



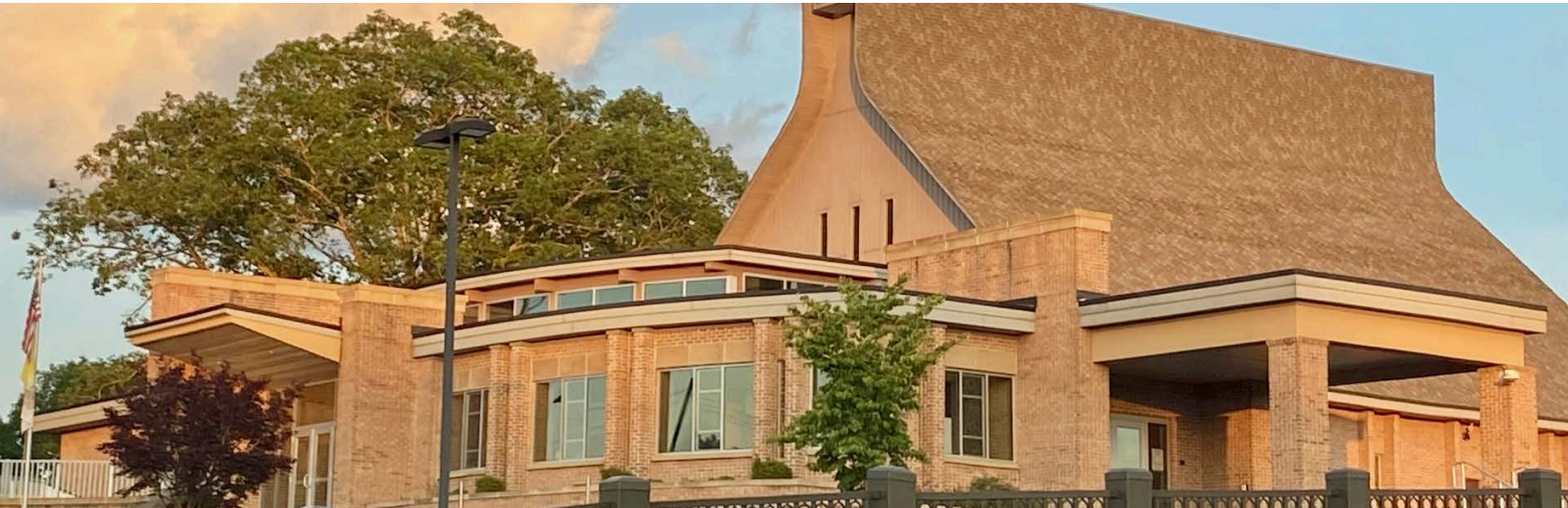
»» 1st Sunday of Advent ««

Pastor: Rev. Joseph Augustine, J.C.L.

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

Office hours: Mon - Thu 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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.



UPCOMING EVENTS

ADVENT TAIZÉ PRAYER

Give yourself the gift of peace.



**Eucharistic Adoration - Benediction
Music - Prayer**

**Sunday, November 30, 2025
6:00 pm
Princeton Sacred Heart Catholic Church**

Nov 30	6:00 pm	1st Sun of Advent Taize Prayer Service
Dec 5	Noon	First Friday Mass
Dec 8	Noon	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (HDO)
Dec 9	6:00 pm	Penance Service (Princeton)
Dec 10	6:00 pm	Penance Service (Bluefield)
Dec 12	Noon	Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass
	6:00 pm	Christmas Caroling

Flower Donation Envelopes:

In addition to Christmas season flowers, please consider including a donation toward the purchase of Christmas decorations for our church Narthex.





**Opportunities to share our:
'Time, Treasure & Talents'**

**Tender Mercies Annual
ham Drive**

Tender Mercies
Ministries Inc.

We are asking for you help to support the need of our community

Hams are \$10.50 each, total cost is \$7350 (goal)
please help us in supporting tender Mercies to help meet the needs of some of our less fortunate families. LET'S help reach the goal!!

donations made to sacred heart memo: hams

**700 HAMS
HAVE BEEN
ORDERED**

**DISTRIBUTED
DURING
DECEMBER.**

SACRED HEART
Altar Society

ALTAR SOCIETY, CATHOLIC CHARITIES

GIVING TREE

Catholic
Charities
WEST VIRGINIA

NOW - DEC 14

Sacred Heart Princeton

How You Can Help

Donate items listed on the Angel to bring a smile to a child's face this Christmas!

How to help:

- Pick an Angel
- Sign your name to list with Angel number
- Place all items in one bag
- Place Angel Tag on bag
- Return items to Sacred Heart NLT Dec 14

Please:

- Return prior by due date: Dec 14
- make sure tag on the bag

Drop Off & Make a Difference!

