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

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The Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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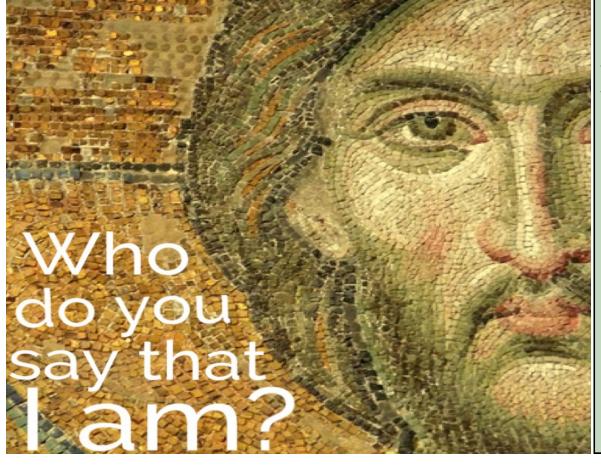
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Office Hours:

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.



Simon
Peter said
in reply,
"You are
the
Christ,
the Son
of the
living
God."

Mass Schedule August 26 — September 3

Saturday 08/26: SA Mass 5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday 08/27: OLH Mass 8:30 a.m.

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time † Michael Starling (P. & D. Young)

SA Mass 10:30 a.m.

†Donald G. McKeny (M. E. McKeny)

Monday 08/28: No Mass

Tuesday 08/29: OLH No Mass—Father out of town

Wednesday 08/30: SA No Mass—Father out of town

Thursday 08/31: SA No Mass—Father out of town

Friday 09/01: SA No Mass—Father out of town

Saturday 09/02: SA Mass 5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday 09/03: OLH Mass 8:30 a.m.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time † Michael Starling (P. & D. Young)

SA Mass 10:30 a.m.

†Frank Nogoda & Amelia Gould Families

Stewardship Report for August 19 & 20, 2023

St. Anthony

methods.

Offertory \$ 1,737.51 Glenmary Home Missioners 777.00 Other 945.71

Attendance Saturday—32 Sunday—65

Our Lady of the Hills

Offertory \$ 562.13 Education of Seminarians 640.00 Other 936.00

Attendance Sunday—37

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

<u>Mass Intentions</u>—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, Barbara Williams, Mary Jo Zsoldos

Our Lady of the Hills—Violet Edwards, Ursula Paezold, Bill & Nancy Audia, Paul Stodola, Patti Stodola, Judy Killough & Family, Vickie Ayoob, 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.



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 July, 2023, St. Anne's has served 7 children this year.

Balance as of 12/31/22 \$ 3,933.23 Contributions Received 580.00 Less: Expenses (39.08) Balance as of 07/31/23 \$ 4,474.15

Thank you for your generosity!

Music for Liturgy



Entrance: Church of God, Elect and Glorious — #422

Gloria: Mass of Renewal — #875

Offertory: The Summons — #387

Communion: On Eagle's Wings — #440

Recessional: The Church's One Foundation — #423

Minister Schedule

	August 27, 2023	September 3, 2023
	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
St. Anthony		
5:00 p.m. Mass		
Lector:	R. Stonestreet	M. Doneghy
Eucharistic Minister:	J. Polak	J. Bowles
10:30 a.m. Mass		
Lector:	J. Bowles	M. Tyler
Eucharistic Minister:	J. Bowles	M. Hamilton
Counters:	N. Swecker & S. Bossie-Maddox	K. Layne & S. Spencer
Our Lady of the Hills		
Lector:	G. Kozera	M. Swecker
Eucharistic Minister:	L. Kozera	J. Hall

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



You are invited to Bible Study led by Deacon David on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. in the SA Parish Center.

<u>St. Anthony Caring Fund</u>—There will be a second collection next weekend to support the St. Anthony Caring Fund. Thank you for your support of our local brothers and sisters through this collection.



August Birthdays

- 1 Maria Colon
- 8 Matthew Giblin
- 9 Susan Bossie-Maddox
- 9 Arturo Magaña
- 9 Elizabeth Mosier
- 10 Christine Hansbarger
- 11 Paula Chrobak
- 11 Brenda Jackson
- 11 Conner Jarvis
- 11 Terrence Prettyman
- 14 Jonathan Jarvis
- 14 Lynnda Kozera
- 14 Joshua Swecker
- 15 Isabel Magaña
- 16 Scott Bossie
- 18 Abbey Burdette
- 18 Eric Ihnat
- 20 Brenda Ashworth
- 20 William Crede
- 21 Halie Fields
- 23 Peggy Shamblin
- 25 Isabelle Colon
- 27 Ricky Inscore
- 29 Lillian Mosier

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

Thank you!



