

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA
SHARING OUR TREASURE
MARCH 2, 2025

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO
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MARCH 1 & 2, 2025

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

MARCH 9, 2025
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

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| Attendance at St. Catherine at 11 a.m. = 52 | |
| Regular Collection | \$ 618.00 |
| ONLINE giving | \$ 770.00 |
| Dioc. Coll. Flood Relief WV | \$ 71.00 |
| Grand Total | \$ 1459.00 |

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| Attendance at St. Charles at 4 p.m. = 56 Attendance at St. Charles at 9 a.m. = 48 | |
| Regular Collection | \$ 2,345.30 |
| ONLINE giving | \$ 480.71 |
| Poor Box Donations | \$ 163.00 |
| Mass Intention Donations | \$ 345.00 |
| Dioc. Coll. Flood Relief WV | \$ 25.00 |
| Grand Total | \$ 3359.01 |



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St. Catherine of Siena Church.

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Please pray for the following people:

Henry Lynch, Mark Snider, Tommy Saunders (friend of Andrea & Tom Karrs), Will Rodgers, Paul Moran, Alan Anderson, Hill Herrick, Barbara Pope, John Gherman, Kathy Bailey, Bruce Alderman, Eliza Jane Lilly, Father J. Chapin Engler, Frank Bailey (Fran O'Brien's brother), Charlie Friedman, Clyde Bowling

At The Seasons: Carol Spencer

Please call the Church Office to add names to our prayer list: 304-536-1813.



LENTEN FISH DINNERS
Days: Fridays March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4 and 11, 2025
Time: Served from 4:30—7:00 p.m.
Cost: \$18 per dinner, plus \$7 for an extra piece of fish
Location: Dining Hall behind the Methodist Church in White Sulphur Springs, just past the Schoolhouse Hotel

Sponsored by: The Knights of Columbus and the parishes of St. Catherine of Siena and St. Charles Borromeo



Dinners include fish, potatoes, cole slaw, roll, dessert, and drink.

Both Dine-In and To-Go meals are available.

We need volunteers to help with set up, serving, packing to-go dinners, and clean up. Volunteers can work from 2-5 p.m., or 5-8 p.m., or the entire time! Please call Alicia McIntire at 304-767-1465 if you can help.

We also need people to make homemade desserts for these dinners. Please bring your homemade cake or pie to the Dining Hall by 3:30 p.m. Thank you.

Questions? Please call Mike Williams at 304-645-1373.



Dear Brothers and Sisters:
On this First Sunday of Lent, we are led by the Holy Spirit out into the wilderness with Christ Jesus, to witness the temptations to which He allows Himself to be subjected and to learn from Him. The setting of the wilderness, that arid and inhospitable place where our Fathers, those wandering Arameans, spent 40 years, where the Baptist would live until the beginning of his mission as precursor, and where so many Fathers of the Church would seek solitude and prayer, is eloquent in its barrenness.

Both Moses and Tobit tell of that malevolent spirit Azazel, the fallen Archangel who dwelt in the desert and offered forbidden knowledge and vain promises (Lev 16:10; Tob 8:3). Jesus thus was led into the dwelling place of this ancient enemy. He will not be defeated as the people of Israel were, falling into descension with God and one another. Rather, He will defeat the ancient enemy, there by His words of obedience to God as He will defeat him finally by His acts of obedience to God upon the Cross.

There Jesus fasted "fasted forty days and forty nights." This is what Lent commemorates. Our Lord's penitential effort is charged with symbolism: forty days and forty nights was the time the punishment of the deluge lasted (cf. Gen 7:4); Moses spent forty days and forty nights in the cloud on Mount Sinai fasting and beseeching God for the people (cf. Deut 9:25), before the Law was revealed to him (cf. Ex 24:18); Elijah spent forty days and forty nights walking to Mount Horeb to encounter the Lord, fasting the whole time (cf. 1 Kgs 19:8); and in particular, the people of Israel wandered for forty years in the desert amid trials and temptations, as a punishment for the forty days spent exploring the land on their own, without taking God into consideration (cf. Num 14:34).

