

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA
SHARING OUR TREASURE
OCTOBER 12, 2025

Attendance at Saint Catherine at 11 am = 79	
Regular Collection	\$ 1081.00
ONLINE giving	\$ 461.50
Mass intention donations	\$ 20.00
Social Concern—Bethlehem Farm	\$ 1915.00
Grand Total	\$ 3477.50

SAINT CHARLES BORROMEEO
SHARING OUR TREASURE
OCTOBER 11-12, 2025

Attendance at Saint Charles at 4 pm = 63 and 9 am = 81	
Regular Collection	\$ 2320.42
ONLINE giving	\$ 662.05
Poor Box—donations will go to Lewisburg Fairlea Food Pantry	\$ 340.00
Mass Intention Donations	\$ 170.00
Grand Total	\$ 3492.47



Saint Catherine of Siena and Saint Charles Borromeo
Catholic Churches in Greenbrier County, West Virginia

OCTOBER 19, 2025
29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Theology of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

II. Overview of the Doctrine

A. What one can learn about the Sacred Heart—Theology

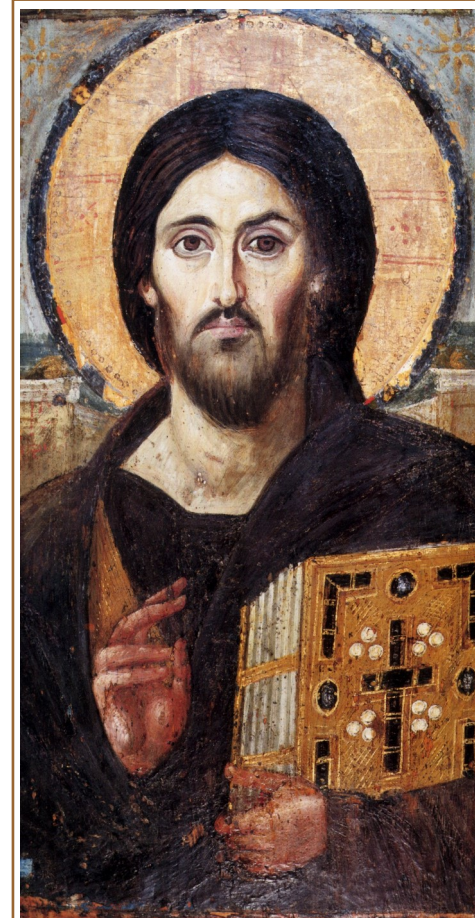
1. The Identity of Jesus Christ – Christology

As mentioned last week, there are said, classically, to be seven early Christological heresies, alphabetically given as: Adoptionism, Arianism, Apollinarianism, Docetism, Ebionism, Monophysitism, and Nestorianism. Some of these are named for the person who is said to have given the false teaching its clearest expression and some as a shorthand for the central point of the teaching. But, these errors tend to fall into three camps, more or less: those that deny the true humanity of Christ, those that deny the true divinity, and those that deny both the true humanity and true divinity of Christ and assert a kind of partial mixture of both. After considering the Sacred Heart as an antidote to these, I will throw in a fourth error – Gnosticism, a kind of early Christian version of Modernism, “the mother of all errors,” as Saint Pius X described it – to use as a bridge to what the Sacred Heart can teach us about broader theological issues.

a. Errors that Deny the True Humanity of Christ – Docetism, Apollinarianism, & Monophysitism

While we today say, perhaps without fully considering the meaning of the words and phrases though sometimes only with the aid of a card or at least one other person saying it along with us, that part of the Creed in which we assert that Jesus Christ is “God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father” and then go on to assert that He “came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man,” this was a patently strange notion in the ancient world and, by rights, should be baffling to us today.

