Jesus said, “I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.”

Matthew 16:18
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Danielle Doerr - President

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29
Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17;
Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12;
Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2;
Mt 16:21-27

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Augustine
Tuesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist
Friday: World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation;
First Friday
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

The Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation is held
3pm-4pm on Saturday, 8am on First Saturday, or by
appointment.

Please contact the secretary at the Parish Office if you
are interested in any of the following: Baptism,
Matrimony (six months prior to the desired wedding
date), Anointing of the Sick, Christian Initiation of
Adults, or joining the parish.

To arrange a pastoral visit for Homebound Parishioners
please contact Kathleen Dieffenbaugh at the Parish
Office.

Eucharistic Adoration is held Monday 8am-5pm,
6pm-10pm; Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8am-5pm;
Wednesday 10am-5pm; Saturday 8am-noon.

Collection & Attendance Data: August 19/20, 2017
4:30pm—226  7:30am—117
9:00am—297  11:30am—250
TOTAL—890
1st Collection: $8,772.50
2nd Collection (Utilities): $1,831.09
Misc. Collections: $1,995.00
TOTAL: $12,598.59
**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, August 26**
7:30am  †Thomas Emmerth
4:30pm  †Deceased Members of the John & Donna Clark Family

**Sunday, August 27**
7:30am  CCHS - SJA Class of 1946
9:00am  Dick & Pat Rine 60th Wedding Anniv.
11:30am People of the Parish

**Monday, August 28**
7:30am  †Angela Stauver
5:30pm  †Ray Schmitt (A)

**Tuesday, August 29**
7:30am  †Vivian Shutler

**Wednesday, August 30**
8:30am  †Mark Anthony
5:30pm  †Dr. Thomas Knorr

**Thursday, August 31**
7:30am  †Joseph Knorr (A)

**Friday, September 1**
7:30am  †Commemorative Mass Assoc.

**Saturday, September 2**
7:30am  †Angie Palmer
4:30pm People of the Parish

**Sunday, September 3**
7:30am  †Fr. Mark Gallipeau
9:00am  †Angela Phillips
11:30am †Jay Kelly

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The Sanctuary Candle beside the tabernacle burns this week (Aug. 27-Sept. 3) in memory of:

**Victims of Hatred & Violence**

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**CMA:**

**COMMEMORATIVE MASS ASSOCIATION**

The CMA is a special program which allows our parishioners and friends to remember their loved ones in a beautiful way. A total of 18 Masses will be celebrated for the repose of the souls of those inscribed in the Parish Commemorative Mass Association throughout the year of enrollment.

The 18 Masses will be said on the First Friday of each month as well as Easter Sunday, Mother’s Day, Father’s Day, Feast of the Assumption, All Souls Day and Christmas Day. You may enroll your loved one at any time during the year. The cost to enroll is $50. The bulletin will list all of the names of those enrolled in the CMA.

At the time of enrollment, you will receive a beautiful leatherette-type folder (as seen above) describing the Commemorative Mass Association along with a listing of the Masses to be celebrated.

Please contact the Parish Office with any questions or to enroll someone in the CMA.

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“Give your Hands to Serve and your Hearts to Love”

Thank you to the 107 parishioners who have brought us to 48% of our goal, BUT we need more of you to respond to this appeal which supports programs that benefit parishes throughout the diocese (including our own parish!) Please consider making a gift today at this link: www.dwc.org/CSA

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**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

- **Saturday, September 2, 4:30pm**
  - Sacristan: Carole Kliner
  - Lector: David Post
  - Altar Servers: Isaac, Mason, Kendall Schmit, Grant McCabe
  - EMOHCS: Marianne Blair, Bill Wilson, Galey Wilson, Donna Clark, Tiffany Boury, Ava Zende, Rose Zende

- **Sunday, September 3, 7:30am**
  - Sacristan: Mark Kay Wensel
  - Lector: Lexie Kosanovic
  - Altar Servers: Isaac Smith
  - EMOHCS: Mary Kay Wensel, Pat Plunkett, Gretchen Wilson, Kathy Ulevich, Rudy Conti

- **Sunday, September 3, 9:00am**
  - Sacristan: Phil Emmerth
  - Lector: Maddie Tiu
  - Altar Servers: J. Emmerth, B. Halicki, Dawson Zwack, P. Wurtzbacher
  - EMOHCS: Phil Emmerth, Marybeth Emmerth, Emily Emmerth, Rob Krall, Jennifer Decker

- **Sunday, September 3, 11:30am**
  - Sacristan: Jamie Kovalski
  - Lector: Melissa Michael
  - Altar Servers: Gage & Gavin Michael, Jaelyn Vunderink, Alex Tarr
  - EMOHCS: Jamie Kovalski, Tom Conti, Nancy Conti, Rebecca Petrosino, C. Dieffenbaugh

**Journey of the Chalice schedule:**
In the month of August, the chalice will transfer at the 7:30am Mass.

**August 27– John and Mary Kay Wensel**
The purpose of the Journey of The Chalice program is to encourage families to pray and promote vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.
Praying for vocations is the most powerful way to support vocations. When we pray for vocations, we lift up to our Father those men and women whom He is calling to follow Him in a very special way.

