



» 4th Sunday of Advent «



# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

## MASS TIMES

Sat: 4:00 pm  
Sun: 11:00 am  
Tue: Adoration 5:00 pm | Mass 6:00 pm  
Thu: 12 Noon  
First Fri: 12 Noon

Confession: Tue: 5 pm  
Saturday: 30 min prior to Mass

### Sacrament of Baptism:

Contact the church office 1 month prior to baptism

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Contact the church office 6 months prior to wedding

**Funerals:** Contact Kim Hickman:

304-920-2440

**Christmas Eve**  
Wednesday, December 24th  
3:30 pm Children's Pageant  
4:00 pm Children's Christmas Mass

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11:30 pm Carols  
12:00 am Midnight Mass

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**Nativity of the Lord - Christmas Day**  
Thursday, December 25th  
11:00 am Holy Mass



## UPCOMING EVENTS

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|---------------|------------|--|
| Dec 20        | 6:00 pm    | Baptismal Preparation  |
| <b>Dec 21</b> |            | <b>Fr. Joseph's 20<sup>th</sup> year of Ordination Anniversary</b> |
| Dec 24        | 3:30 pm    | CHRISTMAS EVE Children's celebrations                              |
| Dec 24        | 11:30 pm   | CHRISTMAS EVE Carols followed by Midnight Mass                     |
| Dec 25        | 11:00 am   | CHRISTMAS DAY Holy Mass Nativity of the Lord                       |
| Dec 28        | 11:00 am   | Feast of the Holy Family: Jesus, Mary & Joseph                     |
| Jan 01        | 12:00 noon | Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God<br><i>Holy Day of Obligation</i>  |



# † MASS SCHEDULE †

**Saturday, December 20** † **Mary & Willie Constantino**  
By Virginia Manley

**Sunday, December 21** † **John Cox**  
By Maria Cox

**Tuesday, December 23** † **Mary Jane Wheby Bowling**  
By William Joseph Bowling

**Wednesday, December 24** † **Nancy Lucero**  
**4pm** By Church

**Wednesday, December 24** † **Nancy Oliver**  
**12 midnight** By Church

**Thursday, December 25** **Pro Populo**  
By Church (People of the Parish)

**Saturday, December 27** † **Charley Manley**  
By Virginia Manley

**Sunday, December 28** † **Gene Richardson**  
By Tess Byron



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Give to the Second Collection at Christmas Mass**

As we celebrate Christ's birth, we're invited to share His love with neighbors facing hunger, homelessness, and hardship.

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"Whatever you do for the least of my brothers and sisters, you do for Me."  
-Matthew 25:40



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**Second Collection:  
Christmas Donation**  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection will be taken at all three Christmas masses.

*All monies collected fund local needs.*

**Sunday, December 21st**  
Please be sure to congratulate Fr. Joseph on his 20<sup>th</sup> year of Ordination Anniversary  
*"May your vocation be continually filled with peace and grace."*



Christmas Flower Envelopes:  
*"In Memory Of" list*  
Please contact the Parish Office by Monday, Dec. 22nd

**Christmas Masses Bluefield**

6:00 pm **Children's Mass**  
8:00 pm **Christmas Night Mass**  
9:00 am **Christmas Day Mass**

**Bluefield Mass times**  
Sat - 6:00 pm | Sun - 9:00 am | Wed - 6:00 pm |  
Thu - 10:00 am | First Friday - 10:00 am  
Confession: Wed 5:00 pm  
Sat 5:45 pm | Sun 8:30 am



## CONTACT US

☎ 304-425-3664  
PO Box 1310,  
507 Harrison St.  
Princeton, WV 24740

**Note:**  
**Parish Offices are CLOSED:**  
**Dec 24<sup>th</sup> thru Jan 1st**



### Faith formation

Our Christmas pageant takes place on Wednesday, December 24th at 3:30pm. The Children’s Mass follows at 4:00pm. We’d love to see you there.

Faith Formation classes will be on Christmas break until the new year. We will resume on January 7, 2026. We wish you and your family a joyful and blessed Christmas season.

### Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

This process involves exploring the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church, with the option to become Catholic through the Sacraments of Initiation. If you're interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, or know someone who is, please join us on Mondays at 5:30 pm.

