

Prayer-Fasting-Almsgiving



GIVE UP something important to you.
DO something important for someone.

PRAYER: go beyond Sunday Mass



- Pray the rosary
- Stations of the Cross on Fridays 6pm
- Adoration Wednesdays & Saturdays
- Celebrate Sacrament of Reconciliation

FASTING: Eating one regular meal

- and two small meals (age 18-59)
- refraining from meat (14+) Fridays



ALMSGIVING: take steps outside ordinary lives and routines

- Help at Catholic Neighborhood 18th Street
- Donate food, clothing to a shelter
- Visit the sick, pray for the dead,
- Visit a cemetery



The First Sunday of Lent

OUR LADY OF PEACE - MARCH 9, 2025

690 Mount Olivet Road, Wheeling WV 26003

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Parish Office number: 304-242-6579 Business Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-2:00pm

PARISH OFFICE

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Cecilia Donahoe, Office Manager
Cell 304-231-4053
Lorie Lipinski, Secretary

JOINING THE PARISH

New parishioners are welcome.
Contact the parish office to register.
Visit our website: olpww.org to print
out our registration form. Or stop by
the parish office Monday-Friday
(8:00am to 4:30pm)

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00pm
Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet 4:00pm
Confession, Rosary, Benediction
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: No Mass
Tuesday, Thursday: 8:00am
(followed by the Rosary)
Wednesday: 6:00pm
Adoration: 5:00pm
Confession, Rosary, Benediction
Novena following Mass
Friday: 8:00am (Summer)
School Mass: 8:30am (see bulletin)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND PENANCE

Saturdays: 4:00-4:45pm
Wednesdays, 5:00-5:45pm
By appointment: 304-242-6575

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

March 9, 2025
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Every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. — Luke 6:44



Sacrament of Baptism

Parents should contact Father Joseph to make arrangements for the celebration of this sacrament. A preparation session is required for first-time parents.

Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance

Celebrated on Saturdays from 4:00-4:45pm; Wednesdays from 6:00-6:45pm. Also make an appointment by calling the rectory.

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should contact Fr. Joseph at least six months prior to desired wedding date.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Individual reception of the sacrament can be arranged by contacting Fr. Joseph. Anyone who is anticipating surgery is encouraged to request this sacrament prior to entering hospital.

Becoming Catholic (RCIA)

Any non-Catholic interested in becoming a Catholic Christian can contact the parish office for information regarding The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

Catholic School

Information regarding enrolling your child at Our Lady of Peace Parish School, contact school office at 304-242-1383.

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

Classes meet every Sunday from 9:20-10:20 am from September to May. Registration in August.

Receive your bulletin (by mail or email)

Call 304-242-6579 or email at parish@olpww.org

Please Remember in Prayer

Infirm and Shut-ins, the Sick of our Parish

Continuous Care: Carla Ueltschy

Good Shepherd: Karen Simons, Julie Stocking
Joseph Bechtel

Last Weekend Collection	Env	Amount
Weekly Collections	111	\$ 6,276.00
Memorial Contribution	1	100.00
Maintenance Reserve Fund	51	1,286.00
PayPal Online Transfer	1	120.90
Infant of Prague Novena	—	76.00
Diocesan Collections	2	55.00
WV Flood Disaster Relief	8	207.00
TOTAL	174	\$8,120.90

WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE: 315

Second Collection

Mar 22/23. Fund provides health insurance and retirement benefits to retired priests of DWC.

DATE	COUNTERS: 2025 SCHEDULE IN BINDER
MAR 9	Tiffany Hoffman, Sissy D'Cagna
MAR 16	George Hores, Rick Wilson

Liturgical Ministers for next Weekend

March 8/9, 2025

Svr; Reader; EMHC (Body); EMHC/EMHC (Blood). Grtr
—SATURDAY (Vigil), March 8

5:00pm A. Mattern / M. & A. Potts
S.Huggins;B.Pack;H.Nikolaus/E.Yahn Campbls

—SUNDAY, March 9

8:30am A.Glenn / C. & E. Rogers
R.Schneid; Becky D.; M.Zinn/C.Schane Becky

10:30am A.Kurko/J.Cox/ G.Bishop/ M.Braswell
T.Berisford;S.Wilson;Mike G./Cecilia Sheila/Peg

