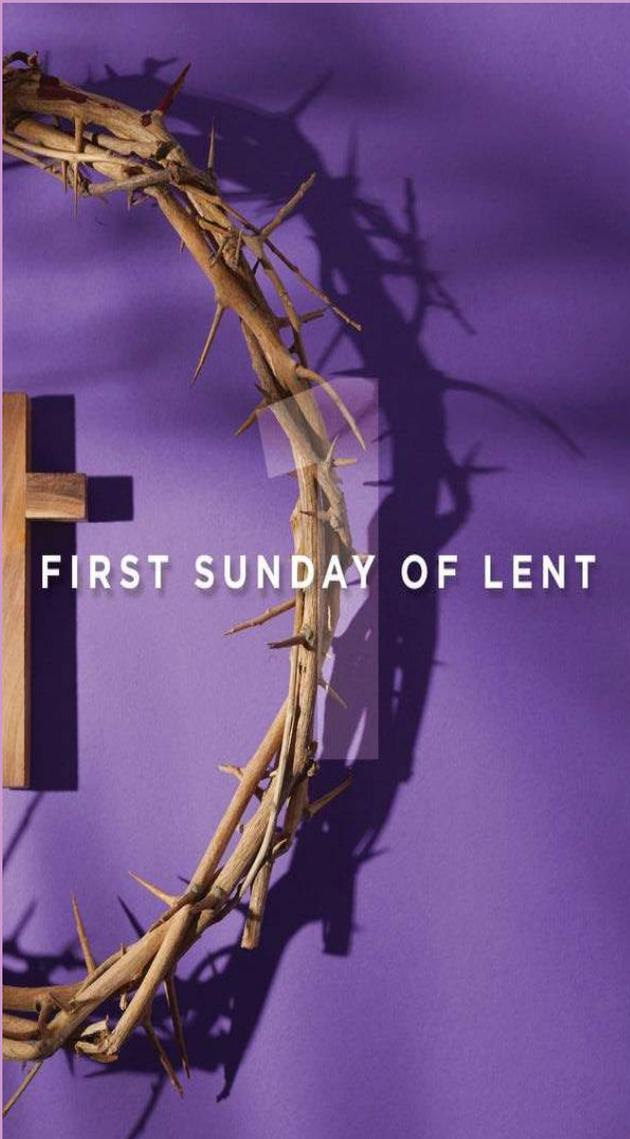


SAINT ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

1017 JEFFERSON ST * FOLLANSBEE WV

February 18, 2024



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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

Parish Secretary: DeEtta Bertucci -stanthonychurch@comcast.net

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

Music DirectorAttilio 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, February 17	4:00 pm	Santa Tripodi +	Req by: Edie DiBacco- Wilson
Sunday, February 18	8:00am	People of the Parish	
Sunday, February 18	10:30am	Dominic Roccini +	Req by: wife and daughters
Monday, February 19	NO MASS		
Tuesday, February 20	6:00 pm	Priest Intentions	
Wednesday, Feb 21	7:30am	Tony & Mary Sistilli+	Req by: Patti Retton
Thursday, February 22	6:00pm	Priest Intentions	
Friday, February 23	7:30am	Priest Intentions	
Saturday, February 24	4:00 pm	John Puskarich +	Req by: John & Shirley Cipriani
Sunday, February 25	8:00 am	Helen & Ed Wilkerson +	Req by: the family
Sunday, February 25	10:30am	People of the Parish	

Liturgical Minister Schedule

February 24 & 25

Mass	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	Server
4:00pm	Mary Kay Olashuk	Chris Manack-Stover	John Cipriani
8:00am	Jennifer Turbanic	Chris Bayardi	John Bayardi Dave Velegol
10:30am	Jill Mazzella	Tom Davidson	Mary E. Andriano

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/
Mk 1:12-15
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/ Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

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Feast Days and Observances for the Week

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent
 Monday: Presidents' Day
 Wednesday: St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Thursday: The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
 Friday: St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr
 Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent

Sanctuary Lamp is burning in memory of

Eleanor "Pumpkin" Elliott



This lamp will burn from:
February 17 to February 23

Requested by Pam & Dick Nester

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

Friday after 7:30 a.m. Mass



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



Lenten Virtue Week

Virtue: Self-Denial

“Then Jesus said to His disciples, “if anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it” - Matthew 16:24-25

Jesus models to us self denial by showing us his obedience to God the Father and accepting his cross with love. By accepting our daily vexations and surrendering to God’s Will in our lives, the crosses we carry become sweet.

