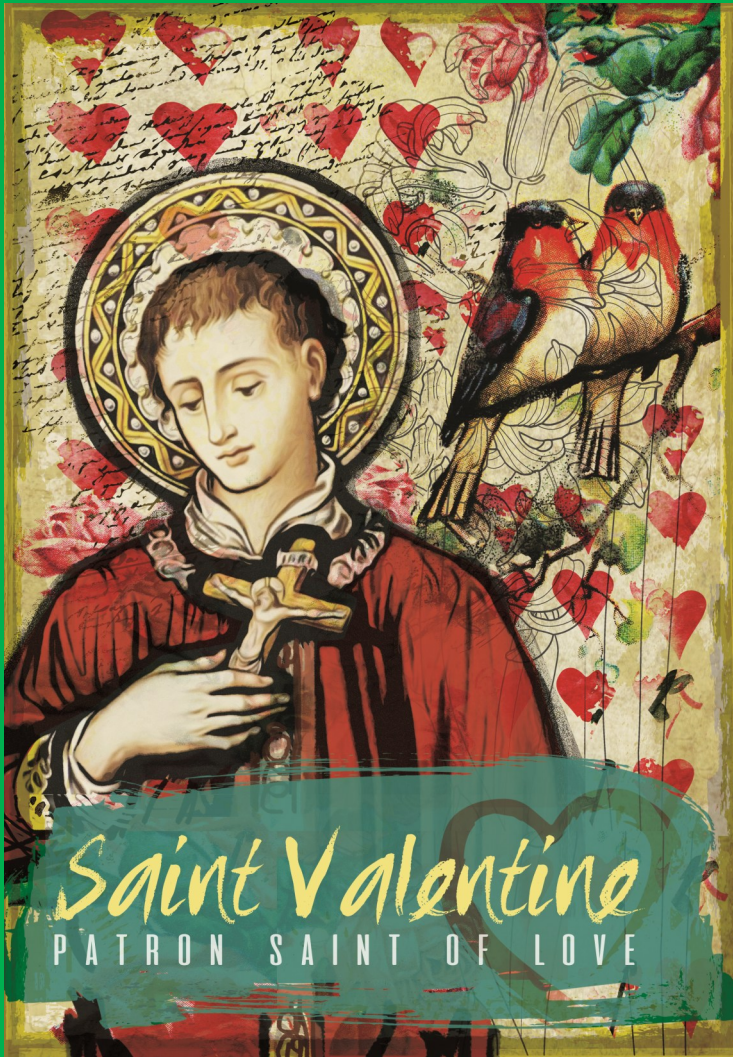


# SAINT ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

1017 JEFFERSON ST \* FOLLANSBEE WV

February 9, 2025  
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*Saint Valentine*  
PATRON SAINT OF LOVE

## Readings for the week of February 9, 2025

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 (1c)/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6, (40:5a)/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

## 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 6:00PM

**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.

**OCIA:** 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](mailto:gmuoka@dwc.org)

**Parish Secretary:**...Kristen Malinowski  
[stanthonychurch@comcast.net](mailto:stanthonychurch@comcast.net)

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

**Sacramental Prep, Adult Formation, OCIA**—Fred & Chris Welshans - [sacdre@comcast.net](mailto:sacdre@comcast.net)

**Director of Religious Education & Youth Ministry** - [stanthonysistersdre@comcast.net](mailto:stanthonysistersdre@comcast.net) & [stanthonysistersyouth@comcast.net](mailto: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.*

### Holy Orders

Any man exploring the possibility of becoming a Priest or Deacon or anyone contemplating Religious Life should contact Fr. Gerald.

### Baptism

Parents should contact Fred & Chris Welshans to make arrangements.

### Reconciliation and Penance

Celebrated on Saturdays from 3 pm – 3:30 pm at the parish.

### Holy Eucharist First

Communion is celebrated every year in the spring for children in the second grade

### Matrimony

Engaged couples should contact Father Gerald at least six months before the desired wedding date.

### Confirmation

Scheduled every two years

### Anointing of the Sick

Please contact Father Gerald. Catholics are encouraged to receive this sacrament before surgery.

### Becoming Catholic (OCIA)

Any non-Catholic interested in becoming a Catholic Christian can contact Fred & Chris Welshans for information regarding The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults.

CCD/PSR Sundays 9:30-10:45 during the school year.



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

### WEDNESDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

O Come let us adore Him! Jesus said to the apostles in the garden on the night before He died for us, “Could you not watch one hour with Me.” (Mt 26:40) . He is now asking each of us to open our hearts and come spend 1 hour with Him in Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday here at St Anthony’s between 8am and 2pm. Our Lord deserves that we spend time with Him and He is waiting. Worshiping the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is a powerful prayer with many blessings. Sign up sheets are available in the entry of the church.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION Friday after 7:30am mass

### **PARISH VOLUNTEERS**

**For your convenience, copies of the monthly Virtus bulletin have been made available and placed in the church vestibule. Please feel free to take your copy so you can remain current with that portion of the Virtus program.**

**Thank You**

### DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS

- ◆ February 9 - Church Missions within the United States
  - Black and Indian Missions {Native American}
  - Catholic Home Missions Appeal

### Do we worship with the angels during Mass?

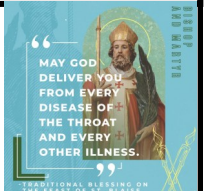
Today’s readings are the basis of the part of the Mass where the priest says, “in company with the choirs of angels, we praise you, and with joy we proclaim: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.” The song we sing, the *Sanctus*, comes directly from today’s first reading from Isaiah 6, which says, “I saw the Lord seated on a high and lofty throne... Seraphim [angels] were stationed above. They cried one to the other, ‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts! All the earth is filled with his glory!’” Today’s psalm says “In the presence of the angels I will sing your praise; I will worship at your holy temple. ... All the kings of the earth... shall sing of the ways of the Lord: ‘Great is the glory of the Lord.’” (Psalm 138:1-5).

