

Celebrating 77 Years As A Parish!

ALL SAINTS NEWS!



ALL SAINTS PARISH
317 East Main Street, Bridgeport, WV 26330



May 19, 2024 – PENTECOST!

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Parish Staff:

Pastor: Fr. Walter Jagela, Ext. 13
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Business Manager: Kris Gladden, Ext. 12
Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation & Spirituality: Brian Suehs-Vassel: Ext. 14

Liturgies:

Saturday, May 18th at 5pm + Donna Caroli by Mary C. Queen
Sunday, May 19th at 10am + Al Reid by Family
Tuesday, May 21st 8am: No Mass
Saturday, May 25th at 5pm + William Joliff by Joan LeJeune
Sunday, May 26th at 10am + Fr. Jerome McKenna, CP by Fr. Walter Jagela

**Sunday Offering /Attendance: 5/11-5/12: \$11,243 5pm: 162 10am: 526 Total in person 688
(online 51) Total In person and Online 739**

New Members since Covid began: 80 Households

All Saints Vacation Bible School : “Come to the Table”

JUNE 10TH-14TH, 9:00am to Noon - Monday through Friday

The Eucharist as a Celebration for Everyone!

Register online at www.allsaintsbridgeport.com under “Faith Formation” or get paper copies at the doors of the church building.. Registration due date is June 3, 2024

**Cost for each child is being covered by a generous donation from a parishioner.

Call Brian Suehs-Vassel at the parish office for more information 304-842-2283 x 14

Save the date! Friday, May 31st
Fr. Walt’s 30th Anniversary Reception
here at All Saints from 6pm – 8pm

Mass of Thanksgiving in Celebration of
Fr. Walt’s 30th Anniversary of Ordination.
Sunday, June 2, at 10am

Blessings and Congratulations to our parish graduates:

Zachary Lunsford, Nikolai Wilkinson, Mark Biafore, Grant Lively,
Sophia Schroeder, Jeremy Tustin, Anthony Hall, Austin Marshall,
Zachary Ayoob, Benjamin Yurkovich.

If we’ve missed someone’s name in our list, please let us know.

“Be who you were created to be, and you will set the world on fire.”
St. Catherine of Siena

REFLECTION ON TODAY'S SCRIPTURES by Anne M. Osdieck

First Reading [Acts 2:1-11](#)

1. The disciples were just an insignificant group only minutes before, cowering behind locked doors. Suddenly they were filled with power, speaking with great courage and freedom “and in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them.” Can you explain the birth of the Church in terms of this reading? Was the Church “astounding” on the first Pentecost? How can/could it “astound” today?
2. Did the Holy Spirit come only once in history, as in the upper room? Or do you see the Holy Spirit as dynamic and constant in all life? How were the disciples different after the Spirit’s arrival? Are you confident that the Spirit is with you? Will the Spirit work through you in some way to change things that need changing: Climate crisis? Hunger? Immigration? Racial bias? Trafficking?

Second Reading [1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13;](#)

1. Were Vivaldi and Michelangelo given gifts solely for their own pleasure? “To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.” For whose benefit were they given? What are your gifts and for what benefit were they given to you and those around you? /p>
2. [St. Alphonsus Rodriguez](#) was a Jesuit Brother (1533-1617) whose job for forty years was doorkeeper of the Jesuit College in Majorca. Would his spiritual gift of service compare to that of St. Francis Xavier, who converted whole countries? How?

Gospel [John 20:19-23; or John 15:26-27; 16:12-15](#)

1. Jesus “breathed” on them. How does this relate to [Genesis 2:7](#): “God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life?” What significance does this have for you? How important is the Holy Spirit in your life?
2. According to Pope Francis, what is the Paraclete telling the Church today?

Pope Francis said: “Let us go another step. We too are called to testify in the Holy Spirit, *to become paracletes*, comforters. The Spirit is asking us to embody the comfort he brings.

How can we do this? Not by making great speeches, but by drawing near to others. Not with trite words, but with prayer and closeness. Let us remember that closeness, compassion and tenderness are God’s “trademark,” always. The Paraclete is telling the Church that today is *the time for comforting*. It is more the time for joyfully proclaiming the Gospel than for combatting paganism. It is the time for bringing the joy of the Risen Lord, not for lamenting the drama of secularization.

It is the time for pouring out love upon the world, yet not embracing worldliness. It is the time for testifying to mercy, more than for inculcating rules and regulations. It is the time of the Paraclete! It is the time of freedom of heart, in the Paraclete.”

[Pope Francis Pentecost Homily](#)
May 23, 2021
Fourth paragraph

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Parish Membership: Fill out a Census Form found on the table in the gathering area, if you’d like to be a member here. We can then give you credit for your tax deductible contributions.

All Saints Nursery / Pre – K Classroom: *Jesus said to his disciples, “Let the little Children come to me!”* We encourage you to bring your children to Mass and participate as much as possible. Also, we trust the judgment of parents and offer the space of our Nursery / Pre-K classroom as a resource if it can help. The Nursery / Pre-K classroom is open during all Masses. Please note that since the pandemic we have not had volunteers staff the nursery for childcare so **parents must accompany and supervise their children**. We have a TV in the classroom that broadcasts the Mass whenever it is streamed to YouTube. We tend to keep the door closed so that mobile little ones don't run out, but please visit the nursery if it can be of help to you and your family.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM! Sign up for the Kroger Community Rewards Program and choose All Saints for your organization. A percentage of what you spend at Kroger will then be sent to All Saints! Go to this address online.

<https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards>

Mommy and Me Playgroup “Little Saints”: Moms and young children ages 5 and under are welcome to join in the preschool room on Thurs. from 9-11 for a playdate, fellowship and support.

PARISH HEALTHCARE MINISTRY:

Blood Pressure Clinics will be held after Mass on May 18th and 19th, June 15th and 16th, July 20th and 21st, August 17th and 18th.

May is National Mental Health Month which raises awareness of trauma and the impact it can have on the physical, emotional, and mental well-being of children, families and communities. This month provides an opportunity to destigmatize mental health and encourage individuals to seek help and support.

For more information or help go to HELP4WV.com or 1-844-435-7498.

Bereavement: *Resumes this Fall.*

HELP NEEDED: As most of you know All Saints provides a meal to the Clarksburg Mission the 2nd Saturday of every month. We are currently looking for additional volunteers to help with this service. If you are interested and would like to be added to the Sign Up Genius distribution list, please call or text Cyndy Smell at 304-677-1932. Thank you!

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ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR “ALL SAINTS NEWS” need to be sent to us by Noon on Wednesday, preferably via email. Editing of any submitted news item will be to our discretion. It can be emailed to allsaintswv@gmail.com

Holy Communion for Parishioners at Home: We are currently developing an updated list of parishioners who would like to receive Holy Communion at home on a weekly basis. We would also like to know of those who would just be in need of a home visit on a regular basis. Kindly call the church office to leave the name of the person, preferred day of the week and time of day to receive a visit by a Eucharistic Minister or to receive a home visit.

The Diocese encourages reporting to civil authorities first and foremost if a crime has been committed. 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 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, you may also report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel or volunteers of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, by contacting one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. You may also visit www.dwc.org, under “Accountability” for additional reporting mechanisms.

