

St. Anthony Catholic Church

1017 Jefferson Street • Follansbee, WV 26037



September 17, 2017

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacramental Schedule

Sunday Masses:

Saturday	4:00 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.

FORGIVENESS

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As Saint Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way.

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“For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s” - ROMANS 14:8

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He wants you to use the gifts He has given you.

Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

Unable to forgive another means we are holding onto a past wrong and hoping for a better past. That is not going to happen. We must move on with our life by accepting we were unjustly treated and it will not be corrected. We aren’t condoning the injustice. We just don’t let it control our lives any longer. Forgiveness is critical to living a healthy life in the present.

I Publish **Wedding Banns** Between (2nd)
Emily Anna Boyd & Anthony Stephen Perna
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.

BLUE MASS In anticipation of the Feast of the Archangels we will celebrate a Blue Mass on Thursday, September 28th 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.

FORGIVE OTHERS

There are many kinds of alms the giving of which helps us to obtain pardon for our sins; but none is greater than that by which we forgive from our heart a sin that someone has committed against us.

—St. Augustine



BIBLE STUDY John DiGiacinto will lead Bible Study on Tuesday, September 19th 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 23, 2017, and October 7, 2017.*

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 14th.

CONFIRMATION The Chancery has notified us that His Excellency, Bishop Bransfield, will be here on Sunday, November 26th (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 21st. Live your best life with a weekend of fellowship and fun.

CUSTODIAN-MAINTENANCE POSITION We are currently accepting applications for 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 Michael & Angeline Kurcina from September 16th to September 29th.

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.

2017- SCHEDULED EVENTS

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

THOSE WHO HAVE REQUESTED PRAYERS

Tom Andreozzi, 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.

CONGRATULATIONS to Megan Salatino and William McKenzie who were united in marriage on Saturday, September 9, 2017. We pray for blessings on our new family.



DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS:

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

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 55 gifts. We have received a total of \$12,684.00 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. 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** (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

Last Week Collection:

Offertory	\$3,562.50
Children's Dues	\$5.00
Loose Change	\$157.00
Debt Reduction	\$26.00
Friday Friends	\$114.00
Major Improvements	\$76.00
Religious Education	\$995.00
Diocesan Scholarships	\$457.00

Total \$5,392.50

Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$6,800.00

Attendance: 261

Thank you for your continued generosity!

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