

The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Catholic Life

September 7th, 2025



Saint Vincent de Paul Parish
21 Rosary Road
New Martinsville, WV 26155



Mater Dolorosa Parish
302 East Main Street
Paden City, WV 26159



Saint Joseph Mission
64 Frohnäpfel Lane
Proctor, WV 26055



Holy Rosary Mission
519 Main Street
Sistersville, WV 26175

"Grandparents are a treasure..."



*...the elderly are those who
transmit history to us, who transmit
doctrine, who transmit the faith
and give it to us as an inheritance."*

~ Pope Francis

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HOLY MASS

SATURDAY VIGIL

5:00 PM

SUNDAY

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

12:30 PM

TUESDAY THRU FRIDAY

8:30 AM & 6:00 PM

ADORATION

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

OUR PARISH OFFICE

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

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From the Office of Safe Environment: 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, 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.

Liturgy Schedule

September 7—September 14, 2025

SUN 7	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00pm (Sat) Mater Dolorosa Confession 5:00pm Vigil Mass † People of the Parish 8:00am Mass at St. Joseph †† Carl & Dorothy Ferrell 10:30am Mass at St. Vincent de Paul †† Bob & Mary Lou Jones 12:30pm Mass at Holy Rosary ††† Regina, Howard and Bill Sutton
MON 8	Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary No Mass
TUE 9	Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest No Daily Mass
WED 10	No Daily Mass
THU 11	No Daily Mass
FRI 12	No Daily Mass
SAT 13	Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church No Morning Mass
SUN 14	Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross 4:00pm (Sat) Mater Dolorosa Confession 5:00pm Vigil Mass Albert Estep 8:00am Mass at St. Joseph † People of the Parish 10:30am Mass at St. Vincent de Paul † Theresa Hunt 12:30pm Mass at Holy Rosary Fr. Jim McCafferty

Scripture Readings

September 7,—September 14th, 2025

THIS SUNDAY

Wis 9:13-18b;
Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17;
Phlm 9-10, 12-17;
Lk 14:25-33

MONDAY

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30;
Ps 13:6ab, 6c;
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

TUESDAY

Col 2:6-15;
Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11;
Lk 6:12-19

WEDNESDAY

Col 3:1-11;
Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab;
Lk 6:20-26

THURSDAY

Col 3:12-17;
Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6;
Lk 6:27-38

FRIDAY

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14;
Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11;
Lk 6:39-42

SATURDAY

1 Tm 1:15-17;
Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5 and 6-7;
Lk 6:43-49

NEXT SUNDAY

Nm 21:4b-9;
Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38;
Phil 2:6-11;
Jn 3:13-17

*Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee;
Blessed are thou amongst women
and
Blessed is the fruit of thy womb,
Jesus.*

*Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners
now and at the hour of our death. Amen*



PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Welcome, new members, to Our Parishes. To register as a new or returning member of the parish, please call the Parish Office at (304)455-4615.

BAPTISM

For infant Baptism, please contact Father Joseph Abraham. Pre-Baptism sessions are required and will be arranged with Father Joseph.

MARRIAGE

The couple *cannot set a date until you have met with* Fr. Joseph Abraham at least **SIX months** in advance, to begin preparation requirements.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/PENANCE

Sat. 4 to 5pm & Wed. 5-6pm Mater Dolorosa Church in Paden City; Tuesday 5-6pm St. Joseph in Proctor, Thur. 5-6pm at St. Vincent de Paul, New Martinsville, Or you call the office to schedule an appointment.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

If you or a family member is sick, hospitalized, or homebound, please contact the Parish Cluster Office at (304)455-4615 to be placed on our Communion & Visitation list. *In an emergency or for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please Contact Fr Joseph at (304)435-9709.*

HOUSE BLESSING

Anyone may request this blessing by calling the Office at (304)455-4615 to setup a time. Fr. Joseph Abraham is available for you any time of the day or night spiritual assistance. If you need him please call, (304)455-4615, for emergencies only: 304-435-9709 or
You may also contact Deacon Klug 304-596-1337.

Reflection

Free to Love

St. Paul must have understood today's Gospel very well. Like Jesus, he knew what being a disciple would cost. It landed him in prison. Yet he seems to have no regrets; he accepts that imprisonment as part of his discipleship. Also like Jesus, he is not afraid to ask others to take that discipleship seriously. And he is not ashamed to ask a favor: Would Philemon accept his runaway slave, Onesimus, back into his home? Not just as a slave, but as a member of his family. He shamelessly calls himself a prisoner for Christ five times in the short letter (three times in our reading). If that didn't tug Philemon's heartstrings, Paul also calls himself an old man.

