

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

March 17, 2024

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

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Office Hours:

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday-Friday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm; Closed Wednesday and holidays.

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.



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AMEN, AMEN, I SAY TO YOU, UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT
FALLS TO THE GROUND AND DIES, IT REMAINS JUST A
GRAIN OF WHEAT; BUT IF IT DIES, IT PRODUCES MUCH
FRUIT.

JOHN 12:24 NABRE

Mass Schedule March 16—24

Saturday 03/16: <small>5th Sunday of Lent</small>	SA Stations 4:30 p.m.—Mass 5:00 p.m. †Mary S. Savage (F. & C. Thomas)
Sunday 03/17: <small>5th Sunday of Lent</small>	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. People of the Parish SA Stations 10:00 a.m.—Mass 10:30 a.m. †Barbara Williams (S. & K. Gross)
Monday 03/18:	No Mass
Tuesday 03/19:	OLH Mass 5:30 p.m.—Stations 6:00 p.m. †Laurie Felber (J. Felber) OLH Lenten Reconciliation 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 03/20:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. †Barbara & Jeff Ferrell (M. & A. Kawash Families) SA Lenten Reconciliation 6:00 p.m.
Thursday 03/21:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. †Holy Souls in Purgatory (M. J. Zsoldos)
Friday 03/22:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. †Brother of Father Thomas
Saturday 03/23: <small>Palm Sunday</small>	SA Mass 5:00 p.m. Cathy Dorsey (F. & C. Thomas)
Sunday 03/24: <small>Palm Sunday</small>	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. People of the Parish SA Mass 10:30 a.m. †Frangie Sadd (M. & A. Kawash Families)

Stewardship Report for March 9 & 10, 2024

St. Anthony

Offertory	\$ 1,664.50
Priests' Health & Retirement Fund	55.00
St. Anthony Caring Fund	50.00
Other	48.00
Attendance	Saturday—33 Sunday—61

Our Lady of the Hills

Offertory	\$ 778.13
Attendance	Sunday—28

**Thank you for your generosity.
May God bless 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 the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

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, David Wuletich, Linda Davis, Ursula Paezold, Christine Hansbarger, Mary Wuletich, Opal Potesta

Our Lady of the Hills—Violet Edwards, Ursula Paezold, Bill & Nancy Audia, Judy Killough & Family, The Dorseys.

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



Self knowledge puts us on our knees, and it is very necessary for love. For knowledge of God gives love, and knowledge of self gives humility

— Mother Teresa —

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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.

As of February, 2024, St. Anne's has not served any children this year.

Balance as of <u>12/31/23</u>	\$ 4,240.27
Contributions Received	120.00
Less: Expenses	(0.00)
Balance as of <u>02/29/24</u>	\$ 4,360.27

Thank you for your generosity!

Music for Liturgy



Entrance:	Save Your People — #133
Offertory:	Create in Me — #781
Holy:	Sanctus (Chant Mass) — #860
Communion:	Eye Has Not Seen — #475
Recessional:	Lift High the Cross — #717



March Birthdays

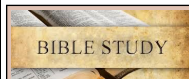
- 3 Dominic D'Alessio
- 3 Rebecca Stodola
- 9 Anthony Joseph
- 10 Albert Leonoro
- 12 Perriann Kawash
- 12 Wanda Leach
- 15 Doris Bohan
- 15 Michael Garton
- 15 Chris Newman
- 16 Madison Burdette
- 16 Opal Potesta
- 20 Hannah Ihnat
- 21 Saylor Bossie
- 21 Greg Kozera
- 21 Emily Wines
- 23 Carmela Mosier
- 25 Andrea Ferguson
- 31 Bonnie Starling

Please notify the office if your birthday is not listed or the date is incorrect. Thank you!

Minister Schedule

	March 17, 2024 5th Sunday of Lent	March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday
St. Anthony 5:00 p.m. Mass		
Lector:	R. Stonestreet	C. Harmon
Eucharistic Minister:	D. Hess	W. Leach
10:30 a.m. Mass		
Lector:	B. Ashworth	M. Ferguson
Eucharistic Minister:	B. Morton & M. Hamilton	M. Hamilton & B. Morton
Counters:	S. Bossie-Maddox & C. Joseph	N. Swecker & S. Kawash
Our Lady of the Hills		
Lector:	C. Stodola	G. Kozera
Eucharistic Minister:	T. Stodola	L. Kozera

Bulletin & Mass Announcements—The deadline this week for bulletin announcements is **Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.** & for Mass announcements is **Friday at 9:00 a.m.** Thank you!



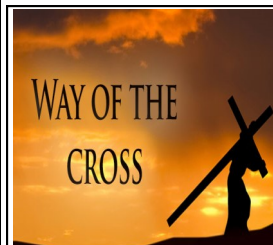
You are invited to Bible Study led by Deacon David on Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. in the SA Parish Center.



