

Schedule of Masses

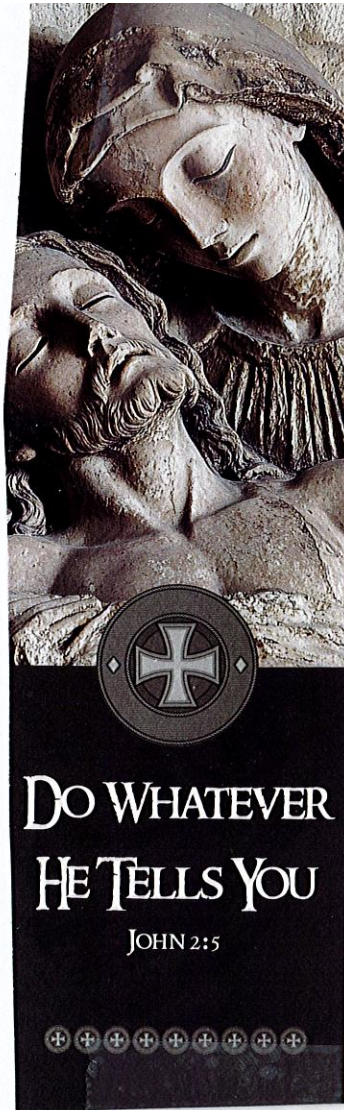
Saturday, November 30 <i>St. Andrew, Apostle</i> <i>First Sunday of Advent (Vigil)</i>	9:00 AM (SA) 4:30 PM (AOOL)	No Mass For the People
Sunday, December 1 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL) 11:00 AM (SA)	Jim White † Req. by Susanna White Charlotte McCullough Req. by St. Anthony's Guild
Tuesday, December 3 <i>St. Francis Xavier, Priest</i>	12:00 (N) (SA)	Poor Souls in Purgatory Req. by Cumberland Historic Cemetery Organization
Wednesday, December 4 <i>St. John Damascene, Priest and Dr. of the Church</i>	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Liz Lantz (Healing) Req. by People of the Parish
Thursday, December 5	6:30 PM (SA)	Poor Souls in Purgatory Req. by Cumberland Historic Cemetery Organization
Friday, December 6 <i>St. Nicholas, Bishop</i>	8:00 AM (AOOL) 10:30 AM (CCDV)	Dena Albright & Family Req. by People of the Parish Residents & Homebound
Saturday, December 7 <i>St. Ambrose, Bishop and Dr. of the Church</i> <i>Second Sunday of Advent (Vigil)</i>	9:00 AM (SA) 4:30 PM (AOOL)	Larry Wolfe † Req. by Cumberland Historic Cemetery Organization Anita Ward Req. by Christy Kegg
Sunday, December 8 <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL) 11:00 AM (SA)	For the People Ed Bogard † Req. by Cece Bogard

Weekly Readings

Monday: Is 2:1-5 / Mt 8:5-11 **Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a / Mt 15:29-37 **Thursday:** Is 26:1-6 / Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24 / Mt 9:27-31 **Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26 / Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday: Bar 5:1-9 / Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 / Lk 3:1-6

Weekly Collections November 24, 2024

Attendance AOOL - 38 / 115 Weekly: \$ 2,439.00 Christmas Flowers: \$ 898.00
Poor Box: \$ 46.00 Candles \$ 56.00
Attendance SA - 52 Weekly: \$ 780.00 Poor Box: \$ 61.00



Bishop Brennan and Fr. Dan - Consecration of the Eucharist at St. Anthony's

Please check your VIRTUS account to make sure you are current moving into the New Year.

From the Desk of Fr. Dan

Guess what? My 3-year anniversary of being here at Annunciation and St. Anthony's has arrived this weekend. On December 1, 2021, I celebrated my first Mass as the administrator. A year later, in December 2022, I was officially made pastor. Now look at us. Kudos to all of you for putting up with me for three years. Time has flown right by, and it's been a blast the whole way through. Thank you for the best three years of my priesthood. You'll make me tear up; stop it. You're the best dad gum bunch of parishioners a priest could ever hope to have. I mean that! That reminds me of a song (of course). Carly Simon, *nobody does it better, makes me feel sad for the rest. Nobody does it half as good as you...you're the best.*

I think Bishop Brennan's visit was a success on our end. He had an eventful time getting here. On Friday he had to drive through the snowstorm out west and was stuck in traffic on I-68 in Garrett County. He was on his way to Arlington for an event, planning to come here Saturday to be with us for Mass. Fate had other plans, and he didn't make it in time for Mass. He did arrive later and was with us last Sunday for Mass at both locations. Thanks to St. Anthony's for sending him off with a full stomach to keep him going as he travelled home to Wheeling.

As the bishop mentioned, and I have written about in a couple of previous articles, and we've has inserts in the bulletin, we are about to embark on an evangelization effort in our diocese. We are all called to be evangelizers for the Gospel, through words and actions. We may never fully see what the impact of our witness to others may be, but we may influence someone to come to Christ and answer that call to discipleship. Stayed tuned for more information on this effort being implemented by the Catholic Leadership Institute. They will be sending out surveys to fill out. I don't know exactly how this will play out. Will only some get it or will all get it, not sure yet, but be prepared. A huge thanks to Kathy Brockett for stepping up and volunteering to be the Parish Point Person for both churches, thank you! This effort by CLI will be ongoing for several months, but our witness for Christ is lifelong.

I want to wish everyone a very blessed and happy Thanksgiving! May your day be filled with good food, plenty of of laughter and fun with family and friends. If you were able to get out in the woods, hopefully a nice buck will make its way into your freezer.

Here you go:

Every time I try and eat healthy, along comes Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, birthdays, anniversaries, Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall.

"For those who need to know this, even if a bear wears socks and shoes, it still has bear feet."

As we approach the Christmas season and holiday shopping will commence here's one for you:

"I have this incredible ability to predict what's inside a wrapped present. It's a gift."

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.