In the Gospel, Jesus talks about the cost of discipleship. Paul takes that a step further; he reminds us to accept that cost freely. He could have ordered his friend to free the slave. Paul was an apostle, a leader in the early church. Instead of giving an order, he called on Philemon to respond freely to his request. Perhaps we can learn from that example.

Like Paul, when Jesus commands us to love one another, he leaves us free to accept that challenge. Remember, he always says, "Love one another, as I have loved you" (John 13:34). Jesus was never compelled to cure anyone or forgive their sins. No one ordered him to feed the hungry with loaves and fishes or raise Lazarus from the dead. Yet how often do we go to church because we were told we have to? Do we volunteer for the picnic only because the pastor twists our arm? Or do we love Jesus so much that we volunteer to help without being asked? Do we love Jesus enough to invite others to follow him?



St. Vincent de Paul
August 31st, 2025
Envelopes...\$2034.00
Loose...\$1759.00
Maintenance...\$50.00

St. Joseph
August 31st, 2025
Envelopes....\$605.00
Loose...\$110.00
Maintenance...\$0.00

Mater Dolorosa
August 31st, 2025
Envelopes...\$285.00
Loose...\$215.00
Maintenance...\$0.00

Holy Rosary
August 31st, 2025
Envelopes... \$345.00
Loose...\$25.00
Maintenance...\$0.00
Education of Seminars.\$5.00



Pam Brill—7th
Mary, Mother of God—8th
Sharon Kastigar—9th
Lisa Jackson—11th
Linda Sweeney—11th
Fr. Jim McCafferty—12th
Lisa Estep—13th
Jim Miller—13th Ruth
Estep—14th

Nancy Bowen—14th
Butch Richmond—14th
Nancy McCardle—15th
Shirley Miller—16th
Jane Batten—17th
Andrew Frohnapfel—19th
Margie Whiteman—24th
Brenda Frhnapfel—28th
Kay Pierpoint—30th



Happy Anniversary

Rod & Gail Fagert—7th



PRAYER REQUESTS



Bernice and Ralph Baker, Dave Beckett,
Joan Block, Nanci Bowen, Hayden Butler,
Dutton Chichick, Dominic Cipriani,
Kathy Hawkins-Clegg, Bill Cline,
Butch Cunningham, Michelle Cunningham,
Fr. Kent Durig, Jack Estep, Gail Fagert, Rod Fagert,
Ray Ferrera, Joey & Lisa Feronti, Cecile Fiest,
Barbara Frum, Keith Frum, Beri Fox, Jeff Fox,
Sandy Grandstaf, Barry Helms, Jim Herrick,
Keith Herrick, Mike Hickman, Charlie Johnson,
Logan Johnson, Tommy Kacor, Sharon Kastigar,
Dave King, Kay Klug, Jackie Laurine, Tony Laurine,
Brian and Joan Leary, Jim Melott,
John & Tulane Mensore, Jeri Miller,
Landon Miller, Patty Meyers, Baby Nash,
Bernadette Ortiz, Deacon Rod, Jim Richthammer,
Margie Rymer, Bertha Schrader, Gary Slider,
Mike Snyder, Nancy Stender, Becky Sutton,
Ricaredo Suyao, Elsie Taylor, Margie Whiteman,
Frances Whitmore, Ike Willey
All Shut-Ins

To add or remove names to the prayer list please con-
tact the Cluster Office 304-455-4615
or email office@svdgnm.org



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Faith Formation for All: Grades 1 — 12
Students Old & New
~ALL PARISHES~

1st Day of CCD will be September 24, 2025

Classes will be held on Wednesdays @
St. Vicent de Paul Parish Office

21 Rosary Rd, New Martinsville WV

We need to order books Please call Debra Freeland
@ 304-771-1654

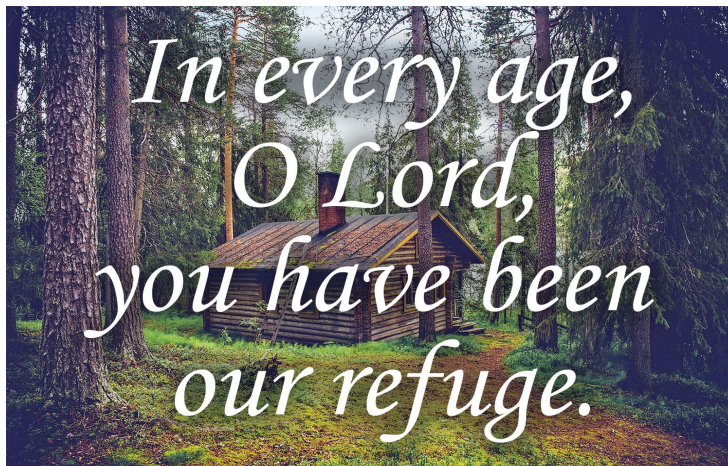


Our next Third Thursday Lunch is
Thursday, September 18th. All help is
welcome and greatly appreciated.



