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Bishop Brennan Opens World Synod in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston



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Bishop Mark E. Brennan processes into the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Charleston for Mass to open the World Synod in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston Oct. 17. With him are Very Rev. Donald X. Higgs, Assoc. V.F., rector of the basilica (right), and Msgr. Sam Sacus, priest in residence at the basilica (left).

By Colleen Rowan

“In union with the Holy Father, Pope Francis, and the church throughout the world I now declare this World Synod in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to be open,” Bishop Mark E. Brennan said at the end of the Mass he celebrated at the Basilica of the

Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Charleston Oct. 17.

The theme of the synod, chosen by Pope Francis, is: “For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission.” The synod solemnly opened with Mass celebrated by Pope Francis in St. Peter’s Basilica Oct. 10, and then

the bishop of every diocese celebrated the opening of the process in his diocese with Mass on Oct. 17.

At the beginning of the celebration of Mass in Charleston, Bishop Brennan said that Pope Francis has asked the Catholic faithful to

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Call to Prayer for the Synod Finds Home Online, in App



CNS Photo/Courtesy Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

A new version of the Click to Pray 2.0 app, available for iOS and Android phones, encourages prayers for the Synod of Bishops. The app is an initiative of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network.

By Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Cardinal Mario Grech, secretary-general of the Synod of Bishops, said in the process to create a more "synodal church," one where every member contributes and all listen to each other, "we are touching something divine, and prayer is essential."

The synod office, the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network and the women's International Union of Superiors General have joined forces not only to encourage prayers, but to collect them, share them and build a global community of people praying for the synod and each other.

Their efforts are built on two main platforms: an updated version of Click to Pray, an app and website run by the prayer network, and www.prayforthesynod.va. Both were unveiled Oct. 19 at a Vatican news conference.

The superiors general are soliciting prayers for the synod and its preparation process from members of women's and men's monasteries and contemplative communities. Through Oct. 31, those prayers will be posted on the website; beginning Nov. 1, anyone can submit a prayer, said Patrizia Morgante, UISG communications officer. The prayers also will be posted on the Click to Pray 2.0 app and can be added to the websites of religious orders, parishes or dioceses with an RSS feed.

In addition to carrying prayers for the synod, especially during the preparatory phase that began in early October, the upgraded Click to Pray app has added features, including notifications so that people can set it to remind them to pray at the time they choose each morning, midday and night.

To Report Suspected Cases of Sexual Abuse of Children

To Report Suspected Cases of Sexual Abuse of Children: The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston encourages reporting to civil authorities first and foremost if a crime has been committed. We also encourage utilizing www.reportbishopabuse.org to make a report about any bishop in the U.S. If you have reason to believe that a bishop has engaged in sexual misconduct or has interfered with an investigation into sexual misconduct, please contact civil authorities in the applicable jurisdiction and visit www.reportbishopabuse.org.

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.

To Report to the Diocese's Victim Assistance Coordinator: please call Dr. Patricia Bailey at 304.242.6988.

In addition to the methods listed above for reporting sexual abuse, the Diocese also has partnered with Navex Global to offer the EthicsPoint platform to report other, additional concerns, such as suspected financial, professional, and personal misconduct of a priest, deacon, religious, or lay employee of the Diocese or any Catholic parish or school in West Virginia. The EthicsPoint platform can be accessed via www.dwc.org, under "Accountability," then "Report Misconduct" or by calling 844.723.8381. EthicsPoint is a third-party reporting system that reports to civil authorities where applicable and Diocesan authorities, and the identity of the person reporting is protected.

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

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have a period of time to discern the needs of the church and their experience of being members of God's family.

"A process called synodality," the bishop said. "This is the Sunday when all the dioceses in the world are taking part in this process of reflecting on our experience of being part of God's family, of being part of God's church under the light of the Holy Spirit, and then moving forward into the mission of the church which is to bring Christ to the world and the world to Christ."

Concelebrating the Mass were Very Rev. Donald X. Higgs, Assoc. V.F., rector of the basilica, and Msgr. Sam Sacus, priest in residence at the basilica.

In his homily, Bishop Brennan said Jesus wants his leaders to commit themselves as servant leaders and work together, noting Matthew 20: 26-27, "...whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all." Pope Francis, the bishop said, understands the notion of putting aside selfish ambition.

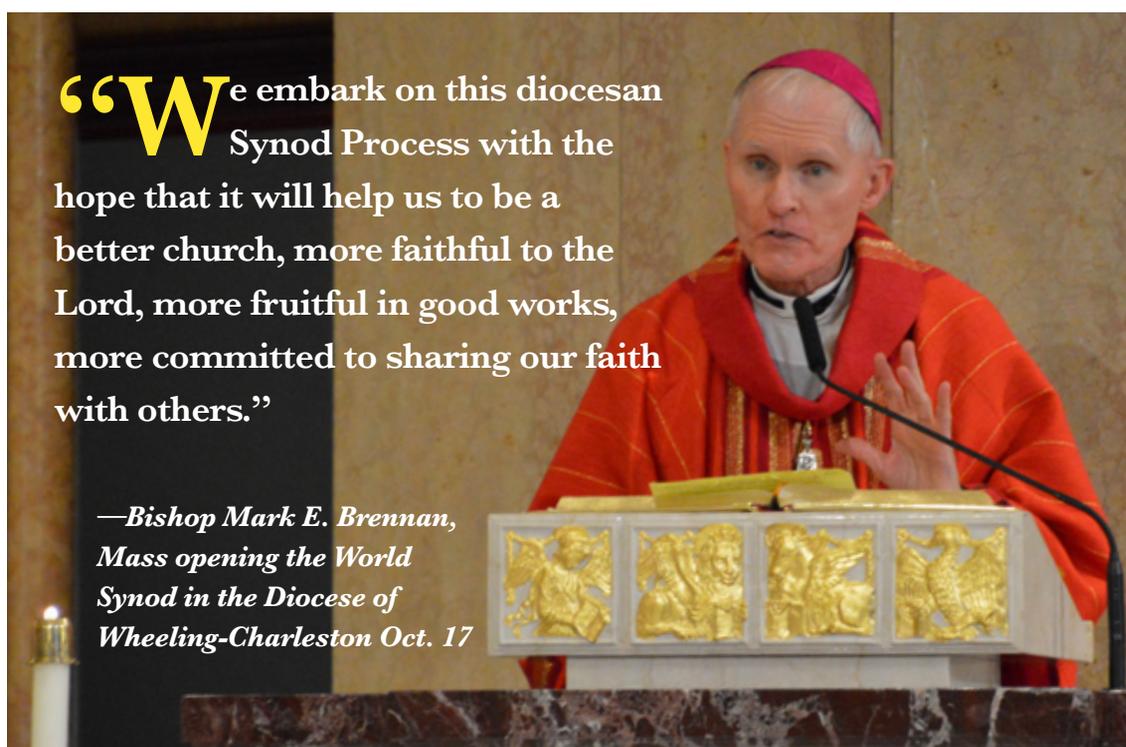
"He understands that our way of being in the church is not to promote ourselves. It's rather to work for the common good and to do so enlightened by the Holy Spirit," Bishop Brennan said. "Our unity is

based on our faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and the sacrament of baptism which joins us, for the first time, to the Lord Jesus in his death and resurrection and all the good that comes to us from that and the mission that we received in our baptism to proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord of the world and the Savior of all people."

