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**HE MAKES THE DEAF
HEAR**



*He makes
the deaf
hear and
the mute
speak*

September 9, 2018 • Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Not only do we at times show little care for the earth and its beauty, but we resist the command of God to care for each other in our need. James warns us not to give pride of place to those who are rich and obviously so. He points out the needy, those poorly dressed, and warns us to care for them and not to look down on them, for God sees their need and also their trust in God and love for others. It is to such as these that Jesus came, healing and giving hope.

Similarly, in the reading from Isaiah, God's coming is accompanied by the opening of the ears of the deaf and the eyes of the blind. God comes to make the lame leap and the mute sing. (So, everybody, please sing in church. It gives glory to God!)

BE OPENED

Jesus came to give hope to the little ones, those who could not fulfill the laws of the Pharisees to keep kosher with separate jugs, kettles, and so on, because they were too poor to afford two of everything. They could not afford doctors or the

healing practices of the time. But Jesus gave them hope.

A person who was lame and mute would have had no way to be made "normal" in those days. But Jesus has mercy on those in need, and he cured the deaf and mute man and restored him to his community.

In what way are we lacking in faith or in hope that we will be healed by Christ? We often forget how much God loves us and how close God is to us every day. If we could just remember this, we would not be afraid, would not feel inadequate in our dealings with the world, nor would we lack courage in protecting our world from destruction.

God loves us beyond any love we could comprehend, and stands ready to heal all our wounds and to bless us with the gifts of secure faith, firm hope, and love for each other in Christ.

Today's Readings: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

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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.

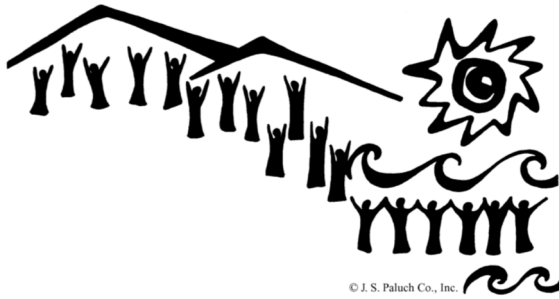
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (C.C.D.):

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





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Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom?

— James 2:5

Mass Intentions For The Week



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- SEPT. 8** **SATURDAY**
4:00 P.M. **Mike Gunto†**
 (Cindy Gunto)
- SEPT. 9** **SUNDAY**
8:00 A.M. **For All Grandparents†**
 (Tony Thang Nguyen)
10:00 A.M. **John A. Helfer†**
 (Kathryn Helfer)
- SEPT. 10** **MONDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Frank & Jenny Novel†**
 (Novel Family)
- SEPT. 11** **TUESDAY**
8:00 A.M. **James Barker**
 (Family)
- SEPT. 12** **WEDNESDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Julia Robinson†**
 (Carol & Bill Yarnell)
- SEPT. 13** **THURSDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Semon & Phyllis Prado**
 (Danny Prado)
- SEPT. 14** **FRIDAY**
8:00 A.M. **God's blessings for new business**
 (Pong & Thuy Nguyen)
- 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 Chloe Nguyen**
 (Her parents)

WEEKLY SCHEDULES

Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers:

- 9/15 4:00 p.m. Danny Prado/ Libby Magnone
- 9/16 8:00 a.m. Rose Hess/ John Hess
- 9/16 10:00 a.m. L. Niemiec/ Mark Helfer

Altar Servers:

- 9/15 4:00 p.m. Volunteer
- 9/16 8:00 a.m. Kent family
- 9/16 10:00 a.m. Swift/ Blatt

Gift Bearers:

- 9/15 4:00 p.m. Kay Bosworth & Daunel Gump
- 9/16 8:00 a.m. Pete & Judy Mysliwiec
- 9/16 10:00 a.m. Georgia Pettit

Sacristy Cleaners: Week of September 10, 2018

Linda & Butch Miller

Greeters:

- 9/15 4:00 p.m. Celeste Evans/ Phil Remke
- 9/16 8:00 a.m. Roger Frame/ Lottie Durbin
- 9/16 10:00 a.m. Rosemary Patrone/ Jane Klug

Bingo September 14, 2018

Raffle - Diane Barker
Kitchen – Daunel Gump/ Tracy

COLLECTION: August 26, 2018

- Envelopes - \$2799.00**
- Loose Offering - \$ 1085.00**
- Building Repairs - \$160.00**
- Assumption - \$25.00**
- Xavier Hall - \$20.00**
- Attendance - 306**



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

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.

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

Prayer Request: Don McCormick, Joe Church, Helen Cuchta, Kenny Blake, Chris Colby, Richard Timko, Maggie Yeater, Carl Richmond;

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.

The Sanctuary Candle

beside the tabernacle burns this week

In honor of

Mike Gunto

Requested by *Cindy Gunto*

Heroin(e)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

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St. Francis Xavier Parish wishes a happy and blessed Grandparent's day to all of our grandparents and grandparents in waiting.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Sept 9** - Grandparents Day
- Sept 12** - Bible Study Class begins
- Sept 12** - Novena to St. Jude 7pm at St. Jude
- Sept 13** - Evening Bible Study Class begins
- 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



The flowers on the altar this week
are in honor of

Bob and Maggie Yeater

To celebrate their love for each other

Requested by *Jerry & Lottie Durbin*

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston will host a one-day marriage preparation course on Saturday, November 3, 2018. It will take place at the Angelus Center at Saint Michael Church in Wheeling. There are 11 spaces available. To register please go to the following website:

<https://wvmarriage.org/engaged>

If you have any questions, please contact
Jeanne McKeets, 304-233-0880, ext 374



Our Parish offers prayers and
condolences to the families of:

Patricia Gardner

Andy Fecat

May they rest in peace.

The happiness of your life depends upon the quality
of your thoughts.

—Marcus Aurelius

REMINDER: There will be a parish council
meeting on Wednesday, September 19 at 6:30 PM
in the church basement.



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