

# 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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## **St. Agnes Chapel**

204 South Church Street, Shepherdstown

## **Sunday Readings**

Acts 10:34a, 37-43  
Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23  
1 Corinthians 5:6b-8  
John 20:1-18++

## Weekly Schedule

Weekend Mass

Saturday, 5:30pm

Sunday, 8am and 10:30am

No Weekday Mass

**Reconciliation:** Saturday, 4:30pm

**Parish Office:** Tuesday-Friday, 9am-4pm

**Cash Card Sales:** During weekday office hours  
(please call first)

## The Week at a Glance...

<b>Sunday, Mar 31</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NO CFF/Growing in Faith</li> <li>• No RCIA</li> <li>• Mass 8am and 10:30am</li> <li>• Children's Program 10:15am</li> <li>• Easter Egg Hunt 11:45am</li> </ul>
	
	<b>Monday, April 1</b>
	<b>Easter Monday</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>The Parish Office is closed today!</u></li> <li>• SVdP Advisory Board Meeting 6pm</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday, April 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board Games Group 3:30pm</li> </ul>
<b>Sat, April 6</b>	<b>SJP Weekend</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reconciliation 4:30pm</li> </ul>
<b>Sunday, April 7</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CFF K-12, Growing in Faith, First Eucharist Parent Meeting 9:15am</li> <li>• RCIA 12noon</li> </ul>

## Remember in Prayer

Please pray daily for those serving in the Military, our veterans in recovery, and those recently ill, especially Chet Gore, Barbara Mueller, Amirra Umpenhour, Laddin Audia, Lizzy Walls, Georgette Rush, and Janet Armstrong. Names are placed in the bulletin for one month and then those names are placed on the 2nd Friday prayer list and are remembered in prayer each month.

## Service, Justice, and Peace Weekend

This weekend, April 6 and 7, is our monthly Service, Justice, and Peace weekend. The Parish nurses will be available to take blood pressure and test blood sugar as well as the Knights of Columbus will be handing out blue bags to be filled with canned and boxed food for the hungry. There will be Haiti coffee for sale after all Masses, and donations will be accepted for Feeding the Hungry, providing feminine hygiene products and diapers for the needy, financial help for the education of young women in Kolofata, and support for mothers and babies by Mary's Refuge. Your generosity is so important.

## Knights of Columbus Raffle Tickets

The Knights of Columbus will be selling raffle tickets for the funding of Seminarians after all Masses on April 13 and 14. All proceeds from this raffle, go to aid our future Priests.

## Please Don't Fall Victim To Email and Texting Scams!

Lately we are hearing from far too many parishioners that they are receiving emails or text messages from someone posing as Fr. Andy or Fr. Mat. **If you ever receive an email or text from someone posing as St. Agnes staff asking for money, gift cards, etc., it's a SCAM.**

No one, not Fr. Andy nor Fr. Mat nor St. Agnes staff, will EVER write to you personally asking for 'favors' or to request for you to make a purchase or send money. You can usually tell by looking closely at the email address who sent the message. Emails from St. Agnes always come from [office@stagnesshepherdstown.org](mailto:office@stagnesshepherdstown.org). Emails from Fr. Andy will be from [aswitzer@dw.org](mailto:aswitzer@dw.org) or [aswitzer@stagnesshepherdstown.org](mailto:aswitzer@stagnesshepherdstown.org). These scammers are very crafty and often make some very slight variation on the actual email address, so you really have to look very carefully.

If you receive an email similar to this, simply delete it and be aware that online scams, etc. are part of our digital world. To protect yourself, it's important that you learn how to recognize these scams.

## Invitation to Discuss New Gathering Space

We would like to invite you to share your thoughts regarding next steps for our faith community. Based upon responses from the synod process, a small group of parishioners, with the support of Father Andy and the initial go-ahead from the diocese, are beginning to explore the need, desire, uses, and challenges of building a future gathering space. We invite you to share your thoughts regarding potential next steps. We are setting up a series of small group meetings following the same format we used for the synod meetings. We have specific questions to clarify the need, desire, uses, and possibility of building a gathering space. We will meet in small groups to pray, talk, and listen to each other and invite the Holy Spirit to inform us of the next steps. Sign-up sheets for groups will be available in the Narthex of the church following liturgies the first few weekends following Easter. There will also be sign-ups available on the website. We greatly appreciate your valuable time and insight into this evolving project.

