

Schedule of Masses

Saturday, December 6 <i>St Nicholas, Bishop</i>	9:00 AM (SA)	Wanda Kirk Req. by St. Anthony's Guild
<i>Second Sunday of Advent (Vigil)</i>	4:30 PM (AOOL)	For the People
Sunday, December 7 <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL)	Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council # 15610 † Req. by K of C Council # 15610
	11:00 AM (SA)	St. Anthony's Guild <i>(for all you do)</i> Req. by People of the Parish
Monday, December 8 <i>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL)	Linda & Ronnie Ward Req. by People of the Parish
	12 (N) (SA)	Sister Mary Alice McMaster † Req. by People of the Parish
Tuesday, December 9 <i>St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin</i>	12:00 (N) (SA)	Becky Wolfe Req. by Secret Friend
Wednesday, December 10 <i>Our Lady of Loreto</i>	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Angela Rosier Req. by People of the Parish
Thursday, December 11 <i>St. Damasus I, Pope</i>	6:30 PM (SA)	Secret Friend Req. by Judy Wolfe
Friday, December 12 <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Paul Biser † Req. by People of the Parish
Saturday, December 13 <i>St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr Third Sunday of Advent (Vigil)</i>	9:00 AM (SA)	No Mass
	4:30 PM (AOOL)	For the People
Sunday, December 14 <i>Third Sunday of Advent Gaudate Sunday</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL)	John Engel Req. by People of the Parish
	11:00 AM (SA)	Charlotte McCullough (healing) Req. by St. Anthony's Guild

Weekly

Monday: Gn 3:9-15,20 / Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 / Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31 / Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Zec 2:14-17 / Lk 1:26-38
Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10 / Jas 5:7-10 / Mt 11:2-11
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11 / Mt 18:12-14
Thursday: Is 41:13-20 / Mt 11:11-15
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 / Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Weekly Collections November 27, 29, & 30, 2025

Attendance AOOL: 21 / 70 / 74 **Weekly:** \$ 1,680.00 **Christmas Flowers:** \$ 55.00
Cathedral: \$ 474.00 **Poor Box:** \$ 55.00
Attendance SA: 16 / 45 **Weekly:** \$ 611.00 **Christmas Flowers:** \$ 90.00
Poor Box: \$ 100.00



Ministry Schedule

Annunciation:

Sat., Dec. 13, 4:30 PM

Lector: Jackie Beverlin

E.M.: Pat Penrod,

Jane Adams,

Christy Kegg

Ushers: Mark Clayton,

Steve Penrod

Server: Chuck Ebeling

Cantor: Phil Douthitt

Sun., Dec. 14, 9:00 AM

Lector: Christa Dommers

E.M.: Rob Bright,

Lou Miltenberger,

Margie Grogg

Ushers: Joe Dodrill,

Dave Abe

Server: Mary Jane Bright

Cantor: Phil Douthitt

Counters: Patti Henry &

Patricia Folk

St. Anthony's:

Sun., Dec. 14, 11:00 AM

Greeter: Derrick Robey

Lector: Jean Dorsey

E.M.: Judy Wolfe,

Michele Schultz,

Ushers: Derrick Robey,

Wayne Houdersheldt

Servers: Volunteers

Cantor: Rosemary Lehman

**THIS IS THE LAST WEEKEND TO
SIGN UP FOR THE JOINT PARISH
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**Fr. Dan on Vacation - Mon.,
Dec. 15th to Fri., Dec. 19th**

From the Desk of Fr. Dan

Welcome to December! We had a wee bit of snow on Tuesday, so I guess winter has arrived. For those of you flying south for the winter, enjoy your time in the sun. Think of us while you lie on the beach soaking in the rays.

I hope those who came out for *The Miracle of Christmas* enjoyed the show. Sight & Sound always does an excellent job in their productions, very well done.

For those at St. Anthony's, especially if you come on Thursday evenings for Adoration and Mass, you have noticed that it's dark out by the time you get there. With that, the parking lot and the entrance were very dark, until now. Our very own, Derrick Robey, repaired the parking lot lights on both sides and the entrance lights (the two pole lights) for us. This will give us some illumination so that we can see as we go to our cars and help us feel safer in the process. THANK YOU, Derrick.