Prayer Intentions

Penne Buchmelter, Ricky Casini, Darlene Cortez, August (Gus) DiMarzio, Lorraine Durante, Suzette Gallagher, Joann Klakos, Susan Kurcina, Marlene Latoria, Anthony Martino, Mary Lou Marisola, Allen Negri, Niko Nemeth, Ray Nicoloan, Ed Nutter, Paul Nutter, Juliana Petruccioli, Margaret Duante Rateau, Kelsey Rees, Daniel Taczozza, Natalie Teaff, Alexander Thompson, Marlene Warman Jeff Yost Sr. and Ruth Ann Yost.

*names will be removed for next bulletin. Please call the office to add 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 under “Accountability” for additional information and reporting methods.

Upcoming Events

- Fridays of Lent: Fish Fry 11am-6pm; Stations of the Cross at 6pm

The Layman's Retreat League invites all Catholic men of the area to join us for a day of reflection with Fr. Golna from 8am-5pm. The theme will be on the Eucharist. The day includes a light breakfast and lunch. COST: \$30. Join us March 9th at St. Vincent de Paul Marist Center, Wheeling. Call Dan Klamut at 304-280-4626.

Finding Freedom in Christ , Healing Life's Hurts with Dr. Matthew Breuninger will be a 1 day retreat held at St Vincent de Paul Parish Saturday Feb 24th from 8am to 4 pm, beginning with Mass at 8 am. Cost for the retreat is \$25 per person. Seating is limited, reserve early by calling St Vincent's at 304-242-0406 to reserve your spot. Dr. Breuninger is an associate professor of psychology at Franciscan University. He is a research fellow with the Austin Institute for the Study of Family and Culture as well as a member of the Catholic Psychotherapy Association. He is a husband and father of 6 children and brings humor to the topic of healing.

ATTN BELL RINGERS: rehearsals for Holy Week & Easter will be held on February 18 & 25, March 3 & 10 at 12noon. We will play on Palm Sunday at 10:30am, Holy Thursday at 6pm and Easter Sunday at 10:30am. If you have questions please call Attilio. New members are welcome to join.

St. Anthony Fish Fry is underway. Hours are from 11am-6pm. Again this year, we are asking for donations of cake mixes icing, pop, and small bags of chips. These items can be dropped off at the office or the back of the church. Please sign up in the back of the church if you are interested in volunteering. Shifts are from 10am-3pm & 3pm-6:30pm.

We are blessed!! The diocese still has free tickets to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis from July 17-21! Through our collaboration with corporate travel, pilgrims will be able to secure bus transportation and hotel accommodations at a reasonable price at this widely popular nationwide event.

The West Virginia Institute for Spirituality is hosting 5 -week group spiritual direction programs via Zoom. They begin February 20th from 6:30-7:30pm. You can choose between "Abiding in Hope" and "Little Pieces of Light". To register for either of these or to get more information, call 304-345-0926. The suggested donation for these programs is \$20 plus cost of the book.

ALTAR & ROSARY will not meet during the winter months-January, February & March. Meetings will resume Sunday, April 21, 2024 following the 8am Mass. Consider joining us this year and help us help our church. Any questions: call Dorene Wilkerson at 304-527-0806.

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

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. 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.

ATTN: If you are volunteering for any activities at the church, pastoral ministry, etc., please login to your VIRTUS account and make sure you are up to date on your background check and all trainings. Our annual audit will be taking place in March. Please make arrangements with DeEtta in the Parish office if you are having trouble accessing your account or have any questions. Thank you.

UPCOMING DIOCESAN COLLECTION

- **March 3—Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund**

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.

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.

A special second collection is scheduled for March 2 & 3, 2024 to support the Priests' Health & Retirement Assoc. (PHRA), a fund that provides health insurance and retirement benefits to retired priests in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Please take a moment to reflect on the many years of service by our priests and how we can take this opportunity to thank them in a very particular way with a gift to the PHRA collection. Thank you.

FEBRUARY 11TH COLLECTION

• Offertory	3671.00
• Loose Contributions	65.00
• Friday Friends	140.00
• Major Improvements	11.00
• Debt Reduction	11.00
• First Offering	10.00
• Church Missions in the US	278.00

Total: 4186.00

Attendance: 198

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!