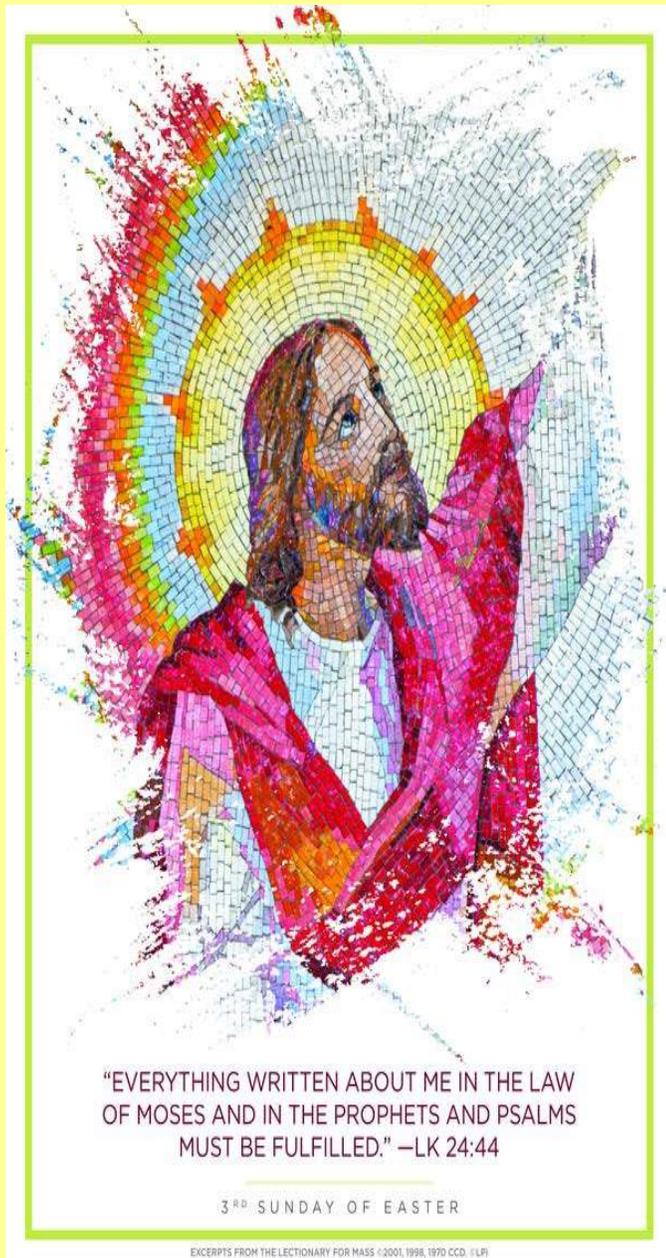


# SAINT ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

1017 JEFFERSON ST \* FOLLANSBEE WV

April 14, 2024



## Sacramental Schedule

### Sunday Masses

Saturday .....4:00 PM  
Sunday ..... 8:00AM &  
10:30AM

### Weekday Masses

Monday .....NO Mass  
Tuesday ..... 6:00PM  
Wednesday .....7:30AM  
Thursday ..... 6:00 PM  
Friday .....7:30AM

**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

**Parish Secretary:** DeEtta Bertucci -stanthonychurch@comcast.net

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

**Music Director** ....Attilio Boni - 304-670-2745

**Sacramental Prep, Adult Formation, RCIA**—Fred & Chris Welshans - sacdre@comcast.net

**Director of Religious Education & Youth Ministry** - stanthonysistersdre@comcast.net & stanthonysistersyouth@comcast.net  
The Sisters of “The Daughter of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus”

**St. Francis Centre Manager**.....Jim DeMundo - 304-559-7454

**St. Francis Centre** - 304-527-1279

**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, April 13	4:00 pm	People of the Parish	
Sunday, April 14	8:00am	John Puskarich +	Req by: Sandy Casinelli
Sunday, April 14	10:30am	Michael Reale +	Req by: Neff family
Monday, April 15	NO MASS		
Tuesday, April 16	6:00pm	Cheryl Ann Rosso +	Req by: Dorothy & John Pizzuti
Wednesday, April 17	7:30am	James "Honey" Meca +	Req by: Mary E. Andriano
Thursday, April 18	6:00pm	Lauretta Soltes +	Req by: Mr. & Mrs. Jim Cavilier
Friday, April 19	7:30am	Lauretta Soltes +	Req by: Carmela Wallace
Saturday, April 20	4:00 pm	Kristyn Brindley +	Req by: John & Dorothy Pizzuti
Sunday, April 21	8:00 am	Mary Ann & Bobby Ciccolella +	Req by: Ciccolella family
Sunday, April 21	10:30am	Cheryl Ann Rosso +	Req by: John & Francine Crowe

