




**Pope's Monthly Intentions – August: For mutual coexistence**

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

**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
- 08/28: 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: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Sr. Martha Gomez, ext. 264.



The Shrine and the Daughters of Charity Archives unveiled a new exhibit, **ONE OF US: The Making of an American Saint.**

**Celebrating 50 Years of Sainthood**

2025 Marks the 50th Anniversary of the canonization of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

**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.

**Message/Event for All**

1. 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 any mass intention. An offering generally made and that offering will go into a fund for these who have less than we.
2. Anyone wishes for the house to be blessed, welcome to contact the pastor.

**Potomac Highlands Catholic Churches**



Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."

Luke 13:22–24



August 24, 2025  
Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 66:18-21  
Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13  
Luke 13:22-30



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Petersburg, WV 26847**

**Joined Parishes website: www.potomachhighlandscatholic.org**

**Second Collection**

Next Special Collect is on September 28 for the Catholic University of America.

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

**Next week's readings**

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29  
Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11  
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a  
Luke 14:1, 7-14



### **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

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

#### **Liturgies**

Tuesday at 12:00 Noon upon Request  
Sunday 12:00 Noon

**Deacon: John Windett**

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.

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

#### **Ministry List for August 31, 2025**

**Lector:** Mary Stephenson  
**Eucharist Minister:** Carol Windett

#### **Prayer List**

Mike Adams; Lynn Beatty; Robert Bennett; Andi Boggs; Jim Bradley; Matilda Garcia; Wayne Hedrick; Peggy Harper; Dianna Hevener; Chuck Hiatt; LJ Huey; Deacon John; Kim Kline; Melvina Kolman; Randy Marston; Tony May; Don Mundy; Residents of Pendleton Manor; Rick Waggy.

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

#### **Announcements**

- CAN needs saltine crackers.
- The trip to the Shrine in Emmitsburg, MD, is on September 27. We will arrive/meet at the Shrine at 10AM. We plan to leave there around 4PM.
- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Franklin will observe its Golden jubilee (50 years) as a parish on Sunday October 12, 2025. Bishop Mark Brennan will be the main celebrant. Mass will be at 12 noon followed by a luncheon in the community center. All are welcome.

### **Our Sister Parish Epiphany of the Lord Catholic Church**

2029 State Road 55  
Moorefield, WV 26836



**Pastor: Fr. Jose Manuel Escalante 304-719-1336**

#### **Liturgies**

Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday  
at 12:00 Noon  
Saturday 5:00PM  
Sunday 8AM  
Sunday 12:00 Noon in  
Spanish

Hispanic Faith Formation at  
6PM on Friday

#### **Confession**

Saturday 4PM to 4:45PM  
or call to schedule

Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/people/Epiphany-of-the-Lord-Catholic-Church/100064725694768/>

### **St. Mary's Catholic Church**

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



#### **Liturgies**

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 12:00 Noon  
Sunday 10:00AM

#### **Confession**

Sunday 9:30-9:45AM  
or call to schedule

Please join us for Rosary Prayer on Sunday at 9:30 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 31, 2025**

**Lector:** Brian Vance **Acolyte:** Pat Colton  
**Eucharist Minister:** Lisa Vance & Kelly Kuh

#### **Prayer List**

Cleo Alt; Paul Borrer; David Brosh; Jerry Fetch; Dick Henderson; Gina Hinkle; Fr. Hite; Mary Frances Idleman; Tommy Kimble, Nola Lawrence; John Lutz; Megan Mayo and Family; Ben Miller; Levi Miller; Richard Ours; Roy Reynolds; Alice Veach; Mary Wood; Gavin Yonce; Jim Youth.

**Home Bound members** - Cleo Alt, Alice Veach, Larry Whetzel.  
at the Grant County Nursing Home – Jerry Fetch & Jim Youth.

#### **Announcements**

- The parish date is September 7. We will begin with the mass at 4 PM followed by dinner. Please plan to join us.
- Barb DiBenedetto will be honored at noon by Church Women United on September 13 at the Presbyterian Church.