## Let the Games Begin!

St. Agnes board-gaming community invites you to join us in building local community relationships through board and card games. Join us in the Parish Hall every Tuesday from 3:30-5:30 PM. You are welcome to bring your own games and snacks to share but they will be provided regardless. Mahjong will be a staple. All are welcome! *Parents/Guardians need to be present for any children attending.*

Dear Parishioners,

On Monday, we had our Bible study, and the group always has so many insights. I find I learn a lot that helps me to prepare for the weekend. One image that was shared was a family photo album and how, when you look through it, we often discover things we did not know before. This perhaps might be a good way to look at the Easter Vigil. We, in a sense, travel through our family photo album. And in one real sense, almost like a sci-fi movie, we travel back in time to hear the stories of our ancestors that have been passed down to us. We start with the story of creation, then the early matriarchs and patriarchs, the prophets, the poetry from the Psalms, and culminating with the Easter story. We then add our newest members, through Baptism, as part of the St Agnes family. These, each year, are our newest members in the photo album. You think about how large this album is with all the baptisms that have happened at St Agnes in what is now the historic chapel and then continues at our church now. These newest members who join the family album renew us each year. They help us to return to our youthfulness, refreshed and renewed by resurrection. Through the wisdom of church on the night of the Vigil, we recognize that the newest members lead us as they receive Baptism, and then we renew our baptismal promises. They then provide us with instruction until Pentecost. These newest members tell us, as they experience the sacraments for the first time, what they have tasted, felt, seen, and heard. They help us to see the Resurrection with new eyes. As we move through the family album this Easter, may our newest members renew our youthfulness and fill us with Easter Joy.

Fr. Andy



## Easter Flowers



Our parishioners have donated flowers in loving memory of Roger Hedrick, Art & Mae Gedeon, and Scott Rees by Eileen Hedrick; Rex A. Norton by Hilda Norton; Bill Fritchman by Nancy Curry; the Burleigh family, the Thompson family, the Moler family, the Greaser family, and the Robertson family by Judy & Bryan Robertson; Jane Kemerer, Wayne Kemerer, Guy Lattus, and Ann Lattus by Greg & Debbie Lattus; Patricia & Serge Vernice and Howard Shelkowsky by Joe & Teri Vernice; Francis Snowden, Rebecca McCauley, Jasen Quintana, Sophia Hansen, and Sandy Walker by Marie Snowden; Bruce Hughes Schmidt, Sydney Ronald Owens, Donald Eichler, Katherine Ann Dorr, and Mary Jane Mooney by Brigitte Schmidt; George & Dorothy Buys, John & Elsie Piccolomini, and Ron & Shirley Burkett by John & Dotty Piccolomini; Family & Friends by Lyle & Theresa Rush; James & Jeannette Chisholm, James R. Chisholm, and Harry & Harriet Botsford by Dean & Marie Botsford; K. Suzie Stamey by Christine Wiegman & Patrick Green; Kevin James McCormack by Joann McCormack; Ellis Armstrong, Thomas Bonner, Alma Bonner, and Mary Lou Anderson by Leo & Connie Bonner; Gary Dunlevy and Jerry Defilippo by Lynn Dunlevy; Elvira Risi and Almerinto Risi by Maria Lamanna; Philip Mueller and Kenneth & Anna McCullough by Barbara Mueller; Edythe B. Myers by Zach & Tricia Myers; Frank & Cecilia Vassallo by Eric & Anna Sokel; in honor of Fr. Andy Switzer by Zach & Tricia Myers; and as a gift to St Agnes by Raymond & Lucille Nelson, Dennis & Janice Wark, and Richard & Delcina Gomes.

