

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

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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## SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Celebrated on the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the Solemnity of Christ the King was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* to respond to growing secularism. The Holy Father saw that attempting to “thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law” out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations.

The Solemnity reminds the faithful that Christ reigns as king of the entire world forever, and it encourages Catholics to respond to this reality. Pope Pius XI notes: “The kingship and empire of Christ have been recognized in the pious custom, practiced by many families, of dedicating themselves to the Sacred Heart of Jesus; not only families have performed this act of dedication, but nations, too, and kingdoms” (*Quas primas*, 26). **Let us rededicate ourselves this year to bearing witness to the reign of Jesus Christ and his Sacred Heart.**

**We recognize the reign of Christ the King with our whole lives.**

“If to Christ our Lord is given all power in heaven and on earth; if all men, purchased by his precious blood, are by a new right subjected to his dominion; if this power embraces all men, it must be clear that not **one of our faculties is exempt from his empire. He must reign in our minds**, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. **He must reign in our wills**, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. **He must reign in our hearts**, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. **He must reign in our bodies and in our members**, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, ‘as instruments of justice unto God.’” – *Quas primas*, 33

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## Mass Schedule November 21 — 29

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| Saturday 11/21:<br><small>Feast of Christ the King</small> | SA Mass 5:30 p.m.<br>†Paula Locke  |
| Sunday 11/22:<br><small>Feast of Christ the King</small>   | OLH Mass 8:30 a.m.<br>†Holy Souls in Purgatory (prayer gift)<br><br>SA Mass 10:30 a.m.<br>People of the Parish |
| Wednesday 11/25:   | SA Mass 9:00 a.m.<br>†David Wibberg  |
| Thursday 11/26:<br><small>Thanksgiving Day</small>         | SA No Mass   |
| Friday 11/27:  | SA No Mass   |
| Saturday 11/28:<br><small>1st Sunday of Advent</small>     | SA Mass 5:30 p.m.<br>†Thomas Ramsey  |
| Sunday 11/29:<br><small>1st Sunday of Advent</small>       | OLH Mass 8:30 a.m.<br>†Holy Souls in Purgatory (prayer gift)<br><br>SA Mass 10:30 a.m.<br>People of the Parish |

### Bulletin & Mass Announcements

The deadline this week for bulletin announcements is **Monday at 5:30 p.m.** and for Mass announcements is **Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.** Thank you!



**Safe Environment**—The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is committed to the protection of its children and young people. The Diocese complies with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* by maintaining an Office of Safe Environment. To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families/Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 (toll free) or 304.233.0880: Sister Ellen Dunn, ext. 264; Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. For more information on the Diocese's Office of Safe Environment, please go to [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org), then click the "Diocese" tab, then click "Office of Safe Environment" under the "Offices" menu. To learn more about the Catholic Church's efforts in preventing sexual abuse of children in the United States, please visit <http://www.usccb.org>. Under "Issues and Action," click "Child and Youth Protection" from the drop down menu.

**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.

### Prayer List for the Sick & Homebound

**St. Anthony**—Mary Canterbury, Mary Hanson, David Dodd, Nazira Joseph, Zachariah Kushner, Christina Lopez, Michael McCallister, Maya Clark, Robin Holly, Mike Layne, Michael Bee, Lorie Collingwood, William Ashworth, Terrie Rosenfeld

**Our Lady of the Hills**—Bert Zodorozny, Margaret Hancock, Violet Edwards, Marilyn Spencer, William Spencer, Katie Caroli, Jeanne Rollins, Steven Spencer, Doug Spencer, Harry Crede, Lorie Collingwood

**Please call Father Tijo George at 304-342-2716, ext. 406 if you would like a visit and to receive communion or a home blessing.**

### Stewardship Report for November 14 & 15, 2020

#### St. Anthony

|               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| Offering      | \$ 2,323.50 |
| Building Fund | 10.00       |
| Other         | 21.25       |

Attendance    Saturday—17    Sunday—39

#### Our Lady of the Hills

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| Offering            | \$ 1,130.00 |
| St. Anne's Outreach | 75.00       |
| Other               | 205.00      |

Attendance    Sunday—28

**Thank you for your generosity! Please remember to continue to support your parish during this difficult time. May God bless you!**

### **Healing Prayers Offered for Covid-19 Victims**



If you have a family member/friend who has been infected by the Coronavirus, Fr. Tijo would like to pray for the infected person during the private daily Masses and Sunday Masses. A votive candle will also be lit for his/her healing. Please call the parish office or Fr. Tijo to have their names included in his prayers and a votive candle lit.



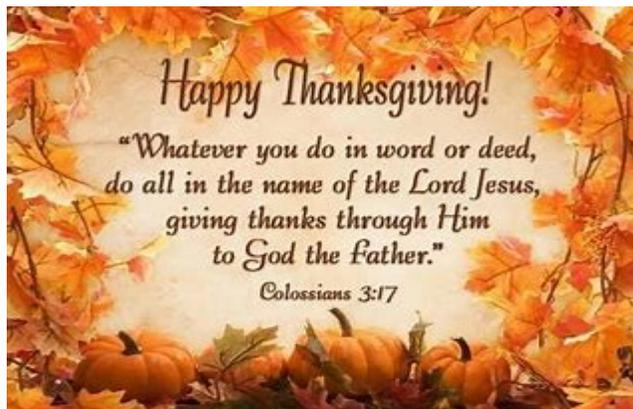
**"Every form of fundamentalist intolerance damages relationships between individuals, groups and peoples. Let us be committed to living and teaching the value of respect, a love capable of welcoming differences, and the priority of the dignity of every human being."**

~Pope Francis tweet on 11/16/20

## Music for Liturgy



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| <b>Entrance:</b>    | Crown Him with Many Crowns — #722 |
| <b>Gloria:</b>      | Mass of Healing                   |
| <b>Offertory:</b>   | Peace Be With Those               |
| <b>Communion:</b>   | Worthy Is the Lamb — #575         |
| <b>Recessional:</b> | Rejoice, the Lord Is King — #716  |



**Special Announcement**  
 Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, the weekday Masses on Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27 are cancelled and the office will be closed. We wish everyone a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!

