

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH
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- Baptism:** Please call the parish office
Reconciliation: Sunday & Friday 7:30-8:15 AM or by appointment
Marriage: Arrangements made at least 6 months in advance. Call the parish Office for information.
Parish Registration: Contact the parish office. Registration is important for pastoral and other church needs and services. There are registration forms in the gathering space.
Sick & Homebound: Let us know if you wish for a visit.
In the Hospital: If you are in the hospital, have someone call the parish office to inform us.
Prayer Line: Dorothy Swearingen 304-564-5177.

| <u>Mass Dates & Times</u> | <u>Intentions</u> |
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| April 16, Sunday, 8:30 AM | +Nancy Mick by Nora Ann White & Family |
| April 20, Thursday, 8:30 AM | +Mary Agnes Bowen by Marlene Regis Wehalko |
| April 21, Friday, 8:30 AM | +Marian McDonald by The DeRosas |
| April 23, Sunday, 8:30 AM | +Donald Bowen by Nora Ann White & Family |

| <u>Ministry Schedule</u> | | | |
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| <u>Mass Dates & Times</u> | <u>Readers</u> | <u>Host</u> | |
| April 16, Sunday, 8:30 AM | Matt Burskey | Jo Ellen Kessel | |
| April 23, Sunday, 8:30 AM | Beth Dicks | Matt Burskey | |
| <u>Mass Dates & Times</u> | <u>Altar Servers</u> | <u>Greeters</u> | <u>Gift Bearers</u> |
| April 16, Sunday, 8:30 AM | Jennifer DiLullo & Taylor Woodbury | Pam Riggi | Dorothy Swearingen & Mary Ann Bainbridge |
| April 23, Sunday, 8:30 AM | Vanessa Dicks & Caleb Dicks | Carol Lorenzoni | Christy & Jennifer Wilson & Jude |

April 9, 2023 Sharing Our Time, Talents, and Treasures. Thank you for your Generosity!

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| Envelopes | \$1,737.00 |
| Loose | \$224.00 |
| Candles | \$18.00 |
| Maintenance Fund | \$61.00 |
| Priest Retirement Fund | \$10.00 |
| Holy Land/Good Friday | \$295.00 |
| Holy Thursday | \$390.00 |
| Food Closet | \$20.00 |
| Ash Wednesday | \$10.00 |
| Easter Offering | \$715.00 |
| Easter Flowers | <u>\$10.00</u> |
| Total | \$3,490.00 |

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| Attendance Holy Thursday | 47 |
| Good Friday | 54 |
| Easter Sunday | 130 |

Please pray for the sick and shut ins

Kendall Dunbar, Anthony Everly, Daniel Frederick, Anita Guire, Susan Hric, Eliza Mazezka, Mickey McHaffie, Flo Merritt, Irene Mesler, Ed Rettinger, Cindy Roeger, Blaine Sadler, Brendon Sadler, Linda & Ray Terpack, Nora White, Kurt White & Will White.

We are starting over with our sick and shut-in list, if you have a name to be added to or removed from this list, please call the parish office.

Please inform us about the progress of those we pray for.

New Cumberland Food Closet
 Boxed Potatoes
 Thank you for your generosity!

From the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may contact WV Child Protective Services at 800-352-6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by Personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling Charleston, please contact the Diocese at 888-434-6237 or 304-233-0880.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS to *Phyllis Swan*. Have a wonderful birthday and an awesome year!

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY There will be a Divine Mercy Sunday service this Sunday, April 16, at 3:00 PM at Sacred Heart. They will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession will be available.

CATHOLIC ADULT EDUCATION EVENING SESSIONS (CATHOLICS AND NON-CATHOLICS)

If there is interest, Fr. Bill will offer Catholic adult education on the first and third Monday evenings of the month beginning April 17 at the Sacred Heart Parish Center Library. Catholics are welcome to attend. If there are any baptized non-Catholics who want to know more about our Faith or who may desire to join the Church, they are especially welcome. We will use the Symbolon DVD series. Please email or call Janice, 304-387-0198 or shp2226ches@dwc.org to sign up for the sessions. If a non-Catholic is baptized, he/she can enter the Church any time after their formation period ends.

PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNION CLASS *Evelyn Woodbury* who will receive 1st Holy Communion here on April 30 and *Jude Hicks* who will receive 1st Holy Communion at St. Joseph the Worker in May.

