



ST. ANN CATHOLIC PARISH

Physical Location: 610 Pike Street, Shinnston, WV 26431
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July 11 & 12, 2020

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Mass Schedule:

Sunday Masses: Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 10:00am
Father's Daily Mass: Monday thru Friday



Sacrament of Reconciliation:

By Appointment Only
Call 304-592-2733 for the Church Office



Baptism

Please contact the Pastor to schedule a baptism. Instruction sessions are required with your first child.

Marriages:

Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to the proposed date of marriage.

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. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888-434-6237 or 304-233-0880; Sr. Ellen Dunn, ext 264 or Bryan Minor, ext 263, Mr. Tim Bishop, ext 353, Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304-230-1504. Copies of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston Policy Relating to Sexual Abuse of Children are on the bulletin boards in the church vestibule, social hall and office and are available to take.

Offertory and Attendance since Masses resumed on May 23 and May 24, 2020

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| May 23/24 Offertory: 1878.00 | Weekend Mass Attendance: 5pm: 22 10am: 21 |
| May 30/31 Offertory: 1913.00 | Weekend Mass Attendance: 5pm: 27 10am: 28 |
| June 3 – Mail Offertory 2377.00 | Mail Offertory |
| June 3 – Mail Offertory 1095.00 | Mail Offertory |
| June 4 – Mail Offertory 245.00 | Mail Offertory |
| June 6/7 – Offertory 1733.00 | Weekend Mass Attendance: 5pm: 27 10am: 35 |
| June 9 – Mail Offertory 1095.00 | Mail Offertory |
| June 13/14 – Offertory 2321.00 | Weekend Mass Attendance: 5pm: 27 10am: 33 |
| June 20/21 – Offertory 1653.00 | Weekend Mass Attendance: 5pm: 33 10am: 29 |
| June 27/28 – Offertory 1368.00 | Weekend Mass Attendance: 5pm: 22 10am: 35 |
| Diocesan Collection – Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa \$9.00 | |
| July 4/5 - Offertory 2913.00 | Weekend Mass Attendance: 5pm: 28 10am: 29 |

Mass Intentions:

Currently with only two weekend masses, one intention is always offered for all the people which then leaves only one open intention for the presider/priest to remember. Fr. Gary does have daily mass; consider having your intentions scheduled for a weekday which can be satisfied more readily than waiting for an available weekend mass. The person who requests a mass intention, say for the deceased, living or various needs like peace, reconciliation, health, healing (physical, spiritual, mental, emotional), health care workers and their families, medical researchers, civic leaders, and so on, does not have to be present when the petition is offered. One's physical presence is not a requirement nor is it possible at this moment because of Phase Two yet the graces/benefits of the mass are still given. Nothing and no one can frustrate our all-powerful and loving God. God will accomplish God's goodness – virus or no virus. Right? And the people of God say: *Amen!*

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:

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| Saturday | July 11 | 5:00pm | + John Belcastro by Frank & Nellie Hamrick |
| Sunday | July 12 | 10:00am | + For the People of the Parish |
| Monday | July 13 | Father's Daily Mass | + Douglas Brisbin by Sharon Brisbin & Carson |
| Tuesday | July 14 | Father's Daily Mass | + Tom Romeo by Neva Stalenski |
| Wednesday | July 15 | Father's Daily Mass | + Rose Scalles by Betty Jo Scalles Lopez |
| Thursday | July 16 | No Mass | |
| Friday | July 19 | No Mass | |
| Saturday | July 20 | 5:00pm | + For the People of the Parish |
| Sunday | July 21 | 10:00am | + Megan Tucker by Mamaw Nancy |

Welcome to our eighth Sunday back to Mass with COVID19 restrictions. We are temporarily not having the Sunday 8am Mass due to time restraints of helpers to clean/sanitize the church before the next mass begins. We also are not having daily masses open to our congregation due to cleaning and safety measures as well. Father, however, does have daily mass every day and is offering mass intentions for our loved ones.

