

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **Tuesday, April 1st:** SA will pray the Rosary for the Unborn before 12 (N) Mass
 † **Thursday, April 3rd:** Eucharistic Adoration at 5:30 PM at SA, Reconciliation at 6:00 PM before 6:30 PM Mass at SA.
 † **Friday, April 4th:** Complete Care Dawn View
 † **Mass at 10:30 AM** for Residents & Homebound. Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM at both Churches.
 † **Saturday, April 5th:** Reconciliation at AOOL at 4:00 PM before 4:30 PM Mass
 † **Sunday, April 6th:** NO SOCIAL SUNDAY at AOOL this month. SA - Social Sunday.

April Wedding Anniversaries; Mike & Selena Wolf (4/1), 9 yrs.; Brian & Tammy Collett (4/28), 24 yrs.

Pathway Blessings
 Joanie Greise, Tammy Collett, (4/1); Mary Wollan, Michael Wollan, (4/3); Frank Baker III, Scott Fridley, (4/4); Heather Richards, (4/5); Stephen Bouch, Daniel O'Callaghan, (4/6); Linda Dalverny, John Liller, (4/7); Peggy Petersen, (4/8); Matt Sisk, Charlie von Hagel, (4/9); Tammy Robey, Mike Bowman, (4/10); Barbara Urban, (4/13); Jane Adams, (4/15); Jo Powers, (4/16); Mike Weaver, Krista Smith, (4/21); Mattilyn Richards, (4/22); Trish Jones, (4/23)

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER

P/B and Coconut Eggs \$2 / each
 Sign up sheets are in both Churches.
Deadline to Order is March 30th



The Cumberland Historic Cemetery Organization invites all to pray the Holy Rosary for the *Poor Souls in Purgatory and the Unborn*. The Rosary is held every first Saturday at the Shrine of the Pieta located at the top of the hill in SS. Peter & Paul Cemetery, Fayette St. Cumberland, MD. The next **Rosary** will be **Saturday, April 5, at 12 noon**. Also, come see the newly restored Pieta by the CHCO.

St. Anthony's Guild is collecting school supplies and clothing (socks, elastic waist pants, shirts, (any size), underwear & feminine products), for school children to see them through the end of the school year. Annunciation also has a tote in the vestibule for donations if you would like to help.

AOOL's Annual Easter Egg Hunt
Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025

Our Spiritual Adoption Tree - Week 29 - Your baby's hiccups in the womb are totally normal, and might play a role in lung maturation. Your baby's bones are soaking up lots of calcium as they harden, so be sure to drink your milk. About 250 milligrams of calcium are deposited in your baby's skeleton each day. A protective covering of myelin begins to form around your baby's nerves during this trimester, a process that will continue after your baby is born.
www.babycenter.com

APRIL SOCIAL SUNDAY AT AOOL IS CANCELLED.
 We will resume in May

A vigil candle for the month of March has been lit for the **United States of America** by St. Anthony's Guild.

We all have the **power to stop child abuse.**

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, an opportunity for us to come together to protect our children and ensure every child has a safe and nurturing environment to grow and thrive. It is a time to reflect on the importance of safeguarding our future generation and taking proactive steps to prevent abuse and neglect. Tragically, nearly 1 in 7 children experience some form of abuse or neglect annually in the United States. In 2022, approximately 1,990 children lost their lives due to abuse. These numbers are a stark reminder of the critical need for community involvement and support to end the epidemic.



Opportunity for Artist & Parishioners - Artists Hilmar Gottesthal and wife Penny Knobel-Besa are hosting a fundraiser exhibition for "Vine Sanctuary", a center that cares for neglected and abused animals. They are looking for any artists, even beginners, who maybe never had a chance to show and sell their artwork, paintings, ceramics, fabric art, pottery, sculptures, and photography, (2D work must be wired for hanging) The work needs to be dropped off at Sanctuary Studios, 13910 Scofield Rd. N.E., Flintstone, by April 1st. There is a fee to enter the art, but visiting is free and open to the public. There will be free drawings, fun and games. Writers/poets are invited to tell "animal tales". Saturday, April 5th, there is a reception from 3 PM to 5 PM. You may visit the show on Wednesdays through Sundays, until April 13th, from 1 PM to 5 PM. For questions call (301) 478-2735 or email pkbphotos42@gmail.com.

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact a local law enforcement agency, or confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, report suspected cases of sexual abuse by Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston personnel to the Diocese, at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.



