

# 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

#### **TELEPHONE NUMBERS:**

Parish Registration - Call the church office.

#### Confessions:

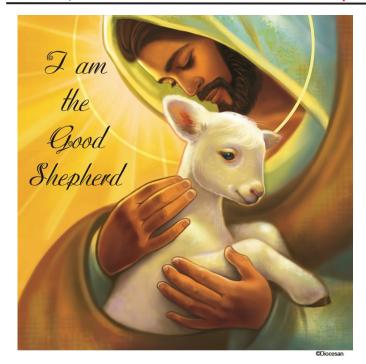
Tues., Wed., Thurs., 5:00-6:00 p.m., Sat., 8:45a-9:30a; 415-515p p.m. or by appointment.

**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.



Today we are reminded that Jesus is the Good Shepherd, committed to caring for his sheep through every danger, difficulty, and trauma. He told his disciples that he would lay down his life for his sheep. Indeed, this is exactly what he did. By laying down his life for our sins, he conquered death and raises us to eternal life with him. Let us allow the risen Lord to guide us to the idyllic pasture of salvation.

Jesus, our Good Shepherd...

You provide us with everything we need.

You seek out the lost and tenderly
heal the wounds of the hurting.

With your abundant love leading us,
help us to reach out to others,
while learning together and
building a caring community.

For this we pray in your name. Amen.

A Message from Father Tom...

Last week, we heard that the disciples were incredulous for joy upon seeing the risen Lord. This week, we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday, where our Lord assures us all have been entrusted to him.

We often find ourselves unwilling to give over to the joy of Christ's love and the joy of the Kingdom, due to the wet blanket of worry, fear, and pain we encounter in the world. But, brothers and sisters, He is Risen! He has the power to offer his life and take it up again. He knows us and we know his voice. His sacrifice and his resurrected glorified body don't end in time, but continue beyond time, mediating our relationship with the Father, for which we were made.

Do not be incredulous for joy like the apostles in early days, but let the Spirit help you towards the surrender that the truth invites and which Jesus assures us he can guide us in. Do not believe the lies of the evil one, who tempts you to caution.

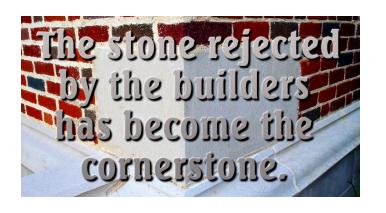
Dance as David did in the presence of the Lord entering the holy city, and take upon yourself the easy and light burden of his heir, our Lord Jesus.

When our immortal soul is held in the palm of God's hand, whom shall I fear?

## With Gratitude!

Many thanks to all our parishioners for your generosity in sharing your gifts with our parish!





### Senior High Youth Ministry & Junior High Youth Ministry

- April 21 Youth Ministry (BYC 6:00p-8:00p)
- **April 28 Youth Ministry** (BYC 6:00p-8:00p)
- May 5 Youth Ministry (BYC 6:00p-8:00p)

  ⋄ Dinner will be provided!
- May 12 No Youth Ministry
   Happy Mother's Day!

VBS—Scuba June 17-21 8:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

#### **ATTENTION TEENS!!**

Help us take kids deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God.

There are some great opportunities for youth to help out this year! Vacation Bible School is a fantastic way to earn community service hours and have fun all week.

If you would like to help with VBS this year, please contact:

Laura Cochrane: 276-492-3095 <u>lauracochrane@stannes-bristol.org</u> Sarah French: 276-669-8200 x2003 <u>sfrench@stannes-bristol.org</u>

#### **HOLY HOUR**

#### ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

We are blessed with the opportunity to come spend time in private prayer with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Come to let the Lord speak to your heart in the silence.

-Tuesday from 9a to 10a

(following our 8:30a weekday Mass)

—Saturday from 8:30a to 9:30a

(after Adoration is our Saturday morning weekday Mass at 9:30a)

#### **ROSARY**

The Pro-Life Rosary will be prayed at 12:15 p.m. in the St. Augustine Center on Wednesday, April 24.

#### Wednesday BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Bible Study group will meet on Wednesday, April 24 at 1 p.m. in the St. Augustine Center. All are welcome!

## Choir News

We still have some weeks left before the Choir takes a summer break. Adults and high school teens who love to sing are welcome to join the choir—rehearsals are Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.!

# Sing to God with Gladness

#### **Please Note!**

This week's school Mass will be **Thursday at 8:30a** instead of on Wednesday. No 6p Mass this Thursday.

#### Catholic Conference Center Hickory, North Carolina

#### **UPCOMING RETREATS!!**

♦ Worldwide Marriage Encounter—May 3-5

Looking for some time where you can pause, reflect, and reconnect with your spouse? Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends provide a space to dialogue with each other and with God. Two nights, May 3-5

♦ Silent Retreat for Women—July 19-21

The theme for this year's Legion of Mary
Silent Retreat for Women will be the Total
Consecration to the Holy Face and growth in the
Interior Life with Fr. Lawrence Careny III.

Mass in Latin each day—July 19-21

(The Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC is a fully equipped conference and retreat center, owned and operated by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte. They have 50 lodging rooms with two full-sized beds, private bath, meeting rooms that can seat up to 300 people, and a dining area with a full-time executive chef. The center is located on the rim of Baker Mountain Park surrounded by 180 acres of wooded trails and landscaped areas. For more information, email <a href="mailto:info@catholicconerence.org">info@catholicconerence.org</a>.)

