



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 p.m.
Tuesday..... 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday.....8:30 a.m.
Thursday..... 6 p.m.
Friday.....8:30 a.m.
Saturday/daily Mass 9:30 a.m.
Holy Days: Call the office for Mass times

TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

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Address: 580 Oakview Ave., Bristol, VA

Parish Registration - Call the church office.

Confessions: (or by appt.)

Saturday 8:30-930a & 4-5:15p
Tuesday & Wednesday 5-6p; Thur.5-545p

Adoration:

Tuesday 9a-10a; (1st Tues. 9a-9p)
Wednesday 6-7p; Saturday 830-930a

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.

Third Sunday of Lent

The cycle C readings today at our **5:30p & 11:30a Masses** remind us that we are fortunate to be alive for this blessed season of Lent. Why? Because it means we still have the opportunity to repent of our sins and to turn back to God with our whole hearts. We all sin; it is the human condition. But with hearts in the right place, we feel remorse for our sins and we promise God, others, and ourselves to do better. How lucky we are that we can! As we continue through this holy season, let us make the most of this opportunity.



As we approach the day when our Elect will be baptized, confirmed and receive the Eucharist for the first time, we celebrate three Scrutiny Sundays. The rites are centered on the Elect, but they need to involve the wider community.

This weekend, the **1st Scrutiny is at the 8:30a Mass**. At the Scrutiny Mass, we use the cycle A readings. The first reading reminds us of the power of water for without water the Chosen People would have died of thirst in the desert. Moses brings forth water from a rock, revealing God's constant presence and care. In the Gospel story of the women at the well, Jesus reveals Himself as the source of living water, water that will well up in us to eternal life.

The three Scrutinies are celebrated on the third, fourth, and fifth Sundays of Lent and are a series of rites for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This is considered a period of purification and enlightenment for the Elect. There are prayers of exorcism which are intended to help purify them from sin and sinful desires. The overall prayers and laying on of hands are to help them be enlightened by the Word and grace of God. These are important foundational teachings for the Elect to understand and experience. During the three-week period of the Scrutinies, the Elect open the eyes of their souls, examine carefully how sin works in their lives, and make the deliberate choice to turn away from sin so they can step joyfully into the light of Christ at their Baptism.

The Scrutinies are associated with three specific Gospel stories on these three weekends of Lent:

- ♦ **Jesus encountering the Samaritan woman at the well**, where He offers Himself as the living Water;
- ♦ **Jesus healing the man born blind**, where He gives Himself as the Light of the World; and
- ♦ **Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead**, where He reveals Himself as the Resurrection and the Life.

A Special Note...

Many thanks to Saint Anne's community for your prayers and many kindnesses to Marilyn during her brave battle with cancer. And thank you to everyone for your outpouring of sympathy and support to our family at her passing. May God bless you all.

Sincerely,
Tony Broglio & family

A Message from Father Tom...

Depending on which Mass you attend, you'll have "A" cycle readings or "C" cycle readings.

In the "C" cycle, we hear something at the crux of Lent: with intention towards the good followed by repentance, those who have been astray can return. It often takes a moment of critical choice to know and understand that there's a need for change. We don't have perfect knowledge at all times, and so we review ourselves and our circumstances again and again so as to help course-correct our lives back onto the path of holiness.

Our Elect (formerly Catechumens) begin three weekends of Scrutinies, which assist them in their purification and enlightenment in preparation for the Easter sacraments. They will be interrogated, exorcised, and we'll pray for them that they can prepare worthily and adequately. That intention is a reminder for us of the constant vigilance we must live-in towards rejecting evil and amending our lives.

2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal *Sharing His Love with Others*

If you have not yet had an opportunity to support this year's Appeal, there are envelopes with brochures on the table in the commons. You can complete the form and mail to the address on the envelope. Or you can turn in to the office and we will mail for you. (Please be sure to complete the form, and please do not mail cash in the envelope).





Choir Coffee Hour

Curious about choir,
but not yet ready
to come to rehearsal
on Wednesdays?



Come chat and ask questions about the music ministry (this morning), **Sunday, March 23 at 9:45a**, (after the 8:30a Mass) in the parish office conference room. Cristin will have treats and be happy to talk!



