



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.....(no Mass 8/27).....8:30 a.m.
 Wednesday..... 8:30 a.m.
 Thursday.....6:00 p.m.
 Friday.....8:30 a.m.
 Saturday/daily Mass: (no Mass 8/31) 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
 Website:www.stannes-bristol.org
St. Anne's School 276-669-0048
 email: schooloffice@stanneschoolbristol.org
 Address: 580 Oakview Ave., Bristol, VA

Parish Registration - Call the church office.

Confessions:

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

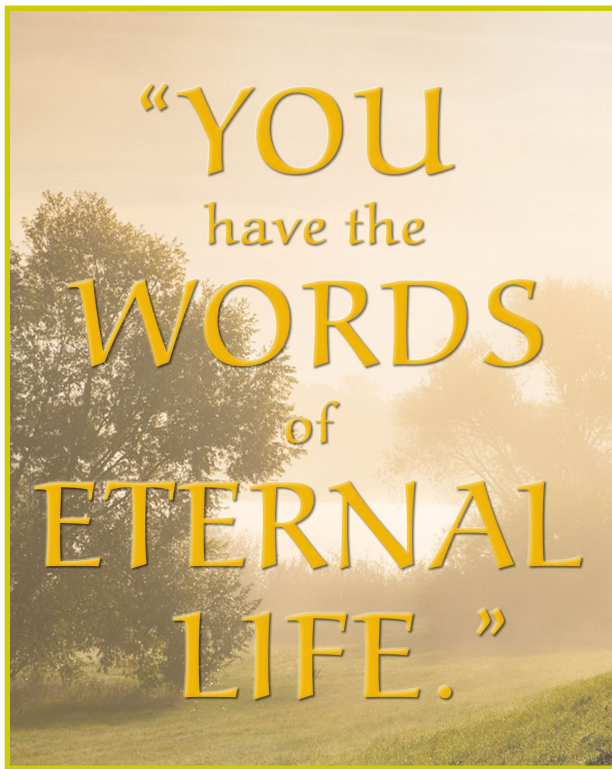
Adoration: Tues. 9-10, no on 8/27;
 Sat. 8:30-9:30a; "First" Tuesdays, 9a to 9p

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.

Bulletin Deadline: 12N on Mondays



Life is difficult. We struggle each day as we try to balance our checkbooks, our time, and our obligations. We come here to worship each week when we could be somewhere else, doing something else. Our faith, our sense of what God is calling us to do, and the Holy Spirit draws us here instead. But each Sunday it is ultimately our decision. We have made the decision to give this hour to the Lord. We are not the first to have to make this decision. The readings we hear today remind us that each of the Chosen People and each of Jesus' disciples were faced with the same decision. May their response inspire us.

Prayers Requested

We ask your prayers for —

- ◆ **Sterling James**, the father-in-law of Cristin Colvin, who died recently in South Dakota. Notes may be sent to Cristin & her husband Daniel c/o St. Anne Catholic Church, 316 Euclid Ave., Bristol, VA 24201.
- ◆ **Whitney Stahl**, the sister of Aimee Sherman, who died last weekend. Aimee is a school parent and a preschool aid in our school. Notes may be sent to her c/o St. Anne Catholic School, 580 Oakview Ave., Bristol, VA 24201.
- ◆ **Jimmy Baker**, former St. Anne parishioner (and stepson of John Flanagan) who passed away recently in South Carolina. Notes of sympathy may be sent to his wife, Cindy, at 1022 S. Hollywood Dr., Surfside Beach, SC 29575.

*May their souls and the souls of
all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

A Message from Father Tom...

Whether it is the generation after the sojourning in the desert or the generation of Jesus' disciples, or even us today, we can concoct many intricate tales and stories for ourselves about who or what God is, and what he is to us. But, there is only the truth; the truth sets us free.

After Joshua's prompting with the Israelites and after Jesus' prompting to the Apostles, we see a true confession of God spring from believer's lips. Jesus has the words of eternal life and there is no one else to whom we could reasonably go.

Let us all consider we allow the world to color our conception of who God is or isn't, then ever more cling to the word of Spirit and life found with our Lord. Let us reject the convenient stories of the day so as to live in Spirit and Truth. The Lord is God and there is no other.

Remember to PRAY for VOCATIONS!

"You have the words of eternal life."

