

**SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA**  
 SHARING OUR TREASURE  
 NOVEMBER 16, 2025

Attendance at Saint Catherine at 11 am = 66	
Regular Collection	\$ 946.00
ONLINE giving	\$ 461.50
Mass Intention donations	\$ 0
Diocesan—Military Services	\$ 0
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 1407.50</b>

**SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO**  
 SHARING OUR TREASURE  
 NOVEMBER 15-16, 2025

Attendance at Saint Charles at 4 pm = 47 and 9 am = 94	
Regular Collection	\$ 1143.00
ONLINE giving	\$ 219.15
Poor Box	\$ 371.00
Diocesan—Military Services	\$ 5.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 480.00
Memorial donations	\$ 1100.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 3318.15</b>

**ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION**

Saturday 6 December 2025

8:30am-2:00pm @ St. Charles Borromeo

Maranatha

Come Lord Jesus

Mass followed by

Continental Breakfast, Talks,

Simple Lunch

Call Parish Office

to register

304-536-1813



**Volunteers** are needed to help prepare and serve the **2025 Community Thanksgiving Dinner**, sponsored by Kellen & Mike of When Pigs Fly Restaurant. Kellen & Mike are just “regular” people and they need help to make this dinner a success. They welcome donations of food or money (call 304-249-8124 or visit <https://www.pigsflybbq.com/2025-donations>). If you can help prepare food on Wednesday, serve food on Thursday, or clean-up on Friday, please call Cathey at 304-645-5401 or email: [gvturkeyday@gmail.com](mailto:gvturkeyday@gmail.com). Volunteers are scheduled in short shifts, so you can have time to be with your family too. The dinner will be served at the WV Fairgrounds beginning at noon on Thursday November 27. Thank you.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**  
**THE INFANCY NARRATIVES OF ST. MATTHEW**



Pope Benedict taught that the Nativity of Christ Jesus is not merely an event in the past, but is an event of “unfolding significance for people today, with implications for such issues as [...] the purpose of human freedom.”

Beginning on **Wednesday, 4 December**, we will study the will study Chapters 1 & 2 of St. Matthew’s Gospel, the so-called Infancy Narratives. We will meet on the first three Wednesdays of December (3, 10, 17 December) and three consecutive Wednesdays in January (7, 14, 21 January) in the **Saint Charles Borromeo Parish Hall, following the 6:00p Mass.**

Please come and enjoy the richness of these events from the birth and early years of Christ Jesus.

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](http://www.dwc.org) under “Accountability” for more information and reporting methods.

The Knights of Columbus are selling **Keep Christ in Christmas cards**. Boxes of cards are available near the front doors of both churches. Cards are \$15 per box. The Knights of Columbus are collecting **new and clean gently worn coats**, hats, scarves, gloves and mittens to be distributed to people in our community. Please bring your donations—marked “Knights Coat Drive”—to the Parish Hall at either church. You may also donate to the Knights of Columbus **Donald Davis Toy Drive**. Please bring new toys or monetary donations (checks made payable to Knights of Columbus) to the Parish Hall at either church by Sunday November 30th. Thank you. The Knights will meet on **Sunday Nov. 23rd at 3pm** at Saint Charles to discuss December events: decorating, dinner, etc.



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Parish Office is open **Monday, Tuesday and Wed. from 9am-2pm**  
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 White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986



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

**NOVEMBER 23, 2025**  
**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**  
**KING OF THE UNIVERSE**



**THEOLOGY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

**A. What one can learn about the Sacred Heart - Theology**

1. The Identity of Jesus Christ – Christology
  - a. Errors that Deny the True Humanity of Christ – Docetism, Apollinarianism, & Monophysitism

Last time, we discussed the error of Monophysitism and proposed this time to make the great hermeneutical arch, also known as answering the question, “so what?”, particularly in relationship to the Sacred Heart. And that, gentle reader, shockingly we shall do.

This Christological heresy, like so many others, seems to have been an idea so good yet so slippery that it would not die. It persists, in much the way that mythic notions about fate and destiny, dualism, Pelagianism, Arianism, the standard model of particle physics, and the Chicago White Sox just continue on and on without out foundation or payoff, and even while being at odds with the best interests of their adherents. For Monophysite tendencies, perhaps clearly expressed in Coptic Christianity today, continue in the mind of many believers as a way of protecting the Second Person of the Holy Trinity from any real contact with human nature, to the detriment of us all.



