



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)
Tuesday.....8:30 a.m.
Wednesday..... 8:30 a.m.
Thursday/Thanksgiving Day 10:00 a.m.
Friday (Nov. 24)..... 8:30 a.m.
Saturday/daily Mass..... 9:30 a.m.
Holy Days: Call the office for Mass times

TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Parish Office (276) 669-8200
Office hours: Monday thru Friday 9a-4p
Parish email: stannes@stannes-bristol.org
Website:www.stannes-bristol.org
St. Anne's School 276-669-0048
email: schooloffice@stanneschoolbristol.org
Address: 580 Oakview Ave., Bristol, VA

Parish Registration - Call the church office.

Confessions:

Tues/ Wed, 5:00-6:00 p.m., (no conf. 11/23)
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.

In today's Gospel, the head of a household repeatedly invites others to share in his joy. Similarly, we are repeatedly invited to share in God's joy. God created the world and us and proclaimed it all good. Let us share in God's joy! God raised the Son to new life, bringing salvation to the many. Let us share in God's joy! God invites us all to eternal life. Let us share in God's joy! Gathered here today to share in this Eucharistic feast, *let us share in God's joy!*



Readings for this Week (Nov. 20-25)

MONDAY: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk. 18:35-43

TUESDAY: (*Memorial: Presentation of Blessed Virgin*)
2 Maccabees 6:18-31; Luke 19:1-10
(*or memorial rdgs*)

WEDNESDAY: (*Memorial: Saint Cecelia*)
2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Luke 19:22-28
(*or memorial rdgs*)

THURSDAY: (*Thanksgiving Day*)
Sirach 50:22-24; 1 Cor. 1:3-9
Luke 17:11-19

FRIDAY: (*Memorial: St. Andrew Dũng-Lac and Companions*)
1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Luke 19:45-48
(*or memorial rdgs*)

SATURDAY: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Luke 20:2-40

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at our altar this weekend are given by Ken & Jeri Ford, in memory of their sisters — *June, Betty, Dorothy, and Janet.*

Thanksgiving Day

Join us for Mass at **10 a.m.**
this Thursday, November 23.
*A wonderful way to begin your
Thanksgiving Day!*

A Message from Father Tom....

This is the last Sunday we'll celebrate in Ordinary Time (though we have two more weeks of it before the First Sunday of Advent). While Ordinary Time has 34 weeks, the last Sunday is always supplanted by the Solemnity of Jesus Christ King of the Universe. This is a Solemnity which echoes what we say at the inscription of the Easter Candle at the Easter Vigil:

"Christ yesterday and today,
the Beginning and the End,
the Alpha and the Omega;
All time belongs to him,
and all the ages;
To him be glory and power,
through every age and for ever."

Likewise, we've been having gospel readings which speak to judgment and evaluation of how we've lived out our lives. Jesus is the just judge we encounter both at our Particular Judgment and at the General Judgment at the culmination of all things.

This week, we hear the parable of the talents/coins. God gives us gifts and entrusts creation to our care to cultivate and return to him. As Mediator of our Salvation (through his own person, his Body, which is the Church), Jesus returns these gifts to the Father. That is, our verve, our toil, our joy, our productivity, but most importantly our very selves orientated/ordered towards the Kingdom of our God is what we offer in our lives. Thus, let us be bold, acting with excellence towards our maker and Lord, rather than in and out of fear of a vengeful God.



PRAYERS REQUESTED

Your prayers are requested for *Dan Atkinson*, the cousin of Mary Monroe, who died recently. Notes may be sent to Mary & Mark at 1317 Holly Ct., Bristol, TN 37620.

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We ask your prayers for *Catherine "Cassie" Rice*, a member of our parish family who died last weekend. Notes of sympathy may be sent to "the family of Cassie Rice", c/o 1014 Green Acres Rd., Bristol, VA 24201.

