

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

St. Catherine's Altar & Rosary ladies will be crafting microwave bowl holders on Tuesday, **May 16th**, following 9 am Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us. Bring your machines or come and help cut and press if you don't sew.

Altar & Rosary Meeting time has been changed to **9:45 AM** preceded by a devotion at 9:30. Still the first Tuesday of each month.

COME JOIN US!



St. Catherine's Social Concern collection for the month of May will be May 21, 2017, for The Monroe County Outreach. Please prayerfully consider your gift for this much needed ministry and come prepared to give generously.

St. Catherine Altar & Rosary Society 9:45 am Tuesday June 06, 2017



Knights of Columbus:

Meeting –May 28, 2017 at St. Louis at 6:00 PM and June 11, 2017 at St. Louis at 6:00 PM.

Latin Mass:

at St. Charles Borromeo - 2:00 PM - June 04, 2017

ATTENTION

Please contact Mike Williams (304-645-1373) with names of Catholic high school graduates in order for them to receive an invitation to dinner on May 28th at 6pm at St. Louis hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

"THE DIOCESAN ECUMENICAL OFFICE announces the 47th ECUMENICAL SCRIPTURE WORKSHOP, to be held at Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center June 19-23. Registration information is available in our parish by contacting the office (304-536-1813) or by contacting the Office of Ecumenism at 304-720-8313. Brochures are available upon request.

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.

Fifth Sunday of Easter May 14, 2017 The Churches of St. Catherine and St. Charles

St. Catherine of Siena Parish (est. 1892)



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.

163 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

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Office Hours:

Monday –Wednesday – Friday

10:00 am to 3:00 PM

Deadline for bulletin items – NOON on Thursday

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

Check out our bulletins online:

St. Charles <u>www.parishesonline.com/find/st-charles-borromeo-catholic-church-24986</u> St. Catherine <u>www.parishesonline.com/find/st-catherine-of-siena-24970</u>

WEEKLY LITURGICAL AND MEETING SCHEDULE			
Date	St. Catherine	St. Charles	Other
Saturday, May 13th Vigil for the Fifth Sunday of Easter		5:30 PM Mass † Michael & Maureen Klein (L) Reader Patti Waid Altar Server Hanna Family EM Mikki Dixon, Deacon Bill	@ St. Louis 3:30 PM Confession 4:00 PM Mass† Reader Katherine Peregoy
Sunday, May 14th Fifth Sunday of Easter	10:30 AM Rosary 11:00 AM Mass † Tony Ray (L) Reader Sue Ciciora, Sue Ella Miano Altar Server Wrzosek Family EM Laurel Doherty	7:00 AM Mass \$\phi\$ Sister Mary Bonitus Boyle (D) 9:00 AM Mass \$\phi\$ Margaret Huff (D) Reader Ron Scobbo, Altar Server Perk Berry EM Jack O'Connell, Sue Berry	
Monday, May 15th			@ St. Louis 7:15AM Adoration 8:30 AM Mass † Breakfast at Shoney's
Tuesday, May 16th	8:00 AM Reconciliation 8:30 AM Mass † Irene Bode (D) 9:00 am Breakfast at Rudy's, 6:00-7:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration		
Wednesday, May 17th			
Thursday, May 18th	5:15-6:15 PM Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 PM Reconciliation 6:30 PM Mass \$\Phi\$ J.J. O'Brien (D)		
Friday, May 19th		8:30 AM Mass	
Saturday, May 20th Vigil for the Sixth Sunday of Easter		5:30 PM Mass † Edwin S. Moore, IV (L) Reader Mikki Dixon Altar Server Hanna Family EM Patti Waid, Deacon Bill	@ St. Louis 3:30 PM Confession 4:00 PM Mass †E.H.Moody (D) Reader Judy Long
Sunday, May 21st Sixth Sunday of Easter	10:30 AM Rosary 11:00 AM Mass † Quinton Williams (L) Reader Connie Brown, Mary Murray Altar Server Samantha McManus EM Tammy McManus	7:00 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass † Reginald Mutter (D)Sonny Bennett (D) Reader Raeann Carrier, Altar Server Perk Berry EM Gertrude Worsham, Sue Berry	

What Does the Catholic Church Teach About....? Question:

I was asked to explain why it seems that we, the Catholic Church and all Christian denominations seem to always pray to Jesus. What about the Father and the Holy Spirit?

