

S a i n t A g n e s



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

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13
Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Mass
Saturday, 5:30pm
Sunday, 8am
Sunday, 10:30am

Weekday Mass
Monday at 11am

Scripture & Communion Service
Wednesday at 11am

SMA Lenten Service
Wednesday, 7pm, New Street UMC

Stations of the Cross
Friday at 7pm

Lenten Communal Reconciliation
Saturday at 4pm

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



Mass Intentions

Saturday, 5:30pm Mass for
Sr. Mary Janelle, SND

Sunday, 8am Mass for
John King

Sunday, 10:30am Mass for
Ned Cocharane

May Sr Mary Janelle, John, and Ned share
in the fulness of God's mercy and peace.

In your kindness, please pray for Marion Webber who
died this past week. May Marion 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
Mark Switzer, Shayla Harris Brown, Ron McCafferty
(brother of Pat Merhaut), and Richard Hitchcock. Names
are placed in the bulletin for approximately one month
and then those names are placed on the 2nd Friday pray-
er 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.

Lenten Communal Reconciliation

On Saturday, March 25, at 4pm, we will have our **Lenten
Communal Reconciliation Service**. Please join us in cele-
brating this Sacrament of Reconciliation as a part of your
Lenten Renewal efforts. Reconciliation is also available
each Saturday afternoon, 4:30-5:00 pm.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday in Lent we offer Stations of the Cross at
7pm at the church. Stations of the Cross are a way to
pray and meditate on Christ's sacrifice for us. As always,
all are welcome!

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

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

Holy Saturday, April 8

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

Dear Parishioners,

This past Monday, March 13, 2023, we celebrated 10 years of the papacy of Pope Francis. I still remember in the Vatican when he came out in St Peter's square and asked the people for a blessing. I immediately, like many others, realized that this man was a great gift for our church. I remember the media scrambling when he took the name Francis. They thought, since he is Jesuit, that maybe he was taking the name after St. Francis Xavier only to find out later that he took the name after St. Francis Assisi. And we would find out that, like St Francis Assisi, he would rebuild a church that needed reform after the church had seen so much abuse of power. I remember a mentor of mine saying to me as a priest only ordained three years to watch Pope Francis and pay attention to him and he would show me how to do pastoral leadership. It is still amazing when I think about it that one of the people who I have never even met has taught me the most about being a parish priest is Pope Francis. I can look in both the joys of ministry and their storms as I have paid attention to Pope Francis; he has always steered the ship in right direction. Pope Francis has modeled servant ministry from day one, getting on the bus with all the other cardinals, going to the front desk to pay his hotel bill like everyone else, and greeting people after Mass in a church in the Vatican like a parish priest. This Sunday as we hear the readings I cannot help, but think about Pope Francis in them. The pope reminds me of Samuel who called David in the field to leadership as again and again he looks to the periphery for direction for our church and world. I see in Ephesians how Pope Francis, from his Jesuit tradition, has applied the gift of discernment in his pastoral ministry. I see in the Gospel of John and the man born blind how he has given us the gift of accompaniment and journeying with people so that they can experience the healing love of Christ. And, like Jesus in the gospel, Pope Francis steers the ship of the church away from rigidity and self-righteousness, refusing the road of exclusion and always choosing the path of inclusion. I remember a Glenmary priest telling me he was preaching to a group of Pentecostal pastors in the south and he kept calling Pope Francis my Pope, and the Pentecostal pastors corrected him saying do not call him my Pope, he is our Pope as well. As we do our ecumenical events in Shepherdstown perhaps we should remind ourselves he is our Pope and not just the Pope for Christians but for the whole world. Pope Francis, as we celebrate Laetare Sunday, thank you for giving us in your papacy the vision, as you titled it best in your first apostolic exhortation, the joy of the gospel!

Fr. Andy

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 Pharaoh'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.

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!

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

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.

Service, Justice & Peace Ministries

FEEDING THE HUNGRY & HOMELESS

Through the Spring and possibly beyond, we will be providing descriptions of our Service, Justice and Peace Ministries with an emphasis on **unmet needs**. We're hoping that some parishioners will be inspired by the Spirit to lend a hand. We need all the help we can get!

