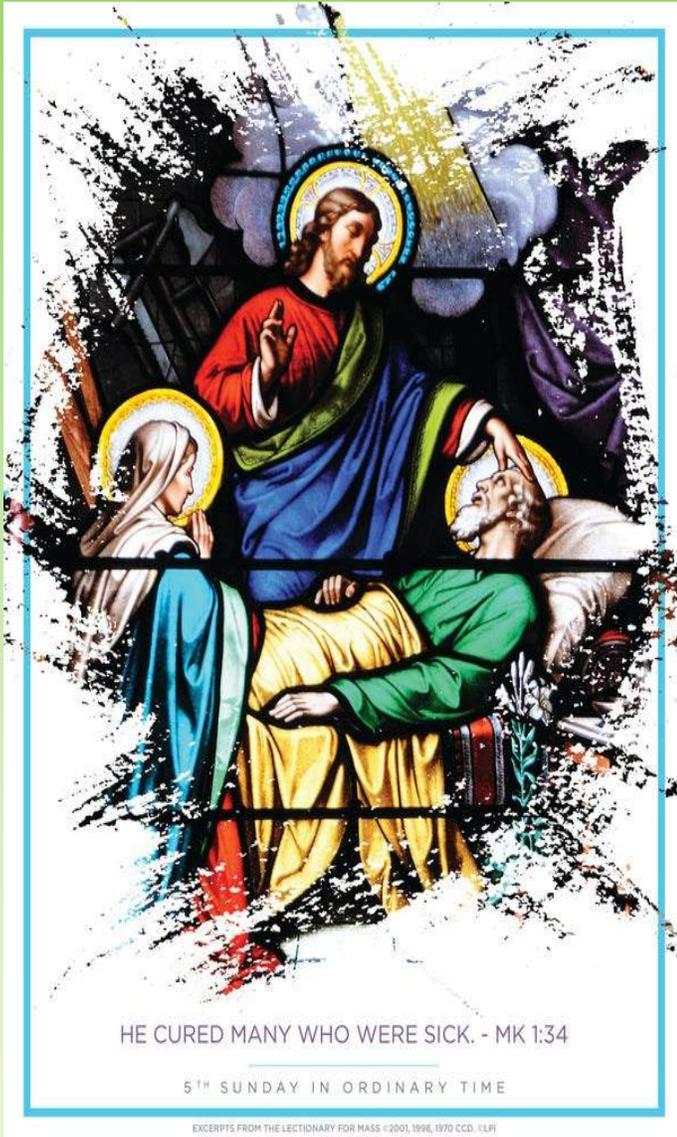


# SAINT ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

1017 JEFFERSON ST \* FOLLANSBEE WV

February 4, 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

**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, February 3	4:00 pm	Priest Intentions	
Sunday, February 4	8:00am	Michael Reale+	Req by: Neff family
Sunday, February 4	10:30am	People of the Parish	
Monday, February 5	NO MASS		
Tuesday, February 6	6:00 pm	Ralph Fuscardo +	Req by: Barb & Joe Matello
Wednesday, Feb 7	7:30am	Esther Rocini +	Req by: Mary kay Olashuk
Thursday, February 8	6:00pm	Richard Puskarich +	Req by: the family
Friday, February 9	7:30am	Santa Tripodi +	Req by: Diane & Tom Ketur
Saturday, February 10	4:00 pm	People of the Parish	
Sunday, February 11	8:00 am	Jack Oughton +	Req by: the family
Sunday, February 11	10:30am	Maurine Mazezka +	Req by: Martin, Christie & Cheryl

Liturgical Minister Schedule

February 10 & 11

Mass	Lector Server	Extraordinary	Minister
4:00pm	Cara Nicolao	Chris Manack-Stover	Jim Boniey
8:00am	Sarah Bayardi	Chris Welshans	David Velegol
10:30am	Paul Macdonald	Patti Retton	Andrew Macdonald

5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Gospel Meditation

Maybe I'm weird, but I like spending time in doctor's offices, confession lines in churches, auto repair shops, prison cells, and support groups of various kinds. It's refreshing to be with people who humbly admit something is wrong and forthrightly set out on a path toward a solution. When we ignore what is off kilter, we become alone and fragile. In places where people are honest and hopeful about brokenness, sturdy if subtle fellowship usually ensues.

