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Do Catholics worship statues and images?



Non-Catholics accuse Catholics of violating God's commandment by idol worship or sin of idolatry: *"You shall not make for yourself a graven image or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: you shall not bow down to them or serve them"* (Ex. 20:4-5); *"Alas, this people have sinned a great sin; they have made for themselves gods of gold"* (Ex. 32:31). They forget the fact that on certain occasions God commanded Israelites to make statues. Examples: Ex. 25:18-20, 1 Chr. 28:18-19, Ezekiel 41:17-18. *"And you shall make two cherubim of gold [i.e., two gold statues of angels]; of hammered work shall you make them, on the two ends of the mercy seat* (Ex. 25:18). During a plague of serpents sent to punish the Israelites during the exodus, God told Moses to "make [a statue of] a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it shall live (Num. 21:8-9). One had to *look* at the bronze statue of the serpent to be healed, which shows that statues could be used ritually, not merely as religious decorations.

Catholics use statues, paintings, and other artistic devices to recall the person or thing depicted. Just as it helps to remember one's mother by looking at her photograph, so it helps to recall the example of the saints by looking at pictures of them. Catholics also use statues as teaching tools. In the early Church they were especially useful for the instruction of the illiterate. God forbids the *worship* of images as gods, but He doesn't ban the making of images. God doesn't prohibit the making of statues or images of various creatures for religious purposes (cf. 1 Kgs. 6:29-32, 8:6-66; 2 Chr. 3:7-14). It is when people begin to adore a statue as a god that the Lord becomes angry (2 Kgs. 18:4). A Catholic who may kneel in front of a statue while praying isn't worshipping the statue or even praying *to the statue*.

Mass Schedule July 25 — August 2

<p>Saturday 07/25: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Sunday 07/26: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Saturday 08/01: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Sunday 08/02: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>SA Mass 5:30 p.m. People of the Parish</p> <p>OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. †Marilyn Stodola</p> <p>SA Mass 10:30 a.m. †Holy Souls in Purgatory (prayer gift)</p> <p>SA Mass 5:30 p.m. People of the Parish</p> <p>OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. Those with Cancer</p> <p>SA Mass 10:30 a.m. †Holy Souls in Purgatory (prayer gift)</p>
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Bulletin & Mass Announcements

The deadline this week for bulletin announcements is **Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.** and for Mass announcements is **Friday at 9:00 a.m.**

Thank you!!

Hand Sanitizer and Disinfectant Donations

We are accepting donations of hand sanitizer and disinfectant for both St. Anthony and Our Lady of the Hills. There will be a basket at the church entrances for donations. Thank you!!



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; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. For more information on the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment, please go to www.dwc.org, then 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—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, Zachariah Kushner, Christina Lopez, Michael McCallister, Maya Clark, Robin Holly, Mike Layne, Michael Bee, Lorie Collingwood

Our Lady of the Hills—Bert Zodorozny, Margaret Hancock, Violet Edwards, Marilyn Spencer, William Spencer, Katie Caroli, Jeanne Rollins, Steven Spencer, Doug Spencer, Harry Crede, Lorie Collingwood

Please call Father Tijo George at 304-342-2716, ext. 406 if you would like a visit and to receive communion or a home blessing.

Stewardship Report for July 18 — 19, 2020

St. Anthony

Offering	\$ 1,373.50
Building Fund	170.00
Communication Campaign	31.38
Other	6.11

Attendance Saturday—16 Sunday—24

Our Lady of the Hills

Offering	\$ 1,515.00
St. Anne's Outreach	80.00
Communication Campaign	65.00
Other	105.00

Attendance Sunday—24

Thank you for your generosity! Please remember to continue to support your parish during this difficult time. May God bless you!

Healing Prayers Offered for Covid-19 Victims



If you have a family member/friend who has been infected by the Coronavirus, Fr. Tijo would like to pray for the infected person during the private daily Masses and Sunday Masses. A votive candle will also be lit for his/her healing. Please call the parish office or Fr. Tijo to have their names included in his prayers and a votive candle lit.



“On the Day of Judgment we will not be judged for our ideas, but for the compassion we have shown to others.”

~Pope Francis tweet on 07/14/20

Music for Liturgy



Entrance:	Praise to the Lord (instrumental) — #199
Gloria:	Mass of Renewal — #860
Offertory:	Seek Ye First — #435
Communion:	Be Not Afraid — #431
Recessional:	Let There Be Peace on Earth (instrumental) — #528



Lorie's Music Notes

In Matthew's Gospel today, we hear three parables about what the kingdom of heaven is like: the buried treasure, the pearl of great price, and the fishing net. The song selections all refer to hearing and understanding the word of God. Jesus used parables to help people understand his message. May God grant us the wisdom to understand the messages of the Gospel!