### Religious ed schedule

Dec 14	YM: Foundations One Sunday at a Time	classroom conference room	9:00 am 9:30 am
Dec 15	OCIA	conference room	5:30 pm
Dec 17	Faith Formation	classrooms	6:00 pm
Dec 18	Women’s prayer group Men’s prayer group	conference room narthex	10:15 am 10:15 am
Dec 25 Jan 5	<b>-HOLIDAYS- No meetings</b>		
Holidays	Walking with Purpose Dec 18, Dec 25 & Jan	narthex <b>-No meetings-</b>	6:30 pm



### Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry gatherings will pause for the Christmas break. We will resume on January 11, 2026. May you and your loved ones have a joyful and meaningful Christmas celebration.

### Young Adult Ministry

Join us for our Young Adult (18-39) gatherings. Be on the lookout for our next meeting. We hope you can join us.

### One Sunday at a Time

There is still time to join our ‘Advent Journey’. We are using the book “Illuminate” as we journey together.



We invite you to join us any Sunday – whether it's once or every week. Everyone is welcome! Meet in the conference room at 9:30am.

### Walking with Purpose

We’re exploring "Discovering Our Dignity" in our Bible study group.



We’ll take a Christmas break and resume on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

Want to learn more about WWP? Give us a call - we’d love to connect!

### Woman’s Prayer Group Thursday 10:15 am - December 18, 2025

#### Opening Prayer Experience

Read-Reflect-Discuss  
Readings, Reflections and Prayers

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent

Reading 1 – Isaiah 7:10-14  
Responsorial Psalm 24  
“Let the Lord enter; he is the king of glory.”  
Reading 2 - Romans 1:1-7  
Gospel Reading – Matthew 1:18-24



Closing Prayer Experience  
“Turn Toward a New Light”

## CONTACT US

Dir. Religious Ed. - Laura Wyatt

Faith Formation - Laura Wyatt

OCIA - Laura Wyatt

Youth & Young Adult Ministry - KD Flanigan

Women’s Prayer Group - Susie Pace

Men’s Prayer Group - Jim Cosgrove | Bill Picknally

One Sunday at a Time - Ed Kerr





### UPCOMING BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS:

This class is for all expecting parents and new parents preparing for the baptism of their child. Please contact church office at 304-425-3664 to inquire about scheduling your child’s baptism. Saturday, December 20 - Time: 10:00 am Location: Conference Room

### PRAYER REQUEST

We would love to pray for you. Our parish now has a new and simple way to share your prayer intentions. Just press the button in parish communication emails or scan the QR code to submit your prayer request. By lifting each other in prayer, we are bound together as one family of faith, united in Christ’s love.



### WALKING WITH GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Struggling with grief? Join our parish's grief support group and find comfort in community. *Please join us in the New Year.* Location: Church Narthex **NOTE: There will be no meeting in December.**

### COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If you, or a family member, would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact Gina Boggess at 304-920-7047 or gina@sacredheartprinceton.org.

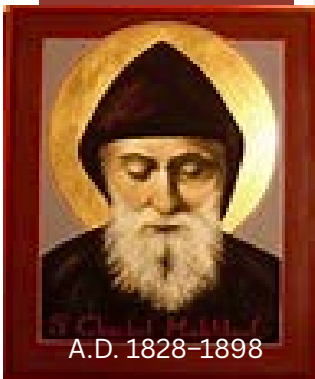
*What is the snow policy for Mass?*

**First Fridays & Weekend Masses will not be canceled**  
Fr. Joseph will always celebrate these Masses.

Please be sure and watch for a Flocknote message or check Facebook for decisions about daily Masses.

