

St. Catherine Altar & Rosary Society
9:45 am Tuesday December 05, 2017



Knights of Columbus:

Meeting –TODAY at 6:30 pm at SL (Social) and December 10 at 3:00 pm at SCB.

**ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COAT DRIVE**

The Knights are having their annual coat collection. Good used or new coats, scarves, and gloves are needed.

The collection will continue until through today. Please give generously to this much needed cause.

You can bring your gift to the Knights at the Masses or drop them off at the Church Office.



*The Greenbrier Valley Chorale
Presents*

*THE BRIGHTEST AND BEST MUSIC OF
CHRISTMAS*

On

*Sunday, December 10, 3:00 p.m. at Carnegie
Hall.*

*Adult tickets - \$17, K-Undergrad - \$7
304-645-7917 or www.carnegiehallwv.org*

And at the door.

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.



MANY THANKS!

The women of A&R deeply thank all who crafted items for the boutique and all who purchased them. 2017 was our best year yet. We pledged to send 50% of all proceeds to aid in the hurricane relief effort in Puerto Rico. Through your generosity a check for **\$1,825.00** has been sent to Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for making this possible.

FROM THE DIOCESE

**Give a gift to support the work of U.S. CATHOLIC
SISTERS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

**P.O. Box 25241
Philadelphia, PA 19119**

Visit:

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Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 26, 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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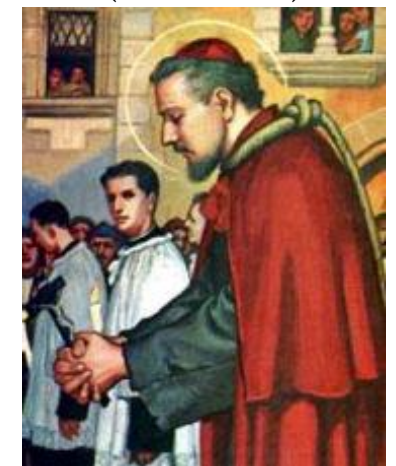
Office Hours:

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 Mass
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	St. Louis
Saturday, November 25th Vigil for The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe		5:30 PM Mass ✦ John Pernicano (D) Reader Patti Waid Altar Server LM Deacon Bill	@ St. Louis 3:30 PM Confession 4:00 PM Mass ✦ For the PeopleReader: Paula Hoover 5-6:30 PM GIF
Sunday, November 26th The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe	10:30 AM Rosary 11:00 AM Mass ✦ Mimsie De'Olloqui (D) Reader Theresa Schrettner, Mary Murray Altar Server Roshau Family LM Laurel Doherty	8:30 am Confession 9:00 AM Mass ✦ For the People Reader John Nemicik, Altar Server Perk Berry LM Sue Berry, Gertrude Worsham	
Monday, November 27th			@ St. Louis 7:15AM Adoration 8:30 AM Mass ✦ Bonnie Brown (L)
Tuesday, November 28th	8:00 AM Reconciliation 8:30 AM Mass ✦ D.L. Moody (D) 9:00 AM Breakfast at Rudy's. 9:30 am RCIA 6:00-7:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration		
Wednesday, November 29th		8:30 AM Mass ✦ Dr. Louise Wilson (D)	
Thursday, November 30th	5:15-6:15 pm Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 PM Reconciliation 6:30 PM Mass ✦ Regina Quesenberry (L)		
Friday, December 01st		8:30 AM Mass ✦ Charlie Friedman (L)	
Saturday, December 02nd Vigil for The First Sunday of Advent		5:30 PM Mass ✦ Mary-Anne O'Connell Taylor (D) & For the Living Reader Mikki Dixon Altar Server LM Patti Waid, Deacon Bill	@ St. Louis 3:30 PM Confession 4:00 PM Mass ✦ For the People Reader:
Sunday, December 03rd The First Sunday of Advent	10:30 AM Rosary 11:00 AM Mass ✦ Carmen Withrow (L) Reader Ken Plumley, Jackie Plumley Altar Server Roshau Family LM Connie Brown	8:30 am Confession 9:00 AM Mass ✦ For the People Reader Raeanne Carrier, Altar Server Perk Berry LM Sue Berry, Jack O'Connell	5-6:30 PM GIF

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

Question:

I was asked to explain the Biblical source for the Doctrine of Purgatory and how it might be explained to someone who struggles or doesn't believe in a Purgatory.

My Answer:

This isn't the first time I've written an article in regard to Purgatory, in fact, I've written two articles previously over the past two years. It's a Doctrine that seems to be hard to get your arms around. So here it goes.

First the Biblical reference for the Doctrine of Purgatory comes from the Old Testament in the Book of 2nd Maccabees 12:39-46:

Judas Maccabeus and members of his Jewish military forces collecting the bodies of some fallen comrades who had been killed in battle. When they discovered these men were carrying "sacred tokens of the idols of Jamnia, which the law forbids the Jews to wear" (vs. 40), Judas and his companions discerned they had died as a punishment for sin. Therefore, Judas and his men "turned to prayer beseeching that the sin which had been committed might be wholly blotted out... He also took up a collection... and sent it to Jerusalem to provide for a sin offering. In doing this he acted very well and honorably... Therefore he made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin."

It all really makes a lot of sense. If a soul is in heaven or even hell, there is no real reason to pray for the dead as they will already be in the final state, either the state of Peace or the state of Dread.

We pray for the dead that they may see Heaven and be with the God of the Universe for all of eternity. We do acts of indulgence to relieve some or all of the time that would be required for their cleansing of the stains left by sin. We pray that God will have all mercy, as God is all merciful to those who seek God's mercy and as such we pray for this to be so.

Praying for the dead isn't just an idle prayer. We should put our hearts and soul into this prayer. When you hear someone who says, Let us pray for the souls in Purgatory, be ever mindful of those loved ones who may be waiting to enter fully into the realm that we call heaven.

Reference Catechism of the Catholic Church – CCC 1030-1032

Peace,
Deacon Tom

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

Peace

Requiescat In Pace:

Prayer Requests:


This Week's Requests: Carmen Withrow, Ricky Dunbar, Ray B., Veronica Seguin, Bonnie Brown, Judy Long, Sue Malloy, Jim Bryant, Janson Sheppard, Russell Lefler, Chad O'Donnell, Armella Johnson, Roger Sheppard, Randal Nicholson, Charlie Friedman, Mary Crone, Jeff McCormick, Jason Presley, Peggy Miller, Jean Foley, Quinton Williams, Lee Doggett, Kenneth Holliday, Lisa Covelli, Mike Stentz, Ruth Beverley, Jack Lucas, Pete Zaiser, Georgia Campbell, John O'Connell, 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

ST. CATHERINE'S DECEMBER SOCIAL CONCERN COLLECTION will be December 31, 2017, and will be for **THE RONCEVERTE FOOD PANTRY.** Prayerfully consider your contribution to this much needed service in our community.



"The day of the Nativity of the Mother of God is a day of universal joy, because through the Mother of God, the entire human race was renewed, and the sorrow of the first mother, Eve, was transformed into joy." Saint John Damascene, Father and Doctor of the Church

	Stewardship Report 11-18/19-2017		
	St. Catherine	St. Charles	St. Louis
			
Attendance	68	108	40
Envelopes	588.00	565.00	238.00
Loose	248.00	453.00	104.00
Total Collection	836.00	1018.00	342.00
Campaign for Human Dev.	139.00	148.00	59.00