**FORMED.ORG**
We have a parish subscription to FORMED.ORG.
Parish Code: 4WPV3E

Registration is easy and free to all parishioners (and your friends). Simply type in the parish code and you will have access to a variety of Catholic resources to keep you close to our faith.

We gratefully acknowledge DAVID & LAUNA POST for their donation towards the SMPS Stage Project

Congratulations to Alexander and Katelyn (Gompers) Peluchette married on August 19 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph
2nd Annual BOOK AND BAKE SALE: Sept. 16
@ The Angelus Center
If you have any books, DVD's, VCR tapes, CD's, you would like to donate, please put them in the back of the church or call: Gretchen Wilson 304-280-1451. Thank You!!!

**Mass Intentions**

The Mass Intention Book for 2018 has been opened.

_**Suggested stipend for weekday Masses is at least $10; suggested stipend for weekend Masses is at least $20.**_

Please remember you may also chose to have your loved one remembered through the lit Sanctuary Candle for a selected week (Stipend: $20).

**A few points to remember about Mass intentions:**

*All Masses “belong” to the Lord and are essentially the “property” of the Church. As such, every Mass celebrated benefits all the living and all the deceased members of the Universal Church regardless of the particular intention assigned. A specific intention of a Mass does not mean “ownership” on the part of the one making the offering.*

*A particular intention may be assigned to a specific Mass. Mass may be celebrated for those who are living as well as for the deceased; only one intention may be assigned to a particular celebration of the Mass.*

*At least one weekend Mass must be celebrated _Pro Populo_ (for the living parishioners of the parish community).*

*Although not required by Church law, we do make every effort to announce the Mass intention and/or note it in the bulletin. However, strictly speaking, the Church requires only that the celebrant have the intention of the Mass in mind (_ad mentem offerentis_) as he offers that particular Mass.*

**Upcoming Events**

- **September 29:** Feast of the Archangels—Patronal Feastday Mass
- **October 1:** Parish Town Hall Meeting & Ice Cream Social (Mass at 5pm with meeting and social to follow)
- **October 3:** Metal Illness Awareness Vigil @ 6:30pm
- **October 14/15:** Communal Celebration of the Anointing of the Sick (following the Saturday evening Mass and each of the Sunday Morning Masses)

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St. Michael CM/CW will be having our **Kids' Clothes and Toy Sale on Saturday, September 16 at the Angelus Center from 8:00-noon.** Donations of newborn to young adult clothes and toys may be dropped off at school the week of September 11 or at the Angelus Center September 13, 14 and 15 from 4:00-7:00. Thanks for your continued support of this successful project.

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PSR Updates: Key Dates and a Call for Catechists!

Our PSR program will kick off its new year with a registration session on **Sunday, September 10th** in the school cafeteria. Simply stop by after the 9am Mass or before the 11:30am Mass to fill out a quick form and drop off your PSR program fee of $25 (scholarships are available if the fee is an issue for your family). If you can’t make it to this registration day, you can also drop your form and fee in the collection basket, mail them to the Parish Office, or hand deliver them to the Parish Office anytime before September 10th. Forms can be found in the back of the church or at the office.

PSR classes will begin **Sunday, September 17th**. Please prayerfully consider joining our team as a catechist or classroom aide. These volunteer positions provide a great way to grow in your own faith as you share in the joy of the gospel with our parish’s youth. Please don’t hesitate to contact the PSR coordinator, Nick Mayrand, with any questions you may have about these positions. You can reach Nick at 937-304-9543 or mayrand.nick@outlook.com.
Our parish school students are all in their places with bright shiny faces. And our Parish School of Religion is scheduled to begin in mid-September. The first day of school! No matter what grade, it’s a milestone. And in the Hinerman family, the first day of school was always celebrated by a trip to the ice cream store!

There’s an old expression, “you learn something new every day”. Certainly, that is true for students, but I believe it to be true for all of us. And with that in mind, I thought this might be a good time to review a few terms words which we use in the church Finance Office.

**PHRA:** (Priest Health and Retirement Association) Priests of the Diocese receive health insurance and retirement benefits from the PHRA. Each parish is assessed a yearly premium of 6% of its assessable income. When a parish or school fails to pay its premium, the Diocese pays the premium to continue the coverage and this becomes recorded debt of the parish to the diocese.

