would be at 3:15pm, and it would take about 10 minutes to get to her home. If you can help, please contact Joan Garten at joangarten@me.com or 304-549-4074.

Easter Egg Hunt

All children are invited to join us at 11:45am (immediately after 10:30am Mass) on Easter Sunday, April 9. We will gather outside the church and then go in search of hidden eggs! BYOB: Bring Your Own Basket!



St. Agnes Perpetual Mass Memorial



On the first Sunday of each month Mass will be celebrated for all of our family members, loved ones, and friends enrolled in the St. Agnes Perpetual Mass Memorial. Newly enrolled this month:

Barbara Miller by Jane Edwards

Steve Barney by Jane Edwards

Terry Morris by St Agnes Parish

John Marklin by The Heinen Family

> Jeffrey Kodysz by Eileen Hedrick

> Joan Munson by Eileen Hedrick

> Marion Webber by Judy Lilga Maria Snowden Dolores Moriarty

Michael O. Pezzanite by Bernard Wolfe

> **Carol Tamara** by St Agnes Parish Judy Lilga

Krista Taylor by Jane Edwards

Pat Lewis by Judy Lilga

Julia Spernow Geaney
by Eileen Dooley & Denis Woods

Book Discussion Group

Our April 21 Book Selection is *CREATION AND THE CROSS:* The Mercy of God for a Planet in Peril by Elizabeth Johnson. In this fresh creative approach to theology, Elizabeth Johnson asks how we can understand cosmic redemption in a time of advancing ecological devastation. In effect, how can we extend the core Christian belief in salvation to include *all* created beings? We meet in the Parish Center at 11am on the third Friday of each month. We welcome anyone who wants to join us for one meeting or ongoing discussions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adult) is for those who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith and discerning if they might want to be professed members of the Catholic faith. The goal is to see where the process takes you. Father Andy is leading our RCIA process. If you are interested in learning more or joining the group, please call the office at 304-876-6436. All are welcome!

Emergency Response Committee

The recently formed St. Agnes Emergency Response Committee (SAERC) is developing plans to respond to emergencies at our facilities. While many steps have been taken over the years to provide a safe environment for our parishioners, we felt that we could enhance those actions by putting plans and structures in place to make sure all possible emergency scenarios are covered. It's a big task so we decided to prioritize our actions and focus on medical emergencies first. We have already begun by holding several training sessions for hospitality staff in CPR and First Aid.

We envision teams of parishioners who are assigned certain roles at each Mass and can be called to act in case of an emergency. Our first step is to identify and train parishioners who are willing to participate. On that note, we are seeking members who:

- -have some medical background such as doctors, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, RNs, EMT, etc.
- -have some background in security or first responders such EMT, police, firefighters, military, etc.
- -are simply willing to respond in an emergency.

Not all positions require technical skills. Some assignments are very basic as in calling 911.

This is a work in progress, but we feel it is important to assure all parishioners that as a community, we are prepared to respond and strive to create a safe and secure environment to worship.

If you are interested in participating in this effort or would like more information, please contact Teace Noel, a member of the St. Agnes Emergency Response Committee, at wvnoels@gmail.com.

Cinco de Mayo

Cinco de Mayo Celebration Keep watching the bulletin for upcoming information. Celebración de Cinco de Mayo Siga viendo el boletín para próxima información

2nd Annual St Agnes Car Show

Mark your calendars! Our 2nd Annual St Agnes Car Show will take place on Saturday, May 20, 10am-1pm on the church grounds. There is no fee to enter, but donations will be gratefully accepted. Trophies will be awarded along with Dash Plaques to the first 50 entries.

St Agnes Craft Show

Our St Agnes Craft show will take place in conjunction with the Car show on Saturday, May 20, 10am-1pm. Table spaces are \$25 and donation of one item to our raffle. You will have to provide your own tables, chairs, canopies. For questions related to the craft show, please contact Melinda (Melinda_y@comcast.net) or Jan (j_yates348@comcast.net).

Mark Your Calendars!

St Agnes Presents

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

June 9,10,11 and 16, 17,and 18.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat is a musical with lyrics by Tim Rice and music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, based on the character of Joseph from the Bible's Book of Genesis. Joseph is the favorite son of Jacob, and to show the world he loves his son, Jacob buys Joseph a coat of many colors. His jealous brothers sell Joseph to a group of hairy Ishmaelites, who then sell Joseph to an Egyptian noble. Joseph eventually lands in prison where his ability to interpret dreams gets him an audience with Pharaoh. Solving Pharoah's dreams get Joseph a maximum promotion, becoming Egypt's second in command. When famine hits Canaan, Joseph's brothers travel to Egypt in search of food, and meet up with Joseph. Seeing that his brothers don't recognize Joseph, he tests them to see if they have changed their ways.

