

March 23 & 24, 2024

Sunday Mass is livestreamed

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

**6th Sunday in
Lent**



Sacred Heart Catholic Church
PO Box 1310, 507 Harrison St. Princeton, WV 24740
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**Confessions: Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 pm and by
appointment**
Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 pm

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*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.*

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Mass Intentions:

Saturday, Mar 23, 4pm -
✠ **Charley Manley**
By Virginia Manley
Sunday, Mar 24, 11am -
✠ **Blanche Nicholson**
By Timm & Gina Boggess
Tuesday, Mar 26, 6pm -
✠ **Estelle Reed Santon**
By Jacinda Santon Smith
Thursday, Mar 28, Noon -
✠ **Mary Jane Wheby Bowling**
By William Bowling
Saturday, Mar 30, 4pm -
People of the Parish
Sunday, Mar 31, 11am -
✠ **John Shay**
By Yvonne & Kirt Suehs

Upcoming Events:

Fri, Mar 22, Noon Stations of the Cross
(led by OCIA)
5:00 - 7:00 pm Fish Fry
5:30, Transformational Stations
Sat, Mar 23, 4:00 pm Palm Sunday Mass
Sun, Mar 24, 11:00 am Palm Sunday
Thu, Mar 28, 4:00 pm Holy Thursday
Fri, Mar 29, 3:00 pm Good Friday
Sat, Mar 30, 8:00 pm Holy Saturday
Sun, Mar 31, 11:00 am Easter
Easter Egg Hunt after Mass

SIXTH SUNDAY OF *Lent*

Dear Faithful Sacred Heart Family,

Congratulations! We have reached the final leg of our spiritual journey! The sixth week of Lent ushers us into the most holy week of the year. It is a time of deep contemplation on Jesus Christ's life and teachings and a solemn remembrance of the sacrifice he made for us on the cross.

During Holy Week, we are not mere spectators but called to walk with Jesus on his journey to the cross. Each day of this holy week holds a unique significance, and we must delve into the profound meaning behind each day.

On Palm Sunday, we recall Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, where he was greeted with palm branches and shouts of "Hosanna!" It is a day of joy and somber anticipation of the suffering awaiting Jesus.

On Holy Monday, we remember the cleansing of the temple. It is a day for introspection on our own lives. We must examine the areas within us that need to be cleaned by seeking forgiveness and renewal.

On Holy Tuesday, we recollect Jesus's parables and teachings, including the renowned parable of the Good Samaritan. It is a day for deep contemplation on how we can personify Christ's teachings in our lives.

On Spy Wednesday, we visualize Judas's betrayal — the kiss and the bag of silver coins. On this day, we examine our own consciences and think about how we have betrayed others and the forgiveness we seek for our sins.

On Holy Thursday, we remember the Last Supper, a poignant moment when Jesus washed his disciples' feet and bestowed upon us the gift of the Eucharist and the institution of the holy priesthood. It is a day of remembrance of the immense love that Jesus showed us and how we can reciprocate that love by serving others.

On Good Friday, we imagine Jesus's crucifixion — the cruel and humiliating parade from his condemnation to his crucifixion. It is a day of solemn reflection on the suffering Jesus endured, the sacrifice Jesus made, and the forgiveness and redemption he offers us.

On Holy Saturday, we remember the vigil, a day of anticipation for Jesus's resurrection. It is a day of hope and the promise of new life that we are given through the resurrection.

This coming week, let us prepare to accompany our Savior in his darkest moments. May we stay awake and pray:

O Lord, the King of Kings,
who led and taught not as a mighty ruler but as a servant leader.
Show me how to lead and live through love.
Teach me to love and serve others with a gracious and humble heart.
Please help me always to remember your words,
remind me each time I come before your table to share in the cup and the bread.
As I come before you to eat the bread of redemption
and drink the cup of your salvation,
may I recommit my heart to serving you and leading through love.
To you, O Lord, who is salvation to the world,
pour out your mercy and grace and lead me in your way. Amen.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Sebastian

HOW WILL YOU ACCOMPANY OUR SAVIOR IN THE DARKEST MOMENT ?

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

AT SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

The season of Lent gives way to the celebration of Easter in Holy Week, the most sacred period of the liturgical calendar. Holy Week includes both the Church's most solemn observances and joyous feasts. Unique, beautiful liturgies fill the period of time that begins on Palm Sunday and culminates with Easter Sunday.