**CATHEDRATICUM:** Each parish pays a 3% “tax” to the Diocese of Wheeling Charleston on most, but not all of our income. For example, Sunday collections are “taxed”, but school support collections and returns to the parish from the Catholic Sharing Appeal are not taxed. The money generated by Cathedraticum is used in our diocese to assist some of our smallest parishes and missions who are not able to operate without regular financial assistance. (The Cathedraticum rate in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is one of the lowest, if not the lowest, in the entire country; in some dioceses, the Cathedraticum rate is as high as 40% of a parish’s income.)

**SCHOOL SUBSIDY:** We are blessed to have our grade school and a central high school. Tuition alone does not support St. Michael Parish School and Wheeling Central Catholic High School. In addition to third source income, the church makes a financial commitment to Catholic education. We provide monthly support in the form of a subsidy to both schools.

**CATHOLIC MUTUAL:** All property, liability, workers comp., and vehicle insurance for all churches, schools and other entities in the diocese is handled by the Catholic Mutual Group, which was formed in 1889 by a group of Midwest Catholic bishops. Each parish, mission and school is assessed a yearly premium. When a parish or school fails to pay its premium, the Diocese pays the premium to Catholic Mutual to continue coverage; again this shortfall would become parish debt that is owed to the diocese.

Did you learn something new?

Now I imagine you think you should have ice cream. I agree!!

Good news! We will have an Ice Cream Social following our Town Hall meeting on October 1st!

-Wendy Hinerman, Business Manager
WHO WANTS TO BE A "HEAVENLY" MILLIONAIRE?

CATHOLIC ACRONYMS  What does the acronym “RCIA” stand for?
A. Religion Classes for Ignorant Atheists
B. Religious Conversion of Ill-informed Agnostics
C. Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
D. Roman Catholic Instructional Agenda

Last week’s answer: Wheeling Central first qualified for the boys’ WVSSAC Basketball Championship Tournament in Charleston in 1975. Coaching legend and St. Michael parishioner Stanley Kaniecki led the team.

The first Mustang Mass for the 2017-2018 School year will be held on Saturday, September 9, at the 4:30pm Mass. The Mustang Mass is a way to gather all of our school families together at one particular weekend Mass per month during the academic year (usually the 2nd weekend of the month).

While the students in our parish school worship together every Wednesday morning at the 8:30am Mass, most of our parishioners are not able to participate in this Mass because of work schedules and other commitments. So, once a month, the school children (wearing their uniforms) are encouraged, along with their families, to attend a specific weekend Mass at the Parish so that all can celebrate our Catholic Grade School and our students can thank our parishioners who help to support Catholic education in so many ways. While different classes take turns having the students serve in the various ministry roles at these Masses, ALL students and their families are asked to come to this designated Mass on the scheduled weekend. We have been blessed with SMPS and we have much to celebrate!!

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Do you know of anyone who is seeking faith and a relationship with Jesus Christ and a church community? There are forms in the pews for you to offer a name of someone whom you’d like us to contact. We begin classes in September for the following:

1. Unbaptized persons and baptized non-Catholics wanting to know more about the Catholic Faith

2. Adult Catholics who have never received the Sacrament of Confirmation

Please pray for these men and women serving our country in the military, and for their families:

♦ Petty Officer First Class Eric J Auber, US Navy
♦ Staff Sergeant Robert Michael Baker, US Marine Corps
♦ Sergeant Anthony DiBias, US Army
♦ Chief Warrant Officer 4 John DiBias, US Army
♦ Technical Sergeant Andrew G Futey, US Air Force
♦ Lieutenant Andrew Klug, US Navy
♦ Captain Zach Lehman, US Marine Corps
♦ Capt. Michael Neuman, US Army
♦ Major Christopher Nodurft, US Marine Corps
♦ Seaman Cody Patterson, US Navy
♦ Specialist Seth Sleime, US Army
♦ Sgt. Christopher Snyder, US Army
♦ First Sergeant Stephen Spohn, US Army
♦ Sergeant First Class Wendy Spohn, US Army
♦ Lieutenant Colonel Aaron P Tillman, US Air Force
♦ Chief Master Sergeant Patrick Van Vranken, US Air Force
♦ Airman First Class Taylor Wilkinson, US Air Force
♦ Airman First Class Sierra E. McKenna, US Air Force

Please contact the Parish Office with changes in rank or to add someone to the list. Thanks to ALL who have served or are currently serving!
St. Michael Parish and School requests your presence at our
WINNER, WINNER CHICKEN DINNER!

**Date:** Sunday, August 27\(^{th}\), 2017

**Celebrity Servers**

**Time:** 12-3 pm

Take-Out Available until 5

**Place:** St. Michael Angelus Center

**Entertainment:** Students grades 1-8 singing every 15 minutes!

Cost: $8.00 Adults, $5 Children, 3 & under free

All donations welcome

❖ 50/50 Raffle

❖ Wet Head Raffle...Come soak your principal or teacher!

