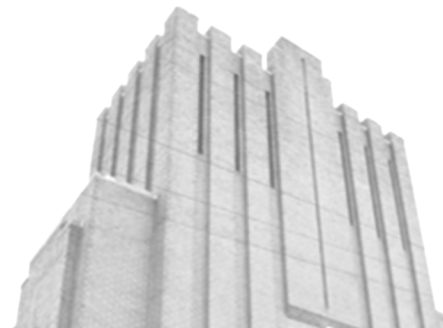


St. Anthony Catholic Church

1017 Jefferson Street • Follansbee, WV 26037

December 9, 2018

Second Sunday of Advent



Sacramental Schedule

Sunday Masses:

Saturday	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
.....	10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

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

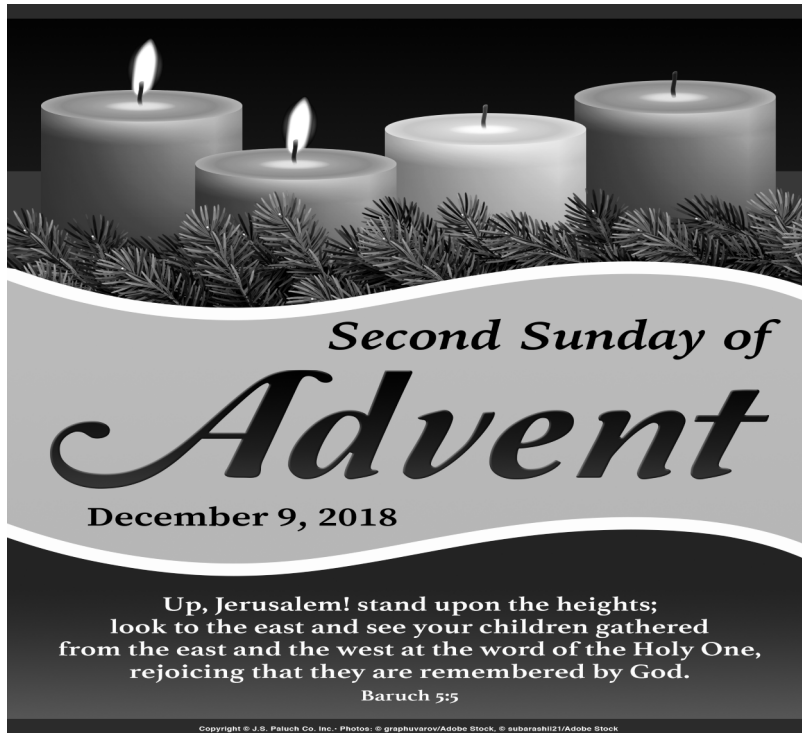
RCIA:

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.



Contact the Parish Staff
Office Hours - M T TH F - 9:00 - 3:00
Office Closed Wednesday

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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Greetings in the Lord!

In this week's Gospel we hear and see John the Baptizing fulfill the prophesy of Isaiah, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, crying out in the wilderness, "Prepare the way of the Lord!" There are many ways to prepare the way of the Lord. There are many ways for us to prepare to meet Christ. We must hone our spiritual senses in order to see Jesus both at work and in need in the world, and in order to do this we need God's grace: his love, his strength, the gift of his very self, given to us freely and lavishly.

Our ability to receive God's grace and to be enlivened by it is limited; God and his grace are infinite while we are finite. However, our ability to receive his grace grows with practice. The greatest limit to our ability to receive grace is our own sins. All sin has a diminishing effect on how well we can receive grace; some sin blocks the flow of grace completely. Note that God does not stop sending us his grace when we sin; we lose out ability to receive it.

The flow of grace is restored in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (aka, confession). If it has been longer than a month since your last confession, I urge you to make use of the examination of conscience provided in the bulletin, seek the sacrament, and be restored and refreshed in God's love.

Yours faithfully in Christ, Father Cody



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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2018 CONFIRMANDI

Blaise Buchmelter, Lydia Buchmelter, John Anthony Casinelli, Jackson Julio, Mara Pendergrast and Ethan Robey.

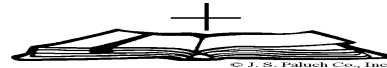
Please continue to pray for our young people and their growth in faith.

ALTAR & ROSARY CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST will be held in the church hall on Sunday, December 16th after the 8:00 Mass. Jim DeMundo's staff will prepare the food. The price is \$6.00. All parishioners are welcome to attend. The sign up sheets are located in the church vestibule. This is always an enjoyable holiday gathering and meal.

