



The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

“Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.”
—Psalm 128

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH - DECEMBER 31, 2023

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JOINING THE PARISH

New parishioners are welcome.
Contact the parish office to register.
Visit our website: olpww.org to print out our registration form.

SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: 6:00pm
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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Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 31, 2023

My eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight
of all the peoples. —*Luke 2:30-31*



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

Liturgical Ministers for Next Weekend

Servers

Reader: EMHC (Body); EMHC/EMHC (Blood). Greeter
—SATURDAY (*Vigil*), January 6, 2024

5:00pm A. Mattern/ N. Thalman/ N.Weaver

B.Cox; A.Castle; L.Simon/J.Sanders. Henry

—SUNDAY, January 7, 2024

8:30am Knights of Columbus

M.Thalman; B.Dougherty; K.Roth/K.Zinn K.Roth

10:30am G.Bishop/S.Kurko/T.Schmitt/D.Koehl

G.Bishop; S.Wilson; M.Gantzer/T.Morando Guidi

Please Remember in Prayer
Infirm and Shut-ins, the Sick of our Parish

Continuous Care: Carla Ueltschy, Judy Fetty

Good Shepherd: Karen Simons, Julie Stocking
Joseph Bechtel

Last week's collections	Attend	Amount
4th Sunday of Advent	274	\$ 6,698.00
Paypal Online Transfer	1	23.79
Christmas	622	\$ 7,131.00
Memorial Contribution	—	130.00
Catholic Charities WV	—	\$ 1,626.00
TOTAL	897	\$ 15, 608.79

Merry Christmas—Happy New Year!

JANUARY — Second Collection
Jan 6/7. Parish Building Maintenance Reserve.
Funds collected help cover costs of maintaining church and school property and grounds.
Jan 13/14. Catholic Near East Welfare Association
Funds sent to papal agency for humanitarian, pastoral support; provide essentials of water, food emergency kits on ground in Holy Land.
Jan 20/21. Church in the Developing World.
Funds combine Church in: Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, Africa.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUAL PARISH SUPPORT

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or credit card or debit card

MONEY COUNTERS	
Jan 7	Tiffany Hoffman, Colleen Megna
Jan 14	Rick Wilson, Tiffany Hoffman

CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

GOAL \$24,920

37 GIFTS — \$13,612

55%

MASS DATE	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS	READINGS
Saturday (Vigil), Dec. 30 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	(4:00 PM) 5:00 PM	(Adoration/Divine Mercy/Confession) † Jason Kociban <i>by Carroll Mazure</i>	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5. Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 LK 2:22-40
Sunday, Dec. 31 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	No 7:45am Adoration (8:00 AM) 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	(Rosary) Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace † J.R. Gessler <i>by Family</i>	
Mon. January 1 Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God	6:00 PM not a holy day of obligation	† Doris & Bernard Oleska <i>by Family</i>	Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21
Tuesday, January 2 Saint Basil the Great Saint Gregory Nazianzen	8:00 M	† Walter Burke <i>by Tom Burke</i>	1 JN 2:22-28 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4 Jn 1:19-28
Wednesday, January 3	(5:00 PM) 6:00 PM	(Adoration / Confession / Rosary) † Marty Brosh <i>by Family</i>	1 JN 2:29-3:6 PS 98:1, 3CD-4, 5-6 Jn 1:29-34
Thursday, January 4 Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton	8:00 AM	† Jeff Dougherty <i>by Family</i>	1 Jn 3:7-10 Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 Jn 1:35-42
Friday, January 5 Saint John Neumann	8:30 AM	Intention of School	1 Jn 3:11-21 PS 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 Jn 1:43-51
Fri, Jan. 5 1st FRIDAY Sacred Heart of Jesus	(5:30 PM) *6:00 PM	(Adoration) † Douglas Smith, Jr. <i>by Smith Family</i>	
Sat., Jan 6 1st SATURDAY Special Mass	*10:00 AM	Intention for our Blessed Mother	1 Jn 5:5-13 PS147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Mk 1:7-11
Saturday (Vigil), Jan. 6 The Epiphany of the Lord	(4:00 PM) 5:00 PM	(Adoration/Divine Mercy/Confession) † Kevin Coleman <i>by Lora Kociban</i>	Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13. Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12
Sunday, January 7 The Epiphany of the Lord	(7:45 AM) 8:30 AM 10:30 AM	(Adoration / Rosary) Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace † Darrel Lee Hendershot <i>by Bob Gessler & Family</i>	

