Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

John 14:27
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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter
Monday: St. Augustine of Canterbury; Memorial Day
Wednesday: St. Paul VI
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord
Saturday: Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14;
Jn 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53 (for
Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8;
Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16;
Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday: Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Rev 22:12-14,
16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26; or, for Ascension,
Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

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Pastoral Council - Leslie Kosanovic, Chairperson
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Buildings & Grounds - Denny Wilson, Chairperson
Finance Council - Tom Galinski, Chairperson
Personnel Council - John Moore, Chairperson

Collection & Attendance Data: 18/19 May 2019
4:30pm — 197
9:00am — 246
TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 744

1st Collection: $9081.00
2nd Collection: $1944.00
Miscellaneous: $781.31
Online: $471.50
Total: $12,277.81
Any eighth grade student studying for the Golden Horseshoe Exam will tell you that West Virginia has 55 counties, Wheeling is the birthplace of West Virginia and the state flower is the rhododendron.

However, with all due respect to the Golden Horseshoe Knights and Ladies, I will wager that the priests in the Diocese of Wheeling - Charleston are top scholars when it comes to knowing our state and the geography. Have you ever heard of Hinton or Shinnston or Gassaway? Our priests know those communities and they know the Catholic church in that community. If you chat with one of our “seasoned” priests, there’s a good likelihood that they traveled the state in every direction. The vocation they have of priesthood in West Virginia can require a significant amount of relocation and transition.

That certainly is true for Monsignor Peterson. He’s been ordained for over 44 years and has seen many of the hills and valleys in our beautiful state. But St. Michael Parish will be the official last assignment for Monsignor Peterson. Earlier this year, Monsignor announced that Archbishop Lori had accepted his retirement.

Last weekend, Monsignor Peterson made the announcement that while he will officially retire in June, extenuating circumstances exist and he has been asked to stay at St. Michael Parish for a few extra months. The news was met with applause! Clearly our parishioners are happy to have Monsignor Peterson here for an encore! Monsignor will be here for one more Festival, Blessing of the Backpacks and tomato season.

In September, we will welcome Very Rev. Carlos L. Melocoton, Jr., V.F.

In the meanwhile, we will continue to have our dear Monsignor Peterson here at St. Michael Parish!

—Wendy Hinerman
### Liturgical Ministers

Multi-week Ministry Schedule is available on St. Mikes’ webpage. Weekday Mass 7:30am, May 27 through May 31, 2019
Altar Server: STILL NEEDED

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<td>Saturday, June 1st</td>
<td>4:30pm</td>
<td>Sacristan: Carole Kliner</td>
<td>Brann Altmeyer and Joe Bourgo</td>
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<td>Sunday, June 2nd</td>
<td>7:30am</td>
<td>Sacristan: Kathy Ulevich</td>
<td>Jeep Naum and Denny Wilson</td>
<td>Alex Tarr and Benjamin Halicki</td>
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<td>Sunday, June 2nd</td>
<td>9:00am</td>
<td>Sacristan: Adriana Wolf</td>
<td>Margaret Zoeckler and Janice Jones</td>
<td>Adam Wolf, Grant McCabe, William Medovic, Jack Adams</td>
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<td>Sunday, June 2nd</td>
<td>11:30am</td>
<td>Sacristan: NEEDED</td>
<td>Melissa Michael and Doug Blanco</td>
<td>Parker Jasko, Jaelyn Vunderink, Mason and Matthew Griffin</td>
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**Children’s Liturgy of the Word**

is held each Sunday during 9am Mass. All 3 year olds through 1st graders are welcome to attend. The presider will call the children up to the front of the church after the opening prayer, before the First Reading.

**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. 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.

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Rosary celebration at 6:30PM every Sunday in May at the council home at 118 Edgington Lane.

We invite single Catholic women to experience the life of the Sisters of Bon Secours and to learn more about religious life. You will have the opportunity to be with sisters as you learn about our life. You'll also meet and share with other women who are exploring religious life as a life option. This weekend offers time for reflection and one-on-one discussions with a sister. There is also an optional service opportunity to serve those in need and to work as a team within some of our ministries in West Baltimore. That will continue through July 2, 2019 for women who are interested.