The bishop emphasized that the term synodality is used by Pope Francis to describe this way of being as church. The word synod, the bishop said, really means an assembly, a gathering. In the ancient church, dioceses in regions and sometimes the whole church would gather to talk about issues that had arisen, and they were called synods. The most recent great synod, the bishop noted, was the Second Vatican Council in the 1960s.

"The pope is saying we need to recognize that this is our mode of being as church," Bishop Brennan said, pointing to three distinct elements that are related to one another in this process of synodality which the pope talks about. They are: Communion with God—seeking from the Lord Jesus, through the Holy Spirit poured out upon us, the will of God; seeking the guidance of God in considering the needs of the church.

"So that means we pray," the bishop said. "We invoke the Holy Spirit, we ask God to guide us." It also means listening to others



“We embark on this diocesan Synod Process with the hope that it will help us to be a better church, more faithful to the Lord, more fruitful in good works, more committed to sharing our faith with others.”

—Bishop Mark E. Brennan, Mass opening the World Synod in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston Oct. 17

Bishop Brennan offers his homily at the Mass opening the World Synod in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston Oct. 17 at the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Charleston.

Martina Hart Photo

and engaging in discussions respectfully, he said.

The second element is participation. "We try to involve everyone as much as possible in this gathering, in this discussion. Especially the people we might leave on the sidelines," the bishop said. "How about our youth groups? What is their experience of church? Or the young people at our colleges?"

The bishop also included clients of Catholic Charities and people of other Christian churches as well.

For the third element, Bishop Brennan said, all of

this is geared toward helping Catholics to grasp more firmly the mission as followers of Jesus Christ.

"We are not a Catholic club," the bishop said. "We are a movement going through history proclaiming the carpenter from Nazareth, Jesus, as the one designated by the father to be the Savior of the world—to save you from sin and from death, the twin enemies we cannot overcome on our own. So, that's our mission. Proclaim him as the Lord and Savior of all people. To bring them to the Lord, and to bring the Lord to them."

In the synod process, Catholics of the diocese will strive to be illuminated by the Holy Spirit through their conversations with one another, the bishop said, committing to engage in the mission of bringing the gospel of Christ to others. This requires a change of mindset, he said, as Catholics in this country have become reticent in speaking about the faith to others.

"We've got to get over that attitude," Bishop Brennan said. "We are meant to share our faith with others. This is what Jesus wants us all to do."

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Martina Hart Photo

Diocesan Pastoral Council Member Gina Boggess places a candle before the image of Mary, Mother of the Church, at the Mass opening the World Synod in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston Oct. 17 at the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Charleston.



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Diocesan Chancellor Chad Carter, left, joins the bell choir at the Mass opening the World Synod in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston Oct. 17 at the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Charleston.

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The faithful, he said, must figure out how to reach Catholics who have fallen away from the faith; to reach out to the hundreds of thousands of West Virginians not affiliated with any religion. "With guidance from the Holy Spirit we will figure that out," the bishop said.

"Our diocesan phase for the preparation of the great Synod of Bishops, which will be the fall of 2023, begins today," Bishop Brennan said. In almost every parish of the diocese, he said, facilitators have been designated and will be trained for the synodality process. "So, that they can guide discussions in their parishes so that no one dominates but that everyone's voice is heard," the bishop said. The diocese's Synod Committee will take the questions for the process and help prepare them. However, the bishop said, it basically comes down to "What is your experience of the church like? What's going on in your life as a member of this church?"

Once input from different groups at the diocesan level is compiled, a report will be sent to the bishops' conference in Washington. The bishops' conference then puts together its report to be sent to Rome to the commission that is preparing for the Synod of Bishops. What Pope Francis wants, Bishop Brennan said, is a ground up approach, starting with the people and their experience of being Catholic.

"We want as much input from our people as possible," Bishop Brennan said. There is a suffering involved in the synodal process, he said, stressing that it is not about scoring points or showing off debating skills. Rather, the bishop said, it is about listening closely to what others are saying and trying to understand before one speaks. He encouraged all to speak respectfully to others and realize that one's idea may be not be where the spirit is leading the people to. It is a suffering that bears fruit, he said.

"We embark on this diocesan synod process with the hope that it will help us to be a better church," Bishop Brennan said, "more faithful to the Lord, more fruitful in good



Martina Hart Photo

The image of Mary, Mother of the Church, is shown at the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Charleston. In front of the image are the candles that were placed by members of the Diocesan Pastoral Council during the Oct. 17 Mass, celebrated by Bishop Mark E. Brennan, to open the World Synod in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

works, more committed to sharing our faith with others."

Following the bishop's homily, diocesan Chancellor Chad Carter came to the front of the church for a moment of prayer to Our

Lady. "We now call upon the Mother of our Savior and the Mother of the Church, 'Mater Ecclesia' in Latin, to invoke her intercession upon our endeavors," Carter said.

He continued by introducing Diocesan Pastoral Council members, noting the important role in which they serve.

"These men and women from various regions across the state of West Virginia assist Bishop Brennan as he shepherds the diocese allowing the voice of the faithful to be heard," Carter said. "This fits well with the theme of the synod that Pope Francis has called us to begin—a synod on synodality. In other words, listening to each other and journeying together as the people of God."

Members of the council then came forward with lighted candles and placed them before an image of Mary, Mother of the Church, as a symbolic gesture calling upon her for guidance and strength.

The members of the Diocesan Pastoral Council who participated in the Mass are Gina Boggess and Jim Copolo of the Beckley Vicariate, Susan Bossie-Maddox of the Charleston Vicariate, Kim Endres of the Charleston Vicariate, Linda Nedeff of the Parkersburg Vicariate, Denis Wilson of the Wheeling Vicariate, and Delegate for Consecrated Life Sister Martha Gomez. Charleston Vicariate Council and basilica co-cathedral representative Kimberly Eagle also participated.

