

Prayer List

Epiphany – Rudolph & Maria; Tammie Ayer's; Howard Baker; Edward Banks, Kaleigh Bennett; Ashly Carlson; Sharon Eye and Family; Robin Highlander; Chuck Hizzt; Bob Hurst; Jonny Kisamore; Diane Janthgato; Katie Johnson; Rick McMian; Nora Murray; Kathy Ratliff; Fransis Rodel; Sam Ross; Bill Santman; Hamme Tahan; Evelyn, Harley, & Manoles Brian Yarworth

St. Elizabeth - Lynn Beaty; Jimmy Bennet, Tom DeByl; Deacon John; Chad Kimble; Kim Kline; Mary Catherine Loudermilk; Fr Mario; Deacon Rue Thompson; Ruth Zimmers; Residents of Pendleton Manor.

St. Mary's – Luther and Cleo Alt; Maxine Bissell; David Brosh; Jerry Fetch; Dick Henderson; Gina Hinkle; Jim Hughes; Tommy Kimble, Nola Lawrence; John Lutz, Susan and Steve Mongold; Richard and Toni Ours; Roy Reynolds; Becky Rogers; Liz Simpson, Elizabeth S. A. Sites, Alice Veach; Mary Wood

Announcements for St. Elizabeth

- Please bring in new socks to be donated to the high school students. We have many students who come each day without the added layer of warmth and protection. Colorful, fun patterns are great. Thank you!

Announcements for St. Mary's

- If you know of someone at home who might be in need of Communion visits, please let Liz know.

Calendar

Monday 01/16
St. Berard and Companions
Heb 5:1-10
Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday 01/17
St. Anthony of Egypt
Heb 6:10-20
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday 01/18
St. Charles of Sezze
Heb 7:1-3, 15-17
Mk 3:1-6

Thursday 01/19
St. Fabian
Heb 7:25—8:6
Mk 3:7-12

Friday 01/20
St. HSebastian
Heb 8:6-13
Mk 3:13-19

Saturday 01/21
St. Agnes
Heb 9:2-3, 11-14
Mk 3:20-21

Sunday 01/22
St. Vincent of Zaragossa
Is 8:23—9:3
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17
Mt 4:12-23

January 15, 2023

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6
1 Cor 1:1-3
Jn 1:29-34

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Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Please call the number for St. Mary's or send an email if there is a need for a hospital or home visit. During the current pandemic, visits are restricted, face mask is recommended as is social distancing.

Any information for the bulletin and Mass intentions should be forwarded to the general office email address, by Thursday evening.

Second Collection

Next Special Collect is on February 12 for Church Missions within the United States.

Mass Intentions

Members of the Parish Every Sunday

Saturday January 28, memorial service for Jack Welton at Epiphany.

This is the 5 o'clock Vigil Mass on Saturdays. Stay for wine and cheese and other goodies following Mass.

Note: Please call the office or email St. Mary's to schedule a Mass Intention for someone. On weekday and weekend Mass, we will begin celebrating the Mass for someone's intention. An offering generally made and that offering will be going into a fund for those who have less than we.



Behold, the Lamb of God!

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." John 1:29

Saint John the Baptist speaks these words about Jesus at the moment that he sees Jesus coming to him in the distance. John knew, by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, that Jesus was the "Lamb of God." He knew, by this interior revelation, that Jesus would become the Sacrificial Lamb Who would lay down His life for the salvation of the world. Perhaps John did not know the details of how this would happen, but he didn't need to. He was content knowing this sacred mission of the Messiah, and he was content knowing that Jesus was that Messiah.

Today, as we ponder John's words, we are able to see them more clearly. Jesus is the One Who gave His life on the Cross for the remission of sins. He is the One Whom we now receive sacramentally in Holy Communion as the "Lamb of God." It is His flesh and His blood, poured out for us, that we now consume with the deepest reverence and love.

At Mass, these are the final words spoken by the priest after the consecration and prior to Holy Communion. Every time we participate in the Holy Mass, we relive this moment in which John saw our Lord coming to Him.

As we begin this season of Ordinary Time, we are invited to come to know this Lamb of God more fully through His many teachings, miracles and actions done during His public ministry. In the Liturgy of the Word at every Mass, we are called to unpack these words of John, coming to understand the mystery of the life of Christ more fully. And through our participation in the

reception of Holy Communion, we come to know Him Who is the Lamb of God in the most personal and intimate of ways, when we enter into holy union (Holy Communion) with Him.

Reflect, today, upon these very familiar words of Saint John the Baptist. As you do, begin by prayerfully pondering the knowledge that John might have had about Christ the first time he saw Him. Why did John say these words? How fully did he understand their meaning? Did he know that his words would be echoed throughout time? As you prayerfully ponder the interior knowledge that John might have had at that time, try also to reflect upon all that we now know about these holy words. Reflect especially upon the suffering and death of the Lamb of God and the way in which He has transmitted His Saving Sacrifice to us in Holy Communion. What a gift! What a mystery! What a joy! Behold the Lamb of God within your heart, mind and soul, and prayerfully seek to know Him more fully this day.

Glorious Lamb of God, You have come and taken away the sins of the world through the sacrifice of Your sacred life on the Cross. Please help me to understand Who You are and all that You have done for me, especially every time I come to behold You and receive You in Holy Communion. Jesus, I trust in You.

Epiphany of the Lord Catholic Church

2029 State Road 55
Moorefield, WV 26836
304-434-2547

Liturgies

Thursday at 12:00 Noon
Saturday 5:00PM
& Sunday 8:00AM

After Christmas, the Sunday mass will begin at 8:30.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

545 Walnut Street
Franklin, WV 26807
304-358-7012

Liturgies

Tuesday at 12:00 Noon
Sunday 12:00 Noon

Lector: Cathy Hottinger

The 3rd Sunday of each month is Birthday Sunday at **St. Elizabeth**. Please stay after Mass and celebrate everyone who has a Birthday that month with some sort of dessert and good conversation.

St. Mary's Catholic Church

4 Grant Street
Petersburg, WV 26847
304-257-1057

Liturgies

Wednesday at 12:00 Noon
Sunday 10:00AM

Lector: Paul Lawrence

Eucharist Minister: Barb DiBenedetto and Tom Hencke

Starting in August, we will have **the First Friday Mass** every first Friday of the month at 11AM.

The first Sunday of each month is Birthday Sunday at **St. Mary's**. Please stay after Mass and celebrate everyone who has a Birthday that month with some sort of dessert and good conversation.

