

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

- April 13 Monday: **No Mass**
- April 14 Tuesday: 6:00 pm + George Medina *by George & Socorro Patrick*
- April 15 Wednesday: 6:00 pm + Jim Fortney *by Lisa Knight*
- April 16 Thursday: 6:00 pm + Mary Katherine Book *by Donnie & Pam Sabatelli*
- April 17 Friday: 6:00 pm + Joe Felosa *by Cindy Hamrick*
- April 18 **Saturday:** 5:00 pm + Alan Cole *by Cindy Hamrick*
- April 19 **Sunday:** 10:00 am + Louie Belcastro *by Chris & Anita Ballard*
- UHC 12:00 pm + Nancy Green *by Paul & Colleen Driscoll*

4/18/2026	5:00 pm Mass	4/19/2026	10:00 am Mass
Readers	Mary Ann Ferris	Readers	Mary Ann Spadafore
Altar Servers	Dominick Spadafore Sophia Spadafore Colton Wright	Altar Servers	Frankie Bowen Ella Bowen Ryan DeMarco
Cup Ministers	Jimmie Gemondo Sandy McDonnell	Cup Ministers	Kim Felosa Patsy Felosa
Ushers	Cindy Hamrick Mickey Arco	Ushers	Vinnie Demarco John DeMarco

Upcoming Birthdays



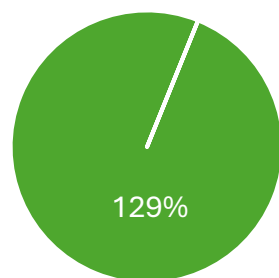
- April 13** Phyllis Ryan
- April 14** Margaret Perri
- April 17** Joey Farris
Cheech Fortney
Sunny Opron
- April 18** Collins Radcliff
- April 19** Thomas Lear

CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL- 2026



PROGRESS

Goal: \$ 4,800
 Raised: \$ 6,185.00
 Gifts: 15



■ Raised ■ Goal ■



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.

April 5th

Regular Collection

\$ 4,309.00

Faith in Our Future

\$974.00

Diocesan Collection

\$437.00

Holy Thursday Attendance

71

Good Friday Attendance

72

Weekend Attendance

230

St. Margaret of Castello Adoration Chapel

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 4 out of 7 days (from 6:00am - 12:00am). We are seeking adorers to cover the open hours on **Tuesday; 1pm-2pm, 6pm-7pm, 10pm-11pm and 11pm-12.00 Am.** 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!

Fritti Sale on April 18th

The Men's Group will be having a **Fritti sale**

on **April 18th.**

The price will be

6 for \$7.00.

The sale will begin at **7:00am** until **sold out.**



Adorers Needed

We are seeking for adorers to cover up the open hours on **Tuesdays, 1pm-2pm, 6pm-7pm, 10pm-11pm and 11pm-12.00 Am.** If you are interested and able to take any of these hours, please contact the church office.

