


**SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA**  
SHARING OUR TREASURE  
DECEMBER 21, 2025


**SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO**  
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DECEMBER 20-21, 2025

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

**DECEMBER 28, 2025**  
**THE HOLY FAMILY OF**  
**JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**



Attendance at Saint Catherine at 11 am =	
Regular Collection	\$ 1147.00
Additional Donation	\$ 1000.00
ONLINE giving 	\$ 367.12
Diocesan Retirement Religious	\$ 50.00
Mass Intentions donations	\$ 10.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 2574.12</b>

Attendance at Saint Charles at 4 pm = 51 and 9 am = 74	
Regular Collection	\$ 2197.00
Additional Donations	\$ 1600.00
ONLINE giving 	\$ 198.08
Poor Box	\$ 303.40
Mass Intentions donations	\$ 30.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 4328.48</b>

**Homily on Christmas Day (Sermon 184)**  
**- Saint Augustine of Hippo, bishop & doctor**


1. The Nativity of the Lord and our Savior Jesus Christ, by which the Truth has risen from the earth (Ps 85:11), and the day which was born of day for us has shone forth today in its annual return, is to be celebrated by us: let us rejoice and be glad in it (Ps 118:24). For what the humility of such great sublimity has accomplished for us, the faith of Christians knows, but the hearts of the impious are far removed from it; for God has hidden these things from the wise and prudent, and has revealed them to little ones (Lk 10:21). Let the humble, therefore, hold fast to the humility of God: so that by this great help, as by a support for their weakness, they may attain to the height of God.


But those wise and prudent ones, while seeking the high things of God and not believing in the lowly, pass these by, and for this reason do not reach those either; they are light and empty, inflated and haughty, and have hung as it were in the windy middle between heaven and earth. For they are wise and prudent, but of this world, not of the one by whom the world was made. For if there were in them true wisdom, which is of God and is God, they would understand that God could take on flesh, and could not be changed into flesh; they would understand that he assumed what he was not, and remained what he was; and that he came to us as a man, and did not depart from the Father; and that he persevered in what he is, and appeared to us as we are; and that the power of his body was not diminished, nor was the order of the universe disturbed. The work of him who remains with the Father is the work of the Virgin's birth, who came to us.

For the Virgin mother gave a sign of his majesty, a virgin before conception, a virgin after childbirth; found with child by a man, not made; pregnant with a male, without a male; more blessed and wondrous in her fruitfulness, not in the loss of her integrity. This great miracle they would rather think to be a fiction than a fact. Thus, concerning Christ, man and God, because they cannot believe, they despise what is human in him; because they cannot despise what is divine in him, they do not believe what is divine. For us, however, the more despicable it is to them, the more gracious is the body of God the man in its humility; and the more impossible it is to them, the more divine is the virgin birth in the nativity of man.




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 For Saint Charles Borromeo— Use the QR code at the right to give one time, or to set up recurring donations. On the [flocknote](#) Giving Page you can choose your donation type.




**EPIPHANY CELEBRATION**  
Everyone is invited to celebrate Epiphany on Sunday January 4, 2026 beginning at 3pm at Saint Charles. The afternoon event will feature music for Christmas and Epiphany, scripture readings, and poems. A reception will follow.

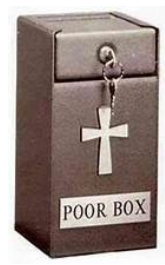


The TMIY (That Man Is You) men's group has completed its first fall semester at Saint Charles. Their spring semester meetings will commence next year on Saturday, 17 January 2026 at 7am. Please look online (link: [thatmanisyou.com](http://thatmanisyou.com)), to review both fall and spring semester videos. Contact Steve Zini (email: [szini@verizon.net](mailto:szini@verizon.net)) for more information.

**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."  
We will study the will study Chapters 1 & 2 of St. Matthew's Gospel, the so-called Infancy Narratives. We will meet on 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.




**POOR BOX DONATIONS**  
All money donated to the Poor Box at Saint Charles Borromeo during the month of December will be sent to the Food Pantry in Lewisburg / Fairlea. Thank you for your generosity.




