

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

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The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

Mass Intentions

Catholic culture of offering mass intentions is often a misunderstood custom. When a priest celebrates Mass each day, he *offers* each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person, or intention. By doing so he applies special graces from God upon that person or intention. The practice of offering Mass for particular intentions is an ancient one, dating back to the early Church. The Inscriptions discovered on tombs in Roman catacombs of the second century [give] evidence [for] this practice. St. Augustine in his 'Confessions' (c. 397), speaks about his mother Monica's request, "One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord."

According to the Canon Law, "In accord with the approved practice of the Church, any priest celebrating or concelebrating is permitted to receive an offering to apply the Mass for a specific intention" (Can. 945 §1). Furthermore, it continues by saying, "The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works" (945 §2).

What this refers to is a longstanding practice in the Church of offering a specified amount of money to the Church for a particular intention offered by the priest. Upon hearing this practice many people might be tempted to think it is "simony," the selling of sacred things for money. "It is not simony, or the buying of a sacred thing." The money given for the intention is not the price of the Holy Mass. We can not calculate the value of the Holy Eucharist. Pope Paul VI said, "The Mass is the most perfect form of prayer!" It has immense power and countless miracles and conversions have occurred throughout the centuries by offering Masses for a specific intention or person. Mass intentions are a great treasure of the Church and have a spiritual weight that is incalculable. Mass stipend is a free will offering made to have the *(continued on page 4)*

Mass Schedule October 7 — 15

Saturday 10/07: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	SA Mass 5:00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 10/08: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. †Hans Robinson (P. & D. Young) SA Mass 10:30 a.m. †Frank Nogoda & Amelia Gould Families
Monday 10/09:	No Mass
Tuesday 10/10:	OLH Mass 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday 10/11:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m.
Thursday 10/12:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m.
Friday 10/13:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m.
Saturday 10/14: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	SA Mass 5:00 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 10/15: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. †Hans Robinson (P. & D. Young) SA Mass 10:30 a.m. †Barbara & Jeff Ferrell (M. & A. Kawash Families)

Stewardship Report for Sept. 30 & Oct. 1, 2023

St. Anthony

Financial report to be given during Mass each quarter.

Attendance Saturday—27 Sunday—47

Our Lady of the Hills

Offertory	\$ 934.13
LERMA	360.00
Other	95.00

Attendance Sunday—44

**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, Mary Wuletich

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.

— Anselm of Canterbury —



A single Mass offered for oneself during life may be worth more than a thousand celebrated for the same intention after death.

— AZ QUOTES —

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

Balance as of 12/31/22	\$ 3,933.23
Contributions Received	740.00
Less: Expenses	(39.08)
Balance as of 09/30/23	\$ 4,634.15

Thank you for your generosity!

Music for Liturgy



Entrance:	Save Us, O Lord — #667
Gloria:	Mass of Renewal — #875
Offertory:	Prayer of St. Francis — #534
Communion:	One Bread, One Body — #341
Recessional:	All Creatures of Our God and King — #549



October Birthdays

- 2 Richard Boyle
- 5 Rhonda Ashworth
- 5 Rebecca Carroll
- 6 Gregory Chrobak
- 8 Cara Pogue
- 10 Fenner Hart
- 14 Thomas Resler
- 15 Christine Boyle
- 15 Elizabeth Jordan
- 15 Beckett Lindsey
- 16 Domenick Hoh
- 19 Marilyn Giblin
- 21 Cindy Mosier
- 22 Molly Green
- 23 Elizabeth Arnold
- 26 Steve Kawash
- 26 Marilyn Mogielski
- 26 Rowena Rivera
- 28 Joan Namey
- 31 Melanie Green

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

Thank you!

Minister Schedule

	October 8, 2023	October 15, 2023
	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
<u>St. Anthony</u>		
5:00 p.m. Mass		
Lector:	R. Stonestreet	C. Harmon
Eucharistic Minister:	M. Doneghy	D. Hess
10:30 a.m. Mass		
Lector:	M. Tyler	B. Ashworth
Eucharistic Minister:	B. Morton	M. Hamilton
Counters:	K. Layne & S. Spencer	S. Kawash & C. Joseph
<u>Our Lady of the Hills</u>		
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!



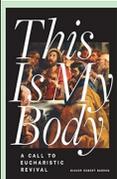
You are invited to Bible Study led by Deacon David on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. in the SA Parish Center.