USHERS/HOSPITALITY/CLEANERS AND SANITIZERS SCHEDULE:

Ushers/Hospitality Ministers for Sat. July 18, 2020

Helen DeCosta
Dave DeCosta
Cindy Hamrick

Ushers/Hospitality Ministers for Sun. July 19, 2020

John DeMarco
Steven Bee
Mary C. Fleece

Cleaners/Sanitizers for Sat. July , 18, 2020

Dave DeCosta
Helen DeCosta
Mickey Arco

Cleaners/Sanitizers for Sun July 19, 2020

Cindy Bee
Steven Bee
Linda Knight

As we slowly reopen our churches, we need our younger Catholics to step-up and help in the cleaning/sanitizing of the church after each gathering as well as others to help in ushering/hospitality. We need enough to be scheduled once-a-month. If we expect the churches to be opened then we need to do the protocol – not only social distancing and wearing a mask/face covering but also the sanitizing. Call Mary K. and we will do training. We thank those of Our Brothers and sisters who have stepped forward to ensure the ministries are in place as we move forward in phase 2.

There will be a Diocesan Collection at the weekend masses on July 18 and 19 for the Catholic Communications Campaign. Please be as generous as you can.

Fr. William A. Anderson, D Min, PhD, one of our diocesan priests, will be conducting one-hour video presentations of an overview of the Catholic Faith beginning Wednesday, July 29 @7pm. This overview will then continue every Wednesday evening for an additional 13 weeks for anyone wishing to learn more about their Catholic Faith and those interested in the Catholic Faith. If you are unable to view the video presentation on Wednesday evenings, that airing will be available at a time of your choosing. Log onto: William A. Anderson, Overview of the Catholic Faith Group, Facebook. No fee.

Adoration Chapel: There is a small group working to slowly start to reopen the Chapel for scheduled Adorers only. This is not going back to pre-pandemic schedule and open visitation. We need to adjust to the present health situation that we are currently in. All the Adorers have been contacted by phone over the last few weeks. We will try reopening in phases. In Phase Two, we are aiming to cover two days – Sunday, The Lord’s Day and Wednesday, mid-week and traditionally like Friday, a day of penance. We will need the approval of our pastor and our diocese that we have the proper protocols in place for the safety of those scheduled Adorers so they can exercise their Ministry of Prayer.

The Poor Among Us – During this time, there are a lot of people unemployed, temporarily on hold, and underemployed. Their needs do not go away or lessen during the summer months. The parish gets calls for food, diapers, etc. Any food donation to The Lord’s Pantry can be taken either directly to them (304-592-3005 on Thursday mornings 9am to 12 Noon) or dropped off outside the Parish Office door. Any monetary gifts can be taken directly to The Lord’s Pantry (Thursday mornings or mail to PO Box 64, Shinnston) or dropped off in the Poor Box located in church, or the mailbox that has a large locked drawer in front of the Parish Office like some do for their contributions/envelopes, or mail to the parish (43 Mahlon St.). People still need fresh fruit and vegetables, milk, eggs, meat, etc. that are perishable and The Lord’s Pantry is not able to provide these healthy food items for their tables. These times call us to be creative, to think outside the box. The Lord said: *The poor you will always have with you, and whenever you wish you can do good to them* (Mark 14:7, see also Mt 26:11 and Jn 12:8).

This week we received word on Norms for Reopening Parish Facilities for Meetings and Gatherings. A few items of interest are: “Parishes may convene and host in-person regular meetings of parish committees, most importantly Parish Council, Finance Council, parish administrative staff and VIRTUS trainings...Attendees must wear masks upon entry and exit from parish buildings and during meetings...Group meetings are not to reconvene at this time in our parishes. This includes parish groups...Presently, parishes may NOT have funeral luncheons/dinners...Parish halls...are not available for parishioner or public rental at this time.” May we continue to use caution in keeping ourselves and others healthy.

One of our parishioners, Linda Knight is using her time and talent to make homemade face masks. A donation of \$3 is asked to go toward the Parish’s Poor Box to help our sisters and brothers in need especially during this economic tough times with those unemployed and underemployed. To date, Linda has raised over \$200 for the poor box at St. Ann’s. There are pics of the masks displayed here and on our CCD’s Facebook page. Contact Linda at 304-203-8905. What a creative way to raise funds to serve those in need.



Youth Ministry: Young WV Catholics invites teens to be part of Project YM: A Weekly Live Youth Night. Instead of feeling cooped up, encourage your teen to feel energized by participating in the Project YM Live event & Young WV Catholics Zoom conversation. Office of Youth, Young Adult & Campus Ministry Interim Director, Shawn Madden, invites you to find out more & sign up at: www.youngwvcatholics.com/ymlive.html. Project YM, a national youth ministry organization, streamed its first hour-long youth night. It was attended online by more than 9,000 households! The event at www.projectym.com/live had games, prizes, a solid message, and engaging prayer. Help middle and high school students you know by sharing this opportunity. This is through our diocese.

