

St. Alphonsus Church

2111 Market Street, Wheeling, WV 26003-3827

July 7, 2013

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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MASS SCHEDULE

Mon Tues Thurs Fri	7:00 AM
Wed Communion Service	7:00 AM
Saturday Vigil Mass	5:30 PM
Sunday Masses	7:00 AM, 10:30 AM

MONTHLY MASSES

Mass Association	
(1st Friday of month)	7:00 AM
Polish Mass	
(3rd Sunday of month)	9:00 AM

NOVENAS

Miraculous Medal - Tuesday after
7:00 AM Mass

Novena to St. Jude - Fridays after
7:00 AM Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet—1st Friday at
5:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:30—5:00 PM or by
appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact office 6 months before
desired date.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the office for appointment.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Thursday
9:00 am to Noon; 1:00 to 3:00 PM
Friday
9:00 am to Noon



PARISH NEWS, EVENTS & INFORMATION

"Your merciful love, O Lord, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, God, like your name reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is full of saving justice."

PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

18th Street Catholic Charities

Needed: Raman noodles, Mac/cheese, canned soups, vegetables/fruits, cereals, pasta, fruit/pudding cups, spaghetti sauce, rice, any size diapers, toilet paper and paper towels.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26
Tue: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15; Mt 9:32-38
Wed: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7
Thur: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 10:7-15
Fri: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23
Sat: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33
Sun: Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37; or 19:8-11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

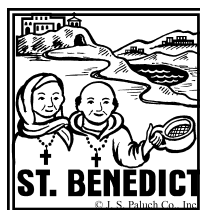
Loving Lord Jesus, you continue to ask us to go forth and bring word about the living God you taught us to call Father, the God who loves us as a mother who wishes to comfort us. Fill us with your Spirit, who gives us courage and commitment to the message of the gospel.

GOD'S SHADOW

Love is God's shadow in our universe.
—Anonymous

THE VOICE OF THE LORD

What is more delightful than the voice of the Lord calling to us?
—St. Benedict



HELP KEEP OUR CHURCH BUILDING NEAT AND TIDY

Over the past few weekends I have notice some things I would like to take the time to remind everyone about.

- After Mass is over please make sure that the kneeler in the pew is **UP**. This makes for easier access to pew and is a great help to those coming to he next Mass.
- Place all BREAKING BREAD Missal/Songbooks and the Mass Response Pamphlets back in their pew racks. This helps to "preserve" them so that they can last for the liturgical year. (Also make sure all Breaking Bread Missal/Songbooks are closed.)
- When using the water cooler make sure that all used cups are disposed of properly.
- When using the church bathrooms make sure that you dispose of all paper towels and toilet paper properly. **Please flush toilet after each use!!!**
- Place ALL** food articles for the 18th Street Catholic Charities Outreach Center in the bins provided. If the bin nearest you is full... please place your donation in a nearby bin.

I realize these are all small reminders..... each adds in a big way to keeping the church building ne t and tidy. I also remind everyone that there is to be **NO EATING** or **DRINKING** of anything in the church building.

A friendly reminder of two things other parishioners are always commenting about to me:

- TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES.** It is very disturbing to hear a phone ring during Mass.
- BE AWARE** the side door between the church building and new narthex is **VISIBLE** from most of the church pews and makes a **LOUD NOISE** when being opened or closed.

In gratitude for their gifts received from God, parishioners and visitors made this joyful return to the Lord to help continue His work at St. Alphonsus Parish:

Collections \$2,210.50
Candles \$214.20

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



COMMUNITY EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS... ETC.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

It's high summer now, school is out, the pace of work slows, and some people drift away. There are visitors in the churches every summer, and familiar faces are "among the missing." Some find the summer's call more appealing than the summons of the church bells. Many, however, would not dream of missing a Sunday, and so they make their way to Mass in unfamiliar places, watching the locals for clues as to when to sit or stand, where the Communion stations are. In answering the call, they keep the "sabbatical" rhythm of the Christian life: every seventh day, the Body of Christ assembles for worship.

For centuries, there was no obligation to Sunday Mass in the sense of a written law, but Christians have always yearned to be together on Sunday. In the city of Abitina, during a persecution by the Emperor Diocletian, a group of Christians were urged to stop worshipping together on Sundays. They responded, "Then take our lives, for without the Sunday we cannot live." By a curious coincidence, the appointed readings today center us on thoughts of peace. On our Independence Day, the experience of worship situates us in community, and evokes a commitment from us to be advocates of peace in all aspects of our society's life.

