

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

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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

Week of September 06-14, 2025

Saturday 09/06	SA Mass 5:00 p.m. † James G. Bosley	(F. & C.Thomas)
Sunday 09/07	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. People of the Parish SA Mass 10:30 a.m. Frank Nogoda & Amelia Gould Families	
Monday 09/08	No Mass	
Tuesday 09/09	OLH Mass 5:30 p.m. † Thomas Gallagher	(S. Gallagher)
Wednesday 09/10	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. † Thomas Gallagher	(S. Gallagher)
Thursday 09/11	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. † Thomas Gallagher	(S. Gallagher)
Friday 09/12	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. † Pamela J. Dehner	(S. Wyatt)
Saturday 09/13	SA Mass 5:00 p.m. † Pauline E. Wyatt	(S. Wyatt)
Sunday 09/14	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 [stanthonywv.com](http://stanthonywv.com) or [ourladyofthehills.com](http://ourladyofthehills.com) to learn more about the activities happening in our parish and diocese.

### Stewardship Report for August 30-31, 2025

#### St. Anthony

Offertory	\$1662.50
St. Anthony Caring	\$10.00
Poor Box	\$11.55
Votives	\$63.95
Attendance: Saturday—35	Sunday— 49

#### Our Lady of the Hills

Offertory	\$460.00
St. Anne's Outreach	\$20.00

Attendance Sunday—32

**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](http://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!**



Literacy Volunteers of Kanawha County is a small non-profit teaching reading and writing as well as English as a Second Language (ESL) to adults for free. We are looking for volunteer tutors. They will be expected to work one-on-one with students twice a week for about an hour each session. Hours are flexible. Tutor training and all teaching materials are free. Free Tutor Training Webinar via Zoom will be held September 20 from 9:30-2:30 with a 1/2 hour lunch break. Contact Susan Leffler at [brperrone@aol.com](mailto:brperrone@aol.com) or 304-989-9481

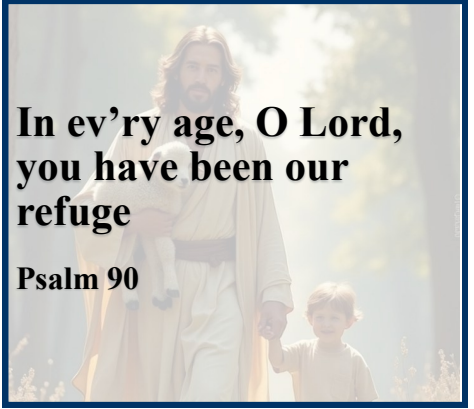
## Music For Liturgy



<b>Entrance:</b>	#506 Holy Wisdom, Lamp of Learning
<b>Gloria:</b>	#907 Mass of Spirit and Grace
<b>Offertory:</b>	#725 Lead Me, Lord
<b>Communion:</b>	#207 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
<b>Recessional:</b>	#416 Christ Before Us

**In ev'ry age, O Lord,  
you have been our  
refuge**

**Psalm 90**



### Father Thomas' Message Corner

*Wisdom shows us that we are limited by our own humanity and in our thinking. We do not understand life on this earth and therefore we cannot grasp the rewards of heaven. St. Paul speaks of sending a servant back to his people, no longer a slave but a brother in Christ through the gift of the Holy Spirit. And Jesus tells us that in order to be a disciple, a servant in Christ, we must give up all that is earthly, even if the consequences of such actions results in the estrangement of family. We spend our lives trying to care for our families, building up estates to leave to our children, and utilizing the skills we have acquired through education and hard work toward this endeavor. Yet Jesus is asking us to give it all up. If He were to return today, could we give up all that we have and follow Him? The material goods will be of no use to us, as our earthly bodies will turn to dust, but our spirits will fly to heaven provided we love our Lord with all our hearts and try diligently to follow His commandments. We must not grow weary in serving our Lord and seeking His counsel. He should be the first and foremost love in our lives. How often have we heard the phrase, "ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and the door will be opened unto you." (Matthew 7:7) Let us ask for the Holy Spirit to fill us, seek His presence, and open the doors of our Hearts to all that He has in store for us, looking not at the things of this world, but only those of the kingdom of heaven.*



