



St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church

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10534 Main Cross St. Whitesville, KY 42378
270-233-4196

February 2 2025

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord



Office Hours:
Monday-Friday
7:30am-4:00pm

Mass Schedule:
Monday, 8am
Tuesday-Friday,
8am & 12:05pm
Saturday, 8am & 4pm
Sunday, 7am, 9am, 11am
& 8pm

Confessions:
Saturday, 1-3pm or
anytime by appointment

Marriage:
Contact Fr. Brian Roby
one year before the
wedding date.

Baptisms:
Contact the Parish Office
A.A & Al-Anon Meetings:
Sunday, 8pm in SMWS

Bulletin Deadline:
Monday by 10am to
Sara Schrecker

Connect with us:
stmarywoodswhitesville.com



FEAST OF THE

Presentation of the Lord

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Mission Statement

By Word and Sacrament, we are sent to glorify God with our lives.

From the Pastor

I enjoyed our celebration of Catholic Schools Week. Catholic schools afford the fullest and best opportunity to realize the fourfold purpose of Christian education, namely, to provide an atmosphere in which the Gospel message is proclaimed, community in Christ is experienced, service is the norm, and thanksgiving and worship of God is cultivated. The vitality of the Church is inextricably linked to the health of its Catholic schools because they provide the most effective way to evangelize and form holy men and women who make God known, loved, and served. Catholic schools continue to play a vital role in American civic life as they exemplify how to prepare citizens for engagement in democracy and a commitment to the common good. There's no substitute for spending 35 hours a week in an educational environment permeated by faith and Gospel values.

Over the past few weeks, I've been preaching about a few things that I've invited you to prayerfully consider for your spiritual life and growth in holiness: to participate, as a family, in going to confession; to embrace every Friday as a penitential day of prayer, abstinence, and fasting; to consider setting aside time, through the week, to make a visit to the Church for prayer before the Blessed Sacrament; and to consider daily Mass options through the week on your day off or if you are retired and have even more freedom to attend daily Mass through the week— 8am and 12:05pm at St. Mary. All of this stems from the need to be more prayerful and to be intentional about our growth in holiness.

Two Diocesan gatherings are scheduled for next Saturday: A Catholic Men's conference at the RiverPark Center beginning at 9:30am and a Catholic Women's retreat at St. Ann Catholic Church in Morganfield beginning at 9am. To register, please use the QR code posted in the bulletin.

The weekend of Feb. 9th is World Marriage Day in the life of the Catholic Church. We will take advantage of this blessed occasion to renew wedding vows. Married couples find this to be a blessed and enriching moment and it's an awesome experience for our young people to witness. I look forward to this graced opportunity! Tuesday, Feb. 11th is World Day of the Sick in the life of the Catholic Church. We will take advantage of this blessed occasion to offer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at the 8am and 12:05pm Masses. I look forward to this graced opportunity!

Peace, Joy, and Love,
Fr. Brian J. Roby



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School Happenings:



CASH RAFFLE

TICKETS ONLY \$5
DRAW DATES:

01/15	03/15
01/20	03/20
01/25	03/25
01/30	03/30
02/05	04/05
02/10	04/10
02/15	04/15
02/20	04/20
02/25	04/25
03/05	04/30
03/10	

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20 DRAWINGS FOR \$250 2 DRAWINGS FOR \$500

WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED VIA FACEBOOK.

REGISTER YOUR TEAM
All teams must be registered and entry fee paid by February 27, 2025 by 6:00p.m.

TRINITY ALUMNI BASKETBALL



20 25

TOURNAMENT
MARCH 13TH, 14TH, & 15TH
At the Horn Community Center

This year there will be two separate divisions.
Open division will be 18 years of age (graduated) & older.
Second division will be 35 years of age and older.

Contact Renee @ 270-233-5405 to get your team's packet

ST. MARY OF THE WOODS SCHOOL PTO PRESENTS:

TUITION RAFFLE

or \$500 CASH

2025-2026 Tuition for one student

Tickets are \$5 each.

Need not be present to win.

Drawing will be held Saturday February 22, 2025
at the Mardi Gras Gala.

Tickets can be purchased from any St. Mary's
student or contact the school office at 270-233-5253.

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ST. MARY PTO PRESENTS:

13TH ANNUAL

MARDI GRAS GALA

DINNER & AUCTION

TICKETS ARE \$35 EACH.

INCLUDES: ENTERTAINMENT, DANCING, GAMES, AND AUCTION

CATERED MEAL: HORS D'OEUVRES, SALAD, SLICED PORK LOIN, MASHED
POTATOES, GREEN BEANS, ROLL, DESSERTS, AND UNLIMITED
TEA/LEMONADE.

