

Safe Environment: To report an incident 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 of children by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, contact one of the following designees at 1.888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353, Sr. Martha Gomez, ext. 264. Or you may call Rev. Don Higgs, 304.685.2367, the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504, or Victims Assistance Coordinator Erin McFarland at 304.559.6742. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

MASS SCHEDULES & INTENTIONS

Monday: Nov 24 No Mass
 Tuesday: Nov 25 No Mass
 Wednesday: Nov 26 No Mass
 Thursday: Nov 27 No Mass
 Friday: Nov 28 No Mass
 Saturday: Nov 29 5:00 pm + Jim Fortney by Cheech Fortney
 Sunday: Nov 30 10:00 am + Mary K Spagnuolo by Brenda Malfregot

11/29/2025	5:00 pm Mass	11/30/2025	10:00 am Mass
Readers	Jimmy Gemondo	Readers	Mary Jo Bastin
Altar Servers	Dominick Spadafore Sophia Spadafore Colton Wright	Altar Servers	Frankie Bowen Ella Bowen Ryan DeMarco
Cup Ministers	Sandy McDonnell Cindy Hamrick	Cup Ministers	Mary Ann Spadafore Sam DeMarco
Host Minister	Robbie Spadafore	Host Minister	Steven Bee
Ushers	Cindy Hamrick Mickey Arco	Ushers	Vinnie De Marco John DeMarco Mary Fleece

Birthdays

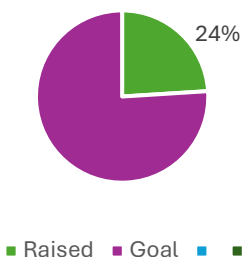
Nov 24th- Mary Fleece
 Nov 25th- Deanna Zirkle
 Nov 27th- Fr. Joseph
 Nov 29th- Nick Kellar
 Nov 30th- Kathy Rose



CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL PROGRESS



Raised: \$ 3,480
 Goal: \$ 14,400
 Gifts: 17



Pray for our Shut-ins

Genny Griffin
 Ursula Koreski
 Sandra Knight
 Gertrude Senchina

Mary Sims
 (156 Fazio's Elder Care
 Stoney Lonesome-Monongah)

Eddie Koreski
 Connie Koreski
 Joe Koreski
 (VA Nursing Home)

If you know of anyone that needs to be added to this prayer group call the office at 304-592-2733.

November-16

Regular Collection
\$2,297.00

Faith in Our Future
\$633.00

Diocesan

Weekend Attendance
150

Thank you for your continued generosity and for your presence.

St. Margaret of Castello Adoration Chapel, 43 Mahlon St. Shinnston

Since Covid, our Adoration Chapel had to make major changes in its 24/7 operation. As of now, we are only able to have it open for 3 out of 7 days (from 6:00am - 12:00am). We are sincerely hoping to open it another day during the week. With that said, we began last spring asking for people to consider becoming an adorer on Tuesdays. We were able to fill many hours, but not all. **The hours that still need an adorer for Tuesdays are 10 Am, 11 Am, 3:00Pm.** If you are interested and able to take any of these hours, please contact the church office. Please consider spending one hour a week in adoration with our Lord, the chapel is such a peaceful and beautiful place!



Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe (Nov-23)

Christ the King Sunday is celebrated on the last Sunday of the liturgical year, which is the Sunday before Advent begins. The feast concludes the church year by celebrating Christ's reign and kingship over all creation and serves as a transition into the new liturgical year with Advent. The day's theme focuses on Christ's authority and rule, contrasting his kingship with worldly rulers and prompting reflection on whether he is a king in one's own life.

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* ("In the first") to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.

During the early twentieth century, in Mexico, Russia, and some parts of Europe, militantly secularistic regimes threatened not just the Catholic Church and its faithful but civilization itself. Pope Pius XI's encyclical gave Catholics hope and—while governments around them crumbled—the assurance that Christ the King shall reign forever.

Jesus Christ "is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind" (*Quas primas*, 7).



PRAYER TO CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

O Lord our God, You alone are the Most Holy King and Ruler of all nations. We pray to You, Lord, in the great expectation of receiving from You, O Divine King, mercy, peace, justice and all good things.

Protect, O Lord our King, our families and the land of our birth. Guard us we pray Most Faithful One. Protect us from our enemies and from Your Just Judgment. Forgive us, O Sovereign King, our sins against you.

Jesus, You are a King of Mercy. We have deserved Your Just Judgment. Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us. We trust in Your Great Mercy.

O most awe-inspiring King, we bow before You and pray; May Your Reign, Your Kingdom, be recognized on earth. **Amen.**

"Whatever troubles may be before you, accept them cheerfully, remembering whom you are trying to follow. Do not be afraid." (St. Mary MacKillop)

Christ's kingship is rooted in the Church's teaching on the Incarnation. Jesus is fully God and fully man. He is both the divine Lord and the man who suffered and died on the Cross. One person of the Trinity unites himself to human nature and reigns over all creation as the Incarnate Son of God. "From this it follows not only that Christ is to be adored by angels and men, but that to him as man angels and men are subject and must recognize his empire; by reason of the hypostatic union Christ has power over all creatures" (*Quas primas*, 13).

The Church calls us to acknowledge Christ's kingship with our whole lives: *He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, 'as instruments of justice unto God.'* -*Quas primas*, 33

Today, religious freedom for many people means that we can believe whatever we want in private, but when we enter the public square or the marketplace, we may not speak of anything that relates to our faith. However, the Church acknowledges the reign of Christ, not only privately, but publicly. This solemnity encourages us to celebrate and live out our faith in public. "Thus by sermons preached at meetings and in churches, by public adoration of the Blessed Sacrament exposed and by solemn processions, men unite in paying homage to Christ, whom God has given them for their King" (*Quas primas*, 26).

For Christians, when our faith is repeatedly marginalized in public life, we can fall into the habit of compartmentalizing our lives. We love Jesus in our private lives, but we shrink from acknowledging the kingship of Christ in social life. When we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, we declare to the world and remind ourselves that Jesus is the Lord of the Church and of the entire universe.



Fr. Joe

** If anyone would like to advertise in the church bulletin please contact the office. **



NOVEMBER 23/2025 (Feast of Christ the King)



St. Ann Catholic Church is to glorify God through vibrant worship, compassionate service, and unwavering commitment to teachings of Jesus Christ. Rooted in Catholic tradition and guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to foster a welcoming community that nurtures faith, fosters spiritual growth, and promotes unity among all God's children. With love as our cornerstone, we seek to embody Christ's message of hope, forgiveness, and redemption, spreading His light to all corners of the world. Together, as disciples of Christ, we are called to share God's love, serve those in need, and build a Kingdom of mercy, justice, and peace.

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Office Hours

Tuesday -Friday
09 Am- 02 Pm

Closed on Monday

Adoration Chapel

St. Margaret of Castello
Adoration Chapel is open on;
Sunday, Wednesday, & Friday
6am to midnight.

For information call
John DeMarco at (304) 669-2057 or
Cindy Bee at (304) 592-5106



Baptism

Please contact the office to schedule a baptism.

(Instruction sessions are required with your first child).

Confessions

4 to 4. 40pm
on Saturdays.

Or

by appointment.

For appointments, please
call Fr. Joe



Marriage

Please contact the office at least **SIX months** prior to the proposed date of marriage.

Hospital & Sacramental Emergency

Please call; **304-780-8003**

For the Sick & Homebound

Please call the church office if you would like to receive communion or have a home visit.

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