All donations will be distributed to Catholic Charities clients children in our community.

For more info

contact us at

+304-425-3664

or visit

www.sacredheartprinceton.org



MASS SCHEDULE

- Saturday, November 29** - † Wesley Brown
by Susie Pace
- Sunday, November 30** - † Joe Wheby
by William Joseph Bowling
- Tuesday, December 02** - No Mass / Adoration
- Thursday, December 04** - † Dr. Reginio Garcia
by Linda Dumapit
- Friday, December 05** - First Friday Mass (Pro Populo
(People of the Parish) by Church
- Saturday, December 06** - † Antonio & Fannie Constantino
by Virginia Manley
- Sunday, December 07** - Pro Populo (People of the Parish)
by Church



The Little Blue Book:

Remember to stop by the Narthex this weekend to pick up your copy of The Little Blue Book, generously donated by Roger and Bonnie Hickman.

This is a wonderful opportunity for parishioners to receive this gift and we are grateful for their generosity.



MASS TIMES

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

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

Bluefield
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

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 the Kim Hickman

CONTACT US

 304-425-3664

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Faith formation

Let's continue to support our First Communion youth by sponsoring them each month!

Parents reminder that we will have our Christmas pageant on Wed, Dec 24 at 3:30. Our monthly family catechesis where we'll dive into the spirit of birth of Christ.

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

Nov 27	Happy Thanksgiving!		
Nov 30	YM: Foundations	classroom	9:30 am
	One Sunday at a Time	conference room	9:30 am
Dec 1	OCIA	conference room	5:30 pm
Dec 3	Faith Formation	classrooms	6:00 pm
Dec 4	Women's prayer group	conference room	10:15 am
	Men's prayer group	narthex	10:15 am
	Walking with Purpose	narthex	6:00 pm
Dec 7	YM: Foundations	classroom	9:30 am
	One Sunday at a Time	conference room	9:30 am
Dec 8	OCIA	conference room	5:30 pm
Dec 10	Faith Formation	classrooms	6:00 pm

Youth Ministry

Foundations: Faith and Apologetics meet on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am. Bring your bibles, journals and a friend. We can't wait to see you there.

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

During Advent we will be using the book "Illuminate" on our journey. We will start on Nov 30. We hope you will take this Advent Journey with us.



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

Walking with Purpose

Our Bible study is embracing the journey with the book "Discovering Our Dignity." Last week we took a break, if you still have not joined us don't worry—join us this week! We'd love to see you there. If you're eager to learn more about WWP, just give us a call! We can't wait to connect!



Christopher Nelson
Second College
Birthday: December 4



Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston
Office of Vocations

Seminarian birthdays for December 2025:
Please keep our seminarians who have a December birthday in your prayers.



Dominick Beckman
Propaedeutic Year
Birthday: December 10



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.

Wednesday, December 17 - Time: 6:00 pm
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.

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.

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.



St. Nicholas Bishop of Myra

Feast Day: December 6

Patron saint of: Children, merchants, & sailors.



FOUNDATIONS: FAITH & APOLOGETICS NEWS! THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AS THE ARK OF THE COVENANT

Typological Parallels Between Mary and the Ark

This week, the Youth explored scriptural evidence that, through the study of typology, we can understand why the Blessed Virgin Mary is regarded as the Ark of the New Covenant. By comparing passages from the Old Testament—specifically 2 Samuel—and the Gospel of Saint Luke, many notable parallels emerge.

- Mary and the Ark both journey to the hill country of Judah.
- Both are greeted with joyful exclamations.
- King David asks, “Who am I that the Ark of the Lord should come to me?” Similarly, Elizabeth asks, “Who am I that the ‘Mother of the Lord’ should come to me?”
- King David dances before the Ark, while Saint John the Baptizer leaps in his mother’s womb at the presence of Mary.
- Both the Ark and Mary remain in the hill country for three months.
- There are additional parallels—read and compare 2 Samuel 6 and Luke 1 for more insights.

The Contents of the Ark and Their Fulfillment in Christ The Youth then examined what was inside the Ark itself. According to the Letter to the Hebrews by Saint Paul (Hebrews 9:4), the Ark contained three significant items: the Law placed there by Moses, a jar of manna provided by the Lord to feed the Israelites, and the budding staff of Aaron, the high priest. These contents foreshadow Christ Himself:

- Jesus is the High Priest.
 - He is the Bread from heaven.
 - He is the fulfillment of the law.
- Relevant scripture passages include John 6:35, Hebrews 4:14-16, and Matthew 5:17-19. Through these connections, the Blessed Mother is understood as the Ark of the New Covenant.

