

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:

Saturday (Anticipation of Sunday) ..5:30 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 am & 11:30 am Spanish at 230p Monday: 6:00pm (NO Mass on 1st Monday)

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

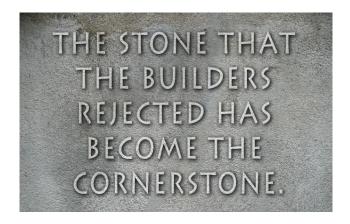
Baptisms: Parents must attend Baptism Preparation. Contact the parish ofc.

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.



Like the last few Sundays, the readings today speak of a vineyard. It is an excellent time of year to contemplate a vineyard, vines heavy with grapes waiting to be harvested. But when Jesus speaks in parables, each element stands for something else. The vineyard we are invited to contemplate today is not just a large field planted with vines, but our very home in the Lord. The fruit it produces is not just grapes or wine, but the kingdom of God made manifest in our world. Let us resolve to be productive servants in the Lord's vineyard.



Readings for this Week (Oct. 9-14)

Monday:	Jonah 1:1—2:2, 11;	Luke 10:25-37
Tuesday:	Jonah 3:1-10;	Luke 10:38-42
Wednesday		Luke 11:1-4
Thursday:	Malachi 3:13-20b;	Luke 11:5-13
Friday:	Joel 4:12-21;	Luke 11:15-26
Saturday:	Joel 4:12-21;	Luke 11:27-28

Scripture for next Sunday 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 25:6-10a

We rejoice in the salvation of the Lord who saved us.

Psalm 23

"I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life."

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

In whatever circumstances we find ourselves, our needs will be met in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 22:1-14 (or) 22: 1-10

The invitation is issued; everything is prepared, come to the feast!

A Message from Father Tom....

"Many are invited, but few are chosen." This is an excerpt from our Sunday gospel which my father was fond of sharing with me as a child. I think for our spiritual benefit, it is well paired with "but they refused to come" and "some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business." We must ask ourselves, what is it to be called, worthy, and chosen?

All human beings are called into eternal friendship with God. Period. We either don't know we are being called, poorly understand the call and flee from it in favor of common pleasures, or well-understand the call yet harden our hearts and reject God.

To be worthy of the call is to yearn for God and wonder how we can be closer to Him. We can do this with a curiosity toward the faith. We can read scripture with frequency, participate in liturgies when we are able, take up devotions like the Rosary with an open heart, and pray, pray, and pray some more: in thanksgiving and in petition.

What is it then, to be chosen as in the gospel phrasing? That, my friends, is a mystery of the faith. The clothing of the righteous, those who may enter the wedding feast, is repentance and the fruits of faith (this is the revelatory garment "washed clean in the blood of the Lamb.") The Lord chooses those for eternal life who have prepared themselves for the feast, or at least given an account of their attempts. True yearning involves at least occasional action, not simply "good vibes" or other in-vogue language.

For us this week, when we're summoned to action in the faith, will we stand in silence or will we be worthy of being called a people of God's own possession? We can do all things in him who strengthens us.

Altar Flowers

The flowers at our altar this weekend are placed in loving memory of Jonathan Estes, given by his parents Terry & Nancy Estes.

Sunday School of Religion

Sunday School is currently open for grades K-5. It is not too late to join us this year! Come on Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. and we will help you register and find your class.

5-part Series on "The Mass" begins today!

Father Tom will present a 5-part series on the Mass beginning today (Sunday, Oct. 8) and concluding on Nov. 5. This begins our Adult Faith Formation event for this ministry year. No need to register, come to the Great Room after the 8:30 Mass (or) early for the 11:30 Mass. Father's presentation will begin at approximately 9:45a.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

For the month of October, RCIA class will be attending Fr. Tom's 5-part series on the Mass, Sunday mornings, 9:45 to 11:15 a.m. Normal RCIA classes will resume in November. If you are interested in joining the Church, please contact Sarah French sfrench@stannes-bristol.org

NURSERY and **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

We are looking into bringing back our nursery and Children's Liturgy. With enough volunteers, we could have a rotation and each person would only have to serve once every few weeks. If you would be willing to volunteer with either of these ministries, contact Sarah French sfrench@stannes-bristol.org

In the Hospital?

If you or a member of your family is in the hospital, please be sure to notify the parish office so that we can arrange for them to receive Holy Communion from one of our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, or to have Father Tom come for an anointing.

Youth Doings...

Senior High Youth Ministry

Junior High Youth Ministry

- Oct. 8 Fun Night! Stickley Farm
- Oct. 15— Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8pm)
- Oct. 22— Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8pm)
 - **Journey to Confirmation!** (BYC 6p-8p)

A parent must attend this first meeting with their youth!

- Oct. 29— Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8pm)
 - Dia de Los Muertos Party!
 - **Journey to Confirmation!** (BYC 6p-8p)

Journey to Confirmation!

Inviting all youth in Grades 10-12 who wish to be Confirmed to join us!

