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

John 14:27

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The independent streak in every human heart can resent rules and regulations. We often rebel against the idea of blindly following rules we did not create for ourselves. We have inherited this willfulness from Adam and Eve, who could not resist eating from the one tree God strictly outlawed in the Garden of Eden. Jesus, fully human and fully divine, personally understands our desire to do things ourselves. In his own garden, the garden of Gethsemane, Jesus transformed human history. Instead of following his own inclinations, Jesus offered his decision-making, his free will, his very life, to God. As the Gospel of Luke tells us, Jesus “was in such agony and he prayed so fervently that his sweat became like drops of blood falling on the ground.” Observing God’s law is not easy, not even for the Son of God. But Jesus promises that keeping God’s words will bring us peace. Jesus’ submission led to resurrection; our obedience will calm our hearts, allowing God to dwell deep within.

to obey God’s commandments, we still face the very real difficulty of discerning exactly what it is God seems to want from us. The early church agonized over this in the first years after Jesus’ ascension. Many people of good will, all trying to obey God, came to drastically different conclusions about how to imitate Jesus. Our reading from Acts today explains “there arose no little dissension” among the new believers. So the church leaders gathered together to pray and discuss—as we still do today. That first church council, the Council of Jerusalem, settled a question not explicitly addressed by Jesus while on earth. Christians today have inherited that sublime legacy of gathering in discernment. We praise God for the gift of that first of many councils, and strive to approach discernment as carefully in our own lives.

Today’s Readings: Acts 15:1–2, 22–29; Ps 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10–14, 22–23; Jn 14:23–29

IT TAKES A COUNCIL

Even if we restrain our willfulness and cultivate the desire

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Masses for the Week

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MAY 25 **SATURDAY**
 4:00 P.M. **Mary C. Patrello†**
 (Ruth Ann and Family)

MAY 26 **SUNDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Don McCormick†**
 (George & Patty Fahey)

10:00 A.M. **Maiolo & Wallington Families†**
 (Kathryn Wallington & Family)

MAY 27 **MONDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Mike Dugas†**
 (Maggie Yeater)

MAY 28 **TUESDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Frank & Jenny Novel†**
 (Robert & Theresa (Novel) Baker)

MAY 29 **WEDNESDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Joe Estep†**
 (Maggie Yeater)

MAY 30 **THURDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Shad Fromhart†**
 (Pat & Marianne Philipps)

MAY 31 **FRIDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Frank Wallington†**
 (Kathryn Wallington)

JUN 1 **SATURDAY**
 4:00 P.M. **Betty L. Lewis†**
 (Richard C. Lewis)

JUN 2 **SUNDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Doc & Opal Romanoski†**
 (Romanoski Family)

10:00 A.M. **Living and deceased members of**
 the Curia Family
 (Curia Family)

The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord is
 Thursday, May 30th.
 The Diocese of Wheeling Charleston will
 celebrate it on the following Sunday, June 2.

WEEKLY SCHEDULES

Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers:

6/1 4:00 p.m. Julie Fecat/L. Yoho
 6/2 8:00 a.m. M. Hitt/John Hess
 6/2 10:00 a.m. L. Remke/P. Remke

Altar Servers:

6/1 4:00 p.m. Frizzell
 6/2 8:00 a.m. Laberde
 6/2 10:00 a.m. Swift

Gift Bearers:

6/1 4:00 p.m. Kay Bosworth & Daunel Gump
 6/2 8:00 a.m. Dan & Lori Laberde
 6/2 10:00 a.m. John & Loretta Niemiec

Sacristy Cleaners: Week of May 27th

Jenny Ingram & Daunel Gump

Greeters:

6/1 4:00 p.m. Dave & Celeste Evans
 6/2 8:00 a.m. Roger Frame
 6/2 10:00 a.m. Sue Church & Cindy Gunto

Bingo May 31, 2019

Raffle: John & Sheree Leonard

Kitchen: Sue Church

COLLECTION: May 12, 2019

Envelopes - \$ 2,912.00
Loose Offering - \$ 933.00
Building Repairs - \$ 977.00
Xavier Hall - \$ 30.00
Memorial Offerings - \$130.00
Pennies for God - \$ 12.74
Attendance - 320

Kroger profit for the period February 1 through April 30, 2019 is \$245.76. There were 41 households participating. You can help with this very easy fundraiser by signing up at Kroger.com.

NEW ORGAN UPDATE

Thank you to all of the donors who contributed to our new organ fund. So far we have collected \$3,490.00

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THANK YOU

Rev. That Son Ngoc Nguyen, pastor

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

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

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the parish office 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 (P.S.R.):

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

Church Office Phone: 304-845-1593
Church Hall Phone: 304-845-9238
Xavier Hall Phone: 304-845-7080
Rev. That Son Cell: 408-858-7467
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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.

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

Prayer Request: Donna Colucci, Nile Cassandra, Peggy Mysliwicz, Zelma Imhof, Alice Wise, Joan Lemasters, Patty Kleinedler, Joe Church, Maggie Yeater, Bobby Kleinedler, Richard Timko; **Homebound:** Semon & Phyllis Prado, Doris Murphy, Bob Tetrick, Rachel Kerekes; **Nursing Home:** Gary Dobbs, Patricia Schmidt, Helen Remke, Thelma Gitlin, Barbara Meyer, Elizabeth Potts, Marilyn Neidhardt, Helen Cuchta, Ron Jaworski.

Thank you to all who donated items to the **St. Francis Parish Mother's Day Baby Shower.** Thank you for your amazing generosity. What better way to honor all mothers than to provide help to pregnant women and their infants! Thank you for this act of charity. God bless you.

Drivers are needed in the summer to deliver meals from the 18th Street Center to the Homebound. If you might be able to help, please contact Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center at 304-232-7157.

Summer Trip for Youth

All youth of the parish are invited to an overnight trip the week of June 24-28. Possible destinations are Snowshoe or Hocking Hills. Father and adult chaperones will lead the youth on a fun-filled excursion into nature. Anyone interested should call the office as soon as possible for details.

Cracker Plant information meeting
Wednesday, May 29th at 6:30
Moundsville Library

Update Phone Numbers

Now that cell phone use has become the norm, many households have discontinued the house phone. In most cases, the only contact number we have for you is your house phone. Please help us update our files. It is very easy. You can call us or just write a note on your offertory envelope or any paper and place in the collection basket. If you still have a house phone but a cell number is a good way to contact you, let us know.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 31 - Relay for Life 6 p.m. JM parking lot
Jun. 9-14 - Praying Pelicans Youth Mission
Jun. 23 - Meeting for Parents of children planning to receive sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation next year.
Jun. 23-28 - Praying Pelicans Youth Mission
Aug. 25 - Parish Picnic

The Sanctuary Candle

beside the tabernacle burns this week
in honor of

The 50th Anniversary of Butch and Linda Miller

Requested by

Chuck and Mary Taskalines

ATTENTION PARENTS

Parents of children planning to receive the sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation next school year must attend a mandatory meeting on Sunday, June 23 after the 10:00 Mass in the church.



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Office of Safe Environment

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