**St. Anthony: Men’s Socks & Gloves**—We are now collecting **men’s socks and gloves** to be donated to the Veterans Center. Please donate only **new** socks and gloves. There are baskets located in the back of the church for your donation.

**St. Anthony Angel Tree Gifts**  
 Thank you to everyone who donated gifts to help make a child’s Christmas brighter.

**Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD): November 21 & 22**—Our second collection today supports the CCHD. There are 40 million people in the United States living in poverty. This collection supports those living in poverty across the country and programs that empower local communities to address the challenges they face. It identifies and addresses the unique obstacles people face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty, promoting self-reliance as a means to end poverty. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect will remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Your support for this collection makes a difference for West Virginians by offering hand up, not a handout. Please be generous. More information about the CCHD can be found at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection). Remember to make your check payable to your parish.

**Rosary for the Unborn**—Anyone who would like to pray the rosary for the unborn in our area, for the men and women affected by abortion and the closure of the Women’s Health Center, please call Stan Wyatt at 304-346-8135.

**Sign Up for Online Giving Today!**—We are pleased to offer ParishSOFT Online Giving on our websites: [www.stanthonywv.com](http://www.stanthonywv.com) and [www.ourladyofthehills.com](http://www.ourladyofthehills.com)! We wanted to provide you the convenience of being able to give the way you want, whenever you want. ParishSOFT Giving offers you the opportunity to make secure, automatic contributions from your bank [or credit/debit card] account to our church. For more information about ParishSOFT Giving, please visit your parish website and click on the “**Click Here to Donate**” button, or call Michele at 304-342-2716.

**SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING** *(continued from page 1)*  
**We love Christ the King with all our hearts.**  
 “And since there is in the Sacred Heart a symbol and a sensible image of the infinite love of Jesus Christ which moves us to love one another, therefore is it fit and proper that we should **consecrate ourselves to His most Sacred Heart**—an act which is nothing else than an **offering and a binding of oneself to Jesus Christ**, seeing that whatever honor, veneration and love is given to this divine Heart is really and truly given to Christ Himself.” – *Annum sacrum*, 8

## Why the Cross is Salvific

A crucifix adorns every Church building because it is meant to be a sign of hope for Christians. The Cross is the source of salvation, and by looking upon it, we know that the death of Jesus is not the last word. This means the Cross points toward the hope of the Resurrection as well. While we are familiar with the idea that the Cross saves, perhaps we are unfamiliar with how the Cross accomplishes salvation.

The Cross' salvific nature necessitates that we are saved from something — namely, sin and death. God did not ordain these realities; rather, from the beginning, they were a consequence of our disobedience against God — a misuse of our freedom. Because of sin, we were separated from God and unable to repair the relationship ourselves. God's love, however, proves itself for us "in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us" (Rm 5:8).

If, then, the Cross is the means by which we are reconciled to God, how does the Cross save us? There are two aspects for us to consider: What happens on the Cross, and how that is extended to us.

In the Incarnation, Jesus takes on our nature. While he does not know sin, he submits himself to our sinful condition and its consequences. We are not isolated and alone, but united by a common nature. Thus, through God's action, the Incarnation effects a change in our nature. The humanity of Jesus becomes the means for our being close to God. As God, Jesus takes all of sinful humanity with him to the Cross. He takes on a humanity like ours after the fall: subject to death, able to be tempted. His humanity is subject to the same conditions ours is, except He never sins. This is what happens on the Cross: Christ offers himself, not just his humanity — but all of human nature is offered through, in and with him.

In order to save us from the death as the wages of sin (cf. Rm 6:23), when Christ dies, he enters into enemy territory and defeats it from within. God is life, so then when Life Himself enters the realm of death, it cannot hold him in — He is there to defeat death with His life. By entering the realm of the dead — which the Church calls Holy Saturday — Christ appears to those who have been waiting for the Messiah, waiting for him. They are presented with the choice to follow his way, the way of this crucified savior. Those who went with him are now in heaven, and those who rejected him enter the place of rejection of God, which is hell.

And how does this salvation extend to us? We know that the Cross is salvific by virtue of Christ's Resurrection, whereby He is the victor over death. In Christ, we are no longer separated from God. In Christ, we have traveled from death to life. In Christ, we have been crucified with him. In Christ, we have been raised with him. We know the victory has already occurred, and now he lives out the mystery of his life in us in order to draw us along his way to the victory of the Resurrection. The salvation of the Cross is manifested in our Baptism, where we are sacramentally united to Jesus. By baptism, we are conformed to Jesus so that He lives out the mystery of his life, death, and resurrection in us, and gives us the sacraments as the principal means of encountering that salvation. Thus the act of love He offered 2,000 years ago is encountered continually today, in mystery through the sacramental life of the Church — by which we are given the grace to be saved.

~ Father Harrison Ayre

### All Souls Candles

Today is the last day of our liturgical year. Please remember to pick up your All Souls candles after Mass to take home with you. Thank you!

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### PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in battle.  
Be our defense against the  
wickedness and snares of the  
Devil.

May God rebuke him,  
we humbly pray,  
and do thou,  
O Prince of the heavenly hosts,  
by the power of God,  
thrust into hell Satan,  
and all the evil spirits,  
who prowl about the world  
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