The summit of the Liturgical Year is **the Easter Triduum** — from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, and ends with Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

28 March, 2024

Holy Thursday: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper – 4:00 pm

29 March, 2024

Good Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord – 3:00 pm

30 March, 2024

Holy Saturday: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night – 8:00 pm

31 March, 2024

Easter: Mass 11:00 am



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March 24

Eucharistic Reflection: The Sacrifice of Christ

Sin is an offense against God, a failure to love God and our neighbor that wounds our nature and injures human solidarity.⁹ The capabilities, talents, and gifts we have received from God are meant to be used for good—not the false and illusory good that we in our self-centered desire create for ourselves, but the true good that glorifies the Father of goodness and is directed for the good of others and, in the end, is also good for us. When we misuse the gifts of creation, when we selfishly focus on ourselves, we choose the path of vice rather than the way of virtue.¹⁰ This self-centeredness is an inheritance of the Fall of our first parents. Without the grace of Christ received at Baptism, strengthened in Confirmation, and nourished by the Eucharist, this selfishness dominates us.¹¹

¹¹ See *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 385ff.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Courtney Heltzel, Ethan Cary, Ashley Harris, and Randy Gibson

as they continue their journey through the **Order of Christian Initiation for Adults.**

Stations of the Cross

March 22, Noon – Stations of the Cross followed by Holy Communion – led by RCIA.

Enjoy the **Fish Fry** then join us at **5:30 for - Transformational Stations**

Join us on a transformative journey through different stations to experience the emotions and events that Jesus went through. Read and contemplate the corresponding scripture to be inspired by His strength and resilience.

Knights of Columbus:



Weekly Collections

	weekend Mar 16-17	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Envelopes	3,164.00	41,013.13	40,250.00
Loose Offertory	434.00	2,683.96	2,475.00
Easter Flowers	25.00	1,065.00	0.00
Total Contributions	\$ 3,623.00	\$ 44,762.09	\$42,725.00
Tender Mercies	100.00	455.00	750.00
Dioc Priest Retirement Fund	100.00	1,300.00	1,000.00
Attendance:	4pm: 67	11am: 170	

March 29: Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land

support of the Holy Places, but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.

Keep in touch with us via email and text!

Mass times, ministry updates, & more delivered to your phone

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TO 84576

SIGN UP ONLINE AT:

sacredheartprinceton.flocknote.com

Religious Ed Schedule of Events

- Mar 24 - **Faith Formation** | Class
- Mar 24 - **OCIA** | Class
- Mar 31 & Apr 7 - **Faith Formation** | NO Class
- Mar 31 & Apr 7 - **OCIA** | NO Class
- Mar 22 - **OCIA** | 5:30 pm Transformational Stations
- Mar 28 - **Women's Prayer group** | 10:15 am Conf. room
Bible Study | 1:00 pm Narthex
- Apr 4 - **Women's Prayer group** | 10:15 am Conf. room
Men's Group | 10:15 am Narthex
Bible Study | 1:00 pm Classroom
- Apr 11 - **Women's Prayer group** | 10:15 am Conf. room
Bible Study | 1:00 pm Classroom
- Apr 14 - **Confirmation** | 5:00 pm Student Meeting
- Apr 20 - **First Communion** | 9:00 am Holy Communion Retreat
- Apr 23 - **Confirmation** | 5:00 pm Student Meeting
- May 4 - **Confirmation** | 9:00 am Retreat

- 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
- Bible Study** - Contact Srs. Alexandra or Teresita

This Week on Formed - Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage



Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage, cinematically walks through the locations of the Holy Week story, representing the most important days of human history. Immersed in the real and sacred places of the Holy Land,

the pilgrim faithful is brought tangibly nearer to the story, the landscape, and the reality of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/triduum>

Religious Education

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Mar 24 - The Triduum & Easter

Triduum is a Latin term meaning "three days." Usually, people think of it as Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. In actuality, it begins at sunset on Holy Thursday and ends at sundown on Easter Sunday.

Walking with Purpose (WWP)

We will break until April 11



God's word is full of inspiration that can guide you on the path to developing deeper and more meaningful relationships with your husband, children, and friends. All of which helps you build your community on a foundation of God's love.

What does Palm Sunday Year B teach us about humility?

Palm Sunday Year B teaches us that humility is a cornerstone of Christian life. Through Jesus' example—His entry into Jerusalem on a humble colt and His selfless path to the cross—we learn that true greatness in God's kingdom is not about exalting oneself but about lowering oneself to serve others. This humility is not a sign of weakness but of strength and trust in God's exaltation.

