



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 (*no Mass this Wed. 3/13*)
Thursday.....6:00 p.m.
Friday.....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
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St. Anne's School 276-669-0048
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Address: 580 Oakview Ave., Bristol, VA

Parish Registration - Call the church office.

Confessions:

Tues., (*Wed. 3/13 No Conf.*), Thurs., 5-6p
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

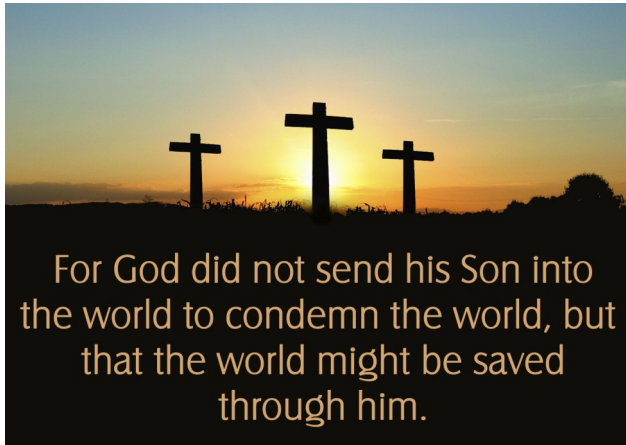
Baptisms: Parents must attend Baptism Preparation. Contact the parish ofc.

Weddings: 8 months notice required to complete Marriage Preparation.

Interested in Joining the Catholic Church?

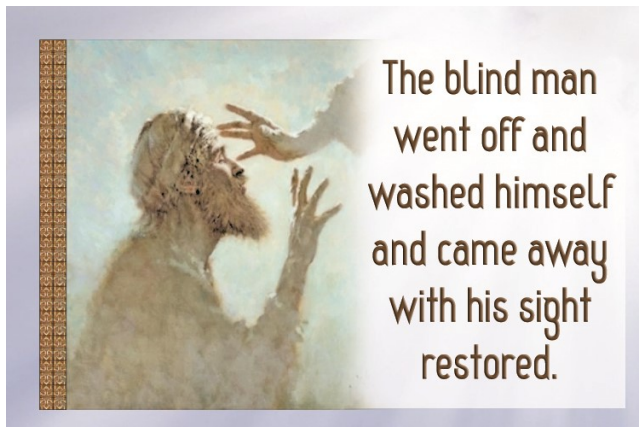
Join our INQUIRY sessions to learn more about the Catholic faith. Please contact the parish office.

Fourth Sunday of Lent



Our Scripture today for the 4th Sunday of Lent (at our **5:30p, 8:30a, and 2:30p** Masses) are the Cycle B readings: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, Psalm 137, Ephesians 2:4-10, and John 3:14-21.

The 2nd Scrutiny for our Catechumens is at the **11:30a Mass**. We will use Cycle A readings: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 2-7, 10-13a, Psalm 23, Eph. 5:8-14, and John 9:1-41. The Gospel for the 2nd Scrutiny (*the healing of the man born blind*), tells us that Christ is the Light of the World.



The Scrutinies (on the third, fourth, and fifth Sundays of Lent) are described by the Church as *“rites for self-searching and repentance, which are meant to uncover, then heal, all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the Elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong and good. The Scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the Elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. These rites, therefore, should complete the conversion of the Elect and deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out their decision to love God above all.”*

A Message from Father Tom...

“And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light...”

How we spend our time and how we direct our efforts says a lot about what we believe. Belief in Christ, who mediates our salvation, is what is necessary, but our belief might be built on shaky ground, sand, feathers, or a noxious gas rather than on rock, on solid ground. Erosion by the world can even smooth out and diminish a rock, and so we must constantly fortify ourselves with the Truth, which is available from God alone.

Let us use this remaining time of Lent to increase our faith, so that it might impel us to mighty works for the glory of God. These works are not faith, but they are the fruit by which we as Christians can be known. For, the Christian is never isolated, even with the Lord; we are presented to the Father will all of the Body, and we should seek to gather all who are lost.

*Loving God,
when I face tough transitions,
may I cry out to You and
find Your purpose for me.
Amen.*



If you would like to make a donation toward our Easter Lilies in memory of, or in honor of a loved one, notify Rosie in the parish office at 276-669-8200 or email stannes@stannes-bristol.org by 5p on Wed., March 20.

These memorials and honorariums will be listed in our Easter Sunday bulletin (March 31).

PRAYERS REQUESTED

We ask your prayers for **Sue White** who passed away last weekend. Notes may be sent to her husband, Willie, at 127 Cherrywood Lane, Bristol, TN 37620.

