



Second Sunday of Advent Our Lady of Peace – December 7, 2025

690 Mount Olivet Road, Wheeling, WV 26003

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Parish Office Number: 304-231-4053 **Business Hrs.:** Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

Parish Office

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Tijo George

Email: tgeorge@dwc.org

Office Manager: Cecilia Donahoe

Cell: 304-231-0453

Joining the Parish
New parishioners are welcome.
Contact the parish office to
register. Visit our website to print
our out registration form. Or stop
by the Parish office.

Weekend Masses

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

Weekday Masses

- Monday: No Mass
- Tuesday: 6:00 pm
- Wednesday:
 - Adoration: 5:00 pm
 - Confession, Rosary, Benediction
 - Novena Following Mass
- Thursday: 8:00 am
- Friday: 8:00 am (Summer)
- School Mass 8:30 a.m. (see bulletin)

Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance

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

Faith Formation

Coordinator: Meredith Wycherley

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Phone: 304-215-4807

Parish Music

Music Director: Shaun Hancher

E-Mail: smhancher14@gmail.com

Parish School Staff

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Office Manager: Erin McGovern
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Important Numbers

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Parish School: 304-242-1383

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Rectory: 304-242-6575





The Second Sunday of Advent

December 7, 2025
Year A



The earth shall be filled with knowledge of the Lord, as water covers the sea. - Isaiah 11:1-10

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents should contact Father George to make arrangements for celebration of this sacrament. A preparation session may be required for any first - time parents.

Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance

Celebrated on Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:45 pm; Wednesdays from 5:00 - 5:45 pm. Also make an appointment by calling the rectory.

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should contact Fr. George at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Sacrament of Anointing the Sick

Individual reception of the sacrament can be arranged. Contact Fr. George if anticipating surgery to request this sacrament prior to entering the hospital.

Becoming Catholic OCIA (Former RCIA)

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

Catholic School Education

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

Faith Formation

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

Receive Bulletin (By Mail or E-mail)

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Last Weekend Collection	Envelopes	Amount
Weekly Envelopes	98	\$3,647.00
Thanksgiving	1	\$87.00
Christmas Flowers	40	\$841.00
Memorial Contributions	2	\$2,050.00
Paypal Online Transfer	1	\$48.50
TOTAL	142	\$6,673.50

Second Collections in December

6/7 Parish Reserve Fund is used to maintain parish and school property

13/14 Retirement Fund for Religions distributes financial assistance to religious institutes in U.S.

24/25 Catholic Charities WV provides services to people of WV who need it the most; funds used to provide food, clothing, shelter for the poor, elderly, homeless, and those fighting addictions.

Date	Money Counters
Dec. 7	Stacy Rohmann, George Hores
Dec. 14	Marlene Evans, Tiffany Hoffman

Liturgical Ministers for this Weekend

Scr., Reader, EMHC (Body), EMHC/EMHC (Blood)

• Saturday (Vigil) - December 6

- 5:00 p.m.: R. Williams/ L. Komorowski/N. Weaver Becky C.; C.Yahn; B.Pack / H.Nikolaus Henrys

• Sunday, December 7

- 8:30 a.m. : Knights of Columbus A.Castle; K.Zinn; S.Thompson/R.Schneid Mike G.
- 10:30 a.m. : Er.&El Kime/ L.Wise/ E.Kerr Grade 7; B.Kime; B.Kurko/M.Gantzer Kemps

Liturgical Ministers for next Weekend

• Saturday (Vigil) - December 13


- 5:00 p.m. : A.Mattern/ A.Potts/ *server Peggy S.; L. Simon; MJ. Keim/ J.Sanders B.Cox

• Sunday, Nov. 16



- 8:30 a.m. : J.Paulus/ B.&M. McLean/E.Philipps W.Medovic; A.Castle; C.Schane/Becky D. Sechrest
- 10:30 a.m. : C.&E.Rogers/ J.Cox/ A.Kurko D.Gantzer; C.Zdilla; C.Donahoe/Tess M. S.Wilson

