

Schedule of Masses

Saturday, January 31	9:00 AM (SA)	No Mass
<i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)</i> <i>St. John Bosco, Priest</i>	4:30 PM (AOOL)	Robin Hughes † Req. by People of the Parish
Sunday, February 1	9:00 AM (AOOL)	For the People
<i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	11:00 AM (SA)	Zachary Medovic & Emma Daly Req. by Judy Wolfe
Tuesday, February 3	12:00 (N) (SA)	Judy (Linthicum) McKenzie † Req. by the Cumberland Historic Cemetery Org.
<i>St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr;</i> <i>St. Ansgar, Bishop</i>		
Wednesday, February 4	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Jennifer Pyles (<i>Birthday</i>) Req. by Greg & Sue Pyles
Thursday, February 5	6:30 PM (SA)	Edward W. Taylor, Sr. † Req. by Ed Taylor
Friday, February 6	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Ronald & Betty Grabenstein † Req. by Bob Grabenstein
<i>St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs</i>	10:30 AM (CCDV)	Residents & Homebound
Saturday, February 7	9:00 AM (SA)	Rev. D. Kent Durig † Req. by People of the Parish
<i>BVM</i>		
<i>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)</i>	4:30 PM (AOOL)	For the People
Sunday, February 8	9:00 AM (AOOL)	Michelle Milton (<i>Birthday 2/10</i>) Req. by Greg & Sue Pyles
<i>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>World Marriage Day</i>	11:00 AM (SA)	Thelma K. (Miller) Roberts † Req. by the Cumberland Historic Cemetery Org.

Weekly Readings

Monday: Mal 3:1-4 / Heb 2:14-18 / Lk 2:22-40 **Tuesday:** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3 / Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 / Mk 6:1-6 **Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 / Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Sir 47:2-11 / Mk 6:14-29 **Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13 / Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 58:7-10 / 1 Cor 2:1-5 / Mt 5:13-16

Weekly Collections - Saturday, January 24, 2026

Attendance AOOL: 90 **Weekly:** \$ 1537.00 **Developing World:** \$ 20.00
Poor Box: \$ 20.00 **Candles:** \$ 43.00 **Debt.:** \$ 25.00

Attendance SA: No Mass due to inclement Weather



Ministry Schedule

Annunciation: Sat., February 7, 4:30 PM

Lector: Mark Seward
E.M.: Joe Hughes,
Pat Penrod,
Christy Kegg
Ushers: Mark Clayton,
Steve Penrod
Server: Chuck Ebeling
Cantor: Phil Douthitt

Sun., Feb. 8, 9:00 AM

Lector: Sue Long
E.M: Harolyn Sherman,
Doug Long,
Rob Bright
Ushers: Tony Liller,
Chris Liller
Server: Mary Jane Bright
Cantor: Phil Douthitt
Counters: Phil Douthitt
& Michele Martz

St. Anthony's: Sun., Feb. 8, 11:00 AM

Greeter: Derrick Robey
Lector: Judy Wolfe
E.M.: Michele Schultz,
Peggy Brakeall,
Wayne Houdersheldt
Ushers: Fred Wolfe,
Amber Houdersheldt
Servers: Volunteer
Cantor: Patty Maiers

Be the reason
someone smiles
today!



Well, I hope everybody was able to dig out of "Snowmegeddon." At least that's how it was portrayed by the weather pundits. It was to be a storm that we would always remember and tell our grandkids about. I don't know about that, at least for here. I hoped for just the snow since it was a dry, fluffy snow, but **no**, we had to have sleet on top of that, which made things more difficult to shovel. We survived. We are Fort Ashby and Ridgeley, and we pulled up our big boy and big girl pants to do what we had to do. After all, we are West Virginians!! YEAH!

Shout out to Bob Grabenstein for the back-breaking work of shoveling the sidewalk around Annunciation and touching things up to make them more passable and safer for all of us.

Do you know what's crazy? Coming up in 2 1/2 weeks is **Ash Wednesday**. We just finished the Christmas season, and now we are staring down at Lent around the corner. What in the world! With that in mind, the schedule for that day on Wednesday, February 18th is: AOOL Mass at 8:00 AM; St. Anthony Mass at 12 noon. That means Stations of the Cross will begin on Friday, the 20th, at 6:30 PM at both churches. As is my norm, I will alternate each week on where I'll be.

As we approach the season of Lent, I would like to share a few thoughts as we prepare for it. These thoughts are not just for Lent, but for any time of the year, but they may be more meaningful as we enter into Lent. We all remember, either fondly or not, our school days. We remember taking in all that information from the teacher as he/she imparted wisdom to us as students. We recall cramming for the exam and hoping for a good grade. Sometimes the information stayed with us because we might have enjoyed the class or would use it in our chosen field, or we soon forgot about it for whatever reason. As people, we learn whether in a formal classroom or in the classroom of life; we are constantly learning and growing in knowledge. The same applies to spiritual life. We are constantly learning and growing, or we should be. With that, we are more than students in life; we are pilgrims on a journey. In the spiritual life, it's not so much about learning, although that's important. It's also about being moved by the power of God working in our lives. God invites us to walk with him, to listen, to wonder, to feel, and to respond. We can take in the knowledge and learn more about God, but we must also be moved in some way by it. As we move through Lent, let us see it as a journey towards God and a deeper relationship with Him. May the season be a time to draw closer to the one who made us and loves us.