Scriptural Exegesis and Revelation Finally, attention was given to the Book of Revelation, where the Youth explored how exegesis aids in interpreting scripture. An interesting fact discussed was that the Bible originally did not have chapter and verse numbers; these were added in the 13th and 16th centuries as study tools. To deepen understanding, readers were encouraged to examine Revelation 11:19 through 12:1-3 together, setting aside the chapter break to see the continuity in the text.

St. Nicholas was known for his generosity especially toward children. Many astounding miracles are attributed to him.

He is honored with traditions like putting shoes out for gifts on December 5th



	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	Greeter	Altar Server	Counter
NOVEMBER 29	M. Gaspersich	<u>C. Pace</u> L. Pendleton J. Buckler	J. Gaspersich	T. Byron M. Flanigan	S. Pace
30	C. Cofer	<u>H. Cofer</u> M. Shay R. Modena	S. Neri D. Neri	BJ Carter	
DECEMBER 6	J. Gaspersich	<u>K. Bailey</u> V. Manley L. Pendleton	A. Bisaha	C. Pace T. Byron	S. Pace
7	B. Fanning S. Kerr	<u>K. Suehs</u> Y. Suehs TBA	Hillyer's	TBA	
13	B. Schumacher	<u>J. Buckler</u> C. Pace L. Pendleton	C. Prox	M. Flanigan A. Pysik	LaMothe's
14	D. LaMothe	<u>R. Modena</u> D. Richardson M. Shay	Blankenship's	TBA	
20	C. Jones	<u>V. Manley</u> K. Bailey T. Byron	A. Bisaha	L. Kessinger	J. Choate
21	G. Saffel C. Cofer	<u>M. Flanigan</u> H. Cofer TBA	B. Fanning	TBA	
27	M. Gaspersich	<u>L. Pendleton</u> C. Pace K. Bailey	J. Gaspersich	M. Flanigan T. Byron	S. Pace
28	M. Flanigan	TBA L. Dumapit TBA	S. Neri D. Neri		

12-8 Noon The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

EMHC: J. Buckler

Greeter: TBA

Lector: Kathy Roberts

Altar Server: M. Shay, C. Pace

12-9 Penance Service:

Lector (Gina Boggess)

Altar Servers (C. Pace, T. Byron)

Ministry Schedules for Christmas Masses and Weekday Masses will be published in the December 6 Bulletin.

PLEASE FULFILL OUR



Christmas WISHES

TENDER MERCIES

PEANUT BUTTER

SOUPS

RICE

BEANS

SHELF SAFE MILK

CANNED VEGETABLES

MAC AND CHEESE

GRANOLA BARS/

PRE-PACKAGED

SNACKS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- COAT DRIVE

TENDER MERCIES

- HAM DRIVE

ALTAR SOCIETY

- GIVING TREE

**MOMMY
MINISTRY**
DIAPERS- SIZE 5,
SIZE 6,
SIZE 7
AND PULL-UPS
WIPES

Donate to one or ALL



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

MUSIC - MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Mass Readings: **Year A** - Word & Eucharist Mass Book **PG. 171**
First Sunday of Advent

Mass Hymns & Songs: *Gather Hymnal*
Entrance: G395 - O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Responsorial Psalm 122- *Let Us Go Rejoicing*
Presentation of Gifts: G413 - Comfort, Comfort, Oh My People
Communion: G415 - My Soul In Stillness Waits
Closing Hymn: G409 - People Look East

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<https://sacredheartprinceton.flocknote.com/give>

OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO DONATE SECURELY FROM YOUR PHONE



	Weekend Nov 22-23	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Envelopes	3,489.00	219,166.57	175,000.00
Loose Offertory	355.00	15,592.89	11,600.00
Maintenance	60.00	2,574.55	2000.00
Total Contributions:	\$3,904.00	\$237,334.01	\$188,600.00
Tender Mercies	21.00	2027.50	2,250.00
DWC: Cathedral of St. Joseph campaign	242.00	242.00	0.00
Attendance:	4pm: 39	11am: 153	

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Youth Ministry: KD Coleman | kd_f@hotmail.com



Christmas

Caroling

We invite you to share in the warmth of the Christmas spirit by joining us for a special caroling event dedicated to our homebound parishioners. Together, we will gather at the parish and carpool to bring joy and cheer to those who may be feeling isolated during this festive season.

Afterward, we will come together for a time of fellowship in the Narthex. Your presence can make a real difference in their lives.



Friday, 12 December
2025



start and end at Sacred
Heart Princeton

Join Us



Sign up in the Narthex:
NLT December 5

