

Schedule of Masses

Saturday, March 1 <i>BVM</i>	9:00 AM (SA)	Frank Sivic † Req. by People of the Parish
<i>Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)</i>	4:30 PM (AOOL)	Joe Hughes (healing) Req. by People of the Parish
Sunday, March 2 <i>Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL)	For the People
	11:00 AM (SA)	Victims of Mass Shootings Req. by St. Anthony's Guild
Tuesday, March 4 <i>St. Casimir</i>	12:00 (N) (SA)	The Poor Souls in Purgatory Req. by The Cumberland Historical Cemetery Organization
Wednesday, March 5 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Paul Biser † Req. by Dave & Debbie Abe
	12 (N) (SA)	Patty Maiers Req. by People of the Parish
Thursday, March 6	6:30 PM (SA)	Judy Wolfe Req. by People of the Parish
Friday, March 7 <i>Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs World Day of Prayer</i>	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Paul Biser † Req. by Susie & Rick Park
	10:30 AM (CCDV)	Residents & Homebound
Saturday, March 8 <i>St. John of God, Religious First Sunday of Lent (Vigil)</i>	9:00 AM (SA)	No Mass
	4:30 PM (AOOL)	Denny McGann † Req. by Nancy McGann & Family
Sunday, March 9 <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL)	Paul Biser † Req. by Knights of Columbus Council #15610
	11:00 AM (SA)	For the People

Weekly Readings



Monday: Sir 17:20-24 / Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: Sir 35: 1-12 / Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: JI 2:12-18 / 2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2 / Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20 / Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a / Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14 / Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10 / Rom 10:8-13 / Lk 4:1-13



Weekly Collections February 22 - 23, 2025

Attendance AOOL: 33 / 79

Weekly: \$ 2,04800 Poor Box: \$ 126.00

Candles: \$ 26.00

Attendance SA: 45 Weekly: \$ 911.00 Candles: \$ 44.00



Ministry Schedule

Annunciation:

Sat., March 8, 4:30 PM

Lector: Christy Kegg

EM: Joe Hughes,

Pat Penrod,

Jane Adams

Ushers: Joe Hughes,

Steve Penrod

Server: Chuck Ebeling

Cantor: Phil Douthitt

Sun., March 9, 9:00 AM

Lector: Mary Jane Bright

EM: John Liller,

Sue Long,

Sue Pyles

Ushers: Joe Dodrill,

Larry McKenzie

Server: Patti Henry

Cantor: Phil Douthitt

Counters: Michele Martz,

Phil Douthitt

St. Anthony's:

Sun., March 9, 11:00 AM

Greeter: Anna Kirk

Lector: Debbie Boone

EM: Judy Wolfe,

Michele Schultz,

Sly Logsdon

Ushers: Amber Houldersheldt

Wayne Houldersheldt

Servers: Volunteers

Cantor: Patty Maiers &

Rosemary Lehman

*Continued prayers
for Pope Francis*

Happy March! Well, and that's a deep subject, we have left behind another month and have entered another already; 2025 is traveling at warp factor 8.

I want to thank all of you who wished me well and prayed for me while I was sick with "the crud." I very much appreciate the concern, y'all are the best. Please keep Bella in your prayers as she is recovering from her surgery. She was spayed this past Tuesday and needs to take it easy for a few more days to properly heal. Thank you.

This Wednesday, the 5th, is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. Hard to believe it's already here. We will have Mass at both locations: 8:00 AM at AOOL and 12:00 noon at SA. Those times might not work for everyone, so here are the times and locations in the Cumberland area:

9:00 AM Mass at St. Mary's

12:00 noon service (*no communion*, just ashes) at St. Patrick's

6:30 PM Mass at SS Peter & Paul

Ash Wednesday is **not a holy day of obligation**. It is a sacramental, much like holy water is. It is a sign of our faith; the ashes remind us of where we came from and where we are going. With that, it should humble us and help us draw closer to God. "From dust you came, and dust you shall return" is one of the formulas that the Church uses as it distributes the ashes. The other one is, "Repent and believe in the Gospel." Both are appropriate for the day as we begin our Lenten journey and look on the horizon to the resurrection of our Lord and Savior. Lent is a time of introspection, a looking inward, as we, hopefully, want to grow in our faith and draw closer to our God. If we feel that we are at the same spiritual place on Easter Sunday where we were on Ash Wednesday, then we missed something along the way and didn't get the full benefit of the Lenten season. Let us take some time this season to really embark on a journey of spiritual growth. That can have many different forms for us. Each of us takes the same path, but we each do it differently. Traditionally, during Lent there are the Stations of the Cross. They will take place every Friday in Lent at each church at 6:30 PM. Stations of the Cross is like walking with Jesus as he carries his cross to his place of execution. It can be a profound experience and is for many people. Why not come out and join us as we journey on the way with our Lord to Mount Calvary? Maybe trying a devotional like the rosary or something similar may be helpful. There are many different things we can do to draw closer to our Lord this time of year. Of course, a good way to start it off right is to come to Ash Wednesday Mass. Ashes are an outward symbol of what we believe. Hopefully, it reminds us of our mortality and our need for a savior.

And now some words to think about:

"Jacob lied, Moses murdered, Saul hunted down Christians, David had an affair, and Peter disowned Jesus. God used every single one of these people to build the Kingdom. You are never too far gone for God to use. Don't let the devil steal your story, let Christ rewrite it."

You wake up tomorrow and you've gone back in time to the year 1971. What car are you driving? What's your favorite song on the radio? What TV show or movie has your interest? Are you into shag carpet? Are you wearing bell bottoms in 1971? What groovy color are the kitchen appliances? Give it a thought. Can you dig it? Slap me some skin, man.

Have a great start to the first week of Lent.

Please Pray for: Ruth Abe, Dena Albright, Walter Aumuller, Barb Biser, Grayson Bishop, Nathan Blubaugh, Barbara & Greg Bonat, Darlene Bridges, Mary Kay Britt, Ron Brockett, Vicky Brown, Cathy Case, Carla Clark, Julia Codire, Marsha Combs, Robert Dayton, Nick Dearcangelis, Deb DeGeorge, 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, Jim Hymes, Jim Howard, Joe Hughes, Janet Jack, Marc Jedlowski, Kenneth Jenkins, Todd Jones, Lisa Jones, Wanda Kirk, Michael Knotts, Margritt Krams, Stacy Kobe, Liz Lantz, Ernest Lease, Bob Lewis, Audrey Liller, Annie Light, Ed Lindner, Ty Linthicum, Catherine & Kierstin Lippold, Doug Long, Bob Maiers, Galen Markley, Jim Martin, Janice McBride, Tom McCoy, Greyson McCullough, Marty Medovic, Maddox Mervinsky, Joey & Heather Miltenberger, Adrienne Monroe, Steve Morgan, Robin Patch, Colleen Patton, Marilyn Paul, Steve Pelaez, George Perry, Heather Peters, Bonnie Price, Mary Susan Resser, Jacob Robey, Kira Robey, Bertha Romine, Malea Rugg, Cody & Jenny Saville, Debbie Seward, Samantha Shank, Shawnee Simmons, Luke Sites, Destinee Smith, Barry Steed, Harper Struntz, Donna Struntz, Christopher & Christine Thibault, Lu Thibault, Adam Watts, Reva Waybright, Carl Welch, Mark Wilbourne, Joe Wolfe, Judy Wolfe and Family, Bob Wolford, Mary Margaret Wollan, Harlow Wooton