Three Wednesday evenings a month, four when there is a fifth Wednesday as is happening four times this year, parishioners prepare, deliver and serve 50 to 60 carry out meals for the hungry and homeless. The Youth always prepare the fourth Wednesday meal. They do most or all of the preparation on Sunday at the parish center, volunteers box and deliver the meals that fourth Wednesday. The first and second (and fifth) Wednesdays, parishioners (individuals, families or teams) prepare the meals at home or at the parish center. We continue to provide \$150 in cash cards for food purchases. The chefs usually deliver the meals themselves but sometimes need help.

Prior to covid parishioners may remember our Social Concerns weekends, the third weekend of every month. We collected funds to subsidize these food costs, and for other ministries as well. We'll soon be restarting our Service, Justice & Peace weekends but more on that later.

THE UNMET NEED – MORE CHEFS. For more information or to volunteer, contact Fanny Smith 304/876-3259 or frsmartip@gmail.com.

A SECOND NEED - DELIVERING YOUTH PREPARED MEALS ON THE FOURTH WEDNESDAY EVENING OF EACH MONTH
The meal delivery is pretty simple: leave St. Agnes at 5 pm, usually for Mt. Zion Episcopal Church parish hall, 215 East Washington St., Charles Town; meal distribution starts at 5:30. With COVID restrictions reduced, food distribution is again indoors. This allows some of the recipients to eat there, and also allows for more interaction with the folks, which is a big deal. Generally, the dinner is within take-out containers, sometimes with an addition (dessert or fruit). We utilize recycled (donated) plastic grocery bags to put the meals together so they can be transported easily. Into the bag goes the meal(s) in the take-out container(s), a set of fork and knife (if needed) wrapped in a napkin, a bottle (or two) of water, and any addition (fruit or dessert) if needed.

The whole process takes about 30 minutes tops. Lately, as we have been moving back inside, we have more of an opportunity to interact, which was the whole point when we started this.

If you are interested in volunteering, contact Joe Yates, 304-676-8059, joeyates47@gmail.com. Joe always welcomes folks who'd like to come along and meet and interact with the people we serve.

DELIVERING ST. AGNES DRY/CANNED FOOD, ETC. DONATIONS TO LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES

“For I was hungry and you gave me food...” - Matt. 25:35

Your generous food donations continue to put food on the tables of many people in our area. The first week of each month, food donations will be taken to Shepherdstown Shares, and to Jefferson County Community Ministries the remaining weeks. Any and all non-perishable food contributions are needed and sincerely appreciated. You may leave the donations in the narthex of the church or take them to the parish center during the week.

THE UNMET NEED – DRIVERS/VEHICLES TO DELIVER THE FOOD.

Now that the Knights are distributing the BLUE BAGS again, the donations have increased substantially. Thank you! But there's too much for Bill Sagle to pile in his small car. He needs help. If you can volunteer, contact William Sagle 301/800-1307, williamsagle@aol.com.

GOOD NEWS – More Freshly Roasted Haiti Coffee is Available! You may purchase it (\$10 a bag – for now) at the parish center Mon. – Fri. 9-4. We'll soon be selling it once a month at the Church. Watch for the announcement.

An Ecumenical Lent

Our Ecumenical Lent continues each Wednesday in Lent at 7pm. Each week, a different church will host and a preacher from yet a different church will lead. This is a superb opportunity for us as we seek to continue to deepen our relationship among the churches while making this a meaningful Lent. Please join us for as many sessions as you can!

Shepherdstown Ministerial Association 2023 Midweek Lenten Schedule

Week	Date/Time	Location	Preacher
4	March 22, 7pm	New Street UMC	Rev GT Schramm
5	March 29, 7pm	St Peter's Lutheran	Rev Dee Ann Dixon

THE YOUTH CORNER

This Week's Gospel:

John 9: 1-41

Cycle A

March 19, 2023

4th Sunday of Lent

Family News

CFF classes, First Eucharist parent meetings, and Youth Lenten Small group will meet today, Sunday, March 19th at 9:15 in the Parish Center. They will also meet next Sunday, March 26. **There is no CFF April 2 or April 9.**

Youth Meal for those in Need; Prep: Today, after the 10:30 Mass Parish Center

Sock Collection: The youth are collecting NEW socks to distribute to the needy as we deliver our "Meals to the Hungry." Socks will be delivered March 22 along with the meal prepared by our youth. Youth will be sorting socks along with making the meal for the hungry today, March 19th after the 10:30 Mass.

