

# St. Anthony Catholic Church

1017 Jefferson Street • Follansbee, WV 26037



September 10, 2017

## Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Sacramental Schedule

#### Sunday Masses:

Saturday .....	5:30 p.m.
Sunday .....	8:00 a.m.
.....	10:30 a.m.

#### Weekday Masses:

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

#### 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.*

### GOD'S WATCHERS

In the ancient world watchmen were extremely important people. They kept communities safe, and were there to alert them to any impending danger or attack. Before locks, alarms, and security systems, watchmen were the protectors, the safety measure. So when the Lord charges Ezekiel as a watchman today, it is a weighty charge. So weighty, we learn, that if Ezekiel fails to sound the alarm for those around him and they perish in a state of wickedness, Ezekiel will be held responsible! This profound connection between God's will on earth and in heaven is repeated in today's Gospel, where Jesus instructs us that we are to be the security force, the watchers placed on alert that nowhere in the Body of Christ, the church, will there be any two members of the one Body who are not reconciled. Scripture tells us that Jesus reconciled all things in heaven and on earth through the blood of his cross. But we are given the mission to continue that reconciliation on earth as in heaven through our ceaseless efforts to be, as Paul would write, ambassadors of reconciliation. Let us not get too comfortable thinking that we are responsible only for keeping our own lives from the path of wickedness and disagreement. We are also held accountable for the lives of the members of Christ's body around us.

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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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“You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel.” - EZEKIEL 33:7

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, how often is our generosity at the minimum level required? We do just enough or give just enough. Remember, the Lord calls us to be generous with all the gifts He has given us, to grow them and return them with increase.

### Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

The key word in today’s Gospel is “listen.” We cannot change another person; not alone, not with others and not with a whole Church. All we can do is state our position and “if he listens to you” then he / she can take the steps necessary to change themselves. Change comes from within.

### I Publish **Wedding Banns** Between (3rd) **Julie Ann DeStefano & Corey Andrew Piergallini**

If any of you know cause, or just impediment, why this couple should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, ye are to declare it.

### I Publish **Wedding Banns** Between (1st) **Emily Anna Boyd & Anthony Stephen Perna**

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**BLUE MASS** In anticipation of the Feast of the Archangels we will celebrate a Blue Mass on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. All first responders and members of the Military along with their families are invited to join us. We encourage you to dress in uniform and be at the church at 5:45. All members of Saint Anthony Parish as well as the surrounding community are encouraged to join us as we pray for the safety of those who serve and protect us. A reception will follow in the church hall.

**PARISH COUNCIL** will meet on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Emmaus Room.



**BIBLE STUDY** John DiGiacinto will lead Bible Study on Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. in the Emmaus Room. All are welcome.

**OCCASIONAL MASS TIME CHANGE** We at St. Anthony have been blessed with several couples willing to commit to one another and be united in Christ in the Sacrament of Matrimony. In order to give the proper amount of time and respect to all the sacraments, it has been decided to make changes to the liturgical schedule when a Marriage is scheduled on a Saturday. In order to accommodate those celebrating the wedding, as well as our parishioners, whenever a Marriage is to take place, the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass will be moved to 5:30 p.m. Please remember our young couples (our future) in your prayers. *The Saturday Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 p.m. on the following dates: September 9, 2017, September 23, 2017, and October 7, 2017.*

**WELCOME BACK STUDENTS** CCD Classes will begin this Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 9:15 a.m. If you have not registered your child, you can complete the registration form on Sunday.

**RCIA** We ask all parishioners to help us promote our inquiry sessions and the RCIA Program. If you know of anyone interested in learning about the Faith or interested in joining the process of joining the Church, please encourage them to contact us. Inquiry sessions and RCIA begins on Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>.

**CONFIRMATION** The Chancery has notified us that His Excellency, Bishop Bransfield, will be here on Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> (Solemnity of Christ the King) at 10:30 to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep our Confirmandi in your prayers as they prepare for this special Sacrament.

**THREE DAY RETREAT - TEC** Teens Encounter Christ will be held here at St. Anthony Church on November 4-6. TEC weekends are open to high school juniors and seniors. All interested teens can contact Chris Welshans for an application. All applications are due by October 21<sup>st</sup>. Live your best life with a weekend of fellowship and fun.