June 28-30, 2019 & October 25-27, 2019
ARRIVAL: Friday, 5:00 pm DEPARTURE: Sunday, 1:00 pm
PLACE: Sisters of Bon Secours, 1525 Marriottsville Road, Marriottsville, Maryland 21104 (Near Baltimore)
REGISTER: [https://lifeasasister.org/event-details/come-and-see-vocation-weekend-5/](https://lifeasasister.org/event-details/come-and-see-vocation-weekend-5/) or call 410-442-3172
CONTACT: Sr. Pat Dowling, CBS, Vocation Director 410-442-3172 CBSVocations@bshsi.org

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**FORMED.ORG**

Our parish renewed its subscription to FORMED.ORG. Our Parish Code is **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.
Looking to deepen your faith? Join us for the Morgantown Magnificat Chapter Inspirational Prayer Breakfast, June 8, 2019 at Lakeview Resort. Our inspirational speaker is Father Jim O’Conner. A Christian songwriter/vocalist and priest, Father Jim will share his life changing story of spiritual conversion after he returned from serving in Vietnam.

Magnificat is a ministry to Catholic women aimed at strengthening and sharing our faith. All men are welcome to this prayer breakfast as well.

WHAT: Morgantown Magnificat Inspirational Prayer Breakfast

WHEN: Saturday, June 8, 2019, 9 am to noon (doors open at 8:15am)

WHERE: Lakeview Resort, 1 Lakeview Drive, Morgantown, WV 26508

GUEST SPEAKER: Father Jim O’Conner, Christian songwriter/vocalist and priest.

RESERVATIONS: Cost $20. Register online at magnificatmorgantown.org or call Pat at 304-296-8950. Must register by June 1, 2019. No tickets sold at the door.

WANTED

Help in Two Important Positions
Dime Pitch Chair
Responsibilities Include: booth set up before the festival each night, collecting unique dishes, and counting A LOT of dimes!

“My favorite part of the festival is bringing home as many mismatched dishes as possible for my mom!”
~Every Kid at the Festival

Kitchen Prep and Clean Up Chair
Responsibilities Include: pre-festival/during festival cutting and cooking, post-festival clean up, and some dish washing.
Perks Include: air conditioning!
Contact Missy Tiu: 304-312-8050

2nd Weekend in July:
Thursday, 7/11
Friday, 7/12
Saturday, 7/13

Check out the Donation Board in the back of the church!
Take a tag and bring back the requested item.
Place them in the baskets in the back of the church.
Donation prices vary. Anything helps!
Thank you for your support!

50/50 Raffle
Watch your mail for tickets or contact Amanda Lowe at 304-280-4917.

5/26/19
May 26, 2019 — Sixth Sunday of Easter
Have you experienced divorce and would like to know more about the annulment process? Are you divorced and remarried outside the Catholic Church? Would you like to know how to make your marriage valid in the Church so you can receive the Sacraments again? Please contact Fr. Smay: 304-242-1560, x5 or msmay@dwc.org about the annulment process.

Unfortunately, a lot of people have erroneous ideas about the process. It is doable and Father Smay will help you throughout the process.

**COMMEMORATIVE MASS ASSOCIATION (CMA)**

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 cost to enroll is $50. The bulletin will regularly list the names of those enrolled in the CMA.

At the time of enrollment, you will receive a beautiful leatherette-type folder describing the Commemorative Mass Association. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions or to enroll someone in the CMA.

**R C I A**

The parish will continue classes for any adults who want to join the Catholic Church. Classes will be held on Sunday mornings between the 9am - 11:30am Masses.

Please contact Fr. Smay at msmay@dwc.org or call 304-242-1560. ext 5.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

First Banns:

Christopher Duplaga and Kelley Mortakis of our parish to be married at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Wheeling, on June 8th, 2019

**THANK YOU!!!**

St. Michael CM/CW would like to thank everyone who donated clothes and toys, worked sorting them, and those to prayed for a successful clothing and toy sale.

We made about $2,000 which will be used for St. Michael Parish School field trip fund. The Gabriel Project and Youth Service Systems were grateful to receive the remaining items.

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
- Technical Sergeant Andrew G. Futey, US Air Force
- Specialist Matthew Graney, US Army
- Lieutenant Andrew Klug, US Navy
- Captain Zach Lehman, US Marine Corps
- Capt. Michael Neuman, US Army
- Major Christopher Nodurft, US Marine Corps
- Seaman First Class Cody Patterson, US Navy
- Specialist Seth Sleime, US Army
- Warrant Officer 1 (W01) Christopher Snyder
- Sergeant Major 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
- PVT Jacob Ulevich, US Army

God Bless Our Military!
**Become a part of the St. Michael Parish Angelus Center......... Forever!**

Have you walked along the beautiful "Commemorative Walkway" at the Angelus Center? Don't miss this opportunity to add your engraved brick to our "Walkway". Your special laser engraved brick can be customized with a personal message and permanently installed in the walkway for generations to enjoy. All are invited to reserve a brick to commemorate your family, a special person, a treasured memory, a graduation, a First Communion, thank you to a special teacher, or just because you love St. Michael Parish.

