

Schedule of Masses

Saturday, October 11 <i>St. John XXIII, Pope, BVM</i> <i>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)</i>	9:00 AM (SA) 4:30 PM (AOOL)	No Mass For the People
Sunday, October 12 <i>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL) 11:00 AM (SA)	Tara Henry Welling (<i>Healing</i>) Req. by Patti & Roger Henry Edward L. Malamphy † Req. by Cumberland Historical Cemetery Organization
Tuesday, October 14 <i>St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr</i>	12:00 (N) (SA)	Poor Souls in Purgatory † Req. by Cumberland Historical Cemetery Organization
Wednesday, October 15 <i>St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i>	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Ruby Rennix & Roger Lantz (<i>Birthdays</i>) Req. by People of the Parish
Thursday, October 16 <i>St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin</i>	6:30 PM (SA)	Camilla Whiteman † Req. by Kevin Whiteman
Friday, October 17 <i>St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr</i>	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Leia Gallen (<i>Birthday</i>) Req. by People of the Parish
Saturday, October 18 <i>St. Luke, Evangelist</i> <i>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)</i>	9:00 AM (SA) 4:30 PM (AOOL)	No Mass For the People
Sunday, October 19 <i>Laity Sunday; World Mission Sunday</i> <i>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL) 11:00 AM (SA)	Patrick Henry (<i>Healing</i>) Req. by Patti & Roger Henry Kevin M. Malamphy † Req. by Cumberland Historical Cemetery Organization

Weekly Readings

Monday: Rom 1:1-7 / Lk 11:29-32
Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11 / Lk 11:42-46
Friday: Rom 4:1-8 / Lk 12:1-7
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25 / Lk 11:37-41
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30 / Lk 11:47-54
Saturday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b / Lk 10:1-9
Sunday: Ex 17:8-13 / 2 Tm 3:14—4:2 / Lk 18:1-8

Weekly Collections Oct. 4 & 5, 2025

Attendance AOOL: 46 / 78
Attendance SA: 51

Collection totals will be in next weeks bulletin



Ministry Schedule

Annunciation:

Sat., Oct. 18, 4:30 PM

Lector: Michele Martz

E.M.: Christy Keggs,
Jane Adams,
Pat Penrod

Ushers: Mark Clayton,
Steve Penrod

Server: Chuck Ebeling

Cantor: Phil Douthitt

Sun., Oct. 19, 9:00 AM

Lector: Debbie Abe

E.M.: Sue Long,
Sue Pyles,
Harolyn Sherman

Ushers: Larry McKenzie,
Volunteer

Server: Brysin, Leia, &
Paytin

Cantor: Phil Douthitt

Counters: Phil Douthitt &
Michele Martz

St. Anthony's:

Sun., Oct. 19, 11:00 AM

Greeter: Joy Cowgill

Lector: Dianna Howard

E.M.: Jim Howard,
Wayne Houdersheldt,
Michele Schultz

Ushers: Derrick Robey
Amber Houdersheldt

Servers: Volunteers

Cantor: Patty Maiers

HAPPENINGS...

October 12th - Block Party at 1st Baptist Church in Ft. Ashby from 1 PM to 5 PM. Games, food and fun!

October 19th - SA Guild Mtg. after Mass

October 21st - Mary Susan Resser visitation at AOOL at 9 AM with Memorial Mass at 10 AM.

October 22nd - K of C #15610 Joint Family Covered Dish Social at AOOL. Join us!

October 23rd - Cleaning at AOOL at 9 AM. **Help needed!**

From the Desk of Fr. Dan

One and all: Hope your week went well. We are now firmly entrenched in October but it doesn't seem possible. September flew right by, and it seemed like it had just arrived, and then, it was gone like the wind. I guess that's how it is when you get to my age. I know, I know, some of you are like "father is just a kid," and thank you for that, but it does seem as we get older, time seems to go by faster and faster. When we're kids, time doesn't go by fast enough. We want to grow up so fast, but when we do, we realize how good we had it, even when we had to go to school. "Old days", good times I remember. Fun days, filled with simple pleasures...take me back to a world gone away. Memories seem like yesterday...take me back to a world gone away, boyhood, memories seem like yesterday. Old days, on my mind, in my heart to stay..." but alas, we can't go back in time, only in our minds and memories, when we were young and fancy free. But oh, the memories we had...

We have two more weeks left in the class on the Catholic Guide to Prayer. A video series from Ascension Press. Hopefully, for those attending, it has been helpful to you. For those who would like to see it, but couldn't this time, you have no need to fear, Underdog is here. Oh, I'm sorry, I had a flashback to Saturday morning cartoons. Have no fear, I will offer it again and in the evening.

Last weekend, I was asked by someone if Catholics can celebrate Halloween, or something to that effect. I said there was no harm in it; it's a holiday for the kids. But it got me curious, and so I've done some digging and have found some interesting information that may be of interest to us. First off, the origins are Catholic. It is the day before All Saints Day, All Hallows Eve. "Hallow" means holy, as in "Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name." All Saints is typically a Holy Day of Obligation, but note, ****this year it is not because it falls on a Saturday. *** All Saints Day, we celebrate all the saints in heaven, known to us and those who are not.

Although the exact beginnings and origins of All Saints Day are uncertain, it seems that after 313 AD (when the Christian religion was legalized in the Roman Empire), it became customary to honor the martyrs who had given their lives for the faith. From that, it evolved to celebrate all of our beloved dead with All Souls Day. Including All Hallows Eve, these three days became known as Allhallowtide, with Halloween being the first day. These three days, we, as the Church, honor all the saints and our beloved deceased. Later, as we get closer to November, I will look at All Saints Day and All Souls Day and their significance.

As we have seen, Halloween started out with Catholic origins, but over time it has been tuned into what many believe has pagan cult like origins. This has been a more recent phenomenon in the course of history. The more cultural celebration of Halloween with spooky costumes and trick or treating had gained traction by the 1920s and was firmly entrenched by the 1950s. Where did it all begin with the costumes and trick or treating? It began with our ancestors who ventured over to the New World from Europe. The English, Irish, and other immigrants brought their variety of local Catholic customs to America. Dressing up for Halloween may be rather untraceable as a custom—the truth is that, as long ago as medieval times, people loved to dress up for various festivities; Jack-o-Lanterns come from the Irish, who originally carved turnips; the English begged from door to door for "Soul Cakes," promising to pray for the departed loved ones of those who gave them these treats—thus the origins of trick-or-treating. These cultural traditions converged in the big American "melting pot" and eventually became popular nationwide activities for Halloween.

This was just a little snippet of the holiday we celebrate every October 31st. Hope it helps in better understanding it for us as Catholics. We can participate in dressing up and going door to door, but let us keep in mind the true origins of this day we celebrate.

Here we go:

Why do people in Athens hate getting up early? Because Dawn is tough on Greece.

They say, when you retire, you'll travel more. What they don't tell you is that it's to doctors' appointments.

When you clean out the vacuum cleaner, you become a vacuum cleaner. *Now, for those who call it a 'sweeper', the same applies. When you clean out the sweeper, you become a sweeper.

Okay, have a great week.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **Sunday, October 12:** Block Party 1—5 PM at 1st Baptist Church in Ft. Ashby. Games & Fun.

† **Monday, October, 13th:** **Columbus Day**

† **Tuesday, October 14th:** Fr. Dan continues the 8 week class on *“Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer”*, at AOOL at 2:00 PM. Join us!

† **Wednesday, October 15th:** **National Boss Day**

† **Thursday, October 16th :** Reconciliation at SA at 6:00 PM before 6:30 PM Mass

† **Saturday, October 18th:** Luncheon open to all at 11:30 AM at New Orient Buffet & Grill in LaVale, MD. Reconciliation at AOOL at 4:00 PM before 4:30 PM Mass

† **Sunday, October 19th:** SA will pray the Rosary for the Unborn before 11 AM Mass. SA Guild Mtg. after Mass. **World Mission Sunday**



Donations Needed... The entire month of *October & November, every week*, AOOL will be collecting **non-perishable food items** to fill boxes and distribute to those in need the week before Thanksgiving. Contributions may be placed in the social hall. This will be the only food collected for these boxes. Thank you for your generosity and helping to help those in need.

Needed: Instant mashed potatoes Scalloped potatoes Canned vegetables (corn, green beans)
 Chicken or Turkey Broth Stuffing Mix Corn Muffin Mix Candied Yams
 Small Marshmallows Dessert or Cookie mix *Any other food items you would like to donate*



In loving memory of Edgar & Helen Harris, with love from Fr. Dan.



Women's Ministry Group Meeting at AOOL

Sunday, October 19th after 9 AM Mass. **Everyone is welcome** to attend. We will watch a video by Fr. Mike Schmidt and do a craft that Patti Henry has offered to share with the group.



CORRECTION, (several events) - Sanctuary Studios continues to hold “open house” each 1st Saturday of the month or you can call to arrange other times (301) 478-2735. Located just five miles off I-68 at exit 62. The GPS address is 13910 Scofield Road.

Join us November 1st for a “Book Sale”, with many used adult and children’s books, including a new book by Penny Knobel-Besa, “Under Your Pillow”.

Hilmar Gottesthal has an exhibition in Oakland at the old Cornish Manor Restaurant, now renamed Stonecroft, under new management with a great Chef. That show will continue there until November 22nd, at 2 PM, on the 2nd floor, when Hilmar will give an artists talk. They would love to see you at either place. Call (301) 478-2735 with any questions.

Concession Help - If you would be interested in helping with concessions for the *Magic Show on Saturday, October 18th*, please notify Lois Thibault at 304-492-4141. We are in need of baked goods, treats, and drinks. Please package your items for individual sales. **Proceeds benefit the Rectory Window Project.**



Saturday, October 18th—Church Brunch at 11:30 AM at **New Orient Buffet & Grill**, 1230 National Hwy, LaVale, MD **Come for great food and fellowship!** Due to an increased interest, we are **extending this invitation to everyone!**

Padre Pio Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order invites you to join them on Saturday, **October 18th**, at **St. Mary Church in Cumberland, MD** to learn about the Order and grow in Faith. Learn the Liturgy of the Hours Prayers. Meet at the Parish Center 9 AM—12 PM.



“It is Jesus that you seek when you dream of happiness; He is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you..” St. Pope John Paul II



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.



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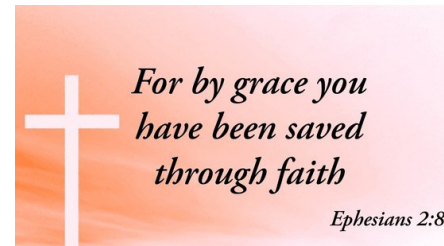
ANNUNCIATION of OUR LORD & SAINT ANTHONY


October 12, 2025

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In all circumstances, give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:18



 <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 Tuesday of the month 5 PM -7 PM (AOOL)</p>
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<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): Nursing Home Coordinator: Linda Ward OCIA Coordinator (AOOL): Armando Herrera</p>	<p>E-mail: annunciationchurch@atlanticbbn.net Website: aoolsa.org www.facebook.com/groups/147125069949301 Office Hours Monday-Thursday 8 AM -1 PM Tammy Collett, Parish Secretary Kathy Brockett, Bookkeeper/Secretary Physical Address: 8871 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>
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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