Mass Date	Times	Mass Intentions	Readings
Saturday (Vigil) Dec. 6 Second Sunday if Advent 	(4:00 p.m.) 5: 00 p.m.	(Adoration/Divine Mercy/Confession) † Maria Smith by Family	Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Rom 15:4-9 Matt 3:1-12
Sunday, Dec. 7 Second Sunday of Advent	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace † Paul Megna by Family	
Monday, Dec. 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary *holy day of obligation	8:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	† Judy Wallace requested by a friend Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace	Gen 3:9-15, 20 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Ephe 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday, December 9 Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin	6:00 p.m.	† George & Margaret Hoffman by Sherry Sarcopski	Is 40:1-11 Ps 96:1-2, 3, 10ac, 11-12, 13 Mt 18:1
Wednesday, Dec. 10 Our Lady of Loreto	5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	(Adoration) † Charles Freitas, Jr. by Cecilia Donahoe Advent Penance Service	Is 40:25-31 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 Mt 11:28-30
Thursday, Dec. 11 Saint Damasus I	8:00 a.m.	† Rick & Linda Caroll by Sherry Sarcopski	Is 41:13-20 Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab Mt 11:11-15
Friday, Dec. 12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe	8:00 a.m.	† Agnes Taylor by JoAnn Smith	Zec 2:14-17 Judith 13:18bcde, 19 Lk 1:26-38
Saturday (Vigil), Dec. 13 Third Sunday of Advent 	(4:00 p.m.) 5:00 p.m.	(Adoration/Divine Mercy/Confession) † Dr. John, Jr., Carmella, Virginia Battaglino requested by a friend	Is 35:1-6a, 10 Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10. Jas 5:7-10 Mt 11:2-11
Sunday, Dec. 14 Third Sunday of Advent "Gratitude Sunday"	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	† Peg Shepherd by Patti & Cork Schane Parishioners of Our Lady of Peace	

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Monday, December 8 Mass times: 8:30am & 6:00pm
 *this is a holy day of obligation



Advent Penance Service will be on Wednesday, December 10, after 6:00pm mass; Fr. George and visiting priests will be available for individual confessions. Come early and join us for 5:00pm Adoration. Other times of Confessions are:
Wednesday 5-5:45 pm & Saturday 4-4:45 pm

Raquelle Odette Harvey
Nov. 23, 2025
 Parents: Zane & Sara Harvey
 Godparents: Aiden Weisenborn
 Kylie Peters
 Grandparents: Robert & Kathy Keedy
 Sheri Harvey, Scott Harvey,
 and Jeannine Harvey - Shaw

Lord, surround this child with goodness. Lead her in Your light each day. Protect her as she grows.

Caroling to the Homebound – December 12
 All are welcome on Friday.
 Meet 5:30pm, in Battaglino Center. Car pool, sing carols to our homebound. Return for light refreshments. Call Marlene 304-780-5537



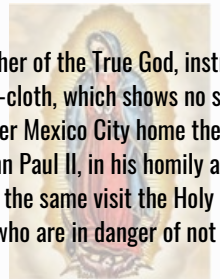
A Note from Fr. George – Ways to make Advent more meaningful

In Catholic families, Advent holds a special significance as a time of preparation and anticipation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. Here are some ways to make Advent more meaningful in Catholic families:

1. **Advent wreath and candles:** Light the Advent candles on the Advent wreath each week during family prayer time, focusing on the themes of hope, peace, joy, and love. Read corresponding scriptures and discuss their meanings.
2. **Daily Scripture Readings:** Incorporate daily scripture readings into your family routine. The Catholic Church provides a daily Advent scripture reading guide. Reflect on the readings together and discuss their relevance to your lives, using on the themes of hope, peace, joy, and love. Read corresponding scriptures and discuss their meanings.
3. **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Attend the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) as a family during Advent. This sacrament provides an opportunity for spiritual reflection, repentance, and renewal.
4. **Attend Mass Together:** Attend Mass as a family, especially on Sundays and on feast days during Advent. Participate in the liturgy, and encourage children to understand the significance of each part of the Mass.
5. **Jesse Tree Tradition:** Create or use a Jesse Tree, a symbolic tree adorned with ornaments representing key biblical figures and events leading to the birth of Jesus. This visual aid helps tell the story of salvation history.
6. **Novena Prayers:** Consider praying an Advent novena as a family, such as the Saint Andrew Christmas Novena. This involves saying a special prayer 15 times a day from November 30th until Christmas.
7. **Advent Calendar with Saints:** Use an Advent calendar that features Catholic saints and their feast days. Each day, learn about the life and virtues of a different saint and discuss how their example can inspire your family.
8. **Acts of Charity:** Engage in acts of charity and service as a family. Volunteer at a local charity, organize a food drive, or participate in other initiatives that help those in need.
9. **Special Marian Devotions:** Honor the Blessed Virgin Mary during Advent with special devotions like the Angelus, the Rosary, or the Hail Mary. Consider incorporating Marian hymns into your family prayer time.
10. **Christmas Pageant or Play:** Organize a Christmas pageant or play that reenacts the Nativity story. Involve family members in different roles, and use this creative activity to deepen understanding of the Christmas narrative.
11. **Advent Calendar with Religious Images:** Choose an Advent calendar that features religious images or artwork depicting the Nativity story. Each day, discuss the image and its significance.
12. **Family Retreat or Reflection Day:** Plan a family retreat or reflection day during Advent. Spend time in prayer, reflection, and discussion about the meaning of Christmas and how your family can live out its spiritual significance. By integrating these practices into your Advent traditions, you can create a spiritually rich and meaningful atmosphere in your Catholic family during this sacred season.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe – December 12