Like Docetism and Apollinarianism of the early centuries, the Monophysites wanted to place as much emphasis on the divinity of Jesus Christ as possible, particularly to ensure His ability to save us, but, living after the first two ecumenical councils of the Church, also held to the Incarnation as a fact, not merely a phantasm, a physical reality and not an impression or divine trick of the eye. One can understand the desire that motivated these wayward thinkers: coming from a High Christology, they recognized that the divinity of Jesus Christ is essential if there is to be the possibility of salvation but wanted to preserve his pure divinity from contamination by human nature. Failing to hold a tension between Christ being true God and true man (or, as I like to say: 100% divine and 100% human), Monophysites ended in sacrificing the human part of Christ and asserting that, ultimately, there was only one (mono) complete nature (physis) in Christ: divine. Or, to put it in the previous shorthand: Monophysitism = 1 nature (divine), 1 person (divine), with a human body as a physical container. What is so wrong with this?, one might ask. Indeed, I take that as a genuine question because I think there are many Christians, Catholic and Orthodox among them, who think that the Incarnate Lord was really God made manifest in a human container. The easy answer is, of course, to say that what is so wrong with this is that it is a heresy, condemned by the Ecumenical Council of Chalcedon (451) and that Saint Leo the Great definitively taught that Jesus Christ is two natures (100% divine and 100% human), without mixture or confusion, in one person, the Son of God. Because this is the definitive teaching of the Church, a quintessential element of the deposit of faith, it is our duty “to believe with divine and Catholic faith” (canon 750 §1) this doctrine and positively reject not just Monophysitism but any other Christological teaching which is contrary to it.

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**SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA**  
**Mass Schedule—week of 23-29 November 2025**

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

163 Walnut Street  
 Ronceverte, WV 24970

Parish Phone: 304-536-1813  
[www.stcatherinewv.org](http://www.stcatherinewv.org)



**SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO**  
**Mass Schedule—week of 23-29 November 2025**

Sunday 9am  
 Monday 8:30am  
 Wednesday 6pm  
 Friday 8:30am  
 Saturday 8:30am  
 Saturday 4pm

40798 Midland Trail E.  
 White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986  
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While in philosophical discussions, the argument from authority is considered very weak and a species of informal fallacy, in Catholic Christian theology, the argument from authority is among the strongest, precisely because God is the true, as well as the good and the beautiful, and in Him there is no deceit.

But, there more to it than that, of course, as the Sacred Heart teaches us. The Sacred Heart is, as Pope Francis put it in a 2014 address to the faculty of Medicine at Gemelli Hospital in Rome, "the revelation of the Father's mercy." And as he taught in his last encyclical, *Delixit nos*, the pierced Heart of the Savior is that great "oblation of love" which showers mercy and forgiveness upon the whole world. Saint John tell us that *God is love* (1Jn 4:8) and then goes on to make the connection between this truth and the mystery and fact of the Incarnation: *In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him* (v. 9).

The Sacred Heart is itself the outward symbol and badge of the Incarnation, the greatest act of self-emptying (*kenosis*, c.f., Phil 2:7) or willing outpouring of self that the world has ever known. *I am already being poured out like a libation*, Saint Paul tells Saint Timothy in his second letter (2Tim 4:6), but it is the Son of God who is the perfect libation, first in the Incarnation and then in His death upon the Cross. Where Paul will charge that *in your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood* (Heb 12:4), Christ Himself did not hold back from the shedding of His own Blood for our sake nor from making that Blood available to us as our drink, such that *my cup overflows* (Ps 23:5c).

If Christ were not really human, did not possess a human nature, as well as really divine, then there was no outpouring, no sacrifice, no condescension. Instead of mercy and compassion, there is merely detached pity; instead of true sacrifice, there is play acting; instead of the pierced heart of God, there is just a small blemish to a kind of leather bag holding divinity merely temporarily, which mar will be buffed out with ease by the tanner the next time we are in Florence. No, the Son of God has a human heart as the outward sign of his human nature and as the vehicle that He divinely chose as the best possible expression for His eternal and abiding love for humanity. The Beloved Disciple says the same thing in slightly different but perhaps more eloquent words when he offer his most succinct phrasing the kerygma – the Gospel in a nutshell, if you will: *For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life* (Jn 3:16). This love is not some kind of kabuki theater but the truest expression of the person of Jesus Christ in His human and divine natures, whose universal Kingship we celebrate today.

- A Theology of the Sacred Heart – A Serial
- I Attributes of the Sacred Heart
- II Overview of the Doctrine of the Sacred Heart
  - A. What one can learn about the Sacred Heart – Theology
    - 1. Christology
    - 2. Theology
    - 3. Salvation
  - B. What one can learn from the Sacred Heart - Spirituality
- III Biblical Origins
- IV Development of the Doctrine
- V Importance in the life of the Church today

**Sacramental & Pastoral Schedule for the Thirty-fourth Week of Ordinary Time — 22-30 November 2025**

**The Month of the Souls of Purgatory**

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

**SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE — 23 November 2025**

Memorial of Saint Clement, pope & martyr; Saint Columban, abbot; Blessed Miguel Pro, martyr

Anniversary of the Death of Archbishop John J. Swint (1962)  
2 Sm 5:1-3/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

**Saint Charles Borromeo** — Anticipated Mass on Saturday

**3:15p** Confessions  
**4:00p Mass** for The People of the Parishes

**Saint Charles Borromeo**

**8:00a** Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room  
**8:15a** Confessions  
**9:00a Mass** for ++Peter, Noreen & David Moran, requested by Paul Moran

