



Bishop Traveling the State for Holy Week

At the Cathedral: Holy Thursday, Good Friday will be Livestreamed; Easter Sunday Mass will be Televised Live and Livestreamed

By Colleen Rowan

WHEELING—Bishop Mark Brennan will be on the road for much of Holy Week this year as he celebrates Masses with the people of different parishes in the diocese. For those unable to be in church, Masses at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Wheeling will be livestreamed on the diocese’s website at www.dwc.org and televised live in parts of the state.

The bishop will celebrate Palm Sunday Masses at noon at the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Charleston and at 5:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Church in Huntington. The next day he is back in Charleston for the Chrism Mass at 4 p.m. at the basilica, where he will gather with the priests of the southern and central regions of the diocese.

Bishop Brennan returns to Wheeling March

30 for the celebration of Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph at 4 p.m., gathering with the priests of the northern and eastern regions of the diocese.

The bishop will celebrate the Mass of the Lord’s Supper, Holy Thursday, at the cathedral at 6 p.m. The Mass will be livestreamed on the diocese’s website.

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Courtesy Photo

Pictured are Palm Sunday palm crosses created by the youth group of St. Joseph Parish in Martinsburg and St. Bernadette Parish in Hedgesville.

Palm Crosses Created, Thanks to Youth Group

By Colleen Rowan

Each year, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court 392 of Martinsburg, creates hundreds of palm crosses for distribution on Palm Sunday. The crosses are given to the sick and home-

bound of the area.

It is a project that members look forward to every year. But with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, they quickly realized that it was not safe for many of the members to participate. So, they asked for a little help

this year. And happily stepping up was the youth group of St. Joseph Parish in Martinsburg and St. Bernadette Parish in Hedgesville.

The kids were more than willing to **See “Crosses” on Page 6**

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Holy Week...

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The people of Sacred Heart of Mary Parish in Weirton will welcome Bishop Brennan back to their church on April 2 for Good Friday, the Passion of the Lord, at 7 p.m. Meanwhile, the celebration of the Passion of the Lord at the cathedral with Father Martin Smay, vice rector, will be livestreamed on the diocese's website

at 3 p.m.

On Holy Saturday, Bishop Brennan will be in Wheeling to celebrate the Easter Vigil at 8 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Church. The parish has four members of the elect, who will receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and the Eucharist, and one candidate, who will receive the sacraments confirmation, and the Eucharist. Two Catholic adults will also be confirmed at the Mass.

The bishop returns to the cathedral for the celebration of the Mass on Easter Sunday at 10:30 a.m. which will be televised live and broadcasted on WTRFDT3/ABC in the Wheeling area and WBOYDT/ABC for the Clarksburg area. The Mass will also be livestreamed on the diocese's website.

In a press release from the diocese, Marketing and Communications Director Tim Bishop said as

COVID-19 restrictions on church attendance and social distancing guidelines remain in place in West Virginia, Catholic faithful are encouraged to join Bishop Brennan for celebrations of the Sacred Triduum and Easter Sunday from the cathedral via livestream and television broadcast.

The livestreaming and broadcast of the Holy Week celebrations are sponsored by the Welty Corporation.

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To Report to Civil Authorities: Contact your local law enforcement: numbers will vary based on your location. If you believe someone is in immediate danger, call 911. To confidentially report any incidence of suspected child abuse or neglect, including sexual abuse, contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families' Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. You may report anonymously to this hotline if you prefer.

To Report to Diocesan Authorities: The diocese encourages reporting to the appropriate civil authorities first and foremost if a crime has been committed. The diocese also encourages reporting to the appropriate church authorities. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse of children by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, contact one of the following designees at 1.888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; or Very Rev. Dennis Schuelkens, Jr., V.E., ext. 270. You may also call the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. You may also call the Diocese's sexual abuse hotline at 833.230.5656. Complaint forms are available online at www.dwc.org, click "Diocese" on the menu bar, then "Offices," then "Safe Environment," then "Download Files and Forms." The form is titled "Complaint Form for Allegations of Sexual Abuse of a Minor." The form may be returned via U.S. mail to: Office of Safe Environment, Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, PO Box 230, Wheeling WV 26003.

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Links and information: WV Department of Health and Human Resources: <https://www.wvdhhr.org/report.asp>. West Virginia State Police, Crimes Against Children Unit: 304-293-6400.

Sexual Abuse Awareness Training

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) requires that all Dioceses/Eparchies have in place a Safe Environment Program for the protection of children and young people. In accordance with these requirements, the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston's Safe Environment Program consists of the following components for persons seeking employment or to volunteer—directly or indirectly—with children: background check; receipt of the Diocese's Policy Relating to Sexual Abuse of Children; and sexual abuse awareness training for adults. Sexual abuse awareness training may be completed online or via live workshop. For more information on the Office of Safe Environment, please go to www.dwc.org, click "Diocese", then "Offices," then "Office of Safe Environment."



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‘Everyone Can Find in St. Joseph a Model of Loving Service to Others,’ Bishop Says



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Bishop Mark Brennan celebrates Mass on the Solemnity of St. Joseph, opening the Year of St. Joseph for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Wheeling March 19. From left are Deacon Doug Breiding, who served as deacon of the word; and concelebrants (standing behind the bishop) Father Carlos Melocoton, Jr., pastor of St. Michael Parish in Wheeling; Very Rev. Leonard A. Smith, V.F., pastor of St. James the Greater Parish in Charles Town; and Very Rev. John S. Ledford, V.F., pastor of St. Jude Parish in Glen Dale.

By Colleen Rowan

“Everyone can find in St. Joseph a model of loving service to others,” Bishop Mark Brennan said in his homily at the Mass opening the Year of St. Joseph in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. St. Joseph was the indispensable man to show the incarnate son of God what a truly good man and a truly good human father was like, the bishop said.

