

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;

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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.

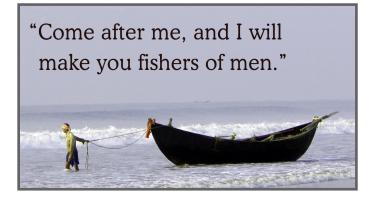
Adoration: Tues. 9-10a; Sat. 8:30-9:30a "First" Tuesdays, 9a to 9p

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.



In today's Gospel, Jesus passes by the Sea of Galilee and calls the first four disciples, two pairs of brothers: Simon and Andrew, James and John. Follow me, he tells these four fishermen, and I will make you fishers of more disciples. Jesus continues to call disciples; indeed, we were all called when we were baptized.

On this Sunday, may the stories of Jonah, of Paul, and of the first four disciples inspire us to drop our nets and follow more closely our Lord as his disciples.

Scripture for next Sunday Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

I will raise up a prophet and I will put my words into his mouth.

Psalm 95

"If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

A virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord, that she may be holy.

Mark 1:21-28

He taught them as one having authority.

Moses told the people that one day God would send a prophet from among their descendants who would speak God's word with authority. We believe that this promise is fulfilled in Jesus, who in the Gospel speaks God's word with such authority that even the unclean spirits obey him! We may be anxious about many things, to use Saint Paul's words, but let the knowledge that God can dispel the darkness in our lives give us hope.

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A Message from Father Tom....

God is always looking for repentance. If we don't think we need to repent, then we have mistaken ourselves for God. Life can't be easy or just with such a misorientation. Though we don't see it in the reading from Jonah (because the reading skips over many verses), we know the story: Jonah is asked to preach repentance to the people of Nineveh, but he becomes afraid and tries to escape his call. God wrangles him back into place, but once he actually preaches to the people (out of fear, not love), he is angry because they actually do repent. Contrast this with those apostles called by Jesus in the gospel. They

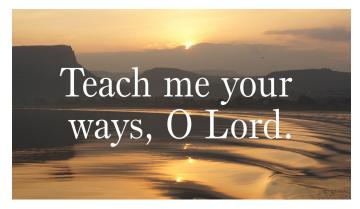
We can make a compelling case for Jesus in the flesh (the visible face of the invisible God) inviting people into ministry. Imagine if we, who are members of the Body and carriers of the Light of Christ (from our baptism), similarly call people into the service of the Lord, through invitation and living witness. Flesh and blood presence is compelling.

drop everything they're doing and follow him.

Let's try ever more to be the visage of Jesus Christ for everyone we meet in all of our spheres of life (not only church).

CHILDREN'S LITURGY of the WORD Volunteers Needed

We are making plans for (re)starting Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 11:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. We are in need of two more adult volunteers to make it sustainable. Contact Kathi Boatright or Sarah French (<u>sfrench@stannes-bristol.org</u>) if you'd like to help with this effort.



Remember to Pray for our Children in Sacramental Preparation

We have 10 children who have begun their formal preparation to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

Senior High & Junior High YOUTH MINISTRY

- Jan. 21 Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8p)
 - <u>Call to Confirmation</u> (11:30a Mass)
 - Journey to Confirmation (BYC 6-8p)
- Jan. 28 Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8p)
 - <u>Confirmation RETREAT</u> (12:30p-4p)
- Saturday Feb. 3 Confirmation Mass <u>11 a.m.</u> with Bishop Knestout
 - Be at St. Anne's at 10:15am!
- February 4 Youth Ministry (BYC 6-8p)
- Feb. 9-11 DYC (Richmond)
- Feb. 11 NO SHYM / NO JHYM
 - Returning from DYC

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament HOLY HOUR



Tuesday, Jan. 23 9-10 a.m.

(following the 8:30a Mass)

Respect Life Rosary

Pro-Life Rosary will be prayed this Wednesday, January 24th at 12:15 p.m. in the Saint Augustine Center.

Wednesday Bible Study

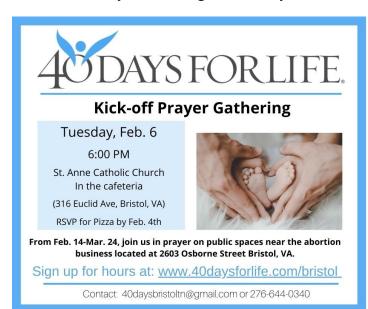
We will have bible study on Wednesday, Jan. 24th at 1:00 p.m. at the St. Augustine Center.

2024 CATHOLIC CALENDARS:

We still have a few 2024 Catholic Calendars left—stop by the table in the commons if you need a calendar. Our thanks to our generous calendar sponsors: *Rose Marie Burriss and Tony & Marilyn Broglio.*

40 Days for Life

From February 14th thru March 24th, area Christians from various denominations are participating in the 40 Days for Life campaign to end abortion. For 40 days, we will pray, fast, and have a peaceful daily prayer vigil near the Bristol Women's Health abortion business located at 2603 Osborne St., Bristol, VA. Please join us. To volunteer, contact Angie Bush at <u>40daysbristoltn@gmail.com</u> or 276-644-0340. You can learn more at <u>www.40daysforlife.com</u> or come to our Kick-off Prayer Gathering on February 6th.



A Special Note...