**Saint Catherine of Siena**

**9:45a** Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Loft  
**11:00a Mass** for +Kelly & Ann Ford, requested by Bob & Mary Thompson  
**12:15p** Confessions  
**12:15p** First Communion Class @ Saint Catherine Parish Hall  
**12:30p** Confirmation Class @ Saint Catherine Church

**3:00p** Knights of Columbus meeting in St. Charles Parish Hall

**Monday in the 34th Week of Ordinary Time — 24 November 2025**

Memorial of Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4  
**8:30a Mass** @ Saint Charles for +Susan Bastian, requested by Deborah Fabry

**Parish Office Open @ SCB, 9a—2p**

**Tuesday in the 34th Week of Ordinary Time — 25 November 2025**

Memorial of Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr  
Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11

**Parish Office Open @ SCB, 9a—2p**  
**5:00p** Adoration & Benediction @ Saint Catherine  
**6:00p Mass** @ Saint Catherine for +Fr. Tom Dagle

**Wednesday in the 34th Week of Ordinary Time — 26 Nov 2025**

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19  
**8:30a Mass** @ Saint Catherine for +Enrico Pannone, requested by Jim & Angelo Malo

**Wednesday — 26 Nov 2025—continued**

**Parish Office @ SCB, 9a—2p**  
**5:00p** Adoration & Benediction @ Saint Charles  
**6:00p Mass** @ Saint Charles for Randelle Niski (Living), requested by Rodger & Leah Trent

**Thursday in the 34th Week of Ordinary Time — 27 Nov 2025**

THANKSGIVING DAY  
Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28  
**8:30a Mass** @ Saint Catherine for John Pietras (Living) with Baptism



**Friday in the 34th Week of Ordinary Time — 28 November 2025**

Memorial of Saint Catherine Laboure  
Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33  
**8:30a Mass** @ Saint Charles for +Susan Bastian (Ciciora) Followed by Adoration & Benediction

**Saturday in the 34th Week of Ordinary Time— 29 November 2025**

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36  
**8:30a Mass** @ Saint Charles for Jeanne Scobbo (Living)

**END OF THE LITURGICAL YEAR 2025**  
**TE DEUM**

**BEGINNING OF THE NEW LITURGICAL YEAR**  
**MARANATHA!**

**Saint Charles Borromeo** — Anticipated Mass on Saturday


**3:15p** Confessions  
**4:00p Mass** for +Charles Butler, requested by Vanessa Price

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT— 30 November 2025**

Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle  
Is 4:2-6 /Mt 8:5-11  
**Saint Charles Borromeo**  
**8:00a** Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room  
**8:15a** Confessions  
**9:00a Mass** for The People of the Parishes

**Saint Catherine of Siena**

**9:45a** Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Loft  
**11:00a Mass** for +Mimsie DeOlloqui, requested by Jane DeOlloqui  
**12:15p** Confessions



**Thanksgiving Day Mass**

**Mass on Thursday November 27, 2025**  
Thanksgiving Day will be celebrated at 8:30am at Saint Catherine of Siena. This will be a special celebration for Jacob & Mae Pietras as their son John will be baptized on Thanksgiving Day.

Note: There will **not** be an evening Mass on Nov 27



**Christmas in Ronceverte**

**Dec 1 @ 426 Main St West (Empty lot on 219)**

**Free Pics w/Santa, 5-7pm**  
**Free Chili, 5-7pm**  
**Parade, 7pm**

Hosted by Ronceverte Ministerial Association.  
Questions? Call 304-647-4400



**GREENBIER VALLEY CHORALE**

**HOLIDAY CONCERT**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, AT 3 P.M.**

**CARNEGIE HALL LEWISBURG, WV**

Featuring Taylor Scott Davis' **MAGNIFICAT**  
with special guest artist, Russell Fallstad, on violin

Tickets: \$20/adult, \$10/student  
www.carnegiehallwv.org

**WOMEN OF THE CHURCH**

Next meeting is **Monday**  
**December 8, 2025 at 4:30 pm**  
Parish Hall at **Saint Catherine of Siena**

Please keep Fr. **Briane Turley** in your prayers, as he battles several health issues. If you would like to send him a card his address is 818 Highland Dr., White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986  
**Randelle Niski** continues to recover in Virginia. Her address until January 2, will be 1200 King St., Charlottesville, VA 22903

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE PEOPLE:**  
Fr. Briane Turley, Randelle Niski, James Shupe, Beryl Collins, Margie Wilson, Jean Ann Pettit Haranzo, Ashby & Peggy Shaver, Bill Riley, Samantha McManus, Janice Hensley, Garry Maxey, Ann Bostic, David Alder, Jean Martin, David Baker, Charlie Hughes, Perk Berry, Henry Lynch, Tommy Saunders, Barbara Pope, John Gherman, Clyde Bowling  
**At The Seasons:** Carol Spencer