**Senior High & Junior High
Youth Ministry**

- ◆ **Nov. 18— FUN NIGHT! (8:15am—11:00pm)**
 - Dollywood!
- ◆ **Nov. 19— NO Youth Ministry**
 - A Day of Service!
- ◆ **Nov. 26— NO Youth Ministry**
 - Happy Thanksgiving!
- ◆ **Dec. 3 — Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8pm)**
 - **Journey to Confirmation! (BYC 6p-8p)**
- ◆ **Dec. 10— Fun Night! 12:30pm-6:30pm**
 - Masterpiece Mixers



February 9-11, 2024

Open to all youth in 9th - 12th grade

The Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC) is an annual weekend event in Richmond, VA that gathers high school youth from the Diocese of Richmond parishes in one central location. It is a highly energetic and engaging opportunity for our high school teenagers to gather as a larger Church community and celebrate the richness of our Catholic faith. Registration is now open! We have a limited number of spots available and will be a first-come, first-served basis.

Early Bird Registration \$160 (register before 11/30)

Registration \$210 (register after 11/30)

Registration deadline—January 7, 2024

*If you have questions or to register,
contact Laura Cochrane at:*

276-492-3095 / lauracochrane@stannes-bristol.org

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
HOLY HOUR**

Our Tuesday morning Holy Hour begins immediately after the 8:30 a.m. morning Mass and concludes at approximately 10 a.m. with Benediction.



Respect Life Rosary: The next pro-life rosary will be at the St. Augustine Center on Wed., November 29 at 12:15 p.m. We will continue to pray the pro-life rosary even though the 40-days-for-life has ended.

Wednesday Bible Study: We will begin a new Bible Study on the New Testament by *Bart Ehrman* starting on November 29 at 1 p.m. in the St. Augustine Center. This is a DVD-based program and there is nothing to buy and no homework to do. Each DVD will be a separate topic and you can join at any time. This is an opportunity for parents who pick up their students from St. Anne Catholic School, as the program will be over each week at 2:30 p.m.

NO Choir rehearsal this Wed., Nov. 22; next rehearsal is Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 5:30 p.m.

GIVING TREE

If you have a child, or you know a child, who might be in need of a gift for Christmas, please contact the parish office **NLT close of business this Monday, November 20**, to be included on our Giving Tree. Call Rosie M. at 423-646-9506 OR email her at stannes@stannes-bristol.org.

A Message of Thanks:

"When visiting the Bristol area to see my in-laws, I always attend Mass at Saint Anne's. This past Sunday, I was driving my father-in-law's old Buick and couldn't get it started after the 8:30 Mass was over. I want to thank the several kind parishioners who offered to help me, a complete stranger. Special thanks to "Mr. Pat" who had jumper cables and lots of patience to get the job done. He wore a hat that read "Grumpy Old Vet" but I told him that couldn't be true, since he was so kind to me. He quoted the Gospel about Jesus' Two Greatest Commandments. It's clear to me that folks from St. Anne's know how to live them out!"!!

Many thanks and blessings,
Laurie Konwinski



Masses For The Week

Saturday, November 18 (33rd Sunday/Ordinary Time)

5:30 p.m. †Nick Compagnia

Sunday, November 19 (33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 a.m. †Bill Burriss

11:30 a.m. †John Macdonald

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

Monday, November 20—Mass at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, November 21

8:30 a.m. †Dennis Hahn

Wednesday, November 22

8:30 a.m. †Dennis Hahn

Thursday, November 23 (Thanksgiving Day)

10:00 a.m. †Janet Hahn

Friday, November 24 (no 7a Mass)

8:30 a.m. Special Intention

Saturday, November 25—Mass at 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, November 25 (Christ the King)

5:30 p.m. †Thomas Rudoni

Sunday, November 26 (Our Lord Jesus Christ the King)

8:30 a.m. †James Martinis

11:30 a.m. Parishioners

2:30 p.m. †_____Gonzalez (Spanish Mass)



