

**February 3 & 4, 2024**

**Sunday Mass is livestreamed**

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

**5th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**



## **Sacred Heart Catholic Church**

**PO Box 1310, 507 Harrison St. Princeton, WV 24740**

**304-425-3664**

**Confessions: Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 pm and by  
appointment  
Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 pm**

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### **St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr** Saturday February 3, 2024

*Saint Blaise, an early Christian martyr and bishop, holds a significant place in Christian history. Celebrated on February 3, his feast day is marked by the Blessing of Throats, a tradition that continues to this day. He is revered as the patron saint of throat illnesses, and his intercession is sought by those suffering from such ailments.*

*Born in Sebaste, Armenia, Saint Blaise led a remarkable life as both a physician and a bishop. His dedication to healing, both spiritually and physically, made him a beloved figure among the people. As a physician, he used his medical knowledge to alleviate the suffering of those in his community. As a bishop, he guided his flock with compassion and wisdom, nurturing their faith and providing spiritual guidance.*

*Saint Blaise's life and service exemplify the values of compassion, healing, and faith. His story serves as an inspiration to many, reminding us of the importance of caring for others and seeking spiritual solace in times of illness and distress. The Blessing of Throats, a tradition associated with Saint Blaise, continues to bring comfort and hope to those who seek his intercession.*

**Fr. Sebastian will bless the throats during Masses on Feb 10 & 11.**

Ref: <https://young-catholics.com/8463/st-blaise-bishop-and-martyr/>



### **Mass Intentions:**

Saturday, Feb 3, 4pm -

**Felomina Yongque (Birthday)**

By Linda Dumapit

Sunday, Feb 4, 11am -

**First Communion youth**

By Faith Formation

Tuesday, Feb , 6pm -

**People of the Parish**

Thursday, Feb 8, Noon

✠ **Pauline Picknally**

By Bill Picknally

Saturday, Feb 10, 4pm -

✠ **Holy Souls in Purgatory**

By Tanya Marx

Sunday, Feb 11, 11am -

✠ **Juan Carlos Avalos**

By Maria Avalos Gomez

### **Upcoming Events:**

Fri, Feb 2, First Friday Mass, Devotion to the Sacred Heart, Benediction - Noon

Feb 2-4, Mount 2000 Retreat

Feb 10-11, Blessing of throats

Feb 10, 9:00 am First Communion Reconciliation Retreat

Feb 14, Ash Wednesday – Mass with distribution of ashes – Noon and 6 pm

Feb 16, Noon Stations of the Cross

Feb 19-20, Fr. Sebastian at Presbyteral council

Feb 23, Noon Stations of the Cross

Sun, Feb 25, 6:00 pm Parentheses

Fri, Mar 1, 7:00 pm Silhouette Stations of the Cross

### **Staff**

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February 4

**Eucharistic Reflection:** As Christians we know that we need Christ to be present in our lives. He is our very sustenance as he reminded us: *unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you* (Jn 6:53).

**Faith Formation - Our Soup-er Bowl** challenge will begin on Feb 4. We ask you to bring canned goods to support Tender Mercies.

On Super Bowl Sunday, Feb 11 we will announce which team won our Soup-er Bowl food drive.

**Tax receipts - ATTENTION DONORS!** 2023 Tax



receipts were mailed out this past week. Please carefully review your statement. If you feel there might be an error or missing information, please contact Kim Hickman as soon as possible. Sacred Heart Catholic Church is deeply grateful for your contributions. With out monetary support many of the projects, events and even turning on the lights would not be possible! Thank you. ~Kim

**The Mommy Ministry** - The Mommy Ministry will be selling Eucharistic Revival T-shirts for \$10. Please support this wonderful ministry.



**Sacred Heart Bluefield Cookbooks** - The Sacred Heart Cookbooks celebrating the Church Building's 100th anniversary have arrived! If you would like to purchase a book please contact Cynthia Stacy at 304-952-3534 or the church office. The cook books are selling for \$15.

**Second Collection - Feb 10 & 11 Church Missions within the United States**

**Black and Indian Missions** - for evangelizing the Black and Indian peoples of the United States. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which otherwise would cease. The Collection was formerly known as The Black and Indian Home Mission Collection. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which otherwise would cease. The Collection was formerly known as The Black and Indian Home Mission Collection.