Your prayers are asked for **Richard Brown** who died recently. Notes may be sent to his wife, Nancy, at 182 Maplehurst Lane, Bluff City, TN 37618.

Senior High Youth Ministry & Junior High Youth Ministry

- **March 10** — Youth Ministry (BYC 6:00p-8:00p)
- **March 17** — Youth Ministry (BYC 6:00p-8:00p)
- **March 24** — Youth Ministry (BYC 6:00p-8:00p)
- **March 31**—NO Youth Ministry
 - ◊ Happy Easter!
- **April 7**—Fun Night!
 - ◊ Quantum Leap

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

—The School Mass this week will be celebrated on **Tuesday March 12th at 8:30 a.m.** (*instead of on Wednesday*). We will have our Tuesday **Holy Hour/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** after the 8:30a School Mass Tuesday.

—There will **NOT** be morning Mass or Confessions this Wednesday, March 13th. Father Tom will be in Richmond on Wednesday.

PRAYER SHAWL Group will meet this Wednesday, March 13, at 10 a.m. in the St. Augustine Center.

SPECIAL EASTER CHOIR

(Grades 2 thru 8)
11:30 Easter Sunday



Children/teens in Gr.2-8 who love to sing are invited to join our Special Choir for Easter Sunday at the 11:30 Mass. There are three rehearsals to attend **Wednesdays at 3:15 p.m.** in the church on: March 13, March 20, and March 27. If you don't attend our school and getting here by 315p from your school is a problem, please talk to Stephanie Yoder—we can make arrangement for you to join the choir! Contact her at 276-669-8200 or syoder@stannes-bristol.org.

The 4th Sunday of Lent is traditionally known as **Laetare** Sunday, so-called from the first word of the antiphon at the Introit. **Laetare** (“Rejoice”), taken from the Latin translation of Isaiah 66:10-11, sets a tone of joyful anticipation of the Easter mystery. As does the permitted use of rose-colored vestments.

Thursday evening Scripture Study

After Thursday evening Mass we gather for about an hour for a study of the upcoming readings for Sunday Mass. There is no prior reading or preparation needed and no study materials to purchase. Please join us immediately after Mass to be enriched with a deeper knowledge of the upcoming scripture. (Please NOTE: we will NOT meet on March 21 due to the Lenten Penance Service and March 28 (Holy Thursday).

Friday Morning

Lenten Little Rock Scripture Study

Join us on Friday mornings as we continue our Lenten Scripture Study on the **Passion and Resurrection Narratives of Jesus**. We meet in the St. Augustine Center 9:30am-11:00am. Cost of the study guide is \$13.95. If you are interested in the study but cannot make it to the group on Friday morning we still have a few extra study guides that can be purchased to use at home.

Soup & Stations —

You are welcome to join us on Friday at 5:30 p.m. in the Great Room for a simple soup supper.

The **Stations of the Cross** are prayed in the commons at 6 p.m. on Friday. Come pray with our Lord on the Way of the Cross.



Lighthouse Catholic Media

CD of the Week: Coming Home to Confession—

An invitation for Lent The Sacrament of Reconciliation is an important and wonderful gift of God's grace to the Church. But, with its many names and many parts, it can sometimes also be hard to understand. Dr. James Prothro takes us through the sacrament by walking through Jesus' parable of the prodigal son, who is forgiven and restored through repentance and the love of his merciful father. Find this CD and many more at the display in the commons. These CDs are great for listening to on the CD player in your car while traveling! A \$3 donation per CD is appreciated and enables us to restock with new titles.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 9—weekday Mass at 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, March 9 (*Vigil—4th Sunday of Lent*)

5:30 p.m. †Loretta Karban

Sunday, March 10 (*Fourth Sunday of Lent*)

8:30 a.m. Parishioners

11:30 a.m. †Mary Lou & †Dick Sulier

2:30 p.m. †Nathaniel Moore (*Spanish Mass*)

Monday, March 11 — weekday Mass at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, March 12

8:30 a.m. †Michael Smith

Wednesday, March 13— no weekday Mass

Thursday, March 14

6:00 p.m. †Regina C. Finan

Friday, March 15 †Cyril & †Veronica Nicholls

Saturday, March 16—weekday Mass at 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, March 16 (*Vigil—5th Sunday of Lent*)

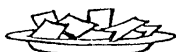
5:30 p.m. †Ann Lontz

Sunday, March 17 (*Fifth Sunday of Lent*)

8:30 a.m. Parishioners

11:30 a.m. †Daniel Carbajal

2:30 p.m. †Dennis Henry Foley (*Spanish Mass*)



CHURCH SUPPORT

E-Giving (Feb. 23-29)

Regular/Operating	\$2,524
St. Anne Catholic School	\$ 53
Ash Wednesday	\$ 25
Bristol Faith In Action/BFIA	\$ 108

Collection Report (March 2/3, 2024)

Regular/Operating	\$16,660/90
St. Anne Catholic School	\$ 2,625
Ash Wednesday	\$ 40
Bristol Faith In Action/BFIA	\$ 142
Respect Life	\$ 20

Our 2nd Collection this weekend is for **Catholic Relief Services**, for revealing Christ's love to those who are poor and marginalized around the world.