E-Giving (Nov. 4-10)

Regular/Operating	\$3,275
All Saints Holy Day	\$ 85
Bldg./Maintenance Reserve	\$ 50
Mission Cooperative	\$ 28
Archdiocese for Military Svcs.	\$ 65
Catholic World Missions	\$ 28
St. Anne's School/dioc.schools	\$ 368

Collection (Nov. 11/12)

Regular/Operating	\$9,512
All Saints Holy Day	\$ 85
Archdiocese for Military Svcs.	\$3,190
St. Anne's School/dioc.schools	\$ 115

With Gratitude!

*Many thanks for your ongoing generosity
to Saint Anne's!*

RCIA has started!!

Not Catholic and interested in learning more about what we believe or why we do particular things as Catholics? Join us in RCIA class. Meeting on Sunday mornings 9:45-11:15am in the school library.

No Faith Formation Nov. 26—Happy Thanksgiving!

Scripture for next Sunday—November 26

*Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe*

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

*The shepherd-king seeks the lost and
heals the injured.*

Psalms 23

*"The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want."*

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Christ our king has conquered death.

Matthew 25:31--46

*The Lord will come in glory
to separate one from another.*

When Jesus identified himself as the Good Shepherd, his disciples probably recalled the passage from Ezekiel that we will hear next Sunday. God's words are comforting at first, lovingly caring for the sheep, but at the end God stands in judgment, and some sheep God will destroy. This is the kind of shepherd Jesus suggests in the Gospel, separating the sheep from the goats in order to determine who is sent to eternal life and who to eternal punishment. May we listen attentively.

ADVENT RETREAT—Dec. 9th

You are invited to this Advent Retreat, from 2p-7p, on Saturday, Dec. 9th at **St. Mary's in Johnson City**. The retreat will be led by the Dominican Sisters of Saint Cecilia. There is no cost. For more details and to register, go to: <https://form.jotform.com/233046383205147>.

MARRIAGE RETREAT! By offering Married Couples the beautiful experience of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, the Catholic Church is affirming and supporting you in your chosen vocation — Marriage. Take advantage of this great gift to enhance your relationship and enjoy a love-filled weekend away together. For more information or to register, go to WWME.ORG click "Apply" and search for "Virginia" or your desired location. Feel free to contact Mark & Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or mstang1987@aol.com with any questions.

Here are a few upcoming experiences:

- January 26-28, 2024—Myrtle Beach, SC
- March 1-3, 2024—College Park, MD
- April 12-14, 2024—Herndon, VA

Some Items to Note!

- ◆ The Parish Office will be closed this Thursday and Friday, November 23/24 for the Thanksgiving holiday.
- ◆ **Mass on Thanksgiving morning will be celebrated at 10 a.m.** There will not be confessions this Thursday.
- ◆ There will not be a 7 a.m. Mass this Friday. We will have our **8:30 a.m. Mass** on Friday.
- ◆ **Archbishop Timothy Broglio will be with us for our Thursday and Friday morning Masses.**

And now, bless the God of all, who has done wondrous things on earth; Who fosters people's growth from their mother's womb, and fashions them according to His will! May He grant you joy of heart and may peace abide among you; May His goodness toward us endure in Israel to deliver us in our days.

Sirach 50:22-24

Thanksgiving Prayer

Almighty God,

Source and giver of all things, we give You thanks and all the glory on this Thanksgiving Day for the splendor and majesty of creation.

We give You thanks for the blessings of family and friends: both those gathered around our table and those who are present only in our hearts.

We give You thanks for this food, prepared by loving hands, and for the graces You provide to nourish our spirits, souls, and bodies so that we may continue to serve You passionately.

Help us to be faithful stewards of all we have been given.

May we reflect Your love and that which we have received to all those we meet, especially the less fortunate in our midst.

We ask this through Christ our Lord,

AMEN.