No matter how many people you see in the church with you, or even if you are home watching Mass on your TV or computer, remember that thousands of angels are worshipping the Lord with you! Your voice joins an extremely large choir!

### Vocational Discernment Retreat

Vocational Discernment Retreat with the Daughters of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus: February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. – February 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. at Marian Fountain of Living Faith Novitiate, 700 Lovers Lane, Steubenville, Ohio 43952. All young women are invited to come and see the beauty of our vocation in the Church. Give Our Lady a chance to show you Her Son’s infinite Love through, Mass and Adoration, Vocational talks, Testimonies of the Sisters and Free time. Please call the Sisters at 740-346-2625 if you are interested in participating .

BLESSING OF THE THROATS will be offered at all masses this weekend. We will offer the traditional blessings of throats through the intercession of St. Blaise.



### **COLLECTION FEBRUARY 1—FEBRUARY 2**

|                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| • Contribution Envelopes         | 3,505.00 |
| • Loose Contribution             | 237.00   |
| • Children’s Dues                | 2.00     |
| • Debt Reduction                 | 130.00   |
| • Friday Friends                 | 372.00   |
| • Major Improvements             | 145.00   |
| • Church in the Developing World | 25.00    |
| • First Offering                 | 100.00   |
| • Solemnity of Mary Offering     | 70.00    |

Total: \$4,586.00

Attendance: 185

*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.*

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

|                              |         |                       |                             |
|------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Saturday, February 8, 2025   | 4:00pm  | Susie Kurcina+        | Req by Susan Nolan & Family |
| Sunday, February 9, 2025     | 8:00am  | People of the Parish  |                             |
| Sunday, February 9, 2025     | 10:30am | DeEtta Bertucci+      | Req by Bertucci Family      |
| Monday, February 10, 2025    |         | No Mass               |                             |
| Tuesday, February 11, 2025   | 6:00pm  | Claire Venditti       | Req by Maggie Venditti      |
| Wednesday, February 12, 2025 | 7:30am  | Scout Crow            | Req by Maggie Venditti      |
| Thursday, February 13, 2025  | 6:00pm  | Anthony Venditti      | Req by Maggie Venditti      |
| Friday, February 14, 2025    | 7:30 am | Jack Oughton+         | Req by Family               |
| Saturday, February 15, 2025  | 4:00pm  | Mass of Thanksgiving  | Req by Anonymous            |
| Sunday, February 15, 2025    | 8:00am  | Helen & Ed Wilkerson+ | Req by Children             |
| Sunday, February 16, 2025    | 10:30am | People of the Parish  |                             |

Liturgical Minister Schedule February 15-16

| Mass    | Lector           | Eucharistic Minister | Server          |
|---------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 4pm     | Mary Kay Olashuk | Chris Manack-Stover  | John Cipriani   |
| 8am     | David Velegol    | Chris Welshans       | John Bayardi    |
| 10:30am | Tom Davidson     | Jill Mazzella        | Mary E Andriano |

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VIRTUS COMPLIANCE** Many of our parishioners are noncompliant with their annual recertification with the online Virtus 4.0 training. Log in to your Virtus account at [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org) to complete any outstanding trainings or upload any needed paperwork. Please attempt to complete this by **FEBRUARY 19, 2025** in order to ensure compliance for our upcoming audit. Please contact the parish office with any questions. Thank you for your attention to this important matter and for your continued commitment to creating a safe environment at our parish.

**HOME VISITS** Fr. Gerald will be available for home visits in February on all Fridays with the exception of First Friday. If you are interested in scheduling an appointment, please call the parish office. He would love to visit with you.

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS** If you are a family member or are requesting a Mass and would like to take the gifts to the Altar, please inform the ushers prior to the Mass.

**ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY** Meetings will resume on the 3rd Sunday in April 2025 following the 8am Mass. Any questions call Marge Gaudio at (304) 670-7027.

**HOLY NAME** Meets on the 2nd Sunday of every month after the 8am mass.

Prayer Intentions

Michael Burd, Linda Cipriani, Lorraine Durante, Bill McFadden, Ed Nutter, Donna Norman, Ken Norman, Jeff & Ruth Ann Yost. **Please call the office to add & remove names.**

MASS INTENTIONS

We are now accepting Mass request for the second quarter (April -June) of 2025. Suggested cost is \$10 for weekday and \$20 for weekend and Holidays. The Sanctuary Lamp will also be available for the entire year of 2025 for a suggested cost of \$10 per week.

Sanctuary Lamp is burning in memory of

Tony Nazionale & Br. M.J. Guiseppe

This lamp will burn from:  
February 8 – February 14



NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS



St. Paul School is now accepting applications for students in PK3-6th grade. Visit our website: [weirtonstpauls.org](http://weirtonstpauls.org) or call (304) 748-5225 for more information.

For more information and to register for the HOPE Scholarship, you can scan the QR Code or visit <https://hopescholarshipwv.com>



Remember in your prayers **Geno Santangelo** who passed away on Friday, January 24, 2025, **Ray Paul Nicolao** who passed away on Friday, January 24, 2025, and **Juliana Petruccioli** who passed away on Monday, January 27, 2025. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the Faithful Departed rest in peace.**

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