MUST RSVP TO ACCOMMODATE FOR FOOD ALLERGIES

FEBRUARY 22, 2025 | 6PM - 12AM

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM

ST. MARY OF THE WOODS HORN COMMUNITY CENTER

-CASH BAR-NO OUTSIDE COOLERS-

PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL TO
PURCHASE TICKETS IN ADVANCE,
RESERVE A TABLE,
OR CHOOSE A SPONSORSHIP LEVEL.

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ST. MARY
OF THE WOODS
SCHOOL

Prayer List: Easton Pedley, Ashley Johnson, Gerald Rhodes, Mildred Boarman, David Jennings, Rob Park, Martine Boarman, Debbie Mills, Stephanie Mattingly, Jamie Clark, Stella Nash, Marvin Bickwermert, Greg Howard, Fred Keller, Joann Kauffeld, Braxton Rhodes, Jenny Kassinger, Richard Flesch, Logan Simon, Frank Clark, Jennifer Stinnett, Tim Mattingly, Ann Greer. *To keep the list current, please call the office when names should be added or removed. Names may be removed at the Pastor or editors discretion.*

Our American Men & Women who serve our country in all parts of the world.

Keep them safe O Lord & bring them home soon. Tony Burch, David Stiff, Michael Bickwermert, Robbylyn Young, Beau Knott, Nick Duvall, Katie Duvall, Devin Blythe, Chase Chatmon, Bowen Adams, Brady Boarman, Aaron Ling. *To keep the list current, please call the office when names should be added or removed.*

Homebound receiving visits from the parish. Bernadine Dean, Genevieve Boarman, Ruth Anderson, Mildred Boarman, David Jennings, Gordon Millay, Richard Flesch & Glenda Roby, Donna McKinley.

Nursing Homes: Martha Rose Hagan, Sherry Johnson, Bob Howard. *Please contact the office if there are any parishioners in nursing homes not listed above. We would like to keep our list as up to date as possible.*

Parishioners in formation for Consecrated life- Sister Mary Thomas of the Open Heart of Christ (Madeline Mattingly) with the Sister Servants of the Eternal Word and Sister Bethany Marie of the Glorious Wounds of Christ (Hannah Bland) with the Passionist Nuns.

Parishioner in formation for the Diaconate - James Jarboe

We pray for all those who are discerning their vocation in life. May they be given the wisdom to hear God's call and the courage to respond generously.

Bulletin Sponsor of the Week | Thank You

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Flower Memorial

Anyone wishing to put flowers in the front of the Altar In Honor or In Memory of someone the following dates are available:

Jan. 2026: 17/18, 31/Feb.1

Feb. 2026: 7/8, 14/15

Cost: \$60. Call Sara at the Parish Office to schedule.

Altar Care for February

Veda Mattingly & Valerie Roby

Donut Sunday

Join the Social Life Committee for donuts, coffee, milk or orange juice in the Parish Hall after the **7AM & 9AM Masses on Sun., Feb. 2nd.**

If you have **Celiac Disease** and/or are gluten intolerant, please see Fr. Brian before Mass so you may fully participate in Holy Communion with our parish family.

BIRTHRIGHT BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER



A non-profit organization that offers assistance to women with unplanned pregnancies. This program relies solely on donations of cash and supplies to operate.



1 Pick-up a bottle from the Church entrances the weekend of Feb. 1/2.



2 Fill the bottle with coins, cash or check. (Make payable to Birthright)



3 Return your bottle to the Church entrances the weekend of Feb. 8/9.



YOUR CHANGE CAN CHANGE A LIFE!

**** Scrip Office Hours | Monday-Thursday, 9am-3pm | Friday, 9am-Noon ****

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Online Giving - go to website www.stmaryofthewoodswhitesville.com and click Online Parish Giving!