Celebrated on the Solemnity of St. Joseph March 19 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Wheeling, the Mass gathered faithful and priests of the diocese to open this special year honoring St. Joseph, not only as the patron of the universal church but also as the patron of Wheeling-Charleston. Joining the bishop at the Mass were concelebrating priests: Very Rev. John S. Ledford, V.F., pastor of St. Jude Parish in Glen Dale; Very Rev. Leonard A. Smith, V.F., pastor of St. James the Greater Parish in Charles Town; and Father Carlos Melocoton, Jr., pastor

of St. Michael Parish in Wheeling. Father Martin Smay, vice rector of the cathedral, was master of ceremonies, and Deacon Doug Breiding served as deacon of the word. Also present were a few of the newly elected members of the Diocesan Pastoral Council and of the Wheeling Vicariate Council as well as those gathered at the cathedral and watching the livestream on the diocese’s website.

St. Joseph speaks no words at all in the New Testament, Bishop Brennan said in his homily. “We know him only through his actions,” he said, “but they reveal why God the father wanted this man to be his son’s adoptive father.”

Joseph was obedient to God, the bishop said. Like Abraham, he put his faith in what God told him. Even when things were not entirely clear he did God’s will. Joseph took Mary as his wife, the bishop said. He took her and Jesus to Egypt to escape King Herod and returned to Israel when God said the danger had passed.

“We too are challenged to obey God even

when we don’t understand everything,” Bishop Brennan said. “We trust that he knows best.”

“Joseph also teaches us to sympathize with people who, like the holy family, leave their country because of threats of many kinds to themselves and their families and who come here in hopes of a better life as our own ancestors did,” the bishop said.

In addition to being obedient and trusting in God’s word, Joseph was a loving man, the bishop said. Even thinking that Mary had betrayed him he wanted to spare her public shame by divorcing her quietly, he said, and his tender consideration of her must have continued in their marriage. Joseph’s love for Jesus led him to find a safe, warm place for him to be born when there was no room in the inn, Bishop Brennan said. It led him to protect the infant from Herod and later to look diligently for the boy when he was missing from the caravan returning to Nazareth from the temple in Jerusalem.

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Colleen Rowan Photo

Faithful gather at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Wheeling for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the Solemnity of St. Joseph March 19.

St. Joseph...

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The bishop said that surely Joseph took time to teach his son how to shape wood into useful objects and, for his faith, how to read the Hebrew Scriptures. "We do not know when Joseph died, but surely the Jesus who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus shed copious tears when such a loving father died," Bishop Brennan said.

Men, the bishop continued, especially learn from St. Joseph to cherish their wives and children and to serve them.

"Those of us who are fathers in another sense also learn from him," the bishop said, "but everyone can find in St. Joseph a model of loving service to others."

Joseph has many other admi-

nable traits, the bishop said, but there was one more he wanted to mention: hard work. Joseph worked to provide for his family, the bishop said, noting that he is described as a righteous man.

"His integrity as a worker is a model for workers today," Bishop Brennan said. "We also see how necessary it is for people to have meaningful work and earn a living wage. Our work on earth allows us to develop God's creation, making it bear fruit beyond its natural ability. So many people having lost their jobs during the pandemic, so many small businesses having been closed—we must pray that those capable act creatively to help them find work."

Along with the focus on St. Joseph's virtues the faithful should also invoke his intercession more

intensely during this year dedicated to him, Bishop Brennan said. As he is the patron of the

Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, "we have a special relationship with St. Joseph," the bishop said. "His intercession is very powerful before the Lord Jesus whom he raised and who loves him unreservedly."

The bishop then shared the story of St. André Bessette, who attributed everything he did to St. Joseph's power of intercession.

"My brothers and sisters in Christ," the bishop said in closing, "our people have been enduring difficult times not only the pandemic and its ... economic and educational maladies but the scandals we've witnessed or heard about in our church, divisions now so prominent in American society. We must pray to St. Joseph, that indispensable man in God's plan, to intercede for us that we may have the wisdom and the courage to continue our pilgrimage of faith and become more effective agents of God's integrity, justice, and peace. And as our patron saint models those very virtues so his prayers can help us to attain them and put them to work for the good of our people."

The opening of the Year of St. Joseph included other prayerful gatherings at the cathedral, beginning with vespers on the evening of March 18. On the solemnity, the cathedral had morning prayer, noon Mass which was followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 5 p.m., Stations of the Cross with Father Smay, and the Mass celebrated by Bishop Brennan.

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CHARLESTON—The Second Chances at Life Act (HB 2982/SB 609) successfully passed in the West Virginia House of Delegates March 24 by a bipartisan 83-15 vote. This after a 19-5 vote in the House Health Committee on March 16 and a 22-3 vote in the House Judiciary Committee on March 18.

Sponsored by Delegate Kayla Kessinger, the bill will require that a woman be informed that the effects of the chemical abortion pill can be reversed to save her baby if she changes her mind after taking it. House cosponsors include Delegates Trent Barnhart, Jordan Bridges, Adam Burkhammer, Josh Holstein, Laura Kimble, Todd Longanacre, Margitta Mazzocchi, Jeff Pack, Jonathan Pinson, and Terri Syolt.

“West Virginians for Life thanks those Delegates who voted for the bill in support of women seeking abortions by providing them with additional information so they can make a truly informed decision,” stated WVFL President, Dr. Wanda Franz, Ph.D.

The bill does not tell physicians how to practice medicine, or place obstacles on women seeking abortions.

The American Association of Pro-life Obstetricians and Gynecologists, a 2,500-member OB-GYN medical group, supports offering the Abortion Pill Reversal (APR) protocol (by knowledgeable health care providers) to women who regret initiating the abortion pill process, after appropriate informed consent. The APR involves use of progesterone to reverse the effects of the Mifepistone.

Progesterone is a natural element in the woman’s body required to retain her pregnancy. As such, it does no damage to the baby. It has been used for 50 years in infertility clinics to help women retain their pregnancies.

West Virginia is well on the way to becoming the 10th state to have this law in place. The other nine states are Arkansas, Idaho, Kentucky, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, and Utah. (Arizona’s – was repealed and replaced with weaker language.)

In West Virginia, chemical abortions account for more than 40 percent of abortions. To date over 2,000 babies have been saved nationwide by the Abortion Pill Reversal protocol.