Word on Fire has notified all parishes that they are no longer filming the daily Mass from Bishop Barron’s chapel. So, the Daily Mass is no longer available on our St. Ann website. Two other modules have been added that you may be interested in. The first one is Word on Fire COVID-19 eBook. This module contains a link to a new eBook, “Catholicism in the time of Coronavirus”. This eBook will help provide website visitors with information and hope during these difficult times. The second module is Knights of Columbus: Into the Breach – a new video module that contains a playlist of 12 videos in a series focused on Catholic masculinity, produced by the Knights of Columbus. All 12 videos can be accessed within the video module and watched directly on your website. This is available as we celebrate Father’s Day. These two new modules will be available on the website until September 1, 2020.

Our Diocese applied for and received grant money for use for paying salaries during the pandemic. As long as the grant monies are used for salaries, the money remains a grant and does not have to be paid back. If all proper steps are not followed, however, the monies become a loan. St. Anns was given a grant for \$9,538.03 to pay for salaries with pay dates on and after 4-29-2020. We are very grateful to the Diocese for applying and obtaining these funds to assist our churches during this unprecedented time. This money has been completely used, exhausted. We are paying salaries again.

Letters from Bishop Bransfield

With the recent protests and unrest in our country over the unjust killing of George Floyd, Minneapolis, MN, our bishop has a statement dated 6-1-2020 on our diocesan website (www.dwc.org). The bishop said that the American bishops has again addressed this sin of enduring racism (Blacks, American Indian, Immigrants) in our society in their Pastoral Letter, Open Wide Our Hearts, in November 2018. Our bishop urges us to read it. On the home page of the bishops' website, middle box "In the Spotlight – Prayer to overcome racism, click "Read statement and see videos." there is a message from Bishop Shelton Fabre, Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism on the death of George Floyd. The full text, Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love can be read and printed at www.usccb.org/racism

Declaration on Supreme Court decision on DACA, June 18, 2020

I rejoice with the immigrants who live in West Virginia over the recent US Supreme Court decision which rejected the effort of the federal government to put an end to the DACA program. The Court's decision will give a measure of relief to the young people who were brought without documents to this country by their parents when the children were minors in age. For the moment, these young people do not run the risk of deportation.

However, since the Supreme Court's decision turned on the government's failure to follow legal procedures in its eagerness to overturn the DACA program and not on the substance or merits of the program, it is not a sufficient resolution of the dangerous situation in which the affected young people live. It remains for us to advocate again before Congress for the more secure protection that a law would give to that portion of the Dreamers who benefit from DACA. Thank God, the great majority of our country's citizens support such legislative protection for them. It is time for Congress to approve a just and humane law for these young people, many of whom have never known any other country than the United States.

God has give the world to all human beings. This continent has throughout its history been the destination of immigrants, from the tribes that came from Asia thousands of years ago to those who have come in more recent centuries from other places. The immigrants of today contribute to this country's wellbeing, just as the immigrants of the past did. They deserve the respect and support of those who were born here. There is need for a comprehensive reform of our immigration laws that will reflect the welcoming and humane values of this nation. May God bless this project in favor of His people.

Our diocesan newspaper, The Catholic Spirit now has an e-mail version:

http://thecatholicspiritwv.org/download/spirit_pdf/June-5-2020.pdf. The e-mail version is being made available to enhance communication, but at the same time cutting the cost of printing. To be added to the e-list, send an e-mail to crowan@dwc.org with "The Catholic Spirit e-list" in the subject line. Please let us know your preference saying: "E-mail only, and remove me from print mailing list" or "I would like both print and e-mail versions." By joining the e-mail list, you will receive an e-mail on each issue date of The Catholic Spirit with a link to the full issue. Issue dates are once a month. (This is part of the Diocesan reorganization). This is earlier than mail delivery of the print version. Changes began with the June 5, 2020 issue. The electronic version of every issue of The Catholic Spirit will now be available under "Downloadable Spirit" at www.thecatholicspiritwv.org.

