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St. Ann Catholic Parish
Shinnston, WV
March 8th & 9th

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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304-520-0557
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Mass Schedule:
 Saturday Vigil- 5:00pm
 Sunday- 10:00am
Monday- NO MASS
 Tuesday- 6:00pm
 Wednesday- 6:00pm
 Thursday- 6:00pm
 Friday- 6:00pm

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

Organists: Colleen Driscoll, Brooke Driscoll, Josh Minear

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



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.



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.**



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

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 INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Monday: March 10th **NO MASS**
Tuesday: March 11th 6:00pm + David Costelac by Mom, Dad, & brother Bobby
Wednesday: March 12th 6:00pm + Martha & Charles Ballard by Anita Ballard
Thursday: March 13th 6:00pm + Ralph & Irene Becker by Becker family & friends
Friday: **March 14th** **6:00pm** ****Stations of the Cross****
Saturday: March 15th 5:00pm + Ron Gonzalez by Liz Colombo
Sunday: March 16th 10:00am + Waneta & Russ DeBlossio by Susan DeBlossio

3/15/2025		3/16/2025	
5:00pm Mass		10:00am Mass	
Readers	Robbie Spadafore	Reader	Mary Ann Spadafore
Altar Servers	Dominick Spadafore	Altar Servers	Ella Bowen
	Colton Wright		Frankie Bowen
Cup Ministers	Mickey Arco	Cup Ministers	Sam DeMarco
	Robbie Spadafore		Mary Ann Spadafore
Host Minister	Cindy Hamrick	Host Minister	Steven Bee
Ushers	Cindy Hamrick, Mickey Arco	Ushers	Vinnie DeMarco, John DeMarco

First Sunday of Lent

Upcoming events- Every Friday during Lent, Stations of the Cross @ 6:00pm (followed by a Lenten meal)
Saturday April 12th- Easter Bake Sale/Breakfast
Sunday April 13th – Palm Sunday (this begins Holy Week)
Saturday April 19th- Easter Vigil
Sunday April 20th- Easter Sunday
Sunday May 4th- Spring Pasta Dinner



We have lost one of our parishioners this week. Patty Joseph-Merico passed away on Tuesday March 4th. Her funeral was on Saturday March 8th @ 10:30, here at St. Ann. Our prayers go out to her family and all that loved her. May Patty rest in peace in the loving arms of our Lord.

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 Christs' sacrifice.

You're invited to participate in a 5-week Lenten Spiritual Direction Group via Zoom. We will journey through the book "Can You Drink the Cup" by Henri J.M. Nouwen and explore what God has put in our cup. Zoom meetings will be held on Mondays, March 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st, and April 7th from 6:30-7:30pm by Lisa Reese, a member of Immaculate Conception Church in Clarksburg and a Spiritual Director Intern with the West Virginia Institute of Spirituality. To register, visit the WVIS website www.wvis.org/registration and select "Can You Drink the Cup-Reese" from the dropdown menu or email Lisa Reese at motherreese66@gmail.com. There are brochures in the chapel.



Please remember our shut-ins in your prayers:

Genny Griffin, Ursula Koreski, Sandra Knight, Gertrude Senchina, Mary Sims, Eddie Koreski, Connie Koreski, Katie Boles, Kathryn DeMary- Maplewood Nursing Home, 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.

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Regular Collection- \$3,492.00

Faith in Our Future- \$657.00

Disaster Relief- \$336.00

Attendance

5:00pm-66 10:00am-71

Thank you for your continued generosity and for your presence

"My whole strength lies in prayer and sacrifice; these are my invincible arms; they can move hearts far better than words; I know it by experience."

-Saint Therese of Lisieux