To the Holy People, the one, true God – YHWH – is completely other, entirely transcendent, and without any physical form. Indeed, He is so completely other that He sends angels to communicate His intentions and commands to human beings. These interme-



diary beings, whose very name means “messenger,” preserve God from being in the world and involving Himself in time and material. Adam and Eve, Moses, and Elijah alone have direct communication with God, though Moses’ communication is mediated a burning bush and Elijah sees only God receding from him, after He has already passed by the mouth of the cave on very same mountain. At times it seems as if Abraham saw God, but the sacred writer, often in the very next verse indicates that it is an angel of God; akin to his grandson Jacob wrestling with an angel through the night and then naming the place Peniel, “the face of God.” That angels mediate God’s presence among the Holy People is so much in evidence throughout Sacred Scripture that among the titles of God is YHWH Sabaoth (Is 6:3), the Lord God of Hosts, referring the angelic hosts, and the title Elohim (the God of gods) often occurring with the tzevaot, arming armies or legions.

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Parish Council Meetings

Saint Catherine Pastoral—Sunday 2 November @ 6pm
Saint Catherine Finance—Wednesday 8 October @6:30pm!
Saint Charles Finance—Wednesday 5 November @ 6:45pm

October is the Month of the Rosary



The Rosary will be recited each Sunday evening in October at 6pm at Our Lady’s Grotto beside Saint Catherine of Siena Church. Please join us this coming Sunday evening for this outdoor prayer service.

Photo by Mark Misco

Banns of Marriage

Madigan Anderson & Zach Utsick

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If any of you know of any just impediment why these persons should not be joined in Holy Matrimony, you are to declare it. Please pray for them and their families as they approach the Sacrament of Marriage.



Donations to the **Poor Box** at Saint Charles Borromeo during the months of **September and October 2025** will be sent to the



Lewisburg Fairlea Food Locker. This food pantry will be open for food distribution on Saturday October 18, and Saturday November 8 from 8am until noon in the Old Stone Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 644 Church Street, Lewisburg WV.

Please give generously as you are able.

PARISH INFORMATION

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SAINT CHARLES BORROMEEO

Mass Schedule
Sunday 9am
Monday 8:30am
Tuesday 6pm
Wednesday 8:30am
Thursday 8:30am
Friday 8:30am
Saturday 8:30am
Saturday 4pm

40798 Midland Trail E.
White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986
www.stcharlesborromeowv.org



SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

Mass Schedule
Sunday 11am
Tuesday 6pm
Wednesday 8:30am
Thursday 6pm

163 Walnut Street
Ronceverte, WV 24970
www.stcatherinewv.org



COME HOME TO ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA



Please join us for our

OKTOBERFEST & HOMECOMING CELEBRATION

OCTOBER | 26th | 11AM

163 Walnut St, Ronceverte, WV 24970

Beginning with Mass at 11:00 a.m., followed by a delicious Oktoberfest luncheon. It will be a special day of sharing memories, fellowship, and making new friends. If you have old photos to share please bring them.

Bring your family, bring a friend - there's a place for you at St. Catherine's!

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. In addition to civil authorities, 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. Visit www.dwc.org under “Accountability” for more information and reporting methods.

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Joshua encounters one of the Lord's host of angels on his way to the siege of Jericho:

"While Joshua was near Jericho, he raised his eyes and saw one who stood facing him, drawn sword in hand. Joshua went up to him and asked, "Are you one of us or one of our enemies?"

He replied, "Neither. I am the commander of the army of the LORD: now I have come." Then Joshua fell down to the ground in worship, and said to him, "What has my lord to say to his servant?"

The commander of the army of the LORD replied to Joshua, "Remove your sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so.

This commander is certainly one of the Archangels and is likely Saint Michael, whom another angel identifies to the prophet Daniel as the patron of Israel (c.f., Dn 10:21). The prophets are also mediators between God and men in Sacred Scripture, but they themselves often have an experience of God mediated by angels or offer, somewhat elusively, that "I heard the voice of God saying" (Is 6:8) or "The word of the LORD came to me" (Jer 1:4).

