

# Sacred Heart

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Confessions: Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 pm  
Sunday 10:30 - 11:00 am  
and by appointment

**Office Hours:**  
**Mon - Thu 9 am - 2 pm**

**Pastor: Rev. Sebastian Devasya, V.E.**

**Mass Times: Saturday - 4:00 pm | Sunday - 11:00 am | Tuesday - 6:00 pm | Thursday - Noon | First Friday - Noon**

**Sunday Mass is livestreamed**



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(@shprinceton) • Instagram photos and videos

To our non-Catholic friends, we extend a warm invitation to for you to come forward and receive a Blessing when our Catholic brothers and sisters come forward to receive Holy Communion. Please come up to the Priest or Eucharistic Minister with your hands folded across your chest, so we will know that you wish to receive a Blessing. We are grateful for your presence.

## *Mass Intentions:*

Saturday	Feb 15	4 pm	Noah Griffith (Birthday)	by Laura & Rick Wyatt
Sunday	Feb 16	11 am	✝ Pacie Pace	by Susie Pace
Tuesday	Feb 18	6 pm	✝ Juan Carlos Avalos-Gomez	by Avalos Family
Thursday	Feb 20	Noon	✝ Angie Grbac	by Virginia Manley
Saturday	Feb 22	4 pm	✝ Willie Constantino	by Virginia Manley
Sunday	Feb 23	11 am	Pro Populo (People of the Parish)	by Church



## *Upcoming Events:*

Fri	Feb 14	6:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration
Sat	Feb 15	10 am	Baptismal preparation class
Wed	Feb 19	6 pm	Baptismal preparation class
Thu	Feb 20	12:30 pm	Liturgy Meeting
Wed	Feb 26	5:30 pm	Walking in Grief support group
Fri	Feb 28	6:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration

### 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.

Wednesday, **February 19** - Time: 6 pm  
- Location: Conference Room

### Walking in Grief Support Group:

Struggling with grief? Join our parish's grief support group and find comfort in community. Join us on **February 26** at 5:30 pm in the Narthex.

### Prayer in the Parish Community



#### Hours for the Lord

3.3.1 Pope Francis' initiative

The initiative called "24 Hours for the Lord" is a prayer event desired by Pope Francis that is celebrated on the Friday and Saturday preceding the Fourth Sunday of Lent. The aim is to offer the faithful the opportunity to experience a time of intense prayer and find their way back to the Lord. Concretely, it is suggested that on Friday evening and throughout the day on Saturday, there is an extraordinary opening of the churches and sanctuaries, offering the possibility to access Confessions, preferably in the context of animated Eucharistic Adoration, well aware that «at the center of Christian life is the Sacrament of Reconciliation [...] enabling people to touch the grandeur of God's mercy with their own hands» (Bull of indiction of the extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy Misericordiae Vultus, April 11, 2015, no. 17).

Ref: Teach us to Pray, Dicastery for Evangelization

## Adoration

Come adore Jesus Christ, your:

- Healer
- Savior
- Best Friend

in the Holy Eucharist. He longs to be with you, and to bring you peace, joy, and His unending love.

Friday, Feb 14 & 28  
6:00 pm



Sacred Heart invites you to join us in reciting the Evening Prayer on Tuesdays at 5:30 PM, just before the 6:00 PM Mass. Together, we will provide a guide to help you connect and engage.

Please be aware that on days when there is no daily Mass, we will not hold evening prayer.



## JUBILEE OF HOPE PILGRIMAGE 2025

Led by Father Sebastian Devasya  
September 2nd - 11th

# Italy

INCLUDES: AIRFARE, HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS,  
TRANSPORTATION, AND EVENT TICKETS

### Destinations:

**Florence, Siena, Assisi and Rome.**

#### We will visit:

- Academia Gallery to see Michelangelo's David
- Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and Basilica of Santa Croce
- Cupola by Brunelleschi
- Arno River and Ponte Vecchio (Bridge of Gold)
- Celebrate Mass at the Dominican Church commemorating St. Catherine of Siena
- Mass at Basilica of St. Francesco, visit the tomb of St. Francis of Assisi, and visit the Church of St. Clare.
- Basilica of St. Mary of Angels and Portiuncula - Francis' Church of Little Portion
- Vatican City, where we celebrate Mass below St. Peter's, visit Vatican Museum, Michelangelo's restored frescoes in the Sistine Chapel, and sculpture La Pieta.
- Michelangelo's sculpture "Moses".
- St. Peter's for an audience with Pope Francis (if he is in residence)
- Visit the Catacombs and celebrate Mass in the view of 2nd & 3rd-century frescoes.
- **Pass through 4 of the 5 Holy Doors:**
  - St. Peter's
  - St. Mary Major
  - Holy Stairs and Basilica of St. John Lateran
  - Basilica of St. Paul

## Book Now

Contact Us

**Gina Boggess 304-920-7047**

**gina@sacredheartprinceton.org**



<https://www.unitours.com/showtrip.aspx?tripid=2702>



**Faith Formation (K-5):**

Just a friendly reminder that our wonderful Catechists dedicate a lot of time and energy to help guide your children in Catholic teachings. When your child isn't able to attend, it can have an impact on our Catechists. If you signed your child up, we'd love to see them there; their attendance is so important for keeping our classes going. Thank you for your support!

