



ST. ANN CATHOLIC PARISH

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July 18 & 19, 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

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
July 11/12 - Offertory 1994.00	Weekend Mass Attendance: 5pm: 31 10am: 34

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:

Saturday	July 18	5:00pm	+ For the People of the Parish
Sunday	July 19	10:00am	+ Megan Tucker by Mamaw Nancy
Monday	July 20	No Mass	
Tuesday	July 21	Father's Daily Mass	+ John Belcastro by Eileen & Arthur Frank
Wednesday	July 22	Father's Daily Mass	+ Judy Salentro by Nick & Donna Fleece
Thursday	July 23	Father's Daily Mass	+ Frankie Pulice by Donnie & Pam Sabatelli
Friday	July 24	Father's Daily Mass	+ Okey Hall by Sharon Brisbin & Carson
Saturday	July 25	5:00pm	+ Jim Fortney by Mary Ann Ferris
Sunday	July 26	10:00am	+ For the People of the Parish

Welcome to our ninth 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 25, 2020

Nick Fleece
Joe Sears
Helen DeCosta

Ushers/Hospitality Ministers for Sun. July 26, 2020

Vinnie DeMarco
John DeMarco
Steven Bee

Cleaners/Sanitizers for Sat. July , 25, 2020

Cindy Hamrick
Dave DeCosta
Helen DeCosta

Cleaners/Sanitizers for Sun July 26, 2020

Betty Swiger
Donna Fleece

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.

Charitable Consideration: The rise of Covid19 in our area and state seems to stem from our people wanting to go on vacation to other areas, especially to the beach and returning with the unwelcomed virus. It spreads because we are not vigilant at our simple protocols: handsanitizing, masks/face coverings and social distancing. The governor had ordered this week that gatherings be limited to no more than 25 people down from 100 in previous weeks. Churches are exempt but our diocesan Catholic Churches have strong basic protocols in place. Thanks to those who are returning to weekend Mass and doing our protocols since Phase Two began in late May. This summer may be a more local “stay vacation.” The travel industry says that people are traveling by car, not plane and not staying in hotels for an outdoor vacation where there are few people within a 200 mile drive. We are called to love our neighbor. We need to think and plan on being healthy and safe for ourselves and for others. Upon returning from vacation, maybe one needs to check oneself for a few days by self-quarantine. This major concern was voiced in this week's Zoom meeting with the bishop and priests of our Clarksburg Vicariate.

Accountability: It has been one year since July 19, 2019 when the Holy Father decided the following disciplinary measures for Bishop Emeritus (Michael J. Bransfield): 1. The prohibition to reside in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston (the whole state of WV); 2. The prohibition to preside or to participate anywhere in any public celebration of the Liturgy; and 3. The obligation to make personal amends for some of the harm he caused...In regard to Point 3, this was asked in a recent Vicariate Zoom meeting with priests and our bishop of where we stand in this process. The bishop stated that we are still waiting to hear some word from the former bishop. With the pandemic, Rome is concerned with the virus and this item with the former bishop is on the back burner until we can get past the virus. Therefore, it is in process and has not yet been resolved by any restitution and/or letter of apology. Continue to pray for healing and reconciliation for all involved in this scandal.

Fr. Gary has received official notification that he is being transferred from St. Ann, Shinnston, St. James, Clarksburg and Sacred Heart Mission, Salem to Camden and Glenville, WV effective August 4, 2020. Fr. Chris Turner, Associate Pastor of All Saints Bridgeport, WV will be going to live here and work under Fr. Akila, our Pastor. May we pray and support one another as we go through these changes.

Mary K. Romeo, Office Manager at St. Ann's will be retiring effective August 4, 2020. As many of you know, Mary K. has worked in the office at St. Ann's for the past 44 years. Please join us in wishing her well in her retirement.

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 on our CCD's Facebook page. Contact Linda at 304-203-8905. What a creative way to raise funds to serve those in need.