Our Next First Thursday Food Giveaway
will be on October 2nd.

Volunteers gather at 9:30 and the
distribution time is from 9:30—10:30am.



Having a spiritual backbone
is making peace
with your weaknesses,
not ignoring them or
indulging them.



OUR LADY OF SEVEN SORROWS ROSARY

Saturdays @ 4:30p

Rosary and Pamphlets will be provided.

Rosary Leaders for September 6 @ 4:30 pm
Danielle Ice-Davis, Carolyn Hizer, Joanna Casto

Rosary Leaders for September 13 @ 4:30 pm
Dick Stender, Kay Pierpoint, Judy Yeager

Holy Name Meeting
Wednesday,
September 17th,
at 10am
de Paul Room



Volunteer at the Food
Pantry !

September 8, 9, 15, 16, 22,
23, 29, 30

Food Pantry Team
(304) 455-9740

Carol Buck
Kate Wright
Marlene Rodriguez
Theresa Racer

Ministers for September 6th @ 5pm

Lector: Kay Pierpoint

Gifts: Patti Jober & Linda Sweeney

Eucharistic Minister: Judy Yeager

Ministers for Sept 13th @ 5pm

Lector: Barbara Racer

Gifts: The Rhine Family

Eucharistic Minister: Kay Pierpoint

Parish Council: (HN) Joe Herrick, John Piekarski,
Patty Potts, Therese Schoolcraft, Don Tuttle,
(LF) Marianne Balcerak, Pat Lilkendey

Finance Council: Matt Herrick, Judy Grace,
Debra Freeland

Parish Council: Rod Fagert, Carolyn Hizer,
Charlie Racer, Dick Stender, Judy Yeager, Barb Racer

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Charlie Racer, Dick Stender, Judy Yeager, Barb Racer

Holy Rosary Missions
519 Main Street
Sistersville, WV 26175



Lector: 9/07/2025: Robbie Starcher
Lector: 9/14/2025: Eric Peter

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: My brothers and sisters, this Sunday is a time for us to respond to Christ's call. Before responding too quickly, we must ask ourselves whether we are willing to pay the cost. In the Gospel, Jesus will tell us what that cost is.

ROSARY IS PRAYED EACH SUNDAY BEFORE 12:30 MASS,
LED BY DONNA PETER.

A Family Perspective: Today's Gospel is clear: commitment to another involves sacrifice. Before accepting a commitment, such as marriage or parenting, we must plan carefully like the king in today's Gospel. These are serious commitments which demand complete self-giving and are not for the faint hearted or selfish.
-Bud Ozar

Sunday Social: A signup sheet for hosting Sunday Socials is on the Bulletin Board if you would like to help.

Today, Sept. 7th in the Rectory

**Sunday
SOCIAL**

Altar Guild Officers are needed in order to continue functioning if anyone would like to be an officer in the Altar Guild, please let Patty, Charlene, Becky or Margie know.

Donations for the Food Pantry: are needed such as canned fruit, corn, peas, beets and cold cereal. Please leave your donations in the baskets at the entrance of the Church. Thank You!!

Parish Council: Jim Cavezza, Butch Fiore,
Charlene Galluzzo, Jerry Richardson, Patty Skeen
Finance Council: Cathy Cavezza, Mike Galluzzo,
Becky Meckley, Eric Peters, Patty Skeen

St. Joseph Missions
64 Frohnapfel Lane
Proctor, WV 26055



Coffee and Donuts
September 14th, 2025

DENY THEMSELVES AND
TAKE UP THEIR CROSS
AND FOLLOW ME



St. Joseph

Women's Club

September 19th @ 11 am

Parish Council: Alana Fox, Abel Frohnapfel,
Ken Janiszewski, Nancy McCardle
Finance Council: Clem Frohnapfel, Lee Ann Kirkland,
Mark Miller