

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



September 16, 2018

IF YOU WISH TO COME AFTER ME
YOU MUST DENY YOURSELF,
TAKE UP YOUR CROSS,

and follow me.

MARK 8:34

Who do you say that I am?



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Just as Isaiah prophesies the suffering of Jesus in rather specific terms—"I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting"—Jesus, in speaking to his disciples, clearly reveals to them that he will suffer and die, which bewilders and shocks them. "The Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days. He spoke this openly." They don't know what to do with this information, and they can't envision their beloved Lord suffering and dying in this way.

"YOU ARE THE CHRIST"

Jesus asks the disciples who the people say he is. Some say, "John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others one of the prophets." This odd answer shows that the disciples were beginning to form a rudimentary understanding that it was possible to rise from the dead. So it is puzzling that when Jesus says that he will "rise after three days," they would seemingly not quite comprehend this.

But when Jesus asks, "Who do you say that I am?" Peter speaks for the disciples: "You are the Christ." Moments later, the rather confused Peter objects to the Jesus' assertion that he will suffer and die. Jesus stunningly rebukes him for his objection, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

Although Peter is beginning to form true faith in his declaration of belief in Christ, he still is thinking like a human, and has not yet begun to see the world through God's eyes. Peter's faith has not yet grown to its full stature, as it will after the Resurrection.

Our gift of faith sees and believes the suffering and death of Christ, but we still might not see the consequences of that faith. Our works arise out of our belief in and love for the Lord. Through our faith, we must not only believe, but help others as Christ would do. This is seeing the world through God's eyes.

Today's Readings: Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekends: Saturday - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday - 8:00 a.m./10:00 a.m.

Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

Holy Day Mass Schedule:

8:00 am, 7:00 p.m.

St. Francis Xavier Parish

7th and JEFFERSON STREETS, MOUNDSVILLE, W. VA. 26041

Rev. That Son Ngoc Nguyen

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

Sat. 3:30 p.m., or any other time upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the Parish House at least six months before the date of the marriage. Pre-Cana is required.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

By appointment. The Diocese requires instructions beforehand for the parents. Contact the parish office.

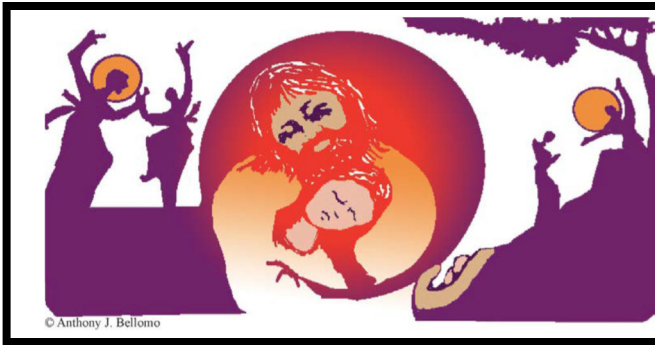
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (C.C.D.):

Sundays during the school term at 9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. for Grades 1-12.

REGISTRATION AND CHURCH SUPPORT:

Parishioners should be properly registered at the Parish Office





**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

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The Lord GOD is my help,
therefore I am not disgraced.

— *Isaiah 50:7*

**Mass Intentions
For The Week**



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- SEPT. 15 SATURDAY**
4:00 P.M. **Rae Baker†**
(*Art & Carmina Oakland Family*)
- SEPT. 16 SUNDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Bill Termin†**
(*Termin Family*)
10:00 A.M. In thanksgiving for Cloe Nguyen
(*Her parents*)
- SEPT. 17 MONDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Bernadine Klug†**
(*Joan Klug*)
- SEPT. 18 TUESDAY**
8:00 A.M. **For healing of families**
(*Cecile Vo*)
- SEPT. 19 WEDNESDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Phil & Mary Skvarka†**
(*Phil Skvarka*)
- SEPT. 20 THURSDAY**
8:00 A.M. **NO MASS**
- SEPT. 21 FRIDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Isabella Aquaro†**
(*Wiethe family*)
- SEPT. 22 SATURDAY**
4:00 P.M. **Caro Fabrizio†**
(*Norbert & Joyce Greenwood*)
- SEPT. 23 SUNDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Rae Baker†**
(*Dorothy Reiver*)
10:00 A.M. **Mass of Thanksgiving**
(*Cecile Vo*)

OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL
NOVENA EVERY TUESDAY BEFORE MASS



Rosary weekdays after 8 am mass

WEEKLY SCHEDULES

Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers:

- 9/22 4:00 p.m. Julie Fecat/ L. Yoho
9/23 8:00 a.m. Mark Hitt/ L. Remke
9/23 10:00 a.m. C. McDonald/ P. Whitwam

Altar Servers:

- 9/22 4:00 p.m. Frizzell family
9/23 8:00 a.m. Laberdee family
9/23 10:00 a.m. Blatt/ Miller

