

St. Anne Catholic Church

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November 24, 2024



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Welcome to St. Anne's Catholic Church. The St. Anne's Parish is a diverse Roman Catholic Community, which proclaims the good news of Jesus Christ by teaching, witness, prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Guided by Scripture and tradition, nourished by the Eucharist, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are committed to evangelization, and compassionately serving the community's physical, spiritual and emotional needs

Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM
Sunday 8:00, 10:00, 12 Noon

Weekdays and Holy Days: as announced in the bulletin

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:15 to 4:00 PM

Parish Membership

Active parish membership is both necessary and helpful to all involved when seeking sponsorship certificates, Marriage or Baptism preparations. Please call the rectory to register or to report address or phone number changes.

Hospital Visits

Please have someone notify the rectory when you or a family member is hospitalized.

Baptism

Parents please email the Baptism Coordinator, at stannebaptism450@gmail.com, 3-4 months prior to expected birth of your child to register for the Baptism and Baptism Prep Class.

Marriage

Engaged couples must contact a priest at least 6 months in advance of the requested wedding date in order to make proper arrangements for the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program.

Rectory

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Mass Intentions For This Week

Monday, November 25th

7:00 AM - Helen Zweifel

8:45 AM - Geraldine Husovsky

Tuesday, November 26th

7:00 AM - Russell & Pauline Salak

Wednesday, November 27th

7:00 AM - Arnold Sposato

8:45 AM - Harvey Moser

Thursday, November 28th

Happy Thanksgiving

8:45 AM - Living & Deceased Members of the Stephen Balshi Family

Friday, November 29th

8:45 AM - Justine Mitala

Saturday, November 30th

8:45 AM - Robert Tune

Anticipated Mass for the First Sunday of Advent

4:30 PM - Mark Renninger

Sunday, December 1st

8:00 AM - Chester Livirrie

10:00 AM - Living & Deceased Members of St. Anne's Sodality

12:00 PM - George Fanning

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14).

Psalms: The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty (Psalm 93)

Second Reading: The Lord God is the Alpha and Omega - the beginning and the end (Rev. 1:5-8).

Gospel: For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

Pray For Our Deceased:

Pray For Our Sick: Especially those in area hospitals and nursing facilities. Also, for those confined to their homes with an illness or disability.

Divine Mercy: Divine Mercy is said every Friday at 3PM in the chapel. All are welcome!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5 Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday Rv 14:14-19 Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4 Ps 98:1, 2-3AB, 7-8, 9 Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Sir 50:22-24 Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 1 Cor 1:3-9 Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2 Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6A and 8A Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rom 10:9-18 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Mt 4:18-22

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16 Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 11 1 Thes 3:12-4:2 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Altar Flowers: Those who wish to order flowers in memory of a loved one or for a special occasion may call the rectory office 610-867-5039. One large bouquet on the Main Altar, \$75; two bouquets on the Tabernacle, \$100; two large bouquets on the Main Altar, \$150.



**Happy Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 28th
8:45 AM Mass**

***Please note, Friday, Nov. 29th only
one mass at 8:45 AM**

**St. Anne's Sodality:
Rosary Devotions**

Monday's - 6:30 PM - Church
9:25 AM On the four Sundays of Sodality's Mass

Sodality Mass
Sunday, December 1, 2024, 10:00am

Please come and join us, Rosary recited 9:25 AM
before Mass

Bakers Needed: Sodality will hold their annual cookie walk on December 8th in the Community Center from 9:00AM to 1:30 PM. We are in need of **BAKERS!** Donated cookies can be dropped off at the Community Center on Dec. 7th between 2 PM and 4 PM. If you are able to help out or would like more information, please contact Trish Zechman, 610-417-1657.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: is offered on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month during the 10 am Mass. Children in preschool up to 8 years old are invited and encouraged to attend. Join us on November 24, December 8 & 22 to explore the following themes: "King of kings: Preparing for Christ's coming and God's love - the greatest gift of all."

St. Anne's 55+ Club: the St. Anne's 55+ Club's next event will be held in our Community Center. The Lehigh Valley Pops Orchestra will conduct a melodious Christmas concert Sunday, December 1 at 2:00pm. The doors open at 1:00pm. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy this music.