During the Mass, those gathered at the basilica co-cathedral prayed that the synodal process may lead all ever deeper into the communion of the church, foster participation in it, and equip all to go out on mission. They prayed that the journey in the coming months will be based on listening together to the Word of God and the celebration of the Eucharist in the communion of the people of God.

The Mass was livestreamed on the diocese's website at www.dwc.org and Facebook Page and is still available for viewing.

Consultation and listening sessions will be held in parishes across the state as the synod progresses.

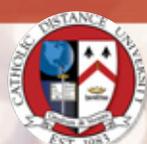
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A Letter from Bishop Brennan

October 15, 2021

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
 In St. Matthew's Gospel (19-14), Jesus tells his disciples: Let the children come to me and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these. Scandals in society and the Church, going back many years, have taught us how important it is to take the Lord's words to heart. That is why our Diocese has a comprehensive program to protect children and young people in our parishes, schools and camps, including strong background checks, fingerprinting for clergy, teachers and youth ministers and enhanced reporting procedures.

But this is not all we must do. We must seek God's help and the intercession of His saints in order to protect our children and young people from threats to their moral and spiritual development.

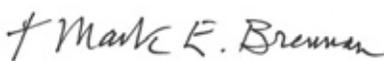
This summer a young college student of our Diocese approached me to speak of his desire to form a Confraternity of St. Nicholas, who is the patron saint of children. I loved the fact that this proposal came from one of our young people! After some consultation, I approved the formation of the Confraternity in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

Members of the Confraternity will seek St. Nicholas' intercession for the protection of all youth from sexual abuse, human trafficking, pornography, and scandal. They will do so by prayer, fasting and good works.

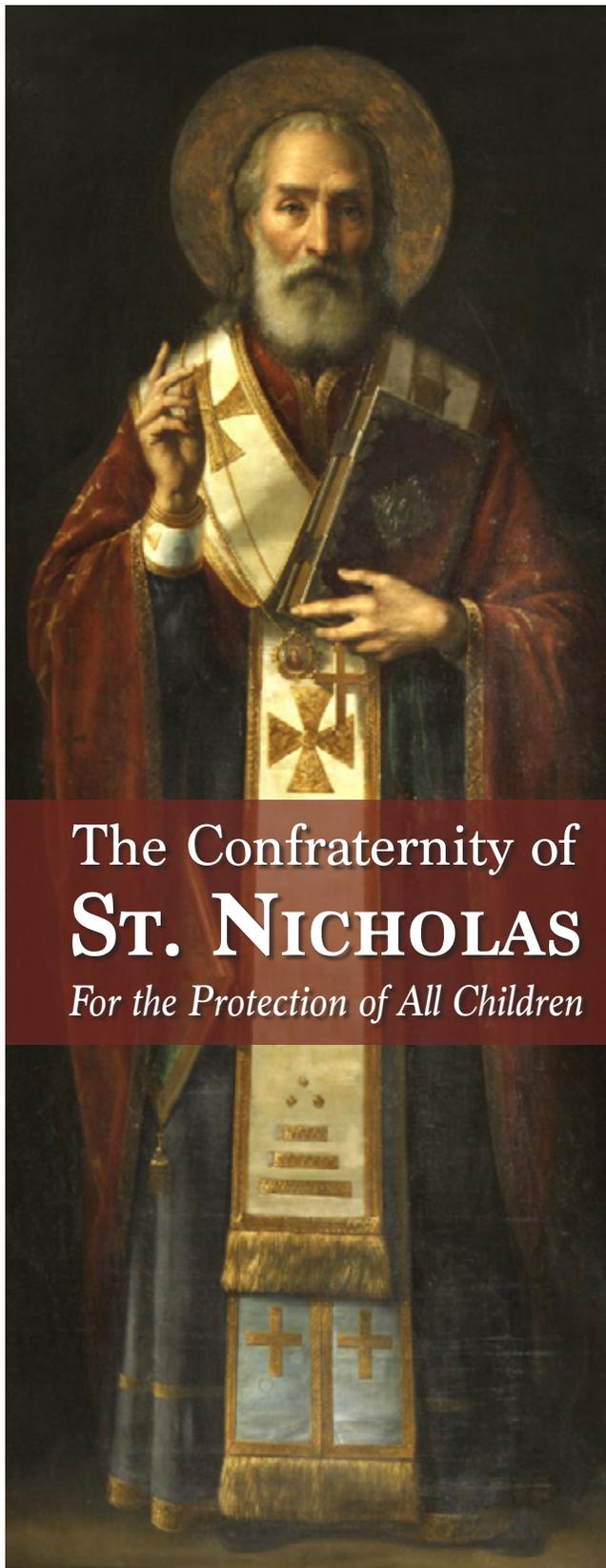
I encourage you to learn more about the Confraternity of St. Nicholas and to promote it. I ask our priests to invite your parishioners to visit the Confraternity's website: <https://dwc.org/evangelization-and-catechesis/confraternity-of-st-nicholas/>. There you can register to become a member of this new Confraternity.

As Bishop St. Nicholas defended Christ's divinity against those who denied it, we implore his prayers to defend children and young people from all attacks on their moral and spiritual well-being. Joining the Confraternity of St. Nicholas is a providential way to participate in the prayers offered to this saint for that purpose.

Sincerely in Christ,



+Mark E. Brennan
 Bishop of Wheeling-Charleston



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The Confraternity of Saint Nicholas is a public association of the faithful who, through prayer, fasting, and good works, are dedicated to the protection of all children from scandalization, abuse, and trafficking. The members of the Confraternity, by fulfilling its obligations, gain many spiritual benefits. Members enjoy the intercession of St. Nicholas, great wonder worker, Bishop, and patron of children. We pray that, as St. Nicholas defended the Divinity of Christ, he too by our prayers, fasting, and good works defends all children from harm.

INSTALLATION

His Excellency Bishop Mark E. Brennan of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston has the authority to establish this Confraternity.



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Bishops Call Attacks on U.S. Catholic Sites ‘Acts of Hate’ That Must Stop

**By Catholic News Service
WASHINGTON (CNS)**

— The Oct. 10 vandalization of Denver’s cathedral basilica that resulted in satanic and other “hateful graffiti” being scrawled on its doors and at least one statue brought to 100 the number of incidents of arson, vandalism and other destruction that have taken place at Catholic sites across the United States since May 2020.

That month the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Committee for Religious Liberty began tracking such incidents, according to an Oct. 14 USCCB news release.

