As the earth brings forth its plants, and a garden makes its growth spring up, so will the Lord God make justice and praise spring up before all the nations.

Isaiah 61:11
**Third Sunday of Advent  
December 17, 2017**

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.  
-1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

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**WEEKLY SCHEDULES**

**Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist/Lectors:**
- 12/23  4:00 p.m. Dave Evans & Chris McDonald  
- 12/23  6:00 p.m. Alice Wise & Libby Magnone  
- 12/24  8:00 a.m. Tom Wise & Sherrie Kent  
- 12/24  4:00 p.m. Sybil Willis & Emma King  
- 12/24  10:00 p.m. Mark Helfer & Paula Whitwam  
- 12/25  10:00 a.m. C. Kesserling & Jane Klug

**Altar Servers:**
- 12/23  4:00 p.m. Whitelatch Family  
- 12/23  6:00 p.m. Angelica & Sarah Starchovic  
- 12/24  4:00 p.m. Swift & Miller  
- 12/24  10:00 p.m. Kent Family  
- 12/25  10:00 a.m. Whitelatch Family

**Gift Bearers:**
- 12/23  4:00 p.m. Kay Bosworth & Daunel Gump  
- 12/23  6:00 p.m. Volunteer  
- 12/24  8:00 a.m. Dan & Lori Laberde  
- 12/24  4:00 p.m. Children from our parish  
- 12/24  10:00 p.m. Volunteer  
- 12/25  10:00 a.m. Georgia Pettit

**Sacristy Cleaners: Week of December 18th**
Sue Church & Cindy Gunto

**Greeters:**
- 12/16  4:00 p.m. Daunel Gump, Joan Lemasters,  
  Dave Evans  
- 12/17  8:00 a.m. Kent Family  
- 12/17  10:00 a.m. Jane Klug, Joe & Jonna Kusky

**Bingo: December 22, 2017**
Raffle - John & Sheree Leonard  
Kitchen - Kathleen Naegele

**COLLECTION: DECEMBER 3, 2017**
- Envelopes - $3,956.00  
- Xavier Hall - $421.00  
- Loose Offering - $823.00  
- Pennies For God - $49.80  
- Attendance - 378

Thank You And May God Bless You For Your  
Continued Support and Generosity.
PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS, FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS:

Prayer Request:

Homebound: Semon & Phyllis Prado, Al Furline, Doris Murphy, Barbara Meyer, Bob Tetrick

Nursing Home: Patricia Schmidt, Helen Remke, Thelma Gitlin, Gladys Holmes.

Note:
In order to keep prayer requests current, requests will remain for four weeks after which they will be removed. They may be resubmitted after the fourth week.

Honoring Our Patron Saint and Continuing Our 100 Year Celebration:
St. Francis Xavier, patron saint of our parish, is reputed to have baptized almost 100,000 people over the course of his relatively brief missionary life. In honor of his extraordinary accomplishments, we want to celebrate your baptism into the Catholic faith. Look for the sign up sheet in the vestibule! Please sign up for the month you were baptized. After Masses on the last weekend of the month we will gather in the church basement for refreshments to celebrate. If you don’t know the month you were baptized – find out! (Call your church office.)

To all who would like to volunteer ~ we will be decorating the Church this Sunday, December 17th after the 10 am Mass. All are welcome!

If your child who would like to participate in the Christmas program on Christmas Eve, please call church office.

Advent Penance Service December 17, 2017
St. Francis Xavier & St. Jude Penance Service will be held at St. Jude Parish in Glen Dale on December 17th at 6:30 p.m.

ST. MARTIN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS
December 24, 2017
6:00 p.m. Judy Patrello †
Requested by Gregory White

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
Dec. 17 Decorate Church for Christmas After the 10 am Mass
Dec. 17 Penance Service 6:30 @ St. Jude
Dec. 19 Mass at Mound View Nursing Home 11:00am

The Sanctuary Candle beside the tabernacle burns this week
In Memory of Musili Family
Requested by Chuck & Mary Taskalines

On Tuesday, December 19th at 11 a.m. Father That Son will have a Mass at Moundview Nursing home. Everyone is invited to come to the Mass and sing Christmas carols.

St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Day Collection $605.00
The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank the many parishioners for your support on Thanksgiving Day. We pray in thanksgiving for you and your generous spirit helping those in need in our parish and community.

Pick-up Dates for Christmas Nut bread/Cookie Orders Tuesday, Dec. 19th - 8:30 - 10 am and 3-5 pm in the Church Basement.

We still have Christmas ornaments from our 100th anniversary if you would like to purchase one they are $5.00 each. Call the church office.

We are still taking orders for SFX Sweatshirts and T-shirts. Order forms can be found in the vestibule or call Lottie at 304-845-4011

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.
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