How about a pop quiz, especially for you movie buffs:

Who ordered a Diablo sandwich and a Dr. Pepper in "Smokey and the Bandit?" ... What is the name of Snowman's Bassett Hound?"

How about the name of the Bassett Hound in "The Dukes of Hazzard?"

It's that time again: What country's capital has the fastest-growing population? Ireland. Every day it's Dublin.

Sign seen at a hardware store...

Husbands: You must have a signed note from your wife when choosing paint colors.

A true sign you are getting old. Every night around 10:00 PM, you realize it's only 6:30 PM.

Have a great week, stay warm.

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 & Roger Lantz, Ernest Lease, Bob Lewis, Audrey Liller, Annie Light, Ed Lindner, Luke Lindner, Ty Linthicum, Catherine & Kierstin Lippold, Maggie Luzier, 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, Michelle Wallace, Linda & Ronnie Ward, Adam Watts, Carl Welch, Mark Wilbourne, Joe & Dolly Wolfe, Judy Wolfe and Family, Bob Wolford, Harlow Wooton

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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| † Saturday, January 31st: Reconciliation at AOOL at 4 PM before 4:30 Mass | † Thursday, February 5th: Eucharistic Adoration at SA at 5:30 PM |
| † Sunday, February 1st: Social Sunday at both churches | † Friday, February 6th: Mass at CCDV at 10:30 AM for Residents & Homebound |
| † Monday, February 2nd: Groundhog Day | † Saturday, February 7th: 9 AM Mass at SA |
| † Tuesday, February 3rd: Eucharistic Adoration at AOOL 5-7 PM | † Tuesday, February 10th: 12 (N) Mass at SA CANCELLED. Fr. Dan away at Vicariate Mtg. |

Our 2nd collection on **February 8th**, is for *Church Missions within the United States*.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Anthony - Thursdays at 5:30 PM
Annunciation of Our Lord - 1st Tuesday of the month (February 3rd) 5 - 7 PM.

DO YOU HAVE 1 HOUR TO SPEND WITH OUR LORD?



**FEBRUARY 18TH
LENT BEGINS**



Please help us keep germs at bay and everyone well!



**National Marriage Week
February 7 - 14, 2026**

Shanty Irish tickets are \$20/ each and are available from a Knight or by calling the office.



World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Church over the weekend of January 31 - February 1. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to **thank them on their special day**. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

Lent: In-person Retreat

Traditionally, Lent is a time when we recommit ourselves to more serious prayer, along with fasting and almsgiving. The West Virginia Institute for Spirituality is an ecumenical center for prayer and spiritual growth, located in the heart of the city of Charleston, West Virginia and is offering an In-person Retreat. There is still time to register.

The Retreat will be held on **Saturday, February 7, 2026 (9:30 – 3:30)** – Sr. Cheryl Clemons, OSU, Ph.D., Executive Director of WWIS, will offer a Day of Prayer and Reflection entitled “Deepening Our Prayer Life: Advice from the Four St. Teresas.” For more information, visit our website at www.wvis.org/programs or email Sr. Cheryl at exec.director@wvis.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #15610 - Annual Membership Dues for 2026 are now due:

Regular Members - \$25.00; Life Members & Members; under 26 - \$10.50; Honorary Life Members: \$0.00
 Dues may be given to **Bob Grabenstein** or mailed to **183 Gilmore Ln., Springfield, WV 26763**

CURRENTLY, DUES ARE 45% PAID

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

February 1, 2026

*4th Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

*Rejoice and be glad; your
reward will be great in heaven.*



Matthew 5:12a

 <p>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays 4:00-4:15 PM (AOOL) Thursdays 6:00-6:15 PM (SA) or by appointment</p>	 <p>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION Thursdays 5:30 PM (SA) 1ST Tuesday of the month 5 PM - 7 PM (AOOL)</p>
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<p>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</p>	<p>E-mail: annunciationchurch@atlanticbbn.net Website: aoolsa.org www.facebook.com/groups/147125069949301 Office Hours Monday-Thursday 8 AM -1 PM Tammy Collett, Parish Secretary Kathy Brockett, Bookkeeper/Secretary Physical Address: 8871 Frankfort Hwy. AOOL - Fort Ashby, WV 26719 SA - 176 Main St., Ridgeley, WV 26753 Mailing Address (both parishes): P.O. Box 1560, Fort Ashby, WV 26719-1560 Phone: (304) 298-3392 Fax: (304) 298-3419</p>
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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