

Safe Environment: To report an incident 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

- Mar 30 Monday: **No Mass**
- Mar 31 Tuesday: **No Mass**
- April 1 Wednesday: 6:00 pm + Patsy & Sarah Rose *by Sharon Sears*
- April 2 Thursday: 6:00 pm + Joe Sears *by Sharon Sears (Holy Thursday)*
- April 3 Friday: **5:00 pm Good Friday Service**
- April 4 Saturday: **8:00pm** + Mary Hamrick *by Cindy Hamrick*
- April 5 Sunday: 10:00 am + Carolyn Moschella *by Sandra Knight*
UHC 12:00 pm + David Costelac *by Mom Dad & brother Bobby*



Pray for our Shut-ins

Genny Griffin
Ursula Koreski
Sandra Knight
Gertrude Senchina

Mary Sims
*(156 Fazio's Elder Care
Stoney Lonesome-Monongah)*

Eddie Koreski
Connie Koreski
Joe Koreski
(VA Nursing Home)

If you know of anyone that needs to be added to this prayer group call the office at 304-592-2733.

St. Margaret of Castello Adoration Chapel, 43 Mahlon St. Shinnston

Since Covid, our Adoration Chapel had to make major changes in its 24/7 operation. As of now, we are only able to have it open for 3 out of 7 days (from 6:00am - 12:00am). We are sincerely hoping to open it another day during the week. With that said, we began last spring asking for people to consider becoming an adorer on Tuesdays. We were able to fill many hours, but not all. **The hour that still needs an adorer for Tuesday is 11pm-12.00 Am.** If you are interested and able to take any of these hours, please contact the church office. Please consider spending one hour a week in adoration with our Lord, the chapel is such a peaceful and beautiful place!

Upcoming Events at St. Ann

- April 2nd Holy Thursday; Mass & Washing of the Feet @ 6.00pm
Common Adoration @ 7.00 to 8.00pm
- April 3rd Good Friday; Good Friday Service
(The Passion of Our Lord) @ 5.00pm
- April 5th Easter Sunday; Easter Vigil @ 8.00pm (Saturday)
Easter Sunday Mass @ 10.am &
UHC Mass @ 12.00pm



Scholarship-2026 For Students

St. Ann's Men's Group is offering a new Scholarship Program, for, **The High School Senior or currently enrolled as a post-secondary student.**

The applicant must be a Registered parishioner of St. Ann Catholic Church or a dependent or relative of a registered Parishioner. A member in good standing, actively participating in faith, Parish life and service, in any of the local Churches with a recommendation from the Pastor.

Scholarship Amount \$1,000.00
Application Deadline 4/17/2026



Holy Week is the most important sacred time in the Catholic liturgical year. This week of great reverence and reflection spans the final eight days of Jesus' life from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday. It focuses on the **Paschal Mystery the Passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus inviting the faithful to participate through special liturgies, reflection, and prayer.** It is a spiritual pilgrimage where the faithful are invited to walk closely with Christ through His suffering and triumph.



It is astounding how much wisdom, insight and inspiration are available to us during this one week. What happens during Holy Week: ➡

- Upcoming Birthdays**
- April 4 Erik Ferris
Kim Marra
 - March 30 Chad Fleece
Santino Loretta
 - April 5 George Patrick
 - April 1 Christina Anderson
George Elliott
 - April 2 Vinny DeMarco
 - April 3 Mike Kellar

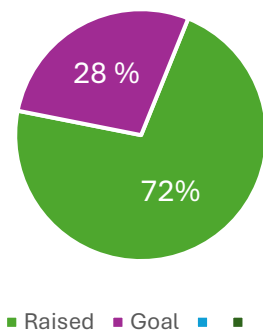


CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL- 2026



PROGRESS

Goal: \$ 4,800
Raised: \$ 3,475.00
Gifts: 08



March 22nd

Regular Collection **\$ 3,497.00**
Faith in Our Future **\$612.00**
Diocesan Collection
Weekend Attendance **168**

Thank you for your continued generosity and for your presence.

"Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring." (St. Catherine of Siena)

Liturgical Events during Holy Week.

The week begins on Palm Sunday and concludes with the Easter Triduum, which are the three most significant days in the Catholic liturgical year.

Palm Sunday (Passion Sunday): Recalls Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem on a donkey. Catholics carry blessed palms and listen to a long reading of the Passion narrative to set a tone of reflection on Christ's sacrifice.

Holy Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday (Spy Wednesday):

These days focus on Jesus' final teachings and the betrayal by Judas Iscariot. In many dioceses, the Chrism Mass is celebrated during these days.

The Chrism Mass; which the Bishop concelebrates with Priests from various regions of the diocese and during which he consecrates the sacred Chrism and blesses the other oils, is among the principal manifestations of the fullness of the Bishop's Priesthood and is considered to be a sign of the close bond of the Priests with him. For it is with the sacred Chrism consecrated by the Bishop that the newly baptized are anointed and those to be confirmed are signed. It is with the Oil of Catechumens that catechumens are prepared and disposed for Baptism. Finally, it is with the Oil of the Sick that those who are ill are comforted in their infirmity.

The Easter Triduum:

The "three days" beginning with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, culminating in the Easter Vigil, and ending with evening prayer on Easter Sunday, represent the core of Catholic Holy Week observance.

Holy Thursday: Commemorates the **Last Supper**, where Jesus instituted the Eucharist and the Priesthood. It features the washing of the feet (*Mandatum*), symbolizing humble service.

Good Friday: A solemn day of fasting and penance marking the **Crucifixion and Death** of Jesus. It is the only day the Church does not celebrate Mass; instead, a service of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion is held.

Holy Saturday: Holy Saturday: A day of quiet mourning as the Church reflects on Jesus in the tomb and His "descent into hell" to liberate the righteous souls who died before Him.

Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday: Celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus, the triumph over sin and death. The "mother of all vigils" held after nightfall on Saturday begins the celebration of the **Resurrection**. New Catholics are typically baptized and confirmed during this service

Significance of the Holy Week in the life of Faithful;

Active Participation: Catholics are encouraged to attend liturgical services and reflect on Christ's sacrifice.

Time of Spiritual Renewal: The week is a time of deep prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, concluding the Lenten season.

Symbolism: Ancient rituals, such as the blessing of palms, veneration of the cross, and lighting the Paschal candle, bring the events of salvation history into the present.



St. Ann Catholic Church

Shinnston WV 26431

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March 29, 2026 (Palm Sunday)



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.

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Office Hours Tuesday -Friday 09 Am- 02 Pm Closed on Monday	 Baptism Please contact the office to schedule a baptism. <i>(Instruction sessions are required with your first child).</i>	 Marriage Please contact the office at least SIX months prior to the proposed date of marriage.
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Adoration Chapel St. Margaret of Castello Adoration Chapel is open on; Sunday, Wednesday, & Friday 6am to midnight. For information call John DeMarco at (304) 669-2057 or	Confessions 4 to 4. 40pm on Saturdays. Or by appointment. For appointments, please call Fr. Joe	 Hospital & Sacramental Emergency Please call; 304-780-8003 For the Sick & Homebound Please call the church office if you would like to receive communion or have a home visit.
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"Do you wish your prayer to fly toward God? Make for it two wings: fasting and almsgiving." — St. Augustine