Catholic Parishes of St. Anthony and Our Lady of the Hills

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Office Hours:

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday-Friday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm; Closed Wednesday and holidays.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

St Anthony: Saturday 4:15 p.m.—4:45 p.m. Our Lady of the Hills: Tuesday 5:00 p.m.—5:15 p.m.

From the Pastor's Desk

Reconciliation

When was the last time you went for a good confession? As Catholics going to confession ensures that we are always in the state of grace. The bare minimum for a catholic is to receive the sacrament of reconciliation at least once a year. So, have you been to confession lately? Do you think you could go to confession as soon as possible?

According to the Church's command, after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to confess sins at least once a year. "Anyone who is aware of committing a mortal sin must not receive Holy Communion, even if he experiences deep contrition, without having first received sacramental absolution, unless he has a grave reason for receiving communion and there is no possibility of going to confession. Children must go to the sacrament of penance before receiving Holy Communion for the first time. (CCC 1457)"

Of all the sacraments, the sacrament of reconciliation or of penance or of confession would seem to be the one avoided by the greatest number of faithful in recent years. In the 1950's it was customary among the devout Catholics to go to confession about every four weeks and at least at Christmas and Easter. Now we scarcely see long queues before confessionals. It is because of misunderstandings and wrong teachings about this sacrament. Many are afraid to approach the confessional thinking that the what the priest may think about him/her, or whether he will remember those sins later, etc. There are some who think that they have a direct line to confess their sins to God. The influence of other Christian denominational teachings is also a factor that keep the faithful away from approaching the confessional.

Guilt and guilt feelings are reality in human conscience. This sacrament gives us a chance to know that our guilt is forgiven. It is in the confessional, we really experience the mercy of God. (continued on page 4)

Mass Schedule October 14 — 22

Saturday 10/14: SA Mass 5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday 10/15: OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. †Hans Robinson (P. & D. Young)

SA Mass 10:30 a.m.

†Barbara & Jeff Ferrell (M. & A. Kawash Families)

Monday 10/16: No Mass

Tuesday 10/17: OLH Mass 5:30 p.m.

†Mother of Father Thomas

OLH Rosary & Benediction 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday 10/18: SA Mass 9:00 a.m.

†Michael Murray

Thursday 10/19: SA Mass 9:00 a.m.

†Mike Burgess

Friday 10/20: SA Mass 9:00 a.m.

Elizabeth Gill

Saturday 10/21: SA Mass 5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

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Sunday 10/22: OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. ^{29th Sunday in Ordinary Time} †Hans Robinson (P. & D. Young)

SA Mass 10:30 a.m.

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†Ronnie Taylor (S. Bossie-Maddox & Family)

Stewardship Report for October 7 & 8, 2023

St. Anthony

Attendance Saturday—29 Sunday—53

Our Lady of the Hills

 Offertory
 \$ 964.13

 St. Anne's Outreach
 110.00

 Other
 80.00

Attendance Sunday—35

Thank you for your generosity. May God bless you!

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 by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

<u>Mass Intentions</u>—In accordance with the guidelines from the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, Mass stipends are deposited in a separate checking account. If you are writing a check, please make it payable to St. Anthony Mass Account.

The current suggested level of giving is \$20 for a weekend Mass or \$10 for a daily Mass. Any offering, however, is most welcome, and, if you do not have funds to offer, you are encouraged to request your Mass intention.

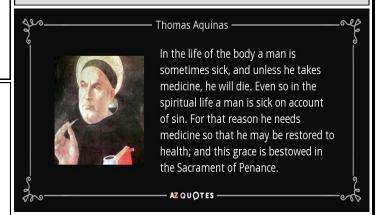
Mass Intention requests are scheduled in the order they are received.

Prayer List for the Sick & Homebound

St. Anthony—Michael McCallister, Robin Holly, Michael Bee, Chris Newman, David Wuletich, Linda Davis, Ursula Paezold, Christine Hansbarger, Barbara Williams, Mary Wuletich

Our Lady of the Hills—Violet Edwards, Ursula Paezold, Bill & Nancy Audia, Paul Stodola, Patti Stodola, Judy Killough & Family, The Dorseys.

Please call Father Thomas Kalapurackal at 304-342-2716, if you would like a visit and to receive communion or a home blessing.



St. Anne's Outreach Center Our Lady of the Hills

Serving families and young expecting single mothers in Big Chimney, Clay, Clendenin, Elkview and Pinch areas.

Children—newborn to 4 yrs.

Call 304-965-7670 to schedule an appointment.

As of September, 2023, St. Anne's has served 7 children this year.

Balance as of 12/31/22 \$ 3,933.23 Contributions Received 740.00 Less: Expenses (39.08) Balance as of 09/30/23 \$ 4,634.15

Thank you for your generosity!

