

**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA**  
DECEMBER 4, 2022

Sunday Mass @ 11am = 45people attended	
Regular Collection	\$ 1057
Maintenance	\$ 120
Diocesan	
Mass Intentions	\$ 250
Social Concerns	
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 1427</b>

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO**  
DECEMBER 3 AND 4, 2022

Saturday Mass @ 4pm = 31 people attended Sunday Mass @ 9am = 70 people attended	
Regular Collection	\$ 1216
Maintenance	\$ 270
Mass Intentions	\$ 20
Community Outreach = Donations to the Poor Box	\$ 540
Donations to roof repair	\$ 222
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2268</b>

**Scripture for the 3rd Sunday in Advent**

**Isaiah 35: 1- 6, 10** They will meet with joy and gladness

**Psalms 146** Lord come and save us

**James 5:7-10** Be patient, do not complain

**Isaiah 61** The Spirit of Lord is upon me

**Matthew 11:2-11** Behold I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.

**Knights of Columbus**

**Sunday December 18 at noon:** meet to decorate the outside of St. Catherine's Church

**Sunday December 18 at 2 p.m.:** meet at St. Charles to decorate the outside of the church, followed by a Christmas Dinner at 4 p.m. All members of both parishes are invited to the dinner. Chicken will be provided. Bring a dish to share. A short Christmas program will follow the dinner.



The next meeting of the **Women of the Church** will be **Tuesday, December 13 at 5 p.m.** in the rectory at St. Charles Borromeo. All women are invited to attend this meeting for prayer and fellowship.



Everyone is invited to a **Free Christmas Concert** at the White Sulphur Springs Public Library on Thursday, **December 15th at 6 p.m.** Leah and Rodger Trent will present music for Advent and Christmas, played on the harp, concertina, organetto, and more! Refreshments follow.



**Pastor:** Father Jim Conyers. email: jconyers@dwc.org Phone: 304-667-9043

**Deacon:** Robert Holliday. email: rholliday@dwc.org Phone: 304-646-4476

**Deacon:** Bill Strange. email: deaconbill@frontier.com Phone: 304-237-4470(cell) 304-536-2333 (home)

**Community Outreach:** 336 W. Main St. in WSS. Open Friday, from 12 noon—2 p.m. Phone: 681-331-6122

**Music leaders** at St. Catherine: Bob and Mary Thompson **Music leaders** at St. Charles: Rodger and Leah Trent

**The Church Office** is located at St. Charles Borromeo in White Sulphur Springs on the lowest level of the Rectory. Church Secretary: Leah Trent Church email for both churches: stborromeo@frontier.com Phone: 304-536-1813

websites: [stcharlesborromeowv.org](http://stcharlesborromeowv.org) [stcatherinewv.org](http://stcatherinewv.org)

Office Hours Monday Wednesday Friday from 9 a.m.—2 p.m.

Church Office address: 40798 Midland Trail E. White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986

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**DECEMBER 11, 2022**  
**THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA**

*Established 1892*

163 Walnut Street  
Ronceverte WV 24970



10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Rosary

11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Mass

12:15 p.m.  
Sunday  
Confession

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO**

*Established 1903*

40798 Midland Trail E.  
White Sulphur Springs WV 24986



3:30 p.m. Saturday  
Confession & Rosary

4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass

8:30 a.m. Sunday  
Confession & Rosary

9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass



**Visit our Parish Store**

There are many gifts suitable for the season in the religious store located at the back of St. Charles Borromeo Church.

The store has Christmas puzzles, prayer books, Sacred Heart devotions, magnets, first communion, and confirmation gifts. The store also keeps a regular stock of rosaries, medals, pendants, scapulars, and reflection books.

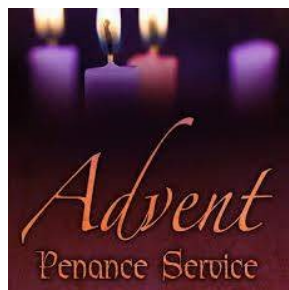
The store is open Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sundays at 10 a.m., and other times by appointment.



Dear Family,

This Sunday is called “Gaudete” Sunday. This name comes from the introit: *“Gaudete in Domino semper”* (“Rejoice in the Lord, always”). The introit is the opening sentence of the Mass which can be read or sung. This is a day to rejoice in the Lord.

This is also a day for our Penance Service on Sunday afternoon December 11 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Charles Borromeo.



