

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

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

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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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## *From the Pastor's Desk*



### The Christmas Prayer

"O sweet Child of Bethlehem, grant that we may share with all our hearts in this profound mystery of Christmas. Put into the hearts of men and women this peace for which they sometimes seek so desperately and which you alone can give to them. Help them to know one another better, and to live as brothers and sisters, children of the same Father. Reveal to them also your beauty, holiness and purity. Awaken in their hearts love and gratitude for your infinite goodness. Join them all together in your love. And give us your heavenly peace. Amen."  
— Pope John XXIII, "The Christmas Prayer"

May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child. Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

**Wishing you, your family, and your friends a very  
Blessed and Merry Christmas!**



## Music for Liturgy

LITURGY



AND MUSIC

<b>Entrance:</b>	O Come, O Come, Emmanuel — #39
<b>Offertory:</b>	Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming — #94
<b>Holy:</b>	Mass of Christ the Savior — #918
<b>Communion:</b>	Taste and See — #348
<b>Recessional:</b>	People, Look East — #43



## December Birthdays

- 1 David Wuletich
- 8 Christian Magaña
- 8 Carter Wells
- 10 Marjorie Azevedo
- 12 Pat Booker
- 14 Terry Hess
- 17 Craig Arnold
- 21 Dottie Hess
- 24 Jansen Mosier
- 27 Tina Stodola
- 30 Sophia Arnold
- 30 Thurman Arnold
- 30 Nikki Bowling
- 30 Andrew Ferguson

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

**Thank you!**

## Minister Schedule

	December 24, 2023 4th Sunday of Advent	December 31, 2023 The Holy Family
<b>St. Anthony</b>		
<b>5:00 p.m. Mass</b>		
Lector:	D. Hess	R. Stonestreet
Eucharistic Minister:	W. Leach & Volunteer	J. Bowles & Volunteer
<b>10:30 a.m. Mass</b>		
Lector:	M. Tyler	B. Ashworh
Eucharistic Minister:	B. Ashworth & Volunteer	B. Morton & Volunteer
Counters:	N. Swecker & S. Bossie-Maddox	K. Layne & S. Spencer
<b>Our Lady of the Hills</b>		
Lector:	R. Stodola	G. Kozera
Eucharistic Minister:	T. Lanna	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!

BIBLE STUDY

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

**OLH Eucharistic Revival Program**—On December 24th after morning Mass, we will continue our Eucharistic Revival program, “Jesus and the Eucharist.” We will finish session 3, “Am I Saved?” This is a very uplifting program for the Christmas Season. All are welcome! Attendance at a previous session isn’t necessary.



**SA Christmas Eve Nativity**—If a child would like to participate in our Christmas Eve Nativity before our 5:00 p.m. Mass, please call Jennifer Burdette at 304-553-6601.

**St. Anthony: Socks, Gloves & Hats**—THANK YOU to everyone for your generous donations of socks, gloves & hats for our veterans.



Merry  
Christmas

May your days be  
merry and bright with  
the light of God's love.

**Saint Anthony Food Bank Initiative**—During December, we will be collecting gift cards to support the new food bank program of Catholic Charities. This food bank will be run by the Catholic churches of the Kanawha Valley and will serve all those in need with an emphasis on helping our Catholic community. Gift cards can be any denomination and can be from Kroger, Piggly Wiggly, Walmart, Dollar General, etc. After purchasing a gift card, place it in the red envelope, write the amount of the gift card on the envelope, and place the envelope in a slot on the wall hanging in the back of the church.



We extend our condolences to Ellen Asbury and family. Ellen's sister, Deloris Snyder, passed away on Wednesday, December 20, 2023. Arrangements were incomplete when this bulletin was published. Please pray for Deloris, Ellen and their family and friends. **May she rest in peace.**



**Christmas Mass Schedule**

Christmas Eve	5:00 p.m.	SA
Christmas Eve	8:00 p.m.	OLH
Christmas Day	10:30 a.m.	SA

**Weekday Mass Cancellations:** At Our Lady of the Hills, the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Tuesday, December 26, 2023, is cancelled. At St. Anthony, the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesday, December 27, 2023, is cancelled.



**Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God: January 1**

Since the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God on January 1, 2024 falls on a Monday this year, it is not observed as a Holy Day of Obligation. **Mass will be celebrated at St. Anthony at 10:30 a.m.**

**Catholic Charities West Virginia: Christmas Masses**

**Support Catholic Charities West Virginia!**

Catholic Charities West Virginia helps tens of thousands of our brothers and sisters in need every year. Your donation allows us to provide hope, provide safety, provide food and provide care. In giving, we live honorably before God who gives us all we have. Through your support, we can continue providing caring and compassionate support to West Virginians in need. **Thank you for your heart to give.**



Catholic  
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West Virginia

Give to the second collection at Christmas Mass to support Catholic Charities

Help Those  
In Need.



Come to me, all who are weary and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.  
-Matthew 11:28

Donate online at  
[www.CatholicCharitiesWV.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesWV.org)



**Office Announcement**

The office will be closed on Monday, December 25, 2023, for Christmas and on Monday, January 1, 2024 for New Year's Day.