BEARERS OF THE WORD ★ The Church has placed a number of notable feast days immediately after Christmas. The feasts of Stephen, John the Evangelist, and the Holy Innocents form a summary of the life lived in Christ, the Word made flesh. What do these have to do with the feast of the Holy Family, which crowns the Octave of Christmas? These feasts remind us that suffering will occur in fulfilling the mission of Christ, and that we are all called to be bearers of this Word whose birth we celebrate. ★ We also see this manifested in the lives of Joseph and Mary, both of whom took social and religious risks in obedience to the will of God, and both of whom were open to the word of God sent to them from on high. In these ways they prefigured the life of Jesus himself. ★ Most likely, few of us found ourselves at Mass this past Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, but the essence of these feasts and the essence of the holiness of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus remain central, a holiness we celebrate today. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Antonietta Spinelli "Ann" Mitchell

January 17, 1938 to December 25, 2023



Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon her.
May the soul of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.

Please welcome our visiting priests who are covering masses while Fr. Joseph is home visiting family and friends. Thank you.

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Monday, January 1
6:00pm Evening Mass



"And the angel said to her in reply, "The holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, Son of God." Luke 1:35 *not a holy day of obligation.

Jan. 6 First Friday
Sacred Heart of Jesus
5:30 pm Adoration
6:00 pm Mass



Jan. 7 First Saturday
Intention for our
Blessed Mother
10:00 am Special Mass

All are welcome.

Our Lady of Peace
Parish & School
GATHER US IN

**AFTER MASS
SOCIAL
JAN 6/7**

GOOD FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP



Our Lady of Peace Parish
Infant of Prague Novena

Begins January 22 at 7:00pm
(9) nine consecutive Mondays

Guest homilists
Special intentions
Bring your prayers.

**All are
welcome**

"The More You Honor Me, The More I will Bless You"

"I command you:
be strong and steadfast!
Do not fear nor be dismayed,
for the LORD, your God,
is with you wherever you go."

—Joshua 1:9

HELP TAKE DOWN OUR
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Join us Sunday, January 7 at 1:00 pm.
Many hands make light work. Please help
us take down and store for next year.
All are welcome. Bring the whole family.

Continue to enjoy the Christmas Season:
Epiphany of the Lord, January 7. The image of



the Magi honoring Jesus has become a symbol of sharing him with the entire world. This is our opportunity to think about the way we live so that we can better reveal Christ to our world.

Baptism of the Lord, January 8
Take time this day to renew your
Baptismal vows and decide what
you can change in your life to help
you live as Christ did.



Morning Mass is canceled when there is a delay or cancellation for Marshall County or Ohio County

Schools, Be safe, stay home, stay warm.
See morning local news; call 304-231-4053.
To get on the morning mass calling list for
cancellation notification of morning mass
call or text number above. Thank you.

December 30 - January 6 Birthdays

Jessica Bell, C.J. Hores, Laurel Robb, Patricia Schane, Johnna Cramer, Marlene McGovern Sandra Blackwell, Gary Horvath, Jason Roth, Morgan Carroll, John Cramer, Debbie Gantzer, Kenzie Gray, Vicki Paul, Phyllis Amrhein, Peggy Bach, Jade Cox, Christine Costain, Ashley Wharton, Joseph Veltri



Knights of Columbus — Council 12195 — Grand Knight, Ed Yahn
 MEETING. Next meeting Tuesday, January 2, at 6:00 pm in the Battaglino Center.
 FOOTBALL FRENZY WINNERS. CONGRATS TO WK 1-6 WINNERS: Week 2 (AI Musilli);
 Week3: Dee Nikolaus, Evan Kerr, Todd Higgins; Week 4: Jerry McGlumphy.
 Good luck in the next round of games.

IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL

The Knights of Columbus Family of the Month: We send CONGRATULATIONS to the Chris Ducci Family in recognition of service to better our council, parish, community.



Ladies Auxiliary of the K of C ★ President - Marilyn Thalman
 NO MEETING IN JANUARY. Meet February at 6:00pm in the Battaglino Hall,
 GABRIEL PROJECT. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS!
 ENJOY BOOKS. Be sure to tell family and friends —few books left to sell.

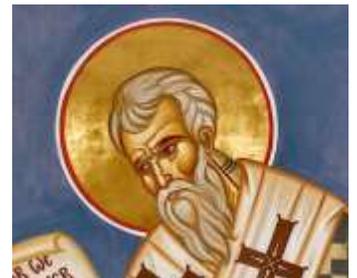
Vice President: Sylvia Huggins Treasurer: Marlene McGovern Secretary: Marlene Klamut

Tuesday, January 2

Saint Basil the Great: hermit who became bishop of Caesarea; noted for his learning; considered one of the four great doctors of the Eastern Church.
"Hell cannot be made attractive, so the devil makes attractive the road that leads there."