This upbeat, family-friendly musical stays true to the Biblical story. It originated as a school project in London, England in 1968. The first professional production was in London, in 1973, and the first production with the musical in it's current form was in 1974. In 1982 "Joseph" made its Broadway debut, and the show has been enjoyed by millions ever since.

VIRTUS

St. Agnes Catholic Church follows the Diocese of Wheeling Charleston's policy for Safe Environment. If you have questions regarding Safe Environment, please contact our Safe Environment Coordinator at 304-876-6436 or email at formation@stagnesshepherdstown.org.

Family News

Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week! There are no CFF classes April 2 or April 9.

As we begin our journey into Palm Sunday and Holy Week, please consider attending as many of the Triduum services (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Vigil) as you are able to. It is a great opportunity to deepen your faith as a family.

Our Youth will be leading Stations of the Cross, Holy Friday at 3 PM in the church.

Please look at the "Dates At A Glance" for a quick check for upcoming activities.

If you are a parent and not receiving CFF announcements and emails, please contact the Parish center at 304-876-6436 or Bill Donahue at formation@stagnesshepherdstown.org. Parents are also encouraged to join our Youth Facebook Group. Please email Bill at the above email address for the link to the closed group. You shouldn't be able to find it any other way!

DATES AT A GLANCE

- April 2: Palm Sunday—No CFF
- April 6: Holy Thursday Liturgy—7 PM
- April 7: Good Friday
 - Stations of the Cross—3 PM Youth Led
 - Liturgy 7 PM
- April 8: Easter Vigil Mass—8 PM
- April 9: Easter No CFF
- April 9: Easter Egg Hunt after the 10:30 Mass-Church Lawn (Remember to bring something to hold your collected eggs
- **April 16:** CFF and First Eucharist Parent Meeting, 9:15 Parish Center
- April 21: <u>Family Movie Night</u>: 6:45 PM Parish Center
- April 23: NO CFF but First Eucharist Parent Meeting, 9:15 Parish Center
- April 23: <u>Youth Centered Mass 5 PM</u>
- April 29: First Eucharist Luncheon 12 Noon Parish Center
- April 30: CFF 9:15 AM Except for First Eucharist Children. First Eucharist Mass 10:30 AM
 First Eucharist Children please report to the church at 10 AM

THE YOUTH CORNER

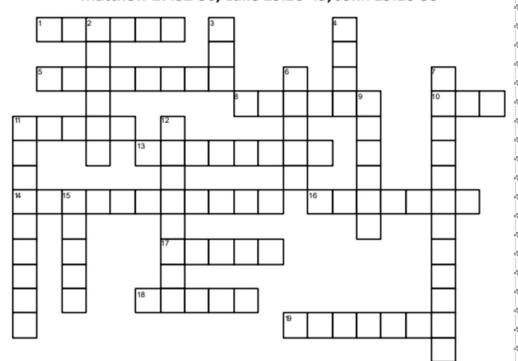
This Week's Gospel: Matthew 26.14-27.66

April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



JESUS IS CRUCIFIED Matthew 27:32-56; Luke 23:26-49; John 19:16-30



<u>Triduum</u>—This word comes from two Latin words, tri meaning "three," and dies, meaning "day." A triduum is a period of three days. The Easter Triduum includes the three holy days that celebrate the Death and Resurrection of Jesus. We measure the three days of the Triduum in the same way that Jewish people, our ancestors in faith, measure their days—from sunset to sunset.