**Catholic Home Missions Appeal** - the Appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States and its territories in 85 Latin and Eastern Catholic dioceses. The Subcommittee on the Catholic Home Missions funds a wide range of pastoral services, including evangelization, religious education, and the maintenance of mission parishes, the training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry with ethnic groups.

**Weekly Collections**

	weekend Jan 27-28	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
<b>Envelopes</b>	2,963.00	15,678.00	17,000.00
<b>Loose Offertory</b>	191.43	863.68	1,000.00
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 3,154.43</b>	<b>\$ 16,541.68</b>	<b>\$ 18,000.00</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>4pm: 50</b>	<b>11am: 158</b>	

**Women's Retreat - Hold On To Hope!** Co-sponsored



with the DWC Office of Evangelization and Catechesis. Presented by Sr. Sallie Latkovich, CSJ March 8-10, 2024. St. John XXIII Pastoral Center Charleston WV.

The focus of this retreat will be on HOPE! We will reflect together on the experience

of hope in each of our lives, remembering that the single source of our hope is in God, and relying on the Scriptures that provide us hope. We will be renewed in the call to be bearers of hope in our families, our Church, our world. May we indeed hold on to hope.

## Religious Ed Schedule of Events

- Feb 4, 11, 18, 25 - **Faith Formation** | Class
- Feb 4, 11, 18, 25 - **OCIA** | Class
- Feb 8 - **Women's Prayer group** | 10:15 am Conf. room  
**Men's group** | 10:15 am Narthex
- Feb 10 - **Faith Formation** | 9:00 am Reconciliation Retreat (First Communion)
- Feb 11 - **YM** | Lenten YM Night
- Feb 15 - **Women's Prayer group** | 10:15 am Conf. room  
Feb 18 - **OCIA** | 3:00 pm Rite of Election (Charleston)
- Feb 22 - **Women's Prayer group** | 10:15 am Conf. room  
**Men's group** | 10:15 am Narthex  
**Lenten Lunches** | 12:30 pm Conf. room
- Feb 25 - **YM** | Parentheses
- Feb 29 - **Women's Prayer group** | 10:15 am Conf. room  
**Lenten Lunches** | 12:30 pm Conf. room
- Mar 1 - **YM** | 7:00 pm Silhouette Stations
- Mar 22 - **OCIA** | Transformational Stations

**Youth Ministry** - Contact Lorin Albin

**Faith Formation** - Contact Laura Wyatt

**OCIA** - Contact Laura Wyatt

**Women's Prayer Group** - Contact Susie Pace

**Men's Group** - Contact Jim Cosgrove or Bill Picknally

**Walking with Purpose (WWP)** - Contact Laura Wyatt or KD Coleman

**Adult Education** - Contact Laura Wyatt

### This Week on Formed - Bahkita: From Slave to Saint



tells the incredible story of St. Josephine Bakhita. Originally born in Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped by slavers and was eventually sold to a merchant in Italy. By the grace of God, she lived a heroic life of forgiveness and mercy which led her to become a saint.

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<https://watch.formed.org/videos/bakhita-from-slave-to-saint>

## Religious Education

### Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

#### Feb 4 - The 10 Commandments

Our topic in this session is on *Evangelization*. The word we use to refer to this process of passing on the faith to others, and it can only be done from one person to another. The institutional church can't do it for us.

**Next weeks lesson:**  
February 11 - Lent

### Walking with Purpose (WWP)

#### Lesson 9 - "What Are the Limits of Christ's Forgiveness?"

this week we will look at Christ's forgiveness in the Gospel of Luke as well as the parable of the prodigal son.

**\*\* We will take our break after this session and resume again soon. Be on the lookout for startup date\*\***

### Lenten Lunches

Come and join us every Thursday during Lent after Mass, where you can enjoy a friendly video-based study session followed by a group discussion over lunch. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect with others and engage in fellowship. We hope to see you there.

**Week One: Where Are You?**  
**Starting:** Feb 22 After Mass  
Meet in the conf. room

#### Faith Formation

Next week marks a very special occasion for our youth who are preparing for the Sacrament of First Communion. They will be attending a Reconciliation retreat where they will be making their **First Reconciliation**. As they examine their conscience and approach confession for the first time, let us keep them in our prayers and send them our positive vibes. With our support and encouragement, may they feel confident and empowered to take this important step in their spiritual journey.