ANNOUNCEMENTS


- † **Tuesday, March 4th:** SA will pray the Rosary before 12 (N) Mass
 - † **Wednesday, March 5th:** ASH WEDNESDAY AOOOL Mass 8:00 AM and SA Mass 12 (N)
 - † **Thursday, March 6th:** Reconciliation at SA's at 6:00 PM, before 6:30 PM Mass
 - † **Friday, March 7th:** CCDV Mass at 10:30 AM
- † **for Residents and Homebound. (Both Churches will begin Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM every Friday, with Friday April 11th, being the last Friday before Holy Week.)**
 - † **Saturday, March 8th:** Reconciliation at AOOOL at 4:00 PM before 4:30 PM Mass.
 - † **Sunday, March 9th:** DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME. First Sunday of LENT

We congratulate those celebrating their Wedding Anniversaries this month: Joe & Karen Dodrill, (50 yrs. on 3/7); Danny & Jane Adams, (53 yrs. on 3/25); Bill & Christine Brode, (60 yrs. on 3/26)

Birthdays Blessings Jeff Dominick, Julie Marcellino, (3/3); Toni Brothers, (3/4); Cole Livingston (3/6); Samuel Notel, (3/8); Linda Hoey, (3/9); Nicholas Smith, (3/10); Marjorie Grogg, Tanner Robey, (3/11); Jennifer Engelbach, (3/13); Richard Miller, (3/16); Danny Adams, (3/21); Murt Robey, (3/26); Dave Abe, Selena Wolf, Fran McFarland, Rosemary Lehman, (3/28); Connie Hughes, (3/29); Ariana Herrera-DosReis (3/31)

Lent Begins March 5th. This is a special season within the Church year that focuses on the two-fold theme of repentance and Baptism. We prepare ourselves to celebrate the Paschal Mystery of Christ.


IMPORTANT GUIDELINES FOR ALL CATHOLICS - Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by everyone 18 years and older, who has not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, enough to maintain strength, may be taken, according to each one's needs but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but consuming liquids, including milk and juices, is allowed. Abstinence is observed by everyone 14 years of age or older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or the ability to work is affected, the law does not apply. Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays during Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence. If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, other suitable forms of self-denial are encouraged.



Stations of the Cross will begin at both Churches on Friday, March 7th at 6:30 PM. Come and walk with Jesus on the path He travelled for **each of us.**

Knights of Columbus Council # 586, Located at 66 N. Mechanic St., Cumberland, MD, will be open for the **Hooley Pub Crawl** on **Sat., March 15th, at 1:00 PM** for specials and music. Also, featuring **the Shanty Irish Band** at 8:30 PM. Cover will be \$10.00 per person.

**PRAYER
FASTING
ALMSGIVING**




A vigil candle for the month of March has been lit for the **United States of America** by St. Anthony's Guild.

Eucharistic Adoration at Annunciation on the 1st Friday of the month from 4 PM - 6 PM has been postponed for the month of **March and April**. We will address if there is enough participation to continue in May.

Spring forward
MARCH 9th Don't forget to set clocks ahead one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday. **AP**




LAST CHANCE TO GET TICKETS
Saturday, March 8, 2025 at AOOOL, in the Social Hall 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Featuring: **The Shanty Irish Band**
Tickets are available from any Knight or at the Parish Office by calling 304-298-3392.



World Day of Prayer 2025
Friday, March 7th - This is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who come together for prayer and action for peace and justice.
I Made You Wonderful
Psalm 139:14

Our Spiritual Adoption Tree - Week 25 - Baby spends most of their time sleeping, and cycles between rapid eye movement (REM) sleep and non-REM sleep every 20 to 40 minutes. He or she is growing more hair and gaining weight. www.babycenter.com

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

March 2, 2025



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*People do not pick figs from thornbushes,
nor do they gather grapes from brambles.
From the fullness of the heart
the mouth speaks.*



"It is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but what comes out of the mouth: this defiles a person."
Matthew 15:11

Luke 6:39-45

 <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 Friday of the month, (AOOL) 4 - 6 PM is cancelled for the month of March and April</p>	
<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): Jenn Tupa 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 <u>Monday-Thursday 8 AM -1 PM</u> Tammy Collett, Parish Secretary Kathy Brockett, Bookkeeper/Secretary Physical Address: 8819 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>	

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