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St Anthony by appointment. Our Lady of the Hills by appointment.

What Is Apostolic Succession?

While it is true that the original Twelve Apostles were unique in that they had been personally chosen by Jesus and had witnessed to the Resurrection, the Catholic Church believes that the ministry of Peter and the apostles continues in the Church, and that therefore the apostolic and Petrine ministries have been transmitted through the ages.

The Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church (*Lumen Gentium*) states: "In order that the mission entrusted to [the apostles] might be continued after their death, [the apostles] consigned, by will and testament, as it were, to their immediate collaborators the duty of completing and consolidating the work they had begun, urging them to tend to the whole flock, in which the Holy Spirit had appointed them to shepherd the whole Church of God. They accordingly designated such men and then made the ruling that likewise on their death other proven men should take over their ministry" (No. 20).

The document continues: "Just as the office which the Lord confided to Peter alone, as first of the apostles, destined to be transmitted to his successors, is a permanent one, so also endures the office, which the apostles received, of shepherding the Church, a charge destined to be exercised without interruption by the sacred order of bishops" (Ibid.) Therefore the Church holds that "the bishops have by divine institution taken the place of the apostles as pastors of the Church" (Ibid). It reiterates this point by saying that when Christ called the Twelve, "he constituted [them] in the form of a college or permanent assembly, at the head of which he placed Peter, chosen from among them" (No. 22). Thus, "By the Lord's institution, St. Peter and the rest of the apostles constituted a single apostolic college, so in like fashion the Roman Pontiff, Peter's successor, and the bishops, the successors of the apostles, are related with and united to one another" (No. 22).

It is certainly the case that the relationships between the Twelve Apostles and their successors, and the relationship between Peter and subsequent popes, was in the beginning quite complicated; nevertheless the fundamental lines of Catholic doctrine on this matter are clear: The apostolic ministry continues in the Church through a succession of bishops up to the present time, and the ministry of Peter continues in the papacy down to today.

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Mass Schedule August 1 — 9

Saturday 08/01: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	SA Mass 5:30 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 08/02: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. Those with Cancer SA Mass 10:30 a.m. †Holy Souls in Purgatory (prayer gift)
Saturday 08/08: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	SA Mass 5:30 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 08/09: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. †Holy Souls in Purgatory (prayer gift) SA Mass 10:30 a.m. †Mr. Rufus & Mary Elliott

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 25 — 26, 2020

St. Anthony

Offering	\$ 990.00
Building Fund	130.00
Other	161.06
Attendance	Saturday—15 Sunday—29

Our Lady of the Hills

Offering	\$ 785.00
Building Fund	150.00
Other	80.00
Attendance	Sunday—20

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.



“When someone offers us a service, we should not think that we deserve everything. Gratitude, appreciation is, first of all, good manners, but it is also a characteristic of a Christian. It is a simple but genuine sign of the Kingdom of God.”

~Pope Francis tweet on 07/27/20

Music for Liturgy

LITURGY



AND MUSIC

Entrance:	Table of Plenty (instrumental) — #311
Gloria:	Mass of Renewal — #860
Offertory:	Come to the Water — #603
Communion:	I Am the Bread of Life — #327
Recessional:	Rain Down (instrumental) — #600

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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 July 2020, St. Anne's has served 15 children.

Balance as of 12/31/19 \$ 3,936.49

Contributions Received 860.00

Less: Expenses (99.96)

Balance as of 07/31/20 \$ 4,696.53

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.*



Congratulations Mason & Beckett!

Congratulations to Mason Bossie and Beckett Lindsey who made their First Holy Communion at St. Anthony today. May God bless them on their faith journey.

Congratulations Confirmation Candidates!

CONFIRMATION

May the Holy Spirit enlighten, strengthen and guide Aliana Ashworth, Saylor Bossie and Abbey Burdette of St. Anthony who will be confirmed on Saturday, August 8, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. at St. Agnes. Please support our Confirmation Candidates with your prayers, messages and well wishes. You can send text, email or video messages to Jennifer Burdette, cell: 304-553-6601 or email: cadjnj@yahoo.com. Messages need to be received no later than August 6, 2020. If you could include your name with your message, it would be greatly appreciated.

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What Is Apostolic Succession? (continued from page 1)

While it is true that the original Twelve were personally chosen by Jesus and encountered the resurrected Christ, nevertheless Christ, who lives in the Church by the power of the Holy Spirit, continues to call men personally to the Petrine and episcopal ministries, and that in the Eucharist, they encounter Christ risen from the dead.