St. Anne's 55+ Club: The Club's next luncheon will be Wednesday, December 18 at 12:00 Noon at Adagio Restaurant, Pembroke Rd. A flavorful buffet will be served for \$20. This is our special Christmas luncheon. We invited the Freedom High School Choraliers. Let's show our appreciation with a great turn out. See you at the luncheon!

When a New Year Comes: do you make resolutions? A new liturgical year begins for us in December. How about making a resolution to give some of your time and talent to serve our parish in the music program? We need more cantors and will welcome more choir members, ages high school and above. Give us a try! Contact Jane Errera for information, 610-865-4837, or StAnnesMusic@aol.com.



Advent: A Season for Saints: "Christ was born to save!" What better way to prepare for the coming of our Lord Jesus then to meet a few of the saints He saved by His birth. Have the Advent season come alive as Father Brown shares the lives of three saints and what they teach us about Christmas.

Where: St. Anne Rectory Meeting Room

When: Tuesdays in December; 6:30pm

What:

- + "Good King" Saint Wencelas (December 3rd)
- + Saint Nicholas (December 10th)
- + Saint Lucy (December 18th)

Advent Wreath Lighting: If you and your family would like to participate in the beautiful ritual of the lighting of the advent Wreath for this coming Advent, please contact Fidelia Akabogu, at 610-867-5039 X14 or fideljasa@gmail.com. You may reserve the Mass you would like to participate in. The Advent season is a time of preparation for the birth of the Christ child.

Grief Support Group: will meet on Wednesday evenings for six weeks in the Fall.

Dates: Nov. 6, 13, 20 & Dec. 4, 11 & 18

Time: 6:00pm to 7:30pm

Where: Convent building

Joan Doherty, LMFT, NCC is the facilitator. For more information and to register, please contact Fidelia at 610-867-5039 x14 or fideljasa@gmail.com.

Registration is required!

Holy Family Manor: We are in need of volunteers to help with varices activities. Please contact Fr. Rothermal, 610-865-5595 ext. 509, with questions or if you are able to help.

Unannounced Masses: Retired priests at Holy Family Villa are available to offer unannounced Masses. Drop in the weekend basket or at the rectory your intention and a ten-dollar (\$10.00) donation. It will be forwarded to the priests.



Coffee & Donut: in the Vestibule after the 8am & 10am Masses on Sunday, December 1. The Knights of Columbus will our host.

Princeton Singers: On Sunday, December 15, at 4:00 pm, the Princeton Singers will return with “A Rose in Winter,” songs of the season to warm the heart and ring in the joys of Christmas. Come for an afternoon of wonderful music!

Support the Retired and Infirm Priests:

Make sure to remember the retired priests of our Diocese by making a gift to the Endowment Fund for the Care of Retired Priests. This special fund is used to directly support retired priests in good standing including the future costs for their healthcare, insurance, and housing and sustenance. Please return your gift using the envelope you received in the mail. These envelopes may be returned in the mail or in the collection basket at Mass. For more information visit the website www.weloveourpriests.org. Your generosity supports retired priests from all 5 counties of our Diocese.

Bible Study: We just finished studying the book of Revelation. We are taking a break in December to attend Fr. Brown’s Advent series. Starting on January 14, 2025 we will study the gospel of the beloved apostle, St. John. Please join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. Bring your Bible and bring a friend.

Mary, Mother of Expectant Hope: Mary is not only the Mother of Expectant Hope for her time, but for all of us. She is a beacon of light and a source of encouragement, reminding us to stay close to Christ, even in times of waiting and uncertainty. As we prepare for Christmas, let’s invite Mary to journey with us. Let us ask her to teach us how to hope as she did, how to trust God’s will and embrace His plan with faith. Join us Monday, December 2 from 6:30 to 8:30pm at White House Chapel, Monocacy Manor (395 Bridle Path Rd). The Facilitator will be the Most Rev. Alfred A. Schlert. Please register by calling 610-867-8890. Freewill offerings accepted.

Day Time Bible Study: will meet on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month in the Rectory Meeting Room at 2:00PM. We will study “Acts”. Bring your Bible and invite a friend or two. Any Questions? - Call Mary Ann Umble at 610-866-4670.



Knights of Columbus

SPECIAL OLYMPICS COLLECTION

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who donated to the Northampton County Special Olympics for their generous support. We were able to raise over \$1000 to support this worthy cause.