WORLD YOUTH DAY WYD WV 2013

We invite YOUNG ADULTS (18-30 years old) to join us at the Bishop Hodges Center in Huttonsville, WV for two days of prayer, music, great speakers, and fellowship. We will stream the Pope's Vigil and Mass live.

Location: Bishop Hodges Pastoral Center

Date: Saturday, July 27-Sunday, July 28

Time: Begins at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday

Simple accommodations: You bring your own tent and food—\$15/per person.

Simple Plus accommodations: You bring your tent, we provide the food—\$35 per person.

Roommate accommodations: Up to 3 participants per room and food—\$55 per person

Registration forms can be found at www.wvatholicym.org. Please contact Bob Perron at 304-233-0880 for more information. Limited to 500 participants, so register early.

NORTHERN PANHANDLE HEAD START

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

WV Universal Pre-K services available for Ohio County Quality Infant/Toddler and Preschool for children ages birth-5

Also services for pregnant women
Transportation to centers in most areas & to program activities also available

Services for children with disabilities
School Readiness Skill Building & Nutritious meals served

Volunteer opportunities for parents

In **OHIO COUNTY** please contact
Jessie 3-4=233-3290 or Kathy 304-232-4590

WHEELING CENTRAL 2013 CHEER CAMP

August 12 & 13th 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

St. Michael Angelus Center
Grades K-8

\$45 for those who pre-register by August 1st

\$55 to register at door

*For more information, contact
Sara Spangler at 304-281-9603*

WOMENS RETREAT

Where: Wheeling Jesuit University

When: July 26, 27, & 28

Cost: \$125.00 for overnights

\$75.00 for commuters

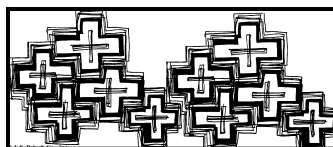
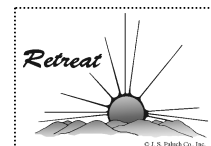
\$25.00 deposit required when registering by July 12

for more information call:

Nedra Ackermann-304-242-0111

Pat Wagner-304-242-3273 or

Janet Birch-304-233-2638



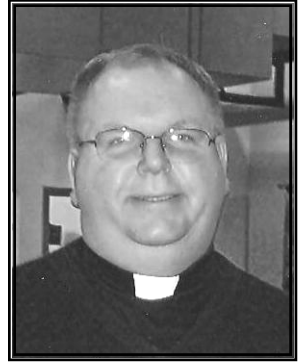
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May I never boast except in
the cross of our Lord Jesus
Christ. — *Galatians 6:14*

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends:

This Thursday, July 11, 2013 we join with the rest of the Church in celebrating St. Benedict, abbot and founder of the Benedictine Order of monks. St. Benedict was born to a distinguished family in central Italy. He studied in Rome and very early in life he was drawn to a monastic life style. At first he wanted to become a hermit and live a life of quiet solitude and prayer. This desire lead him to withdraw to a cave high in the mountains for three years. Other men were attracted to him and soon the small group of men chose him as their leader but his strict adherence to certain principles of prayer and work drove many of these men away.



As the remainder of these men continue to live together Benedict developed the idea of gathering together a group of men under a written code or rule that would give each man who was a part of this "monastery" the benefits of unity, fraternity, permanent worship in one local or "house." To further enhance his ideas and his rule of living Benedict began to build one of the most famous monasteries of all time, Monte Cassino.

The Benedictine Rule that gradually developed prescribed a life of liturgical prayer, study, manual labor and living together in a community under a common father or abbot. Benedictine spirituality became know for its moderation and Benedictine charity has focused its concern on people, thus, drawing the monks out of themselves and into the local communities.

In today's Church, the Order of St. Benedict or Benedictine Order is a Roman Catholic religious order of individual communities which could be called a monastery, a priory or abbey. Each maintains its own independence while the written Order gives them a strong sense stability and unity. Those men and women who belong to the "Benedictine Order" of today do not elect an overall Superior General as other religious orders do and there is technically no over all governing body or world headquarters for the Benedictines. Rather, they are loosely organized into confederations that are tied together by region, country or ministry. Each community may also have a different spiritual focus as well. Each individual community elects for itself an Abbot Primate that has complete control over the workings of each community.