This weekend, on Saturday, we celebrate the feast day of St. Nicholas. He was bishop of Myra and lived from 270-343 AD. Of Greek descent, he was born in Patara in Anatolia, in modern day Turkey. Coming from a wealthy family, he gave his inheritance to the poor when his parents died. There are stories of his miracles, so he is also known as the Wonderworker. He is the patron saint of sailors, merchants, children and toymakers. After he became bishop, he was imprisoned under the persecution of the Roman emperor Diocletian. After Diocletian's death and the ascent of Constantine to the throne, Nicholas was released. He attended the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD. This is the council which gave us, in part, our Creed. He was known for giving gifts to others in secret. He would put coins in shoes. This gave rise to the tradition of placing shoes outside doors overnight on December 6th (his feast day). In the morning, one would wake up to gifts in their shoes. The legend of Santa Claus arose from St. Nicholas and his gift giving, arising from Dutch traditions centered on him. When the Dutch traveled to the New World to New Amsterdam (now New York City), they brought their traditions with them including *Sinterklaas*, as they called him. I don't think St. Nicholas had any reindeer, especially where he lived, but who knows. So, there you have it. Now where did the name Kris Kringle come from? Maybe we'll look at that another time.

Jolly Old Saint Nicholas, Lean your ear this way! Don't you tell a single soul What I'm going to say. Christmas Eve is coming soon; Now you dear old man, Whisper what you'll bring to me, Tell me if you can.

Here we go:

What do you call someone who tells dad jokes but isn't a dad? A faux pa.

A weasel walks into a bar. The bartender says, "Wow, I've never served a weasel before. What can I get you?" "Pop," goes the weasel.

A church just got WiFi, what did they call it? The Promised LAN.

For cat lovers: You know that terrifying moment when...your cat enters your room, stares at something in the corner you can't see and then runs away in a panic.

Have a good week. See you at the Christmas party on the 14th.

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, 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, Wally Mowry, Robin Patch, Colleen Patton, Marilyn Paul, Steve Pelaez, Heather Peters, Bonnie Price, 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 7th:** Second Sunday of Advent. **Social Sunday at both churches!** - Ft. Ashby Tree Lighting at 5 PM at Lions BBQ
- † **Monday, December 8th:** Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Holy Day of Obligation
- † **Tuesday, December 9th:** SA will pray the Rosary before 12:00 (N) Mass
- † **Wednesday, December 10th:** SA Craft Day

- † **10 AM - 1 PM. K of C Council #15610** meeting at 7 PM in the social hall at AOOL.
- † **Thursday, December 11th:** Reconciliation at SA before 6:30 PM Mass
- † **Saturday, December 13th:** Reconciliation at AOOL at 4:00 PM before 4:30 PM Mass.
- † **Sunday, December 14th:** Third Sunday of Advent - **Joint Parish Christmas Party, 2 PM** in social hall at AOOL.

Giving Tree at AOOL - December 1st to Dec. 18th. Take a tag from the tree in the vestibule. Purchase a gift or gifts, wrap & put in social hall on back table with initials on tag. Please, no late gifts.

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.



Christmas Cookie Exchange at AOOL - December 21st, after Mass.

Bring 2 dz. cookies, homemade or store bought and exchange for 2 dz. different types of cookies to take home.

WISHING YOU A BLESSED HOLIDAY SEASON

December 8th: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Monday - Holy Day of Obligation) AOOL - 9:00 AM SA - 12 (N)

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)



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.
- Continue to collect donations to provide 13 Sisters from the Franciscan Sisters of Christ the Light Convent a movie night with popcorn and snacks.



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.



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



The Catholic Parishes of

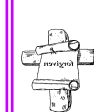
ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD & SAINT ANTHONY

December 7, 2025

Second Sunday of Advent

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Luke 3:4, 6



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)

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Price

Email: dprice@dwc.org

K of C #15610 Grand Knight: Brian Crist
Directors of Religious Education

Michele Schultz (St. Anthony)

Matt Sisk (Annunciation)

Sacristan (SA): Fran McFarland

Sacristan (AOOL): Mike Weaver/Volunteers

Organist (SA): Becky Wolfe

Organist (AOOL):

Nursing Home Coordinator: Linda Ward

OCIA Coordinator (AOOL): Armando Herrera

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Office Hours Monday-Thursday 8 AM -1 PM

Tammy Collett, Parish Secretary

Kathy Brockett, Bookkeeper/Secretary

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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