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**SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA**  
**Mass Schedule for the week 28 December—3 January**  
Sunday 11am [www.stcatherinewv.org](http://www.stcatherinewv.org)  
Tuesday 6pm  
Wednesday 8:30am  
Thursday 6pm (HDO)  
163 Walnut Street  
Ronceverte, WV 24970  
Parish Phone: 304-536-1813



**SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO**  
**Mass Schedule for the week 28 December—3 January**  
Sunday 9am [www.stcharlesborromeowv.org](http://www.stcharlesborromeowv.org)  
Monday 8:30am  
Wednesday 6pm  
Thursday 8:30am (HDO)  
Friday 8:30am  
Saturday 8:30am  
Saturday 4pm  
40798 Midland Trail E.  
White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986



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2. Therefore, let us celebrate the Lord's Nativity with due frequency and festivity. Let men rejoice, let women rejoice: Christ is a man, born of a woman; and both sexes are honored. Let the second man then come, who in the first had been previously condemned (c.f., 1 Cor 15:49). A woman had persuaded us to death: a woman has given birth to life for us. A likeness of sinful flesh was born (c.f., Rom 8:3), by which the sinful flesh might be cleansed. Therefore, the flesh is not to be blamed, but so that by nature it may live, guilt may die; because one who was born without guilt was born, in whom he who had been in guilt might be reborn.

Rejoice, holy men, who have especially chosen to follow Christ, who have not sought marriages. He did not come to you through marriage, whom you have found to follow, in order to give you the gift of despising the means by which you came. For you came through carnal marriage, without which He came in a spiritual manner to the marriage: and He gave you to despise weddings, those whom He especially called to the wedding. Therefore, you have not sought the origin of your birth, because you have loved him who was born in a different way more than the others. Rejoice, holy virgins: a Virgin has borne you a Spouse, to whom you are betrothed without corruption; who, neither in conception nor in childbirth, can lose what you love. Rejoice, you just: it is the **Nativity of the Justifier**. Rejoice, you weak and sick: it is the **Nativity of the Savior**. Rejoice, you captives: it is the **Nativity of the Redeemer**. Rejoice, you servants: it is the **Nativity of the Lord**. Rejoice, you free: it is the **Nativity of the Liberator**. Rejoice, all you Christians: it is the **Nativity of Christ**.

He who was born of the mother on this day, commended Him to the ages, who, born of the Father, created all ages. That [first] birth could not have had a mother, neither did this one seek a human father. For Christ was born both of the Father and of a mother; and without a father, and without a mother: of the Father, God; of a mother, man; without a mother, God; without a father, man. Who then will explain his generation? (Is 53:8) whether that one without time, or this one without seed; that one without beginning, this one without example; that one who was never not, this one who was neither before nor after; that one who has no end, this one who has a beginning where he has an end.

3. Therefore the Prophets rightly announced the one to be born, but the heavens and the angels the one already born. He lay in the manger who holds the world: and he was both an infant and the Word. Him whom the heavens cannot contain, the womb of a single woman bore. She who bore our king rules us; in whom we are (c.f., Acts 17:28), she carried him; she who nourished our bread (c.f., John 6:35).

O manifest weakness, and wondrous humility, in which the whole divinity was thus hidden! The power that governed the universe lay in the manger: and he was both an infant and the Word. He whom the heavens cannot contain was carried in the womb of a single woman. She who bore our king carried him; she who nursed our bread fed him.

May he perfect in us his gifts, who did not shrink from taking on even our beginnings; and may he himself make us children of God, who for our sake was willing to become the Son of Man.

O manifest infirmity, O wondrous humility, in which all the greatness of God lay hid! The mother to whom His infancy was subject, He ruled with His power; and to her at whose breasts He nursed, He gave the nourishment of truth.

May He who did not shrink from taking a beginning even like unto ours, perfect in us His gifts; and may He also make us children of God, He who for our sakes wished to become a child of man.

**Randelle Niski** continues to recover in Virginia. Ray and Randelle would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, support, and friendship during this time. She also thanks the parish for sending her the poinsettia in a lovely basket. Her address until February 2026 will be 1200 King St., Charlottesville, VA 22903.



