

Sacred Heart

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

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.

Sunday Mass is livestreamed



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

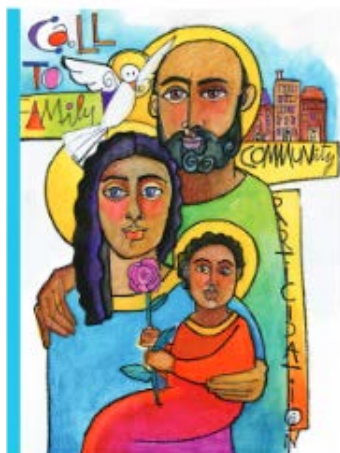
To our non-Catholic friends, we extend a warm invitation to for you to come forward and receive a Blessing when our Catholic brothers and sisters come forward to receive Holy Communion. Please come up to the Priest or Eucharistic Minister with your hands folded across your chest, so we will know that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



**** Office will be Closed on September 2 in observance of Labor Day ****

Upcoming Events:

Mon	Sep 2		Labor Day - Office will be Closed
Wed	Sep 4	3:00 pm	Altar Society Meeting
Fri	Sep 6	Noon	First Friday Mass, Devotion to the Sacred Heart, Benediction
Sun	Sep 8	Noon	Parish Picnic
Tue	Sep 10	5:30 pm	Patriotic Rosary
		6:45 pm	Parish Council
Fri	Sep 13	6:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration
	Sep 16-17		Fr. Sebastian - Presbyteral Council
	Sep 22-24		Fr. Sebastian - Wheeling



God made us to be part of communities, families and countries, so all people can share and help each other.

Mass Intentions:

Saturday	Aug 31	4 pm †	Bernadette Baer (SI)	by Theresa Settle
Sunday	Sep 1	11 am †	Mary Choate	by Phil & Nancy Larkin
Tuesday	Sep 3	6 pm	People of the Parish	
Thursday	Sep 5	Noon †	Souls in Purgatory	by Franco family
Saturday	Sep 7	4 pm †	Dr. L.J. Pace	by Susie Pace
Sunday	Sep 8	11 am	Tresa & Cove Ogg(BDay)	by Rick & Laura Wyatt

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, **Sep 18 - 6:00 pm** or
 Saturday, **Sep 21 - 10:00 am**
 Conference Room



Pope Francis' Prayer for Workers

Lord God lookdown upon us!
 Look at this city, this island. Look upon our families. Lord, you were not without a job, you were a carpenter, you were happy. Lord, we have no work.

The idols want to rob us of our dignity. The unjust systems want to rob us of hope. Lord, do not leave us on our own. Help us to help each other; so that we forget our selfishness a little and feel in our heart the "we", the we of a people who want to keep on going. Lord Jesus, you were never out of work, give us work and teach us to fight for work and bless us all. In the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

"In the designs of providence, there are no mere coincidences."
-St. John Paul II



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28 Gifts
61 % of Goal

How to help someone

FIRST AID KIT



In case of an emergency - the AED, first aid kit and Narcan are available in the narthex outside the men's room.

Walking in Grief Support Group:
 Struggling with grief? Join our parish's grief support group and find comfort in community. Join us on **September 25** at 5:30 pm in the Narthex.

Catechetical Sunday - Sep 15



To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.



Faith Formation:

Hey everyone! The new Faith Formation year is just around the corner. A big thank you to all who have already signed up. If you haven't registered your child yet, no worries, there's still time! Classes kick off on September 15 at 9:30 am, and we're also hosting a parent meeting that morning. It's really important for you to be there. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to the church office. See you there!

Children's Liturgy of the Word

What is Liturgy of the Word with Children? It is a worship experience designed specifically for children, mirroring the larger community's worship experience in an engaging and interactive style. Jesus acknowledged the pure spirituality of children and made them the primary spiritual model for all believers. Coming in September.

Youth Ministry:

Youth Ministry Sunday is Back. Be on the lookout for dates of the next one via text message.