A woman or girl wanting to save her baby once the chemical abortion process has started should contact a health care professional at abortionpillreversal.com or call 877-558-0333.

The Second Chances at Life Act next moves to the Senate Health Committee.

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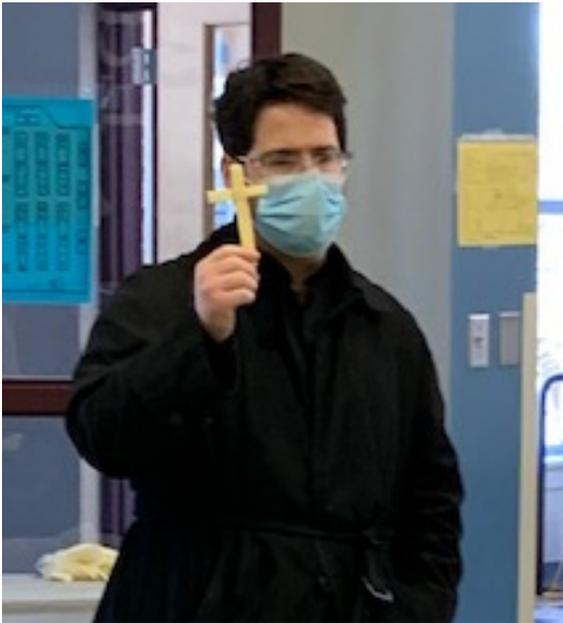


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Father Thomas Gallagher displays one of the palm crosses created by the youth group of St. Joseph Parish in Martinsburg and St. Bernadette Parish in Hedgesville.



Courtesy Photo
Members of the youth group of St. Joseph Parish in Martinsburg and St. Bernadette Parish in Hedgesville work on creating palm crosses.

Crosses...

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assist in the court's Fifth-Annual Palm Cross project, and they got to work right away. By the time they finished, the kids had created almost 200 crosses, which will once again be distributed to the sick and homebound.

Catholic Daughters West Virginia State Regent Lisa Ceravalo said that the organization appreciates the help from the kids in making the project a success.

"On behalf of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, West Virginia, we wish to

thank all the youth and their leader Linda Abrahamian for their help with the palm crosses for the sick and homebound in Berkeley County," Ceravalo said.

"We were privileged to have Father Thomas Gallagher stop in and give the youth a lesson on the palms and how to treat them after they are blessed," she noted. Father Gallagher, who is pastor of St. Jo-

seph's, then blessed the crosses.

Packaged with notes from the Catholic Daughters and from the youth group along with a Year of St. Joseph prayer card, the palm crosses were to be delivered to patients at the Martinsburg Veterans Hospital, Hospice of the Panhandle, and to St. Joseph and St. Bernadette's homebound parishioners.

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Shepherdstown Knights Continue 15-Year Support for Jefferson County Autism Program

SHEPHERDSTOWN— For 15 years, the Knights of Columbus St. Agnes Council #13887 in Shepherdstown has supported the Autism Program provided by the Jefferson County School System.

“For each of those 15 years, we donated the proceeds of our Tootsie Roll Fundraiser, with the cumulative amount of \$19,287.75,” said Bob Rizzo, a member of Council #13887.

In 2020, council member Dominic Massimino coordinated the Tootsie Roll drive. However, because of the COVID-19 pandemic the total for 2020 was substantially reduced.

By consolidating funds left over from four other projects and with two generous donations, the council was able to present a \$1,000 check to the Autism Program at the Jefferson County School Board building.

Cindy Jones and Christy Horning, who manage the Autism program, represented Jefferson County Schools, and thanked the knights for their support.

Jefferson County Schools (to quote from their website) offers “Programs designed to meet the educational needs of children with autism [to] provide a structured teaching approach to learning. . . . Special attention is paid to skills in . . . communication, social, academic, daily living, independence, sensory motor, and vocational [subjects]. Services to students with autism are offered in a continuum of environments



Courtesy Photo
From left are Stan Nelson, John Doyle, and Bill Gray of the Knights of Columbus St. Agnes Council #13887 in Shepherdstown; Cindy Jones and Christy Horning, who manage the Autism Program in Jefferson County Schools; and Bob Rizzo of Council #13887. The group briefly removed face masks for the photo.

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Special Collections for the Holy Land and DWC Seminarians

WEST VIRGINIA—Two special collections will be held in the parishes and missions of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston during Holy Week and Easter.

On Good Friday, the Pontifical Good Friday Holy Land collection will be held. This collection provides support for the holy places but above all for the pastoral, educational, and social works which the church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.

On Easter, the Education of Seminarians collection will be held. This collection provides financial support to help defray the cost of educating young men in the seminary who are discerning a call to the priesthood in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

Gifts from the Holy Land Coming to Holy Rosary, Buckhannon

BUCKHANNON—Coming to Holy Rosary on the weekend of April 17-19 are beautiful handmade olivewood carvings from the Holy Land. The Christians of the Holy Land have suffered and continue to live in difficult economic situations. Olivewood carvings are part of a tradition handed down from one generation to another.

Christian families have worked over 2,000 years to protect the holy sites in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, and to spread the word of Jesus. For the past 1,000 years they used carvings to keep the Bible alive. "Our mission is to support them by selling their olivewood carvings, one of the major sources of income," officials said.

Proceeds from the sale, they said, will benefit Christian families in Bethlehem/Holy Land, and will help 200 families to remain in the Holy Land. Stop by tables on April 17-18 in Marist Hall to see gifts directly from the little town of Bethlehem.

St. Patrick's in Weston Bestows Spirit of St. Joseph Award



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Kathy Riley, an associate of the Sisters of the Congregation of St. Joseph, presents the Spirit of St. Joseph Award to Kara Determan, a sixth-grader at St. Patrick School. With them is Father Doug Ondeck, pastor, and Dr. Ian Scheu, principal.

WESTON—Each year, St. Patrick School in Weston bestows the Spirit of St. Joseph Award to a student who exemplifies the virtues of the saint. Those virtues are: hard work, obedience to

God's commands, service, and a "quiet approach to life."