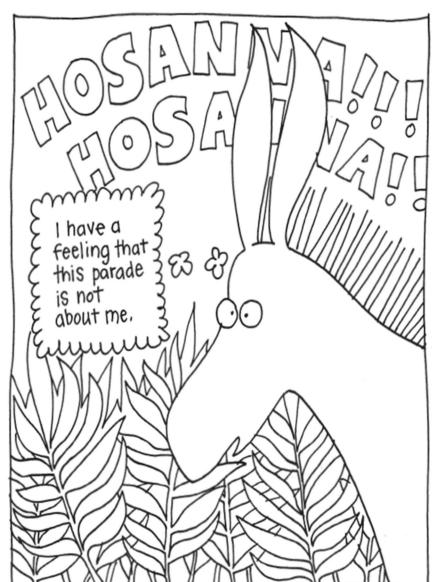
ACROSS

- 1 When the soldiers came up to Jesus, They offered him wine vinegar. What else did the soldiers do? (Lk. 23:36)
- 5 When Jesus was on the cross, what occurred from the sixth hour until the ninth hour? (Mt. 27:45)
- 8 A man from this city was forced to carry the cross behind Jesus. (Mt. 27:32)
- 10 How many criminals were crucified with Jesus? (Lk. 23:32)
- 11 As Jesus was led out of the city to be crucified, what did He carry? (Jn. 19:17)
- 13 What word shows that this may have been the time of Jesus' greatest suffering? (Mt. 27:46)
- 14 The soldiers who were guarding the cross, divided up Jesus' clothes by . (Mt. 27:35) two words
- 16 Pilate had a sign placed on the cross of Jesus. In what language was that sign? (Jn. 19:20)
- 17 When did Jesus say the repentant criminal would be in paradise? (Lk. 23:40-43)
- 18 Pilate had a sign placed on the cross of Jesus. In what language was that sign? (Jn. 19:20)
- 19 What important word did Jesus state in a prayer asking forgiveness for those who brought Him to His death? (Lk. 23:34)

DOWN

- 2 One of the criminals said, "Aren't You the ? Save yourself and us!" (Lk. 23:39)
- 3 Was Jesus' mother present at the time of the crucifixion? (Jn. 19:25)
- 4 Who did Jesus ask to care for His mother? (Jn. 19:26-27)
- 6 Pilate had a sign placed on the cross of Jesus. In what language was that sign? (Jn. 19:20)
- 7 What words did Jesus speak from the cross indicating His completing our salvation? (Jn. 19:30) three words
- 9 When Jesus called out from the cross asking the Father why was He forsaken. some people thought He was calling for this prophet.
- 11 How did the soldiers carry out the will of the Jewish leaders by order of the governor? (Lk. 23:33)
- 12 Another name for the Place of the Skull. (Mt. 27:33)
- 15 Jesus was led to the place called the _____. (Lk. 23:33





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The Gospel at Home

This Week's Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66

Palm/Passion Sunday celebrates Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. It begins the most solemn week of the Church year. During Holy Week, we remember Jesus' Passion, Death, and Resurrection. We also listen to the Passion according to Matthew at this Sunday's Mass.

Exploring the Gospel Message

Seeds (Preschool): Bring home a blessed palm and display it. Talk about welcoming Jesus into your home and into your hearts. Discuss the joy you have because Jesus is with your whole family. Sing hosanna in praise to Jesus.

Promise (Grades K-1): The class learned about how Jesus was welcomed to Jerusalem and talked about the ways we welcome people. Your child also reviewed all the events of Holy Week. Try to take your child to at least one of the Holy Week liturgies. Talk about Jesus' suffering and Death with your child, and comfort them with the promise of new life at Easter.

Good News (Grades 2–3): This week your child learned about the events of Holy Week. Ask your child to tell you what the words Hosanna, Friend, and Cross mean for the events of Holy Week. Decide together on ways you will celebrate Holy Week in your home. Work the word, Hosanna, into your prayers of praise for Jesus. Discuss, too, the meaning of Passion when talking about Jesus.

Venture (Grades 4–6): In class, your son or daughter experienced the many events of Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum. Ask your young person to share with the family, "My Good Friday Stations of the Cross," a booklet that contains dramatic paintings of the traditional moments in the final hours of Jesus' life. Plan to go to church during the week and pray the stations, guided by the booklet. At the end, kneel together and pray to understand the Resurrection's role in your lives.

Visions (Grades 7–9): Your young person's class tackled many questions to learn more about the events of Holy Week. Ask your young person to share the reports on how the city of Jerusalem welcomed Jesus and the events of Holy Thursday and Good Friday. Plan to attend Good Friday services together. After the liturgy, spend a few minutes sharing together what the experience meant to each of you.

Pray Together

Each day of Holy Week, plan to eat a simple meal together. Begin and end the meal with prayers appropriate to the day. For example, on Palm/Passion Sunday the prayer might simply be, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." On Holy Thursday, you may wish to use some of the prayers from Mass. The important thing is to bring the prayerful spirit of these days into your home.