Liturgical Ministers for next Weekend

March 15/16, 2025

Svr; Reader; EMHC (Body); EMHC/EMHC (Blood). Grtr
—SATURDAY (Vigil), March 15

5:00pm N. & G. Thalman/ S.&L. Kasserman
M.J.Keim; J.Sanders; L.Simon/C.Yahn Erma



—SUNDAY, March 16

8:30am R.Ross/ O&B.Castle/D.Lucas
T.Burke; K.Roth; K.Zinn/K.Castle M.Gaughan

10:30am E.Roth/ E.Kime/ L.Wise
Grade 2; T.Morando; P.Bach/P.Gantzer S.Wilson

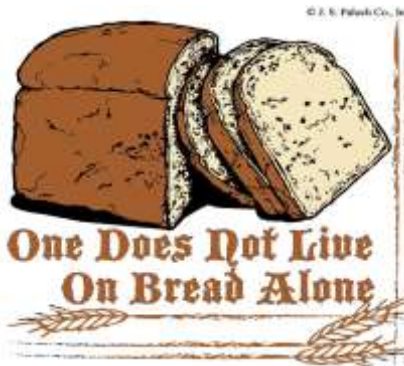


Our Lady of Peace CSA 2025 goal is \$26,500. The first 50% of the parish goal contribution goes to the diocese to support the various ministries and outreach efforts. Everything over the 50% of the parish goal goes to the parish (free of Cathedraticum and PHRA). **As of date: \$1,720 collected — 9 gifts — 6%**

MASS DATE	TIMES	MASS INTENTIONS	READINGS
Saturday (Vigil), March 8 First Sunday of Lent	(4:00 PM) 5:00 PM	(Adoration/Divine Mercy/Confession) Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace	Deut 26:4-10 Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 Rom 10:8-13
Sunday, March 9 First Sunday of Lent	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	† Charles & Virginia Curran <i>by Family</i> † Betty & Wil Hendershot and Lee Hendershot <i>by Marlene Evans</i>	Lk 4:1-13
Monday, March 10	*No Mass (7:00 PM)	(Rosary at 8:00am) Infant of Prague Novena <i>*guest homilist Rev. Douglas Sutton</i>	Lev 19:1-2, 11-18 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday, March 11	8:00 AM	† John & Gloria McAninch <i>by Family</i>	Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday, March 12	(5:00PM) 6:00 PM	(Adoration/Confession/Novena) Rosary Altar Society <i>by Ladies Auxiliary</i> <i>(members living and deceased)</i>	Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 Lk 11:29-32
Thursday, March 13	8:00 AM	† Don Klug <i>by Mary Jo Keim</i>	Es C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 Mt 7:7-12
Friday, March 14	8:30 AM	† Kissy Bowen <i>by Ginny Butler</i>	Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 Mt 5:20-26
		 3-6:00pm *credit card accepted	 The Stations of the Cross 6:00pm
Saturday (Vigil), March 15 Second Sunday of Lent	(4:00 PM) 5:00 PM	(Adoration/Divine Mercy/Confession) † Elizabeth Murphy <i>by Family</i>	Mt 5:20-26 Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14. Phil 3:17—4:1 Lk 9:28b-36
Sunday, March 16 Second Sunday of Lent	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	† Dr. John, Jr., Carmella & Virginia Battaglino <i>requested by a friend</i> Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace	

ALMSGIVING, PRAYER, FASTING, AND TEMPTATION

As we begin our season of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, the reading from Deuteronomy reminds us of our duty of almsgiving, that we “set [our offerings] before the Lord, [our] God, [and] shall bow down in [God’s] presence” (Deuteronomy 26:10). The reading from Romans refers us to our prayer, reminding us that “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart . . . For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” (Romans 10:8, 13). These are comforting words, and encourage us to ask God for what we need and to aid us in our prayer. Finally, the Gospel of Luke shows us a fasting Jesus, who was tempted as we are, and who knows what it means to be human. Someone once said that temptation arises when you’re tired and weary, and the devil comes along and makes it perfectly reasonable. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.





Our Lady of Peace Parish Infant of Prague Novena

Monday, March 10, at 7:00pm
Guest Homilist

Rev. Douglas Sutton

Special intention:

“Your words, Lord, are Spirit and Life.”

“The More You Honor Me, The More I will Bless You”

Reader: Sylvia H.. **Music:** Marilyn Schnupp

Knights of Columbus Servers: Ray, Ed, Pat

Olive Wood Sale—March 7/8

Be sure to stop by the tables after mass to see a large variety of items from the Holy Land available for purchase.



The Knights of Columbus will be distributing baby bottles after all the Masses on weekend of:

MARCH 8 & 9

The bottles are to be filled with donations, loose change, check (payable to Knights of Columbus) and returned on the Palm Sunday weekend Masses or drop off at the parish office anytime. All the proceeds from this collection are donated to the Gabriel Project which provides all necessary support for mothers in need, including pregnant mothers. Your cooperation with this project would be greatly appreciated.



Lent

 en Season begins **March 5**, on Ash Wednesday; ends with celebration of the Paschal Mystery (Easter Triduum). Lent reflects 40 days Jesus spent in the desert fasting and prayer.

