

Saint Anne Catholic Church

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MISSION STATEMENT

St. Anne's Catholic Community
Aware of our rich Roman Catholic tradition
and our own particular parish needs, we
commit ourselves to the building of a
Christian community in which the Gospel
of Jesus Christ might be exemplified and
fulfilled.

To accomplish this mission and vision, we covenant ourselves to action in the following areas:

Prayer:

That individually and as a parish, we must create an atmosphere in which we recognize prayer as essential to our lives and liturgical celebrations as public expression of the source and summit of our lives in Christ.

Education:

That individually and as a community, we support Catholic education and a learning environment that addresses the uniqueness of each person by providing opportunity for maximum spiritual, intellectual, physical and social development.

Fellowship:

That individuals, small groups and the parish community recognize our responsibility to welcome all, accept our rich diversity, reverence our uniqueness and reconcile our differences.

Outreach:

That individually and as a community we pledge ourselves to be aware of the needs of others. We must not hesitate to respond to suffering, deprivation, separation or the loss of human dignity.

Parish Address: 316 Euclid Ave., Bristol, VA 24201

MASS SCHEDULE:

TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Parish Registration - Call the church office.

Confessions:

Tues., Wed., Thurs., 5:00-6:00 p.m., Sat., 8:45a-9:30a; 415-515p p.m. or by appointment.

Adoration: Tues. 9-10a; Sat. 8:30-9:30a "First" Tuesdays, 9a to 9p

Baptisms: Parents must attend Baptism Preparation. Contact the parish ofc.

Weddings: 8 months notice required to complete Marriage Preparation.

Interested in Joining the Catholic Church? Join our INQUIRY sessions to learn more about the Catholic faith. Please contact the parish office.

Bulletin Deadline: 12N on Mondays



After something terrible happens in our lives, we may conclude that God doesn't care, that God has abandoned us, or that there is no God. This is natural, for we cannot see our world as God sees our world. Isaiah tries to impress upon his listeners that God's thoughts and actions are so far above our own that we will never understand them. As Christians, we believe that God so loves us that God sent the Son, who suffered and died to save us. We trust that no matter what, God is with us. May we be assured by that truth as we gather today in God's name.

Readings for this Week (Sept. 25-Sept. 30)

Monday: Ezra 1:1-6; Luke 8:16-18 Tuesday: Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Luke 8:19-21

Wednesday: (Memorial: St. Vincent de Paul)

Wkday rdgs: Ezra 9:5-9; Luke 9:1-6

Memorial: 1 Cor. 1:26-31; Mt. 9:35-38

Thursday: Haggai 1:-8; Luke 9:7-9

Friday: (Feast: Saints Michael, Gabriel,

and Raphael, Archangels)

Daniel 7:9-10 (or) Revelation 12:7-12a;

John 1:47-51

Saturday: (Memorial: Saint Jerome)

Wkday rdgs: Zechariah 2:5-9; Luke 9:43b-45

Memorial: 2 Timothy 3:14-17; Mt. 3:47-52

Scripture for next Sunday (26th Sunday/Ordinary Time) Ezekiel 18:25-28

Turn away from sin and live!

Psalm 25

'Remember your mercies, O Lord."

Philippians 2:1-11 (or) Philippians 2:1-5

Christ became obedient even to the point of death.

Matthew 21:28-32

The one who obeys the Lord, even reluctantly, is the one who does the will of the Father.

It is never too late to change, for the worse or for the better. Ezekiel contrasts the virtuous person who turns away from God and chooses to sin with the wicked person who turns away from sin to do what is right. Jesus asks the chief priests and elders to consider two sons, one who says no, but ends up obeying, and the other who promises to obey, but doesn't follow through. Between these two readings, we hear Saint Paul — who changed his life dramatically after his encounter with Christ—exhort the Philippians to unify in Christ in thought and action. May we do the same.

A Message from Father Tom!!

Are you getting Father Tom's weekly Flocknotes?

It is the best way to keep up with what is happening each week and what is planned here at the parish.

Each Saturday morning Father Tom sends out a "Flocknote".

This is the best way for you to get the latest information!

Sign up at the link below!



https://stannecatholicbristol.flocknote.com/

The Word Among Us

There are still a few copies of the September issue of The Word Among Us on the table in the commons... pick up a copy to finish out this month! Next weekend we'll have the October issue in the commons — which is on three biblical characters whose lives were changes by Jesus: Mary Magdalene, Zacchaeus, and Thomas. The Word Among Us features uplifting and thought-provoking meditations based on the daily Mass readings.