#### Youth Ministry

Our next YM night will be on Feb 11, be on the lookout for more information. If your teen would like to participate in YM please contact Lorin Albin for more information.

#### The Woman's Prayer Group

**Woman's Prayer Group meets Thursday at 10:15 am.**

**Preparing for the Season of Lent**

**LENT**  
Pray + Fast + Give



# TOGETHER IN HOLINESS™

CONFERENCE SERIES



Every person is made for self-giving love, which has been fully revealed to us by Jesus Christ. At the third annual *Together in Holiness* conference in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, you will have the opportunity to reflect upon how your own family is called to be a school of love. I encourage all married and engaged couples to attend this event so you and your spouse may grow in deeper appreciation of your marriage vocation and your mission to love God and one another.

**Most Rev. Mark E. Brennan**

## WHERE SPOUSES DISCOVER GOD'S PLAN FOR THEIR FAMILY

FEBRUARY 10, 2024 | 10:45 AM - 6:00 PM  
ST. JAMES THE GREATER CATHOLIC CHURCH  
CHARLES TOWN, WV

PRESENTED BY



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WHEELING-CHARLESTON

### CELEBRANT & SPEAKERS



Very Rev.  
Timothy  
Grassi



Joshua P.  
Bitting, PhD



John and  
Annie  
DeJak



Renzo and  
Monica  
Ortega

## A CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CONFERENCE THAT INSPIRES SPOUSES AND EMPOWERS PARENTS

### WHAT TO EXPECT

*Together in Holiness* provides an opportunity for quality time with your spouse and includes dynamic and inspiring presentations from national speakers, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, on-site childcare, and more!

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Catholic married and engaged couples throughout the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston and beyond who desire to grow together in holiness and learn to form their children in the Catholic Faith.

### VENUE

St. James the Greater Catholic Church  
49 Crosswinds Dr | Charles Town, WV 25414

### REGISTRATION

Early Bird Couple ~~\$54~~ \$27\* - Discount available through January 8  
Couple ~~\$64~~ \$32\* | Childcare \$5/child

\*50% of all attendee registration costs are generously covered by the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Full and partial scholarships are available, please inquire.

For more information, contact the Conference Coordinator Cameron Kelly at [cameron@forlifeandfamily.org](mailto:cameron@forlifeandfamily.org) or 832-779-1070.

**CLICK TO REGISTER**

Or visit [togetherinholiness.org/wheelingcharleston](https://togetherinholiness.org/wheelingcharleston)

St. Francis de Sales Parish  
Lent Mission for Parish Year of Eucharistic Revival

## The Eucharist: We Become What We Believe

Presenter: Deacon Greg Kandra

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church  
614 S. Oakwood Ave.  
Beckley, WV 25801

### Retreat Schedule

Weekend of Feb. 17-18 Retreat begins, with Deacon Greg Kandra as homilist for all three English Masses:

Sat., Feb. 17 5:00 p.m. Mass  
Sun., Feb. 18 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Masses

Mon., Feb. 19

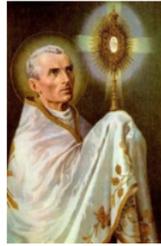
8:30 a.m. Mass (Daily Parish Mass)  
5:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation  
6:30 p.m. Evening Prayer followed by Conference I

Tue., Feb. 20

8:30 a.m. Mass (Daily Parish Mass)  
5:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation  
6:30 p.m. Evening Prayer followed by Conference II

Wed., Feb. 21

8:30 a.m. Mass (Daily Parish Mass, followed by All-Day Adoration)  
5:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation  
5:45 p.m. Evening Prayer and Benediction  
6:30 p.m. Mass with Conference III  
~7:30 p.m. Light Reception in De Sales Hall to conclude Mission



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## PRIESTHOOD Discernment Retreat

- FOR MEN 18 AND OLDER
- PRAY, SHARE MEALS, AND ATTEND SEMINARY CLASSES WITH WV SEMINARIANS
- HEAR TALKS ABOUT PRIESTLY LIFE AND DISCERNMENT

MOUNT ST. MARY'S SEMINARY  
16300 OLD EMMITSBURG RD, EMMITSBURG, MD 21727

SUNDAY MARCH 10 12:30PM → MONDAY MARCH 11 10:00PM

TO APPLY, CONTACT FR. PHILLIP SZABO AT [PSZABO@DWC.ORG](mailto:PSZABO@DWC.ORG) TO ARRANGE A TIME FOR A BRIEF PHONE INTERVIEW.