Lenten Reconciliation Services

OLH Reconciliation Service will be on **Tuesday, March 19 at 6:00 p.m.** (after our 5:30 p.m. Mass). Father Thomas and Father Charles will be available for Confessions during Stations of the Cross.

SA Reconciliation Service will be on **Wednesday, March 20 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**



Schedule for Stations of the Cross during Lent

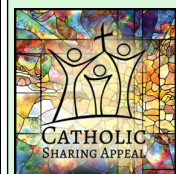
St. Anthony (No Stations on Palm Sunday weekend)

Saturdays: Stations of the Cross at 4:30 p.m.

Sundays: Stations of the Cross at 10:00 a.m.

Our Lady of the Hills

Tuesdays: Stations of the Cross at 6:00 p.m.



The 2024 Catholic Sharing Appeal Update

As of **March 14, 2024**, St. Anthony has raised **\$735.00**, which is **7%** of our parish goal of **\$9,915.00**. Our Lady of the Hills has raised **\$3,325**, which is **57%** of our parish goal of **\$5,800**. Please remember that **100%** of all donations above 50% of our parish goals will come back to the parish. **Thank you for your commitment and generosity!**



St. Anthony Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, March 31

11:30 a.m.

Our Easter Egg Hunt is planned for outdoors, but it will be held in the Parish Center if the weather is inclement.

Pontifical Good Friday Collection: March 29

Pope Francis has asked our parishes to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic had hit the Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dramatic. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org.

Employment Opportunity: Office Manager—St. Anthony & Our Lady of the Hills

Seeking a part-time Office Manager for St. Anthony and Our Lady of the Hills parishes. Responsibilities are varied and include maintaining parishioner records plus sacramental records, parish financial records, the bulletin, etc. A working knowledge of QuickBooks and Microsoft Office Word, Excel and Publisher is preferred. This position is limited to 20 hours each week. Successful candidate must be able to pass a background check prior to hiring. Equal opportunity employer. If you are interested in this position, please contact the church office at 304-342-2716.

Employment Opportunity: Director of Music Ministries—Sacred Heart

The Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart located in Charleston, West Virginia is looking for a pastoral musician. Responsibilities include overseeing the selection of music for liturgies, substituting for our organist, directing the choir, cantoring when necessary, preparing worship aids and expanding our current music program. Candidates should have a BA degree or higher in a music field, or other field, if musically trained, excellent organ/keyboard/choral conducting skills and vocal technique and be familiar with music notation software. A practicing Catholic is preferred but not required; candidates must be of the Christian faith with willingness to learn about and genuinely support others in their Catholic faith. Conversant with a variety of liturgical styles including contemporary, classical, and traditional. Must demonstrate a commitment to use a blended approach to liturgical music that encourages the assembly to sing. Working hours are flexible and include weekends and some evenings. Complete job description available upon request. Please send résumés to: Bernadette McMasters Kime, Office of Worship and Sacraments, PO. Box 230, Wheeling, WV 26003 or email bkime@dw.org

When I Am Lifted up, I Will Draw All People to Myself

Meditation: How does God bring us into an inseparable bond of love and unity with himself? God is a covenant-maker who draws men and women to himself in a bond of peace and friendship. God established a covenant with his people when he freed them from slavery in Egypt and brought them to his holy mountain at Sinai. "I will be your God, and you will be my people" (Exodus 6:7; Leviticus 26:12). But his people time and again broke covenant with him and did not follow his ways (Jeremiah 31:32) - "each did what was right in his or her own eyes" (Judges 17:26 and 21:25). God, nonetheless, continued to send his prophets to draw his people back.

Pruning and bearing good fruit in Christ

How can I practically "die" to myself so that the Lord Jesus can live in me and transform me into his likeness and holiness? It certainly means that what is contrary to God's will must be "put to death" within me. God gives us grace to say "yes" to his will and the strength we need to reject whatever is contrary to his commands and plan for our lives. The Lord Jesus promises that we will bear much "fruit" for him, if we choose to deny ourselves for his sake and embrace his will for our lives.

Jesus used strong language to describe the kind of self-denial he had in mind for his disciples. "He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life" (John 12:25). What did Jesus mean when he said that a follower of Christ must hate himself or herself? The expression to hate something often meant to prefer less. Jesus says that nothing should get in the way of our preferring him and the will of our heavenly Father above all else. Paul the Apostle reminds us that "what is sown in the earth is subject to decay, what rises is incorruptible" (1 Corinthians 15:42). Do you believe in the power and victory of Christ's saving cross and resurrection? And are you ready to reject whatever is contrary to God's commands and to trust him for the strength and joy to embrace his will for your life? copyright © 2024 Servants of the Word, source: dailyscripture.net, author [Don Schwager](#)