



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 2:30p
Monday: *(NO Mass on 1st Monday of month)*
Tuesday.....*(May 7—NO Mass)*
Wednesday.....*(May 8—NO Mass)*
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
email: schooloffice@stanneschoolbristol.org
Address: 580 Oakview Ave., Bristol, VA

Parish Registration - Call the church office.

Confessions:

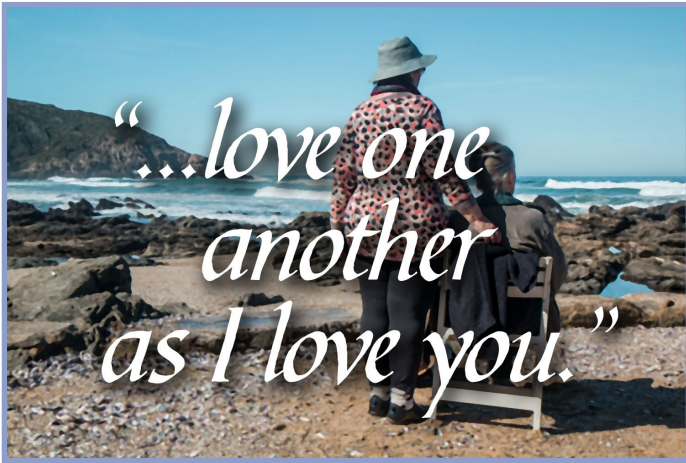
No Confessions Tues/ Wed May 7/8
Thursday, 5:00-6:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:45a-9:30a;
Sat., 415-515p *(no afternoon conf. May 11)*
or by appointment.

Adoration: *No Adoration Tues. May 7*
Saturdays 8:30-9:30a

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.



We continue to celebrate the Easter season today, glorying in the resurrection of our Lord, who has promised to remain with us always. Jesus is with us in our waking and our sleeping, in our joys and our sufferings, in our homes and our communities. In a special way the risen Lord is with us here today as we gather in faith, in the ministers and in each other, in God's word proclaimed, and in his Body and Blood we receive. Once more, let us pledge to bring the risen Lord with us wherever we go and whatever we do, striving always to give witness to his love.

Scripture readings for next Sunday (May 12)

ASCENSION of the LORD

Acts 1:1-11

*As the Apostles were looking on,
Jesus was lifted up.*

Ephesians 1:17-23

Christ is seated at God's right hand.

Mark 16:15-20

*The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven
and took his seat at the right hand of God.*

Every year on this solemnity of the Ascension we hear the beginning of Acts, the book St. Luke wrote to cover the period after Jesus leaves them. Before Jesus returns to the Father, he promises them the Holy Spirit, who will remain with them always, enabling them to be his witnesses all over the world. We hear much the same from St. Mark in next Sunday's Gospel. Jesus has given us our mission and has promised to accompany us in and through the Spirit. Quite simply, what has resulted is the Church, which as St. Paul writes, is the body of Christ. Let us hear our call in the final words of Jesus to his friends.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at our altar this weekend are given in loving memory of *Gene & Gina Rossetti*, given by their children.

A Message from Father Tom...

Jesus utters a couple phrases of dramatic import in today's gospel: "**love one another as I love you**" and "**You are my friends if you do what I command you.**"

He clarifies that he loves us in the greatest way by laying down his life for us. We are to lay down our lives for the brethren. How do we lay down our lives? Is it merely in bodily death? No. Laying down our lives is in the same thought as taking up our cross. We must do it every day. This is a little death: to subordinate our interests to God's and to become a servant to all. This is living with "the other" intentionally rather than begrudgingly.

We're human beings like all others. Will we instead believe that we are a god or God, with our perspective and will begin perfect? We should certainly not. We're invited into friendship with God and we demonstrate our participation in that not simply with belief, but belief which drives us to action.

Those actions are what Christ commanded us to do. Let us march together toward this end and with these guides, so that all can be one in the Kingdom.



Senior High Youth Ministry
&
Junior High Youth Ministry

- **May 5 — Youth Ministry** (BYC 6:00p-8:00p)
 - ◊ Dinner will be provided!
- **May 12 — No Youth Ministry**
 - ◊ Happy Mother's Day!
- **May 19 — Youth Ministry End of Year Picnic!**
 - ◊ Time & Location to be determined

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. **Vacation Bible School** is a fantastic way for teens to earn community service hours! If you would like to help with VBS this year, contact: Laura Cochran: 276-492-3095 or email laura.cochrane@stannes-bristol.org or Sarah French: 276-669-8200 x2003, sfrench@stannes-bristol.org.

This Week...

Fr. Tom will be on an educational adventure trip with our Middle School students this Monday thru Wednesday. So there will not be confessions, adoration, or weekday Mass **May 6-8**. Please keep our students and their chaperones in your prayers!!

Parish Office will be closed Monday afternoon, May 6, as Rosie M. will be off that afternoon.

St. Anne's Prayer Shawl Ministry: Prayer Shawl meeting this Wednesday, May 8 at **10am** in the Saint Augustine Center. No meetings in June and July.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY: Join us on Wednesday, May 8 at 12:15 in the St. Augustine Center to pray the Rosary for Respect Life.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY will meet this Wednesday, May 8 at 1 p.m. at the St. Augustine Center. All are welcome!