After fasting Jesus is hungry, apparently deprived of divine help and physical strength. The tempter tries to make Jesus fall into some form of intemperance, avarice or idolatry, into which he often leads men, who use or even reject God in order to exalt themselves. Pope Francis comments on this scene: "Satan wants to divert Jesus from the way of obedience and humiliation—because he knows that in this way, on this path, evil will be conquered—and to lead Him down the false shortcut to success and glory. But the devil's poisonous arrows are 'blocked' by Jesus with the shield of God's Word (vv. 4, 7, 10), which expresses the will of the Father. Jesus does not speak a word of his own: He responds only with the Word of God. Thus the Son, filled with the power of the Holy Spirit, comes out of the desert victorious" (Angelus, 5 March 2017).

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ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO

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

Mass Schedule

Sunday 9 a.m.
Monday 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday 6 p.m.
Thursday 8:30 a.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 4 p.m.



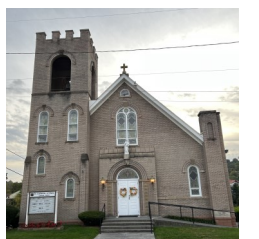
Pastoral Council: George McIntire (Chair), Carol Herrick (Secretary), Pam Aide, Mindy Fuchs, Belinda Hickman, Brenda O'Neil
Finance Council: David Fuchs (Chair), Russell Forren, Cheryl Hoover

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

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

Mass Schedule

Sunday 11 a.m.
Tuesday 6 p.m.
Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Thursday 6 p.m.



Pastoral Council: Samuel Urffer (Chair), Barbara Frame-Cook (Secretary), Kathy Anderson, Sally Kelly, Judy Long, Steve Rassa, Mike Williams

Finance Council: Colleen Urffer (Chair), Mary Thompson (Secretary), Robbie Anderson, Buck Williams

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.

Pastor: Rev. Msgr. Kevin Michael Quirk, JCD email: kquirk@dwc.org Phone: 304-281-7073

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)
Music Director at St. Catherine: Mary Thompson Music Director at St. Charles: Leah Trent

The Church Office for both parishes is located at St. Charles Borromeo on the lowest level of the Rectory.
Parish Administrative Assistant: Leah Trent email: stcharlesborromeocc@gmail.com Church Phone: 304-536-1813
Church Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday from 9am-2pm
Church Office address: 40798 Midland Trail E. White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986

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CHRIST IS PASSING BY

Homilies by JOSEMARIA ESCRIVA



St. Josemaria Escriva writes of this moment: "The whole episode is a mystery which man cannot hope to understand: God submitting to temptation, letting the evil one have his way. But we can meditate upon it, asking our Lord to help us understand the teaching it contains" (*Christ is Passing By*, no. 61) All of us in one way or another confront every day these trials of the desert. Being in a hurry, the eagerness for human effectiveness, and daily difficulties can all lead us to neglect and even to reject our relationship with God; or to expect from Him a striking intervention that causes us to react. But when we put God's will first in our life, He raises us up.

Thus, St. Josemaria remarked: "the Church reminds us that during Lent, when we recognize our sins, our wretchedness and our need for purification, there is also room for joy. Lent is a time for both bravery and joy; we have to fill ourselves with courage, for the grace of God will not fail us. God will be at our side and will send his angels to be our travelling companions, our prudent advisers along the way, our cooperators in all that we take on" (no. 63).



St. Josemaria Escriva

Be brave! Christ and the angels are with you!
With their aid, you can overcome all temptation promptly. Affly, kmq



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus are inviting everyone to be part of their Lenten Food Drive.