The school's honoree for this year is sixth-grader Kara Determan. She was presented the award by

Kathy Riley, an associate of the Sisters of the Congregation of St. Joseph, during a school Mass at St. Patrick Church on March 19, the Solemnity of St. Joseph.

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St. Joseph Retreat Center's Zoom Series to Reflect on God's Creation

WHEELING—The Easter Season is a time to celebrate Christ's resurrection and new life all around.

"To better help us focus on this theme, you are invited to join us as we reflect on 'Our Common Home' and all of God's creation using

Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'*," retreat organizers said.

This series will be presented by the St. Joseph Retreat Center in Wheeling on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. on zoom: April 6, 13, 20, and 27; and May 4 and 11. The facili-

tators are Kate Kosydar, MAPM, and Moira Reilly, MAPM, BCC.

The cost is \$30 for the series. To reserve a spot or for more information, contact Anna Marie Troiani at atroiani@csjoseph.org. Space is limited.

Chester and New Cumberland Parishes Begin Family Masses

CHESTER—In addition to Mass intentions for the day, Sacred Heart Parish in Chester and Immaculate Conception Parish in New Cumberland began praying for five parish families at each Mass.

The families being prayed for are asked to bring intentions, if any, and place them on the altar before Mass for that day. They then receive a phone call and e-mail letting them know when their parish families will be praying for them at Mass.

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Reflections on a Year of St. Joseph

By Beth Zarate, President and Chief Executive Officer, Catholic Charities West Virginia

St. Joseph's Day is a Roman Catholic feast day commemorating the life of St. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus and husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our world needs fathers, and more than ever, West Virginia needs foster fathers. Becoming a foster father is a special calling – one that requires big hearts committed to unconditional love and to protecting precious growing hearts. This requires taking the risk to love, knowing loss might be a part in the end. Foster parents go all in and love extraordinarily, just as St. Joseph did!

Reflecting on the life of St. Joseph, we know he said YES – not maybe or when things are going better, or only if there is no dishonor involved – he said YES to all of it. As I



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move more deeply into my Lenten journey, I personally question how fully I respond to God. Joseph was a very religious man; he was humble, a hard worker, provider, protector, and at all times, obedient to the will of God. A role model for all fathers, he cared for others and demon-

strated an unwavering faith in God's plan for his life.

Christ could have chosen any parents, but he chose poor parents. I have to believe he knew Joseph understood the value of being holy first and trusting that God will provide the rest. Each of us can discover in Joseph a guide in navigating challenging times and an example of serving as a part of God's plan for our life. The COVID pandemic has been especially hard on minorities and low-income families. We express gratitude that so many people have quietly stepped up in response and made hidden sacrifices to help others. Like Joseph, they answered the call to serve.

At Catholic Charities, our mission calls us to collaborate with community partners, parishes and families, to work together in service. As we work to eliminate poverty, we are each

called to offer help and support. Daily, across the state, our staff is blessed by volunteers – those who drop off a donation, make a toiletry bag, serve a meal, check in on a shut in, help prepare taxes, play cards at the homeless shelter, or sit in prayer for us. We must recognize that there are so many forces in our consumer culture working against us; we must take good care that we give more than we take.

St. Joseph, pray for us!

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Obispo viajando por el estado para la Semana Santa

En la Catedral: Jueves Santo, Viernes Santo se transmitirá en vivo; La misa del domingo de Pascua será televisada en vivo y transmitida en vivo

Por Colleen Rowan

WHEELING—El obispo Mark Brennan estará de gira durante gran parte de la Semana Santa de este año mientras celebra misas con la gente de diferentes parroquias de la diócesis. Para aquellos que no puedan asistir a la iglesia, las misas en la Catedral de San José en Wheeling se transmitirán en vivo en el sitio web de la diócesis en www.dwc.org y se televisarán en vivo en algunas partes del estado.

El obispo celebrará las misas del Domingo de Ramos al mediodía en la Basílica de la Catedral del Sagrado Corazón en Charleston y a las 6 p.m. en la Iglesia de San José en Huntington. Al día siguiente está de regreso en Charleston para la Misa Crismal a las 4 p.m. en la

basílica, donde se reunirá con los sacerdotes de las regiones sur y central de la diócesis.

El obispo Brennan regresa a Wheeling el 30 de marzo para la celebración de la misa crismal en la Catedral de San José a las 4 p.m., reuniéndose con los sacerdotes de las regiones norte y este de la diócesis.

El obispo celebrará la Misa de la Cena del Señor, el Jueves Santo, en la catedral a las 6 p.m. La Misa se transmitirá en vivo en el sitio web de la diócesis.

La gente de la parroquia del Sagrado Corazón de María en Weirton dará la bienvenida al Obispo Brennan de regreso a su iglesia el 2 de abril para el Viernes Santo, la Pasión del Señor, a las 7 p.m. Mientras tanto, la celebración de la Pasión del Señor en la catedral con

el padre Martin Smay, vicerector, se transmitirá en vivo en el sitio web de la diócesis a las 3 p.m.

El Sábado Santo, el Obispo Brennan estará en Wheeling para celebrar la Vigilia Pascual a las 8 p.m. en la Iglesia de San Vicente de Paúl. La parroquia tiene cuatro miembros de los elegidos, que recibirán los sacramentos del bautismo, la confirmación y la Eucaristía, y un candidato, que recibirá la confirmación de los sacramentos y la Eucaristía. Dos adultos católicos también serán confirmados en la misa.

El obispo regresa a la catedral para la celebración de la misa del domingo de Pascua a las 10:30 a.m. que será televisada en vivo y transmitida por WTRFDT3 / ABC en el área de Wheeling y

WBOYDT / ABC para el área de Clarksburg. La Misa también se transmitirá en vivo en el sitio web de la diócesis.

En un comunicado de prensa de la diócesis, el director de marketing y comunicaciones Tim Bishop dijo que, dado que las restricciones de COVID-19 sobre la asistencia a la iglesia y las pautas de distanciamiento social siguen vigentes en Virginia Occidental, se alienta a los fieles católicos a unirse al obispo Brennan para las celebraciones del Sagrado Triduo y la Pascua. Domingo desde la catedral a través de transmisión en vivo y transmisión de televisión.