Father Thomas's Vacation

Father Thomas is in India for his vacation. He will return on Friday, September 8. During this time, Father Charles Anemelu will cover the weekend masses. There will not be any weekday masses. For Sacramental emergencies, please call the office at 304-342-2716.

Let us pray for Father Thomas to have a safe and wonderful vacation.

Great Is Your Faith! Be It Done for You as You Desire

Meditation: At an opportune time Jesus tests his disciples with a crucial question: Who do men say that I am and who do you say that I am? He was widely recognized in Israel as a mighty man of God, even being compared with the greatest of the prophets, John the Baptist, Elijah, and Jeremiah. Peter, always quick to respond, exclaimed that he was the Christ, the Son of the living God. No mortal being could have revealed this to Peter; but only God.

Cyril of Alexandria (376-444 AD), an early church father comments on Peter's profession of faith in Jesus:

Peter did not say "you are a Christ" or "a son of God" but "**the** Christ, **the** Son of God." For there are many christs [meaning *anointed ones*] by grace, who have attained the rank of adoption [as sons], (continued on page 4)

but [there is] only one who is by nature the Son of God. Thus, using the definite article, he said, the Christ, the Son of God. And in calling him Son of the living God, Peter indicates that Christ himself is life and that death has no authority over him. And even if the flesh, for a short while, was weak and died, nevertheless it rose again, since the Word, who indwelled it, could not be held under the bonds of death. (FRAGMENT 190)

Jesus plays on Peter's name which is the same word for "rock" in both Aramaic and Greek. To call someone a "rock" is one of the greatest of compliments. The ancient rabbis had a saying that when God saw Abraham, he exclaimed: "I have discovered a rock to found the world upon". Through Abraham God established a nation for himself. Through faith Peter grasped who Jesus truly was. He was the first apostle to recognize Jesus as the *Anointed One (Messiah* and *Christ)* and the *only begotten Son of God*. The New Testament describes the church as a spiritual house or temple with each member joined together as *living stones* (see 1 Peter 2:5). Faith in Jesus Christ makes us into *rocks* or *spiritual stones*.

Jesus then confers on Peter authority to govern the church that Jesus would build, a church that no powers would overcome because it is founded on the rock which is Christ himself. Epiphanius, a 6th century Scripture scholar who also translated many early church commentaries from Greek into Latin, explains the significance of Jesus handing down the "keys of the kingdom":

For Christ is a rock which is never disturbed or worn away. Therefore Peter gladly received his name from Christ to signify the established and unshaken faith of the church... The devil is the gateway of death who always hastens to stir up against the holy church calamities and temptations and persecutions. But the faith of the apostle, which was founded upon the rock of Christ, abides always unconquered and unshaken. And the very keys of the kingdom of the heavens have been handed down so that one whom he has bound on earth has been bound in heaven, and one whom he has set free on earth he has also set free in heaven. (INTERPRETATION OF THE GOSPELS 28)

The Lord Jesus offers us the gift of unshakeable faith, enduring hope, and unquenchable love - and the joyful boldness to proclaim him as the one true Savior who brings us the kingdom of God both now and forever. Who do you say he is to yourself and to your neighbor?

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Special Announcement

Catherine Stodola, a parishioner of Our Lady of the Hills and who also often attends weekday Masses at Sacred Heart, is now living in California. She has exciting news to share:

I graduated in May from the University of Alabama, where I had the great blessing of encountering God's love for me in a deeper way and beginning to pursue a personal relationship with Him. I began to find the most joy and fulfillment through loving and serving Him and others. Through recognizing the many blessings God has given me, I desire to give myself fully back to Him. After much discernment and this

desire growing in my heart, I entered candidacy with the Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles on August 19th. As a candidate, I will join the Sisters' rhythm of prayer, work in their retreat apostolate in housekeeping, take formation classes, and continue to discern the path the Lord has in store for me. I am so grateful for all the ways He has been working in my life to bring me to this point, and I am so excited to take this next step! Please keep me in your prayers and know of my prayers for you! God bless you all!

Congratulations to Catherine! Let us pray for her as she continues her faith journey!