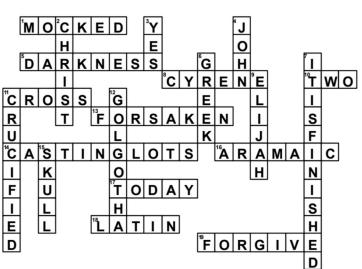
Video of the Stations of the Cross for Kids: https:// youtu.be/ IY2hcqxh7IA

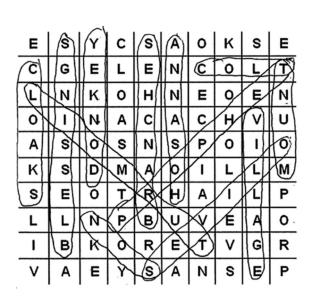
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St Agnes Racial Justice Initiative News

For most Americans the iconic image of the American cowboy of the Wild West is of a tough, independent, courageous, gun-toting white man on a horse. In reality some 25% of cowboys in the golden era of the later 19th century were Black, despite representing only 13% of the population at the time. In fact, before and especially after the admission of Texas to the U.S. as a slaveholding state in 1849, many cow "boys" were slaves brought there by their westward moving southern masters who as ranchers needed lots of cheap labor to manage their large cattle herds. After emancipation, freedom seeking Blacks found the West and the lifestyle of the cattle drives a welcome option from more racist, constricting occupations and environments. Groups of cowboys of various colors were a team that got along on the trail, with racist problems for Blacks usually only in the towns and cities they passed through. Many Black cowboys, as experienced ex-slaves, also served invaluable roles as cooks, entertainers, cobblers etc., in addition to their cattle managing duties.

Not surprisingly, given the racism prevalent in our country, the American Black was largely left out of the heralded American cowboy story. The best-selling American novel of 1902, The Virginian, one of the fifty best-selling novels of all time that helped make the American cowboy an iconic cultural figure, had not one Black character. American westerns (books, movies, tv) over the years rarely include this historical reality. When people think "cowboy" most would never think Black. They think John Wayne, Clint Eastwood, etc. In fact many American politicians have played this image for white votes, wearing their cowboy hats and dog-whistling values of the white, individualistic, gun-toting western cowboy as truly the American ideal (e.g. Theodore Roosevelt, Barry Goldwater, Ronald Regan. George W. Bush, and many others to this day).

History can be a great teacher to open the way to paths that unite us and do not divide us. We are all God's children. We can do better as Christ's disciples.

Let's Show the Earth a Little Gratitude!

With Earth Day fast approaching, our thoughts turn to caring for our planet. There are so many simple actions that can have a really big impact. For instance, did you know that just **turning off the faucet** while brushing your teeth can save 3,000 gallons of water each year? By switching to a **reusable water bottle** you can help keep 150 or more plastic water bottles out of the ocean. **Composting** eggshells along with fruit and vegetable scraps reduces food waste in the landfill and helps to create nutrient-rich soil. And, switching from single-use plastic baggies to reusable silicone bags creates far less waste and, in the end, saves you money!

West Virginia Eucharistic Congresses

2023 Eucharistic Congresses

Christ is Present! Will you be? Come to the Table – Spring 2023 Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

Don't miss this gathering of the Church in WV!

Spring 2023 will bring three regional Eucharistic Congresses to the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Faithful across the state will have three locations to choose from — **Charles Town**, Wheeling, and Charleston. These homegrown events are part of the National Eucharistic Revival, a three-year renewal of "the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist."

The Diocese of Wheeling- Charleston's Eucharistic Congresses are large weekend gatherings of faithful of all ages to bear witness to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. A Congress brings together people from a wide area for prayer services, celebratory music, Mass, enriching talks, Eucharistic Adoration, and more. The Eucharistic Congresses will tailor activities to target faithful of all ages. Each culminates with Mass with Bishop Brennan. The whole family is encouraged to attend along with our clergy, religious, and Catholic organizations, and schools.

And there is one convenient to St Agnes, April 21-22, at St. James Catholic Church, Charles Town. This free event features nationally known keynote speaker Father Luke Spannagel. In addition, our own Rodica Stoicoiu will be leading breakout sessions at St James.

Bishop Mark Brennan is calling all of us together to celebrate Christ's real presence and to see the faithful fully alive. "Believe what Christ said at the Last Supper, 'This is my Body. This is my Blood!'" This has been Bishop Mark Brennan's emboldening message to the faithful during his ministry.

We are also doing this to give each one of us the gift of time with God. God is truly a God of miracles. His love heals and transforms. Let this be a time to restore our mind, body, soul, and spirit.