Senior High Youth Ministry & Junior High Youth Ministry

- ◆ (Sun.) March 23– Fun Night!
- ◆ (Wed.) Mar. 30 –Youth Ministry (BYC 5p-7p)
 - Dinner will be provided
- ◆ (Sun.) April 6 — No Youth Ministry
- ◆ (Wed.) April 16 — Youth Ministry (BYC 5p-7p)

Diocesan Work Camp June 21-27, 2025 St. Anne's, Bristol, VA

*YES, we are hosting the Diocesan Work Camp
this year!!*

All 8th-12th grade teens from across the Diocese are invited to Diocesan Work Camp this summer. Work Camp is an annual week-long mission trip experience where teens from all over the Diocese learn to love their faith through the lens of service and community. Participants will be broken into work crews that have a mix of teens from different parishes, each work crew will complete a home repair project in the local community. Everyone at Work Camp attends daily Mass before heading out to work, and evenings are filled with free time and an evening program. A highlight of Work Camp is the mid-week Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation service. All teens, chaperones, home base volunteers, and contractors stay onsite.

Diocesan Work Camp is an immersive experience for teens to learn what it means to put our Catholic faith in action.

Deadline to register: May 1

Cost: \$225

**For questions or to register,
please contact Laura Cochrane:**

276-692-3095 / lauracochrane@stannes-bristol.org

We are in need of Adult Chaperones, Home Base Volunteers, and a few Contractors! Contractors do not have to be licensed, but they do need to have a general idea about building things. If you are interested in serving in any of these areas, please contact Laura Cochrane.

Please take Note!!

—No weekday Mass this Monday, March 24
(due to Brother Guy Consolmagno's talk)



Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ Director of the Vatican Observatory here Monday, March 24

King University's Institute for Faith & Culture is hosting **Brother Guy Consolmagno, Director of the Vatican Observatory** here in Bristol this Monday, March 24. Brother Guy is an American research astronomer, a physicist, a Jesuit religious brother, director of the Vatican Observatory and President of the Vatican Observatory Foundation. Brother Guy will have two talks in Bristol this Monday — March 24:

- ◆ 9:15am “*Why Do We Look Up?*”
King University Memorial Chapel
- ◆ 7:00pm “*A Jesuit's Guide to the Stars*”
St. Anne's Church

A reception will follow the presentation

We hope many of you will plan to join us for Brother Guy's visit and talk.

Holy Hours this week Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

- ◇ Tuesday, 9a to 10a
(after the 8:30a Mass)
- ◇ Wednesday, 6p to 7p
- ◇ Saturday, 8:30a to 9:30a
(before the 9:30a Mass)



**Take some time this Lent for private prayer
with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.**

Please note: As this bulletin goes to the publisher, we are not sure if there will be Pro-Life Rosary and/or Wednesday Bible Study this week—check with parish office.

Choir

Choir Rehearsal—Wednesday 6 p.m.
(High School Teens and Adults are welcome
to join our choir!)



Masses For The Week

(Weekday morning Mass, Sat., March 22 at 9:30a)

Saturday, March 22 (Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent)

5:30 p.m. †Francis Oliver

Sunday, March 23 (Third Sunday of Lent)

8:30 a.m. †Marilyn Broglio

11:30 a.m. Parishioners

2:30 p.m. †Jesús Mendoza *(Spanish Mass)*

(No weekday Mass Monday evening, March 24)

Tuesday, March 25

8:30 a.m. Special Intention: Joy Colvard

Wednesday, March 26

8:30 a.m. †Louis LaMarche, Jr.

Thursday, March 27

6:00 p.m. †Chuck Weisenburger

Friday, March 28

8:30 a.m. †Steve Gahagen

(Weekday morning Mass, Sat., March 29 at 9:30 a.m.)

Saturday, March 29 (Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent)

5:30 p.m. †Andy Dannhardt

Sunday, March 30 (Fourth Sunday of Lent)

8:30 a.m. †Mary Joyce

11:30 a.m. †Frank Stoffle

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



Parish Support

E-Giving (March 7-13)

Regular/Operating	\$2,451
Ash Wednesday	\$ 124
St. Anne Catholic School	\$ 140
Parish Charities/Social Ministry	\$ 53
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 20

Collection Report (March 15/16)

Regular/Operating	\$11,852
Ash Wednesday	\$ 50
St. Anne Catholic School	\$ 1,575
Building/roof repairs	\$ 50
Bristol Faith in Action (BFIA)	\$ 1,020

2nd Collection next Sunday (March 30) for
Catholic Relief Services.

A Note of Thanks...