“These incidents of vandalism have ranged from the tragic to the obscene, from the transparent to the inexplicable,” the chairmen of the USCCB’s religious liberty and domestic policy committees said in a joint statement included in the release.

“There remains much we do not know about this phenomenon, but at a minimum, they underscore that our society is in sore need of God’s grace,” they said, calling on the nation’s elected officials “to step forward and condemn these attacks.”

“In all cases, we must reach out to the perpetrators with prayer and forgiveness,” said Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan of New York, chairman of the Committee for Religious Liberty, and Archbishop Paul S. Coakley of Oklahoma City, chairman of the Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development.

“Where the motive was retribution for some past fault of ours, we must reconcile; where misunderstanding of our teachings has caused anger toward us,

we must offer clarity; but this destruction must stop. This is not the way,” they said.

“We thank our law enforcement for investigating these incidents and taking appropriate steps to prevent further harm,” Cardinal Dolan and Archbishop Coakley said. “We appeal to community members for help as well. These are not mere property crimes — this is the degradation of visible representations of our Catholic faith. These are acts of hate.”

In a July 2020 joint statement, Archbishop Coakley and Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski of Miami, then acting chairman of the religious liberty committee decried the growing number of incidents of church vandalism.

“Whether those who committed these acts were troubled individuals crying out for help or agents of hate seeking to intimidate, the attacks are signs of a society in need of healing,” the two archbishops said.

“In those incidents where human actions are clear, the motives still are not. As we strain to understand the destruction of these holy symbols of self-

less love and devotion, we pray for any who have caused it, and we remain vigilant against more of it,” they said.

“Our nation finds itself in an extraordinary hour of cultural conflict,” they added. “The path forward must be through the compassion and understanding practiced and taught by Jesus and his Holy Mother. Let us contemplate, rather than destroy, images of these examples of God’s love. Following the example of Our Lord, we respond to confusion with understanding and to hatred with love.”

These incidents have ranged from a man crashing his van through the doors of a Catholic church in the Diocese of Orlando, Florida, and setting the interior ablaze, to a St. Junípero Serra statue outside Mission San Rafael in San Rafael, California, in the Archdiocese of San Francisco, being desecrated with red paint and toppled, leaving just the saint’s feet

in place.

In response to such attacks, the Committee for Religious Liberty launched the “Beauty Heals” project featuring videos from various dioceses discussing the significance of sacred art.

At least 10 videos are available on YouTube; a link to the play list of all the videos can be found at <https://bit.ly/3peNq3o>.

In a June 1, 2021, letter to the respective chairs and ranking members of the Appropriation Committee in the House and Senate, the USCCB’s Committee for Religious Liberty joined with several other faith groups calling for more funding for appropriations for the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Nonprofit Security Grant Program in fiscal year 2022.

The text of the letter can be found at <https://bit.ly/3n6Rz6t>.

“As organizations representing Jewish, Muslim, Sikh, Catholic, Episcopal, Evangelical, Lutheran, Pro-

testant, Seventh-day Adventist, and other Christian and communities of faith across the United States, we believe that all people ought to be free from fear when gathering for religious worship and service,” they wrote, urging more funds for the FEMA grant program.

The grants provide funds for “target hardening and other physical security enhancements and activities” for, as the letter stated, “at-risk nonprofits from urban settings to suburban neighborhoods and rural communities, including houses of worship, religious schools, community centers and other charities.”

“There is a critical need and urgency for these grants,” the faith groups said. “Our sacred spaces have been desecrated, and our faithful murdered.”

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Texas urges Supreme Court to Let State's Abortion Law Stand

By Catholic News Service

WASHINGTON (CNS) — Texas state officials Oct. 21 urged the Supreme Court to leave the state's current abortion law in place, and they also advised the court not to fast-track abortion providers' challenge to the law banning abortion after six weeks of pregnancy.

The two briefs were requested by the Supreme Court following an emergency request filed Oct. 18 by the Department of Justice asking the court to block enforcement of the Texas abortion law and the court's announcement the same day that it was considering taking up the abortion providers' challenge to the state's abortion law prior to a lower court ruling.

Texas officials defended the most recent order issued by a three-judge panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals allowing the state's abortion law to go back into effect after a lower court judge had blocked it.

One of the Texas briefs stressed the government's attempt to block the state's law lacked merit because "the federal government cannot get an abortion and the Constitution does not assign it any special role to protect any putative right to abortion."

It also said that if the Supreme Court takes up this case, it could potentially be used to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, the court's 1973 decision legalizing abortion.

Panelists urge Catholics to Discuss Death Penalty at Parish Level

By Catholic News Service

WASHINGTON (CNS) — During an online panel about the death penalty Oct. 19, panelists stressed how capital punishment goes against church teaching, and they also urged the nearly 500 participants to promote this discussion at their own parishes by tapping into available resources.

"We're here to help you; if you want to do more with your parish reach out to us," said Dominican Sister Terry Rickard, president and executive director of Renew International, a group that helps parishes strengthen parishioners' leadership roles.

Renew International and the Archdiocese of Washington sponsored the panel which featured Sister Helen Prejean, a Sister of St. Joseph of Medaille, and longtime advocate against the death penalty,

and Jeannine Marino, secretary for pastoral ministry and social concerns for the Washington Archdiocese.

Marino noted that "our parishes are the heart of where we experience Catholic faith" and said that on the life issue of Catholic opposition to the death penalty parishes could tap into resources from Catholic Mobilizing Network which offers a Respect Life Month toolkit with anti-death penalty information, advocacy ideas and prayers.

Catholic Mobilizing Network, together with Renew International, also offers the publication "Dignity and the Death Penalty: Evolution of Catholic Teaching," which is a small-group resource that can be divided up into material for small-group sessions.

It can be found online at <https://bit.ly/3CcvGZK>.

Chester Catholics Pray for the Unborn at Rosary Procession



Courtesy Photo
Members of Sacred Heart Parish in Chester are pictured at their Oct. 10 rosary procession, a pro-life initiative. The procession was led by altar servers who were followed by Father Jeelson V. Stephan, MCBS, pastor, carrying a wooden statue of the Blessed Mother. The parish school of religion students led the group.

Knights Join Parish Community in Clean up of Catholic Cemetery

Father John Rice and parishioners of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Parkersburg joined with Knights of Columbus Council #594 members, Parkersburg Catholic High School students and the Wood County Historical and Preservation Society for a fall clean-up of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Cemetery Oct. 9.

Volunteers removed overgrown vegetation, removed dead tree limbs and low-hanging branches, removed debris and did a general spruce up. Historical Society members had previously reset four damaged headstones.

The historic cemetery was founded in 1810 and contains the graves of 35 Civil War veterans as well as veterans of other wars. Seven charter members of Parkersburg Council #594 as well as parishioners who built St. Francis Xavier Church in 1870 are also buried there.

Following the clean-up a drawing was held for free tickets to a WVU football game which was won by Dick Kesterson.



Top right: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Cemetery in Parkersburg is pictured. Right: Father John Rice, parishioners of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Parkersburg, Knights of Columbus Council #594 members, Parkersburg Catholic High School students, and the Wood County Historical and Preservation Society work on a fall clean-up of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Cemetery Oct. 9.

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Confirmation Schedule Fall 2021, Bishop Mark E. Brennan, Celebrant

Sunday, October 24, 2021: St. Thomas Parish, Gassaway, 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, October 30, 2021: St. Patrick Parish, Mannington, 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 7, 2021: Immaculate Conception Parish, Fairmont, 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, November 10, 2021: Combined Confirmation: Holy Redeemer Parish, Spencer, St. Elizabeth of Hungary Mission, Elizabeth; at St. Elizabeth of Hungary Mission, 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 20, 2021: St. Francis Xavier Parish, Parkersburg, 5:00 p.m.

Irish Road Bowling Event Held by Wheeling's Ancient Order of Hibernians

WHEELING — The Wheeling AOH Division 1 hosted another successful "World's Largest" Irish Road Bowling event on Sept. 25, 2021 at Wheeling Park's Sonneborn Shelter. West Virginia's only remaining chapter of the Ancient Order of Hibernians hosted the event, which drew nearly 650 participants to compete for the "McSweeney Cup." The cup is named for the Division's Chaplain, Father Jeremiah McSweeney, a long serving West Virginia parish priest originally from County Cork, Ireland.

"The event is a real 'craic,'" noted Hibernian Larry Freeland, whose nephew, Conor Freeland and bandmates, "Bealtaine" provided the Irish music for the event. Participants roll a steel ball along a 1.5-mile course, trying to finish with the fewest number of throws.

"It is the division's largest fundraising event," noted Tom Connelly, division president. Proceeds from the event are used to support many local charities and non-profits throughout the year, including supporting Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center in Wheeling, three \$1,000 college scholarships the division awards to high school students in the Ohio Valley, and grants to local Catholic school teachers for school supplies.

"The division appreciates the support from the Ohio County Commission as well as the permission from the West Virginia Department of Transportation Division of Highways to use the road that afternoon," added Hibernian Craig O'Leary, event organizer

The Ancient Order of Hibernians is the nation's



Wheeling Hibernians march in the Pittsburgh St. Patrick's Day Parade.

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oldest and largest Irish-American organization. Previously, there were multiple divisions in Wheeling and across the state. Wheeling resident, Jack Fahey re-established the Order in Wheeling in 2006 when the national organization approved the application after securing the required number of new members, many from the large Fahey and McCormick clans. Prior to that, Fahey had been attending meetings across the Ohio River in Belmont County, Ohio.

The Wheeling Division currently includes 80 members from parishes in Ohio and Marshall counties in West Virginia and Belmont County, Ohio.

In addition to hosting the World's Largest Road Bowling event, the division also marches in the annual St. Patrick's Day in Pittsburgh, and hosts many other social fundraising events throughout the year.

Membership is open to practicing Catholic men over 18 years of age that can claim Irish heritage by birth or descent. Anyone interested in learning more about the organization is invited to visit AOH.com, the Wheeling Division Facebook page at facebook.com/roadbowling or read Freedom for All Ireland Officer Seán Duffy's "Whelan's Irish Guard The Ancient Order of Hibernians in Wheeling" avail-



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Father Jeremiah McSweeney (left) visits with Andy Ondeck (right) and Pat, Jack, and Tom Fahey (center) working the registration table at the 2021 event.

able online at the Ohio County Public Library's website. The Division encourages all to mark their calendars for next year's event on Sept. 24, 2022.

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University Magazine Ranks Wheeling University one of the Top 10 Colleges in West Virginia

WHEELING—Wheeling University has been named one of the best colleges in West Virginia by Canadian-based University Magazine.

The magazine selected Wheeling the eighth best college in the state and the highest rated institution in the Northern Panhandle according to its 2021 rankings.

University Magazine was created by a student to provide information on topics that impact college students – student life, majors, careers, as well as rankings. The magazine is announcing the top 10 colleges in each state.

“Yet another ranking service has recognized Wheeling University for the quality, Catholic education it provides to students,” said Ginny R. Favede, university president. “This is the second ranking service this semester to rank the University as one of the best institutions in the Mountain State.”

The magazine noted that Wheeling University is competitive with a 69 percent acceptance rate and that more than half of students admitted had ACT scores of 19 to 24.

Favede added, “Wheeling University is consistently ranked among the best in the state and region thanks to our outstanding faculty, who provide our students an exemplary educational experience that includes experiential learning opportunities. Since our founding, Wheeling has remained true to its roots of providing its students an excellent education grounded in Ignatian principles.”

Since January, Wheeling University and its academic programs have received outstanding accolades by a number of ranking services. The 2022 U.S. News & World Report’s Best College Guide named Wheeling a top-tier university in the South Region again this year. Earlier in 2021, Intelligent.com, Niche, Stacker.com, and Academic Influence have recognized the University as one of the best institutions in West Virginia. Additionally, Niche and Stacker chose the University as a Best Value College in the state.

“Remaining true to our mission and core values – to educate men and women for life, leadership and service – is a key reason why the University continues to be ranked as one of the best institutions of higher learning in the region. By educating the ‘whole person,’ Wheeling University graduates become dynamic leaders in the workplace, while using their God-given talents to serve in their communities” Favede explained.

She added, “Wheeling’s picturesque campus, nestled in the Appalachian foothills, offers students a safe environment for learning. In addition, the campus is home to 19 men’s and women’s varsity sports that play and win in the highly competitive Mountain East Conference.”

Wheeling remains the only campus-based Catholic institution of higher education in West Virginia. According to the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities (ACCU), Wheeling University is one of only 10 diocesan-sponsored universities in the United States. In addition to Wheeling, those other institutions include; Carroll College, Gannon University, Loras College, Seton Hill University, St. Ambrose University, St. Thomas University, Thomas More University, University of Dallas, and the University of St. Thomas (M.N.).