La transmisión en vivo y la transmisión de las celebraciones de la Semana Santa están patrocinadas por Welty Corporation.

Para denunciar presuntos casos de abuso sexual de niños: La Diócesis de Wheeling-Charleston alienta a informar ante las autoridades civiles ante todo si se ha cometido un delito. También alentamos a utilizar www.reportbishopabuse.org para hacer un informe sobre cualquier obispo en los EE. UU. Si tiene motivos para creer que un obispo ha cometido una conducta sexual inapropiada, comuníquese con las autoridades civiles de la jurisdicción correspondiente y visite www.reportbishopabuse.org.

Para informar a las autoridades civiles: comuníquese con la policía local; los números variarán según su ubicación. Si cree que alguien está en peligro inmediato, llame al 911. Para informar confidencialmente cualquier incidencia de sospecha de abuso o negligencia infantil, incluido el abuso sexual, comuníquese con la Oficina de Servicios de Protección Infantil de Niños y Familias de West Virginia llamando a la línea directa de abuso infantil al 800.352.6513. Puede informar anonimamente a esta línea directa si lo prefiere.

Para informar a las autoridades diocesanas: La diócesis alienta a informar a las autoridades civiles apropiadas, ante todo, si se ha cometido un delito. La diócesis también alienta a informar a las autoridades eclesiales apropiadas. Para reportar casos sospechosos de abuso sexual de niños por parte del personal de la Diócesis de Wheeling-Charleston a la Diócesis, comuníquese con uno de los siguientes designados al 1.888.434.6237 o 304.233.0880: Sr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Sr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; o Muy Reverendo Dennis Schuelkens, Jr., V.E., ext. 270. También puede llamar a la Oficina de Ambiente Seguro de la Diócesis al

304.230.1504. También puede llamar a la línea directa de abuso sexual de la Diócesis al 833.230.5656. Los formularios de queja están disponibles en línea en www.dwc.org, haga clic en "Diócesis" en la barra de menú, luego en "Oficinas", luego en "Ambiente seguro", luego "Descargar archivos y formularios". El formulario se titula "Formulario de queja para denuncias de abuso sexual de menores". El formulario se puede devolver por correo de EE. UU. A: Office of Safe Environment, Diócesis de Wheeling-Charleston, PO Box 230, Wheeling WV 26003.

Para informar al Coordinador de Asistencia a Víctimas de la Diócesis: llame a la Dra. Patricia Bailey al 304.242.6988.

Además de los métodos enumerados anteriormente para denunciar el abuso sexual, la Diócesis también se ha asociado con Navex Global para ofrecer la plataforma EthicsPoint para informar otras inquietudes adicionales, como sospecha de mala conducta financiera, profesional y personal de un sacerdote, diácono, religioso, o empleado laico de la Diócesis o cualquier parroquia o escuela católica en West Virginia. Se puede acceder a la plataforma EthicsPoint a través de www.dwc.org, en "Rendición de cuentas", luego "Informar mala conducta" o llamando al 844.723.8381. EthicsPoint es un sistema de informes de terceros que informa a las autoridades civiles cuando corresponda y a las autoridades diocesanas, y la identidad de la persona que informa esta protegida.

Enlaces e información: Departamento de Salud y Recursos Humanos de WV: <https://www.wvdhhr.org/report.asp>. Policía Estatal de Virginia Occidental, Unidad de Crímenes contra Niños: 304-293-6400.

Employment Opportunities

Director of Human Resources

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is seeking to hire a Director of Human Resources, a full-time position based at the Chancery Building in Wheeling, West Virginia. Reporting to the Vicar General of the Diocese, the Director of Human Resources develops policy and directs and coordinates human resources activities such as employment, compensation, labor relations, benefits, training and employee services. Essential duties include overseeing the employee onboarding system, providing data on wage and salary information, explaining policy directives to department managers, consulting with legal counsel on a regular basis regarding employment issues, managing records in compliance with law or governmental authorities, delivering presentations to department directors regarding human resources policies and practices, administering all benefit programs and government regulatory standards, and maintaining all records required by the Affordable Care Act, including all necessary ACA reporting requirements.

Qualification requirements include a Bachelor's degree (Master's preferred), 4-10 years of experience in an administrative position, expertise in federal and state employee legislation, excellent interpersonal and communication skills, ability to provide direction on personnel issues, familiarity with payroll databases and Microsoft Office suite, ability to work within a team environment and the successful candidate must adhere to the teachings of the Magisterium of the Church and possess a clear sense of a Catholic Theology of work and compensation. Position will remain posted until filled. Applications may be directed to the Human Resources Office, Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, P.O. Box 230, Wheeling WV 26003.

Office Manager/Vocations

This is to announce an opening in the Vocations Office at the Diocese for a person to assist the Director of Vocations as Office Manager. This is a Part Time position requiring 20 hours per week. The position is located at the Chancery building in Wheeling.

The Office Manager will assist the Director of Vocations by performing all secretarial, clerical and office work necessary to effectively manage the operations of the office. This person will also assist the Director of Vocations in developing and implementing retreats and events to help promote Priestly vocations. The individual will monitor and guide potential seminary candidates through all phases of the process leading to acceptance and entrance to the seminary. The Office Manager will maintain communication with seminarians to assist them with policy, benefit and other clerical work necessary during their formation. The person must be willing to attend meetings both nationally and regionally as well as working evenings and/or weekends as necessary.

Eligible candidates should have a Bachelor's Degree preferably in a Religious field of study. Individual must be an active member of a Roman Catholic Parish Faith Community who adheres to the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church. Excellent organizational, presentation and communications skills are required. This Person must be reliable and maintain confidentiality. Office skills and use of MS Word, Microsoft Office and Outlook are necessary.

Interested person should send letter of introduction and Resume to: Human Resources Office, Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, P.O. Box 230, Wheeling WV 26003.

Advancement Associate

Catholic Charities West Virginia is seeking a full-time Advancement Associate for its Advancement Office in Wheeling. The Advancement Associate is responsible for all administrative aspects of fund development and participates in all fundraising activities including donor relations, direct mail appeals, and special events. Occasional in-state travel is required.