Looking for things to enhance your Lenten journey, consider Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent or the Wednesday evening Ecumenical Service.

Don't forget to 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!



"Jesus anoints the blind man's eyes with clay."

John 9:6

4catholiceducators.com

DATES AT A GLANCE.


- **March 19:** CFF, Youth Small Faith Group, and First Eucharist Parent Meeting, 9:15 Parish Center
- **March 26:** CFF, Youth Small Faith Group, and First Eucharist Parent Meeting, 9:15 Parish Center
- **April 2:** Palm Sunday—No CFF
- **April 6:** Holy Thursday Mass—7 PM
- **April 7:** Good Friday
 - Stations of the Cross—3 PM Youth Led
 - Mass 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)
- **Stations of the Cross** every Friday Night during Lent at 7 PM in the Church
- **Ecumenical Lenten Service** every Wednesday night at 7PM Location Varies: Churches of Shepherdstown

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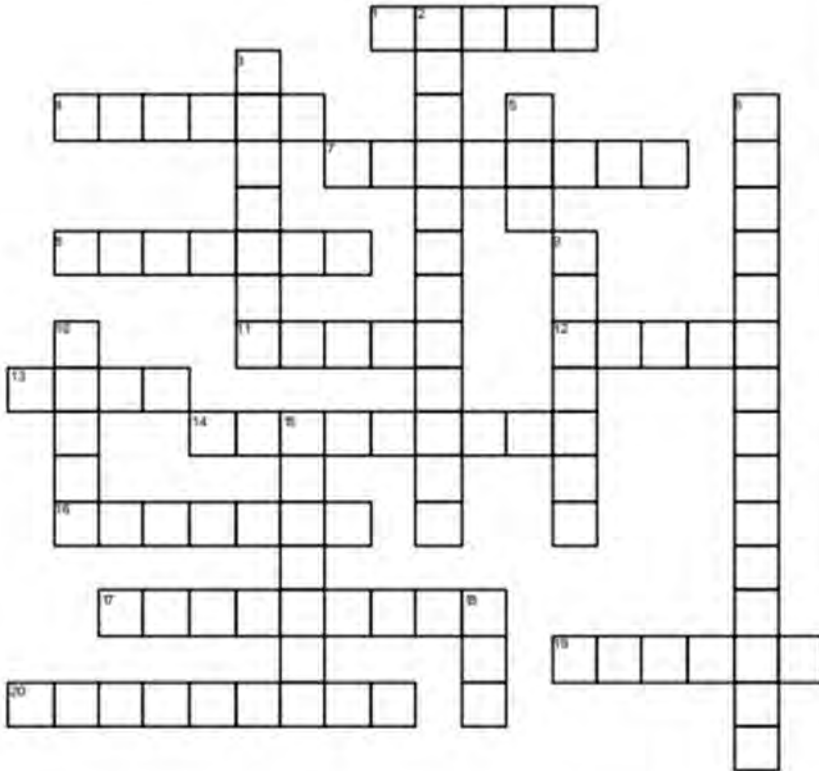


Youth Project: Feed the Needy



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JESUS HEALED A MAN BORN BLIND
John 9:1-41