St. Anne parishioner Sue White would like to thank everyone for their prayers and ask for your continued prayers. She is improving and is no longer in the hospital and now in rehab. If you'd like to send her a card, her address is: Sue White, Room 127, Rehab Center and Memory Care at Bristol, 301 Village Circle, Bristol, VA 24201.

BAPTISMS:

Parents who wish to have their child baptized need to attend Baptism Preparation. Expectant parents are encouraged to attend. Contact Sarah French at <u>sfrench@stannes-bristol.org</u>.

WEDDINGS:

If you are planning to have a wedding in the Church, you do need to participate in Marriage Preparation. Contact the office and Father Tom to begin the process. Generally eight months notice is necessary to complete Marriage Preparation.



Saturday, January 20 (*Vigil—3rd Sunday/Ordinary Time*) 5:30 p.m. †Theresa Orobona Sunday, January 21 (Third Sunday in Ordinary Time) †Dennis Hahn 8:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. Parishioners 2:30 p.m. [†]Maria Guadalupe Cruz Esparza Monday, Jan. 22 6:00 p.m. Special Intention: Joyce Denton Tuesday, Jan. 23 †Stephen Vargo 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24 †Anne Marie Boyce 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 25 6:00 p.m. Special Intention: Lora Griffey Friday, Jan. 26 8:30 a.m. no intention yet scheduled Saturday, Jan. 27—weekday Mass at 8:30 a.m. **Saturday, January 27** (*Vigil—4th Sunday/Ordinary Time*) *†*Marie-Christine Toby 5:30 p.m. Sunday, January 28 (Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time) 8:30 a.m. †Rev. James Hassett †Darrell Pendergrass 11:30 a.m.

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



| E-Giving—January 6-12 | | |
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| Regular/Operating | \$3 | ,877 |
| Christmas Holy Day | \$ | 78 |
| Solemnity of Mary Holy Day | \$ | 88 |
| Building | \$ | 100 |
| Bristol Faith In Action | \$ | 125 |
| Respect Life | \$ | 50 |
| St. Anne's School/dioc.schools | \$ | 318 |

(Due to the snow/ice conditions on Monday/Tuesday, the collection results for Jan. 13/14 were not available for this bulletin and will be included next Sunday)

<u>Our 2nd collection</u> this weekend is for **Respect Life**, to support programs and efforts to protect life from conception to natural death.

2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal: Welcome to the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal—*Sharing His Love with Others*! The 2024 Appeal will provide critical funding to three key areas of our Diocesan Church: *Empowering the Next Generation, Providing for Those in Need, Strengthening Catholic Communities.* St. Anne's parish receives back a portion of the funds collected and in complement to the funds returned to the parish through the parish sharing formula, the 2024 Appeal also benefits us through many ministries and programs.

Lighthouse Catholic Media

CD of the Week: The Healing Power of Confession

Dr. Scott Hahn presents the historical and biblical origins of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which is probably the most misunderstood of the Seven Sacraments. He provides an important guide for new Catholics, a source of renewal for "old hands", and a challenge to all of us to deepen our relationship with Christ through the frequent reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Find this CD and many more at the Lighthouse Catholic Media display on the table in the commons. A \$3 per CD donation is appreciated and allows us to order new topics.

PRINCIPAL POSITION:

St. Anne Catholic School seeks dynamic and highly qualified candidates for the position of principal, to begin in the 2024-2025 school year. For the full ad and how to apply, visit https://bit.ly/3tkkco.

PRAY for VOCATIONS! "Come after Me, and I will make you fishers of men."

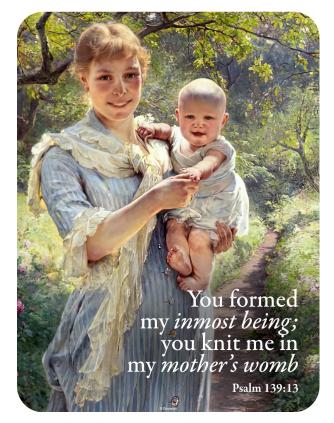
Fishing is an active verb. If you are being called to strengthen Christ's Church through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life — act! Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at 804-359-5661 or via email: <u>vocations@richmonddioce.org</u>.

Eucharistic Parish Mission February 12-13—6 p.m. St. Mary's Catholic Church Johnson City, TN

We are now in the third year of the *National Eucharistic Revival*. This year is about fostering Eucharistic devotion at the parish level. For this reason, St. Mary's Church in Johnson City (2211 E. Lakeview Dr.) has invited Father Declan Gibson to present a mission February 12-13. Sessions will include Exposition, Eucharistic reflections, and Benediction followed by confessions. This is a free event. Bring your family. Invite a friend. All are welcome! For more information, call St. Mary's office at 423-282-6367.

MASS INTENTIONS: If you need to schedule an intention for a deceased loved one, or a special intention for someone still living, please contact the parish office at 276-669-8200 ext. 0 or email stannes@stannes-bristol.org.

RESPECT LIFE!



January 22: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer.

Pope Saint John Paul II Evangelium vitae

On January 22, 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion in *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*. Since that time, millions of children have lost their lives and millions of women and families have been wounded by abortion.

On June 24, 2023, the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* decision overturned Roe v. Wade, and we praise God for the great opportunity state and federal legislators now have to protect pre-born children. However, right now there are state and federal laws that are still hostile to pre-born children. Great prayer and advocacy is very needed.

In all Dioceses of the United States, January 22 shall be observed 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.