Essential duties include but are not limited to: process donations, event registrations and sponsorships, and coordinate with Finance; coordinate acknowledgments, registrations, and other correspondence; coordinate appeal, newsletter and other publications, and email, print and mail projects; create monthly fundraising reports and other agency data reports as needed; continually update and correct donor database records; and coordinate administrative details associated with fundraising events.

Qualifications include: Bachelor's degree or equivalent relevant experience required; experience working in Salsa CRM/Salsa Engage software; experience in fundraising (i.e., donor relations, special events); proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint; knowledge of simple accounting principles; and excellent interpersonal and communication skills.

Please send cover letter, up-to-date resume, and three professional references by March 31, 2021, to John Catone, Chief Advancement Officer, Catholic Charities WV, 2000 Main Street, Wheeling, WV 26003, or email to jcatone@ccwva.org.

Faith Formation Director

Progressive parish of 600 families (St. Mary Parish) is seeking a vibrant individual to coordinate formation programs, enable the gifts of the faithful, and to engage our youth to live a life of faith. We are located in Morgantown, WV, home of West Virginia University. Our parishioners are ethnically diverse. Our people have a deep love for celebrating Mass, gathering for fellowship, opportunities for adult formation and growth and for mission to the least of these. The position is full-time and reports to the Pastor.

Responsibilities & Duties: Coordinates and manages all Faith Formation ministries and volunteers including, but not limited to: Religious Education (PK-5th), Youth Ministry (Middle and High School), Children's Liturgy of the Word and Vacation Bible School; sacramental preparation program for Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation, Christian Initiation for adults and children (RCIA); and helps facilitate adult faith formation. The Faith Formation Director is also the Safe Environment Coordinator for the parish.

Qualifications and Skills: BA in Theology/Religious Education or related educational field; Excellent organizational, supervisory and leadership skills; Excellent verbal and written communication and interpersonal skills; Works well in collaborative efforts with other parish ministers; Seeks ongoing educational opportunities to keep current on trends in catechetical ministry; Excellent computer skills including the use of Microsoft Office and communication via social media. Fluency in Spanish is beneficial but not required.

Salary & Benefits Health, vision, dental, participation in 403B plan, paid vacation and personal days, and education stipend.

If interested please submit a letter of interest and resume by May 15, 2021. Position will begin on August 1, 2021. Send letter and resume to Fr. John by email papajohnwv@msn.com or via mail to: Attn: Father John McDonough, St. Mary Parish, 3346 University Avenue, Morgantown, WV 26505.

Provider Support Specialist

Catholic Charities West Virginia is seeking a full-time Provider Support Specialist for its Child Care Resource Center (CCRC). The position will be located at the CCRC Region 1 office in Wheeling, WV. The position is responsible for assisting child care providers in the West Virginia CARES system, WV STARS Career Pathway system, providing support in person or on the phone as needed, participating in community outreach events, delivering presentations, and relieving the Supervisor of clerical duties and minor administrative business details. Other responsibilities include, but are not limited to, accurately assessing, implementing, and updating a parent's ongoing need for childcare based on eligibility requirements, and seeing that the provider enrollment process for childcare providers is complete.

Requirements for the position include: Bachelor's degree in human services, early care and education, child development, or related field, such as social work, sociology, psychology, counseling, interpersonal communications, elementary or special education, and behavioral science. Ability to work collaboratively in a team environment as well as independently. Ability to follow directions and work cooperatively with others. Ability to prioritize and handle multiple tasks simultaneously. Prior use and understanding of computers, word processing and spreadsheet applications, with a good understanding of how to use technology such as internet, Microsoft Office programs, and other programs as needed. Ability to work with persons from varied socio-economic backgrounds. Willingness to work with people of cultural, ethnic and racial diversity. Ability to maintain confidentiality. Good written and oral communication skills. Must hold a valid driver's license and be able to drive throughout the covered region and state.

Please email resume, cover letter, and three professional references by April 7, 2021 to: Brittany.k.lucci@wv.gov. Application materials can also be delivered to: Brittany Lucci, Program Director, CCWVa Child Care Resource Center, 965 Hartman Run Road, Suite 1103, Morgantown, WV 26505.

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Wheeling Hospital Launches Self-Schedule Website for COVID Vaccine Appointments

WHEELING—Wheeling Hospital has launched a new self-scheduling website for people to make COVID-19 vaccine appointments, which will continue to be administered at the Community Vaccine Clinic at the Highlands.

With Gov. Jim Justice making vaccine distribution more widely available, vaccinating a greater number of the local population remains a priority.

The clinic collaboration includes Wheeling Hospital, the Wheeling-Ohio County Health Department, the county Emergency Management Agency and Wheeling Health Right.

Under the governor's expanded criteria, in addition to an increase in vaccine supply, Wheeling Hospital plans to expand its distribution initiative. Douglass Harrison, CEO of Wheeling Hospital, is excited to offer another avenue for people to access the vaccine.

"We are pleased to hear that the governor of West Virginia has lifted most restrictions on who can receive the COVID vaccine. Our priority will

still be on the elderly and people with comorbidities; but welcoming those people age 16 years old and older to receive the vaccine will certainly be a good thing," Harrison said.

West Virginia has been recognized as a national leader in its distribution of the life-saving vaccine. Through this new scheduling program, Harrison hopes to continue and even expand on that success.

"Our top priority is get the vaccine to all people who want and need it," he said. "The only way to get through this pandemic is to vaccinate our way through it. I am proud of how the Ohio Valley has responded to receiving the vaccine, but we still have many people who need to get it. Please do your part to protect your family, friends and our community: get the vaccine."

Ohio County Health Department Administrator Howard Gamble sees this self-scheduling process as a positive move forward. "Allowing our residents to schedule their individual appointment,

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Employment Opportunities

Camp Carlo Summer Hiring

The Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Camp, affectionately known as Camp Carlo, is dedicated to leading young people to Christ & His Church. If you're committed to growing in faith, modelling faithful Catholic community life to young people, and living the adventure of His Creation, we want YOU at Camp Carlo for Summer 2021!