We will dive a little deeper into your faith journey and prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Gatherings are in the BYC (Brady Youth Center) from 6-8 p.m. We will not meet up every week so be sure to check the bulletin or the Youth Ministry Flocknote for our schedule. If you have any questions, contact Laura Cochrane: 276-492-3095 or lauracochrane@stannes-bristol.org





Richmond Diocese Priests' Convocation

Father Tom will be at the Priests' Convocation this week (Monday thru Friday, October 9-13). There will not be weekday Mass, Adoration, or Confessions this week.



Saturday, Oct. 7 (weekday Mass) 9:30a Spec. Intention:

Ken & Melissa Martin/anniversary

Saturday, October 7 (27th Sunday/Ordinary Time)

5:30 p.m. †Michael Dorula

Sunday, October 8 (27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 a.m. †Bill Burriss 11:30 a.m. †Barbara Booher

2:30 p.m. Parishioners (Spanish Mass)

(No Weekday Masses Oct. 9-13; Fr. Tom at Priests' Convocation)

Saturday, October 14 (27th Sunday/Ordinary Time)

5:30 p.m. †Tonette Davidson

Sunday, October 15 (27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 a.m. †Jerry Blackburn 11:30 a.m. †Jonathan Estes

2:30 p.m. Parishioners (Spanish Mass)



E-Giving (Sept. 22-30)

Regular/Operating	\$ 3	3,533
Retired Religious	\$	725
Mission Cooperative	\$	50

Collection Report (Sept. 30/Oct. 1)

Regular/Operating	\$1	15,688
Retired Religious	\$	470
St. Anne School/dioc.schools	\$	2,610
Bristol Faith In Action (BFIA)	\$	20

Second Collections

- ◆ October 8 (<u>Mission Cooperative</u>—for the parishes of St. Bernard in Gate City, VA and St. Patrick in Dungannon, VA
- ♦ October 22 (Catholic World Missions)

King Institute for Faith & Culture Monday, October 16—Writing Drew Bratcher, Essayist and Music Writer

- ⇒ 9:15 a.m. Great Distances, Deep Delight: Some Notes on Storytelling at King University Memorial Chapel, Bristol, TN
- ⇒ 7 p.m. The Story and the Song: A Reading and Conversation with Drew Bratcher at the Birthplace of Country Music Museum, Bristol, VA

PRAYER SHAWLS

Prayer Shawl gathering is this Wednesday, <u>Oct. 11</u> at 10 a.m. at the St. Augustine Center.



Pro-Life Rosary

The pro-life rosary will occur at the Grotto at 12:15 this Wednesday, October 11. We will move to the chapel if there is rain.

Wednesday Bible Group

The Wednesday Bible Study on Understanding the Old Testament will occur at 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 11. There is no homework and no books to buy.



40 Days for Life Vigil continues through Nov. 5

Join us in prayer and fasting to end abortion in the Tri-cities area. We also are inviting you to these special prayer opportunities. Except for Tuesday, Oct. 17, all of the prayer gatherings are at the vigil site which is near abortion business (2603 Osborne St., Bristol, VA; across from the Casino).

- Oct. 8, Sunday, at 2 p.m. (vigil site)
- Oct. 9, Monday, at 10:30 a.m. (vigil site)
- Oct. 14, Saturday, at 11 a.m. (vigil site)
- Oct. 17, Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

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

- Oct. 18, Wednesday, at 3 p.m. (vigil site)
- Oct. 23, Monday, at 10:30 a.m. (vigil site)
- Oct. 27, Friday, at 4:00 p.m. (vigil site)
- Oct. 30, Monday, at 10:30 a.m. (vigil site)
- Nov. 1, Wednesday, at 11:00 a.m. (vigil site)
 - Nov. 5, Sunday, 4 p.m. (closing prayer at vigil site)

For more information, contact Angie Bush at 40daysbristoltn@gmail.com or 423-6454-0340

—Wednesday 12:15 P.M. Rosary for Life at St. Anne's cemetery grotto for those who like to pray as a group but don't want to go to the abortion site.



Assistant Lunch Supervisor (Gr. K-8)
Position Available
St. Anne Catholic School
Hours: 11a to 1:15p

Contact the school office at 276-669-0048 or schooloffice@stanneschoolbristol.org

Part-Time Bus Driver Position Available St. Anne Catholic School

School Bus driver needed to transport students to and from field trips. High School diploma and CDL License/Class C with S endorsement for bus driver. Pay is \$15.34 per hour. Schedule is as needed for field trips. Contact the school office at 276-669-0048 or schooloffice@stanneschoolbristol.org

SATURDAY DEVOTIONS:

Join us on Saturday mornings for prayer. We begin at 8:30 a.m. with Adoration, during which there is the Rosary and time for Confessions. We then conclude with daily Mass. Finishing up around 10 a.m.

(Enter thru the side door to the commons.)



All Women of the Parish are Invited!

The Council of Catholic Women (CCW) will meet:

Thursday, October 19

12 Noon (refreshments served) Msgr. Hickie Center

Please join us on October 19th as we pray the *Luminous Scriptural Rosary*.

Pope Francis has invited us to pray the rosary during the Marian month of October. The CCW Spiritual Committee has planned a prayerful way for us to center the rosary as an important prayer during the month of October. Please plan to join us for prayer, fellowship, and outreach.

Contact Eileen Gibney for more information: 423-652-7425 or egibneysas@yahoo.com