Could God be calling you to be a vessel of His eternal love and wisdom that guides and inspires others? Follow Him into a life of service to others as a priest or religious brother or sister. Talk to your priest or contact the Office of Vocations, at 804-359-5661 or you can email vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at our altar this weekend are placed in celebration of the 60th wedding anniversaries of:

Maureen & Jim Tilley
and
Rose Marie & †Bill Burriss

PARENTS—don't forget...

**Sunday School of Religion (SSR)
for PreSchool—Grade 5**

Faith Formation Drop-In Open House and SSR registration is TODAY, Sunday, Aug. 25, 9:45a to 11:15a in the Great Room. Sunday School starts on September 8th!



Senior High & Junior High Youth Ministry

All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join our

Youth Ministry Parent/Youth meeting

TONIGHT—Sunday, Aug. 25

6 p.m. in the Brady Youth Center

At least one parent must accompany their youth.

This is a perfect opportunity for parents to check out our Youth Center, meet the SHYM & JHYM team, get registration information, pick up a schedule for the year, and ask any questions that you may have. We are excited about the things happening in Youth Ministry. There are going to be opportunities for the youth to grow in their faith, serve those in need in our parish as well as our local community, and make friends and memories to last a lifetime!

Questions? Contact Laura Cochrane: 276-492-3095

or email her lauracochrane@stannes-bristol.org.

PLEASE NOTE:

No morning Mass or Adoration

This Tuesday, Aug. 27

*Fr. Tom will be attending a diocesan-required
VIRTUS training for clergy in Roanoke.*

PRO-LIFE ROSARY... The Rosary will be prayed on Wed., Aug. 28 at **12:15** in the St. Augustine Center. Call Clint Smith at 423-366-2510 with any questions.

BIBLE STUDY: We will continue our Wednesday Bible Study on August 28, **1:00-2:30p** in the Saint Augustine Center with the Gospel of Matthew. All are welcome. If you have any questions, contact Clint Smith at 423-366-2510.

Please note... *Rosie M. will be taking a 1/2 day vacation this Thursday afternoon, August 29.*

PARISH LIFE COMMITTEE NEEDING NEW MEMBERS!!

Our “pre-Covid” Parish Life Committee came back together recently to plan the Parish Picnic. We would like to continue offering community building events throughout the year and in order to do so we need some more members! If you are interested and willing to serve on this committee, please attend our planning meeting on Wednesday, September 4, at 6 p.m. in the Commons. Hope to see you there!

Women in the New Testament

Little Rock
Scripture Study
Begins Friday
September 13



Journey with others through the New Testament, exploring the social and religious world of first-century Palestine and the remarkable lives of the New Testament women of faith. Join our study group on Friday mornings, 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. beginning on **September 13** in the St. Augustine Center. Please sign up at the table in the commons so that we can order your study guide. Cost of materials: \$13.95.

Saint Anne's Prayer Chain...

- ◆ If you are ill or going to have surgery and would like to have the folks on our Prayer Chain hold you in their prayers, please contact Rosie M. in the parish office. If you wish to add someone other than yourself or an immediate family member, you do have to have their permission to put them on our prayer chain.
- ◆ To sign up to be a member of our Prayer Chain (to get emails of folks who need you to pray for them), please contact Rosie M. in the office

MASS INTENTIONS...

Please understand that often Masses already have intentions previously scheduled (especially for our weekend Masses). If you would like to schedule an intention for someone who is deceased, or a special intention for someone still living, contact Rosie in the parish office. Also, to schedule Altar Flowers for a weekend, contact the office to check for availability.

Contact Rosie M. at stannes@stannes-bristol.org
or call 276-669-8200, ext. 0



**Liturgy Intentions
For The Week**

(Saturday, August 24, weekday Mass at 9:30 a.m.)

Saturday, Aug. 24 (Vigil: 21st Sunday/Ordinary Time)

5:30 p.m. †Vivian Meyer

Sunday, Aug. 25 (Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 a.m. †Kenneth Daluisio

11:30 a.m. †Patricia 'Pat' Hall

1:00 p.m. Parishioners (Spanish Mass)

(Monday, August 26, weekday Mass at 6 p.m.)

Tuesday, August 27—no Mass

Fr. Tom will be in Roanoke for clergy meeting

Wednesday, August 28

8:30 a.m. †Jean Stiltner

Thursday, August 29

6:00 p.m. †Thalia Cooper

Friday, August 30

8:30 a.m. Special Intention

(Saturday, August 31, NO Mass at 9:30 a.m.)