Our Culture: At Camp Carlo, we strive to model authentic Catholic life and community to young people. St. John Chrysostom called the church a "hospital for souls." Our program is residential – one could say that makes us an "in-patient" wing of the hospital for souls. Because our program is residential, we live the values of our faith 24 hours a day even when no earthly person is watching. We replace the daily distractions in the lives of youth with faithful, healthy, and engaging activities, relationships, and community.

Staff at Camp Carlo always: Strive to center their life and ministry at Camp Carlo on Christ Jesus; Put the needs of campers above themselves; Help others succeed; Know how to separate work and personal life; Excite youth, volunteers, and colleagues about our mission, ideas, and taking action; Take the initiative – see a job that needs doing and do it; Put in the work, striving to do the job right the first time.

Some Expectations: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI once said, "[...] You were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness."

Life at Camp Carlo will: Be physically intensive – long hours, hard work, not as much rest as we might be accustomed to in our life at home; Require a tremendous amount of patience with the youth you serve, not to mention the peers you live and work with; Deepen your faith life, build character to the extent that you commit – "You get out of camp what you put in"; Require you to try and learn new things; Ask you to set aside the day-to-day distractions in your own life (social media, constant communication, modern conveniences).

Standards of Professional Conduct: Staff at Camp Carlo are held to high standards of professional conduct, including: Good manners; Good personal hygiene; A dress code that is modest and functional; No personal guests throughout the week without permission from the director; No personal pets; No weapons, drugs, tobacco; Staff with cars must provide proof of insurance & license, keys kept in camp office while campers are on property; Always – without exception – following all policies for keeping children safe; Keeping peer romantic relationships from interfering with work; No co-ed sleeping arrangements on weekends; Be willing to go without personal electronic devices for extended periods of time; Understanding that a successful summer is a team effort.

Whom & When You'll Serve: On-site staff training will be from Monday, June 14th thru Sunday June 20:

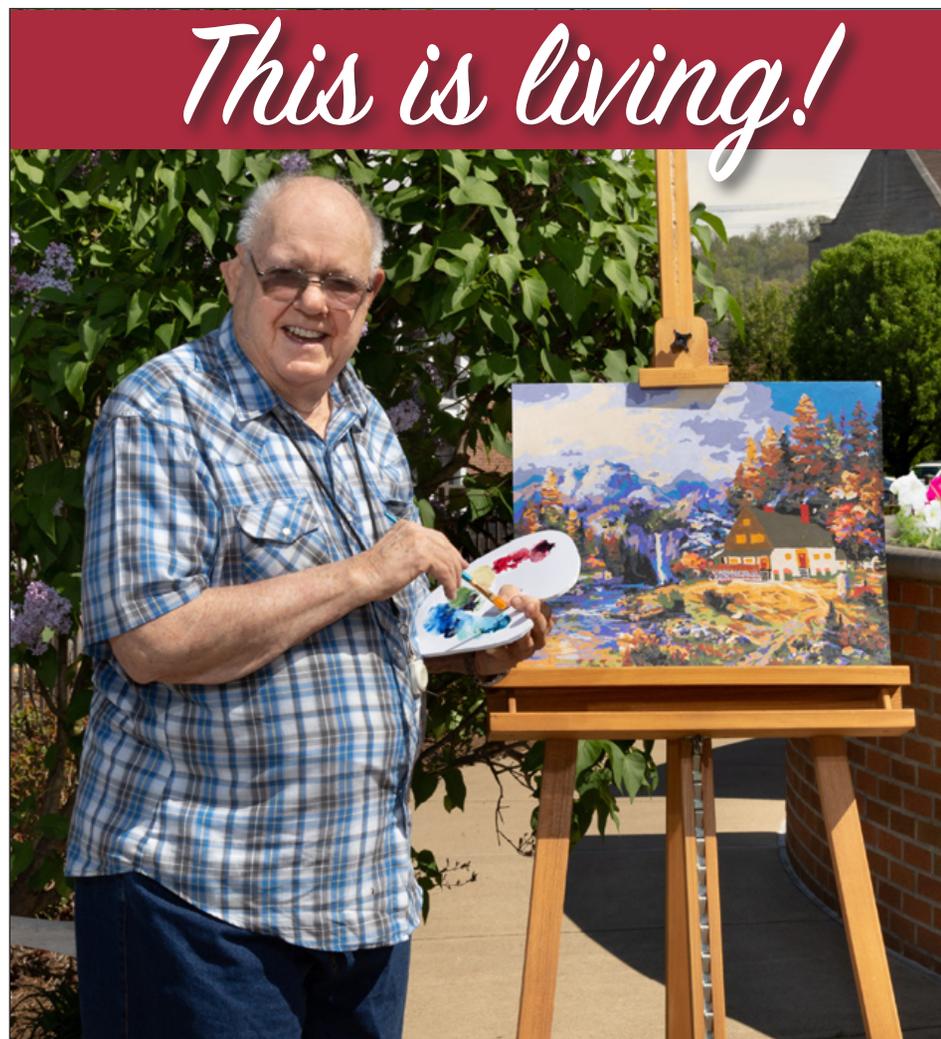
June 20th – June 26th, Blessed Sacrament parish camp serving ages 7-13.

June 27th – July 3rd, Rising 3rd graders to 5th graders. July 4th – July 10th, Rising 6th graders to 8th graders. July 11th – July 17th, Rising freshmen to seniors in high school. July 18th – July 24th, A "catch all week" from 3rd grade thru 12th grade. July 25th – July 31st, C.A.M.P Wade (Pocahontas County parishes) serving ages 7 to 15.

Application & Hiring: Camp Carlo's goal is to have all summer staff positions filled by April 1, 2021. Applications can be requested from Camp Carlo by emailing Riley Keaton at rkeaton@dwc.org, subject line: "COUNSELOR APPLICATION – [YOUR NAME]." Upon reviewing this brochure, complete the application and return it via email to the email above or mail at: ATTN: Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Camp, 1311 Byron St., Wheeling, WV 26003.

Once your application has been reviewed, camping director Riley Keaton will reach out to schedule an interview.