❖ Pie in the Face Raffle...Come see your principal or teacher get whipped cream in the face!

Raffle tickets: 1 for $1.00 or 6 for $5.00

Come see the Angelus Center’s resurfaced gym floor with an exciting addition! Thank you Technocap!

Special thanks to our sponsor: Wheeling Hospital

All proceeds go to S.M.P.S.
Meet Mr. Zac Harvey
St. Michael Parish School
Technology Coordinator

St. Michael Parish School would like to introduce our tech coordinator Zac Harvey. Zac joined us in May of 2017. He shadowed Mrs. Barack during the last two weeks of the 2016-2017 school year. Zac is from Moundsville. He is a graduate of John Marshall High School and has an A.S. in Computer Science and a B.S. in Information Technology. Most recently he was the Network Administrator/Technology Teacher at Bishop Donahue. Zac’s resume’ boasts time as a college level Network Theory teacher, an IT professional in the corporate world, Federal and State Government as well as owning and running his own company for five years.

Zac is a music lover. He is a jazz drummer and an aficionado of British Comedy and kites!

We feel very blessed to have Zac Harvey as a member of our staff!

Meet Mrs. Jessica Zwack
St. Michael Parish School
4th grade math, science,

Mrs. Jessica Zwack is our new 4th grade teacher. Jessica grew up in Cameron, WV and attended Cameron High School. She has her B.S. in Exercise Physiology and her Doctorate in Physical Therapy. She attended Ohio University and Wheeling Jesuit University. She currently lives in Ohio, is married to David Zwack and they have 3 children at SMPS, Dawson, Dalton and Dainan. Welcome Mrs. Zwack!
Office of Safe Environment

Keeping you informed …
The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is committed to the protection of its children and young people. The Diocese complies with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People by maintaining an Office of Safe Environment. To report an incident of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families/Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop’s designees at 888.434.6237 (toll free) or 304.233.0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Msgr. Frederick Annie, ext. 267, or Msgr. Anthony Cincinnati, 270. For more information on the Diocese’s Office of Safe Environment, please go to www.dwc.org, then click the “Diocese” tab, then click “Office of Safe Environment” under the “Offices” menu. To learn more about the Catholic Church’s efforts in preventing sexual abuse of children in the United States, please visit http://www.usccb.org under “Issues and Action,” click “Child and Youth Protection” from the drop down menu.

Well, we have one...
So far, we have had only ONE person respond to my plea — while I am very grateful for her, we still need more people to get involved in order to make our music program work.

We need singers for the parish choir — if you have a love of music, a desire to be a part of a fun and supportive group, and have a voice that can blend with others, we need YOU! Music reading skills are helpful but are NOT required.

We need 2-6 more handbell ringers — if you have a love of music and a willingness to learn how to ring the handbells (it’s not that hard and it’s good exercise), we need YOU! Music reading skills are helpful but are NOT required—knowing your left hand from your right hand is much more important!

Please contact me, Chad Carter, (ccarter@dwc.org) if you are interested in learning more about these two opportunities to serve the parish and to be a part of the music-making that adds such richness to our celebrations. Together, we can make great music, but we need YOU!!

All students grades 5th through 8th are invited to join the Youth Group!

Under the direction of our Youth Minister, Mrs. Jenny Imer, the Youth Group meets on a regular basis to talk about God, do Bible study, participate in service projects, and to socialize.

The Parish invites you to be a part of this dynamic group that is known for the “3 F’s” : Faith, Food and Fun!

To register contact Jenny at jimer@stmikesparish.org

Thank you for the LIFT!!!
The parish wishes to thank the diocese for the use of their scissor lift in order to reach and replace a faulty speaker in the rafters of the Angelus Center. Thanks for raising us up!!!
YOUTH GROUP
Picnic Fun with
54 students!!!

Special Thanks to:
Tammi & Rich Smith,
Alecia Blair, Ken Imer
 Welty Home to Hold Open House

Please join the residents and staff of Welty Home in Wheeling for an Open House from 1 – 4 p.m. Saturday, September 2, 2017.

Tour the renovated suites and common areas, take a walk in the gardens, talk with residents and staff, and enjoy refreshments including root beer floats. This outstanding assisted living complex is located at 21 Washington Avenue in Wheeling. Welty Home offers 24-hour nursing services, Daily Mass in the Welty Chapel, three home-cooked meals every day, activities and entertainment. Welty Home is part of the healthcare ministry of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. For information please call 304.242.5233.

Quarter Auction @ OLP

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus at Our Lady of Peace Parish are sponsoring a Quarter Auction on Sun., September 10 at the Peace Family Center in Mount Olivet, WV.

Doors open at 12noon and the Auction begins at 1pm. Admission is $5.00, which is the cost of the bidding paddle. For more information, please call the OLP Office at 304.242.6579.
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