

Saint Francis of Assisi Church

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Pastor's Study

We are most willing to make sacrifices for people we love and ideals we cherish. Throughout the history of Christianity, women, men, and even children have given their lives as a witness to our faith in Jesus. Even today, our fellow Christians endure persecution and danger to attend Mass and practice our faith in many other countries.

Jesus – in our Sunday's Gospel – tell us that we will have to struggle on this Earth and find our salvation in Heaven. In dramatic words, Jesus, who was crucified, tells us that we will suffer in this battle to save our souls. The effort is great, but the prize is greater. We want to be in Heaven.

Heaven is perfect joy. First Heaven is a place of wondrous beauty and comforting peace. "Words cannot describe what God has prepared for those who love Him," Saint Paul says.

Heaven is a place where we hope to unite with our cherished family and friends. For this reason, we pray for them and show them Christian example.

Most important is a state of mind, a way of existence. The kingdom of God is where we shall and who we have become. Jesus teaches the way we achieve holiness. On this Earth, we reject the ways of evil: pride, greed, jealousy, lust,

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resentments, anger, and selfishness. We cannot carry these traits into the pure love of Heaven. Rather we learn to become kind, generous, pure, forgiving, and prayerful.

We pray to Jesus today as He comes into our hearts in Holy Communion, to give us the grace and strength to be victorious in the battle.



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
Sundays at 11:00 am
Sundays on Facebook at 11:00 am
Confession – Saturdays at 4:30 pm

Rectory Office hours:

Monday – closed
Tues – Fri – 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Mass Schedule

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no weekday Mass this week.. Resumes Wednesday, October 6th.

Sat	October 02	5:00 pm	Guy Yackway by Nilda Ramella
Sun	October 03	8:30 am	Leonard Charles Chuck Mills by family
Sun	October 03	11:00 am	Margaret and Robert Stover by family
Sun	October 03	11:00 am	[online Mass] Intentions of the people of the parish

Remember in your prayers...

We lift up those who are sick & those who have asked for our prayers: Peter Anania, 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, Larry Hudson, Mary Ellen Hughes, Bud Humphreys, Chris Fletcher, Linda Fletcher, Jim Johnson, Dawna Kessler, Charles Lacy, Larry Lerose, 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, Cheryl Morgan, 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, Roberta VanHorn, Nancy Vannatter, Pat Vannatter, Robbie Vannatter, Brenda Venturino.

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:

Marie Nelson
Jamie Swanson
Carolyn Holstein
Darrell Herold
Jay Dlugos

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