Woman's Prayer Group
Thursday - 10:15 am

"The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord."
Psalm 15

Order of Christian Initiation:

So your challenge this coming weekend is to notice at least three people you don't recognize at your Sunday liturgy. Pray about this, and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you. Then what? Invite them back to Mass.

Remember, creating a welcoming parish starts with you. Every encounter is an opportunity to reflect Christ's love. By being present and attentive to those around you, practicing active listening, and showing genuine interest in others' journeys, you can transform your parish into a place where seekers truly feel seen, valued, and loved.

Walking with Purpose:

Next week we will be talking about **Session 6: The Warrior**. Brave equips us to reclaim ground and move forward. We'll continue to explore St. Ignatius' discernment of spirits, recognizing the enemy's tactics and the ways that God is at work.

BLAZE is the **Walking with Purpose** ministry for tween/teen girls. The mission of BLAZE is to



use Scripture to speak truth into the hearts of young girls who are bombarded by lies about their true worth, beauty, and identity. Our BLAZE ministry offers a number of resources to help reach girls with the love of Christ and the truths of our Catholic faith.

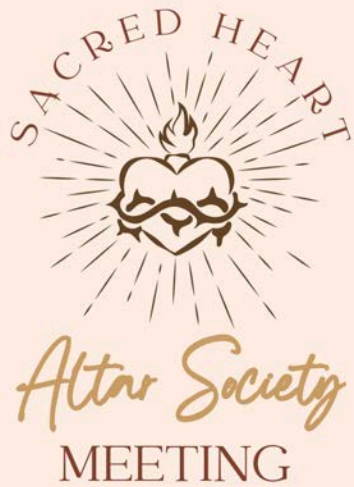


POINT OF CONTACT

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

Sep 5	Women's Prayer Group Men's Prayer Group WWP	Conf. Room Narthex Classroom	10:15 am 10:15 am 6:30 pm
Sep 12	Women's Prayer Group	Conf. Room	10:15 am
Sep 15	Catechetical Sunday 1st Day of Faith Formation Youth Sunday WWP: Bubbles and Blooms Event		11:00 am Noon
Sep 19	Women's Prayer Group Men's Prayer Group	Conf. Room Narthex	10:15 am 10:15 am
Sep 22	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Info coming soon	11:00 am
TBD	Blaze - WWP tween girls	classroom	TBD



Ladies please join us
Wednesday, September 4
at 3:00pm
in the Conference Room

LET US PRAY



PATRIOTIC ROSARY
for the Consecration of Our Nation

Tuesday, September 10, 2024
5:30 pm

Holy Mass to follow at 6 pm.

Parish Picnic

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
after Mass - Prayer Garden

- This is a potluck so bring your favorite dish
- Church will provide Chicken, hot dogs

Join us at the Parish picnic in the prayer garden after Mass. Let's gather together as a community for some food and fellowship.

If you have any questions please contact the church office at 304-425-3664

All Ladies please join us at our
First Walking with Purpose event:

Bubbles and Blooms

Are you interested in getting together with a group of women to explore your Catholic faith? Would you like to see how Scripture applies to your everyday life? If you do, we invite you to consider participating in Walking with Purpose! Walking with Purpose transforms the hearts and lives of women by providing Bible studies that enable women to know Jesus Christ personally—by making Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church relevant and applicable.

**Join us September 15th after Mass
to learn more about
Walking with Purpose**

Top Ten Reasons

TO JOIN WALKING WITH PURPOSE at Sacred Heart, Princeton

- 10 Walking with Purpose (WWP) is a Catholic Bible study for women.
- 9 WWP fits into your busy schedule.
- 8 No prior Scripture knowledge is required.
- 7 WWP is a no-judgment zone. We welcome anyone who is interested in studying God's Word.
- 6 We offer "rolling admission." Visit and join anytime.
- 5 Meet new women for fellowship and connection.
- 4 Be better prepared to share the Biblical principles of our faith.
- 3 There is no actual walking involved.
- 2 We share our everyday challenges in an atmosphere of honesty and authenticity and accept one another for who we are: beloved daughters of God.

and the Number 1 reason to join WWP:

Jesus wants your friendship and your focus on Him this year.