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH *Merradeth Densmore*, who received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil Mass. God bless her on her journey of Faith.

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH *Harper Hammonds* and *Nora McElhaney* who were baptized during Lent. May Our Lord bless them abundantly and may their families train them in the ways of the Catholic Faith.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING on Sunday, April 23rd, following Mass.

MEN'S CLUB All men are invited to join the Men's Club. If you have not paid dues for 2023, they are \$10. Please place an envelope with your name marked Men's Club in the collection basket.

There will be a Men's Club meeting on Sunday, April 30, after Mass. All men of the parish are welcome to attend.

GABRIEL PROJECT Assisting New or Expectant Mothers and Families with Children up to 2 years of age. Accepting New Clients! We help provide cribs, car seats, pack n plays, baby clothes, diapers, and baby hygiene products.

Open House!! April 15, from 10am-1pm. Location: at Immaculate Conception's Church Hall. Walkins are welcome. However, to register for the event or to make donations to support the cause, call Susan Coxen 304-670-2783 or Beth Dicks 304-670-7779. Parishioners who wish to make a donation, there are envelopes in the vestibule of the Church and you can drop them in the collection basket. **Can't make it to the Open House?** Regular Distributions are the 1st & 3rd Saturdays 10am-1pm at the back of Immaculate Conception.

ADDITIONAL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION are needed since we will resume distributing the Precious Blood on Holy Thursday. Here are the requirements:

1. Must have received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist)
2. Be at least 18 years old (diocesan policy)
3. Practicing Catholic (registered in the parish and attending weekend Mass regularly)
4. If married, be in a validly sacramental marriage
5. Through God's grace, obeying the Commandments and Precepts of the Church)

We will train new ministers before beginning your service. Please contact Janice to sign up to serve in this important and humble ministry.

SAINT OF THE WEEK *Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

(1033-1109) Anselm was one of the Church's greatest theologians and leaders. He received the title "Father of Scholasticism" for his attempt to analyze and illumine the truths of faith through the aid of reason. He coined the phrase **Fides quaerens intellectum** (Faith seeking understanding). Considered an original and independent thinker, Anselm was admired for his patience, gentleness, and teaching skill. His best-known work is the book *Cur Deus Homo* ("Why God Became Man"). Against his will, Anselm was appointed archbishop of Canterbury, at age 60. Like every true follower of Christ, Anselm had to carry his cross, especially in the form of opposition and conflict with those in political control. Though personally a mild and gentle man and a lover of peace, he would not back off from conflict and persecution when principles were at stake. His feast day is April 21.

CARD PARTY St. Joseph the Worker Parish Christian Mother Annual Card Party will be Sunday, May 21, at 2:00pm at The Dube Dome at St. Joseph Grade School. Play card games or any game you enjoy with friends. Tickets \$10-includes Lunch and entry for many door prizes. For tickets contact Lisa @ 304-904-1482.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will have an open house on April 26, 6:30-9 PM at St. Joseph Dube Dome Gym 151 Michael Way Weirton for you to learn more about life insurance and retirement plans with the Knights of Columbus. There will have refreshments. RSVP april26weirton.abbatekofc.com. You do not to be a member to attend.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR BABIES WHO DIED BEFORE BIRTH The FertilityCare Center of the Upper Ohio Valley, Inc. & the Weirton Catholic Pro-Life Group will be sponsoring a Memorial Mass for Babies Who Died Before Birth whether by miscarriage, abortion, ectopic (tubal) pregnancy (no distinction will be made), whether occurring recently or years ago. The Mass will be celebrated on Friday, May 12, at 7:00pm at Sacred Heart of Mary Catholic Church 200 Preston Ave. Weirton, WV. Confession will be available at 5:30pm. So that they may best honor your child, please call 304-723-0478 to RSVP. All family members and friends are welcome to attend.

DAY OF REFLECTION The Laymen's Retreat League invites all Catholic Men of the area to join them for a Day of Reflection with Rev. Freddie D'Souza on April 22, from 8am-5pm at St. Vincent de Paul's Marist Center, Wheeling. Cost is \$30. The day includes light breakfast and lunch. Contact Don Klamut at 304-280-4626 or laymensretreatleague@gmail.com.