Music for Liturgy



Entrance: Table of Plenty — #311

Gloria: Mass of Renewal — #875

Offertory: Shepherd Me, O God — #461

Communion: Taste and See — #342

Recessional: Now Thank We All Our God — #200

Minister Schedule

	October 15, 2023	October 22, 2023
	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
St. Anthony		
5:00 p.m. Mass		
Lector:	C. Harmon	M. Doneghy
Eucharistic Minister:	D. Hess	W. Leach
10:30 a.m. Mass		
Lector:	B. Ashworth	S. Kawash
Eucharistic Minister:	M. Hamilton	B. Ashworth
Counters:	S. Kawash & C. Joseph	N. Swecker & S. Bossie-Maddox
Our Lady of the Hills		
Lector:	G. Kozera	M. Swecker
Eucharistic Minister:	L. Kozera	C. Lothes

Bulletin & Mass Announcements—The deadline this week for bulletin announcements is Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. & for Mass announcements is Friday at 9:00 a.m. Thank you!



You are invited to Bible Study led by Deacon David on Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. in the SA Parish Center. Please note we are now meeting one hour later!



Congratulations to Eric Carroll and his new wife, Jordan, who were married yesterday at St. Anthony. May God bless you with a long and happy marriage!



October Birthdays

- 2 Richard Boyle
- 5 Rhonda Ashworth
- 5 Rebecca Carroll
- 6 Gregory Chrobak
- 8 Cara Pogue
- 10 Fenner Hart
- 14 Thomas Resler
- 15 Christine Boyle
- 15 Elizabeth Jordan
- 15 Beckett Lindsev
- 16 Domenick Hoh
- 19 Marylin Giblin
- 21 Cindy Mosier
- 22 Molly Green
- 23 Elizabeth Arnold
- 26 Steve Kawash
- 26 Marilyn Mogielski
- 26 Rowena Rivera
- 28 Joan Namey
- 31 Melanie Green

Please notify the office if your birthday is not listed or the date is incorrect.

Thank you!

They Would Not Come to the Feast!

Meditation: What can a royal wedding party tell us about God's kingdom? One of the most beautiful images used in the Scriptures to depict what heaven is like is the wedding celebration and royal feast given by the King for his newly-wed son and bride. Whatever grand feast we can imagine on earth, heaven is the feast of all feasts because the Lord of heaven and earth invites us to the most important banquet of all - not simply as bystanders or guests - but as members of Christ's own body, his bride the church! The last book in the Bible ends with an invitation to the wedding feast of the Lamb - the Lord Jesus who offered his life as an atoning sacrifice for our sins and who now reigns as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. *The Spirit and the Bride say, Come!* (Revelations 22:17). The Lord Jesus invites us to be united with himself in his heavenly kingdom of peace and righteousness.

God invites each of us as his friends to his heavenly banquet that we may celebrate with him and share in his joy. Are you ready to feast at the Lord's banquet table?

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Reconciliation (continued from page 1)

It is in the confessional that we really experience the mercy of God. At the dismissal, the priest assures the penitent, "The Lord has forgiven your sins, Go in peace."

During his public ministry, Jesus asserted that he has authority to forgive sins. He forgave the sins of the paralytic, the woman caught in adultery, Peter who denied him, and even forgave those who crucified him. He conferred this authority to forgive sins in God's name upon his apostles. In John's gospel, Jesus appeared to the apostles on Pentecost and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained" (Jn 20:22-23).

The priest is bound by the confessional seal. So, you can be 100% sure that your sins will never be revealed if they are confessed during the sacrament of reconciliation. When you go to the confessional, the priest greets and blesses you. You confess your sins followed by some advice (if necessary) by the priest. The priest will give some penance, followed by absolution, which is a guarantee that your sins are forgiven. It is given in Jesus's name. The penitent expresses his/her sorrow as an 'act of contrition' and then the priest dismisses the penitent. The sins can be confessed either face to face or using a screen. Next time when you go to the confessional, do it with confidence.

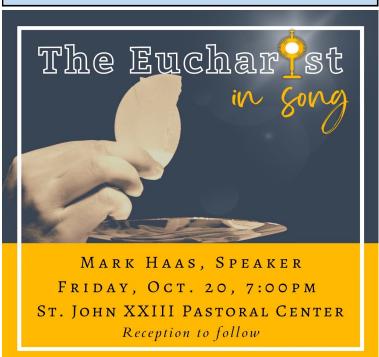
2023 Vicariate Pastoral Council Election Results

Congratulations to the winners of our 2023 Vicariate Pastoral Council election. Representing St. Anthony will be Susan Bossie-Maddox and Mary Ellen O'Farrell. Our Lady of the Hills will be represented by Paula and Gregory Chrobak.



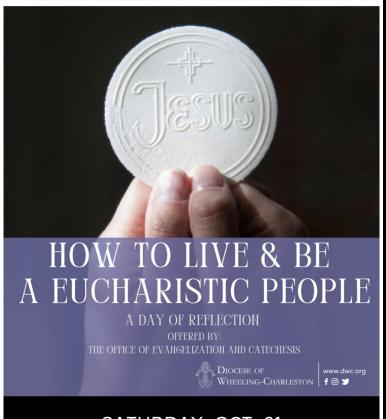
OLH Rosary and Benediction

After the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, we will recite the Rosary and have Benediction at Our Lady of the Hills.





Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston



SATURDAY, OCT. 21 9:00AM - 12:00N SACRED HEART GATHERING SPACE DONUTS & COFFEE 8:30AM ALL ARE WELCOME!