

Catholic Parishes of St. Anthony and Our Lady of the Hills

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

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Why should we participate in the Holy Week liturgy?

It is on Palm Sunday that we enter Holy Week, and welcome Jesus into our lives, asking him to allow us a share in his suffering, death and resurrection. This is also the time we remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation. That is why the Holy Week liturgy presents us with the actual events of the dying and rising of Jesus. The liturgy also enables us to experience in our lives, here and now, what Jesus went through then. In other words, we commemorate and relive during this week our own dying and rising in Jesus, which result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption. No wonder Greek Orthodox Christians greet each other with the words, "*Kali Anastasi*" (Good Resurrection), not on Easter Sunday but on Good Friday. They anticipate the resurrection. Just as Jesus did, we, too, must lay down our lives freely by actively participating in the Holy Week liturgies. In doing so, we are allowing Jesus to forgive us our sins, to heal the wounds in us caused by our sins and the sins of others and to transform us more completely into the image and likeness of God. Thus, we shall be able to live more fully the divine life we received at Baptism. Proper participation in the Holy Week liturgy will also deepen our relationship with God, increase our faith and strengthen our lives as disciples of Jesus. But let us remember that Holy Week can become "holy" for us only if we actively and consciously take part in the liturgies of this week. This is also the week when we should lighten the burden of Christ's passion as daily experienced by the hungry, the poor, the sick, the homeless, the lonely and the outcast through our corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

Mass Schedule April 13 — April 21

Saturday 04/13: <small>Palm Sunday</small>	SA Stations 5:00 p.m.—Mass 5:30 p.m. Rev. Jack Reich, O.F.M. Cap.
Sunday 04/14: <small>Palm Sunday</small>	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. †Jim Caroli SA Stations 10:00 a.m.—Mass 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish
Monday 04/15:	No Mass
Tuesday 04/16:	OLH Stations 6:00 p.m.—Mass 6:30 p.m. †Holy Souls in Purgatory (prayer gift)
Wednesday 04/17:	OLH No Mass SA Mass 10:00 a.m.—Stations 10:30 a.m.
Thursday 04/18: <small>Holy Thursday</small>	SA Mass 6:30 p.m. People of the Parish
Friday 04/19: <small>Good Friday</small>	SA Stations of the Cross 3:00 p.m. SA Passion of the Lord 6:30 p.m.
Saturday 04/20: <small>Easter Vigil</small>	SA Blessing of Easter Food 11:00 a.m. OLH Mass 8:00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 04/21: <small>Easter Sunday</small>	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. People of the Parish SA Rosary 10:00 a.m.—Mass 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish



Safe Environment—The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is committed to the protection of its children and young people. The Diocese complies with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* by maintaining an Office of Safe Environment.

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families/Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 (toll free) or 304.233.0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; or Msgr. Anthony Cincinnati, ext. 270. For more information on the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment, please go to www.dwc.org, click the "Diocese" tab, then click "Office of Safe Environment" under the "Offices" menu. To learn more about the Catholic Church's efforts in preventing sexual abuse of children in the United States, please visit <http://www.usccb.org>. Under "Issues and Action," click "Child and Youth Protection" from the drop down menu.

Mass Intentions—If you would like to request a Mass intention, you can fill out a Mass intention envelope at the church or you can create an envelope with the following information: who the Mass intention is for and whether the person is living or deceased, the date you are requesting, your name and a telephone number where you can be reached during the day, and the amount you are offering. You may drop your Mass intention envelope in the collection basket or send it to the office. If the date you request is unavailable, your intention will be scheduled for the next open date available unless you request otherwise.

In accordance with the guidelines from the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, Mass stipends are deposited in a separate checking account. If you are writing a check, please make it payable to **St. Anthony Mass Account**. The current suggested level of giving is \$20 for a weekend Mass or \$10 for a daily Mass. Any offering, however, is most welcome, and, if you do not have funds to offer, you are encouraged to request your Mass intention.