(Saturday, August 31, Quinceanera Mass, 1p)

Saturday, Aug. 31 (Vigil: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

5:30 p.m. †Jack Nutterville

Sunday, Sept. 1 (Twenty-second Sunday/Ordinary Time)

8:30 a.m. †Neal Jewell

11:30 a.m. †John Flanagan

1:00 p.m. Parishioners (Spanish Mass)



**Parish
Support**

E-Giving (August 9-15)

Regular/Operating	\$2,524
Holy Day/Assumption of Mary	\$ 53
St. Anne Catholic School	\$ 10

Collection (August 17/18)

Regular/Operating	\$9,141
Holy Day/Assumption of Mary	\$3,329
Building/Roof Repairs	\$ 25
Parish Charities	\$ 100

Our 2nd Collection next weekend, Aug. 31/Sept. 1 is our monthly collection for Saint Anne Catholic School. Thank you for your support of our school!

**2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal:
Sharing His Love with Others**

Supporting the Annual Diocesan Appeal supports important ministries of our Church. The Appeal supports the local needs of parishes by returning a sizable portion of the money collected. If you have not yet made a commitment, please consider doing so. You can pick up a brochure in the parish office or make a secure online donation by going to richmondatholicfoundation.org/appeal.

**Scripture for next Sunday
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

*You shall not add to what I command you...
keep the commandments of the Lord.*

Psalm 15

*"The one who does justice will live
in the presence of the Lord."*

James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Be doers of the word.

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

*You disregard God's commandments
but cling to human tradition.*

God's commands take center stage next Sunday. Moses points out that when the Chosen People put God's commandments into practice, other nations will marvel at how just and wise they are. The psalmist assures us that those who act justly will live in God's presence. We begin hearing selections from the letter of James next weekend; James continually emphasized the need to put one's faith into action. In the Gospel, Jesus chides the Pharisees for putting the letter of human rules above the spirit of God's commands. When we hear these readings next Sunday, let us reflect on how we follow God's commandments.



From **September 25th thru November 3rd**, area Christians from various denominations are participating in the international **40 Days for Life** vigil 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. To join this ministry, please contact Angie Bush at 40daysbristoltn@gmail.com or call 423-482-2123. You can also learn more by going to www.40daysforlife.com or by coming to our kick-off prayer gathering on Tuesday, September 17th.

**40 Days for Life Kick-off & Prayer Gathering
Tuesday, September 17**

5:30 p.m. pizza

**6 p.m. Praise, Prayer & strategizing
at Saint Anne's in the Commons**

RSVP to Angie (423-482-2123 [by Sept. 13](http://by.Sept.13))

**Abortion stops
a beating heart**



Mum's the Word

*St. Anne School Fall Fundraiser
Order MUMS from St. Anne's PTO!*



Fill out an order form (*you can find them at the table in the commons — or at the school or parish office*).

Price: 1 for \$15 or 2 for \$25

Order Forms and check (payable to St. Anne's PTO) due in **NO LATER THAN Sunday, Sept. 1.**

Colors are available while supplies last (red, orange, yellow, pink, purple, white)

Pick up your ordered mums when you come to Mass on **Sept. 7/8**

If you have any questions, please contact the PTO at erobinette@stanneschoolbristol.org

Thank you for your support!!

*Please note...*Next Saturday, August 31, we WILL have our usual Saturday morning Confessions and Adoration from 8:30 to 9:30a, but there is NO morning Mass next Saturday (due to the Quinceanera Mass at 1p). Thanks for your understanding!

Looking Ahead to September on the Calendar!!

- **Labor Day Holiday**, Sept. 2, (office closed)
Bulletin deadline is still Monday, 12 noon.
- **12-Hr. Adoration**, Sept. 3, 9a to 9p
- Choir rehearsals resume, Sept. 4, 6:30 p.m.
- **SSR begins!** Sept. 8
- *Bristol Rhythm & Roots*, Sept. 13-15
- **Praise & Worship Solemn Exposition**, Sept. 15, 7p
- 40 Days for Life Kick-off Gathering, Sept. 17
- *Race Weekend*, Sept. 20/21
- **Evening Prayer for Police, Fire, EMS**, Sept. 29, 6p and reception follows. Please plan to come to honor those in our area who keep us safe!