Consider the image we see of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark. "...they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by a demon. The whole town was gathered at the door." The entire human community is afflicted in various ways, and so it gradually forms a strange new community around Jesus. The healer from Nazareth is like a sun of health around which orbits a throng of humanity absorbing his healing rays. These blessed souls can't fix themselves and become healthy, and they know it. But they have found in him the living source of all imaginable healing.

It's the Church, isn't it? A sin-sick community gathered and healed is what happens at the beginning of every Mass. We shuffle in through the door from everywhere and announce that we are not okay, and we can't fix it. In doing so, we are drawn into the orbit of the healing power of Christ — and into a renewed community with the whole human family. It's nothing to fear or rush. Maybe we can even learn to enjoy more how good it is to be in such a happy place.  
— Father John Muir

**Readings for the Week**

**Sunday:** Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39  
**Monday:** 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56  
**Tuesday:** 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13  
**Wednesday:** 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23  
**Thursday:** 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30  
**Friday:** 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37  
**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10  
**Next Sunday:** Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 (7)/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

**NOW WITH CHRIST**— May all the souls through the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

**SANTA TRIPODI  
 JANUARY 23, 2024  
 &  
 SILVIO PAESANI  
 JANUARY 23, 2024**

**Sister Grace Ann Wills, TOR passed away on January 22, 2024. Her viewing will be held on February 11 from 4-8pm and her funeral will be held on February 12 at 10:30am at the monastery in Toronto.**

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



Prayer Intentions

Penne Buchmelter, Ricky Casini, Darlene Cortez, August (Gus) DiMarzio, Lorraine Durante, Suzette Gallagher, Joann Klakos, Susan Kucfina, Marlene Latoria, Anthony Martino, Bill McFadden, 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.

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

Ash Wednesday Information:

- Liturgy of the Word will be held at 7 am & 10am
- Mass will be held at 6pm
- Distribution of ashes at all

### Upcoming Events

- February 3 & 4: Blessing of Throats after all Masses (Feast of St. Blaise)
- February 10: Mardi Gras party at 6pm
- February 14: Ash Wednesday
- Fridays of Lent: Fish Fry 11am-6pm; Stations of the Cross at 6pm

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

**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.

**St. Anthony Fish Fry** starts Ash Wednesday, February 14th 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.

**Mardi Gras**—Thank you to the many people who purchased a ticket for the Parish Mardi Gras celebration. A “most festive table” award will be given, so be sure to dress in festive Mardi Gras colors of yellow, purple, and green! Just a reminder the festivities begin t 4pm Mass and the burning of the palms. If you have not done so, you may bring your palms that day. Thank you.

If you are interested in attending “Introduction to the Liturgy” class by Shirley Carter, please see Fred & Chris Welshans. There is still room in the class. Likewise, Shirley will be offering “Let this be the Time: A Class on Aging”. Please see the Welshans if you are interested in joining that class. Dates TBD. Thank you.

**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.*

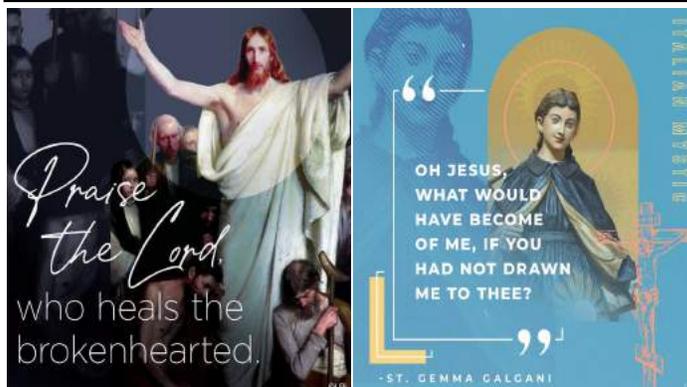
### MASS INTENTIONS ARE NOW ACCEPTED!!

The calendar has opened to schedule Mass intentions for the first quarter of 2024 (**January, February & March**). 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.

**St Anthony Parish joyfully welcomes Fr. Gerald!!!**



### UPCOMING DIOCESAN COLLECTION

- February 11—Church Missions within the USA

Contribution Statements have been mailed out. If you have any questions regarding your statement, please call the parish office. Additionally, if you contribute online, your statement can be found online. Thank you.

**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.

### JANUARY 28TH COLLECTION

• Offertory	2761.00
• Loose Contributions	117.00
• Friday	20.00
• Major Improvements	10.00
• Children's Dues	2.00
• Debt Reduction	40.00
• First Offering	117.00

Total: 3207.00  
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!*