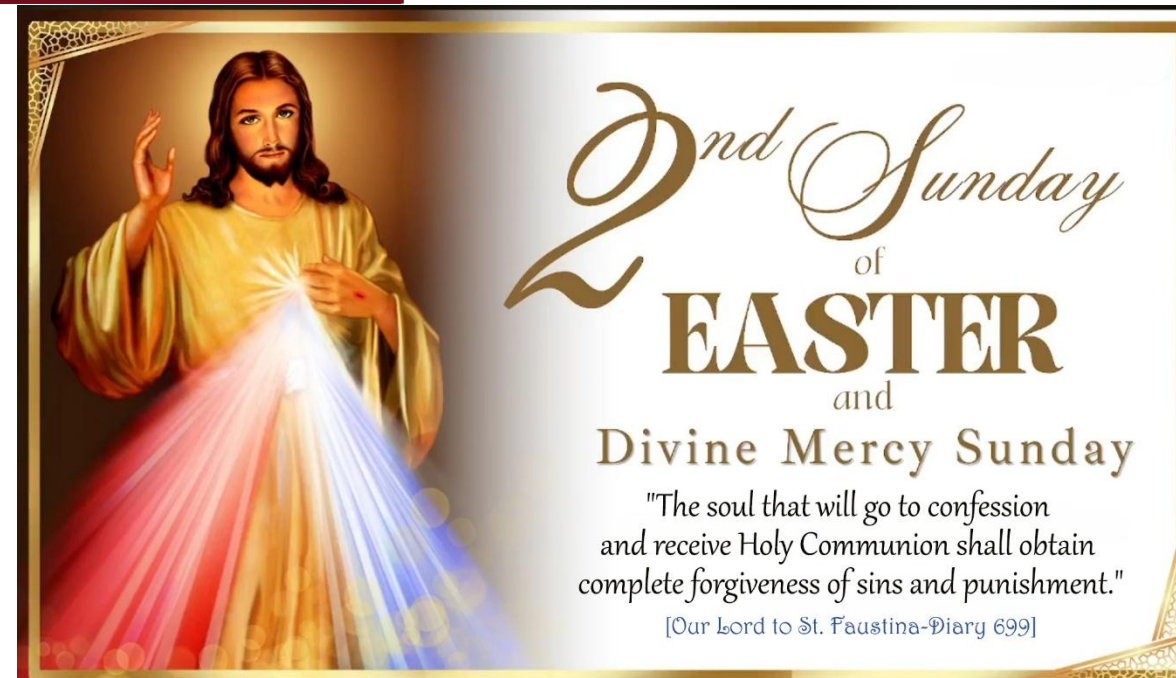
at **304 592 2733**

John DeMarco at **(304) 669-2057**

Cindy Bee at **(304) 592-5106**

Divine Mercy Sunday

We celebrate this feast on the Second Sunday of Easter; it is a special day dedicated to reflecting on God's boundless compassion and forgiveness. It's a day filled with hope, offering an opportunity for spiritual renewal and peace.



Divine Mercy Sunday is a major feast in the Catholic Church celebrated on the **Second Sunday of Easter**, concluding the Octave of Easter. It focuses on the infinite mercy of God, a devotion popularized by the visions of **Saint Faustina Kowalska**, a Polish nun, in the 1930s.

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. The Lord expressed His will with regard to this feast in His very first revelation to St. Faustina. Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

“Suffering is the greatest treasure on earth; it purifies the soul. In suffering, we learn who our true friend is.” (St. Faustina)

The "Divine Mercy" Sunday

The most comprehensive revelation can be found in her *Diary* entry 699: "My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy." In all, St. Faustina recorded 14 revelations from Jesus concerning His desire for this feast.



Pope Saint John Paul II officially designated this feast for the universal Church on April 30, 2000, during the canonization of St. Faustina.

The "Divine Mercy" image depicts Jesus with his right hand raised in blessing and two rays—one red (symbolizing blood) and one pale (symbolizing water)—emanating from his heart. It often includes the signature, "Jesus, I trust in You".

According to St. Faustina's diary, Jesus promised that a soul who goes to Confession and receives Holy Communion on this day will obtain "complete forgiveness of sins and punishment"—a grace comparable to a second baptism.

The Church also offers a plenary indulgence for participating in public devotions to Divine Mercy on this day, under the usual conditions of sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions.

The **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** is a Catholic devotion stemming from the visions of St. Faustina Kowalska, typically recited on rosary beads.



St. Ann Catholic Church

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April 12, 2026 (2nd Sunday of Easter)



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

Baptism
 Please contact the office to schedule a baptism.
(Instruction sessions are required with your first child).

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

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

Confessions
4 to 4. 40pm
 on Saturdays.
Or
 by appointment.
 For appointments, please
call Fr. Joe

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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"Love endures everything, love is stronger than death, love fears nothing." — St. Faustina