Spanish Mass time change!!

Today (Sept. 24) is the last time for the Spanish Mass at 1pm.

Beginning next Sunday, October 1, the Spanish Mass will be celebrated at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.



SUNDAY SCHOOL of RELIGION STARTS TODAY!!

SUNDAY, SEPT. 24

For Grades K-5 9:45a—11:15a

You can register when you come to SSR!! or thru Flocknotes.. or contact Sarah French sfrench@stannes-bristol.org



Senior High Youth Ministry & Junior High Youth Ministry

- ◆ Sept. 24 Youth Ministry (BYC 6:00pm-8:00pm)
- Oct. 1 Youth Ministry (Church/BYC 6-8:00pm)
 - Meet in the Church at <u>5:45p</u> for Evening Prayer
- Oct. 7 Busch Gardens
- Oct. 8 Fun Night!
 - * Stickley Farm
- Oct. 15— Youth Ministry (BYC 6:00pm-8:00pm)

Join Youth Ministry! Mised the Youth Ministry Ice Cream Social/Open House? No problem! We'd like to invite teens in Gr. 6-12 to join us! Stay informed by checking the Youth Ministry schedule and get connected with our Flocknote. Questions, contact Laura Cochrane: 276-492-3095 or email lauracochrane@stannes-bristol.org

Please take a minute to join our Youth Ministry Flocknote!

This will help us stay connected and keep you informed of upcoming Youth events, last minute details, and any schedule changes.



Priesthood Sunday (Sept. 24)

Priesthood Sunday seeks to reaffirm the priesthood of Jesus Christ and its central place in the life of the Church. This day also specifically honors priests, without whom the Holy Sacraments could not be conferred, for a single day out of the 365 days of the year during which they tirelessly serve their parishes.

HOLY HOUR

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday, Sept. 26, 9a-10a

(after 8:30a weekday Mass)

Come spend time in private prayer with our Lord.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY: We will have a pro-life rosary at the Grotto this <u>Wed.</u>, <u>September 27</u>, at 12:15 p.m. We'll move to the Chapel if it rains.



Wednesday Bible Study

The Wednesday Bible study will begin on Wednesday September 27 at the St. Augustine Center from 1-230p with *Understanding the Old Testament*. There are no books to buy and no homework to do with this study. This is an opportunity for parents who have children in St. Anne Catholic School.

Please take note!

Fr. Tom will be away next weekend. Fr. Jay Biber will be here for Masses Sept. 30/Oct. 1

(no Saturday morning confessions Sept. 30, Fr. Jay will be here for confessions from 4-515pm.)

Fr. Tom will return Sunday afternoon and will celebrate our special Evening Prayer on Sunday, Oct. 1 at 6 p.m. to honor our local police, fire, and EMS personnel.

A Note of Thanks...

Dear St. Anne's Church family,

It is hard to believe it's been almost a month since I've been your organist/choir director and I do miss each of you all. I wanted to thank those who were responsible for my going away reception and for all the cards, the gifts, the texts and phone calls that I have received from so many of you. Cards are still coming to my home address and I'm very thankful not only for the gifts you have given me, but for the friendship and support. I am very blessed. I hope many of you will continue to stay in touch when you can. May God bless you all!!

In Joyful Song, *Chris Neal*



Saturday, Sept. 23 (Vigil: 25th Sunday/Ordinary Time)

5:30 p.m. †Richard J. Davis

Sunday, Sept. 24 (25th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 a.m. †Bill Burriss 11:30 a.m. †Antoinetta Cato

1:00 p.m. Parishioners (Spanish Mass)

(last 1p Spanish Mass—next Sunday time changes)

Monday, September 25

6:00 p.m. no intention scheduled

Tuesday, September 26

7:00 a.m. no intention scheduled

8:30 a.m. †Bill Burriss Wednesday, September 27

8:30 a.m. †David Perry Lindley

Thursday, September 28

6:00 p.m. †Frank Molteni

Friday, September 29

7:00 a.m. †Hilario Nguyen Hau Mach

8:30 a.m. †Bill Burriss

Saturday, Sept. 30 (Vigil: 26th Sunday/Ordinary Time)