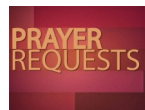
All of this to say that since the banishment of our first parents from Eden after the Fall, the Lord God, while having care of the world and concern for the Holy People, stands apart from the plane of creation, all the while being the Lord God of History. He is God over history while also being wholly and entirely other. That He would enter history as more than a voice or an inspiration would be an unthinkable notion: the world could not contain God nor the vastness of the universe allow Him to be adequately expressed among us. God is simply too exalted and too supreme to come physically into the world.

To the devotees of the Olympians and the many other gods and heroes of nations around the Middle Sea, the idea of God becoming man was equally ludicrous, but perhaps for a less esoteric reason: why would a god want to be a man? It makes sense that a human person should want to be a god, of course! But it makes no sense that a god would want to live among us for any length of time. The Olympians and all the other false gods are superior to human beings, not wholly other; they are scheming and quarreling, often like overgrown or superpowered children, who think nothing of allowing the internal battles to overflow into the world causing great mischief among humans, while also demanding appeasement and service from us. But become one of us ... no more than any one of us would wish to live in a zoo.

While Zeus – the Greek version of the Indo-European sky god – was the father of the gods and humans, and could be kindly disposed to human, there was no clear compact or covenant between him and his devotees and the god could, it times act idiosyncratically. Indeed, Zeus, it seems, could at times take it into his head to engage in kidnapping or rapine. Even then, he assumed weird appearances: to Leda, as a swan; impregnating Danāe as a shower of gold; kidnapping Ganymede in the form of an eagle. Somehow, these bizarre apparitions – to say nothing of the terrible acts themselves – seemed, for the Greeks, preferable to having the god even appear like a man, let alone actually become a man.

What god, in his right mind, would do such a thing? None, of course! And so, Bishop Serapion of Antioch (197–203) identified one of the earliest heretical groups as Δοκηταί – "illusionists" – and their erroneous teaching as Docetism, from the Greek word δοκεῖν meaning "to seem." This early group appears, from a reference in the non-canonical Gospel of Peter, to have taught that human form and historical, bodily existence of Jesus was mere semblance without any true reality. In other words, they taught that Jesus only seemed to be human, and that his human form was an illusion. He was, in other words, just playing at being human. He was not born; He did not die; He did not have a heart to be pierced by Longinus; He was not raised from the dead.

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: BILL HUFF
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
FOLLOWING PEOPLE:



Mike Williams, Dawn Lewis, Samantha McManus, Janice Hensley, Garry Maxey, Jean Ann Pettit Haranzo, Ann Bostic, David Alder, Jean Martin, Randelle Niski, David Baker, Mack McIntire, Charlie Hughes, Perk Berry, Henry Lynch, Tommy Saunders, Barbara Pope, John Gherman, Kathy Bailey, Eliza Jane Lilly, Father Chapin Engler, Clyde Bowling

At The Seasons: Carol Spencer

Infant of Prague Novena on Monday evenings

22 September—17 November at 6pm @ Saint Charles



The Lord Jesus Christ, in His miraculous image *The Infant of Prague*, has given us a powerful means to connect with Him in His Holy Infancy, to praise His graciousness, and to seek His intercession. Celebrated on nine successive Mondays, the Novena Prayer will be recited during the Liturgy of Exposition and Benediction, with preaching each week on the theme:

Called to Live the Virtues.

The more you honor Me, the more I will bless you

Everyone is invited to the first annual Banquet for the

Greenbrier Pregnancy Center

The Banquet will be held at the Brier Inn, 178 Coleman Dr, Lewisburg WV on **Friday November 7, 2025** at 7 pm.

Please **RSVP** by October 27, 2025 by emailing:

Greenbrierpregnancyctr@outlook.com

Tickets for the evening fundraiser are \$50 per person.



That Man is You meets every Saturday morning

at 7am, in the Parish Hall at Saint Charles Borromeo.

TMIY is an interactive men's program combining scientific research with

the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints. All men are invited to attend.



