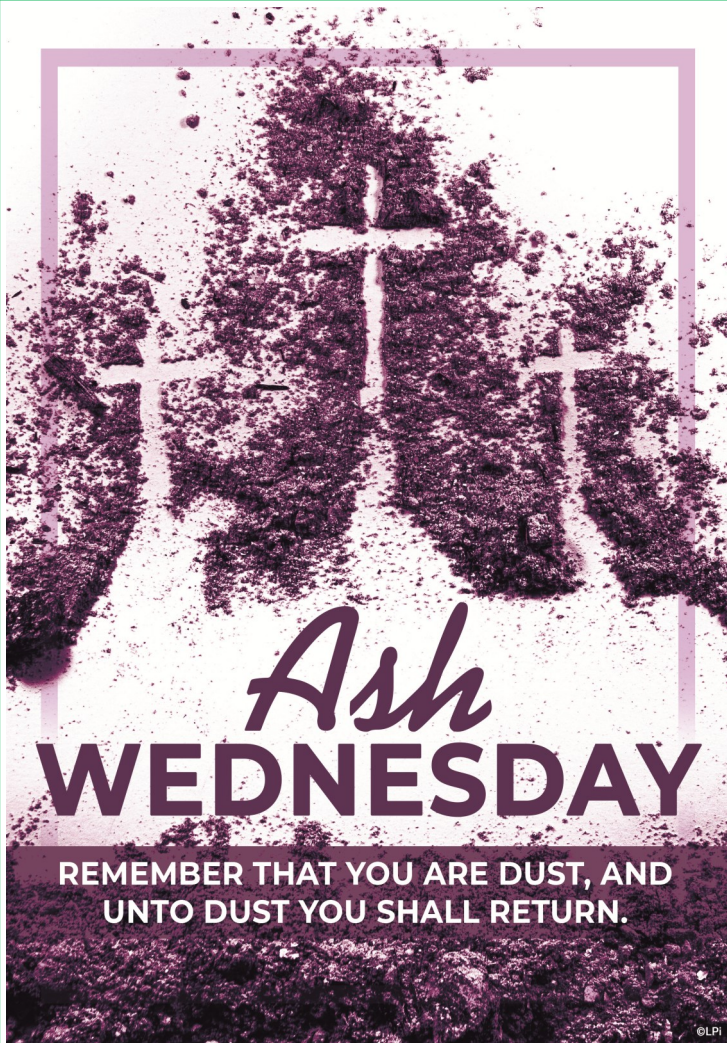


SAINT ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

1017 JEFFERSON ST * FOLLANSBEE WV

March 2, 2025
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings for the week of March 2, 2025

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/
Lk 6:39-45
Monday: Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor
5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (see 5b)/
Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-1

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 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

Parish Secretary:...Kristen Malinowski
stanthonychurch@comcast.net

Music DirectorAttilio Boni - 304-670-2745

Sacramental Prep, Adult Formation, OCIA—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.

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. Worshipping 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

◆ March 23 - Diocesan Priests’ Retirement Fund

This weekend there will be a special collection throughout the diocese to support recovery for West Virginia flood relief.

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.

Why is Lent about preparing to celebrate the Paschal Mystery?

Pascha is the Greek word for Passover, so the Paschal Mystery is the deeper meaning of the things that happened to Jesus during a Jewish celebration of Passover about 2,000 years ago. All seven sacraments celebrate the Paschal Mystery, but during Holy Week we focus on the historical events connected to the Paschal Mystery. The Catechism (512) says this includes Jesus’ “passion, crucifixion, death, burial, descent into hell, resurrection and ascension.” The Jewish Feast of Passover celebrates special events in Jewish history, where God intervened to fulfill the covenant promises he made to Abraham, to rescue Abraham’s descendants from death and slavery in Egypt, to be in relationship by being their God and taking them as His people, to bring them into the Promised Land, and to bless all the nations through them [Rescue, Relationship, Resettlement, and Blessing]. After Jesus ascended to heaven, the Church began seeing His work as a new fulfillment of these same covenant promises, a new Passover. We will explore these four promises during Lent.



