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

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The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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# **General Directory**

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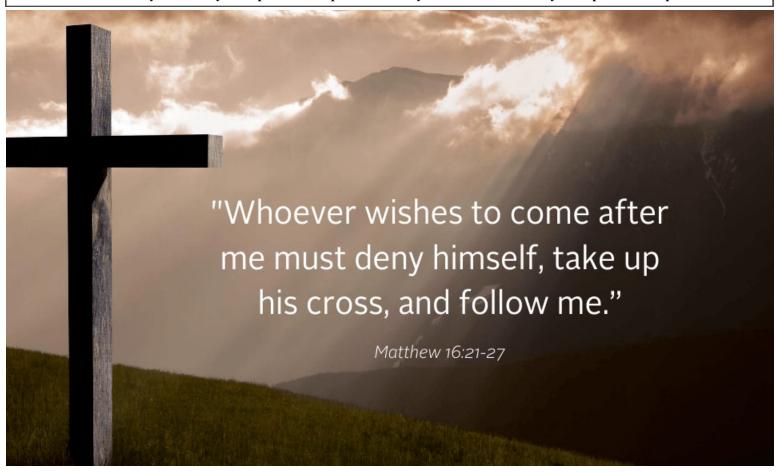
Email: secretary@stanthonywv.com Phone: 304-342-2716

**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.



#### Mass Schedule September 2 — 10

Saturday 09/02: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Monday 09/04: No Mass

Tuesday 09/05: OLH No Mass—Father out of town

Wednesday 09/06: SA No Mass—Father out of town

Thursday 09/07: SA No Mass—Father out of town

Friday 09/08: SA No Mass—Father returns

Saturday 09/09: SA Mass 5:00 p.m. <sup>23rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time †Michael Layne

Sunday 09/10: OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | People of the Parish

SA Mass 10:30 a.m.

†Barbara Ferrell (R. & N. Swecker)

# Stewardship Report for August 26 & 27, 2023

### St. Anthony

Offertory \$ 1.294.50 Glenmary Home Missioners 50.00

Attendance Saturday—22 Sunday—47

## Our Lady of the Hills

\$ 1,605.13 Offertory

Attendance Sunday—35

> 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, 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 655.00 Less: Expenses 39.08) Balance as of 08/31/23 \$ 4,549.15

Thank you for your generosity!

# **Music for Liturgy**



**Entrance:** Christ Before Us — #412

Gloria: Mass of Renewal — #875

**Offertory:** Only This I Want — #505

Communion: Taste & See — #335

**Recessional:** For the Fruits of This Creation — #204

#### **Minister Schedule**

	September 3, 2023	September 10, 2023
	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
St. Anthony		
5:00 p.m. Mass		
Lector:	M. Doneghy	D. Hess
Eucharistic Minister:	J. Bowles	M. Doneghy
10:30 a.m. Mass		
Lector:	M. Tyler	B. Ashworth
Eucharistic Minister:	M. Hamilton	B. Ashworth
Counters:	K. Layne & S. Spencer	K. Layne & S. Spencer
Our Lady of the Hills		
Lector:	M. Swecker	R. Stodola
Eucharistic Minister:	J. Hall	T. Lanna

<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 this weekend to support the St. Anthony Caring Fund. Thank you for your support of our local brothers and sisters through this collection.



# **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!

The office will be closed on Monday, September 4, 2023 for the Labor Day holiday.

# Faith Formation 2023-2024

Our 2023-2024 Faith Formation for our parishes will begin on Catechetical Sunday, September 17, 2023. Children are encouraged to participate to deepen their faith, prepare for sacraments and build a relationship with their church family.

- **OLH:** Classes are held after Mass. If you would like to teach or to register your children, please contact Cindy Mosier.
- **SA:** Classes are held prior to Mass at 9:15 a.m. in the Parish Center. To register, contact Jennifer Burdette by phone: 304-553-6601 or email: **cadjjn@yahoo.com**.



"Love alone extinguishes hatred. Love alone ultimately triumphs over injustice. Love alone makes room for others. Love alone is the path towards full communion among us." ~ Pope Francis tweet on 08/14/23

#### **Father Thomas's Vacation**



Father Thomas will return on Friday, September 8, from his vacation in India. During this week, 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 journey as he travels back to West Virginia this week.



#### **OLH Parish Picnic**

Mark your calendars! On Sunday, September 24, 2023, Our Lady of the Hills will celebrate Mass at 12:00 p.m. immediately followed by 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.

#### Take up Your Cross Daily and Follow Jesus Christ

**Meditation:** What is the way to glory and victory in the kingdom of God? Jesus told his disciples that he must first suffer rejection, be crucified, and then rise again on the third day. In so many words he explained that there could be no victory and no glory without the cross. Jesus' prediction of his suffering and death on the cross caused his disciples great dismay and disbelief. Peter, who was often the first to react to whatever Jesus had to say, wanted to protect Jesus from any threat or harm. That is why he rebuked the very thought of Jesus having to face rejection, condemnation, and crucifixion.

The paradox of God's economy: Jesus told his disciples that they, too, must be willing to lay down their lives in order to gain new everlasting life with the Father in his kingdom. There's a certain paradox in God's economy. We lose what we gain, and we gain what we lose. When we try to run our life our own way, we end up losing it to futility. Only God can free us from our ignorant and sinful ways. When we surrender our lives to God, he gives us new life in his Spirit and the pledge of eternal life. God wants us to be spiritually fit and ready to do his will at all times. When the human body is very weak or ill, we make every effort to nurse it back to health. How much more effort and attention should we give to the spiritual health of our hearts and minds!

The great exchange: What will you give to God in exchange for freedom and eternal life? Are you ready to part with anything that might keep you from following the Lord Jesus and his perfect plan for your life? Jesus poses these questions to challenge our assumptions about what is most profitable and worthwhile in life. In every decision of life we are making ourselves a certain kind of person. It is possible that some can gain all the things they have set their heart on, only to wake up suddenly and discover that they missed the most important thing of all. Of what value are material things if they don't help you gain what truly lasts for eternity. Neither money nor possessions can buy heaven, mend a broken heart, or cheer a lonely person.

Losing all to gain all with Jesus Christ: A true disciple gladly gives up all that he or she has in exchange for an unending life of joy and happiness with God. God gives without measure. The joy he offers no sadness or loss can diminish. The cross of Jesus Christ leads to victory and freedom from sin and death.

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<u>University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation: Church History 1</u>—A five-week course, *Church History 1*, is being offered through the University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF). *Church History 1* is one of two parts of a basic introduction to the History of the Church. This course covers the period from Pentecost to the beginning of the Reformation. While we cannot cover in depth all the factors which influenced the development of the early Church we are able to begin the journey here.

It will be offered **in-person** at Ascension Parish in Hurricane and is open to all. The course begins Wednesday, September 13, 2023, from 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. - registration is required and space is limited. The course is being underwritten by the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston's Office of Evangelization & Catechesis, which pays 100% of the tuition and the cost of any books associated with the course. The facilitator is Gerri Wright. For further information or to register, please contact Gerri at **gwright@dwc.org** or 304-720-8311. Registration deadline is September 8<sup>th</sup>. *Church History 2* will be offered after the completion of this course.