The Catholic Parishes of

ANNUNCIATION of OUR LORD & SAINT ANTHONY



March 30, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Lent

I will get up and go to my Father and shall say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

Luke 15:18



 <p>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays 4:00-4:15 PM (AOOL) Thursdays 6:00-6:15 PM (SA) or by appointment</p>	 <p>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION Thursdays 5:30 PM (SA) 1ST Friday of the month, (AOOL) 4 - 6 PM is cancelled for the month of March and April</p>
<p>Pastor: Rev. Daniel Price Email: dprice@dwc.org K of C #15610 Grand Knight: Brian Crist Directors of Religious Education Michele Schultz (St. Anthony) Matt Sisk (Annunciation) Sacristan (SA): Fran McFarland Sacristan (AOOL): Mike Weaver/Volunteers Organist (SA): Becky Wolfe Organist (AOOL): Jenn Tupa Nursing Home Coordinator: Linda Ward OCIA Coordinator (AOOL): Armando Herrera</p>	<p>E-mail: annunciationchurch@atlanticbbn.net Website: aolsa.org www.facebook.com/groups/147125069949301 Office Hours Monday-Thursday 8 AM -1 PM Tammy Collett, Parish Secretary Kathy Brockett, Bookkeeper/Secretary Physical Address: 8819 Frankfort Hwy. AOOL - Fort Ashby, WV 26719 SA - 176 Main St., Ridgeley, WV 26753 Mailing Address (both parishes): P.O. Box 1560, Fort Ashby, WV 26719-1560 Phone: (304) 298-3392 Fax: (304) 298-3419</p>

Devotional Prayers (25 minutes prior to Sunday Mass times):

Divine Chaplet - Every First Sunday of the Month

Holy Rosary - On the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays of the Month

Schedule of Masses

Saturday, March 29	9:00 AM (SA)	No Mass
<i>Fourth Sunday of Lent (Vigil)</i>	4:30 PM (AOOL)	Patrick Henry & Troy Welling (Birthdays) Req. by Patti & Roger Henry
Sunday, March 30	9:00 AM (AOOL)	Richard Rossell † Req. by Patti & Roger Henry
<i>Fourth Sunday of Lent Laetare Sunday</i>	11:00 AM (SA)	For the People
Tuesday, April 1	12:00 (N) (SA)	Sister Anna Marie Cole † Req. by People of the Parish
Wednesday, April 2	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Jenn Tupa & Family Req. by People of the Parish
Thursday, April 3	6:30 PM (SA)	Pope Francis Req. by St. Anthony's Guild
Friday, April 4	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Audrey Liller & Family Req. by People of the Parish
	10:30 AM (CCDV)	Residents & Homebound
Saturday, April 5	9:00 AM (SA)	Jim Hymes † Req. by People of the Parish
<i>Fifth Sunday of Lent (Vigil)</i>	4:30 PM (AOOL)	For the People
Sunday, April 6	9:00 AM (AOOL)	Mike Sherman † Req. by Harolyn Sherman
<i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>	11:00 AM (SA)	Tom Lippold Req. by St. Anthony's Guild

Weekly Readings

Monday: Is 65:17-21 / Jn 4:43-54
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15 / Jn 5:17-30
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22 / Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sunday: Is 43:16-21 / Phil 3:8-14 / Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12 / Jn 5:1-16
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14 / Jn 5:31-47
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20 / Jn 7:40-53

Country Club Mall Cinema in LaVale, MD - (SHOWTIMES)

Thursday, March 27th - Wednesday, April 2nd - **The Chosen: Last Supper Part 1** (NR, 2 hrs. 10mins.)
 Thursday, April 3rd - Wednesday, April 9th - **The Chosen: Last Supper Part 2** (NR, 2 hrs. 55 mins.)
 Thursday, April 10th - Wednesday, April 16th - **The Chosen: Last Supper Part 3** (NR, 3 hrs. 15 mins.)

Weekly Collections March 22 - 23, 2025

Attendance AOOL: 39 / 90 Weekly: \$ 2,281.00 Poor Box: \$ 54.00 Candles: \$ 44.00
Easter Flowers: \$ 95.00 Priest Ret.: \$ 1,109.00
Attendance SA: 45 Weekly: \$ 738.00 Priest Ret.: \$ 366.00 Easter Flowers: \$ 135.00

Ministry Schedule

Annunciation:

Sat., April 5, 4:30 PM

Lector: Jackie Beverlin
 E.M.: Christy Kegg,
 Jane Adams,
 Pat Penrod
 Ushers: Mark Clayton,
 Steve Penrod
 Server: Chuck Ebeling
 Cantor: Sue Long

Sun., April 6, 9:00 AM

Lector: Mary Jane Bright
 E.M.: Sue Long,
 Sue Pyles,
 Harolyn Sherman
 Ushers: Joe Dodrill,
 Roger Lantz
 Server: Volunteer
 Cantor: Sue Long
 Counters: Mary Jane &
 Rob Bright

St. Anthony's:

Sun., April 6, 11:00 AM

Greeter: Derrick Robey
 Lector: Debbie Boone
 E.M.: Judy Wolfe,
 Wayne Houdersheldt,
 Michele Schultz
 Ushers: Derrick Robey
 Amber Houdersheldt
 Servers: Volunteers
 Cantor: Ralph Scarlett

St. Anthony's Guild will be giving out food boxes for Easter again this year. **Donations are appreciated.** The delivery date will be April 13th.