ASH WEDNESDAY is on March 5, 2025. Ashes will be distributed at the following times:

- 7:00am- Mass
- 10:00am– Liturgy of the Word
- 6:00 m– Mass

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held every Friday during Lent beginning March 7, 2025 at 6:00pm.

With the onset of Lent, now would be the appropriate time to remove all seasonal and artificial decorations from the cemetery.

COLLECTION FEBRUARY 22 - FEBRUARY 23

Contribution Envelopes	2,882.00
Loose Contribution	666.00
Children’s Dues	2.00
Debt Reduction	15.00
Friday Friends	25.00
Major Improvements	20.00
Solemnity of Mary	5.00
First Offering	30.00
Church Mission Within the United States	15.00
St. Anthony Bread	50.00
Disaster Relief	338.00

Total: \$4,168.00
Attendance: 191

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 1, 2025	4:00pm	Patricia Muoka+	Req by	Carolyn Shaffer
Sunday, March 2, 2025	8:00am	People of the Parish		
Sunday, March 2, 2025	10:30am	Geno Santangelo+	Req by	Peggy Palizzi
Monday, March 3, 2025		No Mass		
Tuesday, March 4, 2025	6:00pm	Susie Kurcina+	Req by	Michelle Meca
Wednesday, March 5, 2025	7:00am	Trevor Hanlin (Birthday)	Req by	Julie Elkinton
Wednesday, March 5, 2025	10:00am	Liturgy of the Word		
Wednesday, March 5, 2025	6:00pm	Lauretta Soltes+	Req by	Pat Brezny
Thursday, March 6, 2025	6:00pm	Michelle DiGiacinto+	Req by	Cathy DiGiacinto
Friday, March 7, 2025	7:30 am	CMA		
Saturday, March 8, 2025	4:00pm	Eleanor Kurcina+	Req by	Family
Sunday, March 9, 2025	8:00am	Lauretta Soltes+	Req by	Pat Brezny
Sunday, March 9, 2025	10:30am	People of the Parish		

Liturgical Minister Schedule March 8-9

Mass	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Server
4pm	Cara Nicolan	Carolyn DiPasquale	John Cipriani
8am	Jennifer Turbanic	Lynn Wright	David Velegol
10:30am	Tina Owen	Angie Thompson	Mary E Andriano

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PHONE NUMBERS We are unable to contact many parishioners due to disconnected phone numbers. If you have changed your phone number, address, etc., please contact the parish office as soon as possible so we can update your information.

FISH FRY Our fish fry will begin on March 5, 2025 and we are still looking for volunteers. Please see the sign up sheet in the church vestibule. The fish fry will be held in the church cafeteria on Ash Wednesday and every Friday during Lent from 11am– 6pm. Be sure to come enjoy a fish dinner or sandwich, mac & cheese, haluski, pierogies, and desserts! Call (304) 527-7801 to order.

We are also accepting donations to help with the cost of the fish fry. Items include cake mixes, icing, vegetable oil, individual bags of chips, and water. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office from 9 am– 3 pm M-F. Call Tom Davidson at (304) 914-1822 with any questions. Thank you for supporting our parish’s fish fry and for your generosity!

ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS! Thank you to all the volunteers who have become compliant with their annual recertification with the Virtus 4.0 training. Your attentiveness to this matter is appreciated. We still have some volunteers that are noncompliant with their recertification with the Virtus 4.0 training. This is a reminder that this training is mandatory for **all** volunteers and employees. Please complete the 4.0 recertification training **as soon as possible** to remain a volunteer. Contact the parish office with any questions.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT Copies of the 2024 Financial Statement are available in the church office.

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

Eleanor and Susan Kurcina

This lamp will burn from:
March 1 – March 7
Requested by Family



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE
BY: BUD OZAR

Today Jesus tells us: “Why do you see the speck in someone else’s eye but miss the log in your own eye?” It’s always easier to try to change someone else than face the things in ourselves which need change. What a waste of time for we can’t change anyone but ourselves.



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