We also have discussions about Sunday scripture in the conference room, so if you'd like to stay and engage, feel free to join other adults who are participating.

**Youth Ministry (MS/HS):**

Be sure to Save the Date, on Mar 14th we will have **"Silhouette Stations of the Cross."** If your youth would like to participate please let Laura Wyatt know as soon as possible.

Be on the look out for the next Youth Ministry night, more info to come

**Children's Liturgy of the Word (K-5):**

Our next C.L.O.W. is happening on Feb 16! Please encourage your child to join us for a fun and engaging time, where they'll hear the liturgy in a way that's just right for them. It's a wonderful opportunity for them to connect with Scripture in a kid-friendly way!



**Walking with Purpose:**

Hey everyone, welcome back! We're really excited to see all of you. Here's what we'll be diving into in our next chapters!

**Opening Your Heart:** Lesson 15/  
What Is the Role of Suffering In My Life?

**Touching the Divine:** Lesson 15/  
Jesus, the Servant

**Woman's Prayer Group**

Read-Reflect  
Readings and Prayers for  
The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Reading I Jeremiah 17:5-8**  
**Responsorial Psalm**  
*Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.*  
**Reading II 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20**  
**Gospel Luke 6:17, 20-26**

**"One Sunday at a Time"**

We warmly invite you to join us every Sunday at 9:30 AM in the upstairs conference room, where we will read and discuss the Sunday scripture readings together, discovering their connections.

Please feel free to come any Sunday that feels right for you, whether it's just one or all of them. We genuinely look forward to sharing this time with you!

**Order of Christian Initiation:**

This week will will discuss: the **"Ten Commandments & the Golden Rule"** Most people are familiar with the concept of the Ten Commandments in the Old Testament, even if they can't list them all. What some people aren't aware of is that those Ten Commandments make up just a small fraction of the 613 commandments total in the Old Testament.

For information please contact Laura Wyatt at 304-425-3664 or [lwyatt@sacredheartprinceton.org](mailto:lwyatt@sacredheartprinceton.org)

*POINT OF CONTACT*

Faith Formation	Laura Wyatt
Adult Education	Laura Wyatt
OCIA	Laura Wyatt
Youth Ministry	Lorin Albin
Women's Prayer Group	Susie Pace
Men's Group	Jim Cosgrove Bill Picknally
Walking with Purpose (WWP)	KD Coleman Laura Wyatt

**Religious Education Schedule of Events**

Feb 16	Faith Formation class One Sunday at a Time Youth Sunday Children's Liturgy of the Word	classroom conference room	9:30 am   Mass
Feb 17	OCIA	conference room	5:30 pm
Feb 20	Women's Prayer Group Men's group WWP	conference room Narthex Narthex	10:15 am 10:15 6:30 pm
Feb 23	Faith Formation class One Sunday at a Time	classroom conference room	9:30 am
Feb 24	OCIA	conference room	5:30 pm
Feb 27	Women's Prayer Group WWP	conference room Narthex	10:15 am 6:30 pm
Mar 2	Faith Formation class One Sunday at a Time	classroom conference room	9:30 am

**Please include the following in your Daily Prayers**

Lorin Albin  
 Bernadette Baer  
 Margaret Bryan  
 Ronnie Blankenship  
 Matthew Bowles  
 Pat Caccamo  
 Raybeth Durham  
 Fr. Chapin Engler  
 Maria Franco  
 Peggy Friedrichson  
 Dr. Billy Garcia  
 MaryLu Geiger  
 Kyle Geiger  
 Kylena Harless  
 Johnathan Harding  
 Kenna Johnston  
 Patricia Gupton  
 Wylie Rae Henson  
 Nancy Larkin  
 Jim Lintz  
 Tanya Marx  
 Lisa Mendoza  
 Mollie Luciano Pierce  
 Joshua Poorman  
 Sara Poorman  
 Teresa Settle  
 Agnes Tokarski

	weekend Feb 9-10	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
<b>Envelopes</b>	3,832.00	24,088.63	23,500.00
<b>Loose Offertory</b>	215.00	995.12	1,200.00
<b>Maintenance</b>	290.00	600.00	500.00
<b>Total contributions</b>	<b>\$4,337.00</b>	<b>\$25,683.75</b>	<b>\$25,200.00</b>
<b>DWC: Home Missions</b>	329.50	545.50	500.00
<b>DWC: Black &amp; Native American Mission</b>	329.50	329.50	350.00
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>4pm: 59</b>	<b>11am: 137</b>	