UPCOMING EVENTS - SAVE THE DATE

- **December 9, 2018 - Christmas Caroling 6:00 p.m.**
- **December 16, 2018 - Rite of Enrollment 8:00 Mass**
- **December 16, 2018 - Penance Service 4:00 p.m.**

Mass Intentions



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Saturday, Dec 8	4:00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday, Dec 9	8:00 a.m. Emma & Nicola Sciarretti+
Sunday, Dec 9	10:30 a.m. People of the Parish
Monday, Dec 10	NO MASS
Tuesday, Dec 11	6:00 p.m. Emma Barnabei+ (Anniv)
Wednesday, Dec 12	7:30 a.m. Glenn Andriano+ 6:00 p.m. Frances Welsh+
Thursday, Dec 13	6:00 p.m. Tom Andreozzi+
Friday, Dec 14	7:30 a.m. Marca Gaudio Renkel+
Saturday 15	4:00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday, Dec 16	8:00 a.m. Dolfo Ficca+
Sunday, Dec 16	10:30 a.m. Thomas Andreozzi, Sr+

Liturgical Minister Schedule for December 15 & December 16

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Minister</u>	<u>Server</u>
4:00	Carla Morris	Anna Berardi Anna J. D'Aurora Chris Manack-Stover	Ed Smurda
8:00	Marge Gaudio	Emilia Recchio Jim Cavalier Cheryl Costantini	Lydia & Blaise Buchmelter
10:30	Tom Davidson	Anna DiVenzano Patty Retton Natalie Teaff	Sophia Wilkerson

SANCTUARY LAMP is burning in memory of Emma & Nicola Sciarretti December 8 thru December 21.

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.

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God has commanded
that every lofty mountain be made low.
— *Baruch 5:7*

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve, December 24th

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

Christmas Day, December 25th

12:00 a.m. Midnight Mass

10:30 a.m. Christmas Mass

New Years Eve, December 31st

4:00 Vigil Mass

New Years Day, January 1st

12:00 Noon Mass

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13;
Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a,
10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38
or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from
the Common of the Blessed Virgin
Mary, nos. 707-712
Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt
11:11-15
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-
16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7;
Lk 3:10-18



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

The meeting will begin with the Rosary after the Mass

General Meeting: January 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings will be held in the church hall.

Contact: Will Sleever 740-219-2489

ALTAR & ROSARY

Next Meeting: December 16, 2018

After 8:00 a.m. Mass

Contact: Marge Gaudio 304-527-1323

HOLY NAME

Meeting: March 3, 2019

After 8:00 a.m. Mass

Contact: Joe Settimio 304-527-1605

THOSE WHO HAVE REQUESTED PRAYER Betty
Bailey, Crissy Cambell, Johnny Chiarello, Jim DeMundo,
Dom & Jean Frio, Suzette Gallagher, Dustin Hall, Mary
Jeanne Hunt, Loreto (88) Iafrate, Bernie Kobily, Sonja Velegol
McCreary, Donna Norman, Michael & Juliana Petruccioli,
Shannon Stewart, Jim Sutak, and Cassy Toney.

2019 MASS INTENTIONS will be handled a little dif-
ferently this year. There will be Mass envelopes in the ves-
tibule of the church that can be completed and dropped in
the weekly collection basket. Please complete the envelope
in its entirety. We will need your phone number on the enve-
lope in the event we are not able to comply with your re-
quest. All Mass request are subject to availability. ***We will
be accepting only Masses for the first three months of
2019.*** The suggested donation is \$10.00 for a weekday Mass
and \$20.00 for weekend Masses and Holy Days. Mass
Envelopes have not arrived but will be available soon.

The Sanctuary Candle can be scheduled by visiting or call-
ing the parish office. The suggested cost is \$10.00 per week.
Please note this is a change from last year. Due to the over-
whelming request it will burn for one week only giving
more people the opportunity to utilize this option.

JESSE TREE GIFTS *Please have all gifts returned by
Monday, December 17th* to the church or to the parish of-
fice (during normal business hours). ***It is extremely im-
portant that your tag be securely attached to the gift.***
Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity in
assisting with this program.

YOUTH MUSIC MINISTRY PRACTICE

December 9, 16, 23 in Music Room (across the hall from the
parish office)

Hand bells: 12:00 –12:45

Choir: 12:30 - 1:30

UPCOMING DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS

- **December 9 –Retirement Fund for Religious**
- **December 25 –Catholic Charities**

Last Week Collection

Offertory	\$4788.50
Loose Change	\$355.25
Children's Dues	\$2.00
Debt Reduction	\$213.00
Friday Friends	\$595.00
Major Improvements	\$199.00
Christmas Flowers	\$512.00

Total: \$6664.75

Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$6,600.00

Attendance: 310

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