

Saint Francis of Assisi Church

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Pastor's Study

How beautiful is the Christmas story. For Catholics and many Christian churches, the Christmas story begins nine months before December 25th.

Christmas began in a beautiful town called Nazareth. There the angel Gabriel came to a young woman named Mary. "Hail, Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with you." The messenger of God asked Mary to be the mother of God.

Mary replied, "I am the servant of the Lord. I will do what God wants me to do." Mary said yes.

In that moment, God become human. In the womb of Mary, the child Jesus was conceived and began to grow. This week we may reflect on this amazing event.

"God so loved the world He sent His only begotten Son."

Christians live by this truth. We never walk alone. Jesus is always with us.

I pray you rejoice in this blessed Christmas.

Announcements:



Fr Pat invites everyone to attend Bible Study: Thursdays at 6:00 pm at the Rectory!

Mass Schedule:

Wednesdays at 8:15 am

Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Sundays at 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Sundays on Facebook at 11:00 am

Confession – Saturdays at 4:30 pm

Church Office Hours:

Tues-Fri 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Closed Wed 11/24 - Fri 11/26

Mass Schedule

Sat	December 18	5:00 pm	Jenny Jones by Nilda Ramella
Sun	December 19	8:30 am	Mary McGrath by family
Sun	December 19	11:00 am	Intentions of the people of the parish
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Remember in your prayers...

We lift up those who are sick & those who have asked for our prayers: Peter Anania, Ruby Bailey, Mary Berry, Sandie Bowen, Mary Berentes, Cyndy Brown, Dolores Buhl, Rudy C. (child), Jim Carey, Eddie Carper, Suzanne Carte, Charles Chandler, Sharon Charbonniez, Gina Crist, Bertha DeLuca, David DeLuca, Dominic (child), Jay Dlugos, Polly Downey, Mary Downing, Louise and George Elliott, Suzanne Farley, Nona Fields, Jo Fletcher, Jose Flores, Deborah Garrett, Robin Gothard, Anthony Graham, Wanda Graham, Dewayne Harris, Tara Harrison, David Harwood, Ann Harvill, Aubrie Hebb, Laurie Hebb, Carolyn Holstein, Daniel R. Hood, Larry Hudson, Mary Ellen Hughes, Bud Humphreys, Chris Fletcher, Linda Fletcher, Jim Johnson, Dawna Kessler, Charles Lacy, Larry Leros, Madison Lopez, Susan Lopez, Mike & Sue Martin, Brent Marstellar, Claudia McDonald, Janet McDowell, Karah McKinney, Benny McNeely, Mary McNeely, Mason Jeffrey Metrie, Joe McQuaide, Lillian Matheny, Larry Meeks, Dayna Miller, Sue Miller, Lucas Mitchell (child), Vicky Moon, Mark Moreland, Leandra Morlan, Dwight Morris, Haidi Moussa, Barbara Murray, Marie Nelson, Sarah Newcomb, Ed Parrish, Cheryl Parsons, Debbie Parsons, Harrison Patronik, Brianna Peterson, Jamie Peterson, Walter Pinkerton, Cindy Powers, John Radochio, Angie Ransom, Chuck Ratcliff, Shirley Rectenwald, Amber Rinehart, Angelo Ritson, Susan Robinson, Jensen Rogers, Eddie Rowan, Jim Ruch, John & Pat Ruddle, Ann Russell, Bob Sanney, Lee Sargent, Scarlett (baby), Pat Scates, Mary Catherine Seli, Mark Shoemaker, Bob Smith, Chuck Smith, Jean Smith, Teresa Smith, Joseph Swanson, the Thomblin family, Charlie Truitt, Colleen Ullmer, Monica Watkins, Judy Watson, Stan White, Donovan W. (child), Roberta VanHorn, Nancy Vannatter, Pat Vannatter, Robbie Vannatter.

Please join us in prayer as we ask for God's guidance & protection of our military men & women serving in dangerous combat areas of the world: "Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands, especially those associated with Saint Francis of Assisi parish."

Matthew Todd Bacchus, Nicholas Fletcher, Bill & Mike Hebb, Daniel Huffman, Will Knox, Brian Zachary Miller

Immediate prayer needs:

Daniel R. Hood

Marie Nelson

Jamie Swanson

Carolyn Holstein

Darrell Herold

Jay Dlugos

Suzanne Farley

If you or a loved one need a priest to visit you while in the hospital or an extended care facility, please contact the church office at 304 727 3033. Father Charles Anemelu is the chaplain for our vicariate and he is happy to make visits. Please call the church office and we can assist you in arranging a visit. Thank you!

Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston:

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504