Each engraved brick costs $100 and measures 4"x 8". A miniature brick (1 ½" X 3") can be purchased for $15 and can be used as a paperweight, or given to a loved one for a keepsake.

Please complete the order form below with your information printed correctly and legibly and return this form with your check to the Parish Office by June 10th, 2019.

There are 3 lines of engraving per brick with 20 characters per line including spaces between names and punctuation. You can use lower and/or upper case letters.

Bricks will be added to the walkway in the summertime.

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**St. Michael Commemorative Brick Order Form**

Purchaser’s Information:

NAME_____________________________________________
ADDRESS__________________________________________
PHONE____________________________________________
EMAIL____________________________________________

Please fill in the blocks above with your brick information.

____ Enclosed is my payment of $100.00 for one 4x8 engraved brick.  $ 100.00

____ I would like one miniature keepsake replica for $15.00.                $ ______
(Cannot be purchased without larger brick)

Total Payment      $_____

Checks may be made payable to

St. Michael Parish
1225 National Road
School Picnic

Our annual end-of-the-year school picnic is Friday, May 31 at Wheeling Park. For those new to SMPS, the school picnic is a wonderful way for our school community to join together for a day of food, fun, and friends. Children need to be accompanied by a parent for the day's events. Parent Association has sent home order forms for purchasing activity bands for parents and children. On the day of the picnic, SMPS families should report to the ice rink by 10:30 to check-in and pick up their pre-purchased wrist bands. Please note that students do not come to school this day—they go directly to the park.

This is still considered a school day and attendance is taken. Lunch will be served in the rink mid-day. All park activities are free with the purchase of the wrist bands.

Wheeling Parochial Golf Scramble

Congratulations to our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students who competed in the WPL Golf Scramble at Moundsville Country Club. SMPS had four teams in the event. Our 8th grade boy’s team, Treston Nemeth, Ryan Costanzo, Justin Doerr, and Andrew Hartzell won first place!

The weather was beautiful, our golfers played well and had fun!

HOT-HOT-HOT DOGS!

Thank you to Suzanne and Jay Nelson for purchasing 2 commercial hotdog machine rollers for St. Michael Parish and School! One machine will be stored in the Angelus Center and one in the school kitchen.
Talent Show 2019

Congratulations to all students who participated in this year's SMPS Talent Show. A special shout out to our organizers Ryan Wolf and Erica Przybysz. Our show was full of talent from singers and dancers to musicians, our Elementary and Middle School Choirs, and a speed artist, we had it all! It's always a great time watching our students display their talents!
The 2019 Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA) theme, Sowing Seeds of HOPE, provides a sense of purpose and direction for our diocese as we meet the challenges of today and work toward the future to make our Church ever more vibrant and relevant. The CSA is an essential way to reach beyond ourselves and our parish and give HOPE to others through ministries, programs and services which enrich a Christ-centered way of life.

We most often experience Church in our local parish. The portion of the CSA that is returned to parishes will enable them to address their most pressing needs. Last year, more than $2.3 million supported parishes and missions through CSA funding.

"St. Michael Church has reached the age where rehabilitation is needed on the facility. HVAC, lighting and landscaping have been the three major areas of concern as we move forward. The CSA has helped tremendously in meeting the needs of renovating a 60-year-old structure."

— Rev. John Gallagher St. Michael Parish, Vienna

The people served and the ministries sustained by the Catholic Sharing Appeal provide HOPE for every one of our parish communities and unite us as a Diocesan Church.

74,759 Catholics
24,282 Square Miles
91 Parishes
20 Missions
20 Chapels
87 Diocesan Priests
10 Seminarians
19 Elementary Schools
6 High Schools
4,114 Catholic Schools Students
21 Community Outreach Offices

All gifts to the CSA help fund ministries and programs that benefit parishes, missions, schools, CCWVs and other Diocesan programs.

