

Catholic Parishes of St. Anthony and Our Lady of the Hills

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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

St Anthony: Saturday 4:15 p.m.—4:45 p.m. Our Lady of the Hills: Tuesday 5:00 p.m.—5:15 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

St Anthony: First Friday of the month 9:30 a.m.—10:00 a.m. Our Lady of the Hills: Tuesday 4:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.



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Mass Schedule August 23—31, 2025

Saturday 08/23	SA Mass 5:00 p.m. Erin Gallagher	
Sunday 08/24	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. People of the Parish SA Mass 10:30 a.m. Special Intention	(F. & C. Mosier)
Monday 08/25	No Mass	
Tuesday 08/26	OLH Mass 5:30 p.m. John L. Kim	(S. Kim)
Wednesday 08/27	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. Jeffrey L. Kim	(S. Kim)
Thursday 08/28	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. Jennifer K. Doll	(S. Kim)
Friday 08/29	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. Joseph Kim	(S. Kim)
Saturday 08/30	SA Mass 5:00 p.m. † Fredric & Elizabeth Thomas	(F. & C. Thomas)
Sunday 08/31	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. People of the Parish SA Mass 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish	

NEW TO THE PARISH? Welcome! We would like to extend a special welcome to all our new parishioners. Please feel free to come by the office to meet the parish staff. Please also visit both of our parish websites at stanthonyv.wv.com or ourladyofthehills.com to learn more about the activities happening in our parish and diocese.

Stewardship Report for August 16-17, 2025

St. Anthony

Offertory	\$1096.00
Assumption	\$205
Education of DWC Seminarians	\$257
Other	\$93
Attendance: Saturday—35	Sunday— 45

Our Lady of the Hills

Offertory	\$1041
Assumption	\$165
Education of DWC Seminarians	\$255
Attendance	Sunday— 44

Thank you for your generosity! God Bless You!

Mass Intentions—In accordance with the guidelines from the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, Mass stipends are deposited in a separate checking account. **If you are writing a check, please make it payable to St. Anthony Mass Account.**

The current suggested level of giving is **\$20 for a weekend Mass or \$10 for a daily Mass.** Any offering, however, is most welcome, and, if you do not have funds to offer, you are encouraged to request your Mass intention.

Mass Intention requests are scheduled in the order they are received.

Prayer List for the Sick & Homebound

St. Anthony—Michael McCallister, Robin Holly, Michael Bee, Chris Newman, Linda Davis, Ursula Paezold, Christine Hansbarger, Mary Beth Abbot, Deborah McDougall, John Tomblin, Colton Gulfport, Fr. Thomas’ Father, Sarah McDougall

Our Lady of the Hills—Violet Edwards, Ursula Paezold, Audia Family, Killough Family, John Caroli, Paul Stodola, Sharon Flanery

Please call Father Thomas Dharelli H.G.N. at 304-342-2716, if you would like a visit and to receive communion or a home blessing.



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 the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under “Accountability” for additional information and reporting methods.



**St. Anne’s Outreach Center
Our Lady of the Hills**

Serving families and young expecting single mothers in Big Chimney, Clay, Clendenin, Elkview and Pinch areas.

Children—newborn to 4 yrs.
Call 304-965-7670 to schedule an appointment.
Thank you for your generosity!



Employment Opportunities Available

St. Anthony Parish, located at 1000 Sixth St., West Side of Charleston, currently has a part-time maintenance position open. Interested individuals may contact the Parish Office at 304-342-2716 or Secretary@stanthonyv.wv.com

Music For Liturgy



Entrance:	#320 Gather Us In
Gloria:	#897 Mass of Christ the Savior
Offertory:	#571 Amazing Grace
Communion:	#323 Eat This Bread
Recessional:	#416 Christ Before Us

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Psalm 117



Father Thomas' Message Corner

When we are suffering it is hard to see the promises of salvation. There are often times that we feel abandoned, that we are stumbling in darkness, and alone. But God assures us that He is always with us; He is the light that will guide us through our storm. It is in the difficult moments of our life that He is carrying us, supporting us and giving us strength. We must continually look to Him, embrace Him in the Holy Eucharist, and be strengthened by Him for the trials of this life. In the Gospel He tells us that many will fall away. Many people when faced with the difficulties, and disappointments of life, become angry with God, and turn their backs on the very one who provides the strength, comfort and peace that they need. We must remain vigilant and cling to the promises of Christ. Do not let your worries, anxieties and trials of life turn you from the path that Christ has placed in front of you. Walk confidently toward Him, renewed in spirit by His promises, knowing that He has a far greater plan in store for you.