For more information, contact:
KD Coleman at 304-888-5647 | kd_f@hotmail.com or
Laura Wyatt at 304-425-3684 | lwatt@sacredheartprinceton.org

 **walking with purpose**

Our mission is to help every Catholic woman and girl in America encounter Jesus Christ through our Bible studies.

www.walkingwithpurpose.com



coming to
Sacred Heart, Princeton

connecting girls TO CHRIST

BLAZE is a Walking with Purpose ministry for teen/tween girls that counteracts the way our society drives girls to question their identity, worth, and beauty. Through BLAZE, we emphasize how a girl's identity is rooted in Christ as God's chosen, beloved daughter.

An antidote to bullying, feeling anxious, and body-image issues, BLAZE replaces lies with truth and strengthens girls from the inside out through the use of Scripture-based programs.

- 20 fun weekly lessons that girls will truly enjoy.
- Each week, participants are led through an ice breaker activity and a short lesson based on a lie found in the world and a truth found in Scripture.
- The girls leave with a small takeaway gift which corresponds with the lesson.

As the girls are introduced to the Bible in relevant and fresh ways, they will hear Jesus telling them how loved and beautiful they are!

For more information, contact:
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 **walking with purpose**

BLAZE is a program of Walking with Purpose—a 501(c)(3) nonprofit women's ministry. Our mission is to enable women to know Christ personally through Scripture. Learn more at walkingwithpurpose.com/blaze



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MODERNISM

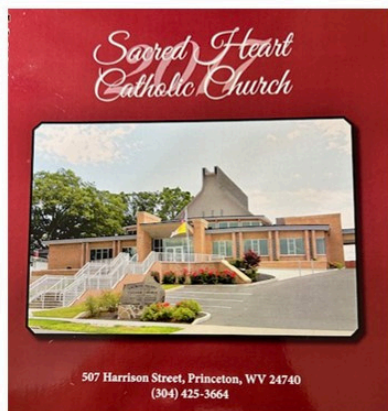
Modernism | Heresies | Episode 7

We live in a post-modern world. But to understand the post-modern world, we must understand the heresy of modernism. What is modernism? Join Dr. James Prothro and Dr. Christopher Mooney for an informative discussion on the heresy of modernism.

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Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and  OPUS DEI



It's Time to Update Our Directory!

Our last Directory was printed in **2017**. Church volunteers are coordinating efforts to print an updated Directory.

If you would like to submit a picture to be included, you may do so **now** to the email account listed below.

Those who have their picture taken or submit one for inclusion in this updated Directory will receive ONE FREE copy. Additional copies may be purchased for \$10.00 each. No picture packages or up-sale team will be involved in this process.

IMPORTANT

- ♦ Pictures will be taken by our volunteers at each weekend Mass during September (9/7-9/8, 9/14-9/15, 9/21-9/22, and 9/28-9/29).
- ♦ **Deadline** for having your picture taken or submitting one to be included is Monday, September 30, 2024.

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THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC RISK RETENTION GROUP, INC.

 **VIRTUS**[®] *Online*



If you have recently logged into your VIRTUS account, you may have noticed that you might have a new training module assigned for you to complete and/or some bulletins to read.

What does that mean and why:

Anyone who completed their VIRTUS training before 2022 is being asked to complete VIRTUS Protecting God's Children Version 4.0, an update to their awareness training. If you completed training in 2022 or later, you have already completed the VIRTUS version 4.0 training.

