

St. Anthony Catholic Church

1017 Jefferson Street • Follansbee, WV 26037



January 29, 2017

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacramental Schedule

Sunday Masses:

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| Saturday | 4:00 p.m. |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m. |
| | 10:30 a.m. |

Weekday Masses:

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| Monday | 7:30 a.m. |
| Tuesday | 6:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | No Mass |
| Thursday | 6:00 p.m. |
| Friday | 7:30 a.m. |
| Saturday | No Mass |

Holy Days:

Masses at 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Confessions:

Saturday, 11:00 a.m. - Noon or by appointment.

Baptism & Marriage:

Please contact the parish office as soon as possible to begin Sacramental Preparation and scheduling.

RCIA:

Please contact Fred Welshans at the parish office for more information.

Parish Prayer Line:

If you are in need of prayers, please call Mary Lou Mirasola (304-527-2261) or Mary Catherine Croce (304-527-3150)

Our parish is dedicated to ministering to the sick, the hospitalized, the homebound and those in nursing homes. Please call the parish office if you would like to receive the Sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion. Please inform the parish staff if you are aware of a member of our community who is seriously ill.

THE CHOSEN REMNANT

Zephaniah is one of the least-known of the Old Testament prophets. He speaks in today's first reading of impending judgment. But the Lord will leave a "remnant" in Israel. This image of a remnant, or remainder, was to become vital to both Judaism and Christianity.

Paul's letter to Corinth makes obvious his deep concern for the Christians there. They are too self-confident, he says, too sure of themselves. He admonishes them to remember that Christ has given them all they have.

Today's Gospel comprises the opening of Jesus' "Great Sermon." As God gave Moses the law on Sinai, so now Jesus gathers his disciples on a hillside to teach them the new law. Each of these Beatitudes contrasts the humiliation of the present with the glory of the future: poverty vs. the riches of God's kingdom, hunger for holiness vs. fulfillment in the Spirit, persecution vs. the reign of God. Jesus is here speaking to God's chosen "remnant."

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Contact the Parish Staff Office Hours - M T TH F - 9:00 - 3:00 Office Closed Wednesday

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“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 5:3

This one confuses people. Replace the word “humble” for “poor” and it makes more sense. People that are humble recognize their dependence on God and trust that He will provide all that they need. Unfortunately, for many of us, pride and ego enters our lives and we think we can live without God. Remember – God first in all circumstances.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to prepare a simple meatless meal for around 40 people during Lent (on Friday’s) after Stations of the Cross. This can be a group, a parish ministry, or an individual. Stations are prayed starting at 6:00 p.m. with the simple supper to follow at 6:30 p.m. The dates needed are as follows:

- March 3 - Holy Name Society
- March 10 - St. Francis Centre
- March 17
- March 24 - Knights of Columbus
- March 31 - Altar & Rosary Society
- April 7 - CCD & Youth Group

If you are interested, please contact the office to schedule your date. Thank you St. Anthony parishioners for your continuous support to our parish.

CHARISMATIC MASS AND HEALING PRAYER

A Charismatic Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, February 2nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Father of Mercy Chapel at the Motherhouse of the Franciscan Sisters, TOR located at 369 Little Church Road, Toronto, OH 43964. Father Dave Pivonka TOR, an internationally known speaker and author, will be the celebrant. Prayer for healing or other needs will be offered following Mass. All Catholics in the area are invited to attend. Refreshments following.

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; Msgr. Frederick Annie, ext. 267, or Msgr. Anthony Cincinnati, 270. 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.

Blessing
of
Throats

BLESSING OF THROATS On Friday, February 3rd at the 7:30 a.m. Mass and on the weekend Masses on Saturday, February 4th and February 5th, we will offer the traditional blessing of throats through the intercession of St. Blaise.

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Presentation of the Lord

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD a small reception will be held in memory of our Sisters of the Poor Child Jesus in the church hall on Thursday, February 2nd following the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

CHOIR PRACTICE TIME CHANGE Effective immediately the Choir has changed its meeting time to Thursday’s at 6:30 p.m. The Adult Choir (14 years+) is always looking for new voices.

BIBLE STUDY John DiGiacinto will lead Bible study on Tuesday, January 31st at 10 a.m. in the Emmaus Room. All are welcome.

CCD classes will be held from 9:15a.m. to 10:25a.m. in our school building. If you should have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Fred or Chris Welshans.

