

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

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The Twenty-fifth 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.



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Diocesan Pastoral Council

Under the leadership of Bishop Mark Brennan, a Diocesan Pastoral Council was reinstated in 2019-2020 and has been meeting since February 2021. The Diocesan Pastoral Council provides the laity of the Diocese with an opportunity to assist Bishop Brennan in developing pastoral priorities, initiatives, and plans to forward the mission of Christ within the Diocese in light of its existing social, economic, demographic, and cultural circumstances and resources. It remains Bishop Brennan's wish for significant lay representation on the Diocesan Pastoral Council to be elected by the laity and not appointed by the Pastor.

It is now time to form new Vicariate Councils who will then elect new representation to the Diocesan Pastoral Council. Parishioners who have served on the Vicariate Councils may be re-elected to another term or new parishioners may be elected; the important element that Bishop Brennan wants to emphasize is that the process is to be an election by the parishioners and not an appointment by the Pastor.

Two parishioners from each parish will be elected to serve on the Vicariate Council for a 3 year term. The purpose of the Vicariate Council is to bring the concerns of each parish to the Council so they can be discussed and considered. The Vicariate Council currently meets on the second Thursday of each month.

For our parishes, parishioners are asked to nominate 3 members of the parish to be placed *with their permission* on the ballot for the upcoming election to serve on the Vicariate Council.

To nominate a parishioner, please see Father Thomas or contact the office by October 1st.

The election will be held on the weekend of October 7 & 8.

Mass Schedule September 23 — October 1

Saturday 09/23: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	SA Mass 5:00 p.m. †Michael Layne
Sunday 09/24: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	SA Mass 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish OLH Mass 12:00 p.m. †Michael Starling (P. & D. Young)
Monday 09/25:	No Mass
Tuesday 09/26:	OLH Mass 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday 09/27:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. †Barbara & Jeff Ferrell (M. & A. Kawash Families)
Thursday 09/28:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m.
Friday 09/29:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m.
Saturday 09/30: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	SA Mass 5:00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 10/01: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. †Hans Robinson (P. & D. Young) SA Mass 10:30 a.m. †Barbara Ferrell (J. & S. Skaggs & Family)

Stewardship Report for September 16 & 17, 2023

St. Anthony

Offertory	\$ 1,111.50
Poor Box	1.00
Votive Candles	61.00
Attendance	Saturday—32 Sunday—34

Our Lady of the Hills

Offertory	\$ 499.13
St. Anne's Outreach	5.00
Votive Candles	4.00
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 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, Barbara Williams

Our Lady of the Hills—Violet Edwards, Ursula Paezold, Bill & Nancy Audia, Paul Stodola, Patti Stodola, 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.



He who plants
kindness gathers love.

Saint Basil

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

Balance as of 12/31/22	\$ 3,933.23
Contributions Received	655.00
Less: Expenses	(39.08)
Balance as of 08/31/23	\$ 4,549.15

Thank you for your generosity!

Music for Liturgy





Entrance:	Seek the Lord — #666
Gloria:	Mass of Renewal — #875
Offertory:	God, We Praise You — #208
Communion:	Spirit and Grace — #348
Recessional:	Canticle of the Sun — #429


Minister Schedule

	September 24, 2023	October 1, 2023
	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
<u>St. Anthony</u> 5:00 p.m. Mass		
Lector:	M. Doneghy	D. Hess
Eucharistic Minister:	W. Leach	M. Doneghy
10:30 a.m. Mass		
Lector:	S. Kawash	J. Bowles
Eucharistic Minister:	B. Ashworth	J. Bowles
Counters:	K. Layne & S. Spencer	S. Bossie-Maddox & C. Joseph
<u>Our Lady of the Hills</u>		
Lector:	G. Kozera	R. Stodola
Eucharistic Minister:	L. Kozera	T. Lanna

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 1:00 p.m. in the SA Parish Center.**

 **OLH Parish Picnic**
On Sunday, September 24, 2023, please join us after the 12:00 p.m. Mass for our Annual Parish Picnic.

 **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)**
Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (**OCIA**) is the process through which non-baptized adults are prepared to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. In addition, OCIA welcomes adults who are already baptized but not Catholic and prepares those adults to be received into full communion of the Catholic Church, and it also helps those adults baptized Catholic, but who have not received First Communion and/or Confirmation, to complete their sacramental initiation. For more information about OCIA and the Catholic faith, please call the office at 304-342-2716.