Forgiveness of sin is a good reason to rejoice. We call to mind our sins, confess them, and believing in the words of Christ, we can be convinced of our forgiveness. With the absolution, we are given new life. We are given a clean slate and the joy of knowing that we are reconciled with God.

I sincerely hope that all of you can come and experience that joy today. I especially appeal to those who have not gone to confession for many years. I do not know why you have decided that confession is not necessary, but something has happened in the Church that has led you to believe this. Erroneous teachings must be a part of it, but for whatever reason, I beg you to come.

Christ has given his Church the power to absolve sins, which is a great gift. In the Gospel of John, Jesus gave this gift to the Apostles: *“he breathed on them, and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” (John 20:22-23).*

Sins are retained for those who refuse to listen to the words of Our Lord, but for those who confess their sins there is a great joy. Come and take part in it.

May God richly bless you all.

Fr. Jim Conyers

CHURCH CALENDAR	OTHER EVENTS	ST. CHARLES BORROMEEO IN WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS MASS SCHEDULE	ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA IN RONCEVERTE MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday December 10	RCIA Class @ St. Charles 1-3 p.m.	3:30 p.m.—Confession 4 p.m.—Mass for <b>Philip O’Doherty (D)</b> <i>Reader: Alicia McIntire</i>	
Sunday December 11 3rd Sunday in Advent		8:30 a.m.—Confession 9:00 a.m.— Mass for <b>Nadine &amp; Leo O’Neil (D)</b> <i>Reader: Paul Grist</i>  3:00 p.m.— Penance Service	11 a.m.— Mass for <b>Frank &amp; Bettie Ford (D)</b> Noon—Confession
Monday December 12	Office open 9am-2pm	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday December 13			8:30 a.m.—Mass 9:15 a.m.—Adoration / Confession
Wednesday December 14	Office open 9am-2pm	11 a.m.—Adoration / Confession noon—Mass for <b>John Kennedy (D) and Mary Crone (D)</b>	
Thursday December 15			5:30 p.m.—Adoration / Confession 6:30 p.m.—Mass for <b>J. J. O’Brien (D)</b>
Friday December 16	Office open 9am-2pm	8:30 a.m.— Mass for <b>Nick Scobbo (D)</b> 9:15 a.m.—Adoration / Confession	
Saturday December 17		3:30 p.m.—Confession 4 p.m.—Mass <i>Reader: Mikki Dixon</i>	
Sunday December 18 4th Sunday in Advent		8:30 a.m.—Confession 9:00 a.m.— Mass for <b>Cheryl Hoover (L)</b> <i>Reader: Carol Herrick</i>	11 a.m.— Mass for <b>Mimsie &amp; Valentine De’Olloqui (D)</b> Noon—Confession

Our Church Prayer List  
In Requiem Pace: **Shirley Riley** (Debbie McComb’s mom)

Please pray for the following people:  
Peter William Wilson, Nuala Gallagher-Morgan, Ryan Czul, Grace Dean, Perk & Sue Berry, Anastasia (Fama) Morton, Mary Thompson, Ed DeLong, Charlie Friedman, John and Ann Withrow, Margie Sheppard, Jean Foley, Armella Johnson.

Those at the Springrise: Frankie Musselman

Those at the Seasons: Kay Morgan, Gertrude Worsham

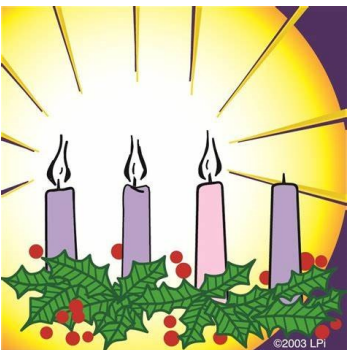
Those serving in our Military: Paul Roshau  
Call the Church office to add names to prayer list: 304-536-1813

The next Social Concern collection on December 18, 2022 at St. Catherine of Siena will be for the Ronceverte Food Pantry

Today’s Diocesan Collection will be for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Elderly religious need your help, Nearly 25,000 sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have devoted their lives to educating the young, tending the sick, and aiding the needy. However there is a profound shortage in retirement for them since they served for little or no pay. Please give to help those who have given a lifetime.

Schedule for Masses on Christmas Weekend

Masses on **Christmas Eve** Saturday, December 24, 2022 will be celebrated at  
5 p.m. at St. Charles Borromeo  
7 p.m. at St. Catherine of Siena  
Midnight at St. Charles Borromeo



On Sunday, December 25th, **Christmas Day**, Masses will be celebrated at  
9 a.m. at St. Charles Borromeo  
11 a.m. at St. Catherine of Siena