

Schedule of Masses

Saturday, March 7 <i>Sts. Perpetua and Felicity</i>	9:00 AM (SA)	William & Blanche Desoto † Req. by Monica Desoto
<i>3rd Sunday of Lent (Vigil)</i>	4:30 PM (AOOL)	Dennis McGann † Req. by Nancy McGann
Sunday, March 8 <i>3rd Sunday of Lent</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL)	For the People
	11:00 AM (SA)	Charlotte McCullough Req. by St. Anthony's Guild
Tuesday, March 10	12:00 (N) (SA)	Sr. Patricia Sullivan, CSJ † Req. by People of the Parish
Wednesday, March 11	8:00 AM (AOOL)	The Miltenberger Family † Req. by Jean Bradshaw
Thursday, March 12	6:30 PM (SA)	Charlie & Debbie Boone Req. by People of the Parish
Friday, March 13	8:00 AM (AOOL)	Bob Wolford † Req. by Brian & Tammy Collett
Saturday, March 14	9:00 AM (SA)	No Mass
<i>4th Sunday of Lent (Vigil)</i>	4:30 PM (AOOL)	For the People
Sunday, March 15 <i>Laetare Sunday</i> <i>4th Sunday of Lent</i>	9:00 AM (AOOL)	Joe & Dolly Wolfe Req. by People of the Parish
	11:00 AM (SA)	Bob Wolford † Req. by Judy Wolfe

Weekly Readings

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab / Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43 / Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9 / Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28 / Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10 / Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6 / Lk 18:9-14
Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a / Eph 5:8-14 / Jn 9:1-41



Sin killed **Jesus**
Lust kills **Love**
Fear kills **Faith**
Anger kills **Gratitude**
Laziness kills **Purpose**
Distraction kills **Focus**

NOW READ THIS BACKWARDS

Weekly Collections - Saturday, Feb 28, & March 1, 2026

Attendance AOOL: 58 / 85 **Weekly:** \$ 2,337.00 **Debt:** \$ 1,764.00
Priest Retir.: \$ 30.00 **Candles:** \$ 39.00 **Flowers:** \$405.00 **Poor Box:** \$ 77.00
Attendance SA: 47 **Weekly:** \$ 1,315.00 **Build Fd:** \$ 519.00 **Flowers:** \$ 115.00 **Candles:** \$ 10.00



Ministry Schedule

Annunciation:

Sat., Mar. 14th, 4:30 PM

Lector: Mark Seward

E.M.: Christy Kegg,

Jane Adams,

Pat Penrod

Ushers: Mark Clayton,

Steve Penrod

Server: Chuck Ebeling

Cantor: Sean Douthitt

Sun., Mar. 15th, 9:00 AM

Lector: Christa Dommers

E.M: Sue Pyles,

Lou Miltenberger,

Harolyn Sherman

Ushers: Bob Grabenstein,

Rob Bright

Server: Dave Abe

Cantor: Sean Douthitt

Counters: Greg & Sue

Pyles

St. Anthony's:

Sun., Mar. 15th, 11:00 AM

Greeter: Joy Cowgill

Lector: Debbie Boone

E.M.: Peggy Brakeall,

Judy Wolfe

Michele Schultz

Ushers: Wayne Houdersheldt

Amber Houdersheldt

Servers: Volunteer

Cantor: Rosemary Lehman



Please Pray for: Laura Beth Amtower, Dena & Jason Albright, Walter & Jennifer Aumuller, Jay Bailey, Julian M. Barajas, Amy Barrett, Grayson Bishop, Nathan Blubaugh, Barbara & Greg Bonat, Kara Breedlove, Darlene Bridges, Mary Kay Britt, Vicky Brown, Denise Cameron, Cathy Case, Bob & Carla Clark, Krista Howard-Clarke, 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, Janet Jack, Marc Jedlowski, Kenneth Jenkins, Lisa Jones, Anna 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, Nia 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, Harlow Wooton

From the Desk of Fr. Dan

Hello! Is it me you're looking for? We're getting close to the midway point of Lent, and I'd thought I'd bring you a little history of the Stations of the Cross. I must give credit to the Brights who were at St. Brendan's in Elkins and brought me one of their bulletins; it had an article about the history of the Stations. So, this is not my work, credit goes to St. Brendan's pastor, Father Jim O'Connor.

The Stations of the Cross or the "Way of the Cross" can be traced back to the 16th century when it was officially recognized and marked by specific stations. The origins date back even further. In the 4th century, when the Emperor Constantine legalized Christianity, Christians commemorated the path they believed Jesus walked on his way to the cross, and these stations became points along the way to a devotion.

By the 5th century, the Church looked to make the experience a pilgrimage, but for those unable to travel to the Holy Lands, the Church wanted to make it accessible for them allowing the faithful to still do a pilgrimage doing the journey spiritually from afar. In the 16th century, devotional books appeared on the scene to help the faithful journey the "Via Dolorosa" (The Way of suffering). By 1731, Pope Clement XII fixed the number of stations at fourteen and permitted churches to have them for the people so they could walk the journey with the Lord in their home church.