#### Catholic Christmas Cruises with a Priest

Catholic Cruises and Tours and Apostleship of the Sea of the United States of America

- ⇒ Join Father Leo Prengaman (December 20, 2024) for a 7 night coastal Mexico cruise on the Navigator of the Seas (Royal Caribbean Cruise Line) out of Los Angeles, CA
- ⇒ Join Fr. John Jamnicky (December 16, 2024) for a 10 night Wester Caribbean cruise on the Jewel of the Seas (Royal Caribbean Cruise Line) out of Galveston, TX

(Call Catholic Cruises and Tours for more information and to make a reservation at 1-860-399-1785)



(Weekday Mass, Saturday, April 20, 9:30 a.m.)

**Saturday, April 20** (Vigil—4th Sunday of Easter)

5:30 p.m. †John Seneker

Sunday, April 21 (Fourth Sunday of Easter)

8:30 a.m. †Gary Brown and †James Chipponeri

11:30 a.m. †Annette "Nettie" Mellett 2:30 p.m. Parishioners (Spanish Mass) (Weekday Mass, Monday, April 22, 6 p.m.)

Tuesday, April 23

8:30 a.m. †Merylen Ott

Wednesday, April 24

8:30 a.m. †Millie Radler
Thursday, April 25 (School Mass)

8:30 a.m. †Bud Karban

Friday, April 26

8:30 a.m. †Patty Sheppard

(Weekday Mass, Saturday, April 27, 9:30 a.m.)

**Saturday, April 27** (Vigil—5th Sunday of Easter)

5:30 p.m. †Francis J. Finan, Jr. Sunday, April 21 (Fifth Sunday of Easter)

8:30 a.m. †Juan Carbajal and †Daniel Carbajal

11:30 a.m. †Don Ward

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



#### E-Giving (April 6-11)

Regular/Operating	\$2	,583
St. Anne Catholic School	\$	290
Building/Roof Repairs	\$	50
Catholic Virginian	\$	25
Holy Thursday/local poor	\$	53

#### **Collection Report** (April 13/14)

Regular/Operating	\$1	0,063
St. Anne Catholic School	\$	140
Catholic Virginian	\$	210

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

is what I do after I say " I Believe"....

## Have you not been receiving your copy of the Catholic Virginian???

Many of you let us know a few weeks back that you had not gotten a Catholic Virginian newspaper in quite awhile (including the ones that come here to the parish office!) — It seems the Feb. 5th issue was the last one that everyone received... The Feb. 19th issue and the March issue(s) had not been getting to the subscribers! We reported this to the Office of the Catholic Virginian a few weeks ago. In the past week some folks have just received their Feb. 19 issue, but no March issue.

The CV office is working with postal authorities to try to track down what happened. All of the papers are bulk mailed from Richmond... so somewhere along the postal service line apparently the Bristol TN, Bristol VA, Bluff City, Blountville papers did not get to their intended destination! We are hoping that whatever the problem is that it gets resolved and our papers begin arriving in a timely manner again.

—Our 2nd collection next weekend of April (April 30) will be taken up to help to offset the cost to our parish for the Catholic Virginian.

## Scripture for next Sunday 5th Sunday of Easter

#### Acts 9:26-31

Barnabas reported to the Apostles how Saul had seen the Lord on the way.

#### Psalm 22

"I will praise you, Lord, in the Assembly of your people."

#### 1 John 3:18-24

This is his commandment: that we may believe and love.

#### John 15:1-8

"I am the vine, you are the branches."

In the first reading next Sunday, we catch a glimpse of Saint Paul (still called Saul) at a unique time. Just recently converted, he is intent on speaking boldly in Jesus' name. In the second reading, St. John tells us that believing in Jesus' name and loving one another are the ways to remain in Him. Finally, we hear Jesus ask His disciples to remain in Him as branches remain on a vine. In doing so, He assures them, they will bear fruit abundantly. Let us hear how we can become such disciples ourselves.

#### PRAY for VOCATIONS!!

## World Day of Prayer for Vocations—April 21 "There is no salvation through anyone else."

Let us pray for those who are called to follow the Lord as a priest or religious brother or sister that they may generously say YES. If you feel you are being called to a religious vocation, talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at <a href="mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org">vocations@richmonddiocese.org</a> or call 804-359-5661.

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter—GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

St. Anne Catholic School Spring Fundraiser

Saturday, May 4, 2024 6p to 9p

### Run for the Roses

KENTUCKY DERBY

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 St. Anne Catholic School!!

#### A Few "housekeeping" notes:

- \* Be sure to let the parish office know if your phone, email, or mailing address has changed!
- \* If you are not currently registered with our parish, please contact Rosie M. in the office for a registration form: 276-669-8200 or <a href="mailto:stannes@stannes-bristol.org">stannes@stannes-bristol.org</a>
- \* For Mass Intention requests, contact the parish office!

Today—April 21st—Good Shepherd Sunday is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The purpose of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to—

"Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Matthew 9:38; Luke 10:2).

As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity, secular institutes), and to the missionary life. 2024 marks the 61st Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

