

SAINT ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

1017 JEFFERSON ST * FOLLANSBEE WV

March 24, 2024



*Palm Sunday
of the
Lord's Passion*

Sacramental Schedule

Sunday Masses

Saturday4:00 PM
Sunday 8:00AM &
10:30AM

Weekday Masses

MondayNO Mass
Tuesday 6:00PM
Wednesday7:30AM
Thursday 6:00 PM
Friday7:30AM

Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil Mass 4:00PM

Confessions: Saturday 3pm-3:30PM or by appointment

Baptism & Marriage: Please contact the parish office as soon as possible to begin Sacramental Preparation and scheduling.

RCIA: Please contact the parish office for more information.

Parish Prayer Line: Please call Mary Lou Mirasola (304-527-2261) or Mary Catherine Croce (304-527-3150)

Administrator... Rev. Gerald Muoka.... gmuoka@dwc.org

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Bookkeeper... Susan Makara-Targoss—stanthonychurch@comcast.net

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The Sisters of "The Daughter of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus"

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Parish Staff & Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

8:30am - 3:30pm

304-527-2286

304-527-2548 (fax)

St. Anthony Catholic Church Mission Statement:

We as a parish family strive to be a vibrant Catholic Community supporting and nurturing each person on his or her faith journey with Christ.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 23	4:00 pm	People of the Parish	
Sunday, March 24	8:00am	Cheryl Ann Rosso +	Req by: Louis & Barbara Julio
Sunday, March 24	10:30am	Marty Kaczmarek +	Req by: family
Monday, March 25	7:30am	Priest Intentions	(please note this is added for Holy Week)
Tuesday, March 26	8:00am	Kristyn Brindley +	Req by: V. Smith (note time change)
Wednesday, Mar 27	7:30am	Marjorie Copenhagen +	Req by: Jim & Mary Cavalier
Thursday, March 28	6:00pm	Donna Ardito +	Req by: Joel John
Friday, March 29	7:30am	Gino Meca +	Req by: Flora Antigo
Saturday, March 30	8:00 pm	Cheryl Ann Rosso +	Req by: Bragg family (note time change)
Sunday, March 31	8:00 am	People of the Parish	
Sunday, March 31	10:30am	Mike Hormyak +	Req by: family

Liturgical Minister Schedule
April 6 & 7

Mass	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	Server
4:00pm	Mary Kay Olashuk	Kathi Rodgers	John Cipriani
8:00am	Lynn Wright	Chris Welshans	Mike Highfield
10:30am	Sandy Casinelli	Tom Davidson	Mary E. Andriano



The Liturgical Environment needs You!
Please consider lending a helping hand as we prepare the church for the holiest time of the year. Even if you have not helped in the past, we'd gladly welcome you! We have tasks for all skill levels; many hands make light work! Anyone interested, call Joel.740-275-7993. Dates we need help:
--March 25 at 9am: clean the church
-March 27 @9am: prepare the Church & Adoration Chapel
-March 29 after 6p: prepare the church for Easter

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39
Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21;Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
Saturday: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7
Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24/

EASTER MEMORIAL CANDLES & SWAGS are available to purchase for the entire Easter season of 50 days. 10 candles are available. The cost is \$50 per candle. These lights are lit in memory of loved ones as a reminder of the joyful resurrection. Also available are six swags that will adorn the walls of the church between the Stations of the Cross. The cost is \$100 each. Two families may sponsor one swag at the price of \$50 a family. One name per family. Please contact the parish office to make a donation in memory of a loved one.

A Drastically Changing Environment: Today's celebration of the Passion of the Lord begins with a royal entry into Holy Week. The royal red, is not only a sign of kingship of Christ, but also a morbid reminder of the blood He shed for the salvation of souls. This weekend's liturgies begin as a jubilant welcome, but quickly changed to a contemplative atmosphere as we reflect on the suffering and death of Christ. Likewise, the altar and church grounds, festively adorned with palms, will soon be removed and replaced with symbols of the commemoration of the Lord's Last Supper on Holy Thursday where we see the call to love. The Mass of the Lord's Supper, Holy Thursday, requests a moderately, but solemnly decorated Altar. On this night, we enter into the Sacred Paschal Triduum; a time where three days are summed up in one! Time stands still. Note the emptied tabernacle and urn at the side of the church. These are symbols of Christ pouring out his love for us, urging us to empty our hearts and empty ourselves for the genuine love of others. May we reflect love of others and on how letting go of bitterness allows room in our heart for love. The empty baskets, to be filled with your generous donation of food, will hopefully overflow with food to be shared together as a family. By loving others, we love Christ. Upon entering the chapel of repose (located in the high school building), we see two red cloths draping the sides of the doors. These swags are representative of the red blood that marked the door posts of believers at Passover. The stark and entirely empty church on Good Friday is a bold sign that Jesus gave everything he had for our salvation. Good Friday is the only day of the entire year in which Mass is not said. No sacrament is celebrated. The bare church, void of all, is a dramatic and beautiful reminder that without Christ we have nothing.

