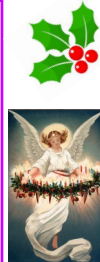


Schedule of Masses

Saturday, December 13 <i>St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr</i> <i>Third Sunday of Advent (Vigil)</i>	9:00 AM (SA) 4:30 PM (AOOL)	No Mass For the People
Sunday, December 14 <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> <i>Gaudate Sunday</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL) 11:00 AM (SA)	John Engel Req. by People of the Parish Charlotte McCullough (healing) Req. by St. Anthony's Guild
Tuesday, December 16	12:00 (N) (SA)	No Mass <i>(Fr. Dan on Vacation)</i>
Wednesday, December 17	8:00 AM (AOOL)	No Mass
Thursday, December 18	6:30 PM (SA)	No Mass
Friday, December 19	8:00 AM (AOOL)	No Mass
Saturday, December 20 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent (Vigil)</i>	9:00 AM (SA) 4:30 PM (AOOL)	No Mass Penrod Family Req. by Kathy Brockett
Sunday, December 21 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL) 11:00 AM (SA)	For the People Peggy Brakeall Req. by St. Anthony's Guild

Weekly Readings

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a / Mt 21:23-27
Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 / Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10 / Mt 1:1-17
Thursday: Jer 23:5-8 / Mt 1:18-25
Friday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a / Lk 1:5-25
Saturday: Is 7:10-14 / Lk 1:26-38
Sunday: Is 7:10-14 / Rom 1:1-7 / Mt 1:18-24



**JESUS IS THE
REASON FOR
THE SEASON**



Weekly Collections December 6 - 8, 2025

Attendance AOOL: 36 / 85 / 43 Weekly: \$ 2,298.00 Debt: \$ 1,655.00 Christmas Flowers: \$ 20.00
Immaculate Concep.: \$ 313.00 Christmas: \$ 25.00 Candles: \$ 46.00
Catholic Charities: \$ 20.00 Religious Retirement: \$ 45.00 Poor Box: \$ 106.00
Attendance SA: 50 / 27 Weekly: \$ 800.00 Building Fd.: \$ 388.00
Religious Retirement: \$ 20.00 Poor Box: \$ 115.00



Ministry Schedule

Annunciation:

Sat., Dec. 20, 4:30 PM

Lector: Volunteer

E.M.: Joe Hughes,
Jane Adams,
Pat Penrod

Ushers: Steve Penrod,
Volunteer

Server: Volunteer

Cantor: Mark Seward

Sun., Dec. 21, 9:00 AM

Lector: Debbie Abe

E.M.: Brian Crist,
Harolyn Sherman,
Sue Long

Ushers: Bob Grabenstein,
Roger Lantz

Server: Patti Henry

Cantor: Mark Seward

Counters: Greg & Sue
Pyles

St. Anthony's:

Sun., Dec. 21, 11:00 AM

Greeter: Anna Kirk

Lector: Judy Wolfe

E.M.: Michele Schultz,
Wayne Houdersheldt,

Ushers: Derrick Robey

Amber Houdersheldt

Servers: Volunteers

Cantor: Patty Maiers

Fr. Dan on Vacation

**Mon., Dec. 15th
until
Fri., Dec. 19th**

From the Desk of Fr. Dan

Hello all. Another week has come and gone and we are a smidge closer to Christmas day. I know we're all busy. That might be an understatement. How about taking a breather on Sunday and come out to our joint Christmas party at Annunciation's hall from 2:00-4:00 PM. It should be a blast with good food, good music and good company.

Let's do something fun. I like music, and my wheelhouse is the '60s-'70s with some '80s smattered in there. I must confess, there are some songs from the '90s I like too. With that in mind, let's take a journey back to our senior year in high school. What were the songs on the charts back then? I'll go first, and I'll give you the songs and then you guess the year. Let's go: *Eternal Flame* by the Bangles, *Every Rose Has Its Thorns* by Poison, *Heaven* by Warrant, *Toy Soldiers* by Martika, *She Drives Me Crazy* by The Fine Young Cannibals, *Paradise City* by Guns N' Roses. How about an honorable mention to *Smooth Criminal* by Michael Jackson. It's an honorable mention because it was technically released in November of the previous year but really hit the charts the year of my graduation. This is just a sampling of the hits of that year. Take a guess? Yes, I know you'll use Google; I'll allow it.

So what events were happening the year I graduated high school? The Tiananmen Square protests, the beginning of the end for the Soviet Union with the overthrow of the communist government in Romania, the Velvet (non-violent) Revolution in Czechoslovakia, the Fall of the Berlin Wall with the flood of East Germans spilling over into West Germany. President H.W. Bush was inaugurated as president, Lexus and Infiniti launched as new car brands, the Exxon Valdez spill off the coast of Alaska, the Calgary Flames won their first Stanley Cup, Seinfeld premieres, Hurricane Hugo, East German leader, Erich Honecker, was forced to resign, followed closely by the entire East German government. and a military coup took place in the Philippines to oust the president, Corazon Aquino. These were just a few of the many events happening the year I graduated high school. How about you? What were some of the happenings of your year?

Thanks to all who came out to watch *The Miracle of Christmas* put on by Sight & Sound, I believe everyone enjoyed the show.

Ok, here we go:

What happens when a microscope crashes into a telescope? They kaleidoscope.

A mom told her kids that 6-7 means that God created the world in 6 days and then rested on the 7th. That makes God the 6-7 OG.

What do you call a father from Indiana? Hoosier Daddy.

Hope to see you at the Christmas party. Have a great week.

May we always find it in our hearts to help others, not just during the holidays.