### *Helen Jean Smolder* August 29, 1948—August 30, 2025

Helen Jean Gandy Smolder of Charleston, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family and love on August 30, 2025. She was born August 29, 1948 in Charleston, the daughter of Chester and Beatrice Taylor Gandy. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her loving husband of 32 years Stephen Smolder and brother Chuck Gandy. Helen graduated from Nitro High School class of 1966, was a member of St Anthony Catholic Church of Charleston WV, retired from CAMC General Division where she was an EEG Technician. After retirement she enjoyed going to concerts with her friends, working at Cracker Barrel, going to the beach and traveling. Helen is survived by her children, Mike and Kim Smolder of Charleston, and their three children Anna (16), Samantha (14) and Gauge (11). Jennifer and Jason Bell of Eldersburg, MD and their two children Mallory (20) and Ashton (18) and her feline and k-9 friend, Molly and Finn. Helen's grandchildren were the light of her life and enjoyed spending all of her spare time with them.

Celebration of Helen's life will be 7:00 P.M. Saturday, September 6, 2025 at Tyler Mt. Funeral Home with Rev. Claude Holley, Jr. officiating. Burial will follow in Tyler Mt. Memory Gardens, Cross Lanes. Gathering of family and friends will be from 5 until time of service. Online condolences can be sent to the family at [www.tylermountainfuneralhome.com](http://www.tylermountainfuneralhome.com)

**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: Why does the Lord Jesus say we must 'hate' our families and even ourselves (Luke 14:26)? In Biblical times the expression 'to hate' often meant to 'prefer less'. Jesus used strong language to make clear that nothing should take precedence or first place over God. God our heavenly Father created us in his image and likeness to be his beloved sons and daughters. He has put us first in his love and concern for our well-being and happiness. Our love for him is a response to his exceeding love and kindness towards us. True love is costly because it holds nothing back from the beloved - it is ready to give all and sacrifice all for the beloved. God the Father gave us his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who freely offered up his life for us on the cross as the atoning sacrifice for our sins. His sacrificial death brought us pardon and healing, new life in the Spirit and peace with God.**

**The cost of following Jesus as his disciples—Jesus willingly embraced the cross, not only out of obedience to his Father's will, but out of a merciful love for each one of us in order to set us free from slavery to sin, Satan, and everything that would keep us from his love, truth, and goodness. Jesus knew that the cross was the Father's way for him to achieve victory over sin and death - and glory for our sake as well. He counted the cost and said 'yes' to his Father's will. If we want to share in his glory and victory, then we, too, must 'count the cost' and say 'yes' to his call to "take up our cross and follow him" as our Lord and Savior.**

**What is the 'way of the cross' for you and me? It means that when my will crosses with God's will, then his will must be done. The way of the cross involves sacrifice, the sacrifice of laying down my life each and every day for Jesus' sake. What makes such sacrifice possible and "sweet" for us is the love of God poured out for us in the blood of Christ who cleanses us and makes us a new creation in him. Paul the Apostle tells us that "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). We can never outmatch God in his merciful love and kindness towards us. He always gives us more than we can expect or imagine. Do you allow the Holy Spirit to fill your heart and transform your life with the overflowing love and mercy of God?**

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### Minister Schedule

Week of	September 7, 2025	September 14, 2025
<b><u>St. Anthony</u></b>		
<b>5:00 p.m. Mass</b>		
Lector:	R. Stonestreet	D. Hess
Eucharistic Minister:	J. Polak	M. Doneghy
<b>10:30 a.m. Mass</b>		
Lector:	S. Wyatt	J. Bowles
Eucharistic Minister:	C. Arnold & B. Morton	B. Ashworth & J. Bowles
Counters:	J. Burdette & N. Swecker	K. Layne & S. Spencer
<b><u>Our Lady of the Hills</u></b>		
Lector:	G. Kozera	D. Sisler
Eucharistic Minister:	L. Kozera & T. Lanna	R. Stodola & T. Stodola
Gifts:	M. & D. Sisler	E. Asbury
Counters:	T. Lanna & J. Felber	D. Sweeney & C. Stodola
Host:	Stodola	Lorie Collingwood