Lenten Virtue Week

Virtue: Joy

"Those who sow in tears shall reap with joyful shouting" - Psalm 126:5

Like Mary, our hearts are pierced with sorrow as we walk into Holy Week knowing what awaits on Friday. As Her sorrow melted into joy at the Resurrection of her Son, may we too carry our crosses and join them at the foot of the cross with joyful expectation of God's faithfulness, knowing our suffering is not in vain.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS
Friday after 7:30 a.m. Mass



To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, 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 or 304.233.0880: 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. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

Parish Announcements

There will be confessions after each weekday Mass during the entire Lenten season. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Tuesdays from 5:30-6pm. **There is no Exposition Tuesday.**

Holy Week Schedule:

March 23 & 24 (Palm Sunday)

4pm: Vigil Mass with Solemn Procession with Palms (*incense*)

8am: Mass without the Procession

10:30am: Solemn Mass with Solemn Procession with Palms (*incense*)

***Monday, March 25 *Tuesday, March 26 Wed March 27:**
7:30am Mass 7:30am Mass 7:30am Mass

*please note there is Mass on Monday March 25 and a time change for Tuesday March 26

Paschal Triduum

Holy Thursday, March 28:

Solemn Mass and Washing of the Feet at 6pm following with a Eucharistic Procession & Adoration until Midnight (*incense*)

Good Friday, March 29:

3pm Stations of the Cross/ Divine Mercy

6pm Good Friday service with veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion

Holy Saturday, March 30:

8pm Mass (*incense*)

Easter Sunday, March 31:

8am & 10:30am (*incense*)

A **bake less Bakesale** will be held again this year by the Altar & Rosary group. This project enables us to continue helping our parish here at St. Anthony Church and we ask for your support if you are able to help. It's easy! Save time and effort & mail your donations to: Mary Catherine Croce, Altar & Rosary Treasurer, 113 Randall Ave, Follansbee. Write your checks to: St Anthony Altar & Rosary and note "bake sale" in the memo. Thank you for your kindness and prayers.

St. Anthony Bread Account... In 2023, we helped 14 families keep their utilities on for a total of \$4,698.93. We thank you for your donations to this account and have extra St. Anthony Bread envelopes in the back of the church for your convenience. Your continued donations are much needed and appreciated.

Sanctuary Candle is burning in memory of **Lauretta Soltes** from March 23-29 from Sylvia Wendt.



St. Anthony All-School reunion will be held on Saturday June 22, 2024 in Follansbee, WV. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at 4pm in St. Anthony's Church followed by a banquet at 6pm at St. Francis Centre, Hooverson Heights. While honoring the Class of 1964, the final graduating class of St. Anthony High School on their 60th anniversary, this reunion is intended for all students and their guests who attended or graduated from the former St. Anthony grade and high schools. Special memorial ceremonies and tributes are earmarked for the deceased members of the Sisters of the Poor Child Jesus of Holland who staffed both schools and also for deceased members of all classes. For further information/reservations, please contact Fr. Joe D'Aurora at josephdaurora1@gmail.com or 434-906-1183 or call Vickey Sciarretti Ross at aross174@comcast.net or 304-527-3235.

HOLY NAME will meet on the 2nd Sunday of every month

ALTAR & ROSARY Meetings will resume Sunday, April 21, 2024 following the 8am Mass. Any questions: call Dorene Wilkerson at 304-527-0806.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS ARE NOW ACCEPTED!!

Scheduling for Masses has now opened for April & May & June. Sanctuary candles for the entire year are also open for scheduling.

Please call the office for availability and/or drop your Mass Requests in the collection basket. Please include a second date if first request is not available.

Thank you.

CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

St. Anthony's CSA goal for 2024 is 21,920. We have collected \$1,130 from 10 gifts. We are currently at 5% of our goal. Please consider a donation and thank you to those who have already contributed to this appeal.

Can you help? We are looking for a maintenance person to clean the bathrooms, sweep and empty the trash in the parish office, school, church and church hall. Please contact the parish office if you can assist on a voluntary basis until someone is hired.

UPCOMING DIOCESAN COLLECTION

- **March 29—Pontifical Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will meet on the 4th Sunday of every month after Mass.

Hello. My name is Jon-Erik Gilot, a member of St. Michael Parish in Wheeling. I am also the organizer of Division 1 of the Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) in Wheeling, the only remaining division of Hibernians in the Ohio Valley. THE AOH is a fraternal organization of Irish Catholic men. We have over 70 members in parishes in Ohio and Marshall Counties in W.VA and Belmont County in Ohio, but are always welcoming new members. You may have heard of us hosting the "World's Largest Irish Road Bowling" event which we use to fund \$3000 worth of scholarships every year and also to support charities and nonprofits in the area, such as the Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center, Wheeling Central Catholic High School, Gabriel Project, St. John's Home, parochial school teacher grants, etc. with thousands of dollars of support every year.

MARCH 17TH COLLECTION

• Offertory	3661.00
• Loose Contributions	76.00
• Friday Friends	80.00
• Major Improvements	6.00
• Debt Reduction	26.00
• Easter Flowers	156.00
• Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund	5.00
• Total:	4010
• Attendance:	190

Thank you for your stewardship! Your generous donations will help to keep our obligations current. Reminder: please use the contribution envelopes provided to ensure the appropriate credit to your account. Thank You!