Please Pray for: Laura Beth Amtower, Dena & Jason Albright, Walter & Jennifer Aumuller, Jay Bailey, Grayson Bishop, Nathan Blubaugh, Barbara & Greg Bonat, Kara Breedlove, Darlene Bridges, Mary Kay Britt, Vicky Brown, Denise Cameron, Cathy Case, Bob & Carla Clark, Donnie Clark, Julia Codire, Marsha Combs, Melissa Dahlheimer, Robert Dayton, Nick Dearcangelis, Vera Demeduk, Richard Delaney, Amy Driver, Logan Duncan, Jenny Emerick, John & Eileen Engel, Jan Evans, Father Bob, Jamie Fazzalore, Lily Fletcher, Patricia Folk, Leia Gallen, Aaron Glinke, Dawn Green, Dale & Tina Hankinson, Roy Harsh, Lucy Haywood, Krista Howard-Clarke, Janet Jack, Marc Jedlowski, Kenneth Jenkins, Lisa Jones, Wanda Kirk, Michael Knotts, Stacy Kobe, Liz Lantz, Ernest Lease, Bob Lewis, Audrey Liller, Annie Light, Ed Lindner, Luke Lindner, Ty Linthicum, Catherine & Kierstin Lippold, Maggie Luzier, Galen Markley, Jim Martin, Janice McBride, Lilly McCormick, Charlotte McCullough, Greyson McCullough, Marty Medovic, Maddox Mervinsky, Joey & Heather Miltenberger, Mike Miltenberger, Adrienne Monroe, Hogan Moody, Steve Morgan, Robin Patch, Colleen Patton, Marilyn Paul, Steve Pelaez, Bonnie Price, Ronnie & Linda Proud, Mary Lou Quin, Kira Robey, Bertha Romine, Malea Rugg, Cody & Jenny Saville, Debbie Seward, Shank Family, Shawnee Simmons, Luke Sites, Destinee Smith, Barry Steed, Harper Struntz, Donna Struntz, Lu & Lois Thibault, Jimmy Twigg, Linda & Ronnie Ward, Adam Watts, Carl Welch, Mark Wilbourne, Joe & Dolly Wolfe, Judy Wolfe and Family, Bob Wolford, Harlow Wooton

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **Sunday, December 14th:** Third Sunday of Advent - **Joint Parish Christmas Party**, 2 PM in social hall at AOOL. Bring a jingle gift if you want to participate.

† **Mon., Dec. 15th - Fri., Dec 19th:** No Daily Mass, Fr. Dan on Vacation

† **Saturday, December 20th:** Reconciliation at AOOL at 4:00 PM before 4:30 PM Mass.

† **Sunday, December 21st:** Reconciliation at SA's before 11:00 AM Mass. **Guild meeting** cancelled to resume on January 18, 2026.

Public Meeting - Dec. 16, at 7 PM at the Short Gap Fire Hall. The *Frankfort PSD* is proposing rate hikes to water and sewer, 20.3% and 10.2% and will address customers' complaints and questions concerning the \$32 million debt.



A candle for December has been lit for **Families going through difficult challenges** from *St. Anthony's Guild*.

WISHING YOU A BLESSED HOLIDAY SEASON

December 14th: *Joint Parish Christmas Party* 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM at AOOL (Sunday) **Don't forget to bring a Jingle Gift if you would like to receive a Jingle Gift, \$ 5 / limit. You can wrap it if you choose.**

December 15th - 19th: Fr. Dan will be on VACATION

December 24th: Christmas Eve (Vigil) AOOL - 4:30 PM (Wednesday) SA - 6:30 PM



December 25th: Christmas Day AOOL 9:00 AM (Thursday) SA 11:00 AM

December 31st: AOOL 8 AM Daily Mass - New Years Eve (Vigil) AOOL 6:30 PM. (Wednesday)

January 1st: New Years Day **HDO:** AOOL 9:00 AM SA 12 (N), No evening Mass. (Thursday)



Giving Tree at AOOL Wrapped gifts are to be turned in to the social hall no later than Thursday, Dec. 18th. Please, no late gifts.

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ST. ANTHONY HAPPENINGS

- * **December 21st** - Decorating of the Christmas Tree, followed by pizza!! Help is needed!
- * Giving out 4 Food Boxes to those in need.

Parishioners continue shopping for gifts for the 18 children associated with these families.

- * Donations needed to provide 13 Sisters from the Franciscan Sisters of Christ the Light Convent a movie night with popcorn and snacks.

AOOL will be decorating for Christmas after Mass December 21st. Stay to help and join in on the fun! We are also doing a **Christmas Cookie Exchange for anyone that would like to participate** - Just bring 2 dz. cookies (of any kind), homemade or store bought and exchange for 2 dz. different types of cookies to take home.

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact a local law enforcement agency, or confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, report suspected cases of sexual abuse by Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston personnel to the Diocese, at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.



The Catholic Parishes of

ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD & SAINT ANTHONY

December 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

Isaiah 61:1



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00-4:15 PM (AOOL)
Thursdays 6:00-6:15 PM (SA)
or by appointment



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursdays 5:30 PM (SA)
1ST Tuesday of the month
5 PM - 7 PM (AOOL)

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Email: dprice@dwc.org

K of C #15610 Grand Knight: Brian Crist

Directors of Religious Education

Michele Schultz (St. Anthony)

Matt Sisk (Annunciation)

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Devotional Prayers (25 minutes prior to Sunday Mass times):

Divine Chaplet - Every First Sunday of the Month

Holy Rosary - On the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays of the Month