5:30 p.m. †Parishioners

Sunday, Oct. 1 (26th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 a.m. †Neal Jewell 11:30 a.m. †Jon Estes

2:30 p.m. †José Arellano (Spanish Mass)



Parish Support

E-Giving (*Sept. 8-14*)

Regular/Operating	\$2,	362
St. Anne School/dioc.schools	\$	35
Bldg./Maintenance Reserve	\$	53

Collection Report (Sept. 16/17)

Regular/Operating	\$13	3,743.09
Holy Day/Assumption	\$	20
St. Anne School/dioc.schools	\$	130
Retired Religious Fund	\$	20
Social Ministry/outreach	\$	100
Bldg./Maintenance Reserve	\$	200

Support a lifetime of service:

Our <u>2nd collection</u> this weekend is for the *Retired Religious Fund*. Your generosity helps provide essential care for our elderly men and women religious.

Second Collection next weekend (1st Sunday of the month)
will be for St. Anne Catholic School/
Richmond diocesan schools.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Saint Anne Catholic Church and School!

40 Days for Life: Sept. 27th—Nov. 5th

Sign up for vigil hours

https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/bristol Contact information: Angie 40daysbristoltn@gmail.com or (423)-644-0340

40 Days Interdenominational Prayer Gathering Dates:

Tuesday October, 17th at 7:00 pm

Location: First Assembly of God, 120 Millard St., Bristol, VA 24201

Sunday, Nov. 5th at 4:00 pm

Location: public area near abortion business which is located at 2603 Osborne St. Bristol, VA (across from Casino)

40 Days Rosaries at Vigil Site

Location: public area near abortion business which is located at 2603 Osborne St. Bristol, VA (across from Casino)

Every Monday in October at 10:30 AM

(please email Angie if you can lead the Oct. 16th Rosary)

Every Wednesday times TBD (get on email list for weekly times)

Saturday, October 14th 11:00 AM

Bristol State Liners receive 2023 Lee Landers Community Service Award

The Appalachian League announced the Bristol State Liners as the 2023 Lee Landers Community Service recipient, given to the club that demonstrates an outstanding, ongoing commitment to charitable service, support and leadership within their local community and the baseball industry. The Bristol State Liners contributed to and supported various community organizations... including Rivers Way, Special Olympics Bowling, Alzheimer's Association, Family Promise, and Haven of Rest; and have also supported the YMCA Kids, Boys & Girls Clubs, Upward Bound; and groups including the Knights of Columbus and Optimist Club.

Marriage Retreat:

Scripture says about married people that "Two shall live as one". How often do you find yourselves living as two? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you get back to basics in this complicated day and age. For more information or to register, go to WWME.org click "Apply" and search for "Virginia" or your desired location. Only 25 couples per weekend, so register soon! There are upcoming November weekends at Atlantic Beach and Myrtle Beach, SC and in Virginia at:

Holiday Inn, Virginia Beach, VA November 17-19, 2023

(you can also contact Mark & Cathy Stang at mstang1987@aol.com with questions)

Baby Bottle Campaign



The **Baby Bottle Campaign**, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #6696 will be held this weekend, September 23/24 and next weekend Sept. 30/Oct. 1. 100% of collections **benefit Pathways Pregnancy Resource Center** (PPRC), formally known as Abortion Alternatives. This organization provides ultrasounds and assistance to anyone choosing the gift of life. The **Large Baby Bottle** will be in the commons for your donations. If you wish to have your very own bottle, **Small Baby Bottles** will be available and may be returned to any member of the Knights of Columbus at a later date. If you give a check, <u>please make it payable to Knights of Columbus #6695</u>. Questions? Call Ken Johnson at 423-217-7080.

Looking Ahead just a bit...

- ♦ 12-Hour Adoration: Tuesday, Oct. 3, 9a-9p
- ◆ Pet Blessing, Feast of St. Francis of Assisi Wednesday, October 4, 3p & 4:30p at the cross in the center of St. Anne's Cemetery





SPECIAL EVENING PRAYER AND RECEPTION

PLEASE JOIN US next Sunday
October 1st
for a special Evening Prayer Svc.
at 6 p.m.

Come to pray for and with our local

Law Enforcement

Fire Department

& EMS personnel

Your participation will let them know that St. Anne's Community appreciates them and their dedicated service!

May God bless our First Responders!