



St. Alphonsus

Wheeling, WV

“All those who will ever pray here
in any trial whatsoever will be consoled.”

March 2, 2025

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Mass Schedule
Sunday 9:00 am
Tuesday 8:00 am
Wednesday 6:00 pm
Thursday 8:00 am
Friday 8:00 am

Sacrament of Confession
Saturday 4:30-5:00 pm
Sunday 8:30-8:50 am



“A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,
nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.
For every tree is known by its own fruit. “

Luke 6: 43

The Offertory Report

February 23

Envelopes = \$ 2829

Loose= \$ 519

Votive Candles= \$ 102

Mass Attendance

5:30 pm— 80

9:00 am— 92

Minster Schedule

March 8 and 9

Readers:

Sat.- Judy B.

Sun.- Mike K

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Sat: Judy. B

Mary Ellen P.

Lynn D.

Sun: Paul R.

Phyllis H.

Mark B.



Masses

St. Alphonsus

8:00 am

6:00 pm

Cathedral of St. Joseph

12:05 pm

7:00 pm

The Christian Mothers' Confraternity Ladies' Guild News

Celebrating 140 Years! (1885-2025)

**The next meeting will be
Tuesday, March 11 at 6:00 pm
St. Alphonsus Columbia Hall**

St. Alphonsus Parish FISH FRY

Ash Wednesday, March 5

Friday, March 7

11-6 pm

And will continue every Friday in Lent.

Phone in orders: (304) 559-9964

Fish Sandwiches are \$8.00 Most Sides are \$2.00

Drinks and desserts are \$1.00

Donations of desserts to sell are requested.

Deliver on Thursday before 12 noon,

The Laymen's Retreat League invites all Catholic Men of the area to join us for a day of reflection with Rev. Msgr. Samuel S. Sacus from 8am to 5pm. The theme will be on the "Where we are and where we are going." The day includes light breakfast and lunch. Cost: \$30 JOIN US Saturday March 22, 2025; Saint Vincent de Paul Parish's Marist Center, Wheeling, WV. Contact Don Klamut at 304-280-4626 or laymensretreatleague@gmail.com

This week's cover photo is A Partridge in a Pear Tree by the contemporary painter Kristine Kainer. Many of us associate an apple tree with the scene of the first sin of Adam and Eve. In fact, in so many instances apples appear in the paintings and architecture of churches as a symbol of man and his fallen nature. In contrast, the pear is used in similar circumstances as a symbol of redemption through the Incarnation of Jesus. Even the pear's shape suggests Mary as the expectant Mother of God. Jesus says that a tree will be known by its fruit- a good tree will bear good fruit and a rotten tree will bear rotten fruit. Here, the partridge, a beautiful bird known for having a self-sacrificing tendency when its young are endangered, rests peacefully in a pear tree. He seems to be admiring the good fruit. We might similarly contemplate Jesus in the midst of His Church, pleased with the "good fruit" from His "good tree" that saves souls.

Parish Office hours:

Mon. and Thur. 8:30-12:30, Tuesday 8:30-4:30 (lunch 11:45-12:45 pm)

SECOND COLLECTIONS

March 2: West Virginia Flood relief (CC of WV)

March 16: Maintenance and Preservation of St. Alphonsus Church (moved from 1st Sunday)

March 23: Priest's Retirement Fund

Office of Safe Environment

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 888-352-6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 304-233-0880.



SUNG
**SOLEMN
VESPERS**

Music by The Cathedral Schola

SUNDAYS OF LENT
6:00 PM


The Cathedral of St. Joseph
1300 EOFF STREET, WHEELING

Don't forget:
The **Spring Cleaning** at
Mount Calvary Cemetery
will begin on
March 3rd.
Everything will be removed!

Spring Forward



March 9, 2025 • Set your clock ahead!

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers at St. Michael's Parish is having a **Children's Clothing and MORE Sale** and a **Formalwear Sale** on:

Friday, March 14 5:00 -7:00 pm
Saturday, March 15 8:00 am-12 noon

Drop off donations:
March 12, 13 and 14 from 4:00-7:00 pm @ Angelus Center

Money Counters Meeting
Sunday, March 9, 10:00 am
All counters are asked to attend for some updated training information!

Friday, March 28- there will be an evening **Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing** at 6:00 p at St. Alphonsus Church.
* There will be no 8:00 am Mass that morning.

St. Monica Group
Please join us for our next meeting
Wednesday, March 12


St. Gianna Prayer Group
Please join us
Tuesday, March 4
6:00 pro-life rosary in the church
6:30 pm Meeting in Columbia Hall

**Join us for a Pro-Life Rosary
every Friday in Lent
At 4:45 pm
at the Cathedral of St. Joseph**

The newly formed Saint Monica Group is a support group for Catholics dealing with family and friends who have left the Faith. This support group is open to all Ohio Valley Catholics. The Saint Monica Group will normally meet on the first Wednesday of the month and will be held in the basement of Saint Alphonsus Parish (2111 Market St. Wheeling, WV 26003). The time of the meeting will begin approximately at 7:00 p.m., because it will follow the 6:00 p.m., Evening Mass and Adoration. You are all invited to Mass, Adoration, and the group meeting. The next Saint Monica Group Meeting is going to be held the second Wednesday due to Ash Wednesday. The meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 12th at 7:00 p.m., in the basement of Saint Alphonsus Parish. Please consider coming to Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Please pray for:
*Mt. St. Joseph: Sr. Ann Marie Cole Good Shepherd: Janet Platt
Peterson: D. Moore and G. Weithie,
Morgantown: Leah Reinhardt
At home: L. Griffin, B. Blazier, M.K. Heller, N. Klamut, J. Gavarkavich,
B. & H. Henry, Donald Henning, Roberta Henning, Roxanne Geleski,
Dorothy Jagaczewski, and Charlotte Jacovetty,
and Robert Pavilky, Sr. Jeanne Vidonic*

*Dates in our
2025 Mass Intention
Book are available!
Suggested stipend per
intention is \$10.*



March

SAT 1	5:30 pm Mass for People of the Parish
SUN 2	9:00 am Mass for David Trubiano + <i>(Requested by Ervan & Nancy Trubiano)</i>
MON 3	No Mass
TUE 4	8:00 am Mass for Michael Caroll + <i>(Requested by Mom, Dad & Grandma)</i>
WED 5	6:00 pm Mass for Wib Breiding + <i>(Requested by Family)</i>
THU 6	8:00 am Mass for Holy Souls in Purgatory <i>((Requested by B. Hart)</i>
FRI 7	8:00 am Mass for St. Alphonsus Mass Association
SAT 8	5:30 pm Mass for People of the Parish
SUN 9	5:30 pm Mass for Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery <i>(Requested by Family)</i>

Events

March 4	St. Gianna Pro-Life Group 6 pm rosary, 6:30 pm Meeting
March 5	Ash Wednesday Masses @ <u>8 am</u> and <u>6 pm</u> / Fish Fry 11-6 pm
March 7	First Friday 8 am/ Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm / Fish Fry 11-6 pm
March 9	Money Counter Training 10 am
March 11	Confraternity of Christian Mothers Meeting 6 Pm
March 12	St. Monica Prayer Group 7:00 pm
March 23	Community Breakfast 10 am