

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

(Fr. Tom will be away this week. NO weekday Masses Monday thru Friday or on Saturday morning April 13)

Holy Days: Call the office for Mass times

TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Parish Registration - Call the church office.

Confessions:

Sat., April 6: 8:30-9:30a; 415-515p (No confessions this Tuesday/Wednesday) (No confessions Sat., April 13)

Adoration: Sat. April 6: 8:30-9:30a No Adoration this Tues. or Sat. April 13 "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.

April 7, 2024



Still basking in the glory of Easter, today we celebrate God's unparalleled mercy. Out of mercy for all of us, Jesus died on the cross, atoning for our sins, past, present, and future. Out of mercy for those whose faith is weak or doubt is strong, Jesus comes to reassure us of his eternal presence. Out of mercy for those who cannot see him, Jesus blesses them in their faith. This Easter season, let us rejoice, for the risen Lord is in our midst, forever bestowing God's divine mercy upon us.

Divine Mercy Sunday Potluck — Prayer — Adoration

Tonight (Sunday, April 7) we will have a pot-luck meal at 4:30 p.m. in the Great Room, followed by a prayer service and adoration at 5:30 p.m. (including the Divine Mercy Chaplet). Please join us.

Scripture readings for next Sunday (Third Sunday of Easter)

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead.

Psalm 4

"Lord, let your face shine on us."

1 John 2:1-5a

Jesus Christ is explation not for our sins only but for those of the whole world.

Luke 24:35-48

Thus it was written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day.

"We are witnesses", Peter says to the crowds, referring to the Risen Lord. We heard him preach repentance for the forgiveness of sins. We know he died for us on the cross. We have seen him glorified by our God. We give witness by keeping his commandments. Luke narrates one of the Risen Lord's appearances to the disciples, in which he calls them witnesses to his resurrection. Assured of his continuing presence, we too are able to sing,

"Lord, let your face shine on us."

A Message from Father Tom...

In John 20:20-23, from today's Gospel passage, we see Jesus conferring upon the Apostles the ability to bind or loose sins. This is consistent with the Old Testament priesthood, where the priest would help penitents offer substitutiary/replacement animal sacrifices for their sins.

In Reconciliation today, based on God's mercy in Jesus' sacrifice, the substitution efficacious for God has already been made, once in time, and now we're asked to cooperate with that sacrifice by offering our contrite heart and purpose of amendment. We offer our sacrifices in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, uniting ours with Jesus' sacrifice, and we cooperate with the ministry of the successors to the apostles (bishops and their helpers presbyters/priests), by coming to the Sacrament of Penance. In this, we give thanks to God, for in his mercy, we who had drifted afar were brought back into communion with him, through the sacrifice of his Son, long prefigured.

This is the extent to which God's mercy goes: always calling sinners back into the fold, while simultaneously going to great and miraculous lengths to help them, to help us, along the path. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, his love is everlasting.

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PRAYERS REQUESTED

We ask your prayers for *Leland Lloyd Mallett*, the father of <u>Diane Birkitt</u>, who died recently in Ohio. Notes of sympathy may be sent to Diane at 116 Old Jonesboro Rd., Bristol, TN 37620.

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Father Tom will be on retreat this week...

- No weekday Masses, Adoration, Confessions Monday thru Saturday, April 8-13
- Fr. Tim Drake will be here for the 5:30 Mass 4/13.
- Fr. Tom will be back for Masses Sunday, 4/14.

Senior High Youth Ministry & Junior High Youth Ministry

- April 7— Youth Ministry (BYC 6:00p-8:00p)
 Divine Mercy
- April 14 Fun Night!
 - ♦ Quantum Leap
- April 21 Youth Ministry (BYC 6:00p-8:00p)

The St. Anne Prayer Shawl Group will meet this Wednesday, <u>April 10 at 10 a.m.</u> in the St. Augustine Center. New members are welcome!



The *Pro-Life Rosary* will be prayed at <u>12:15 p.m.</u> this Wednesday, <u>April 10</u> at the St. Augustine Center.

Wednesday Scripture Study: There will be Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark at 1 p.m. this Wednesday, <u>April 10</u> at the St. Augustine Center.

Church Doors—as mentioned in last week's "flock notes" you may notice the little glowing blue/green circles near exterior church doors. These are "wave to exit" sensors which unlock the door magnets to enable you to exit the building. So, if the door unlock schedule ends before you exit the building, you will just need to get within about a foot directly in front of the sensor (or wave your hand in front of the sensor) to unlock the door (it will unlock for 5 seconds or so at a time.)