Contact Information for Sister Mary Irene—You can email Sister Mary Irene at: smijscc@yahoo.com or you can send cards or letters to: Sister Mary Irene Sorber, SCC, 350 Bernardsville Road, Mendham, NJ 07945



September Birthdays

- 3 Aliana Ashworth
- 4 Mary Akers
- 8 Rich Stonestreet
- 8 Jim Withrow
- 10 Ava Mosier
- 15 Ray Swecker
- 18 Tammy Bailey
- 19 John Polak
- 20 Mary Resler
- 21 Janie Bowles
- 21 Karen Hudson
- 21 Caroline Wells
- 22 Jean McCollam
- 23 Addison Garton
- 23 Anthony Lucas
- 25 Linda Davis
- 26 Steve McCollam
- 26 Anne Wheeler
- 27 Jennifer Curia
- 30 Alan Hall

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

Thank you!



“To be children of the Father and to build a fraternal world, the real challenge is to learn how to love everyone, even our enemies. Concretely, this means choosing not to have enemies, seeing in others not an obstacle to be overcome, but a brother or sister to be loved.”

~ Pope Francis tweet on 08/18/23

Catholic University of America: September 24 & 25—This collection provides funding for academic scholarships at The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC in response to the commitment made by the bishops at its foundation in 1887. It is the only U.S. university with Pontifical faculties. Students are enrolled from all 50 states and almost 100 countries in 12 schools.

Do You Begrudge My Generosity?

Meditation: What can work and wages, welfare and the unemployed tell us about the kingdom of God? In the parable of the laborers in the vineyard we see the extraordinary generosity and compassion of God (Matthew 20:1-16). There is great tragedy in unemployment, the loss of work, and the inability to earn enough to live and support oneself or one's family. In Jesus' times laborers had to wait each day in the marketplace until someone hired them for a day's job. No work that day usually meant no food on the family table. The laborers who worked all day and received their payment complain that the master pays the late afternoon laborers the same wage. The master, undoubtedly, hired them in the late afternoon so they wouldn't go home payless and hungry.

God is generous and gives us work for his kingdom

God is generous in opening the doors of his kingdom to all who will enter, both those who have labored a life-time for him and those who come at the last hour. While the reward is the same, the motive for one's labor can make all the difference. Some work only for reward. They will only put in as much effort as they think they will get back. Others labor out of love and joy for the opportunity to work and to serve others. The Lord Jesus calls each one of us to serve God and his kingdom with joy and zeal and to serve our neighbor with a generous spirit as well.

Empowered to serve with a joyful and generous spirit

The Lord Jesus wants to fill each one of us with the power and strength of the Holy Spirit so we can bear great fruit for God's kingdom (the fruit of peace, joy, righteousness, and love) and also bring the fruit of his kingdom to our neighbor as well. We labor for the Lord to bring him praise, honor, and glory. And we labor for our neighbor for their welfare with the same spirit of loving-kindness and compassion which the Lord has shown to us.

Paul the Apostle reminds us, "Whatever your task, work heartily, as serving the Lord and not others, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward - you are serving the Lord Christ" (Colossians 3:23-24). Do you perform your daily tasks and responsibilities with cheerfulness and diligence for the Lord's sake? And do you give generously to others, especially to those in need of your care and support?

Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may serve you joyfully and serve my neighbor willingly with a generous heart, not looking for how much I can get, but rather looking for how much I can give.

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Oh, my Jesus, listen to my prayer today.

Bless more young people, more men, and more women here in West Virginia to say yes to your call to be religious brothers, sisters, and priests.

Bless my family and my Church family so, we can support them, and remain close to you.

We ask Blessed Mary and St. Joseph to come to you in our need to build up the Church in the great Mountain State.

Amen



The 2023 Catholic Sharing Appeal Update

As of **September 21, 2023**, St. Anthony has raised **\$12,055.00**, which is **115%** of our parish goal of \$10,470.00. Our Lady of the Hills has raised **\$7,040**, which is **115%** of our parish goal of \$6,100. Funds raised after 50% of our parish goal come back to our parishes.

Thank you for your support of our parishes!

St. Anthony Continues Collecting Personal Care Items

We continue to collect items to help the less fortunate in our community. There are donation baskets labeled at the back of the church.



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