



Pope's Monthly Intentions – September: For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Feast Days in September

09/08: Nativity of the Virgin Mary

09/12: Holy Name of Mary

09/14: Exaltation of the Cross

09/15: Our Lady of Sorrows (Mater Dolorosa)

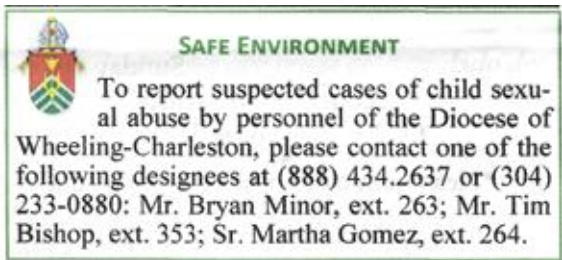
09/24: Our Lady of Ransom (Our Lady of Mercy)



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 September to Our Lady of Sorrows, also known as Mater Dolorosa (Mother of Sorrows). This devotion recalls the Blessed Virgin Mary's spiritual martyrdom in virtue of her perfect union with the Passion of Christ. This was her role in salvation history, and what merited her place as the spiritual Mother of all Christians. This is symbolized by a single sword, or seven swords, piercing Mary's suffering heart, as foretold in Simeon's prophecy. Traditionally the Church meditates on the "Seven Sorrows" of our Blessed Mother: the prophecy of Simeon; the Holy Family's flight into Egypt; the loss of the Child Jesus for three days; the meeting of Mary and Jesus as he carried his cross; Jesus' crucifixion and death; Jesus' sacred body taken down from the cross; and Jesus' burial. The feast of Our Lady of Sorrows (Mater Dolorosa) is September 15th.

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



“When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

Luke 14:12–14



August 31, 2025
Twenty-Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
Luke 14:1, 7-14



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Second Collection

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

Bishop Brennan had approved a special collection for Gaza Relief to be held the weekend of September 6-7, 2025.

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

Wisdom 9:13-18b
Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17
Philemon 9-10, 12-17
Luke 14:25-33



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.

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Ministry List for September 07, 2025

Lector: Lynn Vandevander
Eucharist Minister: Chris Bright

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 September 07, 2025

Lector: Tom Parisi **Acolyte:** Matthew Parisi
Eucharist Minister: Lesley Parisi & Lorretta Alt

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; 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

- Barb DiBenedetto will be honored at noon by Church Women United on Sept 13 at the Presbyterian Church.
- There is a parish council meeting on September 3 at 6PM.

