

# Assumption Catholic Church

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*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*January 16, 2022*



***May You Find Christ Here...May You Bring Christ to the World!***

**Mass Schedule:**

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 noon

Friday, 9:00 a.m.

**Confessions:**

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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**Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Bulletin Deadline:**

Wednesday, 12 noon

## Sunday Reflection: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do we recognize the glory and presence of the Lord Jesus in our lives? God often reveals his glory to us in the improbable of places - in a cold stable at Bethlehem, at a village wedding party in Cana, on a bloody cross at Golgotha, or on the road to Emmaus. In today's Gospel reading we see the first public sign and miracle which Jesus performed. The Lord Jesus brought great blessing and joy to a newly-wed couple and their wedding party. First by his presence, and second by saving them from embarrassment when the wine ran out. Changing water into wine was a remarkable act of kindness. In the Old Testament wine is seen as both a gift and blessing of God (Deuteronomy 7:13; Proverbs 3:10, Psalm 105). That Jesus would miraculously produce 120 gallons of the best wine (many times more than needed) shows the superabundance of the blessings which he came to offer.

This miracle signifies the "new rich wine" of the Gospel and it points to the "wine of the new covenant" and the "bread of life" which Jesus provides for his disciples in the Lord's Supper or Eucharist. It also points to the Messianic banquet which Jesus will provide at the end of the age when he comes again in his glory. The miracles of Jesus demonstrate the power of God's love and mercy for his people. God's kindness knows no limits. And the ultimate expression of his love is revealed in the person of his Son, Jesus Christ. He became flesh for our sake, and he died for our redemption, and he rose that we, too, might be raised up and glorified with him. Do we thirst for God and for the abundant life and blessings he offers to us?

**Readings for next Sunday,  
January 23, 2022**  
Nehemiah 8:2-10  
1 Corinthians 12:12-30  
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21



## Saint of the Week: St. Anthony of Egypt

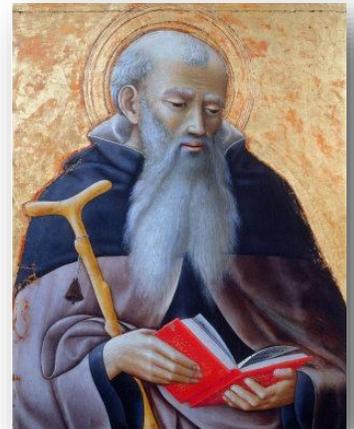
St. Anthony of Egypt, also known as St. Anthony the Great, was born in Egypt in 251 to a wealthy family. From an early age he showed no interest in the luxury of worldly life, and at age 20 when his parents died, he gave all of his inheritance to the poor and began his life as a hermit. At age 35 he moved to the desert and lived for 20 years in an abandoned fort.

Although most of Anthony's life was spent in solitude, no saint is antisocial. Anthony drew many people to him for spiritual healing and guidance. Word about him spread, and so many disciples arrived that Anthony founded two monasteries on the Nile. Descriptions paint him as modest and courteous. His example led many to take up the monastic life, which led to him being known as the founder of organized Christian monasticism.

Anthony is often pictured with a T-shaped cross, a pig and a book. The pig and the cross are symbols of his valiant warfare with the devil: the cross his constant means of power over evil spirits; the pig a symbol of the devil himself. The book recalls his preference for the book of nature over the printed word.

Anthony died at the age of 105. He is the patron saint of butchers, gravediggers and skin diseases.

Sources: [franciscanmedia.org](http://franciscanmedia.org) and [catholicsaints.info](http://catholicsaints.info)



*Feast Day: January 17*



## Parish Prayer List

Please pray for: Patricia Ansel, Jennifer Boling, Kista Crites, Bobby Dorsey, Barbara Gratto, Beth Grayson, Sue Greco, Barbara Grubbs\*, Eddie Halterman, Larry Hinkle\*, Helen Holder\*, Kathy Jenkins, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Pam Launi, Craig Leibig, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Sue Ann Spotts, Bill Stine, Scott Tasker and Maleigha Taylor.

*\*Resident of Stonerise Keyser (135 Southern Drive, Keyser WV 26726)*



**The 2021 Catholic Sharing Appeal closed December 31, and all we can say is ...**



Not only did we meet our CSA fund raising goal of \$15,835...**we shattered it!** A total of \$26,120 was raised or 165% of our goal. This is the first year since 2016 that we have met our goal. Thank you!