St. Anne's Outreach Center
Thursday: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Our Lady of the Hills

Serving families and young expecting single mothers in Big Chimney, Clay, Clendenin, Elkview and Pinch areas.
Children—newborn to 4 yrs.

Visit us or call 304-965-7670

As of June 2020, St. Anne's has served 13 children.

Balance as of <u>12/31/19</u>	\$ 3,936.49
Contributions Received	745.00
Less: Expenses	(99.96)
Balance as of <u>06/30/20</u>	\$ 4,581.53

Thank you for your generosity!

Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were
already there and unite myself
wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from
You.
Amen.*



Attention Counters: Checks for Mass Intentions are not to be deposited with the weekly collection because there is a separate bank account specifically for Mass Intentions. If there is a check for a Mass Intention with the collection you are processing, please place or include the check with the collection report for the office. Thank you!

The office will be closed on Tuesday, July 28, 2020.

What is the Difference Between a Nun and a Sister?

For 99 percent of Catholics out there, there is no difference in their mind between a nun and a sister, nor between an order and a congregation. But in view of the law of the Church — canon law — there are differences, but I will limit myself to only a broad description of the differences.

According to canon law, there are Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life today, commonly known as orders or congregations.

The main difference between an Institute of Consecrated Life and a Society of Apostolic Life is members of the first must take religious vows, whereas members of a Society of Apostolic Life may take religious vows.

While an Institute of Consecrated Life or a Society of Apostolic Life might refer to itself as an order or a congregation, such as the Benedictine order or the Congregation of the Sacred Heart, canon law does not use that terminology.

Both nuns and sisters are women religious and constitute a most beautiful way of serving Jesus Christ and all souls
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in the Church. A nun takes solemn and public perpetual vows of chastity, poverty and obedience (evangelical counsels), and typically spends her life in prayer and work and silence in a cloistered convent. This is the contemplative life.

A nun will renounce all ownership of property so she can devote herself entirely to the service of God. A nun also wears a habit. Discalced Carmelites, Poor Clares and Passionists are just a few of these orders.

When you think of a nun, think of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, a great saint who spent her life in prayer in the Carmel Convent of Lisieux.

A sister takes simple perpetual vows of chastity, poverty and obedience (evangelical counsels), and may or may not live in community, and lives an active life typically serving in health care or educational institutions. Sisters renounce all ownership to property except inheritances and trusts. They may retain ownership of those assets but are not allowed to use the income from those assets.

Sisters may or may not wear habits, according to the rules of their community and the spirit of their founder. When you think of a sister, think of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton who founded the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph and worked tirelessly as the founder of Catholic education in this country.

So far so good. But it can get confusing, because while a nun is not a sister, both are addressed as sister. And while this analogy may not be perfect, a nun is more like “Mary” while a sister is more like “Martha.”

Both fulfill essential tasks in the Church, but the first is focused on the contemplative life of prayer, while the other is dedicated to the active life of work sustained by prayer. Without prayer, no one can persevere in a good work.

A religious order (religious institute) is composed of either men or women, living in community but apart from the world. The Code of Canon Law specifies:

“The life consecrated through the profession of the evangelical counsels is a stable form of living by which the faithful, following Christ more closely under the action of the Holy Spirit, are totally dedicated to God who is loved most of all, so that, having been dedicated by a new and special title to His honor, to the building up of the Church, and to the salvation of the world, they strive for the perfection of charity in the service of the kingdom of God and, having been made an outstanding sign in the Church, foretell the heavenly glory.

“The Christian faithful freely assume this form of living in institutes of consecrated life canonically erected by competent authority of the Church. Through vows or other sacred bonds according to the proper laws of the institutes, they profess the evangelical counsels of chastity, poverty, and obedience and, through the charity to which the counsels lead, are joined in a special way to the Church and its mystery” (Canon 573).

They follow the charism and spirit of their founder. Orders can be contemplative or active. The oldest order is that of St. Benedict, but other well-known orders are the Carthusians, Cistercians, Carmelites, Franciscans and Norbertines.

Their main task is to pray and adore God in contemplation and offer the prayer of the Church (Divine Liturgy) in community to the glory and honor of God. Men and women members of religious orders wear the habit particular to their order.

A religious congregation is also composed of either men or women, but usually in the active life of service to the Church in education, health care or other corporal or spiritual works of mercy.

Typically they will wear a habit if they are a sister, but men of religious congregations — if they are priests — typically dress the same as other secular or diocesan priests of the country where they reside.

In general terms, religious “orders” — Benedictines (sixth century), Franciscans (12th century), Dominicans (13th century), Carmelites (12th century) — came first, and later came the religious congregations and Societies of Apostolic Life.

In all cases, nuns and sisters, orders and congregations, are manifestations of the charisms of the Holy Spirit to enrich the people of God.