My Answer:

Well it might seem that way. I suppose one reason is that Jesus, the Son, was the human side of God and whom we place our belief in our salvation, since Jesus dies on the cross and rises from the dead.

When in a group program one time we were asked to identify which person of the Trinity we most identified with. I would say that a good 60 to 70 percent of the people said Jesus. The bulk of the remaining said the Holy Spirit. That seemed to leave the Father hanging out there with no one praying to Him.

The truth be said, when we pray to any of the Trinity we are praying to God. Our profession of Faith, the Creed, states that there is but one God and yet three distinct persons. The Church teaches that although distinct in whom they are they work as one, in thought and action, kind of 'all for one and one for all'.

Each person holds a particular function, so to say. The Creator, the Father. The Father speaks the Word, the Son, and the action that comes from the Word, the Spirit.

Wow! What did I just say?

OK. Try this. The Father, the creator of all things created, creates with a word. In other words, God speaks things into existence. The word God speaks is the Son, Jesus. Remember Scripture. "And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us". Jesus Himself then tells us that He will send the Advocate, the Holy Ghost, when He leaves this earthly world.

A great book on the Trinity is written by Michael Downey called "Altogether Gift: A Trinitarian Spirituality". In it Downey uses terms such as "Gifter", the Father, the one who gives a gift. He speaks of the "Gift", the Son, Jesus. He speaks of the Holy Spirit as the action of "Gifting".

Boy! How did I get off on this tangent?

Back to why it seems that we are always praying to Jesus. In Christianity the focus, of course, is Christ, Christian meaning Christ follower. So it would be natural to see Jesus as a focal point. All of Scripture, yes even the Old Testament, is the focus of our Savior, our Salvation. The Old Testament points to the coming of the messiah and the New Testament points to just who the messiah is, Jesus.

Our Liturgies are centered on Jesus and His Salvific mission. Jesus doesn't focus Himself on self, but directs His prayer to the Father. Remember that prayer we pray all so often, "Our Father". How many times do you pray that prayer? Frankly, that's my go to prayer when in distress. There is another one I call upon, "Come Holy Ghost".

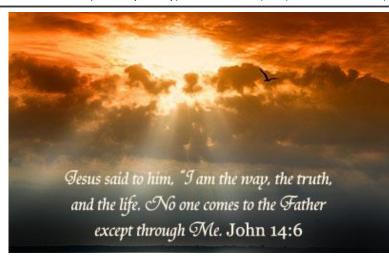
But I ramble on here. Let me ask the question. Do you identify with any one person of the Trinity? If so, who is it?

Peace, Deacon Tom

Have a question? Let me know at <u>thomassoper@shentel.net</u>. 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: Bill Waltz, Tony Ray, Jason Presley, Peggy Miller, Jean Foley Margaret Neville, Betsy Myers, Perk Berry, Leo O'Neil, Quinton Williams, Lee Doggett, Kenneth Holliday, Mike Williamson, Lisa Covelli, Mike Stentz, Todd Yoder, Ruth Beverley, Jack Lucas, Pete Zaiser, Georgia Campbell, Larry Musselman, John O'Connell, Mary Nemcik, Shirley Hicks, Larry Burns, The Altar/Rosary Prayer List Prayer 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:At Home: Ed Echols, Greenbrier Manor: Mary Hamshew, Ann Ford the Seasons Nursing Home: Dory McCabe, Homebound in White Sulphur Springs: Lester Toney Brian Center: 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,



	Stewardship Report		
	St. Catherine	St. Charles	
Attendance	90	96	
Envelopes	988.00	590.00	
Loose	314.00	231.00	
Total Collection	1302.00	821.00	
St. Louis Attendance – 38 Total	Envelopes Loose	85.00 153.00 238.00	