# Women's Discernment Retreat

June 21-23, 2024 St. Joseph Retreat Center, Wheeling, WV



The Office of Consecrated Life presents a discernment retreat for single Catholic women ages 18 and over. In a world that lacks moments of silence and reflection it can be easy for us to ignore our callings. Join us and take this time to get to know yourself, your heart, and how Christ is working in your life.

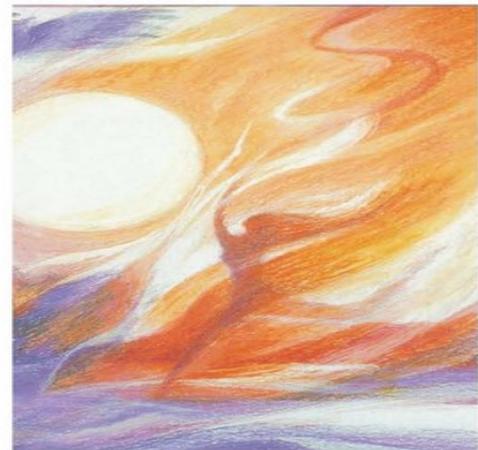
- ✦ Retreat is free.
- ✦ Be with other discerning women.
- ✦ Register now - space is limited!



To Register/More Info:

Sister Martha Gomez, RGS,  
[mgomez@dwc.org](mailto:mgomez@dwc.org)

Office of Consecrated Life  
(304)233-0880 ext. 264



Contemplative Embodiment by Sr. Mary Southard, CSI  
[www.ministryofthearts.org](http://www.ministryofthearts.org) Used with Permission.

## Women's Retreat

Co-sponsored with the DWC  
Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

## Hold On To Hope!

Presented by  
Sr. Sallie Latkovich, CSJ

March 8-10, 2024

St. John XXIII Pastoral Center  
Charleston WV

**In case of an emergency and a 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.

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

George	Bowling	Tanya	Marx
Margaret	Bryan	Angie	Pendleton
Dale	Geiger	Angie	Pendleton
MaryLu	Greiger	Vivian	Romano
Kyle	Geiger	Agnes	Tokarski
Kimiko	Houser	Richard	Wentz
Angie	Grbac		
Patricia	Gupton		
Wylie Rae	Henson		
Nancy	Larkin		
Jim	Lintz		
Richard	Lockhart		



**Music for February 4, 2024 Mass of Christ the Savior**  
Mass Readings on pg. 467  
Word & Eucharist

Entrance: G685  
"How Can I Keep from Singing"  
Responsorial Psalm 147:  
Praise, O Praise  
Presentation of Gifts: G640  
"There is Balm in Gilead"

Communion: G940  
"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"  
Closing Hymn: G593  
"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

**February Ministry Schedule**

Date/Time	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	Greeter	Livestream	Altar Server	Counter
3 4pm	A. Dumapit	V. Manley T. Marx M. Marx	J. Gaspersich	N/A	C. Pace	S. Pace
4	J. Cox	M. Cox M. Albin B. Barrett	Blankenship's	W. Picknally	TBA	
10 4pm	M. Bacho	K. Bailey C. Pace V. Manley	F. Bacho	n/a	T. Byron	J. Cosgrove
11	D. LaMothe	J. Cosgrove G. Richardson L. Wyatt	Hillyer's	W. Picknally	A. Albin B. Fanning	
14 Ash Wed Noon	D. LaMothe	R. Modena T. Marx M. Marx	Prox	W. Picknally	C. Pace	N/A
14 Ash Wed 6 pm	M. Bacho	G. Boggess M. Albin TBA	F. Bacho	TBA	L. Kessinger	
17 4pm	J. Gaspersich	T. Byron K. Bailey C. Pace	Prox	N/A	L. Kessinger	J. Choate
18	K. Carter Jo Flanigan	G. Cosgrove W. Picknally K. Hickman	Verespie Family	TBA	E. Coleman A. Coleman	
24 4pm	M. Tinio	R. Modena T. Marx M. Marx	Bisaha	N/A	C. Pace	T. Settle
25	L. Albin	K. Suehs Y. Suehs G. Boggess	Neri	W. Picknally	BJ Carter Ja Flanigan	