ACROSS

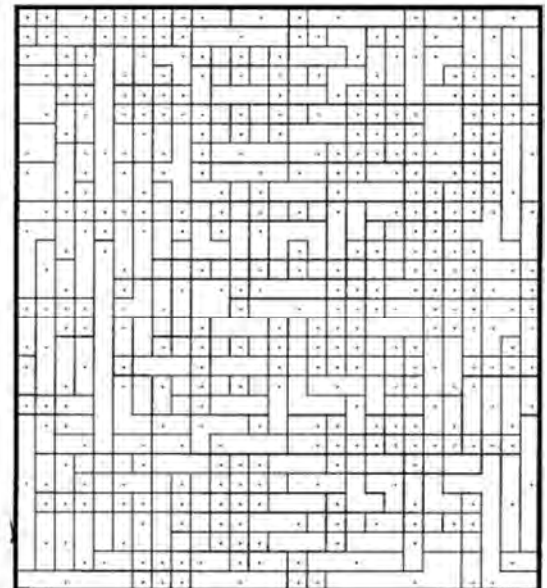
- 1 When the parents of the man born blind was questioned by the Pharisees, they told them (Pharisees) that he is old enough to _____ for himself. (Jn. 9:20-21)
- 4 Jesus was asked by His disciples, "Who _____, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" (Jn. 9:2)
- 7 When Jesus heard that the man born blind had been thrown out of the synagogue, He asked if he _____ in the Son of Man? (Jn. 9:35)
- 8 When the man who was blind was asked to comment about his sight, he said that the man who healed him was a _____. (Jn. 9:17)
- 11 What title did the disciples address Jesus to ask Him questions? (Jn. 9:2)
- 12 Jesus said that He is the _____ of the world. (Jn. 9:5)
- 13 Who did not believe that the man born blind was healed so they sent for the man's parents? (Jn. 9:18)
- 14 Jesus heard that the man born blind and was healed had been thrown out of the _____. (Jn. 9:35)
- 16 On what day of the week did Jesus heal the man born blind? (Jn. 9:14)
- 17 Upon questioning the man who was healed on the Sabbath day, who said that Jesus is not from God because He did not keep the Sabbath? (Jn. 9:13-16)
- 19 The parents of the man who was born blind were _____ of the Jews because if they acknowledged that Jesus was the Christ, they would be thrown out of the synagogue. (Jn. 9:20-23)
- 20 Jesus said that since the man was born blind, the _____ might be displayed to God honoring his life. (Jn. 9:3) three words

DOWN

- 2 After Jesus spit on the ground, made some mud with His saliva, He put it on the man's eyes. Then Jesus said, "God, wash in the _____." (Jn. 9:7) three words
- 3 When asked who sinned that this man was born blind, Jesus said "_____." (Jn. 9:3)
- 5 After the man washed his eyes in the Pool of Siloam, he was able to _____. (Jn. 9:7)
- 6 In the story of the man born blind, but now healed, speaks of physical blindness, those who refuse to believe in Jesus is _____.
- 9 Not only did the Jews not _____ the man's own words, but also Jesus' power to heal. (Jn. 9:18-23)
- 10 When the man, who was born blind, was questioned by his neighbors about his sight, who did he say healed him? (Jn. 9:8-11)
- 15 The man who was born blind and was healed, testified that if Jesus was not from God, He could do _____. (Jn. 9:30-33)
- 18 Finally the Pharisees told the man born blind and now healed that he was steeped in _____ at birth. (Jn. 9:34)



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In Jerusalem Jesus saw a man who had been born blind. No one thought that he would ever be able to see. But Jesus made some mud and put it on the man's eyes. Then Jesus told the man to go wash in the pool. When the man came out of the pool, what do you think happened? Color in every square that has a dot in it. Leave the squares with no dot blank. Then you will know what happened to this man.



Socks for the Needy

The Gospel at Home

This Week's Gospel: John 9:1-41

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus opens the eyes of a man blind from birth. It is the man born blind who sees Jesus for who he really is. The man's neighbors, parents, and teachers have sight but are blind to who Jesus is. In many parishes, those preparing for Baptism receive the Creed this week, and many of this week's lessons help young people know the Creed.

Exploring the Gospel Message

Seeds (Preschool): Young children are proud of their ability to recognize shapes and objects and call them by name. Ask your child to name different colors and shapes in your house. Teaching them the names of the different flowers, birds, and animals around them is a concrete way to help children see the wonders of God's Creation.

Promise (Grades K-1): This week your child learned to appreciate the sense of sight. Ask your child to share with the family the story of the man who was born blind. Talk about what a gift it is to see the wonders of God's world. Consider taking a walk around your neighborhood or area and notice all the things we can see and believe. Then talk about the many things we can't see, but we still believe, such as love.

Good News (Grades 2-3): Ask your child to show you the puppets he or she made in class. You may want to use the puppets to act out the Gospel story of the man born blind. Ask your child what a creed is. Talk together about what it means to believe and why it is important that we say the Creed at every Sunday Mass. Consider going outside to find signs of Spring like the story the class read this week.

