

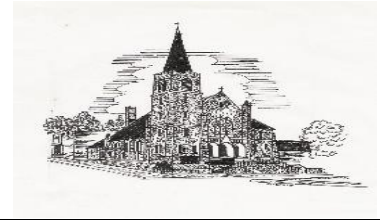
# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

418 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Chester, WV 26034

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- Baptism:** Please call the parish office  
**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4-4:45pm, Monday 5-5:45pm or by appointment  
**Marriage:** Arrangement made at least 6 months in advance. Call the parish office for information.  
**Parish Registration:** There are registration forms at the main entrance of the Church or contact the parish office. Registration is important for pastoral and other church needs and services.  
**Sick & Homebound:** Call the parish office if you would like a visit or communion or to be added to the sick & shut-in list.  
**In the Hospital:** If you are in the hospital, have someone call the parish office to inform us.  
**Mass at Fox Nursing Home:** Second Friday of the month at 1:30pm.  
**Communion Distribution at Fox Nursing Home:** On Sundays at 12:15pm.

<u>Mass Dates &amp; Times</u>	<u>Intentions</u>
July 1, Saturday, 5:00 PM	+Ray Robinson by Mary Dopudja
July 2, Sunday, 11:00 AM	+Marjorie Jennings by Patty & Larry France
July 3, Monday, 8:30 AM	+Walter & Ann Juszczak by Children
July 4, Tuesday, 8:30 AM	+Robert Koper by Sacred Heart Ladies Guild
July 5, Wednesday, 8:30 AM	+Myrna Golecruz by Pablo Golecruz
July 6, Thursday, 6:00 PM	+Mary Sue Bernardi by Polly & Jerry Linger
July 7, Friday, 12:00 PM	+Florence Laughlin by Bob & Cathy Glass
July 8, Saturday, 5:00 PM	+Don Jennings by Michelle & Mike Haverlack
July 9, Sunday, 11:00 AM	+Andy & Genny Franczek and David & Noreen McPherson by Dave & Barb McPherson

<u>Minister Schedule</u>		
<u>Mass Dates &amp; Times</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Host</u>
July 1, Saturday, 5:00 PM	Tom Salvati	Cathy Glass
July 2, Sunday, 11:00 AM	Chris Laughlin	Joe Brophy
July 8, Saturday, 5:00 PM	Chuck Gardner	Polly Linger
July 9, Sunday, 11:00 AM	Cindy Jackson	Kristen Evans
	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Greeter Schedule</u>
July 1, Saturday, 5:00 PM	Emma Stansbury/Isabella Sullivan	Mary Murray/Patty Murray
July 2, Sunday, 11:00 AM	Hannah & Katie Kliner/Jansen Ours	Bill Martin/Cindy Jackson
July 8, Saturday, 5:00 PM	Devan Juszczak/Leah Benedi	Tom & Patti Salvati
July 9, Sunday, 11:00 AM	Leah & Cash McMahan/Mia Budney	Sally Prince

**June 25, 2023** *Sharing Our Time, Talents, and Treasures. Thank you for your Generosity!*

Envelopes	\$2,499.00
Loose	\$251.00
Candles	\$76.00
Building Fund	\$85.00
Initial Offering	\$20.00
Poor Fund	\$10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,941.00</b>

**Attendance: Saturday 71 Sunday 95**

**Sick & Shut-ins**

Marguerite Amato; Bob Appeldorn; Mary Appeldorn; Rose & John Benedetto; John Bobalik; Kathleen Bragg; Pat Burch; Dot Burda; Nick Capito; Maxine Chamberlain; Gary Churella; Jim Crews; Mary Ann Davis; Loretta Duffy; Susan Graff; Anita Guire; Allison Hannick; Ann LaNeve; Catherine Laneve; Gloria Lombardozzi; Betty Lona; Marion Macri; Joan Martin; Hugh McCarron; Frances Pickering; Tyler Simpson; Terri Stoffel; Joan Ward-Powers; Mark Vermillion; Robin Webster; Maryann (Juszczak) Wright.  
 If you have a name to be added to or removed from this list, please call the parish office.  
 Please inform us about the progress of those we pray for. Please pray for them.

**F.I.S.H. Needs for July**

Soups / Peanut Butter / Cereals / Rice Side Dishes

**Thank you from Chester-Newell F.I.S.H.**

**From the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston**

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may contact WV Child Protective Services at 800-352-6513. To report suspected cases of Abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, Please contact the Diocese at 888-434-6237 or 304-233-0880.

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS** to *Brittany Budney, Michael Evans, Shirley Johnson, Anita Kukich, Linda Lovy, Bobbi Martin, Fr. John Neiman, Evie Simcox.* May the Lord bless you abundantly on your special day and throughout the year!

