CATHOLIC CHARITIES WEST

VIRGINIA is inviting all people to join in its vision of hope for West Virginia by contributing to its "Be With Us" appal. Proceeds from the annual appeal will directly support the outreach services of CCWVa throughout West Virginia. The traditional second collection at Christmas Mass will contribute to this appeal. Donations can also be made online at CatholicCharitiesWV.org, by mail at 2000 Main Street, Wheeling, WV 26003, or by calling 1-888-900-2989.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SENIOR

RELIGIOUS. A sister from Indiana writes. "Because of your kindness, our elderly sisters will have the comfort, security, and joy of living out their remaining years here in their home. You truly honor them and their many years of service by your generosity." Religious across the United States offer sincere thanks for your generosity to last week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.



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 the diocese at 888.434.6237 or 203.233.0880.

MIDNIGHT MASS ON DECEMBER 24TH will be at St. Charles Borromeo and St. Catherine of Siena. *

CHURCH CALENDARS FOR THE NEW YEAR

are available for pickup at all churches beginning today.

A SIGN-UP SHEET FOR CHURCH ENVELOPES

is located at the entrance of all churches. Numbers available are from 1 to 50. After choosing your number please sign the sheet next to the number you chose so that you will receive the

proper credit for your gift. If your old number was greater than 50 you will need to choose a new number.

*Music at all weekend Masses except Midnight St. Charles will be a Silent Mass.

St. Catherine Altar & Rosary Society 10:15 am Tuesday January 03, 2017



Knights of Columbus:

Meeting - January 08, 2017 at St. Louis at 3:00 PM and January 22, 2017 at St. Louis at 3:00 PM.

Latin Mass: First Sunday of the Month at St. Charles – 2:00 PM – January 01, 2017

As you enter the church for Mass and the Rosary is being prayed.....we ask that you please enter silently and respectfully whether or not you are participating in the prayer.

PLEASE NOTE: Here is the address for Jacob Wrzosek..... SR WRZOSEK, JACOB, M SHIP 02 DIV 912 3600 OHIO STREET GREAT LAKES, IL 60088-7105

All notes and cards from "home" would be warmly received.

St. Catherine of Siena Parish (est. 1892)



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April 29 Patron of Nurses

Oh God, you caused St. Catherine to shine with divine love in the contemplation of the Lord's passion and in the service of your church. By your help, grant that your people, associated in the mystery of Christ, may ever exalt in the revelation of His glory.

Deadline for bulletin items – NOON on Thursday

407 Walnut Street Ronceverte, WV 24970

MASS: Sunday, 11:00 AM Daily: As Scheduled

Rosary: Sunday, 10:30 AM Confessions: Thursday, 6:00 PM

St. Louis Confessions: Saturday, 3:30 PM MASS: Saturday, 4:00 PM

Check out our bulletins online: St. Charles www.parishesonline.com/find/st-charles-borromeo-catholic-church-24986 St. Catherine www.parishesonline.com/find/st-catherine-of-siena-24970

The Fourth Sunday of Advent December 18, 2016 The Churches of St. Catherine and St. Charles

> **Pastor** Father Chapin

stborromeo@frontier.com

Office Hours:

Monday – Wednesday – Friday

10:00 am to 3:00 PM

St. Charles Borromeo Parish (est. 1903)



November 4 Patron of Seminarians and Catechists

Oh God, Maintain in your people that spirit with which you inspired your Bishop St. Charles, so that your church may be constantly renewed, conforming itself to Christ and manifesting Christ to the world.

325 West Main Street (U. S. 60) White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986

> MASS: Saturday, 5:30 PM Sunday, 7:00 AM Sunday, 9:00 AM Daily: As Scheduled Rosary: Saturday, 5:00 PM

WEEKLY LITURGICAL AND MEETING SCHEDULE			
Date	St. Catherine	St. Charles	Other
Saturday, December 17th Vigil of The Fourth Sunday of Advent		5:30 PM Mass ♥ Michael & Maureen Klein (L) Readers Mikki Dixon ,Altar Server Hanna Family EM Patti Waid, Deacon Bill	 @ St. Louis 3:30 PM Confession 4:00 PM Mass Reader Judy Long
Sunday, December 18 th The Fourth Sunday of Advent	10:30 AM Rosary 11:00 AM Mass ♥ Joseph & Alyce Williams (deceased) Reader Susie Ciciora, Mary Murray Altar Server Wrzosek Family, EM Elaine Soper	 7:00 AM Mass Hon. James T. Moore (living) 8:45 AM Rosary 9:00 AM Mass + Nicholas Scobbo (deceased) Reader Raeann Carrier Altar Server Perk Berry EM Sue Berry, Gertrude Worsham 	
Monday, December 19th			 @ St. Louis 7:15AM Adoration 8:30 AM Mass ♥ Breakfast at Shoney's
Tuesday, December 20th	8:00 AM Reconciliation 8:30 AM Mass \$ 9:00 am Breakfast at Rudy's 6:00- 7:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration		
Wednesday, December 21st			
Thursday, December 22nd	5:15-6:15 PM Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 PM Reconciliation 6:30 PM Mass * J.J. O'Brien (deceased)		
Friday, December 23rd		8:30 AM Mass † Michael & Maureen Klein (living)	
Saturday, December 24th Vigil of The Nativity of the Lord		5:30 PM Mass	 @ St. Louis 3:30 PM Confession 4:00 PM Mass * Reader Paula Hoover
Sunday, December 25 th The Nativity of the Lord	10:30 AM Rosary 11:00 AM Mass ♥ Mimsie De'Olloqui (deceased) Reader Laurel Doherty, Robert Doherty Altar Server Samantha McManus, EM Tammy McManus	 7:00 AM Mass Edwin S. Moore, IV (living) 8:45 AM Rosary 9:00 AM Mass Margaret Huff (deceased) Reader John Nemcik Altar Server Perk Berry EM Jack O'Connell, Gertrude Worsham 	