We would also like to remind everyone that we are honored to host Santa Claus for breakfast on December 15th from 8am to 11am. Please bring your kids and your appetites as we will be serving a full pancake breakfast with sausage, bacon, fruit and drinks. Children under 5 eat free, ages 5-9 are \$5, and everyone else is \$10.

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Join us at <https://saintanneskofc.org/members> or contact Anthony Garguilo at 484-554-5815 or email garguiloanthony@gmail.com

Women’s Advent Retreat: The Bishop’s Commission for Women is hosting an Advent Retreat entitled, “Finding Hope Through Prayer.” The retreat will be held at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Allentown from 9:00 to 1:00PM on Saturday, December 14th. All women of the Diocese are invited to attend. Registration is open and can be accessed through the QR Code on the flyers found on the bulletin boards at each entrance of the church. You may also contact Mary Ann at 610-295-8523 to register.

Join Cub Scout Pack 306!: Open to boys and girls K-5. We meet Fridays from 7-8pm in the Convent (back entrance). For more information or to sign up contact Julia, 631-671-2260 or Kathy, 484-767-7407.

This week at St. Anne's

Sunday, November 24:

1:00 PM - Daisy troop #81013, Convent
 1:00 PM - OCIA, Convent

Monday, November 25:

5:00 PM - Cheer Practice, Community Center
 6:30 PM - CCD, School
 6:30 PM - Sodality, Church

Tuesday, November 26:

6:15 PM - Girl Scouts #82044, Com. Center

Wednesday, November 27:

6:00 PM - Adult Choir, Community Center

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Needed to meet Church Budget	\$ 15,577
Contributions - Sunday Envelopes.....	\$ 9,386
Contributions - Online Giving	\$ 11,983
Contributions - Commitment	\$ 1,030
Total Contributions 7/1/24 - Now	\$ 309,366
YTD Budget to now	\$ 311,538
Total Over (Under) Budget	\$ (2,172)

Second Collection

Allentown Poverty Relief\$ 2,360

Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips, and shows itself in deeds. - Theodore Roosevelt

**St. Gianna Life Ministry -
 Gianna's Corner:**

This November, we pray for all the Saints to guide us and hear our prayers.

We solemnly pray for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

RESOURCES FOR SENIORS:

- ◆ Early Stage Dementia Support Group: 610-746-1120
- ◆ Alzheimer's Association: alz.org/education
- ◆ Dementia Friendly Lehigh Valley: dementia.lv.org
- ◆ The Fleming Memory Center: Wendy Scott WendyT.Scott@lvhn.org
- ◆ Morning Star Memory Café: Advent Moravian Church - Senior Solutions 610-258-0700

Consider spending time with a senior living alone or visit those in nursing homes.

Next meeting will be on December 5, 2024 at 6:30 PM in the Convent. All are welcome!

Diocesan ProLife Leadership Meeting 12-8-24, 4:30 - 7:00pm at St. Thomas More.

First Sunday of Advent	Reader	Extraordinary Minister	Altar Server
Saturday, Nov 30, 4:30 PM	Karen Bartelt (1) Jean Zweifel (2)	Carolyn Hirsch Maria Ramos	Elena Hodgskin Calyssa Hodgskin Judy Pintor
Sunday, Dec. 1, 8:00 AM	Maria Jaeger (1) Richard Kovacs (2)	Kathy Alek Barbara Traupman	Isabella Hann Naomi Rhinehart Jax Rhinehart
Sunday, Dec. 1, 10:00 AM	Dawn Tobin (1) Jane Scrak (2)	Annemarie John Kathleen Morgan	Alana Harris Della Harris Anna Schwartz
Sunday, Dec. 1, 12:00 PM	Kelsey Elliott (1) Joseph Verenna (2)	Wink Alogna Laurette Ferdinand	Maria Martemucci Melody Mateo Kate Seaman



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St. Anne School News and happenings.....

- Our school students and staff would like to Thank St. Anne Parish families for their spiritual and financial support during the school year.
- We do have Open enrollment at St. Anne. Right now our Early Childhood grades have a waiting list but there is available space in Kindergarten through Grade 8. Contact Karen Bartelt to arrange a tour.
- Our Dance-A-Thon was a smashing success for 2024. The students had a blast on 11/15 and will enjoy one final day of treats on 11/25.
- There will be no Extended Care on Monday, November 25.
- Our school will have one final Liturgy on November 27th at 8:45 am in the Church. Parishioners are invited to attend.

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