Each family is asked to bring 40 non-perishable food items to the kitchens of either St. Catherine or St. Charles. The 40 items can be peanut butter, canned soup, canned meats, canned fruit, or canned vegetables, mac-n-cheese, etc. The food will then be taken to our local food pantries by the Knights. Please help us focus on the 40 days of Lent by contributing 40 items. Thank you.

BUY FISH DINNERS FOR GWEN'S MEALS

The Knights of Columbus are partnering with Gwen's Meals to provide Lenten Fish Dinners on March 14 and April 11, 2025. We have the opportunity to provide 140 dinners (70 each week) to underserved people in our community through the Gwen's Meals delivery network. To purchase a Gwen's Meal for a homebound senior citizen, please write a check made out to "Knights of Columbus" and put it in the offering basket, bring it to the church office, or bring it to the fish dinner. Donation amounts: One dinner = \$18; Two dinners = \$36;



Three dinners = \$54; Four dinners = \$72; Five dinners = \$90. Call 304-536-1813 for more info.

A CONFESSION HOW TO: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



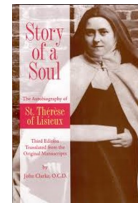
Sunday, 16 March 2025
St. Catherine of Siena Parish Hall
After the 11:00 a.m. Mass
An hour-long presentation on the Sacrament of Confession:
How to go, When to go, How to prepare
(opportunity for confession after)
Continental Breakfast will be served

Saint Catherine of Siena—meetings in Parish Hall
Parish Pastoral Council—Sunday April 6 @ 12:30 p.m.
Parish Finance Council—Monday, April 7 @ 6 p.m.



Saint Charles Borromeo—meetings in Parish Hall
Parish Pastoral Council—Monday March 24 @ 9:30 a.m.
Parish Finance Council— TBA

SOUP WITH A SAINT



A Lenten Opportunity to Feed Soul and Body
Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m.

March 12, 19, 26; April 2 & 9
Saint Charles Borromeo Parish Hall
Story of a Soul: The Autobiography of St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Soup & Bread will be served.

Please call the Parish Office to register for the book study, if you need a copy of the book, or if you could make soup or bread for the evening meal.



Cemetery Clean-Up

The Cemetery Cleanup will begin at Mount Loretto Cemetery on Monday, 24 March 2025. Please remove any items from on or around markers and headstone that you wish to keep by Saturday, 22 March 2025. Decorations for Spring and Easter may be placed beginning the weekend of 28-29 March 2025. Thank you for your assistance in helping us to care for our beloved dead and the dignity of the Cemetery.



Sacramental & Pastoral Schedule for the First Week of Lent— 9-16 March 2025

The Month of the Saint Joseph

We pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT—9 March 2025

Station Church: *Basilica of San Giovanni in Laterano*
Commemoration of Saint Frances of Rome, confessor
Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Saint Charles Borromeo —Anticipated Mass on Saturday

3:30p Confessions

4:00p Mass for +Jane Spicer, req. by Bill & Gloria Martin

Saint Charles Borromeo

8:00a Choir Rehearsal @ Music Room

8:30a Confessions

9:00a Mass for +Leo O'Neil and +Chris DeViney, req. by Pam Aide

Saint Catherine of Siena

9:45a Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Loft

11:00a Mass for The People of the Parishes

12:15p Confessions

12:30p OCIA—Sacrament of Confirmation—Parish Hall

Monday in the First Week of Lent— 10 March 2025

Station Church: *San Pietro in Vinculo*
Memorial of Saint Dominic Savio, religious
Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46

8:30a Mass @ Saint Charles for +Alvin Fabry, req. by Deborah Fabry

Parish Office Open @ SCB, 9a—2p

Tuesday in the First Week of Lent— 11 March 2025

Station Church: *Sant'Anastasia al Palatino*
Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15

Parish Office Open @ SCB, 9a—2p

5:00p Adoration, Confession & Benediction @ St. Catherine

6:00p Mass @ Saint Catherine for Carlos Lamar (Living)