Prayer for the Jubilee Year of Hope:

Father in Heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

(Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, adapted from the Jubilee Prayer by Pope Francis.)

SACRED SILENCE IN CHURCH

Please remember to maintain a sacred silence when you are in the main body of the church, especially before Mass. This allows others to pray and sets a very important example for the younger members of our community who are still learning about the sacred nature of the church. If you need to talk with someone, simply move to the vestibule, or into one of the side areas and make sure that the door is closed behind you.

You may converse with each other after the completion of the mass in sanctuary.

Thank you.



Bulletin & Mass Announcements — The deadline this week for bulletin announcements is **Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.** & for Mass announcements is **Friday at 9:00 a.m.** Thank you!

Meditation: What does the image of a door say to us about the kingdom of God? Jesus' story about the door being shut to those who come too late suggests they had offended their host and deserved to be excluded. It was customary for teachers in Jesus' time to close the door on tardy students and not allow them back for a whole week in order to teach them a lesson in discipline and faithfulness.

Who will be invited to enter God's kingdom? - Jesus told this story in response to the question of who will make it to heaven - to God's kingdom of everlasting peace and eternal life. Many rabbis held that all Israel would be saved and gain entry into God's kingdom, except for a few blatant sinners who excluded themselves! After all, they were specially chosen by God when he established a covenant relationship with them.

Jesus surprised his listeners by saying that one's membership as a people who have entered into a covenant relationship with God does not automatically mean entry into the everlasting kingdom of God. Second, Jesus asserts that many from the Gentile (non-Jewish) nations would enter God's kingdom. God's invitation is open to Jew and Gentile alike.

Jesus is the door to the kingdom of heaven

But Jesus warns that we can be excluded if we do not strive to enter by the narrow door. What did Jesus mean by this expression? The door which Jesus had in mind was himself. I am the door; if any one enters by me, he will be saved (John 10:9). God sent his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to open the way for us to have full access to the throne of God's grace (favor and blessing) and mercy (pardon for our sins). Through Jesus' victory on the cross he has freed us from slavery to sin and hurtful desires and addictions, and he has made us sons and daughters of God and citizens of his heavenly kingdom. We are free now to choose which kingdom we will serve - the kingdom of truth and light ruled by God's wisdom or the kingdom of falsehood and darkness ruled by Satan and the world system or society of people who are opposed to God and his laws.

Following the Lord requires effort and commitment on our part

If we want to enter God's kingdom and receive our full inheritance which is stored up for us in heaven, then we must follow the Lord Jesus in his way of the cross through a willing renunciation of our own will for his will - our own life for his life - our own way for his way.

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Minister Schedule

Week of	August 24, 2025	August 31, 2025
<u>St. Anthony</u>		
5:00 p.m. Mass		
Lector:	M. Tyler	M. Doneghy
Eucharistic Minister:	J. Polak	D. Hess
10:30 a.m. Mass		
Lector:	S. Wyatt	R. Sklar
Eucharistic Minister:	J. Bowles & B. Ashworth	R. Sklar & M. Hamilton
Counters:	S. Bossie-Maddox & N. Swecker	K. Layne & S. Spencer
<u>Our Lady of the Hills</u>		
Lector:	D. Sisler	M. Swecker
Eucharistic Minister:	G. Kozera & L. Kozera	T. Lanna & D. Sisler
Gifts:	Volunteer	J. & M. Akers
Counters:	T. Lanna & J. Felber	T. Lanna & J. Felber
Host:	Chrobak	Felber