## Be Prepared for the Eclipse!

A near-total solar eclipse is coming to our area! On Monday April 8th, around 3-3:30pm, the sun will be almost completely eclipsed by the moon. But be wary! You will need special glasses to view the sun during these moments, and be careful to purchase real ones—**fakes and knockoffs are abundant**. Looking directly at the sun's rays at this time can cause damage to your eyes so make sure to have proper, REAL protection during this amazing event. It won't happen for another 20 years—so make sure you can see it properly if the weather allows! The American Astronomical Society has published a list of solar safe options: <https://eclipse.aas.org/eye-safety/viewers-filters>.

## Scripture Sharing

Our Scripture Sharing group continues to meet via Zoom (link is on the website events calendar) on Mondays at noon (except holidays). All are welcome!

## El Salvador Presentation and More

In case you missed it, the presentation on Father Andy and Enid Roman DeJesus' recent trip to El Salvador was recorded and can be found on our website and YouTube. Future recordings like this can be found there as well.

Website: <https://stagnesshepherdstown.org/lessons-from-el-salvador-presentation-video/>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gfsDu4Os9HU>

## St Agnes on Social Media



[YouTube Videos](#)  
[YouTube Homilies](#)



**Can't make it to Mass or events?** Homilies and other recordings are being posted on our YouTube. The links are on the website (and if you are viewing this online, the links are here on the pictures). We are also on Facebook and Instagram; click to see what else is new!

## April is Autism Acceptance Month

April is Autism Acceptance Month. The recognition raises awareness about autism acceptance and promotes inclusion and connectedness for people with autism. Social and community support can help people with autism achieve optimal health and reach their full potential. The CDC promotes early identification and provides essential data on autism to inform programs and policies that support children with autism and their families. For more information, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism/toolkit.html>.

## Book Discussion Group

In our alternating schedule this would normally be the month we'd read a novel. However, this is an autobiography – and an astounding story.

*Hello Darkness My Old Friend; How Daring Dreams and Unyielding Friendship Turned One Man's Blindness into an Extraordinary Vision for Life* by Sanford Greenberg.

It's a bitterly cold February in 1961, and Sandy Greenberg lies in a hospital bed in Detroit, newly blind. A junior at Columbia University from a Jewish family that struggled to stay above the poverty line, Sandy had just started to see the world open up to him. Now, instead of his plans for a bright future—Harvard Law and politics—Sandy faces a new reality, one defined by a cane or companion dog, menial work, and a cautious path through life; but that's not how this story ends. Join us April 19th at 11am to discuss this story. Find more info about the group and a list of books: <https://stagnesshepherdstown.org/event/book-discussion-group/all/>.

## West Virginia Flooding Survey

A research team from West Virginia University and SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry is seeking insights from West Virginians on their experiences with past floods and preparation for future floods. The team is conducting an online survey on the topic and any WV resident 18-years or older is encouraged to participate. The survey should take 20-30 minutes to complete, and insights will help the research team create an online resource to help increase flood resiliency for West Virginia communities. Anyone who takes the survey can choose to be entered into a raffle for one of eight \$250 gift cards. To find out more go to <https://mapwv.gov/civic/> and to fill out the survey: <http://tinyurl.com/WestVirginiaFRF>.

## CPR/AED Training Classes from SFD

St. Peter's Lutheran Church will be having a CPR/AED training class taught by the Shepherdstown Fire Department. The class will be on one of the following Sunday afternoons in April: April 14th, 21st, or 28th. The class will be 4 hours, cost is \$25. Participants must be able to kneel on the ground and compress the manikin chest 2 inches. If you are interested, please contact Betty Rini at [bettyrini681@gmail.com](mailto:bettyrini681@gmail.com) before April 1st.

## Simple Acts to Save Our Planet

With Earth Day fast approaching on April 22nd, our thoughts turn to caring for our planet. Some excerpts from *Simple Acts to Save Our Planet—500 Ways to Make a Difference* by Michelle Neff:

- Reuse old socks or T-shirts for cleaning. Instead of throwing them out, **reuse old clothes** for car cleaning or even general cleaning around the house.
- Keep your fridge free of frost. A buildup of frost and ice only drives up your **energy use**. Check your freezer occasionally to see if there is unnecessary frost.
- Don't put hot food in the fridge. Putting hot food in the fridge makes the fridge work overtime trying to cool it down. Let it cool to **room temperature** before putting the food in the fridge.
- Use natural gas instead of charcoal for grilling. Charcoal produces tiny particles that pollute the air. By using propane or natural gas instead of charcoal, you won't be contributing to air pollution. Better yet, use an **electric grill** that is powered by the sun or wind and you'll really be grilling green!