St. Mary of the Woods Weddings

April 26, 2025 - Brenden Wathen & Audrey Porter, 6PM

May 10, 2025 - Ethan Boehmann & Alexia Barnett, 6PM

June 7, 2025 - Calvin Johnson & Olivia Hamilton, 6PM at St. William

June 21, 2025 - Aaron Sanders & Amanda Merritt, 6PM

July 19, 2025 - Logan Kloeck & Lauren Beyke, 2PM

September 20, 2025 - Landon Huff & Maddie Logsdon

September 27, 2025 - Landon Hall & Amanda Bickett, 6PM at St. William

October 4, 2025 - Collin Coomes & Abby Booker, 6PM

October 25, 2025 - Gavan Ray & Sydney Higdon, 6PM

November 1, 2025 - Caleb Murphy & Allison Mattingly, 6PM at St. Alphonsus

Prayer Request

To make a prayer request, contact one of the following on the Parish Telephone Prayer Chain: Brenda Hamilton, 270-316-5686; Norma Kaelin, 270-315-8642; Alice Howard, 270-314-8957; Katie Christian, 270-233-5081

Perpetual Adoration

Overall Coordinator: Majella Mills, 929-7060

Quarterly Division Leaders:

Sandy Merritt, 233-4009 (Midnight-6AM)

Hope Brey, 314-1638 (6AM-Noon)

Sharon Boarman, 929-4644 (Noon-6PM)

Dottie Pogue, 233-4943 (6PM-Midnight)

St. Mary's Prayer Bible Study Group

Tuesdays, 6:00-7:15PM in St. Mary's Cafeteria
Studying the New Testament, Singing, Praying & Sharing Together!

Grief Ministry Support

You're invited to a 6-week Grief Ministry program. Sessions will take place at 10AM in the Long Trail Activity Room of the Parish Hall on **Feb. 8, 15, & 22, Mar. 1**
All are welcome!

Contact person: Lucy Felty,
270-826-7038



Budget News

Weekly Parish Budget Needs	28,868.08
Building & Grounds Fund	167,096.44
Campaign Income for New School	6,959,227.24
Campaign Pledges (555) as of 1/27	11,968,944.80
Tuition Assistance	60,580.88
SMWS Endowment	112,922.68
THS Endowment	1,145,177.71
1/26 Regular Sunday Collection	16,951.54
Online Regular Sunday Collection	3,937.50
Total Regular Sunday Collection	20,889.04

Online Giving

Are you interested in Automatic Withdrawal?

For more information, contact Sara at the Parish Office, 270-233-4196.

The secure site for parishioners to create an account is <https://www.osvhub.com/stmaryofthewoodswhitesville/funds>.



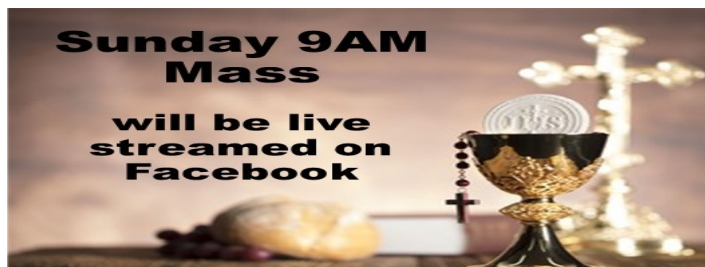
Bourbon Raffle

Our second annual Bourbon Raffle was a success with a net of \$17,200 to benefit our Capital Campaign! We appreciate our donor for making this possible and our community for making this a success.



Families of Faith

Our next meeting for Families of Faith will be **Wednesday, February 5th from 6-7:15pm** at St. Mary of the Woods School. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Emily Gipson at the Parish Office.



Live Streaming Schedule | 9AM Mass

1st Sun.-Randy Howard; 2nd Sun.-John Gray; 3rd Sun.-Jennifer Barnett; 4th Sun.-Chad Mills; 5th Sun. Sub-Lisa Edge & Daren Kinsey

Cemetery Clean Up

Week of:

Feb 2: Donnie Howard
Feb. 9: Mark & Donna Dorth; Sandy Merritt
Feb. 16: Kenny Nash
Feb. 23: Ballard Family & Miah Crisp

Liturgical Ministries

4:00 PM Saturday—February 8

Lectors: Anne Marie Ralph, Larry O'Bryan
Altar Servers: Hunter & Logan Jones, Lucas Mayfield

Eucharistic Ministers: Jessica, Ava & Camryn Preston, Crystal Mayfield, Emily McDaniel

Musicians: Connie Hagan & Dana Roby

Min. of Hospitality: Mark Dorth—Capt., Mike Hamilton & Will Jenkins, Brenda Hamilton, Norman Howard, Richard Howard, Gabriel Bohr

7:00 AM Sunday—February 9

Lectors: Brenda Hagan, Della Mitchell
Altar Servers: Emersyn & Harper Beyke, Parker Aud

Eucharistic Ministers: Kim Howard, Joyce Higdon, Melanie Beyke, Bruce Hagan, Megan Rhodes

Musicians: Morris Family

Min. of Hospitality: Rodney Rhodes—Capt., Lucas & Clayton Rhodes, Shawn & Debbie Aud, Mark Hagan, Jeff, Logan & Jack Goetz