4 things for kids to look for at church on Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

- 1. Red vestments.** Because we hear the Passion today, the priest wears red vestments. Red is the symbol of martyrs, of whom Christ is the prototype.
- 2. Procession before Mass.** In most places, people will gather before Mass to bless palm branches and hear the story of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem from the Gospel of Matthew. Then that triumphant entry is re-enacted as the people process into the church singing a song of praise and waving palm branches.
- 3. Palms, a symbol of victory.** In most places, palm branches are distributed to the assembly before Mass. In the ancient world,

palms were symbols of victory, given to athletes, military leaders, and kings. If we are waving palm branches, what role do we assume from the Gospel reading?

- 4. We hear the Passion from the Gospel of Luke.** We hear a very long Gospel reading of the Passion—that is, the suffering and death of Jesus Christ. Usually, the Passion is read by several different readers; the assembly may assume the role of the crowd demanding Jesus' death. How does it make you feel to shout, "Crucify him!"? What is the Church saying by casting us in the role of Jesus' persecutors?

Woman's Prayer Group - Thursday 10:15 am

"Made for HEAVEN" - Week Six

by Fr Augustino Torres, CFR

HOLY WEEK - WALKING IN HOLINESS

"...Jesus willingly walked the path that would ultimately lead to his death on the Cross. Through this sacrifice, he redeemed us and instituted the sacraments for our sanctification. So this week, let us focus on the final steps on our journey to the Cross, tomb, and Resurrection, as well as on the sacraments that the Church gives us to join Jesus on the way to the Father."



Knights of Columbus

Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Come and get a taste of Italy!



Where: Sacred Heart Catholic Church 103 Wyoming St. Bluefield, WV 24701

When: Saturday, April 6th, 2024 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Take out only: April 7th, 2024 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Menu:

\$10 Spaghetti and meatballs dinner

\$12 Tour of Italy

\$5 for children under age 10

Ron Ciccolini (304) 320- 0268

Steve Copolo (276) 970- 1580

Rocky Malamisura (304) 952-7758



EGG HUNT

Easter

Sunday, March 31

Please be sure to bring your child to the Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Where: Prayer Garden

When: After Mass

3 Golden Eggs hidden = Prize

Summer LitNic: What is a LitNic? It is a Liturgy (Mass) + Picnic (Nic) = LitNic. You can host at your house or in the prayer garden. If you would like to host please sign up in the Narthex or contact Kim Hickman at 304-425-3664. Dates available:

July 9, 16, 23, 30 - Aug 6, 13, 20

Tuesdays
in July &
August

SUMMER LIT-NICS SIGN UP!

Mass, Food & Fun!



6:00 pm: Mass

6:30 pm: Dinner

8:00 pm: End of the Evening

Where? Sacred Heart Prayer Garden
OR your home, you decide!

Please sign up and contact Kim with questions

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	Wylie Rae	Henson
Margaret	Bryan	Nancy	Larkin
Fr. Chapin	Engler	Jim	Lintz
Peggy	Friedrickson	Richard	Lockhart
Dale	Geiger	Jeanne	Mancuso
Dr. Billy	Garcia	Tanya	Marx
MaryLu	Greiger	Angie	Pendleton
Kyle	Geiger	Vivian	Romano
Johnathan	Harding	Agnes	Tokarski
Kimiko	Houser	Richard	Wentz
Angie	Grbac		
Patricia	Gupton		



**Music for
March 23 & 24, 2024
Mass of Christ the
Savior**

Mass Readings on
pg. 408
Word & Eucharist

Entrance: G498
"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

Responsorial Psalm 22:
My God, My God

Presentation of Gifts: G512
"O Sacred Head"

Communion: G681
"We Remember"

Closing Hymn: G881
"Lift High the Cross"

March Ministry Schedule

Date/Time	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	Greeter	Livestream	Altar Server	Counter
23 4pm Palm Sunday	M. Bacho J. Gaspersich	T. Settle K. Bailey V. Manley	F. Bacho	n/a	T. Byron C. Pace	T. Settle
24 11am Palm Sunday	A Dumapit J. Cox	G. Richardson M. Cox TBA	Blankenship's	W. Picknally	TBA	
28 4pm Holy Thursday	B Schumacher	R. Modena L. Wyatt K. Hickman	Bisaha's	X	T. Byron L. Kessinger	X
29 3pm Good Friday	J Cox G. Saffell	M. Flanigan	J. Gaspersich	X	T. Byron C. Pace D. Richardson	X
30 8 pm Easter Vigil	M. Bacho D LaMothe	T. Marx M. Marx M. Flanigan	S. Neri V. Blankenship F. Bacho	X	T. Byron B. Fanning TBA TBA TBA	S. Pace
31 11 am Easter Sunday	L. Albin C. Cofer	H. Cofer M Albin R. Modena	J. Gaspersich	W. Picknally	T. Byron C. Pace	