



# St. Alphonsus

Wheeling, WV

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

March 31, 2024

## Easter Sunday



**Parochial Vicar:**  
**Rev. Joseph Sebastian**

### Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:00 am

Tuesday 8:00 am

Wednesday 6:00 pm

Thursday 8:00 am

Friday 8:00 am

Saturday 5:30 pm

### Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 4:30-5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30-8:50 am

\* or by appointment

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**Alleluia!**

“This is the day the Lord has made,  
let us rejoice and be glad!” Psalm 118

## The Offertory Report

**March 24**

Envelopes = \$ 1676

Loose= \$782

Votive Candles= \$ 73

### Mass Attendance

5:30 pm— 78

9:00 am— 82

## Minster Schedule

April 6 and 7

### Readers:

Sat.- **Monica T.**

Sun.- **Paul R.**

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Sat.- **J. Vidonic**

**L. DeGasperis**

**J. Brensinger**

Sun.- **Mark B.**

**Phyllis H.**

**Mary Ellen P.**

## **Happy Easter to All! The Lord is Risen!**

May the Peace and Joy of the Risen Lord fill your hearts and lives as we celebrate this joyous occasion of Easter! Let us take a moment to reflect on the hope and promise that this day brings. "If Christ is not risen, your faith is futile, you are still in your sins." (1 Cor 15:17) From the teaching of St. Paul, we understand that the Resurrection is the key doctrine in Christian faith. The Resurrection is all about transformation. Indeed, the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is a triumphant victory over death and destruction. It is the ultimate triumph of good over evil, light over darkness and life over death. I believe that the Risen Lord will be displeased to see the present world. In all corners of the world we see conflict and division, racism, war, discrimination, abortion, and human trafficking. May the Risen Lord with His power of transformation renew the faith of the earth. This Easter, let us come together as brothers and sisters united in our shared humanity and our common desire for peace. Let us extend a hand of friendship to those who are different from us and seek to understand and respect one another's perspective and beliefs. Let this Easter be an occasion for us to pray to the Prince of Peace for peace in our world, especially for an end to war in Israel and all of the Middle East and also in the Ukraine. We also pray for the establishment of justice and freedom for all people.

As we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord, let us remember His words: "Blessed are the peacemaker, for they will be called children of God." May we all in our own way be instruments of peace in our families, societies and the world at large. Let the light of Christ's love and compassion radiate to all whom we encounter.

May the joy of the Resurrection fill our hearts and homes bringing peace and happiness to all. I am wishing you a Blessed Easter filled with love and the promise of peace!

Yours,

Father Joseph Sebastian



## **Divine Mercy Sunday**

The Cathedral of St. Joseph will offer  
Confession at 2:00 pm and a Holy Hour at 3:00 pm  
Next Sunday, April 7, in observance of Divine Mercy Sunday!

Please see the inserted information about the amazing gift Jesus offers us in this devotion.

## **Parish Council Meeting**

Thursday,  
May 16

All parishioners are  
welcome and encouraged  
to get involved!

## **The Christian Mother's Ladies' Guild News**

**Our next meeting is scheduled for April 9 at 6:00 pm**

Upcoming events:

Our next Member's Mass— **Saturday, April 20 @ 5:30 pm**

Rummage Sale— **August 3**, Items accepted July 1-20, 2024

Card Party— **November 3**

### 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.

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	3/30	5:30 pm	<b>People of the Parish</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	3/31	9:00 am	<b>People of the Parish</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	4/1		No Mass	
<b>Tuesday</b>	4/2	8:00 am	<b>Brian Hill +</b>	By his mother
<b>Wednesday</b>	4/3	6:00 pm	<b>St. Alphonsus Mass Assocaiton</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	4/4	8:00 am	<i>Celebrant's Intention</i>	
<b>Friday</b>	4/5	8:00 am	<b>St. Alphonsus Mass Association</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	4/6	5:30 pm	<b>Joseph Tomczyk</b>	By his family
<b>Sunday</b>	4/7	9:00 am	<b>Robert Yusko +</b>	By Barb Hart

Greetings from the Parish Office: **Happy Easter!**

Our cover photo this week is our Resurrection window on the south-rear side of the church. These beautiful and inspiring pieces of art were installed in the church in October of 1905, the work of the Neuheuser, Jele and Co. of Innsbruck, Tyrol, Austria. At the same time the parish installed electric lighting, cleaned, repainted, and added many new statues in honor of the anticipated Consecration of the Church. This summer, the parish plans to have some restorative work done on these stained glass window frames. Over time, the outside wood needs to be repaired, replaced, and re-protected. It's costly, but necessary. We have been meeting with experts at the diocese and some historical preservation foundations to manage and fund this very urgent 3 phase project. There are ways that you can start to help. One opportunity is to consider making your contribution to the Catholic Sharing Appeal on behalf of St. Alphonsus Parish. The CSA is designed and managed to help fund such building projects in our diocese that preserve and educate. Reaching our parish goal of \$10, 075 would be a favorable asset as we request assistance from the fund to begin the window restoration project. You can also make a direct gift to the parish marked as "window restoration." All help including prayer is appreciated!

Note: The parish office will be closed for Easter Monday.

### **FREE Parish Breakfast @ St. Al's!**

**Sunday, April 21**  
**after 9:00 am Mass**  
**Everyone welcome!**



The Wheeling Area Latin Mass Society will host a Missa Cantata (Traditional Latin Mass )

**Sunday, April 21 @ 3:00 pm**  
 At Our Lady of Seven Dolors Chapel,  
 Triadelphia, WV  
[www.wheelinglatinmass.com](http://www.wheelinglatinmass.com)

### **Please pray for:**

*Continuous Care: J.W. Evans and B. Heller*

*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,  
 Bob Comer, & Dorothy Jagaczewski, Charlotte Jacovetty*

*Dates in our  
 2024 Mass Intention  
 Book are available!  
 Suggested stipend per  
 intention is \$10.*



*Called to Know, Love and Serve the Lord*  
*Weekly Calendar*

SUNDAY, March 31

*Mass @ 9:00 am*  
*Easter Sunday*

MONDAY, APRIL 1

*(No Mass.)*

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

*Mass @ 8:00 am*

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

*Mass @ 6:00 pm*  
*w/ Adoration until 7 Pm*

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

*Mass @ 8:00 am*

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

*Mass @ 8:00 am*

*First Friday!*

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

*Confessions @ 4:30 pm*  
*Mass @ 5:30 pm*

Easter Flower Dedications



Casimer and Rosella Dudek  
John and Mary Rushkevich  
John and Evelyn Malatinsky  
Everett and Lila Holt  
Malcolm McNeil  
William and Sydne Ellis  
Joseph and Alice Forrester  
Albert, Mildred and James Vidonic