By 1742, Pope Benedict XIV encouraged all priests to have stations in their churches - by having fourteen crosses - but often with depictions of images that reflected each station. In more recent times, several devotional booklets have added a fifteenth station to commemorate the Resurrection. Today, the Stations of the Cross remain a central devotional practice for Catholics around the globe, offering them a spiritual journey that connects them with Jesus as he walked the road to the cross, to his crucifixion. Now you know so that you're in the know; you know.

Here we go:

Every time I visit a website, I click to accept the cookies. But I have yet to receive a single cookie, and I'm getting sick and tired of all the lies.

Did you hear about the man who fell onto an airport carousel? Sources say he's coming around.

In the Middle Ages, people would attach a lamp to a horse when riding at night. It's the earliest known source of saddle light navigation.

And, when we die, which is the last part of the body to die? Pupils, they dilate.


I can hear the groans already.

Have a good week.


ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **Sunday, March 8th: Daylight Savings Time,** Spring Forward! SA will pray the Rosary for the Unborn before 11 AM Mass.
- † **Monday, March 9th: Craft Day at St. Anthony's 10 AM—1 PM (date moved due to making candy)**
- † **Tuesday, March 10th:** SA will pray the Rosary before 12 (N) Mass—Grief Support Group will meet at the Ft. Ashby Community Bldg. 1 PM - 3 PM
- † **Wednesday, March 11th:** SA will make candy eggs from 10 AM - 2 PM. **Knights of Columbus**

- #15610 Business Meeting at 7 PM at AOOL
- † **Thursday, March 12th:** Reconciliation at SA's at 6 PM before 6:30 PM Mass
- † **Friday, March 13th:** SA will make candy eggs from 10 AM - 2 PM. **Stations of the Cross** at 6:30 PM at both churches. AOOL - "**Bring a meatless soup**" to share at 5:30 PM before Stations.
- † **Saturday, March 14th:** Reconciliation at AOOL at 4 PM before 4:30 PM Mass
- † **Sunday, March 15th:** SA Guild Mtg. after Mass



A candle for the month of March has been lit for Our Seminarians by St. Anthony's Guild.



St. Anthony's Guild is making **candy eggs** on Wednesdays and Fridays, if anyone would like to help. They are offering peanut butter and coconut eggs and the price is \$2/ each. An order form has been placed in both churches. **All orders must be placed no later than March 8th.**

Knights of Columbus 586, located at 66 N. Mechanic St Cumberland, MD invites you to the Hooley Pub Crawl on Sat., **March 14th, 2026** at 1pm for drink specials and music, then we will be Featuring the **Shanty Irish Band** at 830pm. Cover will be \$10.00 per person.



Good Morning
let us serve
You Breakfast



The **VFW** in Ft. Ashby is having breakfast on Sunday, March 15th from 8 AM - 12 (N).
For just \$10.00 you get all you can eat pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, orange juice, and coffee.
(Take out available for \$10.00) **Everyone is welcome!**
ALL PROCEEDS GO TO VETERANS IN NEED.
VFW Post 6667 * Cottage Lane * Fort Ashby, WV * 304-298-3666



We are **collecting items to fill Easter Eggs** for our **Yearly Easter Egg Hunt at Annunciation on March 29th** (Palm Sunday). We appreciate your generosity and remind you that the items have to be **small enough** to fit in an egg. Thank you for helping to make this a success!




RETIREMENT FUND FOR DIOCESAN PRIESTS
Collection Date: March 8, 2026

This collection supports the Priests' Health and Retirement Association (PHRA), a fund that provides health insurance and retirement benefits to retired priests of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Please take a moment to reflect on the many years of service by our priests and how we can take this opportunity to thank them in a very particular way with a gift to the PHRA collection.



Keeping a Holy Lent


EVERY FRIDAY during Lent at AOOL
Bring a dish and join us at 5:30 PM
before Stations at 6:30 PM!

- † Mar. 13th - Meatless Soup
- † Mar. 20th - Meatless dish of any kind
- † Mar 27th - Meatless Pizza

IN SUPPORT OF Life  **Baby bottles** have been placed in the vestibule at AOOL. Please fill and return them by **May 10th**. Our **K of C #15610** will be donating all proceeds to the **James Isaac House in Keyser, WV**.

- * **Sunday, March 29th = Palm Sunday**
Easter Egg Hunt for parish children
- * **Thursday, April 2nd = Holy Thursday**
AOOL - 4:30 PM Mass SA -6:30 PM Mass
- * **Friday, April 3rd = Good Friday**
SA - 3:00 PM Mass AOOL - 5:00 PM Mass
- * **Saturday, April 4th = Easter Vigil**
SA - No 9:00 AM Mass AOOL 8:00 PM Mass
- * **Sunday, April 5th = Easter Day**
AOOL 9:00 AM Mass SA 11:00 AM Mass

Frankfort Elementary School has a request for **small water bottles**. These need to be plastic bottles for the kids to refill. **No straws**. Flip top is ok and remember these are for small hands so not the tall bottles. Just drop your donations off in the back of church at **St. Anthony's**.




The Catholic Parishes of

ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD & SAINT ANTHONY

March 8, 2026

Third Sunday of Lent




Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

John 4:42, 15



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

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

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

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.