As the Catechism of the Catholic Church points out, the whole Church constitutes an apostolic community, so that the ministry of Christ continues: “The whole Church is apostolic, in that she remains, through the successor of St. Peter and the other apostles, in communion of faith and life with her origin; and that she is sent out into the whole world” (No. 863).

~Msgr. M. Francis Mannion

After 6,000 Exorcisms this Priest Has 4 Pieces of Advice for Every Catholic...

The 80-year-old Mexican exorcist, Fr. Francisco López Sedano, in a recent interview, claimed to have practiced approximately 6,000 exorcisms during 40 years of service and we want to share 4 things he learned.

1. The devil is a person and not a thing:

The priest said that when a person talks to the devil “he does not talk to a thing, he talks to a person,” as Jesus confronted him many times and talked to him.

He warned that what the evil one likes most “is to separate us from God, to frighten us, to threaten us, to make us tremble,” “with laziness, tired, sleepy, distrustful, desperate, with hatred and all that is negative.”

2. The devil enters people because they allow:

Father López emphasized that some people allow the devil to enter them, because “he would not come to us unless we opened the door for him.”

“Therefore, God forbids practicing magic, superstition, witchcraft, witchcraft, divination, consultation with the dead and with spirits and astrology. These are the seven lands of lies and deceit.”

“Believing that the stars influence our lives is a big lie. They are millions of miles away! Are bodies made up of metals and gases, how will they influence us? The same thing happens with magic, which I attribute to things a power they do not have. For example, carrying a horseshoe because it gives you luck is a lie,” he said.

3. Those possessed have specific behaviors:

To identify a possessed person, Fr. Lopez said that it is possible to observe in her that on occasion “he begins to scream, to bark like a dog, to speak or to move and to drag himself like snakes on the ground. There are a thousand ways.”

It may also occur that “listen to voices, feel hatred, or reject God, before you believed and now kick the Bible. They are people who have terrible back pain, but the doctors say they are perfectly fine.”

“The damages of Satan are out of the medical order. People who have permanent diarrhea and do not improve with anything; people who experience eye pain and ophthalmologists do not diagnose anything. These are damage that science can not identify.”

4. Exorcism is a divine mandate:

Regarding his appointment as an exorcist several decades ago, he said it was “out of necessity,” after seeing “very serious and painful cases.”

“A fellow priest who was involved in this showed me that fighting the evil was a must. He said to me, ‘You have to be involved in this by the command of the Lord.’ The three mandates are to take the word of God, heal the sick, and cast out devils. The three are in effect in the church.”

On one occasion, he recounts that an 18-year-old boy pushed five very large and heavy stalls” that not 10 people could have gotten.”

“He had terrible force. We had to get him three people to practice the exorcism. With the presence of the Other, something can be explained. May they climb the walls, yes; and fly too. ”

Who are the devils?

The bad angels or devils or demons or evil spirits-are headed by Satan, referred to in the Bible as the chief enemy of God, the tempter of our first parents and of Jesus Christ himself. The Bible attests that the devil or Satan exists and has a role in the life of man on earth (1 Chr. 21:1, Job 1, 2, Wis. 2:24, Matt. 4:1, 5, 8, 11, Mark 1:13, John 6:70, Acts 5:3, Rom. 16:20, 1 Cor. 5:5, 7:5, 1 Tim. 3:6, Heb. 2:14, Rev. 2:9, plus dozens of other verses). The devil and the other demons were created by God as good angels according to their nature, but they made themselves evil by their own doing. “There is no repentance for the angels after their fall, just as there is no repentance for men after death” (CCC 393). The devil, moved by envy, always tempts man to sin. How does he do that? First of all, the devil can influence us from outside, that is, externally. They also can influence us through bad companions, through persons of unsound doctrine or teachings, by the use of the media of communications.

The devil must use all of the superiority of his natural powers to locate and to penetrate the weaknesses in each individual’s defenses. Moreover, the devil can work on the senses of man; influence his imagination with attractive images, leading to sinful choice. But the devil is not at the root cause of every one of our sins because there is a proneness to sin in the whole human race because of the sin of Adam and Eve. But we can defeat the devil as Jesus did, using, prayer, penance and Holy Scripture.