Vicariate Council Election—October 7 & 8

The office will be closed on Monday, October 9th.



St. Anthony Parishioners are cordially invited to attend the wedding of Eric Carroll, son of Bryan and Mary Carroll, to Jordan Hatfield at St. Anthony on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. Reception to follow in the St. Anthony Parish Center.



Eucharistic Revival—As part of our National Eucharistic Revival, Father Thomas invites each **Parish Family** to pick up “This Is My Body: A Call To Eucharistic Revival” by Bishop Robert Barron. At St. Anthony, the books are located on the tables at the church entrances. At Our Lady of the Hills, the books are located in the gathering space.

Please only take one book per parish family.

Attention St. Anthony Parishioners—Due to the bulletins being distributed electronically and for security concerns, the Finance Council has decided that the weekly collection will no longer be reported in the bulletin. In the interest of transparency, a verbal report will be given quarterly at Mass. If you questions or concerns, please see a member of the Finance Council.

Mass Intentions *(continued from page 1)*

mass celebrated for a specific intention. In canonical tradition, it is viewed as part of the faithful's support of the priest.

While it is true that this custom has been abused in the past, the Church lays out specific rules regarding the money paid for Mass intentions. The Bishop's conference of the region determines the amount acceptable for that region, but the priest will offer a Mass for an intention even if someone doesn't have the money for it. In our diocese, the offering for any mass on weekdays is not to exceed \$10. For a Sunday or Holy Day mass the offering may not exceed \$20.00. The intention for which a mass is being applied should be announced in the parish bulletin. Attention must be given to the rubric for living and/or deceased persons.

The Stone Which the Builders Rejected

Meditation: What is the message of the parable of the vineyard? Jesus' story about an absentee landlord and his not-so-good tenants would have made sense to his audience. The hills of Galilee were lined with numerous vineyards, and it was quite common for the owners to let out their estates to tenants. Many did it for the sole purpose of collecting rent.

The Lord's vineyard in the house of his people

Why did Jesus' story about wicked tenants cause offense to the scribes and Pharisees? It contained both a prophetic message and a warning. Isaiah had spoken of the house of Israel as "the vineyard of the Lord" (Isaiah 5:7). Jesus' listeners would have likely understood this parable as referring to God's dealing with a stubborn and rebellious people.

This parable speaks to us today as well. It richly conveys some important truths about God and the way he deals with his people. First, it tells us of God's generosity and trust. The vineyard is well equipped with everything the tenants need. The owner went away and left the vineyard in the hands of the tenants. God, likewise trusts us enough to give us freedom to run life as we choose. This parable also tells us of God's patience and justice. Not once, but many times he forgives the tenants their debts. But while the tenants take advantage of the owner's patience, his judgment and justice prevail in the end.

Gift of the kingdom

Jesus foretold both his death on the cross and his ultimate triumph. He knew he would be rejected and put to death, but he also knew that would not be the end. After rejection would come glory - the glory of his resurrection from the grave and his ascension to the right hand of the Father in heaven.

The Lord blesses his people today with the gift of his kingdom - a kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. And he promises that we will bear much fruit if we abide in him (see John 15:1-11). He entrusts his gifts and grace (unmerited favor and blessing) to each of us and he gives us work to do in his vineyard - the body of Christ in our midst today. He promises that our labor for him will not be in vain if we persevere with faith to the end (see 1 Corinthians 15:58).

We can expect trials and even persecution. But in the end we will see triumph. Do you follow and serve the Lord Jesus with joyful hope and confidence in the victory he has won for you and the gift of abundant new life in the Holy Spirit?

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The Diocese of Steubenville's Office of Marriage and Family Life and Springs in the Desert are partnering to present a webinar on October 10th at 7:00 p.m.: **"Infertility: Finding Fruitfulness in the Desert."** Infertility is a burden most couples don't expect to carry and it can affect your marriage, your relationship with family & friends, as well as your relationship with God. If this is the path you're walking, we want you to know you are not alone! In this webinar, we will identify and acknowledge the grief and complex emotions associated with infertility and pregnancy loss, address their impact on our relationships and spiritual life, and offer practical suggestions for finding fruitfulness in our marriages and beyond. There will be time for questions, sharing, and prayer. Come on your own or as a couple! **Registration is FREE here:**

<https://springsinthedesert.org/events/>