## Let's Show the Earth a Little Gratitude!

With Earth Day fast approaching on April 22nd, our thoughts turn to caring for our planet. There are so many simple actions that can have a really big impact. 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!

## The Masterworks Chorale at Shepherd

On Saturday, April 20, 7:30 p.m. at the Frank Arts Center, Shepherd University presents "Come Away to the Skies: a High Lonesome Blue Grass Mass." This unique choral setting of the Catholic Mass incorporates traditional Southern hymns, such as "Do Lord" and "What Wondrous Love is This," accompanied by a Bluegrass band led by composer Dr. Tim Sharp, and featuring a play/sing-along of popular "roots" inspired music. Audience members are encouraged to bring their voices and instruments (guitar, banjo, mandolin, fiddle) for a community jam session. Tickets are available at [shepherd.edu/music](http://shepherd.edu/music).

## Catholic Sharing Appeal

The CSA is one of many ways that we are united in God's love as Catholics and as members of our Diocesan Family. In addition to providing funding for our own parish community, the CSA also delivers essential support for shared ministries, Catholic education, and evangelization & outreach efforts across the state. You can donate securely online (<https://csa.dwcministries.org/>), by mailing in the pledge card, or place your pledge card in the collection basket.



## Community Garden Starting Up

The Intergenerational Community Garden is getting ready for the new season. We welcome **any** level of involvement and would love to have your participation. Potential areas of engagement include: Planting seeds, watering, weeding, and harvesting

**If you are interested, please email Samantha Yates and Fanny Smith at [samanthaeyates@gmail.com](mailto:samanthaeyates@gmail.com).**

## Landscape Committee Upcoming Events

The St. Agnes Landscape Committee is gearing up to beautify and care for the grounds around the Church.

Here's a sneak peek at what we're planning:

- All hands workday with arborist Shawn Walker on [April 13 at 8:30/9am](#)
- Earth Day event on [April 21 at 11:30am](#)
- Share the original St. Agnes landscape design
- Other planting, pruning, and beautification projects all season! Keep an eye on the church calendar.

**Everyone is welcome to participate in any way you can.**

<https://bit.ly/landscape-workday1>

If you have any questions, contact Scott Hutton at [landscape@stagnesshepherdstown.org](mailto:landscape@stagnesshepherdstown.org).

## Homebound Ministry

For any parishioners with needs (groceries, rides to doctors or pharmacies, etc.), our **HOMEBOUND MINISTRY** is willing to help. Please call Judy Lilga (301-432-2276).

## Shepherdstown Community Club Earth Day Celebration

Bring your family and friends and enjoy a day at the park with the Shepherdstown Community Club and many other partnering organizations for the 1st annual Shepherdstown Earth Day Celebration! LIVE music, interactive demonstrations, craft vendors, plant/seed swap, a beer garden, and food! **April 27th, 2024 from 12noon to 6pm at Morgan's Grove Park in Shepherdstown, WV.**

More info on attending this celebration and becoming a vendor can be found here: <https://sites.google.com/shepherdstowncc.org/scc/earth-day>

## Ugly Sleeping Bag Ministry

We are still in need of donated **blankets, comforters, and sleeping bags**. Any sizes and new/used are accepted, but they *must be clean and in fair-condition*. They can be dropped off at the parish center. If you would like to join our ministry, email Barbara Mueller at [barbaramueller596@gmail.com](mailto:barbaramueller596@gmail.com).

## 2nd Friday Prayer Group

A list has begun for the 2nd Friday in April. If you have names to add or if you would like to join the group, contact Judy Lilga at 301-432-2276 or [jslilga8@gmail.com](mailto:jslilga8@gmail.com).

## Two New Courses Available in April

Two five-week courses are being offered through the University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) and the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. These courses are hybrid models; they are composed of both weekly live two-hour zoom lectures as well as a rich variety of online course materials and discussion experiences through VLCFF. The courses are being underwritten by the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston's Office of Evangelization & Catechesis, who pays 100% of the tuition and the cost of any books associated with the courses.