Our collection taken up at the offertory on **HOLY THURSDAY** will be for the local poor.

Easter Sunday there will be two collections: our regular operating collection and the Easter Holy Day collection.

*Thank you for your generosity
to Saint Anne's!*

A special note...

Dear St. Anne Parishioners,

Peggy and I thank you all for the prayers and words of support during her recent serious medical problem. You have shown us Christ's love and become our extended family right here.

Greg Chudzik

Pro-Life Rosary:

Wednesdays, 12:15 p.m. at the Saint Augustine Center.

40 Days spring Prayer Gatherings

The 40 Days for Life vigil is taking place in 656 cities, including Bristol, through March 24. Join us as we fast and pray at home and publicly for the end of abortion. If you would like to sign up for Bristol, VA vigil hours, please contact Angie Bush at 276-644-0340 or go to:

www.40daysforlife.com/bristol

Public Rosary with Fr. Tom

Saturday, March 16th at 3 p.m.

Where? At the 40 Days for Life vigil site
Near the Bristol Women's Health abortion business
(2603 Osborne St., Bristol, VA)

Below are other times Christians will be united in prayer at the "vigil site":

Sat., March 9, 11a—Midpoint prayer gathering

Sun., March 24, 4:30p — Closing prayer gathering

March 17-March 25 is a **9-Day Novena for Life**, sponsored by the National Knights of Columbus and the Council of Catholic Women. QR code available on table in the commons.

ATTENTION LADIES! CCW Gathering—March 21st

All Women of the parish are invited to the CCW (Council of Catholic Women) meeting on **Thursday, March 21** at **12 Noon** at the Monsignor Hickie Center. Refreshments will be served.

The meeting will focus on the devotion of praying the Stations with Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Pray with Mary as she bears witness to Jesus' suffering on His way to Calvary.

As part of CCW's outreach for the month of March, please bring one container of laundry detergent for BFIA if possible.

Fourth Sunday of Lent—LAETARE SUNDAY

St. Anne Lenten Mission 2024

Holy Week begins Palm Sunday weekend — prepare your hearts by joining us for our Lenten Mission on the evenings of March 22 & 23. On Friday, you can come for Soup & Stations or if you can't make it that early, come for the Mission Talk. On Saturday if you don't plan to come to the 5:30 Mass, you can join us for the supper and talk, or just come for the Mission Talk. Childcare is available.

The Mission will feature talks by Fr. Andrew Crabtree, Parochial Vicar at St. Dominic Catholic Church in Kingsport, Tennessee.

Please sign up in the commons if you plan to attend so we know how many to plan for!!

Friday, March 22:

- ◆ Soup Supper at 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m.
- ◆ Mission Talk at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 23:

- ◆ Confessions: 4 p.m.
- ◆ Saturday evening Mass: 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ Spaghetti Supper at 6:45 p.m.
- ◆ Mission Talk at 7:15 p.m.

Looking Ahead Just a Bit...

- ◆ **Lenten Penance Service:** Thurs. March 21, 7pm.
- ◆ **Palm Sunday Weekend:** March 23/24; our regular Mass times: Sat. 530p, Sun. 830a, 11:30a, 2:30p
- ◆ **Holy Thursday:** March 28; Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 p.m., Altar of Repose after Mass to 10p
- ◆ **Good Friday:** Friday, March 29; Stations at 12n; Good Friday Service at 7 p.m.
(Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence)
- ◆ **Holy Saturday:** Mar. 30; Easter Vigil Mass—8:30p.
- ◆ **Easter Sunday:** Mar. 31; Regular "Sunday" schedule—8:30a and 11:30a and Spanish at 2:30p.

Two Engaging Easter Retreats:

The Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC (owned and operated by the Catholic Diocese of Charlotte) is offering two unique retreats in the hope that one will be just right for you. The first will be a blend of preaching, prayer, and crafts on the Gifts and Fruit of the Holy Spirit: **Kindle in Me the Fire of Your Love** on April 19-20. The second will have reflections on how to live out the practical holiness taught by St. Francis de Sales: **Living a Devout Life (in a Crazy World)** on April 26-28. Find out more on these retreats at www.catholicconference.org, or email info@catholicconference.org or call 828-327-7441.