Dear St. Anne Catholic Church,

Thank you for your ongoing monetary, food, cleaning supplies, health care items donations to Bristol Faith in Action. Many thanks for applying for the Richmond Diocese Fuel & Hunger Grant on our behalf (the \$10,000 which was received from this is greatly appreciated!!)

Your generosity and loyal support of Bristol Faith in Action is unmatched!

Bristol Faith in Action

Scripture for next Sunday Fourth Sunday of Lent—*Laetare Sunday*

(Cycle C readings at 8:30a & 11:30a):

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

The people celebrate the first Passover in the promised land.

Psalm 34

"Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Jeus reconciles us to his Father.

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Forgiveness and reconciliation are reasons for celebration.

(Cycle A readings with Second Scrutiny at 5:30p):

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Samuel anointed David to be king.

Psalm 23

*"The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want."*

Ephesians 5:8-14

Rise from the dead, children of light.

John 9:1-41

I know this much: I was blind, but now I see.

A Lenten Prayer

God of goodness and mercy, Hear my prayer as I travel this Lenten journey with You. Let me be honest with myself as I look into my heart and soul, noticing the times I turn away from You. Guide me as I humbly seek to repent and return to Your love. Amen.



Spot light on... OLIVEWOOD GIFTS
from Bethlehem Christians
March 29/30)
in the Great Room

Olive wood carvings and crafts from Christian artists in the Holy Land will be offered for sale in the Great Room after each Mass NEXT weekend **March 29-30**. Be sure to plan to stop in browse —these items are beautiful—to purchase for yourself or perhaps as an Easter gift for someone. You may remember the Olivewood Gifts when they came here to Saint Anne's during Advent 2023.

Sales of olive wood carvings support Christian families in the Bethlehem area who rely on this and pilgrims as primary sources of income. Due to the recent events in Israel, all tourism activities have halted since the war. Which devastated the livelihoods of those families. Christians make less than 2% of the population in the Holy Land. Your support and solidarity keep these native Christians rooted in their homeland.

40 Days for Life

Between now and April 13th, 40 Days for Life vigils are happening in 660 cities worldwide. Christians from various churches are praying and fasting for the end of abortion. In Bristol, our goal is to have a prayer chain of people praying 12 hours/day for 40 consecutive days.

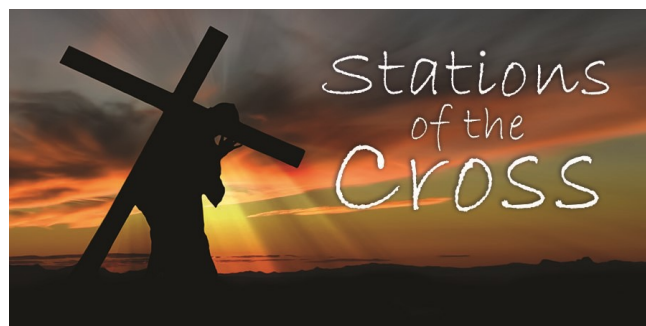


If you would like to be involved but aren't sure how to start, consider coming to one of these group prayer gatherings near Bristol Women's Health abortion business (2603 Osbourne St., Bristol, VA).

- Wed., Mar. 26—3:30p (with Fr. Tom Lawrence)
- Thurs., April 3—11a (with St. Mary's Knights)
- Thurs., April 3—5p (First Assembly of God)
- Saturday, April 5—11a (with Fr. Chris Masla)
- Thurs., April 11—11a (with St. Mary's Knights)
- Sun., April 13—4p **Closing Prayer Gathering**

Easter Flower Memorials

If you would like to make a donation toward our Easter Lilies in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please notify Rosie M. in the parish office NLT April 11. These will be listed in our Easter bulletin April 19/20.



Join us on the Fridays of Lent for **Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m.**, prayed in the chapel and commons.

Soup Supper: A soup supper is served at 5:30 p.m. in the Great Room on Friday before the Stations of the Cross.

Looking Ahead Just a Bit...

- ◆ Tues., April 1—12 Hr. Adoration (9a-9p)
- ◆ Thurs., April 10—Lenten Penance Svc. 7p
- ◆ Palm Sunday, April 13—Holy Week Begins!!
- ◆ Holy Thursday, April 17—Mass at 7 p.m.
- ◆ Good Friday, April 18
Stations of the Cross 12N; Good Friday Svc. 7p
- ◆ Holy Saturday, April 19; Easter Vigil Mass 8:30p
- ◆ Easter Sunday, Apr. 20; English Masses: 8:30a/11:30a
Spanish Mass: 2:30p