Venture (Grades 4-6): In class, your young person read a comic telling the story of the blind man whose sight was healed by Jesus. Have your youngster point out the part of the story that he or she found most comforting or challenging. Ask your young person to share something learned about either the Nicene or the Apostle's Creed with your family. As a family, discuss how your faith has grown with each of you, and how you hope your faith will keep growing. Consider a discussion about King David from the week's lesson.

Visions (Grades 7-9): The Gospel of the man born blind gave your young person's class an opportunity to learn what it means to really see. Ask your son or daughter to tell the whole family about Louie—a legally blind teenager who works to help other people see. Talk about all the different ways of "seeing." Although we often say, "Seeing is believing," talk together about how "believing is seeing." You might want to end your family chat by reciting the Apostles' Creed (found on the last page of your child's lesson). Talk about how David was chosen King of Israel.

Pray Together

Have each member of the family write a short prayer that is only 140 characters or less. The prayer should be about how important it is to really see or to ask God to help you overcome your blindness. Younger children will need some help with their prayers. After all the prayers are written, let each person share his or her prayer with the family. If members of your family use social media, you may want to share these prayers with your followers, too.



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Please Help Us Bring Back Cash Card Sales After Masses

Prior to the pandemic, cash card sales at the church brought a considerable profit to the parish. The program has contributed many thousands of dollars to St Agnes throughout the years. Although we have continued to sell the cards in the parish office, it is not a convenient way for most folks to purchase them given the daytime hours. We have received numerous requests from parishioners asking that we resume the sale of cash cards after Masses, and it, obviously, would be helpful to begin the sales after Mass again. To do so requires the help of numerous volunteers, but the time commitment is actually pretty minimal. Please consider helping us to get this ministry off the ground again! To get more information or to volunteer, please contact the parish center and someone will call you back. Thanks!

Bulletin Ads

Our St Agnes bulletin ads are a major yearly fundraiser for us with an income potential of more than \$10,000. To realize that potential, we have to sell the ads. And, you guessed it, we are asking for your help! If you have a business, please consider advertising with us. If you know a business owner, please pass along our ad information to them. We can assure you, from experience, that our ads are widely viewed by our parishioners and the larger community. They are an effective way to bring attention to businesses. Not only are the ads printed in each bulletin, they also appear on our website.

For \$125, a business gets a 1x1.5 inch space for an entire year (July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023). There are also larger options to choose from. In addition to the ads appearing weekly in our bulletin, they are also displayed on our website. We are happy to help with ad design.

Though we are well into our ad year, we are still accepting ads and we prorate the cost accordingly. Contact the office for more information!

How Can You Help?

International Disasters:

Turkey, Syria, Ukraine, Poland, Africa, South America... Go to svdpusa.org and click on donate dropdown and "donate now." There, enter an amount and click on "Designate to" and there select "International Relief and Development." These funds will go to SVDP International in Paris for use in International needs. **WE CAN ALL HELP!**

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.

St Agnes Racial Justice Initiative News

In light of the 10th anniversary of the papacy of Pope Francis on March 13th of this year and the United Nations' International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination celebrated on March 21st each year since 1966, we share with you some reflections on the subject from Pope Francis.

In his remarks on the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination in 2021, Pope Francis likened racism "to a virus that quickly mutates and, instead of disappearing, goes into hiding, and lurks in waiting."

In his encyclical, Fratelli Tutti, promulgated at the tomb of St. Francis of Assisi on the day before the Feast of St. Francis on October 3, 2020, he wrote: "A readiness to discard others finds expression in vicious attitudes that we thought long past, such as racism, which retreats underground only to keep reemerging. Instances of racism continue to shame us for they show that our supposed progress is not as real or definitive as we think."

In a papal general audience on June 3, 2020 with English speaking people after the killing of George Floyd in the United States, he said: "My friends, we cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism or exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life."

Pope Francis speaks for the Catholic Church that includes people of every race throughout our world, that believes that every person is created in the image and likeness of God.