No afternoon Confessions next Saturday (May 11): Father Tom will be in Johnson City at the Knights of Columbus 4th degree gathering on Saturday afternoon. He will be back for 5:30 Mass, but not in time for the 415p confessions.

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



Poetry in Motion

Cantemus Women's Choir Concert

Featuring: their favorite poems set to music!

- ◆ Friday, May 10 at 7 p.m. at Waverly Road Presbyterian Church in Kingsport, TN
- ◆ Saturday, May 11 at 7 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Johnson City, TN.

Cantemus is a non-profit chorus composed of female singers in NE Tennessee who share a love of choral music and a commitment to vocal excellence. (*suggested cash donation \$10*)

AMEN!

Appalachian Men's Ensemble Concert

Harmony that Echoes through the Ages

- ◆ Friday, May 17 at 7 p.m. at Gray Methodist Church in Gray, TN.
- ◆ Sunday, May 19 at 2:30 p.m. at the Renaissance Center Theater, Kingsport, TN.

The Appalachian Men's Ensemble is a community of talented male vocalists from the heart of Appalachia.

PRAY for VOCATIONS

"The Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening."

Is your love for the Lord leaving you to grow in holiness as a priest or religious brother or sister? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at 804-359-5661 or email vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



Mass Intentions

- Saturday, May 4** (*Vigil—6th Sunday of Easter*)
5:30 p.m. †Francis Oliver
- Sunday, May 5** (*Sixth Sunday of Easter*)
8:30 a.m. †Merylen Ott
11:30 a.m. †Gene & †Gina Rossetti
1:00 p.m. Spec. Int.: First Holy Communion children
2:30 p.m. Parishioners (*Spanish Mass*)

(NO Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday May 6-8
Fr. Tom with students on Middle School Trip)

Thursday, May 9

6:00 p.m. †Lisa Sperrazza

Friday, May 10

8:30 a.m. Elizabeth P. "Betty" Miller

(Weekday Mass, Saturday, May 11, 9:30 a.m.)

Saturday, May 11

 (*Vigil—Ascension*)

5:30 p.m. †Maria Nguyen Thi Vien

Sunday, May 12

 (*Ascension of the Lord*)

8:30 a.m. †Merylen Ott

11:30 a.m. †Frances Brown

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



PARISH SUPPORT

E-Giving (April 19-25)

Regular/Operating	\$2,907
Bristol Faith In Action	\$ 23

Collection Report (April 27/28)

Regular/Operating	\$9,040
Catholic Virginian	\$1,693
Roof Repairs	\$ 500
Parish Charities	\$ 100
Diocesan Home Missions	\$ 50

Upcoming 2nd Collections:

- This weekend, May 5, our monthly collection for **Saint Anne Catholic School**.
- May 12—**Diocesan Home Missions**, supports the small mission parishes in our diocese.
- June 2—**St. Anne Catholic School**
- June 30—**Holy Father/Peter's Pence**; the faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through this collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See.



BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

The **Baby Bottle Campaign**, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Council 6695, will be held the weekends of **May 11/12 through June 15/16** to include Mother's Day through Father's Day. 100% of donations will benefit Pathways Pregnancy Resource Center of Bristol, which provides ultrasounds and assistance to anyone in East Tennessee/Southwest Virginia who choose the gift of life. The **Large Baby Bottle** will be available in the Commons for your donations. If you wish to have your very own bottle to collect donations, **Small Baby Bottles** will also be available and may be returned to any member of the Knights of Columbus at any time. **IF YOU GIVE A CHECK, please make it payable to KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #6695.** If you have questions, please contact Dale Morrill at 276-628-1284 or Ken Johnson at 423-217-7080.

ATTENTION WOMEN



All Ladies of the Parish are invited to the **CCW (Council of Catholic Women) meeting on Thursday, May 16 at 12 Noon at the Monsignor Hickie Center.**

The May meeting will include crowning our Blessed Virgin Mary and honoring St. Anne, the mother of Mary and Jesus' grandmother.

Our own grandmothers will also be celebrated. All are encouraged to bring a special memory of your grandmother to share.

Lunch will be potluck.
Please bring a dish to share if possible.

CCW will be taking a summer break after the May meeting.

We hope to see you on May 16!



This Sunday, May 5th, we are celebrating **First Holy Communion** with our young people at the 11:30 Mass and also at the 1 p.m. First Eucharist Mass. *May God richly bless them and may they always know the loving embrace of our Lord!*



May is the month of Mary

*'Tis the month of our mother,
the blessed and beautiful days,
when our lips and our spirits
are glowing with love
and with praise.*

*All Hail to dear Mary,
the guardian of our way,
to the fairest of queens,
be the fairest of seasons,
sweet May.*

Vacation Bible School—June 17-20 (8:30a to 11:30a)

SCUBA VBS!!

- ⇒ Ages 0 to 3 can attend w/parent or grandparent who volunteers to help with VBS.
 - ⇒ Ages 4 thru just completing 5th grade can be dropped off to attend.
 - ⇒ Rising 6th thru 12th grade teens & those just graduated AND also Adults are needed as volunteer leaders.
- Registering sooner rather than later helps us in planning. Register at the table in the commons or thru Flocknotes. Questions? Contact Sarah French at 276-669-8200 or sfrench@stannes-bristol.org.