Saint Gregory Nazianzen: noted for his knowledge of sacred Scripture; called theologus for his outstanding teaching abilities and eloquence.
"Remember God more often than when you breathe."



2024 Church collection envelopes will once again be mailed to your homes two months at a time. The January/February envelopes should arrive next month. Please call or email the parish office of address changes. Thank you for your continual support of our parish.

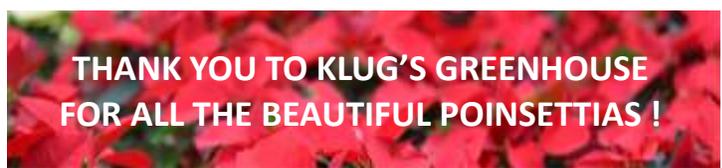
Thursday, January 4. **Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton:** raised Episcopalian; wife and mother of five children; foundress of the first congregation for women religious in USA, the Sisters of Charity devoted primarily to the education of the poor and to teaching in parochial schools; first native born citizen canonized.
"Oh my God, forgive what I have been, correct what I am and direct what I will be."



PARISH YEAR- JOIN US AT OUR LADY OF PEACE

Rosary for a Eucharistic Revival: we have some books available. Pick one up in back of church.
 The Chosen: Meet after the 6:00pm Mass in the Battaglino Hall. January 8, 15.
 Facebook: search "OLP people of Peace"
 Every other week the post is a written reflection by a fellow parishioner.
 Eucharistic Adoration: presence of the Lord
 Sun/7:45am Wed/5:00pm Sat/4:00pm

Friday, January 5. **Saint John Neumann:** missionary from Bohemia; bishop of Philadelphia; known for his holiness and learning; promoter of parochial schools; authored two German catechisms; first American bishop canonized.
"As Christ has His work, we too have ours; as He rejoiced to do His work, we must rejoice in ours also."





**Bereavement Gathering
Grief from a Faith
Perspective**

If you, or someone you know has lost a loved one and may benefit from a gathering for those grieving, please join us

6:00pm at S.t John's Parish Hall (700 Maint Street in Benwood). Bring a friend, all are welcome.
Next meeting January 29

**Catholic Neighborhood Center 18th Street
Volunteer Opportunity**

The center is in need of route drivers to deliver meals to shut-ins throughout Wheeling area. The center delivers hot meals six days a week. Call Tracey 304-232-7157, ext 2004 for details of days, and route information.

The Pike Route is in need of another driver in the rotation. Call the parish office if you would like **to "ride along" the route. It covers three houses, Brookpark Apts and Petropolis Apts.**

2024 Resolutions

When making your New Year's resolutions this new year, consider one change that will bring you closer to God: The Rosary is recited thirty minutes before weekend masses: come early and help recite a decade.

Euchre Tournament at St. Vincent de Paul

Friday, January 19
Marist Centre at 6:30pm
Tournament begins at 7:00pm. Cash Prizes.
\$10/person to enter.
8 Hand Limit per table
then rotate with partner.



PRIEST DISCERNMENT

This discernment trip is for men who are at least 18 years and older. The retest will run Sunday, March 10 until Monday, March 11. There is no cost for the trip itself, although the men will be responsible for their own transportation to and from the seminary. All other needs, including food and lodging will be taken care. There will be prayer, classes, talks. If you have any questions, email Fr. Phillip Szabo at pszabo@dwc.org

You may wish to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. Call parish office 304-242-6579 schedule mass intentions.

The 2024 Mass Book now available for scheduling.

Saturday/Sunday \$20
Weekdays \$10



The Legacy Society is made up of individuals/families that have been blessed and wish to share those blessings when they finalize their will and plan their estate. A mass will be said once a month for those generous individuals/families, in honor of the Legacy Society and your family name will be memorialized on the Legacy Society Tree which is found on the wall in the vestibule of church, making a lasting testament for generations to come. Questions, or for more information, call parish office 304-242-6579.

Our current members: †Battaglino Family (John, Virginia, Carmella), Jim Blatt Family, Dan Boston Family, †Dr. John Braddock, Mary Jean Brown, †Mr. & Mrs. William Braddock, †Goldie Edgel Family, Mr. & Mrs. George Ferdinand, †Stanley Gorsky, †Fr. Raymond D. Jablinske, †Tom & Grace Kolibash, William Kuster Family, Rev. Robert E. Lee, Curt Mason Family, †Paul & †Marcella McGinnis, Judith Sanders, George Saseen Family, †Bishop Emeritus Bernard W. Schmitt, Very Rev. Dennis R. Schuelkens, Jr., †Joseph & Margaret Synowiec, †George Weaver, Bruce Wilson Family.

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