In 1531 a "Lady from Heaven" appeared to a poor Indian (St. Juan Diego), at Tepeyac, near Mexico City; she identified herself as the Mother of the True God, instructed him to have the bishop build a temple on the site and left an image of herself imprinted miraculously on his tilma, a poor quality cactus-cloth, which shows no sign of decay 488 years later and still defies all scientific explanations of its origin. Yearly, an estimated 10 million visit her Basilica, making her Mexico City home the most popular Marian shrine in the world, and the most visited Catholic Church in the world next to St. Peter's in Rome. In 1999, Pope St. John Paul II, in his homily at the Basilica, declared December 12 as a Feast Day for the whole continent, naming Our Lady of Guadalupe Patroness of all Americas. During the same visit the Holy Father entrusted the cause of life to her loving protection, and placed under her motherly care the innocent lives of children, especially those who are in danger of not being born.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY
December 6 – 12 Birthdays

Kaitlyn Blake, Kelsey Schau, Janice Banks, Mira McLean, Christine Zdilla, Corey Bryan, Amanda Macri, Michael Hough, Jayson White, Brody Dimmick, Katherine Kurko, Andrew Paulus, Tina Tordella

**Knights of Columbus – Council 12195 –
Grand Knight, Steve Roth**

MEETING: Great Christmas Party!

Next meeting Tuesday, January 6, 2026

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY OF THE MONTH:

CONGRATULATIONS goes to Roy and Sylvia Huggins for service to better our council, parish, school and community.

Support Needed for the Knights of Columbus Christmas Basket Drive

The Knights of Columbus would like to express our sincere gratitude for your generous support of our Christmas Basket drive. Your contributions have made a significant difference in our efforts to bring joy to those in need during the holiday season.

Despite the kindness shown by our community, we are currently \$250 short of the goal required to fully fund the gifts for this initiative. To ensure that we can provide for all intended recipients, we kindly ask for your continued assistance.

If you would like to contribute to this worthy cause, please place your donation in one of the envelopes located at the back of the church. You may then deposit the envelope in the regular collection basket. Every gift, no matter the amount, brings us closer to our goal and helps share our blessings with those who need it most.

We deeply appreciate your ongoing support and generosity. Together, we can make a meaningful impact in the lives of others and spread the spirit of giving throughout our community.



Youth Christmas Party!

Sunday, December 21st, following the 10:30 am mass.

Join us for food, cookies, games, and fellowship.

We will be making blankets for St. John's home for boys. Please come and help give the boys some warmth this Christmas. We are collecting toiletries for them as well.



Tess 304-280-9282
Mark 304-312-0583
Darlene 304-281-4968
Lisa & Greg 304-312-9940

Next meeting Dec.7 Questions, concerns, keep in contact with Fr. George and OCIA team.



Mass Social
Saturday & Sunday
December 6/7

Good Food,
Fun, &
Fellowship!

WONDERS The normal response to a surprise is amazement, gratitude, and delight. By definition, we don't anticipate surprises. Their occurrence reminds us that we cannot always guess or shape the future. Granted, we do what we can do; we attend to the daily tasks, as we must. For grace is surely here in the mundane, and God is in the details. But God is in the happy surprises, too. Today's readings are filled with startling developments. We hear the clarion cry of one of those rare prophets announcing the coming of the Lord. Isaiah proclaims startling, surprising images of the nearly impossible reconciliation of opposites: calf and lion, leopard and young goat, child and serpent. Isaiah's vision sees all of these creatures living in harmony. This is Eden again; this is paradise.

Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus

President: Adele Wilson, Vice President: Carol Mazure, Treasurer: Marlene McGovern, Secretary: Sue Burns

Christmas Party:

Sunday, December 7 at 2 pm. No meetings in January.

Quarter Auction:

Thank you Ladies for ALL your hard work
Another successful event!

**2026 Enjoy Books are in!!
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**



This weekend after mass in the back of church. Cost is \$40. Or call Marilyn at 304-233-2544 or stop by the parish office....while supplies last.



Rosary Altar Society will sell homemade baked goods after mass Dec. 21/22. Proceeds help supply liturgical items for the church. If you would like to donate your favorite baked good, please bring to the church. Thank you very much!