Fish Fry begins Ash Wednesday; and Fridays in Lent, 3:00-6:00 pm.

Eat in or take-out.

— **CREDIT CARDS ARE ACCEPTED** —

MENU: \$7.25 FISH SANDWICH

\$2.00 SIDES \$1.00 BEVERAGE

Desserts available for purchase by the Ladies Auxiliary & Rosary Altar Society



Stations of the Cross begins, **March 7, 6:00 pm** on Fridays in Lent in the Church. Retrace the fourteen stations of final journey of Jesus Christ to Calvary.

*School stations Thursdays, 1:30pm

*Living Stations (Gr. 7/8), April 10



Pray for God's guidance and blessings for participants and those who help them.

Keep our catechumens (unbaptized) and our candidates (baptized) in your prayers, as they continue their journey in our OCIA program. **Sunday, March 16 is the Rite of Election at the Cathedral of St. Joseph at 3:00pm.** This is a powerful moment as these men and women move closer to becoming full members of the Catholic community, affirming their commitment and readiness for sacramental grace to come: **Matthew Artimez, Kyle Frum, Judith Beckett, Robin Dierkes, Brandon Kasserman, Daniel and Sarah Marshall.**

We look forward to welcoming them into the Catholic Church when they celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter Vigil (April 19).



March 8-14 Birthdays

Lillian Gates, Annetta Griffin, Michael Oliver, Steven Kosek, April Veltri, Coleton Berletch, Isadora Crow, Joseph Hickman, Andy Wesolowski, Lawrence Oliver, Bob Potts, John Wolen, Daniel Dimmick, Caleb Gamble

Old palms around the house? Do not throw these



blessed items away! Bring them to church to be properly disposed. Container is available in the back of church. Thank you.



Knights of Columbus — Council 12195 — Grand Knight, Ed Yahn

MEETING. Next meeting on Tuesday, March 11 at 6:00pm in the Art Room.

SERVICE TO ONE - SERVICE TO ALL

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY OF THE MONTH: CONGRATULATIONS goes to **Rick and Janet Campbell** for service to better our council, parish, school and community.



Ladies Auxiliary of the K of C ★ President - Marilyn Thalman

MEETING: Next meeting March 25 at 6:00pm in the Battaglino Hall.

KEEP THE SHOES COMING! TELL YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS. BOX IN BACK OF CHURCH

Vice President: Sylvia Huggins · **Treasurer:** Marlene McGovern · **Secretary:** Marlene Klamut

"Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble." --Psalm 91

Ladies Auxiliary are collecting new, gently worn shoes. Men, women, children; dress, casual, athletic shoes. Box available in back of church.



HELP US REACH OUR goal of 2,500 pairs!

We are off to a great start! Thank you.

Communication Ministry

Be a part of this great group of amazing people in this ministry! Mary Jo K. prepares "Thinking of You" cards for our shut-ins and home bounds; and Jean sends Christmas and Easter cards. Marlene K. prepares birthday cards for age 70+ parishioners.

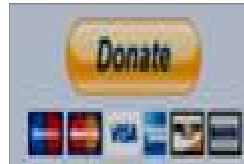
We have a large selection of donated cards and Leslie keeps cards organized as needed.

Consider helping with get well, sympathy, new baby and other important dates.

The cards are laid out on the table in the back of church weekly. Be sure to stop for a minutes to sign them. The more signers, the merrier!

*Sometimes, sending a simple, unexpected card to someone can have a huge impact on their well-being. ** If you know of someone in need of a card, please let the parish office know ♥*

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Feast of St. Joseph Dinner— March 19, 2025

Catholic Charities

18th Street Neighborhood Center.

We anticipate serving 80 -100 baked steak/ baked potato meals at 3 PM on that day and to provide "goody bags" of basic toiletry necessities for each diner.



Feast of Saint

Joseph

March 19

We will have a **collection box** in church vestibule to collect monies to be used for purchasing food and necessities for dinner. Please be generous.

There is a **sign-up sheet** in the back of church for volunteers to choose which hours are preferred. If you have any questions, you may contact Tom Burke at 304-281-6640. Thank you.

Our Lady of Peace AFTER MASS
 Parish & School **SOCIAL**
GATHER US IN April 5/6
GOOD FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP

American Red Cross
Give + blood. Thank you!
 We had a successful Blood Drive. Thank you to our donors & volunteers, especially the Knights of Columbus, Steve Roth, Tess & Tom Morando. Together we worked to save over 100 lives.