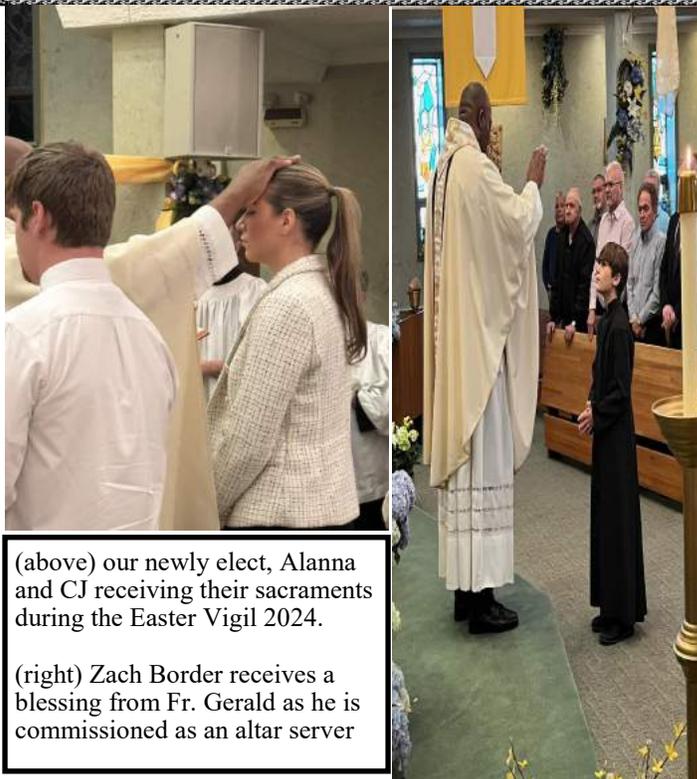
Liturgical Minister Schedule  
April 20 & 21

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Minister</u>	<u>Server</u>
4:00pm	Dennis Carulli	Kathi Rodgers	John Cipriani
8:00am	Sarah Bayardi	Fred Welshans	David Velegol
10:30am	Tom Davidson	Angie Thompson	Mary E. Andriano

Why is Easter always celebrated on a Sunday? The Bible is very clear that Jesus died on a Friday, "the day of preparation" for the sabbath/Saturday, and Jesus' followers found his tomb empty on a Sunday morning, "the first day of the week" (Matthew 27:62, 28:1; Mark 15:42, 16:1; Luke 23:54, 24:1; John 19:14, 20:1). Then Jesus appeared alive to them that Sunday (Matthew 28:9; Mark, 16:9; Luke 24:13-15,36; John 20:14). So on Easter Sunday, we celebrate that Jesus rose from the dead and shares his life with us through Baptism and the Eucharist. We decorate with flowers as signs of the new life coming with spring, we share a meal with family and we eat candy to express our joy. Easter Sunday is truly wonderful! The good news is that Easter does not end after today. In the Bible, we see the beginnings of the Church meeting on Sunday and calling all Sundays "the Lord's Day" (Acts 20:7; I Corinthians 16:2; Revelation 1:10; Catechism of the Catholic Church 2174). So every Sunday of the year, we celebrate a mini-Easter, and rejoice that Jesus has risen from the dead to give us his life in the Eucharist (Catechism 2191, 2177). Jesus said, "I am the bread of life.... Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day" (John 6:48, 54). Easter life is so important that all Catholics are required to participate in Mass every Sunday, unless they are sick or caring for someone who is sick (Catechism 2181). In the Sunday Mass, we offer the Eucharist, thank God for giving us eternal life, ask for God's help, and pray for the world. We follow an ancient practice of beginning each Sunday on the Saturday evening before, so that Catholics who are unable to participate in Mass on Sunday can attend Mass on Saturday afternoon (Catechism 2180). There are Catholic Churches in every place, so that those who are travelling can still participate in Mass. The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "Sunday is to be observed as the foremost holy day" and Catholics are obligated to attend Sunday Mass and also keep the day special by refraining from work so they can relax, rest joyfully, and help those in need (Catechism 2185, 2192-93). Therefore, everything we do in a grand way today for Easter, we continue with little celebrations every Sunday. Jesus said that he came to give us life abundantly (John 10:10). That is what we celebrate with joy every Sunday, and especially today, Easter Sunday.

**Readings for the Week**

**Sunday:** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48  
**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29  
**Tuesday:** Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35  
**Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40  
**Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51  
**Friday:** Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59  
**Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69  
**Next Sunday:** Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-1



(above) our newly elect, Alanna and CJ receiving their sacraments during the Easter Vigil 2024.

(right) Zach Border receives a blessing from Fr. Gerald as he is commissioned as an altar server

Prayer Intentions

Allen Negri, Ray Nicolano,

Please call the office to add & remove names.

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](http://www.dwc.org) under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

### **Parish Announcements**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Tuesdays from 5:30-6pm.**

Dear Jesus,  
When I feel troubled, alone, frightened, be with me. Be a flicker of flame in this darkness. Help me to know you in the stark seasons as I do in times of elation. You are the light I seek. Amen (Prayer in Times of Darkness)

### **Upcoming Events**

- May 5—First Communion Mass at 10:30am
- May 5—May Crowning at 10:30am Mass
- May 12—Mother's Day Buffet

**St. Joseph the Worker Parish** is holding the Christian Mother Annual Card Party on Sunday April 21, 2024 at 2pm. It will be held in the Dube Dome at the school. Tickets are \$10 and that includes lunch and entry for door prizes. Call Barb at 304-723-9672.

### **NOW WITH CHRIST**

Mildred "Wootsie" DeSantis—April 3, 2024

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



**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.

**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.

### **MASS INTENTIONS ARE NOW ACCEPTED!!**

**Scheduling for Masses has now opened through August!!**

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 \$3,760 from 23 gifts. We are currently at 17% of our goal. Please consider a donation and thank you to those who have already.

**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**

- **May 26— Catholic Relief Services**

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

# TAXES DUE

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



### **APRIL 7TH COLLECTION**

• Offertory	3832.00
• Loose Contributions	96.00
• Children's Due	2.00
• Friday Friends	262.00
• Major Improvements	110.00
• Debt Reduction	57.00
• Holy Land	55.00
• St. Anthony Bread	85.00

Total: 4499.00

Attendance: 192

*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!*

*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.*