From the Desk of Fr. Dan

You know what? It's hard to see in the darkness, it's nigh on impossible. Yes, our eyes can adjust to the darkness, but at the same time we can't see as well as when the lights are on or it's daylight. For us Catholic folks, light is more than just a way to see, it has a deeply spiritual meaning. The Church sees many things as symbolic of a greater reality, and light is one of them. Jesus, himself, says that he is the light of the world, and we also must be light to the world around us.

We see this all throughout our liturgies and our holiday celebrations. In our liturgies, we use candles around the altar to represent the light of Christ not only in the Eucharist but also in the word of God. We will also see this when we light the Pascal candle at the Easter Vigil. The light represents Christ as well as the fire of Jesus that should burn in our hearts. The Pascal candle is used at Baptisms and funerals symbolizing the fire of the Spirit living within us, and of life (new life and everlasting life).

But the use of light, of candles, is not just a Christian thing. Lights and candles were in use even before the Church used them. The Greeks and the Romans used candles in their temples. Candles were used by the Israelites in the temple as a symbol of the presence of God. Actually, light is very prominent in the Hebrew Scriptures (the Old Testament). Most prominently, it is used by God, Himself, who was a cloud of light for the Israelites in the desert.

Lights and candles are such symbols for us that we see them even in our holiday decorations. Think of Christmas. Lights on the tree, hanging lights outside, even the Advent wreath has four lights on it. Can we ever imagine Christmas without strings of lights hanging from the tree? Or even at Halloween with jack-o'-lanterns?

Light symbolizes not only the light of Christ in the world, but also it represents hope, everlasting life and the rejoicing of new life. As always, it represents the presence of God.

As we come to Mass - especially for the Easter liturgies - let's reflect on the power of Christ's light in our lives as we enter into the sacredness of the season. "*Christ be our light, shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.*"

Here we go:

Why is the moon so hungry? It's only full once a month.

How does a Hippo get out of the water? Wet and wrinkled

I wonder if songbirds get mad at hummingbirds for not knowing the words.

Studies show that cows produce more milk when a farmer talks to them - a case of in one ear and out the udder.



PRAYER, FASTING, ALMSGIVING



Please Pray for: Dena & Jason Albright, Walter Aumuller, Barb Biser, Grayson Bishop, Nathan Blubaugh, Barbara & Greg Bonat, Darlene Bridges, Mary Kay Britt, Ron Brockett, Vicky Brown, Cathy Case, Carla Clark, Julia Codire, Marsha Combs, Robert Dayton, Nick Dearcangelis, Deb DeGeorge, Richard Delaney, Amy Driver, Logan Duncan, Jenny Emerick, John & Eileen Engel, Jan Evans, Father Bob, Jamie Fazzalore, Lily Fletcher, Patricia Folk, Leia Gallen, Aaron Glinke, Dawn Green, Dale & Tina Hankinson, Roy Harsh, Lucy Haywood, Jim Howard, Joe Hughes, Janet Jack, Marc Jedlowski, Kenneth Jenkins, Todd Jones, Lisa Jones, Wanda Kirk, Michael Knotts, Margriit Krams, Stacy Kobe, Liz Lantz, Ernest Lease, Bob Lewis, Audrey Liller, Annie Light, Ed Lindner, Ty Linthicum, Catherine & Kierstin Lippold, Doug Long, Bob Maiers, Galen Markley, Jim Martin, Janice McBride, Tom McCoy, Greyson McCullough, Marty Medovic, Maddox Mervinsky, Joey & Heather Miltenberger, Adrienne Monroe, Hogan Moody, Steve Morgan, Robin Patch, Colleen Patton, Marilyn Paul, Steve Pelaez, George Perry, Heather Peters, Bonnie Price, Mary Susan Resser, Jacob Robey, Kira Robey, Bertha Romine, Amy Rountree, Malea Rugg, Cody & Jenny Saville, Debbie Seward, Samantha Shank, Shawnee Simmons, Luke Sites, Destinee Smith, Barry Steed, Harper Struntz, Donna Struntz, Christopher & Christine Thibault, Lu Thibault, Adam Watts, Reva Waybright, Carl Welch, Mark Wilbourne, Joe Wolfe, Judy Wolfe and Family, Bob Wolford, Mary Margaret Wollan, Harlow Wooton