PENANCE SERVICE
Wednesday, Dec. 10 after 6:00pm mass
Adoration 5:00pm &
CAROLING TO HOMEBOUND
Friday, December 12 at 5:30pm
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY BAKE SALE
Sat/Sun, December 20/21
DECORATE THE CHURCH
Sunday, Dec. 21 after 10:30 mass
CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASSES
December 24: 4:30pm/7:30pm/Midnight
CHRISTMAS DAY MASS
December 25 at 10:30am
**HAVE A BLESSED,
VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

School News!

304-242-1383
info@olpschool.org



• **December :**

- 1: Classes Resume
- 8: School Mass *Holy Day of Obligation
- 10: Christmas Show Matinee
 - Advent Penance Service
- 11: Christmas Show
- 12: Noon Dismissal - No Mass
 - 7/8 Grade Dance @ CC
- 15-18: Grades 6-8 Exams



Our Lady of Peace School 25-26

WINTER COAT DRIVE

As the colder months approach, many in our community are in need of warm clothing. Our parish is holding a Coat Drive to help those in need to stay warm this winter. We are kindly asking for your donations of gently worn coats —adult, children's sizes are welcome.

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St. John Home for Children

- Choose ornament from the tree
- Purchase gift, wrap and return to the tree
- Attach the ornament on the outside of present



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FAITH FORMATION

Coordinator: Meredith Wycherley
mywychy@gmail.com
(304) 215-4807

PK-1; Gr. 2 (1st COMMUNION); GR. 3-6
Sundays, 9:20-10:20am - Meet in Parish Office

Teachers: Kait, Ashby, Stephanie, Meredith

Next Classes: Dec. 6,13,20

Gr. 7/8 (CONFIRMATION CLASS)

Saturdays at 4pm - Meet in Battaglino Hall

Teachers: Lori and Jill

Next Classes: Dec. 7,14, and 21

Spiritual Adoption Thank You after 2 Month: Thank you from your Spiritually Adopted Baby:

I am making great progress. I have already developed all of my external features and internal organs. My brain started functioning after six weeks. With an ultrasonic stethoscope, you can hear my heartbeat. Baby teeth buds were present at 6 1/2 weeks and I can suck my thumb and swallow. After the eighth week, I will continue to grow but everything I need to survive after birth is already present. Thank you for your prayers, Mom is probably just finding out about me. Pray, pray, pray. Sign up with Mark: 304-312-0583

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to protect the baby in its mother's womb, especially _____, whom I have spiritually adopted. Please give the parents of this child the help they need to keep their baby strong and healthy. Amen.

Prayer Ministry (Request Prayer)



Bonnie: jake065@comcast.net or call 304-639-4996
Parish Office parish@olpww.org or call 304-242-6579

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 Welty Home: Sally Kleeh

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 6 at
9:00am

CHRISTMAS PLAY (MATINEE)

Wednesday, December 10 at
1:00pm

CHRISTMAS PLAY (BIG SHOW)

Thursday, December 11 at
6:30pm

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 or text Ceclia at 304-231-4053.



2026 Confirmation

SERVICE HOURS: Turn in service sheet when completed to: Mrs. Schneid (OLP) or Lori, Jill (Faith Formation). Thank you.
CONFIRMATION SPONSOR: Sponsor must have a Letter of Eligibility from the parish where they are registered parishioners; must be 16 years or older; not parent of child to be confirmed; received sacraments: baptism, communion, confirmation, married according to the Catholic Church. Have Questions? Email Fr. George tgeorge@dwc.org
***DATE OF CONFIRMATION TO BE DETERMINED**

For more information, see flyers on our Community Board in back of Church

DELEGATE FOR CONSECRATED LIFE - Marian Retreat for girls ages 12-17 on December 5-7 with the daughters of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus, Steubenville OH

ST. JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER - December 2 Advent Evening by the Fire / Dec 8 Enhance Your Life Through Drumming stjosephretreatcenter.org / 304-232-8160 / 137 Mount St. Joseph Rd, Wheeling

CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOSEPH - Musical Celebration of Hope for the Advent/Christmas Season: featuring John Angotti. Thursday, December 18 at 6:30pm

ARISE: "SMALL GROUP FOR WOMEN EXPERIENCING INFERTILITY - meet 2nd & 4th Saturdays, beginning October 2025-February 2026 in Steubenville OH

DIOCESE OF STEUBENVILLE PILGRIMAGE: FATIMA, AVILA, LOYOLA, AND LOURDES: September 10-20, 2026 **TOGETHER IN FAITH: WHEELING VICARIATE** - Two ways to join the group; have current member invite someone or search "Wheeling Vicariate Together in Faith" and we will approve membership

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL — "It is better to give than to receive" This Catholic lay organization leads women and men to join together to service those who are needy and suffering. If you would like to attend a meeting, call Mary Lou Kent 740-298-535

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