**Fr. Briane Turley** continues to battle several health issues. His address is 818 Highland Dr., White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986

**REST IN PEACE:** MELINDA SUITS—  
Melinda is the daughter of Sue Ella Miano

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE PEOPLE:**

John & Floy Boyle, Fr. Briane Turley, Randelle Niski, Rosanne Shupe, Beryl Collins, Margie Wilson, Jean Ann Pettit Haranzo, Ashby & Peggy Shaver, Bill Riley, 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



**Sacramental & Pastoral Schedule for the Octave of Christmas  
28 December 2025—4 January 2026 (Year A, II)**

**The Month of the Immaculate Conception**

We pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

**SUNDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS — 28 December 2025**

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Feast of the Holy Innocents

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

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

**3:30p** Confessions

**4:00p Mass** for the People of the Parishes

With Baptism of Eliza Lilly

**Saint Charles Borromeo**

**8:00a** Choir Rehearsal @ St. Charles Borromeo Music Room

**8:30a** Confessions

**9:00a Mass** for +Margaret Huff, requested by Pam Aide

**Saint Catherine of Siena**

**9:45a** Choir Rehearsal in Loft @ St. Catherine

**11:00a Mass** for deceased members of the Ford Family,  
requested by Bob & Mary Thompson

**12:15p** Confessions

**Monday, Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas—29 December 2025**

Memorial of Saint Thomas Beckett, bishop & martyr

1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35

**8:30a Mass**@ St. Charles for +Thelma Maiers,

requested by Vanessa Price

**Parish Office Open @ SCB, 9a—3p**

**Tuesday, Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas—30 December 2025**

1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40

**Parish Office Open @ SCB, 9a—3p**

**5:00p** Adoration & Benediction @ St. Catherine

**6:00p Mass**@ St. Catherine for +Pat & Jeanne Clark

**Wednesday, Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas**

**—31 December 2025**

Memorial of Saint Sylvester, pope

1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18

**8:30a Mass**@ St. Catherine for +Margie Rymer

**Parish Office CLOSED**

**THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

A Holy Day of Obligation

**The Vigil Mass**

Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

**5:00p** Adoration & Benediction @ St. Charles

**6:00p Mass** @ St. Charles for +Babette Fehn,

requested by Jennifer King

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**THE NEW YEAR OF GRACE 2026**  
**Golden Number = 12; Dominical Letter = D**  
*Semiquincentennial of the Nation*

**The Month of the Holy Name of Jesus**

We pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

**Mass during the Day**

**Thursday, 1 January 2026**

**8:30a Mass** @ St. Charles for +Paul Shupe

**5:00p** Adoration & Benediction @ St. Catherine

**6:00p Mass** @ St. Catherine for +James F. D. Quirk,  
requested by Jim & Denise Klug

**Friday, Christmas Weekday—2 January 2026**

Memorial of Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nanzianen, bishops and doctors of the Church

FIRST FRIDAY

1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28

**8:30a Mass** @ Saint Charles for Rena Bowman (Living)

Followed by First Friday Devotions

**Saturday, Christmas Weekday—3 January 2026**

Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Jesus

FIRST SATURDAY

1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Jn 1:29-34

**8:30a Mass**@ Saint Charles for +Nicholas Ghaphery Sr.,

requested by the Ghaphery Family

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

**3:30p** Confessions

**4:00p Mass** for the People of the Parishes

**SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD — 4 January 2026**

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, foundress

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

**Saint Charles Borromeo**

**8:00a** Choir Rehearsal @ St. Charles Borromeo Music Room

**8:30a** Confessions

**9:00a Mass** for +Sandra McLaughlin, requested by Gerri Burns

**Saint Catherine of Siena**

**9:45a** Choir Rehearsal in Loft @ St. Catherine

**11:00a Mass** for the Nicholas & David

Ghaphery Families, req. by the Ghaphery Family

**12:15p** Confessions

**3:00p**—Epiphany Celebration @ Saint Charles Borromeo Church and Parish Hall