*Always be careful in inclement weather!*

Patron Saint of:  
Those Who Suffer  
in Body and Soul



A.D. 1828–1898

Feast Day:  
December 24  
(Christmas Eve)

#### Have you ever witnessed a miracle?

**Saint Charbel Makhlouf didn’t set out to become known as the “Miracle Monk of Lebanon”. From a young age, it was his sole desire to become a priest and live the life of a hermit.**

**And that’s exactly what he did.**

**In 1851, Charbel joined the Maronite order in Lebanon, but his goal of being a hermit would have to wait. He spent over 20 years living in a Monastery, serving his community, and became widely known as a holy man who helped unite Christians and Muslims.**

**Then, for the last 23 years of his life, his wish was granted and he went to live alone as a hermit before passing away. That’s when the miracles began to happen.**

**When Charbel died, light poured out from his tomb for days.**

**Decades later, officials unearthed his body and found that it hadn’t decayed. Miraculous stories began to circulate—healings, conceiving a child despite infertility, transformed faith.**

**Today, over 33,000 miracles have been reported as a result of Saint Charbel’s intercession.**

*Also Known As: The Perfume of Lebanon*



DECEMBER	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	Greeter	Altar Server	Counter
20	C. Jones	<u>V. Manley</u> K. Bailey T. Byron	A. Bisaha	T. Byron C. Pace	J. Choate
21	G. Saffel C. Cofer	<u>M. Flanigan</u> H. Cofer Williams	B. Fanning	<b>TBA</b>	
27	M. Gaspersich	<u>L. Pendleton</u> C. Pace K. Bailey	J. Gaspersich	M. Flanigan L. Kessinger	LaMothe's
28	M. Flanigan	L. Wyatt L. Dumapit D. Williams	S. Neri D. Neri	<b>TBA</b>	

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CHRISTMAS	Extraordinary Minister	Lector	Greeter	Altar Server	Counter
24 <sup>th</sup> 4pm Children's Mass	<u>D. Richardson</u> C. Pace L. Dumapit	M. Reiger, S. Demetriades, J. Flanigan, B. Yahya, A. Yahya, B. Carter, R. Muscari, O. Ball	E. Coleman A. Coleman	BJ Carter Ja. Flanigan Jo. Flanigan	
Mid-Night Mass 11:30 Carols	<u>M. Flanigan</u> L. Pendleton R. Modena	C. Jones S. Kerr	Blankenship's	B. Fanning M. Flanigan L. Kessinger T. Byron	
25 <sup>th</sup> Christmas 11:00 am	<u>G. Cosgrove</u> J. Cosgrove J. Buckler	K. Roberts	A. Bisaha	<b>TBA</b>	J. Choate S. Pace

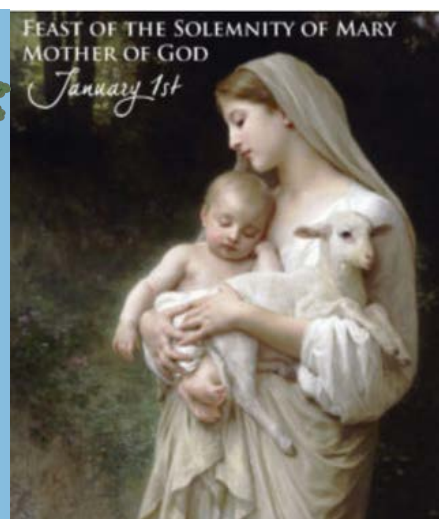
CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



TUESDAY	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	LECTOR	ALTAR SERVER	GREETER
6 pm				
23	T. Byron	<b>TBA</b>	L. Kessinger M. Flanigan	
30	M. Flanigan	S. Kerr	L. Kessinger M. Shay	

*Holy Day of Obligation:  
Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup>*

*Mass at 12 Noon - Princeton  
Mass at 10:00 am - Bluefield*



### IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

and a priest is needed, please Call:

Princeton Parish Office | 304-425-3664  
Bluefield Parish Office | 304-327-5623  
Fr. Joseph 304-327-7218  
Kim Hickman | 304-920-2440

In case of illness: Please call the parish office to let us know if you, a family member, or a parishioner is sick. We can place your name on the prayer list. If requested, Fr. Joseph will arrange for distributing Holy Communion in the home.

Nursing homes, rehabilitation centers and anyone who is hospitalized are not permitted to contact the church. If someone you know is in the hospital, please call the church office.

In case of serious or life threatening sickness or the actively dying: The church should be contacted as soon as possible. People deserve the opportunity to confess their sins, profess their faith, be anointed, and receive Holy Communion – the foretaste and pledge of eternal life. PLEASE don't wait until after the person is unconscious or so sedated that he or she cannot communicate. It is imperative with current situations, that there be enough time for Fr. to go through the appropriate protocol to visit the actively dying.