**CUSTODIAN-MAINTENANCE POSITION** We are in the beginning stages of hiring two custodian/ maintenance position employees to work at both St. Anthony Church and at St. Francis Centre. The job description can be found in the church vestibule. If you are interested or if you know someone that may be interested, please contact the parish office to complete a job application and background check.

**SANCTUARY LAMP** is burning in memory of Rose DeAngelis from September 2<sup>nd</sup> to September 15<sup>th</sup>.

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](http://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.

**2017- SCHEDULED EVENTS**

- December 31, 2017 - New Years Eve Celebration at St. Francis Centre.

**THOSE WHO HAVE REQUESTED PRAYERS**

Johnny Chiarello, Jim DeMundo, Margaret DiPasquale, Dom Frio, Suzette Gallagher, Dustin Hall, Loreto (88) Iafrate, Bernie Kobily, Donna Norman, Kenny Orlando, Cathy, Julie, John, & Michael Petruccioli, Richard See, Tina Sisinni, Shannon Stewart and Jim Sutak.

**HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF COLLECTION**

As you all know our brothers and sisters in the path of Hurricane Harvey have suffered greatly as a result of this cruel storm and the continued rain and flooding. They will need our help. As we know from our own experience it is the poor and the very poor that will suffer the most and are least able to rebuild their lives. They will need our assistance today and for many days, months and even years to come. Healing will not come overnight. Bishop Bransfield has set the weekend of 16 & 17 September for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to take up a special collection to assist the victims of this devastating national disaster. We ask that you please be as generous as possible. Let us also remember to hold the victims and the first responders in our prayer during these critical days.

**PATIENCE**

If you are patient in one moment of anger, you will escape a hundred days of sorrow.

—Chinese proverb



**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**

**Both meetings will begin with the Rosary at 6:30**

General Meeting: October 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Officer Meeting: September 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings will be held in the church hall.

Contact: Will Sleever 740-219-2489

**ALTAR & ROSARY**

Next Meeting: September 17, 2017

After 8:00 a.m. Mass

Contact: Carolyn Bruno 304-919-3217

**HOLY NAME**

Meeting: December 3, 2017

After 8:00 a.m. Mass

Contact: Joe Settimio 304-527-1605

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**UPCOMING DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS**

- *September 10 - Diocesan Scholarship Association*
- September 17 - Hurricane Harvey Relief Collection
- September 24 -Catholic University
- October 22 -Universal World Mission

**KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS Parishioners**

**must renew each year as your registration expired in April.** If you are interested in being enrolled contact Barbra Milewsky at 740-264-7581. Please consider enrolling in this program as it is an excellent way of contributing to your parish.

*We have received our 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter reward check in the amount of \$501.35. We currently have 92 households who shopped at Kroger between 5-1-17 and 7-30-2017 that have contributed to our parish.*

**CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL 2017**

*“Give your Hands to Serve and your Hearts to Love”*

This years overall CSA goal is 1.8 million. St. Anthony Parish goal is \$23,475. We are currently at 54% of our goal with 53 gifts. We have received a total of \$12,634.00 in donations. Every dollar raised over 50% of our goal will come back to our parish. For more information on this appeal please visit [www.dwc.org/csa](http://www.dwc.org/csa). Pledge cards are available in the church vestibule for your convenience. Thank you for your consideration to this appeal.

When you are having your morning coffee, or your child drinking a cup of cocoa, do you know that slavery could be involved? **GOOGLE** the Fair Trade movement and educate yourself about efforts to ensure that fair prices are paid to those who provide these commodities. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org))

**Last Week Collection:**

Offertory	\$4,557.50
Children’s Dues	\$4.00
Loose Change	\$138.00
Debt Reduction	\$160.00
Friday Friends	\$864.00
Major Improvements	\$185.00
Religious Education	\$110.00
Church Picnic Cost Deferral	\$5.00
Assumption of Mary	\$15.00

Total \$6,038.50

Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$6,800.00

Attendance: 300

*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

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