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Sharing God's Blessings	
Date	Collection
Sept 1	\$ 1352


By August 30, CSA 2024, we raised \$5260 (107%) of \$4920, Our Building insurance will be more than \$12,000; the sharing of CSA this year will use to pay for our building insurance. Please keep the bard raising. **Thanks for your support !**

Next OCIA Class will be held at 5:00 p. m on Sept 13 and 20 , 2024
 All are welcome to join us.

GOT LIFE QUESTIONS? OCIA
 Have you or someone you know? Expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? Been baptized as a child, but not received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? Have a child older than 7 who's not baptized? The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith and for those seeking more information on the Catholic Church. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please let Fr. Thien know. (304-364-5895) or tdnguyen@dwc.org

LITURGY SCHEDULE
SATURDAY: 5:00 p.m
SUNDAY 11:00 a.m
Sunday at 8:30 a.m at Risen Lord, Clay
WEEKDAY: Tue, Wed, Thu at 5:00 p.m.
Friday at 8:00 a.m
Holy Day of Obligation at 6:00 p.m
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Every Tuesday at 5:00 p.m prior to Mass
RECONCILIATION: Any time 30 minutes before or after daily Mass, After Sunday Mass
Other days by appointment
MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday Sept 7—Mass at 5:00 p.m
PRAY FOR SVD
SUNDAY SEPT 8
FOR PARISHIONERS OF ST. THOMAS

Sept 10— For Marian and Joe Agostino's Intentions
Sept 11—For Marian and Joe Agostino's Intentions
Sept 12 —For parish's Benefactors
Sept 13 — For Marian and Joe Agostino's Intentions



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Shaina Shaver - Sept. 10
Carol Frame - Sept. 12
Wishing you all Happy and Blessed Birthday

CCD Class
Sept 15 & 22

An Act of Spiritual Communion
 My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

PARISH PICNIC ON SEPT 15, 2024 at the church
 Our Parish Picnic is coming up soon . Sept 15, after 11: 00 am at the church. The following sign-up sheet will be placed on the table in the parish hall. Please indicate on the sheet if your family is coming and what dish you can bring. Please invite your friends and families member join us.

Greeting on Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Dear brothers and sisters,
HAPPY GRANDPATENTS AND ELDERLY DAY!
 In 2021, Pope Francis established the celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and Elderly on the fourth Sunday of July, near the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus (July 26).
 The U.S. bishops have approved the transfer of the celebration of World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in the U.S. to **the first weekend after Labor Day in September** to coincide with National Grandparents (and the Elderly) Day in the United States as many local communities, schools, and parishes have celebrated .
 This year is on Sept 8. We wish a happy Grandparents Day to all of our grandparents and those who love and nurture our faith like grandparents. Grandparents Day is an opportunity to treasure that connection and spend some quality family time together.
 The theme for the 2024 celebration selected by the pope is **“Do not cast me off in my old age” (cf. Psalm 71:9),**
 Pope Francis said, *“God has a large population of grandparents throughout the world.... They are the indispensable link to educating children and young people in the faith.”* They pass down their prayers, stories, songs, and customs just like maternal grandparents Ss. Joachim and Anne did for young Jesus. The reference makes you stop and think, imagining Jesus just for a moment with his grandparents. We can only imagine the immeasurable love and respect they have for one another – humbling and breathtaking.
 Grandchildren, please listen to your grandparents, especially when they teach you, with their love and with their witness, to cultivate the most important affections, which are not obtained by force, which do not appear through success, but which fill life.
 Today, let's also pray for the elderly who are suffering in a particular way at this moment: with great inner solitude, many times with a lot of fear. Let us pray to the Lord that He might be near our grandparents and all the elderly, that He might give strength to those who have given us wisdom, life, our story. May we also be near them with our prayer. Let us spend time with those who are disheartened and no longer hope in the possibility of a different future.
 Today, September 8, the Society of the Divine Word Missionaries - SVD (*In Latin Societas Verbi Divini*) of which I am members, launched our 150th anniversary. The SVD order was founded by St. Arnold Janssen, a German priest, **on September 8, 1875.** By this time next year, we will be celebrating 150th anniversary. Up to present, we are working in over 80 countries. There are 9 of us, priests, working in WV, Wheeling- Charleston Diocese. Please pray with us and for us that we continue to be faithful missionaries and for more vocation in our society. We are blessed to have you all as part of our SVD family. Please know that you and your loved ones are remembered daily in our prayers. Thanks for your prayers and continued support. *Fr. Thien, SVD*

Pray for Grandparents
 God of love,
 We thank you for our wonderful grandparents. They bring such joy and happiness into our lives. Thank you for all the special times that we have with them. Please watch over them, protect them and care for them now. May they know your goodness and love always. Amen

Food Pantry-Help Wanted!
On Sept 11
Pick up at Mountaineer Food Bank
 at 1:00 p.m
Unload + Prepacked
 1:45 p.m.
Distribute on Sept 12,
 from 9:00 a.m. —12:00 a.m.

Safe Environment: To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil 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; Sr. Martha Gomez, ext. 264. Or you may call Rev. Don Higgs, 304.685.2367, the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504, or Victims Assistance Coordinator Erin McFarland at 304.559.6742. Please visit www.dwc.org under “Accountability” for additional information and reporting methods.





On August 21 & 22 at our Mission Church-
the Risen Lord Food Pantry in Clay
we served 238 families with more than
15,000 lbs. of food. 9 volunteers from the
cathedral and St. Joseph the worker parish
came to help. Two nurses also checked
blood pressure and sugar check for 22
individuals.

**THANKS VOLUNTEERS
AND BENEFACTORS**

*"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for
one of the least of these brothers and
sisters of mine, you did for me."
(Matthew 25:40)*



THANK YOU

A Big Thank You to Marian Agostino, Louise Elwood, Dot Shimko, Connie Moore, Mary Hailer, Tom Teubert and Rick Allen, Shaina, Beva & Fiona Shaver and 5 volunteers from St. Joseph the Worker parish in Wheeling, for the help for the Food Pantry on Aug 7 & 8...
We served 94 families and the nurse in Wheeling, Cindy Hess checked blood pressure for 20 people this month. THANKS VOLUNTEERS AND BENEFACTORS !