International Lay Apostolate Meets Monthly via Zoom

Anyone in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is invited to join the St. John Henry Newman Chapter of Catholics United for the Faith (CUF). CUF (cuf.org) is an international lay apostolate founded in 1968 whose purpose is “to unite the faithful from all walks of life in order to support, defend, and advance the efforts of the Teaching Church in accord with the teachings of the Second Vatican Council.”

In the DWC, the St. John Henry Newman Chapter of CUF promotes doctrinal and spiritual formation in the Catholic faith, personal renewal, and engagement in evangelization and catechesis.

“We support our bishop, clergy, and seminarians in their efforts to encourage the return of those who have left the practice

of the faith and to increase religious vocations. Now more than ever we need to be able to study, articulate, and defend our faith so that we can grow in holiness and lead others to the saving truths of our Catholic faith,” organization officials said.

The chapter chairman, Dr. Matthew Vester, and vice-chairman, Louise Deal, both reside in Morgantown, but chapter members are from all parts of the diocese. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. via Zoom, with the next meeting set for Tuesday, Nov. 16.

For more information, visit the chapter’s website at www.wvlaity.org. For questions or to get involved in the chapter’s mission or to attend the next meeting, send e-mail to: cuf.dwc@gmail.com.

Dear Friends in Christ,

I am honored to serve as your Bishop and am proud of the number of families we served, the ministries we provided, and the progress we made together this past year. We truly united with Christ and shared His gifts with our brothers and sisters in need.

We served the vulnerable through Catholic Charities, encouraged our Seminarians and Deacons in formation preparing for priesthood, provided local families with health programs to care for their children, and helped young people fall deeper in love with Christ in the beautiful hills of West Virginia.

Gifts made to the Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA) enliven our shared ministries. Through the CSA, we can strengthen families, enrich parish life, and expand our charitable outreach efforts throughout West Virginia. We made much progress last year, but unfortunately, couldn’t reach everyone. It’s my hope we still can.

Today, I come to you with an open heart and ask you to prayerfully consider supporting the CSA this year. You can visit dwc.org/csa to make a secure gift online. Your generosity will make an immediate impact at your parish, and in our communities now, and in the year to come. If you have already made a gift to the CSA, I thank you for your generosity.

Together, we can serve as a light for all to see and share His gifts with our brothers and sisters in need. May God abundantly bless you and your loved ones.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

+Mark E. Brennan

Bishop of Wheeling-Charleston

P.S. I will be remembering you in my prayers. Please share your prayer intentions with me at dwc.org/csaprayerintentions.





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Catholic Charities West Virginia Honors West Virginians Who Demonstrate a Compassionate Commitment to Humankind

Catholic Charities West Virginia (CCWVa) is proud to celebrate the recipients of its 2021 and 2020 Charity in Action Awards at a luncheon in Charleston on Oct. 22 at noon.

The 2021 honoree is the Pallottine Missionary Sisters; 2020 honorees include Danny Vance of Huntington, Margaret O’Neal of Charleston, Jim Hoffman of Huntington, and Elizabeth Hoffman of Huntington.

These individuals and group have performed meaningful service and demonstrated deep compassion for others. They personify our mission: to provide caring and compassionate services to people in need and work toward lasting and meaningful change.

We honor these individuals in a special way:

Pallottine Missionary Sisters

The Pallottine Missionary Sisters came to America in 1912, inspired by the motto of their founder, St. Vincent Pallotti: “The love of Christ impels us.”

The Sisters came to West Virginia to serve at the request of the Bishop of Wheeling. They opened a parish school and have established a number of hospitals, including Sacred Heart Hospital, St. Joseph’s Hospital, St. Vincent Pallotti Hospital and St. Mary’s Hospital (now St. Mary’s Medical Center).

Additionally, the Pallottine Missionary Sisters’ creation of two health foundations, the Pallottine Foundation of Huntington, and the Pallottine Foundation of Buckhannon, demonstrate the Sisters’ continuing commitment to health and wellness in communities across the state of West Virginia.

Danny Vance

Danny espouses the core values of “charity” at every instance. He gives freely of his time and talent.

“Danny can be seen at the front of the line when things are tough; or in the back of the line when its time for accolades or praise,” said Matthew Bowles, Esq. of Charleston.

A member of the Board of Directors of Catholic Charities West Virginia, Danny serves as the Chairman of its Finance Committee. His introductions, volunteerism, energy and commitment have increased Catholic Charities West Virginia’s footprint in Huntington and his home county of Cabell. His Charity In Action is statewide.

Margaret O’Neal

Margaret is president and chief professional officer of the United Way of Central West Virginia in Charleston.

She works every day with partners across her region to reduce poverty and provide hope.

“Margaret has given back tremendously to our community and always has a positive attitude and smile on her face. I saw her in action during United Way’s Christmas Bureau bring Christmas to under privileged children to brighten up their holiday,” said Chris Signorelli, president, Security America.

Her Charity in Action has been demonstrated over and over. Margaret passionately serves the most vulnerable populations in the Mountain State.

James and Elizabeth Hoffman

Jim and Liz are gifts to humankind in West Virginia!

They try to live their lives according to what St. Peter Claver has stated: “We must speak to them with our hands before we try to speak to them with our lips.”

The Hoffmans’ fundamental goal is to use their resources to assist those less fortunate. They support projects that reinforce the proverb: “Give a man a fish; you have fed him for today. Teach a man to fish; and you have fed him for a lifetime.”



James and Elizabeth Hoffman



Danny Vance



Margaret O’Neal



Pallottine Missionary Sisters

“Every volunteer who walks in the doors of Catholic Charities increases our impact and makes lives better,” said Beth Zarate, CCWVa president and chief executive officer. “The Hoffmans are certainly a testament to that, and

to charity in action.”

The event will be live-streamed on Facebook and on the agency’s website at www.CatholicCharitiesWV.org/CharityInAction.

The Mission of Catholic Charities West Virginia:

Guided by God’s love, Catholic Charities collaborates with community partners, parishes and families to provide caring and compassionate services to people in need and work toward lasting and meaningful change.

Una carta del obispo Brennan

15 de octubre de 2021

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

En el Evangelio de San Mateo (19-14), Jesús les dice a sus discípulos: Dejad que los niños vengan a mí y no se lo impidáis; porque el reino de los cielos pertenece a tales como éstos. Los escándalos en la sociedad y la Iglesia, que se remontan a muchos años atrás, nos han enseñado lo importante que es tomar en serio las palabras del Señor. Es por eso que nuestra Diócesis tiene un programa integral para proteger a los niños y jóvenes en nuestras parroquias, escuelas y campamentos, que incluye controles de antecedentes rigurosos, toma de huellas dactilares para el clero, maestros y ministros de jóvenes y procedimientos mejorados de presentación de informes.