Sacramental & Pastoral Schedule for the Twenty-Ninth Week of Ordinary Time — 19-25 October 2025

The Month of the Rosary

We pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

Respect Life Month

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME — 19 Oct 2025

Memorial of Ss. Jean de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues, & companions, martyrs

Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8

Saint Charles Borromeo

3:15p Confessions

4:00p Mass for +John Alexander Williams

Saint Charles Borromeo

8:00a Choir Rehearsal @ Music Room

8:15a Confessions

9:00a Mass for the People of the Parishes

10:15a Catholic Youth Catechism class in Parish Hall @St. Charles

Saint Catherine of Siena

9:45a Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Loft

11:00a Mass for +George Lilkendey, requested by Kim Johnston

12:15p Confessions

12:15p First Communion Class @ Saint Catherine Parish Hall

12:30p Confirmation Class @ Saint Catherine Church

6:00p Public recitation of Rosary @ Saint Catherine Church

***** Public Recitation of the Rosary for the Month of the Rosary Eash Sunday in October 6:00p @ the Our Lady's Grotto, Saint Catherine of Siena, Ronceverte *****

Monday in the 29th Week of Ordinary Time — 20 October 2025

Memorial of Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest

Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21

8:30a Mass @ Saint Charles for Randelle Niski (Living), requested by Rusty & Patti Burwell

Parish Office Open @ SCB, 9a—2p

12:30p Mass @ Bethlehem Farm

6:00p Infant of Prague Novena, "Fortitude" @ Saint Charles Borromeo

Tuesday in the 29th Week of Ordinary Time — 21 October 2025

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Lk 12:35-38

Parish Office Open @ SCB, 9a—2p

5:00p Adoration & Benediction @ St. Catherine

6:00p Mass @ Saint Catherine for +Emmanuel A. Obiudu

Wednesday in the 29th Week of Ordinary Time — 22 Oct 2025

Memorial of Saint John Paul II, Pope

Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48

8:30a Mass @ Saint Catherine

Parish Office closed

5:00p Adoration & Benediction @ Saint Charles

6:00p Mass @ Saint Charles for +Roy & Eunice Fabry, requested by Deborah Fabry

Thursday in the 29th Week of Ordinary Time — 23 October 2025

Memorial of Saint John of Capistrano, Priest

Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53

8:30a Mass @ Saint Charles for Michael Kidd & Rose Fabry (Living), requested by Deborah Fabry

5:00p Adoration & Benediction @ Saint Catherine

6:00p Mass @ Saint Catherine for +Charlie Friedman, requested by the Knights of Columbus

6:45p OCIA @ Parish Hall—"The Paschal Mystery"

Friday in the 29th Week of Ordinary Time — 24 October 2025

Memorial of Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59

8:30a Mass @ Saint Charles for +John Kennedy, requested by Jeanne Scobbo

Followed by Adoration & Benediction

Saturday in the 29th Week of Ordinary Time — 25 Oct 2025

Memorial of Our Lady, Queen of Palestine

Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9

7:00a That Man Is You @ Saint Charles Parish Hall

8:30a Mass @ Saint Charles for Emily Cooley (Living), requested by Deborah Fabry

Saint Charles Borromeo — Anticipated Mass on Saturday

3:15p Confessions

4:00p Mass for +Jeannie Q. Quirk

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME — 26 Oct 2025

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

Saint Charles Borromeo

8:00a Choir Rehearsal @ Music Room

8:15a Confessions

9:00a Mass for +Nadine O'Neil, requested by Pam Aide

Saint Catherine of Siena

9:45a Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Loft

OKTOBERFEST & HOMECOMING

11:00a Mass for The People of the Parishes

Followed by Oktoberfest Luncheon

12:15p Confessions



New Online Giving Information

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston has chosen a new company for our parish database and **online giving**. If you have already set up online giving or recurring donations, those deductions will continue to be made by ParishSoft for the rest of 2025. In the next couple of weeks, you will receive an email instructing you how to set up these donations in our new system, **flocknote**. Be on the lookout for the **Sheep...**