★★★ **165%** ★★★

As you know, the funds raised through the CSA were designated for the replacement of the roofs on the rectory and garage. This work began just after Christmas and was completed this week.

Our most sincere thanks to all of you for supporting our 2021 Catholic Sharing Appeal effort, and for all the other ways you support our parish, whether it be financially, spiritually, or physically with your time and talents. We are truly blessed with a kind and giving parish family.

*Thank you*

## † Note of Thanks

*I wish to thank all of you who sent cards, messages or calls for Christmas, my Ordination day, and my birthday. I'm sad that we didn't get to celebrate with a party, but it's better that we all stay safe. Maybe we can do it in spring!*

*I also will not be taking vacation this month, but will try again after Easter maybe.*

*Once again, I thank you for your gifts and your prayers.*

*Fr. Thomas*

## CCD Classes Resume January 23

CCD classes will resume next Sunday, January 23, from 9:30-10:30 a.m. The second semester schedule has been emailed to parents and is also available on our parish website.

As a reminder, if classes are cancelled due to inclement weather anytime during the winter months, it will be posted on our parish Facebook page and parents will receive a text from their child's teacher.



## Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, January 15	4:00 p.m.	Volunteers of Assumption Parish .....	Assumption Parish
Sunday, January 16	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Wilma Turner .....	Assumption Parish
Monday, January 17	No Mass		
Tuesday, January 18	No Mass		
Wednesday, January 19	5:00 p.m.	Soul of Brian Dorsey .....	Tammy Dorsey-Dale
Thursday, January 20	12 noon	Intentions of Fran Sommers .....	Mary Lambert
Friday, January 21	9:00 a.m.	Souls of John & Hazel Coffman .....	Cindy & Jim Alt
Saturday, January 22	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Ron Chiccehitto.....	Carol & Mitch Durst
Sunday, January 23	8:30 a.m.	Assumption Parish Catechists.....	Assumption Parish

## Collections & Attendance

January 8-9, 2022

### Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$2,270
Loose Donations.....	\$1,195
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$3,465</b>

### Attendance

Saturday 1/8.....	79
Sunday 1/9.....	32
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>111</b>

### Diocesan Collection

A Diocesan collection is being taken today for the Church in the Developing World, which includes Latin America, Central & Eastern Europe and Africa. A separate basket is available for this appeal. Thank you!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

January 17-February 20

### The New Testament

This free online course is offered through the University of Dayton. For more information or to register, contact Jeanne McKeets at [jmckeets@dwc.org](mailto:jmckeets@dwc.org).

February 12

### Together in Holiness Conference

St. John XXIII Pastoral Center, Charleston, WV

This one-day conference inspires spouses to grow together in holiness and empowers parents to form their children in the Catholic faith. Bishop Mark Brennan will participate. For more information, visit [forlifeandfamily.org](http://forlifeandfamily.org) and click on Events.

February 25-27

### Women's Retreat

St. John XXIII Pastoral Center, Charleston, WV

This annual women's retreat is cosponsored by our Diocese. For more information or to register, visit [dwc.org/2022-womens-retreat](http://dwc.org/2022-womens-retreat) or call Gerri Wright at 304-552-3662.



## PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, January 17, 2022



January 22

### Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

The Catholic bishops of the United States have designated January 22 as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

"9 Days for Life" is a novena prayed from January 19-27 for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection. To view the novena or receive daily emails or text messages, visit [9daysforlife.com](http://9daysforlife.com).

## Liturgical Minister Schedule

### Saturday, January 22

Lector: Kerri Wittman  
Servers: Sommer & Micah Alt  
EM: Sue Harber  
Cantor: Anita Tetreault  
Greeters: Mike & Robin McDowell

### Sunday, January 23

Lector: Kelley Kuhn  
Servers: Mike & Rosie Landes, Nick McKenzie  
EM: Kelley Kuhn  
Cantor: Candace Lowery  
Greeters: Denny Dolechek & Marvin Whetzel

### Saturday, January 29

Lector: Alan Taylor  
Servers: Tucker Newlin & Jude Barrick  
EM: Jean Harber  
Cantor: Linda Marsh  
Greeters: Bob & Karen Yowler

### Sunday, January 30

Lector: Paul Bogdan  
Servers: Tina & Derek Stephen  
EM: Mike Landis  
Cantor: Julie Alt  
Greeters: Michael & Sonja Stanislawczyk