Pero esto no es todo lo que debemos hacer. Debemos buscar la ayuda de Dios y la intercesión de sus santos para proteger a nuestros niños y jóvenes de las amenazas a su desarrollo moral y espiritual.

Este verano, un joven estudiante universitario de nuestra Diócesis se me acercó para hablar de su deseo de formar una Cofradía de San Nicolás, que es el santo patrón de los niños. ¡Me encantó el hecho de que esta propuesta viniera de uno de nuestros jóvenes! Después de algunas consultas, aprobé la formación de la Cofradía en la Diócesis de Wheeling-Charleston.

Los miembros de la Cofradía buscarán la intercesión de San Nicolás para la protección de todos los jóvenes del abuso sexual, la trata de personas, la pornografía y el escándalo. Lo harán mediante la oración, el ayuno y las buenas obras.

Os animo a conocer más sobre la Cofradía de San Nicolás y a promoverla. Pido a nuestros sacerdotes que inviten a sus feligreses a visitar el sitio web de la Confraternidad: <https://dwc.org/evangelization-and-catechesis/confraternity-of-st-nicholas/>. Allí podrás registrarte para convertirte en miembro de esta nueva Cofradía.

Como el obispo San Nicolás defendió la divinidad de Cristo contra quienes la negaron, imploramos sus oraciones para defender a los niños y jóvenes de todos los ataques a su bienestar moral y espiritual. Unirse a la Cofradía de San Nicolás es una forma providencial de participar en las oraciones que se ofrecen a este santo con ese fin.

Sinceramente en Cristo,



+ Mark E. Brennan
Obispo de Wheeling-Charleston

Aplicación ayuda a fieles rezar por el sínodo y con el papa

Por Catholic News Service CIUDAD DEL VATICANO (CNS) — El cardenal Mario Grech, secretario general del Sínodo de los Obispos, dijo que en el proceso de crear una iglesia más sinodal, en la que todos los miembros contribuyen y todos se escuchan, "estamos tocando algo divino, y la oración es esencial".

La oficina del sínodo, la Red Mundial de Oración del Papa y la Unión Internacional de Superiores Generales se han unido, no solo para alentar las oraciones, sino para recopilarlas, compartirlas y construir una comunidad global de personas que oran por el sínodo.

Sus esfuerzos se basan en dos plataformas principales: una versión actualizada de Click to Pray, una aplicación y un sitio web administrado por la red de oración, y www.prayforthesynod.va. Ambos fueron presentados el 19 de octubre en una conferencia de prensa en el Vaticano.

Los superiores generales están solicitando oraciones para el sínodo y su proceso de preparación a miembros de monasterios de mujeres y hombres y comunidades contem-

plativas. Hasta el 31 de octubre, esas oraciones se publicarán en el sitio web; a partir del 1 de noviembre, cualquiera puede enviar una oración, dijo Patrizia Morgante, oficial de comunicaciones de la UISG. Las oraciones también se publicarán en la aplicación Click to Pray 2.0 y se pueden agregar a los sitios web de órdenes religiosas, parroquias o diócesis con un canal RSS.

Además de las oraciones para el sínodo, especialmente durante la fase preparatoria que comenzó a principios de octubre, la aplicación Click to Pray actualizada ha agregado funciones, incluidas notificaciones para que las personas puedan configurarlas para recordarles que deben orar a la hora que elijan cada mañana, mediodía y noche.

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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.

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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, diacono, 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.

Executive Director of Department of Social Ministry

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is seeking to hire an Executive Director of the Department of Social Ministry.

The Executive Director is responsible for serving as a catalyst and ongoing resource to the Bishop, diocesan staff, pastors and parishes in developing and maintaining effort which link direct service, advocacy, action and empowerment toward concerns of local and global justice, respect for all human life and environmental concerns.

This person also provides leadership, vision and advocacy for the development and implementation of a strategic plan for Prison, Hispanic ministries and other immigrant groups.

Qualification requirements include a Bachelor's degree (Master's

preferred), 2-5 years experience in parish Social Ministry, extensive knowledge of Catholic Social Teachings, working knowledge of the operation of the Catholic Church, self-motivated, ability to work in a team environment.

Please submit resume, references and cover letter to:

Human Resources Office
Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston
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Assistant Director for Youth and Young-Adult Ministry

The Assistant Director of the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis, as a member of Diocesan Services, is committed to advancing the mission of Jesus Christ, consistent with the core purpose and Gospel values enunciated in the Diocesan Services' Mission Statement.

The Assistant Director assists the Bishop and the Office Director in advancing the vocation and mission of the lay faithful, particularly with youth and young adults. This position assists in the evangelization, faith formation and public witness of these persons, leading them toward a deeper commitment to Christ and his Church.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES: Coordinates the diocesan ministries to, with, and for youth and young adults; directs the sub-office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, within the wider Office of Evangelization and Catechesis\Works with youth and young-adult ministers at the parish level to promote, develop, and execute their ministries; oversees Development for Camp Carlo management and staff; Acts as the diocesan liaison to TEC (Teens Encounter Christ); Oversees Catholic Scouting within the diocese; organizes and executes the diocesan World Youth Day events; organizes and executes the diocesan NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) trip; oversees diocesan involvement in youth sports; Assists the Director in upholding Church teaching within the ministerial programs of the Diocese; incorporates the needs and perspectives of different ethnic groups and the disabled in all programming; makes an ongoing commitment to professional development in areas of responsibilities.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: Bachelor's Degree or equivalent in Theology, religious education or related area (Master's Preferred); three (3) or

more years' experience in Catechetical Formation at the parish, in a Catholic school or at the diocesan level; deep faith and personal commitment to the life of the Church, adherence to the teachings of the Church, and a desire to teach and communicate this to others; in depth knowledge of the Catholic Church, its mission, structures, and ministerial life, and in particular its teachings and principles on family, youth, and young adults; knowledge, ability, and manual dexterity to use diocesan technology effectively; ability to maintain confidentiality; Demonstrated leadership and organizational ability including the prioritization of responsibilities; skills and desire for collaboration, together with ability to take initiative and work independently; ability to communicate effectively and work collaboratively with all members of the organization; ability to work a flexible schedule, including evenings and weekends when necessary; ability to effectively articulate the catechetical vision, mission, and goals of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, to present information effectively, and to respond to questions from a variety of groups; ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety of concrete variables in situations where only limited standardization exists; ability to do long-range planning and project management; resourcefulness and flexibility to achieve planned objectives in a timely manner, and also to respond effectively and creatively to emerging needs, demands and opportunities; knowledge and skills to do research, writing, and prepare formational materials and programs; ability to organize, conduct, and evaluate formation programs.