What Does the Catholic Church Teach About....? **Ouestion:**

I was asked "Who are the saints that are named in the prayers right before Communion". "What is their significance?"

My Answer:

The prayer being referred to here is the Eucharistic Prayer. The Eucharistic Prayer is the prayer of institution or better stated the prayer of consecration.

We also want to remember that the Liturgy of the Mass is a communal liturgy. Now one may think that this means when we all gather for Sunday Mass as individuals from our parish and maybe family and friends and yes even visitors, but it is much more. We are in Communion with the saints and angels at every Liturgy. Yes! Every Liturgy!

Now back to the Eucharistic Prayer. There are four basic Eucharistic Prayers that the celebrant of the Mass may choose to recite. There are occasions throughout the year when a specific Eucharistic Prayer must be used, but few and far between. So when we hear the Litany of the Saints being recited, it is most specifically Eucharistic Prayer I(one). This is the prayer that Fr. Jim uses exclusively and Fr. C sometimes. The other Eucharistic Prayers refer to the saints as "The Saints".

So who are these saints named in Eucharistic Prayer I? Well let me add that there are two such litanies in Eucharistic Prayer I. The first Litany calls on the Mary and the Apostles and the early Church Fathers, those who formed the Church. The second Litany is of the Martyrs; lead off by none other than John the Baptist.

The first Litany starts with Mary, the Mother of God, and then the Apostles and then the successors of Peter and other early Church Fathers. As an aside, if you would like to read what those Church Fathers wrote way back when, you can go to Newadvent.org and click on the "Fathers" tab. Great reading especially if you are one to think that what we believe came out of some recent Church writings.

The second Litany is a litany of the martyrs of the Church. We just celebrated two such martyrs in Cecelia and Lucy and of course John the Baptist.

In the Eucharistic Prayers we are calling upon the saints to be with us in the celebration of the Mass. We call upon them to intercede for us and together we and the saints Glorify God. Wow! How cool is that!

Peace.

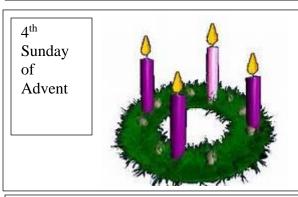
Deacon Tom

Have a question? Let me know at thomassoper@shentel.net. There is never a dumb question. The answer may not be what you think, but do not let that keep you from asking.

Requiescat In Pace: Prayer Requests:

This Week's Requests: Leo Lewis, Quincy Williams, Lee Doggett, Kenneth Holliday, Mike Williamson, Lisa Covelli, Mike Stentz, Todd Yoder, Lonnie & Carmen Withrow, Ruth Beverley, Jack Lucas, Tommy Given, Theresa Allen Poore, Pete Zaiser, Georgia Campbell, Larry Musselman, John O'Connell, Al Stocking Mary Nemcik, Shirley Hicks, Larry Burns, The Altar/Rosary Prayer List, Ann FordPrayer Requests are taken each week for inclusion in the bulletin for two weeks. Please phone the Rectory (536-1813) with your requests or drop them in the Prayer Intention Box at the rear of the church.} Our Sick and Homebound: Greenbrier Manor: Mary Hamshew, Ann Ford the Seasons Nursing Home: Dory McCabe, Homebound in White Sulphur Springs: Lester Toney

Our Military: Jacob Wrzosek, John Driscoll, Brian Collins, Richard Lampert, Paul Roshau, Jeremy Bennett, Jason Collins, Anthony De Rosa, Erin Fitzpatrick, Cecilia Gallagher, Ben Lucas, Kevin McClintic (Lewisburg), Sgt. Charles McClung, Jr., Mark McKendry, Mindy Miller, Patrick S. Reynolds (WSS) John Richter Sr Michael Smith William



Z	Stewardship Report 12-10/11-16)		
	St. Catherine	St. Charles	
Attendance	93	101	
Envelopes	700.00	305.00	
Loose	342.00	752.00	
Total Collection	1042.00	1057.00	
St. Louis	Attendance 35	Collection 223.00	
Total Retirement for Religious		1009.00	