9:00 AM Sunday—February 9

Lectors: Maggie Greer, Vickie Wright
Altar Servers: Kaleb Ray, John Hamilton, Gabe Bickett

Eucharistic Ministers: Julie O'Bryan, Corli Mills, Tommy & Vickie Fulkerson, Emily Mills

Musicians: Natalie & Noah Gray w/ Sheila Hansbrough

Min. of Hospitality: Bryan Hamilton—Capt., Casey Hamilton, Steve Beyke, Tim Edge, John & Noah Gray, Gerald Mattingly

11:00 AM Sunday—February 9

Lectors: Wendy Lane, Bob Cinnamon
Altar Servers: Keaton & Luke Abbott, Jude Shelton

Eucharistic Ministers: Jeanna Siddons, Will Mills, Connor & Sophie Hatfield, Chris Coomes

Musicians: Johnson Family

Min. of Hospitality: Joey Hatfield—Capt., Pat Bickett, Carter Castlen & Bryson Oliver, Chuck Hagan, Ben Zuerner & Archer Higdon, Garrett, Ian & Cole Roby, Hayden Aull

8:00 PM Sunday—February 9

Lectors: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers: Volunteers

Musicians: Alicia Jones

Min. of Hospitality: Volunteers

Mass Intentions

Sat 1	8:00am	Souls in Purgatory
	4:00pm	Jenny Kassinger
Sun 2	7:00am	†Leon Rhodes
	9:00am	†Janice Morton
	11:00am	Randall Leon Roby
	8:00pm	St. Mary of the Woods Parishioners
Mon 3	8:00am	L/D Bill & Emilene Rhoades Family
Tues 4	8:00am	Jonell Williams Family
	12:05pm	†Ita Belle Howard
Wed 5	8:00am	†Regina Lewis
	12:05pm	†Charles "Dee" Payne
Thurs 6	8:00am	L/D James & Marcella Aud Family
	12:05pm	†Charlotte Ralph
Fri 7	8:00am	†Ann Bickett
	12:05pm	†Ruth Clark
Sat 8	8:00am	L/D Hodskins Family
	4:00pm	Jimmy & Marty Johnson 61st Wedding Anniversary
Sun 9	7:00am	†Lisa Clark
	9:00am	†Ann Bickett
	11:00am	†Kenny Boarman
	8:00pm	†Mark Shively

St. Mary & Trinity High School Mass Days 2024-2025

Tuesdays, Grades Pre-K-6 at 8AM &
Fridays, Grades 7-12 at 8AM

Whitesville Knights of Columbus

The next monthly meeting of Council #2046 will take place on **Feb. 6th at 7:30PM at the KC Hall.**

Daily Mass Readings

Monday:	Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday:	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11; Mk 6:7-13
Friday:	Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday:	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday:	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11

SOCIAL LIFE COMMITTEE PRESENTS

The Newleywed

GAME

FEBRUARY 8
AT 5:00 PM

DINNER AND DANCING
IN THE PARISH HALL
FREE EVENT

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LIFE-GIVING WOUNDS

HEALING RETREAT FOR
Adult Children of Divorce

MARCH 14 - 16, 2025

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Learn more and
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Location: Sarto Retreat Center, Evansville, IN
Cost: \$175 (\$85 for college students)

For more information, scan the QR code or visit
<https://owensborodiocese.org/life-giving-wounds/>

Are you struggling in your marriage?

Visit the Diocese webpage to view options
for marriages that need hope & healing.



Catholic Men's Conference of Western Kentucky

LIVING THE MISSION OF JESUS

Join us with our speakers David Anders (Catholic Media personality & author of "The Catholic Church Saved My Marriage") & John Edwards (Founder & Executive Director of Pew Ministries) for a faith-enriching day.

- **Saturday Feb 8, 2025**
9:30am-4:00pm
Doors open 8:30am
- **RiverPark Center**
101 Daviess Street
Owensboro KY 42303
- **Cost: \$30**



www.kycatholic.com

4:30pm Mass with
Bishop Medley @ St.
Stephen Cathedral



JOY, LAUGHTER, & HOLINESS Women's Retreat

SAVE THE DATE

FEB 8, 2025

8:00AM | DOORS OPEN
9:00AM - 2:30PM | RETREAT

REGISTRATION COST: \$30

ST. ANN PARISH HALL
MORGANFIELD, KY 42437

Jackie Angel
KEYNOTE SPEAKER

featuring local speakers
OLIVIA BURKE &
SARAH LILLY MALONE

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