Interested candidates may submit a resume and cover letter to mwash@dwc.org.

Case Manager, Catholic Charities West Virginia

The Case Manager is responsible for assisting and supporting the Regional Director in multiple programs. This employee will also direct case management duties, essential in carrying out the mission and vision of Catholic Charities West Virginia.

This is a full-time position.

Essential Job Duties: Conduct face-to-face interviews with clients; assist clients in implementation of long-range plans; Maintain the operation of region's Emergency Assistance Program; develop comprehensive service plan with client; possess excellent writing skills; assist the Regional Director in working with regional Catholic parishes.

Qualifications: Bachelor in Social Work or related field; working knowledge of an ability to articulate Catholic Social Teaching; experience in working with parish social concerns committees; casework experience working with at-risk populations; excellent computer skills with ability to track and analyse data.

Must have transportation to travel.

Please email resume, cover letter, and three professional references to: bhagy@ccwva.org

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Child Care Coordinator, Morgantown, WV, Catholic Charities West Virginia

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The Child Care Coordinator will oversee the administrative and case management activities of the Child Care Resource Center staff. This position will ensure that clients receive quality services in a timely manner, and that all program requirements are followed. The Child Care Coordinator will work with the Director, to oversee the administration and case management of office staff. This is a full-time position.

Essential Job Duties: Implementation of state and federal case management guidelines; monitor caseload sizes.

Responsible for all monthly reports and RODCA collection; responsible for staff supervision and training; prepare personnel evaluations; approval of all case-work in FACTS; reviews child care cases.

Location: Child Care Resources Center, Northern Region, Morgantown

Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in human services or related field or early childhood field as well as thorough knowledge of child care policies and FACTS; 2 years supervisory experience; ability to work collaboratively in a team environment; ability to maintain confidentiality and professional boundaries.

Please email resume, cover letter, and three professional references by Nov. 3, 2021 to: Brittany Lucci at Brittany.k.lucci@wv.gov

Application materials can also be delivered to:

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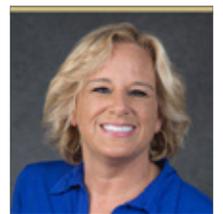
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Blessing Bag Project

CCWV is currently seeking donations to assemble cold weather blessing bags

Items Needed:

SCARFS	HATS
GLOVES	SOCKS
HANDWARMERS	LOTION
MASKS	COUGH DROPS
TISSUES	HAND SANITIZER
NON-PERISHABLE SNACKS	

If you'd like to participate, please contact us:

203 S. 7th Street
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(304) 425-4306
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Prayer in the time of pandemic: Healing, Hope and Reconciliation

A Virtual Gathering for Parish Musicians

Sunday, October 24, 2021 3:00 PM—4:30 PM

ZOOM link will be sent out upon registration. Register at:

<https://dwc.org/dioocese/offices/office-of-worship-sacraments/prayer-in-the-time-of-pandemic/>

All those involved in music ministry throughout the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston are invited to participate

For more information, contact bkime@dwc.org

Daily Living
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Sunday Mornings

6:30 WOWK 13	Huntington - Charleston
6:30 WTOV FOX 9	Wheeling-Steubenville
8:00 WBOY NBC 12	Weston-Clarksburg-Fairmont
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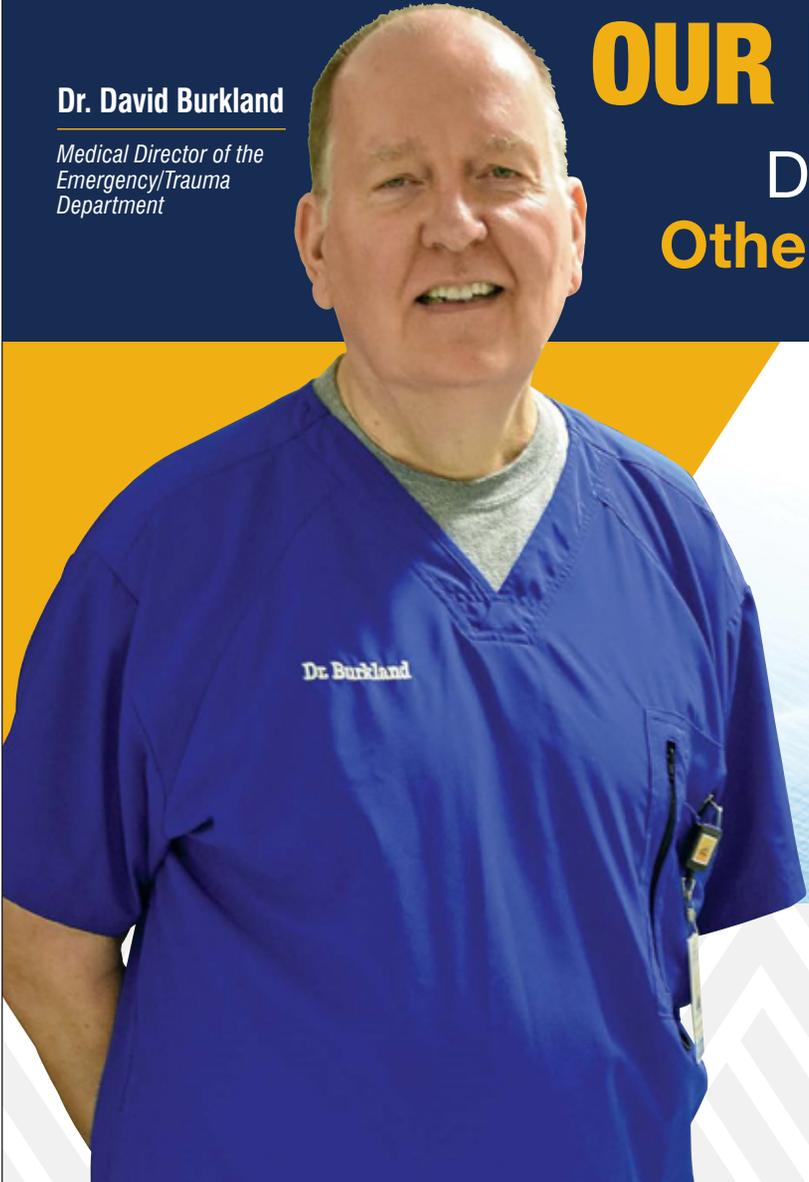
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