



FIRST SATURDAY MASS will be held next Saturday, June 03, 2017, at Mary Immaculate Church in Frankford at 11:00 am. It will also be held there every first Saturday of the month through October at the same time. There will be a covered dish dinner immediately following mass. Please plan to join us for these beautiful services.

Remembering the Flood in White Sulphur Springs
The town of White Sulphur Springs will be having a "Celebration of Life and Rebirth" commemorating the losses in the flood one year ago and celebrating the rebirth of the community since that time. Organizers are expecting a large number of people to come and take part in the festivities. Parking will be available at the Bethesda Church parking lot and Food Lion parking lot. Volunteers are needed. Anyone interested please call Yvonne Jones at 304-840-3470. Events will take place from Friday, June 23 to Sunday, June 25, and are as follows:

Day	Time	Place	Event
Fri	3:50 p.m.	Old Mill Park	Dedication of Memorial and Memorial Service
Fri	4:30 p.m.	Brad Paisley	Ribbon Cutting for the Park with Community
Sat	10:30 a.m.	Community Park	Picnic to follow, Food provided
Sat	10:30 a.m.	Old White Motors	Family Day with games and food provided
Sat	2:00 p.m.	Parking Lot	
Sat	TBA	Midland Trail Park & 50 East gazebo	Concert
Sun	11:00 a.m.	Brad Paisley Park	Ecumenical Service followed by covered dish Lunch and Fellowship

St. Catherine's Social Concern collection for the month of June will be **June 18, 2017**, for **C.A.S.A.**. Please prayerfully consider your gift for this much needed ministry and come prepared to give generously.

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.

St. Catherine Altar & Rosary Society

9:45 am Tuesday June 06, 2017



Knights of Columbus:

Meeting –**TODAY** at St. Louis at 6:00 PM and June 11, 2017 at St. Louis at 6:00 PM.

Latin Mass:

No Latin Mass for the months of June, July, and August 2017.

Elder Abuse Awareness Day – June 15th



Did you know that every day 10,000 people turn 65 in the US alone? That trend is going to continue for nearly the next 20 years. At the same time that the population is growing, we know that a startling number of elders face abusive conditions. Every year an estimated 5 million, or 1 in 10, older Americans are victims of elder abuse, neglect, or exploitation. And that's only part of the picture: Experts believe that for every case of elder abuse or neglect reported, as many as 23.5 cases go unreported.

WEAAD (World Elder Abuse Awareness Day) serves as a call-to-action for individuals, organizations, and communities to raise awareness about abuse, neglect, and exploitation of elders. Your Greenbrier County Elder Abuse Awareness Committee will be providing silver ribbons, flyers, and a poster to any organization wanting to help raise awareness in our communities. Please contact Mary Thompson at 304.646.2892 or by email – maryft0801@gmail.com – to get your ribbons or to get more information.

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 28, 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.

40798 Midland Trail (U. S. 60)
White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986

MASS: Saturday, 5:30 PM
Sunday, 8:30 AM
Confession
Sunday, 9:00 AM
Daily: As Scheduled
Rosary: Saturday, 5:00 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

WEEKLY LITURGICAL AND MEETING SCHEDULE

Date	St. Catherine	St. Charles	Other
Saturday, May 27th Vigil for the Seventh Sunday of Easter		5:30 PM Mass ✦Reader Patti Waid Altar Server Hanna Family EM Mikki Dixon, Deacon Bill	@ St. Louis 3:30 PM Confession 4:00 PM Mass ✦ Jeanne Clark (L)Read: Katherine Peregoy
Sunday, May 28th Seventh Sunday of Easter	10:30 AM Rosary 11:00 AM Mass ✦ Carl & Emma Larson (D) Reader Elaine Soper, Sue Ella Miano Altar Server Roshau Family EM Mary Murray	8:30 am Confession 9:00 AM Mass ✦ Michael & Maureen Klein (L) Reader John Nemcik, Altar Server Perk Berry EM Gertrude Worsham, Jack O'Connell	
Monday, May 29th			@ St. Louis 7:15AM Adoration 8:30 AM Mass ✦ Breakfast at Shoney's
Tuesday, May 30th	8:00 AM Reconciliation 8:30 AM Mass ✦D.L. Moody (D) 9:00 am Breakfast at Rudy's, 6:00- 7:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration		
Wednesday, May 31st			
Thursday, June 01st	5:15-6:15 PM Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 PM Reconciliation 6:30 PM Mass ✦Quinton Williams (L)		
Friday, June 02nd		8:30 AM Mass ✦	
Saturday, June 03rd Vigil for Penecost Sunday		5:30 PM Mass ✦Reader Mikki Dixon Altar Server Hanna Family EM Patti Waid, Deacon Bill	@ St. Louis 3:30 PM Confession 4:00 PM Mass ✦ Quinton Williams(L) Reader: Katherine Peregoy
Sunday, June 04th Penecost Sunday	10:30 AM Rosary 11:00 AM Mass ✦ Paul Richter (D) Reader Ken Plumley, Jackie Plumley Altar Server Blake Ledlow EM Laurel Doherty	8:30 am Confession 9:00 AM Mass ✦ Buck Williams (L) Reader Mario Scarpa, Altar Server Perk Berry EM Gertrude Worsham, Jack O'Connell	