The newly formed Saint Monica Group is a support group for Catholics dealing with family and friends who have left the Faith. This support group is open to all Ohio Valley Catholics. The Saint Monica Group will normally meet on the **first Wednesday of the month** and will be held in the basement of Saint Alphonsus Parish (2111 Market St. Wheeling, WV 26003). The time of the meeting will begin approximately at 7:00 p.m., because it will follow the 6:00 p.m., Evening Mass and Adoration. You are all invited to Mass, Adoration, and the group meeting. The next Saint Monica Group Meeting is going to be held second Wednesday due to Ash Wednesday. The meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m., in the basement of St Alphonsus parish. Please consider coming to Mass at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome.



6:00 p.m. All are welcome.



**St. Michael's Lenten Pilgrimage
Basilica of the National Shrine
of the Immaculate Conception**

Saturday, **March 29**

Lunch and tour on the grounds before mass. Mass celebrated by Fr. Carlos @ 1pm / Tour @ 2 pm. Meet in the Angelus Center Parking Lot @ 4:45 am Bus Departs Wheeling@ 5 am Bus Leaves Washington DC @ 3 pm Reservations are taken on a first come first served basis when the registration form is submitted along with the \$50/per person check made payable to St. Michael Parish. Please include "pilgrimage trip" in the memo line.

The Laymen's Retreat

The Laymen's Retreat League invites all Catholic Men of the area to join us for a day of reflection with Rev. Msgr. Samuel S. Sacus from 8am to 5pm. The theme will be on the "Where we are and where we are going.". The day includes light breakfast and lunch. Cost: \$30 JOIN US . . . Saturday **March 22** at Saint Vincent de Paul Parish's Marist Center in Wheeling, Contact Don Klamut at 304-280-4626 or laymensretreatleague@gmail.com



**ARE YOU A MARTHA OR A MARY?
LIVING A BALANCED LIFE**

The retreat will be held on **March 28-30** at the St. John XXIII Pastoral Center in Charleston WV.

Sponsored by DWC Office of Evangelization and Catechesis. See brochure in back of church.

Natural Family Planning in the Waning Years

Are you approaching the end of your fertile years and trying to use NFP? Are you struggling to apply fertility rules that once seemed so simple? Could you use some encouragement? Bring whatever charting method you use (or wish you used!) and come talk about it with Heather Keimig, an experienced NFP teacher with her own waning fertility, in-person at Triumph of the Cross parish in Steubenville in the Marian Room and via Google Meet. Two cumulative classes will be on Tues, March 18 and Tues, April 1; 6:30 -8:30pm. Google Meet login is available upon request. Call Heather 301-233-2210 or teamkeimig@gmail.com.



**Bereavement Gathering 2025
Grief from a Faith Perspective**

If you, or someone you know has lost a loved one and may benefit from a gathering those grieving. They are held at Saint John Parish Center in Benwood, 6:00pm -7:00pm. **Next meeting March 31**



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info@olpschool.org
School News

- Mar 11** Book Fair Set up Battaglini Hall
Board Meeting
- 12** Principal Meeting
- 13** Stations 1:30pm
- 11-14** Book Fair
- 19** School Mass-Solemnity of St. Joseph
- 20** PK3 P/T Conference-No PK3 Class
PK4-8 P/T Conferences-No PK4 Class
K-8 Noon Dismissal
- 25** Innovation Day for Gr. 7 at CCHS

Parish School of Religion



Mar 9 Class **Mar 16** Class
Mar 23 Class **Mar 30** Class

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Do you want to fast this Lent?

- * Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- * Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- * Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- * Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- * Fast from worries and trust in God.
- * Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- * Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- * Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.
- * Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- * Fast from grudges and be reconciled
- * Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

— Pope Frances



MAKE LENT COUNT in 2025

Class with the **MOST MONEY** collected (on average) receives PAWS Pass (dress down day), lunch, AND an activity with Fr. Joseph and group picture in the bulletin.

GIVE CHANGE TO MAKE A CHANGE

As part of almsgiving to the less fortunate, our OLP/PSR students are giving change in LENT. The total collected go to the Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center 18th Street to purchase necessary items to fill the freezer.



2025 Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Last year was our first Vacation Bible here at Our Lady of Peace. **THANK YOU** to our volunteers who made work look like fun, while organizing registration, classroom, snacks, activity and technology needs. Older students joined in and helped with pre-show, singing, dancing while earning service hours. Everybody wins! Please call the parish office 304-242-6579 if you are interested in helping out. We would like to gather for a planning meeting this month. Bring your ideas and talent.

Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

The Cabrini Grant is a new program designed to assist families who are seeking to adopt or become legal guardians for children in need. This grant reflects our commitment to the sanctity of family life and the importance of providing loving homes for vulnerable children. In the spirit of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, who dedicated her life to caring for those in need, this initiative seeks to honor her legacy by supporting families in their noble endeavors. Make a significant impact in the lives of children in need of a loving home. *To read the letter in its entirety, email the parish at parish@olpwv.org.*



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