

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

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The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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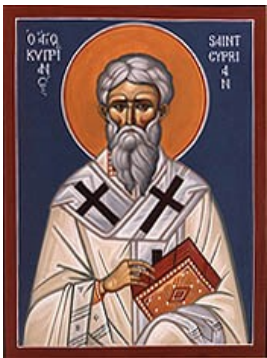
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Office Hours:

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday-Friday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm; Closed Wednesday and holidays.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

St Anthony by appointment. Our Lady of the Hills by appointment.



Icon of [St. Cyprian of Carthage](#), who urged diligence in the process of canonization.

What is canonization of a saint?

It is an official declaration of the Pope: “We decide and define that they are saints and inscribe them in the catalogue of saints, stating that their memory should be kept with pious devotion by the universal Church.” It is a papal declaration that the person placed on the altar now reigns in eternal glory and decrees that the universal Church show him the honor due to a saint. The faithful of the early Church believed that martyrs were perfect Christians and saints since they had shown the supreme proof of love by giving their lives for Christ; by their sufferings. They invoked the intercession of the martyrs before God to obtain the grace to imitate them in the unquestioning and complete profession of faith [1 Tim. 2:1-5, Phil. 3:17].

Toward the end of the great Roman persecutions, this phenomenon of veneration, which had been reserved to martyrs, was extended to those who, even without dying for the faith, had nonetheless defended it and suffered for it. In the first centuries, the popular fame or the *<vox populi>* represented in practice the only criterion by which a person’s holiness was ascertained. A new element was gradually introduced, namely, the intervention of the ecclesiastical authority, i.e., of the competent bishop who examined the biography of the deceased person and a history of his alleged miracles. The custom was gradually introduced of having recourse to the pope in order to receive a formal approval of canonization. The dogma that saints are to be venerated and invoked as set forth in the profession of faith of Trent.

Mass Schedule January 16 — 24

Saturday 01/16: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	SA Mass 5:30 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 01/17: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. †Holy Souls in Purgatory (prayer gift) SA Mass 10:30 a.m. †Holy Souls in Purgatory (prayer gift)
Wednesday 01/20:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m.
Thursday 01/21:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. †Reparation to Divine Justice (prayer gift)
Friday 01/22:	SA Mass 9:00 a.m. †Reparation to Divine Justice (prayer gift)
Saturday 01/23: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	SA Mass 5:30 p.m. People of the Parish
Sunday 01/24: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	OLH Mass 8:30 a.m. †Holy Souls in Purgatory (prayer gift) SA Mass 10:30 a.m. †Darrell Williams

Bulletin & Mass Announcements

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



Safe Environment—The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston maintains an Office of Safe Environment in accordance with the USCCB’s *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. **To Report Suspected Cases of Sexual Abuse of Children:** The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston encourages reporting to civil authorities first and foremost if a crime has been committed. We also encourage utilizing www.reportbishopabuse.org to make a report about any bishop in the U.S. If you have reason to believe that a bishop has engaged in sexual misconduct, please contact civil authorities in the applicable jurisdiction & visit www.reportbishopabuse.org. **To Report to Civil Authorities:** Contact your local law enforcement; numbers will vary based on your location. If you believe someone is in immediate danger, call 911. To confidentially report any incidence of suspected child abuse or neglect, including sexual abuse, contact the West Virginia Bureau for Children and Families’ Child Protective Services by calling the Child Abuse Hotline at 800.352.6513. **To Report to Diocesan Authorities:** In addition to civil authorities, the diocese encourages reporting to the appropriate church authorities. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse of children by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, contact one of the following designees at 1.888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; or Very Rev. Dennis Schuelkens, Jr., V.E., ext. 270. You may also call the Diocese’s Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. In addition to the methods listed above for reporting sexual abuse, the Diocese also has partnered with Navex Global to offer the **EthicsPoint** platform to report other, additional concerns, such as suspected financial, professional, and personal misconduct of a priest, deacon, religious, or lay employee of the Diocese or any Catholic parish or school in West Virginia. The EthicsPoint platform can be accessed via www.dwc.org, under “Accountability”, then “Report Misconduct” or by calling 844.723.8381. EthicsPoint is a third-party reporting system that reports to civil authorities where applicable and Diocesan authorities, and the identity of the person reporting is protected.

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, Michael Bee, William Ashworth, Terrie Rosenfeld, Anna Corbin

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, Doug Rollins, Anna Corbin, Vickie Ayoob

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 January 9 & 10, 2021

St. Anthony

Offering	\$ 1,538.50
St. Anthony Caring Fund	50.00
Other	129.00

Attendance Saturday—18 Sunday—45

Our Lady of the Hills

Offering	\$ 748.00
St. Anne’s Outreach	75.00
Other	55.00

Attendance Sunday—31

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.

Music for Liturgy

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AND MUSIC

Entrance:	God, We Praise You — #203
Gloria:	Mass of Healing
Offertory:	The Summons — #382
Communion:	Here I Am, Lord — #383
Recessional:	Go Make of All Disciples — #188

LITURGY



AND MUSIC



St. Anne's Outreach Center

Thursday: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

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.

Visit us or call 304-965-7670

As of December 31, 2020, St. Anne's has served 20 children.