Prayer List for the Sick & Homebound

St. Anthony—Mary Canterbury, Mary Hanson, David Dodd, Nazira Joseph, Pauline Wyatt, Zachariah Kushner, Christina Lopez, Senaida Garcia, Michael McCallister, Lorie Collingwood

Our Lady of the Hills—Bert Zodorozny, Margaret Hancock, Violet Edwards, Marilyn Spencer, William Spencer, Katie Caroli, Jeanne Rollins, Steven Spencer, Ann Duley, Jerry A. Legg, John Shamblin, Leo Spradling, Doug Spencer, Judy Nicholson, Lorie Collingwood

Please call Father Tijo George at 304-280-4990 if you would like a visit and to receive communion or a home blessing.

Stewardship Report—April 6 & 7, 2019

St. Anthony

Offering	\$ 3,151.00
CCWV—Local Office	110.00
Other	165.00

Attendance Saturday—44 Sunday—83

Our Lady of the Hills

Offering	\$ 1,308.00
LERMA	340.00
Other	95.00

Attendance Sunday—63

Thank you for your generosity!

Music for Liturgy

	St. Anthony	Our Lady of the Hills
Entrance:	All Glory, Laud and Honor — #139	The King of Glory — #729
Offertory:	O Sacred Head, Surrounded — #148	O Sacred Head, Surrounded — #148
Holy:	Sanctus — #932	Mass of Renewal — #865
Communion	Jesus, the Lord — #730	Were You There — #152
Recessional	Jesus, Remember Me — #407	Crown Him with Many Crowns — #732

Lorie's Music Notes

We start our liturgy today with joyous shouts of “Hosanna” and the waving of palms as we commemorate Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem. This is the start of Holy Week, the most sacred week of our liturgical year. Please make every effort to come to these powerful liturgies. Holy Thursday (the Mass of the Lord’s Supper), Good Friday (the Passion of the Lord) and Easter Vigil are continuous segments of one cohesive liturgy. Extra preparations have been made by Fr. Tijo, Deacon David, the choir, the acolytes, the lectors, the people responsible for decorating the church, and many others to ensure the beauty of these celebrations, so please join us!

Bulletin & Mass Announcements—The deadline this week for bulletin announcements is Wednesday at 5:30 pm and for Mass announcements is Friday at 9:00 am. Thank you!!



Thomas Lamb, brother-in-law of David Wibberg, passed away on Thursday, April 4, 2019. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Anthony on Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Please pray for Thomas, David and their family and friends. May he rest in peace.



John Moss, grandfather of Bryan Carroll, passed away on Sunday, March 31, 2019. Please pray for John, Bryan and their family and friends. May he rest in peace.

“CHRIST DESCENDED INTO HELL” (APOSTLE’S CREED)

In the Apostle’s Creed we say, “Christ descended into hell”. Isn’t that contrary to Scripture? This is Holy Week, the most sacred time for every Christian, where we commemorate the final days of Jesus’ earthly ministry. Where does it say in the Bible that Christ descended into hell after His death? Christ Himself declares his power over hell in Revelation 1:17-18 “Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.” Actually, Christ’s descent into Hell is mentioned in Scripture, in 1 Peter 3:18-22: “For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison; Which sometimes were disobedient...” This is called the “harrowing of Hell,” suggesting that Christ came as a victor and a liberator. St. Peter seems to treat this harrowing of Hell as something more or less understood by the early Christians: the Apostle’s Creed confirms and explains what that early consensus was. So in fact, the Bible and the Apostle’s Creed agree.

Scripture calls the abode of the dead, to which the dead Christ went down, "hell"--- *Sheol* in Hebrew or *Hades* in Greek--- because those who are there are deprived of the vision of God. Such is the case for all the dead, whether evil or righteous, while they await the Redeemer: which does not mean that their lot is identical, as Jesus shows through the parable of the poor man Lazarus who was received into "Abraham's bosom". As the Catechism of the Catholic Church expresses it: "It is precisely these holy souls, who awaited their Savior in Abraham's bosom, whom Christ the Lord delivered when he descended into hell." Jesus did not descend into hell to deliver the damned, nor to destroy the hell of damnation, but to free the just who had gone before Him because only it affirms that only through Jesus Salvation can be attained like Jesus says: “I am the Way, I am the Truth and I am the Life.” This is what the Apostle’s Creed means when it says that Jesus “descended into hell.” And as you can see, it’s quite consistent with Scripture.