### DAILY PRAYERS

Lorin Albin	MaryLu Geiger	Lincoln Owens
Lane Austin	Kyle Geiger	Lucy Owens
Bernadette Baer	Kylena Harless	Inez Palomares
Margaret Bryan	Johnathan	Joshua Poorman
Matthew Bowles	Harding	Sara Poorman
Sarah Bravo	Kenna Johnston	Teresa Settle
Pat Caccamo	Patricia Gupton	Lee Schrage
Vanessa Colon	Wylie Rae Henson	Thomas Sneed
Teresa Derenge	Nancy Larkin	Agnes Tokarski
Maria Franco	Jim Lintz	Brenda Whorley
Peggy Friedrickson	Tanya Marx	
Dr. Billy Garcia	Lisa Mendoza	

### MUSIC - MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Mass Readings: **Year A** - Word & Eucharist Mass Book **PG. 178**  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Mass Hymns & Songs: *Gather Hymnal*  
Entrance: G395 - O Come, O Come Emmanuel (Verses 1 & 7)  
Responsorial Psalm 24 : *Let the Lord Enter*  
Presentation of Gifts: G451 - Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming  
Communion: G415 - My Soul in Stillness Waits  
Meditation: G889 - Hail Mary: Gentle Woman  
Closing Hymn: G409 - People Look East

	Weekend Dec 13-14	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
<b>Envelopes</b>	2,850.00	232,131.79	188,800.00
<b>Loose Offertory</b>	200.00	16,420.89	12,500.00
<b>Flowers</b>	150.00	2,290.00	2,000.00
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$3,200.00</b>	<b>\$250,842.68</b>	<b>\$203,300.00</b>
<b>Votive Candles (Gross)</b>	186.25	536.87	500.00
<b>Tender Mercies</b>	120.00	2,437.50	3,000.00
<b>DWC: Religious Retirement</b>	1,188.00	1,438.00	1,200.00
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>4pm: 49</b>	<b>11am: 80</b>	

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## *In Memory / Honor of....*

John Bailey  
Anne Bailey  
Verrie Hamm  
Kathryn Hamm  
*By Kay Bailey*

Mame Walckonski  
Ann & Charles Walckonski  
Pearl & Harold Cofer  
*By Carol & Harold Cofer*

John Clark  
Ed & Norma Ciaburri  
Rose & Albert Bachner  
Margaret & Regis Clark  
John & Mary Hickman  
*By John and Kim Hickman*

Lintz Family  
Hewitt Family  
Betty Brockmier  
*By James & Loretta Lintz*

Nancy Lucero  
*By Mario Lucero*

Connie Pace  
L.J. & Nettie Pace  
Ray & Pauline Woomer  
*By Charles Pace*

Melly & Lloyd Woolwine  
Jean Battle  
Jeannie Woolwine  
*By Richard & Katherine Roberts*

AMB Victoriano M. Lecaros  
Victor Joel L. Trinidad  
Capt. & Mrs. Pelagio T. Lecaros  
Atty. & Mrs. Cipriano Trinidad  
*By Christina & Victor Trinidad*

Tony & Frieda Aiello  
*By Joe Aiello*

Paul & Margaret Buckler  
Alice & Harry Lieby  
*By Joan & Mike Buckler*

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Ethel Footo Cox  
Patsy & Frank Constantino  
The Falcamato Family  
*By Maria Cox*

Shirley Hillyer  
Kenneth Hillyer  
Helen Myers  
David Myers  
*By Cathy & James Hillyer*

Charley Manley  
Antonio Constantino  
Fannie Constantino  
Willie & Mary Constantino  
*By Virginia Manley*

Pace Family  
Elswick Family  
Esther Piconi  
*By Margaret Pace*

Richardsons Families  
Mullins Family  
Duremdes Family  
Prinzback Family  
*By Donna Richardson*

### *Additional Donations by:*

James & Gerry Cosgrove  
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Sara Bravo  
Rudy Bravo  
Mary Raya  
Virginia Wyatt  
*By Laura & Rick Wyatt*





## **Christmas Masses: Sacred Heart Princeton**

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