REMEMBER TO PRAY for VOCATIONS! *"As the Father has sent Me, so I send you."*

Let us affirm our priests and help carry out Christ's mission of spreading love and compassion in the world. Maybe God is also calling you to share in His saving mission as a priest. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at 804-359-5661 or vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



CCW Meeting Thursday, April 18 *"Food for the Soul /Food for the Body"*

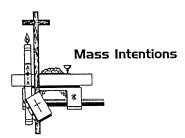
All Ladies of the Parish are invited to the CCW (Council of Catholic Women) meeting on <u>Thursday, April 18</u> at <u>12 Noon</u> at the Monsignor Hickie Center.

Please welcome <u>Father Chris Masla</u>, Parochial Administrator for Christ the King, Abingdon and St. John, Marion. He will present a program on growing in love for Jesus so we can share His love with others. Father's topic is particularly relevant in this year of the Eucharistic Revival.

We are varying the food offerings at this meeting to celebrate the warmer weather. In lieu of lunchtime fare, an ice cream social (ice cream, sherbert, and all of the toppings) will take place prior to Father Masla's presentation.

Judith Rosenfeld Memorial Author Dinner Saint Anne Catholic School is celebrating its 31st annual author visit!

This year we welcome international, award-winning, storyteller *Carmen Agra Deedy*. Dinner will be in the Commons on <u>Wednesday, May 1st at 5:30 p.m.</u> (the cost is \$15/person) followed by a FREE presentation at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP for the dinner and/or the presentation by April 25. For more information, please contact Angie Bush at <u>abush@stanne schoolbristol.org</u>.



Sat., April 6 (*Vigil—2nd Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy*) Spec. Int.: Debbie Oliver (birthday) 5:30 p.m. **Sunday, April 7** (2nd Sunday of Easter—Divine Mercy) 8:30 a.m. †Ed Boldt 11:30 a.m. *Mary Pat Flanagan 2:30 p.m. Parishioners (Spanish Mass) (No weekday Masses this week, April 8-13) **Sat., April 13** (*Vigil—3rd Sunday of Easter*) 5:30 p.m. no intention yet scheduled Sunday, April 14 (Third Sunday of Easter) 8:30 a.m. **†**Frank Molteni 11:30 a.m. [†]Robert Worley, PGK 2:30 p.m. no intention yet scheduled (Spanish Mass)



E-Giving (March 23-31) Regular/Operating \$4,354

St. Anne Catholic School	\$	15
Bldg./Roof Repairs	\$	25
Holy Thursday/Local Poor	\$	381
Easter Holy Day	\$	225
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APRIL Second Collections

⇒ (today) April 7—<u>St. Anne Catholic School</u>

 \Rightarrow April 30—<u>Catholic Virginian</u>

(Donations to this collection help to offset the cost to our parish for parishioners' subscriptions to the diocesan newspaper. If you currently are a registered parishioner and do not receive the Catholic Virginian, please contact Rosie in the parish office.)

Many thanks for your ongoing support and generosity!!

Catholic Community Foundation 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal *Sharing His Love with Others* A message from Fr. Tom

I want to provide a brief update on our 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal effort at St. Anne. I am pleased to tell you that we reached our 2024 Parish Target! Many thanks to all who have contributed and/or pledged to this year's Appeal. It is my hope that every household, if you are able, will contribute to this year's effort. If you have not yet make a commitment, I hope you will join me in helping us to EXCEED OUR GOAL!!

Please visit <u>richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal</u> to make a secure online donation or visit our parish office for a hard copy pledge card (also available on the table in the commons).

Or scan the QR code:



Every gift, no matter the amount, makes a difference. Thank you very much for your prayerful consideration of support. God bless.



40 Days for Life wishes to thank everyone who joined us in prayer and fasting during the spring vigil. The next 40 Days for Life vigil will begin in September. If you'd like to receive updates between the vigils, please email <u>40daysbristoltn@gmail.com</u> or call Angie Bush at 276-644-0340 to get on our email list. Again, thank you for being a part of this life saving ministry.

Monthly Papal Intentions

To better know "the concrete problems that trouble the Universal Church, especially those of the missions", the Holy Father asks that his monthly intention be "the object of knowledgeable and responsible prayer on the part of the people of God."

Pope's Intention for April—For the role of women.

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

Second Sunday of Easter—Divine Mercy



O God, You make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of Your Son our Lord: give us this day such blessing through our worship of You, that the week to come may be spent in Your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE THE 150th

Run for the Roses KENTUCKY DERBY St. Anne Catholic School Spring Fundraiser

Saturday, May 4, 2024 6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

Bristol Motor Speedway The Bristol Club, Suite 407 Tickets \$40

Email: <u>erobinette@stanneschoolbristol.org</u> Or call the school office at 276-669-0048 for tickets

> Thank you for your support of Catholic education and Saint Anne Catholic School!!