February Ministry Schedule						
Date/Time	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	Greeter	Livesteam	Altar Server	Counter
Feb 15 4 pm	M. Gaspersich	V. Manley - C. Pace T. Byron	J. Gaspersich		L. Kessinger	LaMothe
Feb 16 11 am	B. Fanning M. Reiger	D. Richardson - W. Picknally M. Cox	A. Yayha	K. Carter	BJ Carter E. Colman A. Coleman	
Feb 22 4 pm	B. Schumacher	L. Wyatt - T. Marx M. Marx	C. Prox		TBA	Settle
Feb 23 11 am	G. Saffell G. Boggess	M. Flanigan - Z. Romano M. Shay	Blankenship's	W. Picknally	Jo Flanigan	
Mar 1 4 pm	M. Tinio	K. Bailey- V. Manley T. Byron	Bisaha's		TBA	Pace
Mar 2 11 am	M. Flanigan	J. Lintz - TBA - TBA	TBA	W. Picknally	TBA	

Music for  
 February 15 & 16, 2025  
 Celtic Mass

Entrance: G592  
 "We are the Light of the World"

Presentation of Gifts: G658  
 "Seek Ye First"

Closing Hymn: G949  
 "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus"

Mass Readings Year C  
 on pg. 659  
 Word & Eucharist

Responsorial Psalm 1:1-6  
 Blessed are they who hope in  
 the Lord

Communion: G751  
 "The Servant Song"

**STAFF**

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**In case of emergency and priest is needed, please call:**

The Princeton Parish Office  
 (304) 425-3664

Bluefield Parish Office  
 (304) 327-5623

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. Sebastian 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.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt thanks to each of you who completed the Disciple Maker Index survey from the Catholic Leadership Institute. Your participation in this important effort is a testament to your commitment to the life of our parish, and I am deeply grateful for the time and effort you took to complete the survey.

As many of you know, on average, 198 parishioners join us for Mass each week. I am thrilled to share that 116 of you completed the digital survey, and over 20 completed the paper surveys. This is a wonderful response that speaks to our dedication to seeing our parish continue to grow and thrive. I would also like to thank Gina Boggess, Debbie LaMothe, Susie Pace, Tess Byron, and Laura Wyatt for all their help administering this survey in our parish.

The Catholic Leadership Institute (CLI) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering Catholic leaders to guide and strengthen their parishes and dioceses. It offers various services aimed at helping church leaders, including priests, pastoral staff, and lay leaders, improve their leadership skills, create a strong vision for their communities, and build a culture of discipleship.

One of the key tools CLI provides is the Disciple Maker Index (DMI), which is a survey designed to gather feedback from parishioners about their faith life and experiences at their parish. The DMI assesses factors such as spiritual growth, engagement, and the effectiveness of the parish in helping members grow as disciples of Christ.

For our parish, the Disciple Maker Index will:

1. **Provide Insight:** The survey gives a clear picture of where our parishioners stand in their spiritual journey, how connected they feel to the church community, and what areas the parish is excelling in or where it can improve.
2. **Identify Strengths and Weaknesses:** The DMI will help our parish leadership identify areas of strength and places that need more attention, such as worship, adult faith formation, community engagement, or outreach programs.
3. **Guide Decision Making:** The data from the survey will help our parish leadership make informed decisions about where to focus resources, what programs to enhance, and how to better meet the needs of the parishioners.
4. **Empower Growth:** The feedback helps our parish become more focused on nurturing discipleship, improving communication, and creating environments where parishioners can deepen their faith and sense of belonging.
5. **Shape the Future:** The insights gained from the survey can be used to develop long-term strategies for growth, engagement, and faith formation.

Now that the survey results have been gathered, the Catholic Leadership Institute team will begin analyzing the information. Once compiled, our parish team will receive the data and work diligently to share it with all of you. Together, we will reflect on the findings, engage in thoughtful conversation, and begin to develop a plan for the future of our parish. This process will help us understand how we live as disciples of Christ and where God calls us to grow in faith and service.

How do you engage personally in evangelization? This is a question posed by Bishop Brennan in his pastoral letter, *Bringing People to Christ*. Bishop Brennan initiated the Catholic Leadership initiative to gather more into the Catholic faith, increase Discipleship, and prepare and encourage us to live out our call to share the good news of the Gospel by evangelization. I am excited about the path ahead and look forward to seeing how the Holy Spirit will guide us in the coming months. This journey we are on as a parish is not just about planning for the future but about each of us sharing our unique gifts—our time, our talent, and our treasure—to build up the Body of Christ. We are a family, united in faith, and we can achieve great things together.

Again, thank you for your participation and ongoing commitment to our parish. I am filled with hope for the future, and I believe God has many blessings in store for us as we continue this journey together. May we remain open to His will and be ever more faithful in our mission to live as disciples of Christ.

With deep gratitude and blessings,

Father Sebastian

# Quo Vadis Retreat

## Middle School Discernment Retreat

Boys in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades are invited!

11 am on June 30  
through 1pm on July 3

Priest Field Pastoral Center

Kearneysville, WV

Campers will enjoy outdoor activities including:

**Prayer • Kayaking • Discernment  
Camp Fire • Games**

Opportunities for Charitable and Spiritual  
Works of Mercy

The camp is staffed by laypeople, priests  
and seminarians from the  
Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

**RETREAT IS FREE!!!**

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