Pledges and one-time donations can be sent to:

Catholic Sharing Appeal P.O. Box 230
Wheeling, WV 26003

Donations can also be made online at dwc.org/csa
Come and Follow Me As Fishers of Men

Learn what it means to be a priest and his role of saving souls.
For High School Men
June 20-22, Washington, D.C., St. John Paul II College Seminary
Come visit the nation’s capital and have a blast visiting famous Catholic sites and learn more about the Catholic priesthood and what its like to be in seminary.
For more information or to RSVP contact Rick Teachout in the diocesan Vocations Office at (304) 233-0880, ext. 442 or rteachout@dwc.org.

Quo Vadis Camp

Middle School Discernment Retreat
Boys in grades 6, 7 and 8 are invited to Priest Field Pastoral Center in Kearneysville, W.Va.
June 17 through June 19 for days of spiritual talks, prayer, the celebration of Mass and discussion about how God guides us throughout our lives.
Campers will enjoy outdoor activities including: hiking, swimming, sports, fishing.
The camp is staffed by laypeople, priests and seminarians from the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.
For more information or to register go to WVPriests.org.

PRAYER FOR HEALING WITHIN THE CHURCH

St. Peter, pray for the church that it may be rebuilt, healed, and made holy.
St. Monica, pray for the abused, survivors, and for justice.
St. Catherine of Siena, pray for reform and restoration of the clergy.
St. John Vianney, pray for the holiness of priests and bishops.
St. Benedict, pray that all evil be cast out of the church.
St. Anthony, pray for us to find a way forward.
St. Paul, pray for the bishops that they may be fearless in confronting other bishops.
St. Augustine, pray for true repentance and transparency.
Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us.

IMPENETRABLE

The same fence that shuts others out shuts us in.
—Anonymous

SAVE THE DATE

A Date for the 12th Annual Catholic Camporee
October 4th to 6th, 2019
Who: Scouts BSA
Location: Camp Mountaineer (Morgantown, WV)
Hosted by: Catholic Committee on Scouting & the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston
Contact: Chris Gorski—catholiccamporee@aol.com
for further information. All are welcome!
Alabama Governor, Kay Ivey, Signs Law Outlawing Abortion, Gives Life Sentence to Abortion Doctors

“ALABAMA, May 15, 2019 (LifeSiteNews) – Alabama Governor Kay Ivey signed into law today the strongest pro-life bill in the country, making almost all abortions illegal in the Yellowhammer state. The law, the Alabama Human Life Protection Act, makes it a felony for doctors to commit abortions. Abortions are only allowed to ‘avert (a mother’s) death or serious risk of substantial physical impairment of a major bodily function.’ The law makes committing an abortion a Class A felony – punishable by up to 99 years in prison – and attempting to commit an abortion a Class C felony…”

“‘At least for the short term, this bill may be unenforceable,’ the governor acknowledged, but noted it may be the law that results in the overturning of Roe v. Wade, which imposed abortion on demand across the country.”

Please Join St. Michael in Raising Funds for Wheeling Health Right

The St. Michael Stewardship Council will sell baked goods, coffee, pepperoni rolls and more from the Angelus Center Snack Bar at the parish Rummage Sale, which will be held from 9 am – 1 pm on Saturday, June 8th. While the proceeds of the Rummage Sale will benefit the Social Concerns Fund, the proceeds from our Snack Bar will benefit Wheeling Health Right.

You probably know that Wheeling Health Right provides healthcare for thousands of uninsured and underinsured people in our community. You may not know that St. Michael is a member of Congregations for Caring, an effort that involves 70 churches that are helping to raise funds to help Health Right provide this medical care.

If you can help by baking something, working at the snack bar, or making a contribution to Health Right, please email Janet Boyle: jboyle@ghost-writers.com, or call/text her at 304.280.7488.

BABY SHOWER FOR YOUR SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED BABY!

If you choose to participate, please bring a baby item to the church and place it by Mary’s Altar between May 25 and June 2nd. The items collected will be taken to Gabriel Project for expectant mothers in need. The following items are most needed: Diapers - Newborn to size 5 Baby wipes, baby hooded bath towels and washcloths, powdered infant formula (Similac Advance, blue lid), baby toiletries (lotions, oils, soaps, etc), infant sweaters and clothing (newborn—3T), baby blankets, baby crib sheets, teething toys and rattles, sleepers, onesies and outfits (newborn to 12 months), pacifiers, and baby bottles. Monetary donations may be made payable to the Gabriel Project of West Virginia.

If you have any questions please call Gretchen Wilson at 304.280.1451.