**Introduction to Prayer:** Prayer is our means of taking a sighting, of re-orienting ourselves—by re-establishing contact with our goal. In the presence of God, many components of our life fall into perspective and our journey makes more sense. Prayer is inseparable from living (Casey, p.5). This course explores prayer as essential to our lives as Christian people, as individuals and within our community of faith. Through this course, students will explore the qualities, forms, and expressions of prayer that help to form and sustain our lives as Catholic Christians. We will look at prayer as revealed in Sacred Scripture, explore both personal and liturgical prayer, and examine the relation between prayer united with Jesus and discipleship. This course is part of the sequence in the level 1 catechist certification series. This is a hybrid course, which will include materials online and a two-hour Zoom meeting once weekly on Wednesday evenings beginning on Wednesday April 10th at 7pm for five weeks.

**Ecclesiology—Reframing the Church:** This course is the third in the VLCFF Introductory ecclesiology sequence and continues to build the knowledge base for students about the Church. This course focuses primarily on the Church of Vatican II and how the Church is understood from the Council's teachings on liturgy, Scripture, structure, the role of the laity and its relation with the world. The ongoing Synod will also frame part of our conversation. This is a hybrid course, which will include materials online and a two-hour Zoom meeting once weekly on Monday evenings beginning on Monday April 8th at 7pm for five weeks.

For further information or to register, please contact the course instructor, Dr. Rodica Stoicoiu, at [rodicastoi-coiuphd@gmail.com](mailto:rodicastoi-coiuphd@gmail.com).

## SJS Presenting Musical Showcase

Tickets for Saint Joseph School's middle school showcase, "If the World Only Knew," are on sale now! The show is set for 7 p.m. Friday, April 19, in the school gym, 110 E. Stephen St. in Martinsburg. You may purchase your tickets here: <https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/sjsww/7467/event/1377072>. For more information, please contact Annie Woodmansey at [awoodmansey@sjsww.org](mailto:awoodmansey@sjsww.org).

## Free Community Safety Trainings

**Jefferson County Emergency Services Agency**  
**2024 FREE Community Safety Training Available**  
**for ERT and anyone interested**

### **Community CPR and Stop the Bleed:**

April 9, May 21, June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12, and December 10. All classes start at 6 pm. CPR courses are 6-9pm (3 hours).

To register and for more information go to the JCES website: <https://www.jeffersoncountywv.org/county-government/county-agencies/jcesa/community-cpr-first-aid>

*Interested in joining the St. Agnes Emergency Response Team?*

Contact Michele Goldman at [mgoldman9797@gmail.com](mailto:mgoldman9797@gmail.com) or Teace Noel at [wvnoels@gmail.com](mailto:wvnoels@gmail.com)

## Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress

**Indianapolis, July 17-21, 2024**  
**With Bishop Mark Brennan**

Participate in the pivotal moment in the Church and draw deeper intimacy with our Lord. Join our diocese by registering today! Scan the QR code to attend this historic event or visit the DWC website for more information, including itinerary and cost: <https://dwc.org/year-of-the-eucharist/>



## St. Leo Craft and Collectible Faire

St. Leo Fellowship Hall  
 2109 Sulphur Springs Road, Inwood, WV  
**Saturday and Sunday, April 6-7 10am-3pm**

- Several local crafters and collectible vendors
- Breakfast and lunch items for sale from our kitchen
- Climate-controlled environment (inside event)

Please come for fun and to shop! & Follow us on Facebook @ Saint Leo Catholic Church

## Laudato Si' and EarthBeat; GreenFest

Upcoming is the **Boonsboro GreenFest Swap & Recycling Event on Saturday, May 11th!** They will take a LOT of recycling, many things that cannot usually be taken elsewhere (some examples: medications, bicycles, building materials, batteries, musical instruments, wheelchairs)! There will be a drive-thru, drop-off loop with the option to stay in your car. There will also be live music, bottle crushing, tree giveaway, and swaps available for items such as: clothing, sports equipment, household goods, plants, books, and craft supplies. This event is public and not limited to residents of Boonsboro. If you wish to volunteer, help with set-up, clean-up, or reach out to the committee, contact [info@boonsborogreenfest.com](mailto:info@boonsborogreenfest.com). GreenFest: <https://www.facebook.com/events/765442532076520>

EarthBeat: <https://www.ncronline.org/earthbeat>

Laudato Si': [https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco\\_20150524\\_enciclica-laudato-si.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si.html)

If you have ideas/wish to join us, contact Carrie Blessing [carriejaneblessing@gmail.com](mailto:carriejaneblessing@gmail.com) or Kimberly Connor [connork@usfca.edu](mailto:connork@usfca.edu).