Wednesday in the First Week of Lent—12 March 2025

Station Church: *Santa Maria Maggiore*
EMBER DAY

Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

8:30a Mass @ Saint Catherine for +Fr. John Selwin Ledford

Parish Office Open @ SCB, 9a—2p

5:00p Adoration, Confession & Benediction @ Saint Charles

6:00p Mass @ Saint Charles for +Mike & Roz Nazar, req. by Bill & Gloria Martin

Followed by **Soup with a Saint** *The Story of a Soul*—Intro, Chaps 1&2

Thursday in the First Week of Lent— 13 March 2025

Station Church: *S. Lorenzo in Panisperna*
Anniversary of the Election of Pope Francis (2013)
Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12

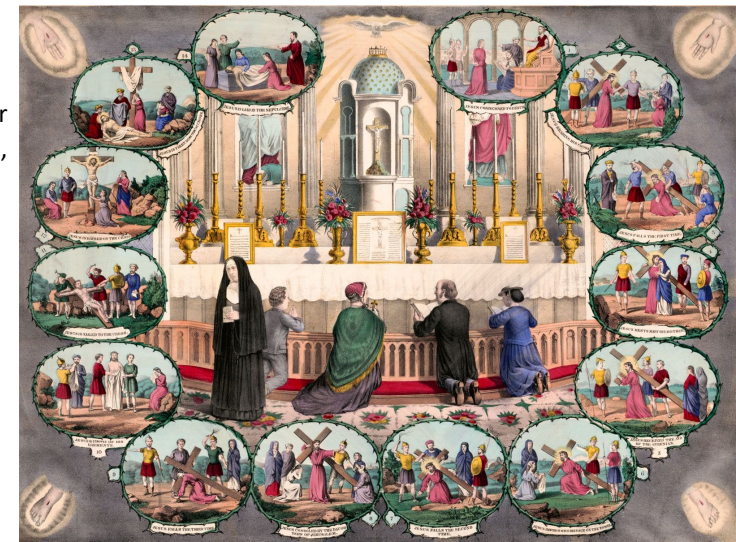
8:30a Mass @ Saint Charles for +C.P. Burdette, req. by Bill & Gloria Martin

5:00p Adoration, Confession & Benediction @ Saint Catherine

6:00p Mass @ Saint Catherine for +Jean Foley and +J.J. O'Brien, req. by Kathy Foley

Followed by **Stations of the Cross**

6:45p Bible Study @ Saint Catherine



Stations of the Cross

Friday in the First Week of Lent— 14 March 2025

Station Church: *Ss. Dodici Apostoli*
EMBER DAY & DAY OF ABSTINENCE
Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26

8:30a Mass @ Saint Charles for +Ron Scobbo, req. by Jeanne Scobbo

4:30—7p Knights of Columbus FISH FRY

6:00p Stations of the Cross @ Saint Charles

Saturday in the First Week of Lent— 15 March 2025

Station Church: *S. Pietro in Vaticano*
EMBER DAY, The Ides of March
Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

8:30a Mass @ Saint Charles for Michael Drennan (Living), req. by Deborah Fabry

12n—2p Confessions @ Saint Charles

Saint Charles Borromeo —Anticipated Mass on Saturday

3:30p Confessions

4:00p Mass for The People of the Parishes

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT—16 March 2025

Station Church: *S. Maria in Dominca*
Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Saint Charles Borromeo

8:00a Choir Rehearsal @ Music Room

8:30a Confessions

9:00a Mass for +Margaret Huff, req. by Pam Aide

Saint Catherine of Siena

9:45a Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Loft

11:00a Mass for +Pat & Jeanne Clark

12:15p Confessions

12:30p Faith Formation for All (OCIA included)

A Confession How To:

A hour presentation on the Sacrament of Confession:
How to go, When to go, How to prepare
(opportunity for confession after)
@ Saint Catherine of Siena Parish Hall
Light refreshments will be served.