Choose to attend and ask God to revive our love of the Eucharist, breathe His life into our lives and the Church.

For additional information and/or to register for the Eucharistic Congress, check out the DWC website at https://dwc.org/eucharistic-congresses/.

Sacred Art in Action

Byzantine Icon Workshop

June 19-23, 2023

Presented by Iconographer Tatiana Gubenko St Agnes Church, Shepherdstown, WV Pre-registration required For more information & to register visit: tagubenko@yahoo.com Or call 1-571-426-0319

Ugly Sleeping Bag Ministry

We are still in need of donated **blankets**, and **comforters** (any size) and also used **sleeping bags**. Items should be clean and in fair condition and can be dropped off at the parish center. If you would like to join our ministry, email Barbara Mueller at barbaramueller596@gmail.com.

Summer Camp

Camp Carlo Huttonsville, West Virginia June 25 – July 29, 2023

This camp is open to students in grades 3 through 12. The rate is \$325.00 per child with scholarships available. Early Bird Special Rate of \$275 applicable through June 1, 2023. There are 5 one-week camps from which to choose. Please contact Camp Carlo Director, Deacon Raymond Godwin at rgodwin@frontiernet.net or Camp Carlo Assistant Director, Maggie Moran at mmoran@dwc.org for more information.

Homebound Ministry

If there are parishioners who have needs (groceries, rides to doctors or pharmacies, etc.) our **HOMEBOUND MINISTRY** is willing to help. Please call Claire Williamson (304-876-1357), or Judy Lilga (301-432-2276).

Still Need a Summer Job?

The Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Camp is dedicated to leading young people to Christ and His Church. If you're committed to growing in faith, modeling faithful Catholic community life to young people, and living the adventure of His Creation, we want YOU at Camp Carlo for Summer 2023! If you are interested in serving the youth of West Virginia as a camp counselor for Summer 2023, please reach out to Deacon Raymond Godwin (rgodwin@frontiernet.net) or Maggie Moran (mmoran@dwc.org) for an application.

Haiti Coffee

We have Haiti coffee available at the parish center for purchase!

Parish Financial Activity

Collections - Last Week		
Offertory Collections		\$9,040
Monthly Mortgage Assistance	_	\$472
Total (Offertory + Monthly Mortgage Assistance)		\$9,512
Weekly Target (Offertory + Monthly Mortgage Assistance)	_	\$11,900
Total Collections Compared to Target	1	-\$2,388
Tithe to help those in need (St. Agnes tithes 10% of all offertory donations)		\$904

Collections - Year-To-Date (thru March)	
Offertory Collections	\$111,580
Monthly Mortgage Assistance	\$13,933
Total (Offertory + Monthly Mortgage Assistance)	\$125,513
Weekly Target (Offertory + Monthly Mortgage Assistance)	\$154,700
Total Collection Compared to Target	-\$29,187
Tithe to help those in need	\$11,158

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The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston maintains an Office of Safe Environment in accordance with the USCCB's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. To Report Suspected Cases of Sexual Abuse of Children: The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston encourages reporting to civil authorities first and foremost if a crime has been committed. We also encourage utilizing www.reportbishopabuse.org to make a report about any bishop in the U.S. If you have reason to believe that a bishop has engaged in sexual misconduct, please contact civil authorities in the applicable jurisdiction and visit www.reportbishopabuse.org. To Report to Civil Authorities: Contact your local law enforcement; numbers wil vary based on your location. If you believe someone is in immediate danger, call 911. To confidentially report any incidence of suspected child abuse or neglect, including sexual abuse, contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families' Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. To Report to Diocesan Authorities: In addition to civil authorities, the diocese encourages reporting to the appropriate church authorities. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse of children by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, contact one of the following designees at 1.888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; or Very Rev. Dennis Schuelkens, Jr., V.E., ext. 270. You may also call the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. In addition to the methods listed above for reporting sexual abuse, the Diocese also has partnered with Navex Global to offer the **EthicsPoint** platform to report other, additional concerns, such as suspected financial, professional, and personal misconduct of a priest, deacon, religious, or lay employee of the Diocese or any Catholic parish or school in West Virginia. The EthicsPoint platform can be accessed via www.dwc.org, under "Accountability", then "Report Misconduct" or by calling 844.723.8381. EthicsPoint is a third-party reporting system that reports to civil authorities where applicable and Diocesan authorities, and the identity of the person reporting is protected.

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