Some communities within the order began as reforms of the Rule of St. Benedict. The Cistercians and Trapists are two such examples of reform sects within the order. The reform itself focus' on their main approach to prayer, spirituality, and liturgical emphasis. Even the habits they wear are different. The largest number of Benedictines are Roman Catholic but there are some communities within the Anglican church today and occasionally within other Christian denominations as well, such as within the Lutheran church.

Members of the order generally use the initials O.S.B. (Order of Saint Benedict) after their names to distinguish themselves as belonging to the order and following the Rule of St. Benedict. The general motto of the order is: **Ora et Labora** (PRAY AND WORK). They are considered a Catholic religious order and do have an Abbot Primate in Rome who supervises a Confederation of autonomous houses around the world. His primary duties are centered around providing means by which all these houses/communities can better communicate among themselves and within the Church today.

The Rule of St. Benedict requires candidates for reception into a Benedictine community to promise solemnly..... **STABILITY** (to remain in the same monastery), a **CONVERSION OF MANNERS** (to adopt a new monastic of thinking and doing all tasks and responsibilities) and **OBEDIENCE** (especially to the superior Abbot, because he or she holds the place of Christ within the community.) These three characteristics are commonly known as the "Benedictine Vow and are the equivalent of making a solemn profession in other religious orders.

Benedictine abbots or abbesses have full jurisdiction of their abbey and thus absolute authority over the monks or nuns who are in residence. His authority includes the power to assign duties, to decide which books may or may not be read, to regulate the comings and goings and the punished and to excommunicate in the sense of and enforced isolation from the monastic community.

A tight communal timetable is meant to ensure that the time given to God is not wasted but in whichever way necessary used in his service, whether for prayer, work, meals, spiritual reading, or sleep. Although Benedictines do not take a vow of silence, hours of strict silence are set, and at other times silence is maintained as much as is practically possible. Social conversations tend to be limited to communal recreation times, but like most details of the community's daily routine the Rule of S. Benedict leave the discretion of such things and matter to the superior of each community.

St. Benedict also encouraged scholarly study and research of the monks. This is especially true in he area of Liturgy and in particular how the Mass is understood and celebrated.

Peace, Fr. Frank



Weekend Ministry Schedule (July 13/14)

Sunday, July 7

7:00 a.m. Mildred Vidonic
10:30 a.m. Marjorie Costanzo

Monday, July 8

7:00 a.m. Saad Family

Tuesday, July 9

7:00 a.m. Frank Brzozowski

Wednesday, July 10 *Communion Service*

7:00 a.m.

Thursday, July 11

7:00 a.m. John Helinski

Friday, July 12

7:00 a.m. Nora Nikolaus

Saturday, July 13

5:30 p.m. Kathy Mulley

Sunday, July 14

7:00 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. Leo J. Pacewicz

Saturday, July 13

5:30 p.m.

Reader: M. Sofka
Eucharistic Ministers: J. Sofka
P. Romanek
D. Orlando

Server:

Sunday, July 14

7:00 a.m.

Reader: M. Bosacki
Eucharistic Minister:
Server: C. Saad

Sunday, July 14

10:30 a.m.

Reader: R. Henry
Eucharistic Ministers: D. Lemery
J. Brensinger
B. Henry
Server: J. K-Rankin

HOMEBOUND AND CONTINUOUS CARE

Helen Bernas, Mary Bohlman,
Elizabeth Bissett, Norma Campbell,
Stella Czyzewski, Harold Ehni,
Mark Fedorke, Selma Hughes,
David Jasko, Theresa Lally,
Phyllis Oberle, Mary Raske,
Blanche Richard, Mary Rushkevich, Elizabeth Rycerz,
Mary Stefanow, Dorothy Thalman, Betty Weckerley.



If admitted into a local hospital, please notify the Parish Office at 304-232-4353 if you or a family member is hospitalized. Because of HIPPA regulations, we can not be told that you are in the hospital.



Rosemarie Burse, Karleigh Ryan,
Mary Schlosser, Greg Swords,
Thelma Pearson, Dustin Ronevich,
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Rycerz,
Debbie Respole, Harry Zelkowski



Please continue to pray for our military men and women who serve us as well as their families:

Lcpl. Bandon Collins USMC
1st Lt. Mel S. Falck
Sgt. L. Joey Henry USMC
Staff Sgt. Patrick Janiszewski
PFC Jeremy Labuda
Staff Sgt. Leonard E. Lapinsky
Sr. Airmen Jordan Lucey
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