“Never forget that there are only two philosophies to rule your life: the one of the cross, which starts with the fast and ends with the feast. The other of Satan, which starts with the feast and ends with the headache.”

~ Archbishop Fulton Sheen



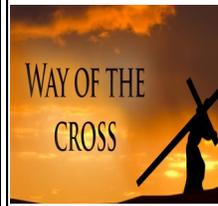
Triduum & Easter Services

04/18: Holy Thursday at SA at 6:30 p.m.

**04/19: Good Friday at SA
Stations of the Cross at 3:00 p.m.
Passion of the Lord at 6:30 p.m.**

04/20: Easter Vigil at OLH at 8:00 p.m.

**04/21: Easter Sunday at OLH at 8:30 a.m.
Easter Sunday at SA at 10:30 a.m.**



Schedule for Stations of the Cross

Our Lady of the Hills

Tuesday: There will be a Simple Supper at 5:00 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:00 p.m. and Mass at 6:30 p.m.

St. Anthony

Wednesday: Mass will be at 10:00 a.m. followed by Stations of the Cross at 10:30 a.m.

Blessing of Easter food at St. Anthony on Holy Saturday, April 20, 2019 at 11:00 am.

St. Anthony Building Fund—There will be a second collection this weekend for the Building Fund.

Holy Land Collection: April 19—This Pontifical collection is held for the support of the Holy Places, but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.

Education of Seminarians: April 20 & 21—This annual collection supports our seminarians in their journey to the priesthood in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Funds collected help defray the cost of tuition, books and other materials at the seminary in which they are enrolled. In addition to our constant prayers for their vocation, our seminarians also need our financial support as they answer the call to the priesthood.

LERMA Easter Sunrise Service—The LERMA Food Pantry will be having their annual Easter Sunrise Service on Sunday, April 21, 2019 at 7:00 am at Trinity United Methodist Church. Everyone is invited to attend. Please bring a canned food for the Pantry and a monetary donation will be taken up. The LERMA churches get together for a combined service twice a year: Easter and Thanksgiving. Hope to see you there.

Relic of St. John Marie Vianney Veneration Sign-up—Please remember to sign up for veneration of the relic if you can attend during 3:00 p.m. hour on Monday, April 15 at Sacred Heart.

HELP WANTED—The Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart needs a Part Time Parking Lot Attendant, \$9.00 per hour, 6:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., M-F. If interested, please contact John Blake at 304-389-8613.

CCWV Migration & Refugee Services Program Volunteers—CCWV is looking for volunteers to help plan, organize and run a simulation event created by the Jesuit Refugee Service entitled “Walk a Mile in My Shoes.” If you are interested, please contact Libby Ramsey, Immigration & Refugee Specialist, at 304-343-0136.

Questions Regarding Your Financial Contributions Being Used to Settle Any Lawsuits

Many parishioners have expressed concern about whether their contributions to their parish or to the Catholic Sharing Appeal will be used to settle any lawsuits against the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Parishes annually pay two taxes to the Diocese: First, the 3% Cathedraticum is primarily used to help smaller, rural parishes remain operational. The other 6% tax is paid to the Priests Health and Retirement Association Fund to help pay for the medical care and retirement benefits of retired diocesan priests. These two taxes are normally based mostly on the Offertory with some adjustments of other income and expense line items that is reported on the annual parish financial statements to the diocese. However, for the 2018 & 2019 financial statements, the first \$100,000 of reported Offertory will not be subject to these taxes. Current Offertory for most parishes, therefore, will remain with the parish and cannot be used to settle any lawsuits brought against the diocese. After 2019, this new rule will be evaluated to determine its effectiveness and to make sure the PHRA is at least 80% funded.

Money donated to specific campaigns, such as the Catholic Sharing Appeal, or to other diocesan second collections also cannot be used to settle any lawsuits because these monies are donated in good faith and designated for a specific use or purpose.