## 2024 St Agnes Scholarships

St. Agnes announces the 2024 Annual Scholarship Award! Active, participating members of St. Agnes who are graduating high school in 2024 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 (ask [office@stagnesshepherdstown.org](mailto:office@stagnesshepherdstown.org)).

**Deadline for application submission to the office will be May 10th.**

## Parish Financial Activity

### Collections – Last Week

Offertory Collections	\$9,875
Monthly Mortgage Assistance	\$411
<b>Total (Offertory + Monthly Mortgage Assistance)</b>	<b>\$10,286</b>
<b>Weekly Target (Offertory + Monthly Mortgage Assistance)</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>
<b>Total Collections Compared to Target</b>	<b>↓ - \$1,714</b>

**Tithe to help those in need** **\$988**

(St. Agnes tithes 10% of all offertory donations)

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](http://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](http://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](http://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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## Teachers and Substitutes Sought For SJS

Saint Joe's School is seeking substitute teachers for these positions:

- **Pre-K** Director full-time position
- **K-5** full time position
- Full time **math** substitute until May 2024 (may become full-time)
- Long-term school **nurse** substitute through late May

For more information or to send in a resume or letter of introduction, contact Principal Maria Byrd at [mbyrd@sjswv.org](mailto:mbyrd@sjswv.org).

**And seeking two Lead Summer Camp Pre-K Teachers**

Please email a letter of introduction and résumé to PK Director Katie MacKinnon at [kmackinnon@sjswv.org](mailto:kmackinnon@sjswv.org).

## Catholic Daughters Women's Retreat

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas is sponsoring a Resting in Jesus—Day of Recollection for Women Retreat. The event will be held on Saturday, April 13th from 9:15am-3:15pm at Priest Field. The event will highlight presenter Sr. Faustia Szaboova, ISMM (St. Faustina's Order), and there will be Mass, talks, confession, adoration, time for personal prayer, and spiritual conversations with the Sisters. Lunch is included! Tickets are available and limited; \$10 for CDA members, \$15 for non-members. Tickets will be on sale starting the weekend of March 16th. Call the St. Joseph Parish Office at 304-267-4893.

## Stay Up-to-Date with Mary's Refuge

Mary's Refuge invites you to stay up-to-date with their baby bulletin. You can find the bulletin via QR code or visit <https://marysrefuge.com/baby-bulletin/>.



## JCCM Food Pantry Current Needs

Canned meats (especially chicken)  
Mac and Cheese, Soup (tomato and hearty soups)  
Rice, Canned Beans  
Jelly  
Syrup, Pancake Mix  
Crackers  
Coffee (Instant and Ground)  
Canned fruit, Canned pasta  
Cooking Oil  
Razors, Shampoo, Conditioner  
Paper towels, Dish Soap, Laundry Detergent  
Cat and Dog Food

## Shepherdstown Shares Current Needs

Toilet paper, Baby wipes  
Regular, ground coffee  
Brown Rice  
Pasta Sauces, Ramen noodles (not the cups of soup)  
Small applesauce cups (unsweetened)  
Anything for diabetics  
Crackers, such as Ritz or Saltines  
Sturdy paper bags (especially with handles)

## Operation Rice Bowl: Time to Turn in!

It's time to turn in your bowls! Starting on Easter Sunday, you can bring in your bowls to the Parish office. Please try to bring them in within the month of April so we can get them counted and turned in.

**ORB Website:** <https://www.crsricebowl.org/>

*Catholic Relief Services (CRS) carries out the commitment of the US Bishops to assist poor and vulnerable overseas.*



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