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 and peanut butter
Syrup
Instant oatmeal
Crackers
Boxed Pancake Mix
Cooking oil
Deodorant
Shampoo
Conditioner
Paper towels
Toilet paper
Dish Soap
Laundry Detergent



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).

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.

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.

St Leo Craft & Collectible Faire

St. Leo Spring Craft and Collectible Faire 2023
2109 Sulphur Springs Road
Inwood, WV 25428

Saturday, April 15, 2023, 10am-3pm
Sunday, April 16, 2023 10am-3pm

Climate controlled environment – Inside Event

This is an indoor event in the Fellowship Hall. We will have crafts and collectibles from several local crafters as well as collectible vendors. We will also have breakfast and lunch items for sale from our kitchen. Please come

Parish Financial Activity

Collections – Last Week

Offertory Collections	\$8,390
Monthly Mortgage Assistance	\$1,267
Total (Offertory + Monthly Mortgage Assistance)	\$9,657
Weekly Target (Offertory + Monthly Mortgage Assistance)	\$11,900
Total Collections Compared to Target	↓ -\$2,243

Tithe to help those in need \$839
(St. Agnes tithes 10% of all offertory donations)

Toy Drive

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Martinsburg Court #392 is collecting new toys for Mary's Refuge. There will be a clearly marked collection box in the Narthex next weekend, March 25 and 26, for you to place your donation.

Suggestions for toys (ages 2 and younger ONLY): baby books, wooden puzzles, mega blocks, stacking toys, montessori toys.

Monetary donations can also be placed in the collection box in an envelope. Please make checks payable to Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #392 with Mary's Refuge in the memo line. Donations can also be mailed to or dropped off at St Joe's church (235 S. Queen St, Martinsburg, WV 25401). Your support is very much appreciated.

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.

Haiti Coffee

There is fresh ground coffee from Haiti available for sale (\$10/bag) at the Parish Center.

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 will 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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St Joe's Hiring Full Time Maintenance Supervisor

The maintenance supervisor is responsible for keeping the school buildings and grounds clean, in good repair and orderly condition, while supporting and advancing the mission of the school.

Essential Responsibilities: Sees to and monitors needed repairs to school buildings and property—Shovels snow and ice as needed; keeps walkways clear of debris—Performs basic electrical, plumbing, heating and carpentry repairs—Assists in sweeping, scrubbing, waxing and polishing floors—Moves furniture, equipment and materials, between and in buildings or offices as needed—Operates equipment for transporting, pickup and delivery of equipment, furnishings, materials and supplies—Monitors HVAC systems to ensure temperatures are always at comfortable levels in buildings—Assists in transporting trash and waste to disposal areas as needed—Sets up and assembles furniture and/or equipment—Orders and maintains stock of janitorial and maintenance supplies—Checks buildings for signs of vandalism—Polices exterior of buildings, sidewalks and parking areas—Performs preventive maintenance on basic equipment—Ensures that the security and fire alarm systems are in sound working condition, and advises the supervisor when repairs are necessary; coordinates maintenance and repair work with contractors—Responds to emergency and security calls in the absence of the building and property supervisor—Maintains fire extinguishers and assists with fire drills—Performs other job-related duties as assigned—Supervises custodial workers

Please send a letter of introduction and resume to Principal Maria Byrd at mbyrd@sjsvwv.org.

Save the Date

Gala to support St Joseph School
 April 29, 2023 at 6:30pm
 St Leo's Catholic Church, Inwood, WV

Catholic Radio

The Eastern Panhandle Catholic Community Calendar can be heard on Fridays at 1030am and weekdays at 3:30pm on www.rdo.to/WLOL and at 530am, 1017am & 4:40pm on FM 106.5 and AM 740. And just send your parish and organization programs, events, announcements and prayers, to comcal@LoRadio.org and dedicated volunteers will get them broadcast. For more information on Catholic radio in West Virginia, call 304-598-0026.

St Joe's Seeks School Nurse

SJS is seeking a school nurse to provide clinic assistance to the school community during school hours for the safety and well-being of the students. Pay will vary according to education/experience.

- Qualifications**
- Registered Nurse (RN) or Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) -or-
 - Qualifies to obtain one of the above certifications combined with at least a year of clinical experience in the field
 - Knowledge of nursing and health care practices as applied to children and youth
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