


STEWARDSHIP REPORT

For January 3 & 4, 2014, St. Anthony parishioners and friends contributed \$2,058.00 to the regular collection. **Thank you for your generosity!**

 Catholic Charities West Virginia is in need of personal care items, especially toilet tissue, laundry detergent, and deodorant for women. Food stamps may not be used to pay for these items. Your donations may be dropped off in the baskets at the rear of the church. *God bless you for your kindness to those in need!*

Bulletin announcements—contact the St. Anthony parish office at 304-342-2716 or send an email to secretary@stanthonywv.com. The announcement deadline for the bulletin this week is **Wednesday at 5:30 pm**. Thank you!!

Serving for January 10 & 11, 2015

Serving for January 17 & 18, 2015

5:30 Vigil Mass

Lector: Dottie Hess
Eucharistic Ministers: Moya Doneghy & Jackie Canterbury
Acolytes: St. Fran Kirtley, Patricia Booker & Evelyn Ferguson

10:30 Mass

Lector: Paul Franklin
Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Resler & Matthew Ferguson
Acolytes: Nathaniel Burdette, Chris Joseph & Connie Vaughn

Cleaning:
Jan. 11–17 Nancy & Ray Swecker

5:30 Vigil Mass

Lector: Rich Stonestreet
Eucharistic Ministers: Deborah McDougall & Dottie Hess
Acolytes: Matthew Ferguson, Bev Scarpelli & Sr. Fran Kirtley

10:30 Mass

Lector: Brenda Ashworth
Eucharistic Ministers: Alicia McIntire & Judy Polak
Acolytes: Mark Isabella, Monica Hamilton & Dawn Kushner

Cleaning:
Jan. 18–24 Clark & Christine Hansbarger & Kathy Scalise

Mass Schedule Jan. 11—17

Sunday 01/11: Rosary 10:00 am—Mass 10:30 am
†Rose B. Corey

Monday 01/12: No Mass

Tuesday 01/13: Mass 7:30 am

Wednesday 01/14: Mass 6:30 pm

Thursday 01/15: Mass 7:30 am

Friday 01/16: Mass 7:30 am
†Holy Souls in Purgatory

Saturday 01/17: Mass 5:30 pm



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It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2015



The Baptism of the Lord

When Jesus entered the waters of the Jordan River to be baptized by John, he did so not because he needed to be baptized – after all John’s baptism was for the forgiveness of sins and Jesus had no sin. Jesus entered those waters to sanctify and to empower the water to become a vehicle of the Holy Spirit, bringing cleansing, rebirth and transformation to all who would receive this new baptism. It was in the Jordan River at his baptism that Jesus instituted the sacrament of Christian baptism, something essentially different and greater than the baptism of John, which foreshadowed it. Jesus humbled himself and entered the waters of the Jordan River and was baptized there to entice us to follow him into those life-giving waters to be made children of his Father and to have the gifts of his Holy Spirit poured into our hearts. Thank God we have followed Jesus into those life-giving waters.

Give thanks to the Lord today for your baptism by dipping your fingers into the holy water font, and then bless yourself while saying quietly or to yourself: *“In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.”*

- Fr. Jim

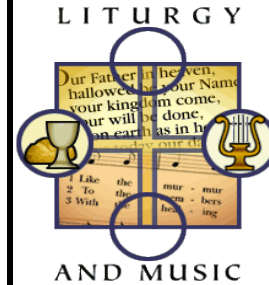
MINUTE MEDITATION

Perfect joy is the ability to return peace and love to those who cross us. That is indeed the path to sainthood, and few of us manage to walk it perfectly. —from *Pope Francis and Our Call to Joy*.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

† James Kessler, Rose B. Corey, Barbara Carey, Francis Nagoda, Jr., Catherine Layne Fugere, Vincent Smolder, James White, Dolores Conner, Sue Murin, Maria O’Dell, Bernice Endres, Kathleen Wise, Audra Kushner
Mary Canterbury, Stephanie Merenda, Richard Diggs, Mary Hanson, Joyce Vickers, David Dodd, Joe & Nazira Joseph, Teresa Campbell, Carmen Lopera, Jackie Canterbury, Pauline Wyatt, Alan Cottrill, Zachariah Kushner

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



MUSIC FOR LITURGY

Entrance: When Jesus Came to Be Baptized — #95 (TM)

Gloria: Mass of Healing — handout

Offertory: Come to the Water — #614

Communion: River of Glory — #660

Recessional: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise — #94 (TM)

LORIE’S MUSIC NOTES

Today, we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This marks the end of the liturgical season of Christmas. We will return to Ordinary Time until Lent begins in mid-February. Our opening song is particularly appropriate for today’s feast.

Special Announcement—Mass Cancellation

Father Jim will be out of town on Saturday, January 17, for a baptism and will not be back in time for the 5:30 pm Mass. Therefore, there will be no Vigil Mass that day. Sacred Heart Co-Cathedral and Blessed Sacrament each have a 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES WEST VIRGINIA UPDATE

As of December 31, 2014, \$3,074.02 has been generously donated by our parishioners to CCWV. This total includes the monthly contributions of \$1997.02 and the diocesan collection at Christmas of \$1,077.00.

Youth Ministry Night: On January 14, 2015 at Sacred Heart from 7:00 - 8:30 pm, the Diocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry and the missionaries from the Bishop Hodges Pastoral Center will be offering a program entitled *True God—True Man*. The evening will be a fun, action-packed, faith-filled explosion of faith for students in the 7th-12th grade. We also invite parents and other adults interested in helping with youth ministry to join us. The evening is FREE.

Camp Bosco Information Meeting: Attention all parents with children 7-15 years old. On January, 14, 2015 at Sacred Heart at 6:00 pm, the staff from Camp Bosco will be here to present information about the diocesan camp. Come and learn about our amazing Catholic youth camp. It will be your child’s best week of summer!