Gift Bearers:

- 9/22 4:00 p.m. John & Loretta Niemiec
9/23 8:00 a.m. John & Ruth Harrigan
9/23 10:00 a.m. Carolyn Gordon

Sacristy Cleaners: Week of September 17, 2018

Joe Pavilkey

Greeters:

- 9/22 4:00 p.m. Pete & Judy Mysliwiec
9/23 8:00 a.m. Kitty Pazyk/ Sherrie Kent
9/23 10:00 a.m. Cindy Gunto/ Sue Church

Bingo September 21, 2018

Raffle - Rick Targosky
Kitchen - Sue Church

COLLECTION: September 2, 2018

Envelopes - \$2,936.00
Loose Offering - \$1,121.00
Building Repairs - \$40.00
Xavier Hall - \$427.00
Memorial Offerings - \$165.00
Attendance - 323

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Be strong, fear not! Here is your God

(Isaiah 35:4-7a).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ (James 2:1-5).

Gospel — Jesus makes the deaf hear and the mute speak (Mark 7:31-37).

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**DON'T FORGET TO ARRIVE AT MASS
30 MINUTES EARLY
FOR THE NEXT INSTALLMENT OF
THE MASS**

**PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS,
FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS:**

Prayer Request: Gary Rine, Patty Kleinedler, Bobby Kleinedler, Joanna Bierce, Don McCormick, Joe & Sue Church, Helen Cuchta, Kenny Blake, Chris Colby, Richard Timko, Maggie Yeater;
Homebound: Semon & Phyllis Prado, Al Furline, Doris Murphy, Bob Tetrick; **Nursing Home:** Gary Dobbs, Patricia Schmidt, Helen Remke, Gladys Holmes, Thelma Gitlin, Barbara Meyer, Elizabeth Potts, Marilyn Neidhardt.

**THANK
YOU**



Gary Rine is home and recovering well. He is grateful for all of our prayers.

Infant of Prague Novena

The Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Wheeling will celebrate the annual Novena to the Infant Jesus of Prague beginning this year on Monday, September 17 at 7:00 p.m. The Novena will be prayed for nine consecutive Monday evenings concluding on November 12.

Each week consists of Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, a homily given by a guest priest, music and prayers to the Infant Jesus of Prague. Reflections will be based on the "I Am" Statements of Jesus.

Many prayers have been answered through this powerful devotion. Everyone is invited.

Our Parish School of Religion begins its first week of classes this weekend. Sixteen public school students, grades one through eight have signed up. Let us pray for a prosperous and fruitful school year.

It is not too late for more students to enroll. Please call the office if you are interested.

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS!

Congratulations to
Cassandra and Dillon Mangino
on the birth of a baby boy:

Dominic Joseph Mangino

Proud grandparents: Mark & Gina Hedrick

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday
- Monday: St. Robert Bellarmine; Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement) begins at sunset
- Wednesday: St. Januarius
- Thursday: Ss. Andrew Kim Taegŏn and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions
- Friday: St. Matthew
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Sept 16 - CCD classes begin
- Sept 19 - Parish Council Meeting 6:30 pm
- Sept 20 - Bus trip to Sugar creek
- Sept 23 - RCIA begins
- Sept 30 - Heroin(e) Movie Screening 2-4 pm
- Oct 6 - Blessing of the animals
- Jan 26 - World Youth Day

Wheeling Central High School Rosary Rally

Come on Sunday, September 16 at 6:00 in the Cathedral Courtyard to pray for an increase to the vocation of priesthood and consecrated life. Prayers will be led by CCHS students, Sisters of St. Joseph, Knights of Columbus and Serra Club.

Men's Retreat

The Laymen's retreat League would like to invite all Catholic Men of the area to a Day of Reflection with Rev. John Beckley, S.M. on Saturday, September 29th, 2018, beginning at 8 am with a continental breakfast (registration at 8:30 am) and ending with Mass (around 5pm). This Day of Reflection will be held at Saint Vincent de Paul's Marist Center in Wheeling. Cost is \$30, which includes breakfast and lunch. For more info, call Don Klamut at 304-280-4626 or visit the website at: www.laymensretreatleague.org/

A DAY OF HOPE

This weekend, churches and organizations across West Virginia are focusing prayers and energy on the fourth annual Day of Hope: A Celebration of Prevention and Recovery. Addiction is sometimes invisible to our eyes but it does affect our church and community. As a community of faith we are called to promote perhaps the most important ingredient for combatting substance abuse: hope.

While the virtues of love and compassion are essential aspects of hope, knowledge lays its foundation. To this end, on September 30, our parish will host a screening of the award winning documentary *Heroin(e)* filmed last year in Huntington, WV. The film begins at 2:00 in the church basement. It is open to the public and there is no charge.

Office of Safe Environment

To report an incident of suspected child sexual abuse, contact local law enforcement, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services: 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.



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