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St. Ann Catholic Parish
Shinnston, WV
March 29th & 30th

OFFICE HOURS:
 9:00 AM TIL 2:00PM TUESDAY THRU
 FRIDAY
 THE OFFICE IS CLOSED ON MONDAY

"Our mission at St. Ann Catholic Church is to glorify God through vibrant worship, compassionate service, and unwavering commitment to teachings of Jesus Christ. Rooted in Catholic tradition and guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to foster a welcoming community that nurtures faith, fosters spiritual growth, and promotes unity among all God's children. With love as our cornerstone, we seek to embody Christ's message of hope, forgiveness, and redemption, spreading His light to all corners of the world. Together, as disciples of Christ, we are called to share God's love, serve those in need, and build a Kingdom of mercy, justice, and peace."

Contact us:
OFFICE: 304-592-2733
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Organists: Colleen Driscoll
 Josh Minear

Parish Group Leaders
 President of Parish Council- Jimmy Gemondo II
 President of Finance Committee- Mary Romeo
 President of Altar and Rosary Society- Renee Book
 President of the Men's Group- Sam DeMarco
 Director of Religious Education- Mandy Bowen
 Youth Ministry leaders- John DeMarco & Cindy Bee
 Safe Environment Coordinator- Anita Ballard



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

Marriages:
 Please contact the office at least 6 months prior to the proposed date of marriage.



Adoration Chapel:
 The Adoration Chapel is open each week: Sundays, Wednesdays, & Fridays from 6am to midnight. For information call John DeMarco at (304)-669-2057 or Cindy Bee at (304) 592- 5106



Confessions:
 Confessions will be heard ½ hour before each weekday mass, at 4:00pm on Saturdays, or any other time by appointment (For appointments please call the office). **The first Friday of each month, confessions will not be heard before mass due to it being held in the chapel.**

For the Sick and Homebound:
 Please call the church office if you would like to receive communion or have home visits.

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.

MASS SCHEDULES & INTENTIONS

Monday:	March 31st	NO MASS	
Tuesday:	April 1st	6:00pm	Penitential Service for St. Ann @ 6:00pm
Wednesday:	April 2nd	7:00pm	Penitential Service @ St. James 7:00pm (NO MASS @ St. Ann)
Thursday:	April 3rd	6:00pm	+ David Costelac by Mom, Dad, and brother Bobby
Friday:	April 4th	6:00pm	**Stations of the Cross**
Saturday Vigil:	April 5th	5:00pm	+ Ron Gonzales by Pat & Linda Knight
Sunday:	April 6th	10:00am	+ Patty Joseph-Merico by Walt Post family

4/5/2025		5:00pm Mass		4/6/2025		10:00am Mass	
Readers		Jimmy Gemondo		Reader		Wesley Benson	
Altar Servers		Dominick Spadafore		Altar Servers		Ella Bowen	
		Sophia Spadafore				Frankie Bowen	
Cup Ministers		Sandy McDonnell		Cup Ministers		Sam DeMarco	
		Robbie Spadafore				Mary Ann Spadafore	
Host Minister		Jim Spadafore		Host Minister		Steven Bee	
Ushers		Cindy Hamrick, Mickey Arco		Ushers		Vinnie DeMarco, John DeMarco	

Fourth Sunday of Lent



Men's Group will have a meeting on April 8th @ 6:30pm in the social hall. Any men wishing to join are encouraged and welcomed.

We will be having a screening of "The Passion of the Christ" on Thursday April 10th beginning @ 6:30pm. When considering bringing your children, please be aware, this movie is very graphic when depicting Jesus' suffering, dying, and death.



Upcoming events- Every Friday during Lent, Stations of the Cross @ 6:00pm (followed by a Lenten meal)
Tuesday April 1st- Penitential Service @ St. Ann 6:00pm
Wednesday April 2nd- Penitential Service @ St. James 7:00pm
Saturday April 12th- Easter Bake Sale/Breakfast begins @ 8:00am
Sunday April 13th - Palm Sunday (this begins Holy Week)
Thursday April 17th- Mass w/Washing of the Feet @ 6:30pm (Adoration begins immediately after)
Friday April 18th- Stations @ 12:00pm followed by Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
Good Friday Service @ 6:00pm
Saturday April 19th- Easter Vigil @ 8:00pm
Sunday April 20th- Easter Sunday @ 10:00am
Sunday May 4th- Spring Pasta Dinner

Fasting and Abstinence- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms of fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59 unless pregnant, breastfeeding, mental or physical illnesses prevent you from doing so.

Abstinence- Abstinence refers to refraining from eating meat as a form of penance or spiritual sacrifice. This helps Catholics to practice a form of self-discipline in imitation of Christ's sacrifice.

Cabrini Grant- If anyone in our Parish is planning to adopt or become legal guardians for children in need, the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is offering a grant to help. The Cabrini Grant is designed to assist eligible families with financial assistance. These funds can be used to cover various expenses associated with the adoption or legal guardianship process. To be eligible for the grant, families must demonstrate a genuine commitment to providing a safe and loving environment for children in their care. Applications are available in the church office.



Please remember our shut-ins in your prayers:

Genny Griffin, Ursula Koreski, Sandra Knight, Gertrude Senchina, Mary Sims, Eddie Koreski, Connie Koreski, Katie Boles, Joe Koreski – VA Nursing Home, Lena Medina, Stonerise Health Center. If you know of anyone that needs to be added to this prayer group, please call the office at 304-592-2733.

3/22-3/23

Regular Collection-\$2,883.00

Faith in Our Future-\$845.00

Diocesan-\$377.00

Attendance

5:00pm-65 10:00am-72

"The purpose of Lent is not to force on us a few formal obligations, but to "soften" our heart so that it may open itself to the realities of the spirit, to experience the hidden "thirst" for communion with God."

-Pope John Paul II