

Potomac Highlands Catholic Churches



“It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters.” Then Jesus said to her in reply, “O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.”

Matthew 15:26–28



August 16, 2026
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7
Romans 11:13-15, 29-32
Matthew 15:21-28



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5 Pierpont St.
Petersburg, WV 26847

Joined Parishes website: www.potomachighlandwvcatholic.org

Message/Event for All

1. Please call 304-249-8114 or email St. Mary's to schedule a Mass Intention for someone. On weekday and weekend Mass, we will begin celebrating the Mass for any mass intention. An offering generally made and that offering will go into a fund for these who have less than we.
2. Next Special Collect is on **August 23 for Education of DWC Seminarians**.

Sacrament by Appointment

Please call or text 304-249-8114 or send an email if there is a need for a hospital or home visit.

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

Next Sunday's readings

Isaiah 22:19-23

Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8

Romans 11:33-36

Matthew 16:13-20

St. Mary's Catholic Church

4 Grant Street
Petersburg, WV 26847
304-257-1057 or 304-249-8114

Pastor: Fr. Rusiri K. Wijewickrama
rwijewickrama@dwc.org



Liturgies

Wednesday at 12PM
Sunday at 9:30AM
First Friday - Adoration at 11:00 AM followed by noon
Mass
First Saturday - Holy Mass at noon

Confessions

After Wednesday weekday mass
or Sunday from 8:30AM to 9:15AM.
Appointments may also be made by
calling the parish office.

Please join us for Rosary Prayer on Sunday at 9 AM.

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.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/people/St-Marys-Catholic-Church/61569546391435/>

Ministry List for August 23, 2026

Lector: Tom Parisi **Acolyte:** Matthew Parisi
Eucharist Minister: Barb DiBenedetto & Lesley Parisi

Prayer List

Cleo Alt; David Brosh; Jerry Fetch; Fr. Hite; Tommy Kimble, Nola Lawrence; Ben Miller; Levi Miller; Nancy Monahan; Richard Ours; Roy Reynolds; Liz Sites; Alice Veach; Mary Wood; Gavin Yonce.

Home Bound members - Cleo Alt, Alice Veach, Larry Whetzel.
at the Grant County Nursing Home – Jerry Fetch; Dick Henderson.

Announcements

- Petersburg Interfaith Pantry Needs would be Cereal, Canned ravioli or something alike, pasta sauce. Donation can be accepted too. Please make check payable to Petersburg Interfaith Food Pantry.
- Our Lady of the Valley Praesidium within St. Mary's Catholic Church has contracted with WELD Radio Station out of Fisher, WV. The weekly broadcast is scheduled every Sunday from 11AM to 11:15AM.



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

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

Liturgies

Sunday Mass 12:00 pm (Noon)

First and Third Tuesday of the Month at Noon.

Second, Fourth, and Fifth (when applicable)
Tuesday of the Month at Noon
with Liturgy of the Word and Holy

Pastor: Fr. Rusiri K. Wijewickrama
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Deacon John Windett
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Confessions

After the weekday mass
or call to schedule

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

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1XHzzPwsVH/?mibextid=wwXlfr>

Ministry List for August 23, 2026

Lector: Regina Hedrick
Eucharist Minister: Carol Windett

Prayer List

Brat Alt; Lynn Beatty; Andi Boggs; Charlie Dundas; Matilda Garcia; Lisa Guyer; Wayne Hedrick; LJ Huey; Deacon John; Kim Kline; Melvina Kolman; Don Mundy; Residents of Pendleton Manor.

Home Bound members - Don Mundy at 800 J.D. Anderson Dr.,
Room 228A, Morgantown, WV 26505.

Announcements

- CAN Needs would be laundry detergent and bath soap. Cash/check donations can be dropped off at CAN or given to Carol Windett. A little green is always welcome!
- It's that time of year again. The grass is green and growing. Seas needs volunteer help to help mow. Please contact Steven O'Toole to volunteer. Thank you!

**EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Monday 5 pm—7 pm
or by appointment

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<https://www.facebook.com/people/Epiphany-of-the-Lord-Catholic-Church>

Weekly Liturgical Schedule

<u>Saturday Vigil</u>	5:00 pm
<u>Sunday</u>	8:00 am 12:00 pm (Spanish)
<u>Tuesday</u>	12:00 pm
<u>Thursday</u>	Adoration at 11:00 am followed by noon mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm
or by appointment.

Support in Prayer

*“The Lord bless you & keep you! The Lord let his face shine upon you & be gracious to you!
The Lord look upon you kindly & give you peace! ~Numbers 6:24-26*

Roy & Kathy Ratliff; Marlene & Anthony Ciccolella; Patty Fraley; Ben Miller; Liz Simpson; Zuber Family; Ring Family; Rodel Family; Yarworth Family; Joe Sis; Kathy Sis; Eileen Beatty; Tina; Marjory Jones; Larry Canterbury; Eugene Tuckwiller; Keith Wisner; Mark Wright; Maverick Cunningham; Bea Armentrout; Jon Hill; Lesley Hill; Donna Gandy; Don Watkins; Yolaine Watkins; Stefano Watkins Ratti; Michelle Watkins Ratti; Giovanni Ratti; Alessandro Ratti; Anna Nar-done; Francesca Lezzi; Margherita Marchegiano; Ray & Anita Gandy; Ruddie Family; Louise Mil-ler; Sage Peterson; Eugene Sherman; Sharon Hammer.

HOMEBOUND: Juanita Martin.

Announcements

- **Are you new to our Parish?** We are so happy you’re here! We warmly welcome you to our parish community. If you have not yet registered, please contact the parish office to become a member. We look forward to getting to know you and helping you feel at home.



Pope’s Monthly Intentions – August : For evangelization in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Feast Days in August

08/05: Our Lady of the Snows

08/06: Feast of the Transfiguration

08/15: Solemnity of the Assumption

08/22: Queenship of Mary

08/29: Passion of St. John the Baptist



SAFE ENVIRONMENT

To report suspected cases of child sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, please contact one of the following designees at (888) 434-2637 or (304) 233-0880: Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Sr. Martha Gomez, ext. (304)230-1504.

Monthly Devotion

The Church dedicates the month of August to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. It is a dogma of the Catholic faith that Mary is the Immaculate Conception; that is, in preparation for the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Holy Trinity in her womb, she was conceived without the corruption of sin through the foreseen and infinite merits of her Son, Jesus Christ. Over the centuries, as saints and theologians reflected on how Mary pondered and treasured the sacred events from the life of Christ in her holy heart, as attested in Scripture, her pure heart was recognized as something to be imitated. Devotion to Our Lady’s purity of heart began to flower—so much so that in the 17th century, St. John Eudes promoted it alongside the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion rose to a new level after the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, when Mary revealed an image of her Immaculate Heart to Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco.