

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **Sunday, May 5th:** Social Sunday and **First Communion** at AOOL— Cinco De Mayo Luncheon at SA's after Mass (No Social Sunday this month)
- † **Monday, May 6th—Thursday, May 9th:** Fr. Dan will be attending the Priest Convocation in Charleston, WV—**No Masses during these dates at either Parish**
- † **Wednesday, May 8th:** Craft Day at SA at 10:00 AM - Knights of Columbus #15610 Mtg. at 7 PM at AOOL
- † **Sunday, May 12th:** **Mother's Day** - The Ascension of the Lord
- † **Sunday, May 19th:** AOOL Religious Education students/families ICE CREAM Party after Mass

We congratulate those celebrating their Wedding Anniversaries this month: Fred & Saralee Wolfe, (53 yrs. on 5/1); Jim & Dianna Howard, (33 yrs. on 5/4); Mark & Debbie Seward, (20 yrs. on 5/14); and Linda & Jim Hoey, (56 yrs. on 5/25)

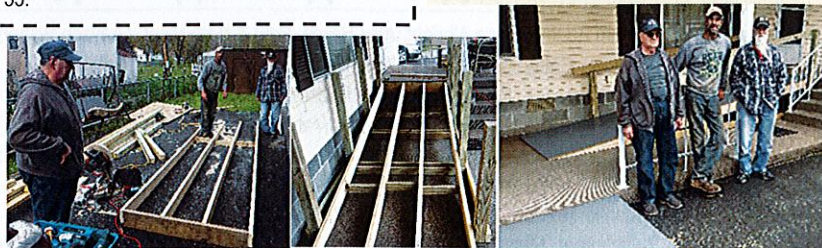
Birthday Blessings
Rebonica Davis, (5/1); Jason Albright, (5/3); Jayden Twigg, (5/7); Michelle Smith, (5/9); Kathy Brockett, (5/11); Cora Liller, (5/12); Josh Liller, Journi Martz, (5/14); Bill Brode, Sue Long, (5/18); Adrienne Monroe, (5/19); Jim Howard, (5/23); Ron Brockett, Marty Lewis, David DeSoto, (5/24); Jim DeGeorge, Stacie McKenzie, (5/25); Lenny Beverlin, (5/28)

On **May 7th**, school families, alumni, supporters, and friends will come together to help build a stronger tomorrow across West Virginia and beyond! This important event will raise funding for things like tuition assistance, school renovations, curriculum enhancements, and classroom upgrades. Thank you for helping our Catholic schools provide exceptional academics in a Christ centered environment! **#onemissiononeday**

Please support **K of C #15610's Baby Bottle Project**. The total **COLLECTED by Mother's Day weekend** will go to the **James Isaac House**. Get your baby bottle after Mass!

It's an opportunity to have a fun time with your camera/cell phone on **May 18th** by signing up for the "Art of Photography Workshop" held at **Sanctuary Studios from 9:30 to 4:30** by award winning fine arts photographer Penny Knobel-Besa. It starts even before you come as when you register (which I suggest soon!) I then send you a Scavenger Hunt Photo List of 20 items. You are challenged to take creative photos, most can be found in your house. You bring the photos to the workshop for a show and tell, which is followed by a slide show of tips for even better photos, handouts of sample model releases, info on copyrights and other material. A mini field trip around the studio area ends with a model shoot where each photographer will have the opportunity to pose the model using props and in various gowns, dresses, hats, etc. with backdrop and lights. Fee: \$85, lunch is included along with morning pastry. Register by sending a check to Penny Knobel-Besa 13910 Scofield Rd. N.E. Flintstone, MD 21530 plus email notice that you want to register so I can send you the Scavenger Hunt list. Here's the email pkbphotos42@gmail.com and phone for any questions (301) 478-2735.

Parishioners helping one another by building this much needed ramp for Jim Hymes. This project was completed by Daryl Wolfe, Fred Wolfe, Wayne Houdersheldt and Brian Crist from K of C Council #15610.



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 by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage Jesus Is Calling Us Deeper. He promises to restore and renew His people. National Eucharistic Pilgrimage May 17, 2024 - July 16, 2024. The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will express Christ's desire to draw close to each one of us and, like Zacchaeus, many who encounter Christ by the roadside will be converted. An outpouring of healing grace will remind our world that the same Jesus who gave sight to the blind and life to the dead is active today in our midst!



The Catholic Parishes of

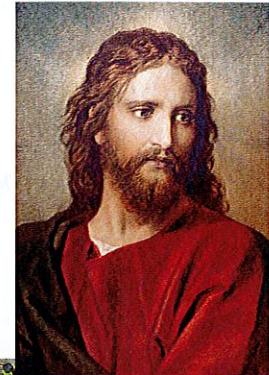
ANNUNCIATION of OUR LORD & SAINT ANTHONY



May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

John 14:23



 SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays 4:00-4:15 PM (AOOL) Thursdays 6:00-6:15 PM (SA) or by appointment	 EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION Thursday 5:30 PM (SA)
Pastor: Rev. Daniel Price Email: dprice@dwc.org K of C #15610 Grand Knight: Brian Crist Directors of Religious Education Tammy Robey (St. Anthony) Kierstin von Hagel (Annunciation) SA Sacristan: Fran McFarland SA Organist: Becky Wolfe AOOL Sacristan: Mike Weaver/Volunteers AOOL Organist: Joanne Peto Nursing Home Coordinator: Linda Ward	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: 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

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, May 4	9:00 AM (SA)	Andrea Greise Req. by Judy Wolfe
<i>Sixth Sunday of Easter (Vigil)</i>	4:30 PM (AOOL)	For the People
Sunday, May 5 <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL)	Frank Morphis † Req. by Rob, Mary Jane & Nicole Bright
	11:00 AM (SA)	Amanda Medovic Req. by Judy Wolfe
Tuesday, May 7	12:00 (N) (SA)	NO MASS
Wednesday, May 8	8:00 AM (AOOL)	NO MASS
Thursday, May 9	6:30 PM (SA)	NO MASS
Friday, May 10 <i>St. John of Avila, Priest and Dr. of the Church; St. Damien de Veuster, Priest</i>	8:00 AM	Denny McGann † (<i>Heavenly Birthday</i>) Req. by Nancy McGann
Saturday, May 11	9:00 AM (SA)	No Mass
<i>The Ascension of the Lord (Vigil)</i>	4:30 PM (AOOL)	Robin Hughes † Req. by Joe Hughes
Sunday, May 12 <i>The Ascension of the Lord Mother's Day World Day for Social Communications</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL)	Kathleen Brinkman † Req. by Debbie & Dave Abe
	11:00 AM (SA)	For the People



Monday: Acts 16:11-15 / Jn 15:26—16:4a **Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34 / Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 / Jn 16:12-15 **Thursday:** Acts 18:1-8 / Jn 16:16-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18 / Jn 16:20-23 **Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28 / Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday: Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 / Mk 16: 15-20




CONGRATULATIONS TO AOOL'S FIRST COMMUNICANTS



Owen James
Harlow Martz

Noriah Martz
Lillian Sisk



Join us in the Social Hall after Mass to help celebrate!

Weekly Collections (April 28, 2024)			
Attendance - Annunciation: 52 / 95	Weekly: \$ 2,406.00	Poor Box: \$ 139.00	
	Debt. Red. \$ 60.00		
St. Anthony: 49	Weekly: \$ 748.00	Poor Box: \$ 11.00	Candles: \$ 20.00



THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON... ON EARTH IS A MOTHER. SHE CAN NOT CLAIM THE HONOR OF HAVING BUILT NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL. SHE NEED NOT. SHE HAS BUILT SOMETHING MORE MAGNIFICENT THAN ANY CATHEDRAL - A DWELLING FOR AN IMMORTAL SOUL. THE TINY PERFECTION OF HER BABY'S BODY. THE ANGELS HAVE NOT BEEN BLESSED WITH SUCH A GRACE. THEY CANNOT SHARE IN GOD'S CREATIVE MIRCALE TO BRING NEW SAINTS TO HEAVEN. ONLY A HUMAN MOTHER CAN. MOTHERS ARE CLOSER TO GOD THE CREATOR THAN ANY OTHER CREATURE. GOD JOINS FORCES WITH MOTHERS IN PERFORMING THIS ACT OF CREATION. WHAT ON GODS GOOD EARTH IS MORE GLORIOUS THAN THIS: TO BE A MOTHER?

JOSEPH CARDINAL MINDSZENTY

From the Desk of Fr. Dan

As we enter the first weekend in May, we are celebrating four young people who will receive their First Holy Communion. What a special time for them. The annual tradition of the May Crowning will be with our First Communicants at AOOL. Let me introduce those who will receive their First Holy Communion: Owen James, Harlow and Noriah Martz and Lillian Sisk. We congratulate them for this real achievement in their journey of faith. May they continue to grow in their faith and see the Eucharist as truly divine food for the soul, treasuring it always when they come forward to receive Jesus.