Why are volunteers and staff with older training being asked to update? There are actually a couple of reasons:

First, some of the information regarding Safe Environment has changed over the years. For example, trainings now include information about online safety which wasn't even a consideration in the 1990s when Safe Environment training and protocols first began. Second, the definition of Safe Environment has changed over the years. No longer is it just about children/youth; it now includes vulnerable adults. Also, as experts research and learn more information regarding Safe Environment best practices, VIRTUS trainings are periodically updated so they reflect the newest information. Finally, when the Diocese is audited yearly for Safe Environment compliance, we consistently have been marked as deficient in this category for not having employees and volunteers updated with the latest information to help keep our children, teens, and vulnerable adults safe. Therefore, the Bishop decided that the best option at this point was to ask all employees and volunteers to update their VIRTUS trainings to VIRTUS version 4.0 and complete yearly training modules thereafter.

Again, individuals who have completed VIRTUS training after 2022 already have the latest training, so there is nothing for them to do for 2024. For those of us that completed training before 2022, we can update our training by logging into our online VIRTUS accounts (www.virtusonline.org) and clicking on the link under our Training Module block and completing the new training. Another way to update your VIRTUS training includes an in-person option at your parish or school. A third option for completing training involves receiving and reading the training module in printed material form and signing an acknowledgement form.

The Diocesan Office of Safe Environment and the Bishop have also asked volunteers and staff to begin reading monthly VIRTUS bulletins. You might have noticed that this block also now shows as needing attention on your VIRTUS home screen when you log in. You can read the monthly bulletin from your logged in account. You may also pick up or read a printout of the monthly bulletin at a designated location in the parish or school, as indicated by parish staff. Your parish or school might include the monthly safety bulletin once a month in the parish bulletin that is regularly distributed at Mass. The purpose of these monthly safety bulletins is just another way to raise awareness and keep current with the latest information about keeping our children, teens, and vulnerable adults safe. The information presented in these bulletins is truly excellent knowledge for everyone.

Visit www.virtusonline.org/virtus

As always, if you have questions regarding this latest update or need assistance logging into your VIRTUS account, **please contact Kim Hickman**. We have been asked by the Bishop to have our VIRTUS accounts updated to Version 4.0 no later than 6 January 2025. After that date, a yearly module will be required for all employees and volunteers based on the date you completed VIRTUS Version 4.0.

Please include the following in your Daily Prayers

Bernadette Baer	MaryLu Greiger	Jeanne Mancuso
Margaret Bryan	Kyle Geiger	Tanya Marx
Ronnie Blankenship	Kylena Harless	Lisa Mendoza
Matthew Bowles	Johnathan Harding	Angie Pendleton
Delores Caccamo	Patricia Gupton	Agnes Tokarski
Pat Caccamo	Wylie Rae Henson	
Fr. Chapin Engler	Nancy Larkin	
Peggy Friedrichson	Jim Lintz	
Dr. Billy Garcia	Richard Lockhart	



August/September Ministry Schedule

Date/Time	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	Greeter	Livesteam	Altar Server	Counter
Aug 31 - 4 pm	M. Gaspersich	<u>T. Byron</u> - C. Pace - V. Manley	A & D Bisaha		L. Kessinger	S. Pace
Sep 1 - 11 am	C. Cofer	<u>A. Heltzel</u> - H. Cofer - D. Richardson	C & J Hillyer	W. Picknally	A. Coleman E. Coleman	
Sep 6 - Noon	G. Boggess	<u>D. Richardson</u>	J. Gaspersich		T. Byron C. Pace	
Sep 7 - 4 pm	J. Gaspersich	<u>C. Pace</u> - K. Bailey - V. Manley	C. Prox		L. Kessinger	Cosgroves
Sep 8 - 11 am	K. Roberts	<u>G. Richardson</u> - J. Cosgrove - TBA	S. Neri		A. Albin S. Pike	

Music for August 31 & September 1, 2024 Sing Praise & Thanksgiving Mass

Mass Readings on pg. 508 Word & Eucharist

Entrance: G633
 "For the Beauty of the Earth"
 Responsorial Psalm 15:
 The one who does justice
 Presentation of Gifts: G645
 "Amazing Grace"

Communion: G590
 "Christ Be Our Light"
 Closing Hymn: G614
 "Joyful, Joyful"

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

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 (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.