Applications returned before February 1 will receive preference – all applicants will be informed of the status of their application by March 31.



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Wheeling Hospital Newborns Now Rooming in with Moms

WHEELING—Wheeling Hospital has opened its new Nursery, and also began using a new rooming-in arrangement for newborns and their mothers.

“Rooming in refers to caring for both the mother and baby in the same room throughout the entire hospital stay,” RN Lynette Debertrand, nurse manager of Pediatrics, Nursery and NICU, said. “The goal is to have the baby stay with the mom at least 23 hours a day, which is a CDC recommendation and supported by the Joint Commission.”

Debertrand said rooming-in helps families prepare for going home with a new baby by giving parents the opportunity to learn about infant care as well as the baby’s behaviors, with expert nurs-

ing staff working with them day and night. “This is a perfect time to get to know and connect with the new baby as babies recognize their parent’s voice, smell, and heartbeat, which helps them relax,” she said.

Many women welcome the idea of getting as much sleep as possible after labor and birth, and often friends and family encourage mothers to request the baby go to the nursery for the night so they can sleep. However, research shows mothers are just as likely to get the same amount of rest with the baby in the room.

“Moms are more relaxed with babies beside them, and mothers and babies who room in tend to establish a routine much sooner,” DeBertrand said. Additional ev-

idence shows that 24-hour rooming-in provides moms: Better quality sleep, increased confidence in handling and caring for baby, ability to learn what baby’s cues (sleepy, stressed, in need of quiet time, or hungry, earlier identification of early feeding cues (rooting, opening mouth, and sucking on tongue, fingers, or hand), improved breastfeeding experience, less infant crying and distress (babies love to be near parents), less “baby blues” and post-partum, parents are better-rested and more relaxed by the end of the first week home, increases opportunity for skin-to-skin contact. For baby, the benefits include: better quality sleep, the baby will develop a more regular sleep-wake cycle earlier, and may help ease the transition to

day/night routines, more stable body temperatures, generally more content, less crying, more stable blood sugar, breastfeed sooner, longer, and more easily, lower levels of stress hormones, babies exposed to normal bacteria on mother’s skin, which may protect them from becoming sick due to harmful germs.

With the change to rooming-in model of care, the new Nursery at Wheeling Hospital is state of the art, but a much smaller version. It is designed for three babies as the other babies will be in the rooms with their mothers.

Physicians are rounding and doing admission and discharge exams in the mothers’ rooms, and the nurses are doing all care at the mother’s bedside.

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allows our group at the Community Clinic to plan and meet the needs of the residents in Ohio County,” he said. “The increase in vaccine volume is great news for the community and our overall effort.”

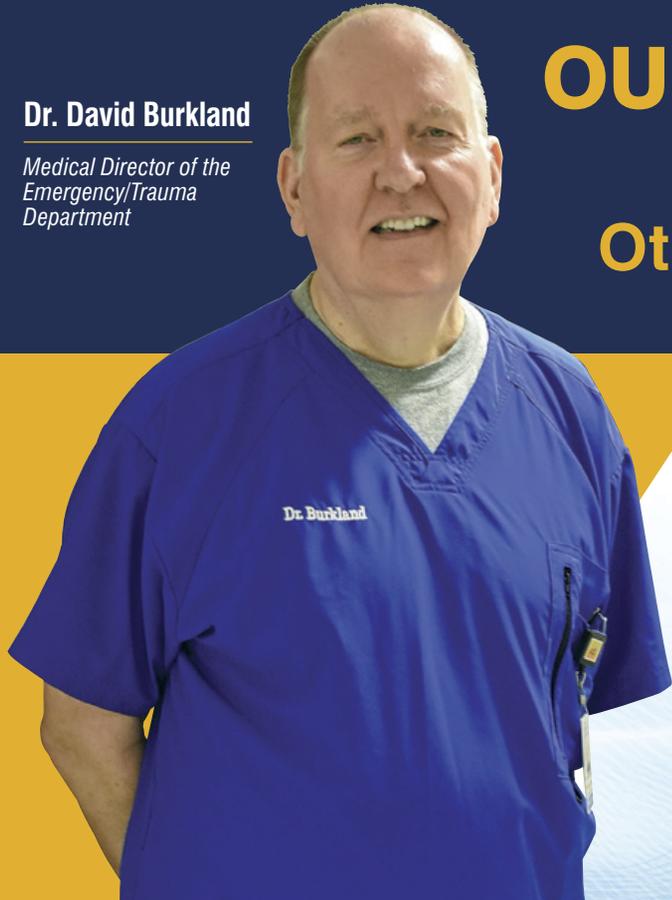
To sign up for the new service, visit the

Wheeling Hospital website at <http://www.wheelinghospital.org/covidvaccine>. In order to make an appointment, users will need to provide their name, date of birth, address, email address, and phone number.

Although appointment calls will still be made to those who have signed up through the <http://www.vaccinate.wv.gov> website, people are encouraged to self-schedule through

the new Wheeling Hospital portal if they have not yet been contacted.

The Community Clinic will remain open for this service until it is no longer needed. Hours of operation will fluctuate in accordance with the volume of vaccine received. Appointments are required prior to receiving the vaccine and registrants must wait to be contacted by a clinic representative.



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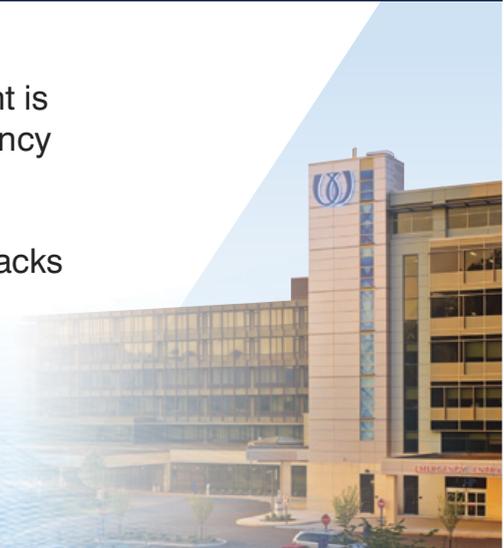
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