Balance as of 12/31/19 \$ 3,936.49
 Contributions Received 2,015.00
 Less: Expenses (1,665.51)
 Balance as of 12/31/20 \$ 4,285.98

Thank you for your generosity!

“It is striking that the Lord spent most of his time on Earth living an ordinary life, without standing out. It is a beautiful message that reveals the greatness of daily life, the importance in God's eyes of every gesture and moment of life, even the most simple.”

~Pope Francis tweet on 01/11/21



2020 Tax Contribution Statements

To save money on postage, paper and ink for our parishes, your 2020 tax contribution statements will not be automatically mailed to you. **Please contact Michele at the office (phone: 304-342-2716 or email: secretary@stanthonywv.com) after Thursday, January 14, 2020** if you would like to receive a copy of your tax contribution statement. **If you have any receipts for items purchased for your parish to be added to your statement, please submit them no later than Friday, January 22. Thank you!**

Men's Priestly Discernment Retreat—Do you desire a life of sacrifice and faithful service to God and His People? Do you desire to give yourself completely to God in a life of consecration and commitment to building up the kingdom of God here in West Virginia? Perhaps the Lord is calling you to be a Priest of Jesus Christ in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston! The annual diocesan Men's Priestly Discernment Retreat will be held on Saturday, March 20 at the Pope St. John XXIII Pastoral Center (100 Hodges Rd, Charleston, WV 25314) from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. This event is open to men 18 years and older who are simply open to reflecting on God's will for them in their lives. The day will consist of Holy Mass, prayer, reflections on the priesthood, and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession. For any men interested in attending, please email Rick Teachout at rteachout@dwc.org or call him at 304-233-0880 ext. 442.

Why is the color green used for ordinary time?

Prayer involves all of our senses. It involves being alive to touches of God's grace everywhere around and within us. Color in a church is more than decoration. In public worship, it has a role similar to music, art and architecture of a church — to teach, to inspire, to help gather our thoughts.

Green is used as a liturgical color during the weeks known as Ordinary Time. Generally, this period of time occurs from the end of the Christmas season until the beginning of Lent, and from the end of the Easter season until the beginning of Advent. Far from being a filler between other liturgical seasons, Ordinary Time has its own meaning, signified by its own color.

At its etymological root, the word “ordinary” has a rich meaning, far beyond the usual understanding of humdrum, commonplace or everyday. The word has its source in a Sanskrit, or Indo-European, word, which entered into Latin as the verb *orior*, meaning to rise up, to be stirred up and to grow. The word for “east” in Latin, *oriens*, conveys the same rich meaning: It indicates the rising of the sun. Hence, Ordinary Time is, for Catholics, the opportunity to allow the Lord to stir up our faith, to allow our spirits to rise and to grow in our spiritual life.

The color green brings this meaning to the fore, since it is a color that evokes life and growth.

~Msgr. Bill King



EXCERPT FROM PATRIS CORDE, POPE FRANCIS' DOCUMENT ON ST. JOSEPH

"Often in life, things happen whose meaning we do not understand. Our first reaction is frequently one of disappointment and rebellion. Joseph set aside his own ideas in order to accept the course of events and, mysterious as they seemed, to embrace them, take responsibility for them and make them part of his own history. Unless we are reconciled with our own history, we will be unable to take a single step forward, for we will always remain hostage to our expectations and the disappointments that follow. The spiritual path that Joseph traces for us is not one that explains, but accepts. Only as a result of this acceptance, this reconciliation, can we begin to glimpse a broader history, a deeper meaning. We can almost hear an echo of the impassioned reply of Job to his wife, who had urged him to rebel against the evil he endured: "Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" (Job 2:10).

Joseph is certainly not passively resigned, but courageously and firmly proactive. In our own lives, acceptance and welcome can be an expression of the Holy Spirit's gift of fortitude. Only the Lord can give us the strength needed to accept life as it is, with all its contradictions, frustrations and disappointments.

Jesus' appearance in our midst is a gift from the Father, which makes it possible for each of us to be reconciled to the flesh of our own history, even when we fail to understand it completely. Just as God told Joseph: "Son of David, do not be afraid!" (Mt 1:20), so he seems to tell us: "Do not be afraid!" We need to set aside all anger and disappointment, and to embrace the way things are, even when they do not turn out as we wish. Not with mere resignation but with hope and courage. In this way, we become open to a deeper meaning. Our lives can be miraculously reborn if we find the courage to live them in accordance with the Gospel. It does not matter if everything seems to have gone wrong or some things can no longer be fixed. God can make flowers spring up from stony ground. Even if our heart condemns us, "God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything" (1 Jn 3:20)."

The #1 religious/spirituality podcast in America at the moment is "The Bible in a Year" with Fr. Mike Schmitz. It's free, and you can listen to it in the car, when walking, or anytime, at your own speed: <https://tinyurl.com/ycu6hpaw>

The office will be closed on Monday, January 18 for the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

Come and Strengthen your Faith....!

**Join us at St. Anthony Parish Center
on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.**

The Topic is "THE LAST THINGS: What Happens
After We Die"

This Session will cover:

- The judgement that occurs to each soul at the moment of death
- Whether hell really exists
- What awaits in heaven for those who die in a state of grace
- Why some souls require Purgatory, the purification some need before entering into full communion with God
- Why Catholics pray for the dead

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.