As our young people receive Jesus for the first time, maybe it's a good reminder of what we all receive every time we come forward to receive the Eucharist. The Catholic Church says the Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life; all the other sacraments are oriented toward it (Catechism, 1324). "In brief, the Eucharist is the sum and summary of our faith: 'Our way of thinking is attuned to the Eucharist, and the Eucharist in turn confirms our way of thinking'" (Catechism, 1327). Another term for the Eucharist is *Holy Communion*. This means we unite ourselves to Jesus, making us sharers in his Body and Blood. It unites all of us together who come forward to take in our Savior. Jesus willingly made a sacrifice for us, to give himself to us. In the Mass, Jesus makes present the sacrifice he made for us. What we do is a memorial, remembering that event. Because it is Jesus we receive, his Body and Blood, we receive the sacrament of sacraments (Catechism, 1330.b). Because it is Jesus we receive, it is important for us to remember to receive with reverence. The Church calls for a bow and reception in the hand or on the tongue. When we come forward, even though we have done it hundreds or thousands of times, we come forward as if it was our first. The profoundness of it should not be lost on us. I pray for each of our first communicants as they come forward. I pray that all of us (and myself) receive Jesus as if it was the first time every time.

This weekend our Knights of Columbus are hosting their *Cinco de Mayo* events at AOOL (after Saturday Mass) and at St. Anthony's after Mass. Ready to eat and celebrate? I did a little research. It's interesting to know the holiday is more popular in the United States than even in Mexico, where it originated as a celebration of the victory of the Mexican Army over the French at the Battle of Puebla in 1862. However, the Mexican Army was defeated at the second Battle of Puebla and the French eventually occupied Mexico City. The holiday's ties to the US date back to 1862 in California. A regional holiday until around the 1980s, it became more of a nationwide holiday, due to beer and liquor advertisements, and the migration of more people of Mexican heritage to other parts of the country. Today, it's more of a celebration of Mexican American heritage than a celebration of the victory won at the Battle of Puebla in the United States. In Mexico, it is celebrated by parades, festivals, and reenactments of the battle. This is purely a Mexican holiday, not celebrated by other Hispanic cultures. This holiday has no real meaning if you were to ask someone from Puerto Rico, Honduras, Bolivia, Dominican Republic, or Guatemala. Viva México!

Quick animal fact: Most bobcats are not named Bob. When we were kids, we laughed at the commercial, "Help! I've fallen and can't get up" I get it now, and it's not so funny.

Have a great week. By the way, I'll be out for most of the week attending a priest conference/retreat in Charleston. Behave! Oh, and I will if you will.

May is Mental Health Awareness Month



Please Pray for: Pam Adams, Dena Albright, Alex Balice, Paul & Barb Biser, Grayson Bishop, Nathan Blubaugh, Stanley & Dora Boinovich, CeCe Bogard, Darlene Bridges, Cathy Case, Carla Clark, Julia Codire, Tina Cook, Robert Dayton, Nick Dearcangelis, Richard Delaney, Logan Duncan, Chuck Ebeling, Jenny Emerick, Father Bob, Jamie Fazzalore, Lily Fletcher, Patricia Folk, Aaron Glinke, Dawn Green, Dale Hankinson, Roy Harsh, Kathy Hayes, Lucy Haywood, Jim Hymes, Janet Jack, Marc Jedlowski, Kenneth Jenkins, Wanda Kirk, Doris Klipstein, Michael Knotts, Sami Knotts, Margritt Kramms, Stacy Kobe, Ernest Lease, Bob Lewis, Audrey Liller, Ed Lindner, Ty Linthicum, Catherine & Kierstin Lippold, Doug Long, Bob Maiers, Galen Markley, Jim Martin, Janice McBride, Tom McCoy, Grayson McCullough, Marty Medovic, Maddox Mervinsky, Jean Miller, Joey & Heather Miltenberger, Adrienne Monroe, Steve Morgan, Morris Neppi, Dottie Nattolly, Jim Patterson, Colleen Patton, Steve Pelaez, George Perry, Heather Peters, Robin Puffinburger, Mary Susan Resser, Jude and Hunter Rice, Jeanie Rigney, Jacob Robey, Kira Robey, Bertha Romine, Malea Rugg, Cody & Jenny Saville, Debbie Seward, Samantha Shank, Dorothy Sheldon, Shawnee Simmons, Destinee Smith, Barry Steed, Harper Struntz, Donna Struntz, Lu Thibault, Adam Watts, Carl Welch, Mark Wilbourne, Joe Wolfe, Judy Wolfe and Family, Bob Wolford, Donnie Wolford, Mary Margaret Wollan, Harlow Wooton