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

Question:

I was asked to explain, just what are the requirements for fasting before Mass or Holy Communion.

My Answer:

I'm not really sure, but I might have written about this in the distant past, but here it goes.

The first thing to do is to understand what this action of fasting really means. Actually, it is a depriving of oneself of a pleasure or comfort, as eating tends to be just that. Certainly, if a person was starving, fasting doesn't make much sense. That would be depriving oneself of a necessity. So we are giving something up for our good. I said our good, not God's good. Oh Oh! Sounds like a heresy coming! Everything that the Church would mandate is for our good. The good is to direct us towards Jesus and our salvation through Jesus. Please keep this in mind, you regulators, because the Church has changed fasting rules over the years, even since I was born, oh so many years ago. Although the regulations have changed the reason has not changed. The reason?? The reason is to prepare ourselves mentally and spiritually to receive the God of the Universe, the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of God God's self. It is a recognition of Who we receive and for what purpose Jesus said, "Eat my flesh and drink my Blood".

The current regulation for fasting before receiving Holy Communion is that you abstain from eating and drinking, other than water, one hour before receiving Holy Communion. There are those who ask, is it one hour before Communion or one hour before Mass. Well if you are a time keeper you should fast one hour before Mass because you will never be able to time exactly when Holy Communion will take place. But then, you are missing the whole point of fasting, aren't you.

You know when I was growing up during the years of the Latin Mass we were told not to chew the host because it was Jesus and that we had to let Jesus melt in our mouths. Also, we were told that we had to fast because we didn't want anything in our stomachs when we swallowed Jesus. Missed the whole point didn't it. Fasting is a preparation for receiving Jesus. It has literally nothing to do with Physiology. I think back to the words of Jesus, "Nothing outside the body is unholy. It is only what is within". Jesus is talking about our intent, our attitude toward what God has provided. So let's get our heads on straight to this point. We are preparing ourselves spiritually to receive a great gift that God has provided of Himself. Am I rambling?

To let you newbies know what I grew up with, I started with fasting from Midnight until Mass that day. Then it was changed to three hours before Mass. Notice I am using the word Mass, as it was taught. Then the regulation changed to the present one hour. As you can see, the intent of the fast has not changed, just the time requirement.

Let me just say in closing, Connie is hoping that I do this quickly, we should be preparing to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament of Communion well before the fast takes place. Receiving Jesus, the God of the Universe, should be an ongoing preparation. Just a thought.

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: William Waltz

Prayer Requests:

This Week's Requests: Jeff McCormick, 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, 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 Hamsheiw, Ann Ford **the Seasons Nursing Home:** Dory McCabe, **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 Werner.



Note from Fr. Jim

In preparation for our new pastor, Fr. John McDonough, I'd like to get together with the Parish and Finance Councils of both parishes. Please mark your calendar for **Thursday, June 1st, at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall at St Catherine and Sunday, June 4th, at 5:00 p.m. in the parish hall at St. Charles.**

Interested in getting involved? Please join us!

	Stewardship Report 05-20/21-17	
	St. Catherine	St. Charles
Attendance	82	
Envelopes	738.00	325.00
Loose	326.00	534.00
Total Collection	1064.00	859.00
St. Louis Attendance – 57	Envelopes	110.00
Total	Loose	167.00
		277.00