**FR. JOHN NEIMAN'S BIRTHDAY** is July 4<sup>th</sup>. He will celebrate the big 7-0. If you'd like to send him a card, please mail it to him at: 126 Fox Lane #324, Chester WV 26034-1593.

**OCIA / CATHOLIC ADULT EDUCATION** Monday, July 3, 9:15 AM. Topic: Sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick. Our last session of the summer is July 17.

**LADIES GUILD** meets on Monday, July 3, **4:00 PM**. All the ladies of Sacred Heart Parish are invited.

**DUCK RACE** The Ladies Guild will run the Chester 4<sup>th</sup> of July Duck Race. The race begins at noon on the 4<sup>th</sup>, Duck adoption fee is \$5. **The Ladies will sell ducks by the funeral door this weekend after Mass and then on the 4<sup>th</sup> at 3<sup>rd</sup> St & Carolina Ave from 9am-noon.**

**HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!** The parish office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** We will have a CCD Preschool class again this year. Please call or email the parish office to let us know if you have a preschooler who will attend CCD classes this year, 304-387-0198 or [shp2226ches@dwc.org](mailto:shp2226ches@dwc.org). Thank you!

**DIVINE MERCY CENACLE GROUP** Tuesday, July 11, 6:30 PM, parish center library.

**NEW SCHEDULES** for Altar Servers for July & August are available at the front entrance of the Church or you can download it from our website at: <https://sacredheartchester.org>.

#### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

*Annual Mission Appeal, The Benedictine Sisters of Saint Agnes, July 22-23*

*Sacred Heart Parish Picnic August 20, Chester City Park*

**CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL** (as of 6/26/2023)

Goal **\$14,825** Pledged **\$19,732** Donors **46** Percent over Goal **133%**

**Thank you for your generosity to the needs of the Diocese and our parish.**

**CATHOLIC TRIVIA** The only Catholic among the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence (as well as the longest surviving):

*Charles Carroll (MD), William Ellery (RI), Elbridge Gerry (MA), John Hart (NJ)*

*Last week's answer: The earliest date for Easter is **March 22**.*

**GENERAL TRIVIA** He was the U.S. President when July 4<sup>th</sup> became a federal holiday in 1870: *James Garfield, U. S. Grant, Rutherford Hayes, Andrew Johnson*

*Last week's answer: The **Philadelphia Flyers** won the Stanley Cup in their seventh year of existence.*

#### **SAINT OF THE WEEK *Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr***

One of the largest crowds ever assembled for a canonization—250,000—symbolized the reaction of millions touched by the simple story of Maria Goretti. She was the daughter of a poor Italian tenant farmer, had no chance to go to school, never learned to read or write. When Maria made her First Communion not long before her death, she was one of the larger and somewhat backward members of the class.

Although she may have had difficulty memorizing her catechism, she had no trouble with practice her faith. An 18-year-old neighbor boy, Alessandro, tried to violate this 12-year-old girl. When she would not comply, he stabbed her to death. He was sentenced to 30 years in prison. He was unrepentant until he had a dream of Maria gathering flowers and offering them to him. He changed his life and became a model, humble prisoner. Once he got out of prison, his first act was to beg for the forgiveness of Maria's mother. Alessandro attended her canonization in 1947 with Maria's family members. She is the patron saint of Catholic youth. Her feast day is July 6.

**COURAGE APOSTOLATE** is a ministry for Catholics with same-sex attraction who are striving to live faithfully to the teachings of Christ and His Catholic Church. Courage meets monthly in Morgantown for prayer, fellowship, and support. The heart of Courage is the belief that sanctity is possible in everyday life. Through the Courage Apostolate those persons experiencing same-sex attractions are encouraged to deepen their Christian discipleship through participation in the sacramental life of the Church, particularly through the frequent reception of the Eucharist and frequent confession, as well as through a regular prayer life, witness, counsel, service, and self-giving. If you are interested in learning more, visit [dwc.org/courage-apostolate/](http://dwc.org/courage-apostolate/) or email [couragedwc@gmail.com](mailto:couragedwc@gmail.com).

#### **PRAYER FOR AMERICA**

- **Almighty God, bless our land and nation. May we be defended by justice, good laws, love amongst ourselves, and good neighborliness.**
- **Guide, guard and protect us from fear, confusion, natural and man-made calamities, and all wars, except the war of fighting the evil one.**
- **Show Your wisdom and love to all our leaders including our president, other government leaders and our statesmen, so that they may steer us into a peaceful, loving, united and prosperous nation.**
- **Lord God, help our citizens to be more patriotic and make all desire to better understand our rights, duties, and responsibilities as we endeavor to propel our nation to the future. Amen.**