RCIA classes are held every Thursday in the Emmaus Room. Class begins with 6:00 p.m. Mass. These classes of preparation are open to all. For more information contact Fred Welshans.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY: join us Saturday, February 11, 2017, for an evening of celebrating your love and the blessing of your marriage together at St. Vincent de Paul Marist Center. We begin by celebrating Mass together at 5:00 PM, followed by a wine and cheese social in the parish center. A candlelit dinner will follow, and one couple (pre-committed) will give a brief witness to their experience in the Sacrament of Marriage. The evening ends with coffee and wedding cake served to the group. Cost of the evening is \$ 45 per couple. Reservations are required and must be made no later than February 8. For more information, contact the Beiter's at 304-2384904 or the Reed's at 304-242-8156.

SANCTUARY LAMP is burning in memory of the Joe Bonney from January 21st to February 3rd.

A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

It is in our family where we learn to be merciful and comforting to others. The Beatitudes of the Kingdom of God begin at home and depend on you. Parents lead the way.

2017- SCHEDULED EVENTS

- March 1, 2017 (Ash Wednesday): Fish Dinner at St. Francis Centre - 11a.m.-2p.m. and 4p.m.-7p.m.
- March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 and April 7: Stations of the Cross followed by a simple supper.
- June 11, 2017: St. Anthony Day Celebration
- August 20, 2017: Parish Picnic at Follansbee Community House.
- December 31, 2017: New Years Eve Celebration at St. Francis Centre.

ST. ANTHONY MUSIC MINISTRY

The St. Anthony Music Ministry is beginning preparation for the Lenten / Easter Season. Anyone interested in being a part of the St. Anthony Handbell Ensemble, Youth or Senior Choir for the Easter season is asked to attend the following practice sessions. For more information, please contact Carol June at 304-527-1492.

Handbell Practice Schedule 8 years old+

Sundays 8:30 - 9:10 a.m. (Music Room) February 19 orientation) February 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26 and April 2.

Youth Choir 6 years old+

Sunday—11:30 –12:30 p.m. (Church) - March 19, 26 and April 2.

Senior Choir 14 years+

Every Thursday 6:30 p.m. (Church)

We will play and sing at the Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday 10:30 Mass.



DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS:

Friday, 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and Prayer of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

General Meeting: February 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Officer Meeting: February 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings will be held in the church hall.

Contact: Will Sleever 740-219-2489

ALTAR & ROSARY

Meeting: February 19, 2017

After 8:00 a.m. Mass

Contact: Carolyn Bruno 304-919-3217

HOLY NAME

Meeting: March 5, 2017

After 8:00 a.m. Mass - Refreshments will be served.

Contact: Joe Settimo 304-527-1605

THOSE WHO HAVE REQUESTED PRAYERS

Baby Jude, Fred Cercone, Johnny Chiarello, Vince Chiodo, Kady (Andrew) Chivington, Larry Cohen, Nick Conti, Frank Cortez, Penny Davis, Jim DeMundo, Michael DiPasquale, Sherie Highfield, Shannon Stewart Hunter, Geno Iafrate, Joe Ierise, Diane Jackson, June Kelly, Adalynn Kimball, Brittany Murphy, Julia Paradise, John (Pepe) Petruccioli, Juliana Prekup Petruccioli, Jim Sutak, Dan Tenaglio, Doug Wagstaff, Roseann and Warren Watt

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

UPCOMING DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS

- **January 29 – Church in Latin America**
- March 1 – Church in Central and Eastern Europe
- March 5 - Catholic Missions among Black & Native Americans
- March 19 – Diocesan Priests’ Retirement Fund
- March 26 – Catholic Relief Services

CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

We thank everyone who has contributed to the CSA for 2016. We have not yet met our parish goal of \$20,325 but we are close and you still have time to donate. We still need \$1,288.00 to reach our goal. We are currently at 94% of our goal with 82 gifts. We have received a total of \$19,037.00 in donations. Every dollar raised over 50% of our goal will come back to our parish. For more information on this important diocesan appeal, please visit www.dwc.org/csa.

Last Week’s Collection:

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| Offertory | \$3,088.50 |
| Children’s Dues | \$4.00 |
| Loose Change | \$152.25 |
| Debt Reduction | \$12.00 |
| All Souls Day | \$20.00 |
| Friday Friends | \$102.00 |
| Major Improvements | \$62.00 |
| Solemnity of Mary | \$105.00 |
| First Offering | \$60.00 |
| St. Anthony Bread | \$20.00 |

Total \$3,625.75

Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$6,800.00

Attendance: 308

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Special Instructions:

