

SAINT ANNE PARISH BULLETIN

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JANUARY 10, 2016

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in bodily form like a dove...
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Lord's Day Mass Schedule:

Saturday ~ 5:00 pm
Sunday ~ 8:30 am & 10:30 am
Children's Liturgy of the Word
8:30 am Mass during the school year

Confessions: Saturday ~ 4:15 pm
or by appointment

Filipino Mass:

Third Sunday of the month ~ 12 noon

Daily Mass Schedule:

Week Day Mass: 9:00 am
(check Bulletin Intention List
for weekly Mass schedule)
First Friday: 9:00 am

Exposition and Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament:
Wednesdays ~ 9:30 am to 4:00 pm

Contact Information

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Sacrament of Baptism

If this is your first child, arrange for baptism preparation prior to setting your baptism date. Baptisms are generally celebrated on the first Sunday of the month

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements with a Priest required at least one year prior to the wedding date.

Visitation of the Sick

Extraordinary ministers are always pleased to bring the Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to join us for weekly worship.
Call the Parish Office.

PREVENTING CHILD ABUSE IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY:

It is every adult's moral responsibility to protect possible victims by reporting suspected abuse or neglect to the responsible authorities. For particular help you may call: Frances J. Nugent, Director of Office for Healing and Prevention, Diocese of Worcester, at 508-929-4363. The Diocese of Worcester requires Safe Environment Training for all staff & volunteers.



ST. ANNE PARISH
WELCOMES ALL VISITORS
AND NEW RESIDENTS
WHO WORSHIP WITH US.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN
OUR FAITH COMMUNITY,
PLEASE CALL THE PARISH
OFFICE TO REGISTER
AS AN ACTIVE MEMBER.

Parish Office
508-485-0141

PARISH LIFE & STEWARDSHIP

WELCOME FATHER ALBERT

Dear all,

Belated Christmas and New Year wishes from Fr. Albert Irudayasamy. Robert Kelly in one of his books says that our God is God of surprises. That is very much true of my coming to St. Anne's parish. After being assigned as an associate pastor to St. Roch's parish, Oxford for a year, I got a phone call from Fr. Walter Riley, the personnel director of Worcester diocese, within a month asking me to go to St. Anne's parish, Southborough to be the sacramental minister. The phone call came just on the eve of Christmas and encouraged me to move within a week and it was a surprise to get transfer within a month but I expressed my willingness to be part of your faith family and so moved to St. Anne's on 4th January 2016.

After sharing my surprise transfer, I shall introduce myself in short. I was born in India and was ordained in 1996. After my ordination, I had gone to Hong Kong to be a missionary for 13 years, learnt Chinese and enjoyed being part of the Chinese Church and culture. I came to USA in 2008 to do a masters at Boston College and completed my dual degrees both in Counseling Psychology and Pastoral ministry in 2011. I also had the opportunity to complete Post-masters certificate in Spiritual direction in 2012. After which, I had worked in one of the mental health clinics for three years to complete required clinical hours to be a certified mental health counselor. Plan to get LMHC (Licensed Mental Health Counselor) after appearing for exams.

During my clinical work at the clinic, I stayed in St. Roch's parish as a residence priest and rendered my service to our parishioners over there. Here I am at St. Anne at the beginning of the year 2016, expressing my willingness to work with Deacon Paul Reuter and other staff members in order to serve you all God's chosen people. May we utilize all our talents and gifts at the service of God and one another. Because Jesus said, "Son of Man came not to be served but to serve".

Bishop Robert McManus has asked me to be the campus minister at St. Bernard's High School, Fitchburg and so I will be working in the school two days a week (most probably on Wednesdays and Thursdays). I will be residing at our rectory most of the days and so don't hesitate to approach me. Let us work together for the well-being of our faith family and move forward with God's blessings. May this Year of Mercy help us to reconcile with God and with one another.

Fr. Albert Irudayasamy

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: The Prayer Shawl meetings will resume this Monday, January 11, at 10am in the Parish Center Conference room. Prayer Shawls are available whenever the Parish Office is open.

Annette Buhmer ~ Chairman

ST. ANNE PARISH
HAS A NEW WEBSITE
www.stannesouthborough.org

- * Mass Schedule
- * Event Schedule
- * Religious Ed Information
- * Announcements
- * Ministry Information
- ...and much more!



**LET THE CHURCH
ALWAYS BE A PLACE
OF MERCY AND HOPE,
WHERE EVERYONE
IS WELCOMED
AND FORGIVEN**
Pope Francis

STEWARDSHIP REPORTS FOR:

January 2 and 3, 2016:

Weekly Offertory Collection..... \$3,777.00
Capital Improvement Fund.....\$1,240.00

Electronic giving through PARISHPAY:

Totals received once a month ~ December 2015

Weekly Offertory Collection.....\$ 3,794.49
Capital Improvement\$ 533.84
Retired Religious.....\$ 422.23
Christmas Offering.....\$ 808.79

Thank you for our ongoing generous contributions.

Special Collections to be taken in January 2016

January 1 Solemnity of Mary
January 10 Catholic University of America
January 31 Catholic Home Missions Appeal

UNITED PARISHES SOUTHBOROUGH FOOD PANTRY:
Thank you to everyone who continues to donate to the Food Pantry. Pantry hours (located at Pilgrim Church) are Tuesdays from 7-8 pm & Fridays from 10-11 am
Pat Draper ~ Coordinator

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Event Celebrating, THE YEAR OF MERCY AT FATIMA SHRINE (Holliston): On January 10th – Following the spirit of the BEATITUDES they will begin CELEBRATING THE JUBILEE OF MERCY. The program runs from 3:30pm to 6:00pm. The second presentation will be guided by Mrs. Johanna Chao and the theme will be: “BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN. As a Pastoral Minister and Spiritual Director, Johanna Chao is now called to be a Part-time Hospice Chaplain for a Mount Auburn Hospital Subsidiary, CareGroup Parmenter Home Care and Hospice, serving the dying patients and their families/caregivers. She participates in the Interdisciplinary Hospice Team, and assesses, coordinates, provides resources, and evaluates the Spiritual and Pastoral needs/care of dying patients and their families. Her responsibilities include home visits, listening, raising questions, empathy, affirmation, encouragement and validation...from Patients’ and families’ life review/experiences. Most importantly, she helps all to discover, explore, renew, enhance, reconcile, and articulate their relationship with the Lord, through their particular faith, belief and/or philosophy of life. Such is truly a ministry of Mercy, facilitating for the actively dying to be at peace and comfort, with trust, love and hope – not only physically, also, spiritually and emotionally. Indeed, as Pope Francis urged us all to be the witnesses and messengers of Mercy, it is such a unique and special Grace, for those who receive and serve, at the end stage of this life to experience “Blessed are those who mourn...” and journey into the next – our common, final destiny. **No charge and no reservations needed. All are welcome.** All these events will take place at the SHRINE HALL, 101 Summer Street, Holliston call (508) 429-2144 for more information.

HEALING MASS AT ST. STEPHEN’S CHURCH IN FRAMINGHAM (221 Concord St.) ON JANUARY 11 AT 7:00 pm. Fr. Paco will be the presiding celebrant. If you or someone you know needs physical, spiritual, or emotional healing, please bring them. All are welcome.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Held at the 8:30 am Mass: Children’s Liturgy serves the young of our parish (Grades K-5) by providing them an opportunity to hear the Gospel in a format they can understand. If you are interested in participating in the program you may contact Joanne Flathers at jflathers@charter.net or 508-485-4345.

JANUARY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASS DATES:

First Penance/Communion:

Sunday January 10 @ 9:30 am

Sunday, January 31 @ 9:30 am

(First Penance Preparation for both parent and child)

Grades 1-3: Sunday: January 24 @ 4:00 pm

Monday: January 25 @ 4:00 pm

Grades 4-5: Sunday: January 10 @ 4:00 pm

Monday: January 11 @ 4:00 pm

Grades 6-8: Monday: January 25 @ 7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Tuesday: January 26 @ 4:00 pm-5:30 pm

Grades 9-10 Sunday, January 24 @ 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

CONFIRMATION CLASS: January 10 @ 9am-11:30am
and MASS

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP MEETINGS will be held on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Adults and students are welcome.

YOUTH CHOIR: All students, 6th-12th grade are invited to join the Youth Choir and rehearse to sing at the 10:30 am Mass on the third Sunday of every month. email Cynthia.delapena@gmail.com for more information.

Prayer Sponsors for the First Communion and Confirmation candidates: In order to involve our whole parish community in the sacraments of our youth we have developed a Prayer Sponsor Program. It involves parishioners who choose to sponsor a Candidate or Confirmation Catechumenate with prayer as they journey to receive their Sacrament. Prayer is a powerful way to support our youth in our sacramental preparation programs as they journey to receiving the action of the Holy Spirit more fully in their lives. The Sacrament of First Communion will be celebrated here at St. Anne’s on **May 1st**. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **May 9th** at St. Paul’s Cathedral in Worcester. A basket can be found in the front foyer of the church with envelopes with candidates names. Please sponsor them in prayer by taking an envelope and following the instructions inside. For questions, contact stannereledsouthborough@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at (508) 485-0414.



Prayers
Please

THE SOUTHBORO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #119 WILL BE SPONSORING A YOUTH FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP ON JANUARY 13 FROM 6 TO 7:30PM AT THE TROTTIER MIDDLE SCHOOL. Winners will advance to district, regional and state competitions during February, March and April. Entry forms are available at the church entrance, which you can complete in advance and bring to the competition, or you can register the day of the event. Last year over 225,000 boys and girls participated in 3,200 council competitions. The Southborough Sheridan Council looks forward to extending this event to the kids in Southborough.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

January 9 and 10

5:00 pm Lector: Laura Schroeder
Communion Ministers: P. Moran/J. Noone

8:30 am Lector: Kate Battles
Communion Ministers: F. Schiebe/C. Carreras

10:30 am Lector: Peter Bradstreet
Communion Ministers: D. Sanford/NEED

Counters: Joanne Flathers and Maureen Robertson

January 16 and 17

5:00 pm Lector: Deb Sanford
Communion Ministers: G. Polanik/J. Castelda

8:30 am Lector: Tom Bhisitkul
Communion Ministers: K. Battles/MA Hanick

10:30 am Lector: Cindy de la Pena
Junior Lector
Communion Ministers: NEED

Counters: Cindy de la Pena and Maureen Robertson

We pray for the recently deceased:
 Ida Broussard, grandmother of Monica Shay
 Jennifer Zschokke
 Mrs. Eleanor E. Mazzone, mother of Fr. Mazzone
 May they rest in peace.



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE with MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 9 through Sunday, January 17, 2016

SATURDAY 5:00 pm: Shirley Couzen (25th Anniversary)
by her Family

SUNDAY 8:30 am: Joan Barrett
by Matthew and Barbara Malloy

10:30 am: Susan "Hadden" Woodcock
by her brother, Peter and Family

MONDAY 9:00 am: James R. van Berkel (10th Anniversary)
by his wife, Carol

TUESDAY 9:00 am: Margaret Anne Hostage

WEDNESDAY 9:00 am: Edward McCarthy
by Jim and Millie Garden

THURSDAY 9:00 am: Clyde Buzzell
by Jim and Millie Garden

FRIDAY NO MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm: Irene Waterman (1st Anniversary)
by her Family

SUNDAY 8:30 am: Arnold Veves
by Fred, Noreen Rossini & Family

10:30 am: Ida Broussard (Birthday Remembrance)
by her granddaughter,
Monica Shay and Family

12:00 pm: Filipino Community Mass



Reflections on today's Gospel: After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened." What a treat to be in that crowd! Just imagine the experience of witnessing this manifestation of divinity! To SEE the Holy Spirit "in bodily form like a dove" and to hear the voice that "came from heaven" announcing Jesus' true identity. Don't we all long for this kind of miraculous clarity? Wouldn't it do wonders for our faith if we had such unmistakable certainty about who Jesus really is?

It's easy to imagine that the first Christians had it easier than we do. They got to be with Jesus in person, and to witness the miracles that went along with his years on earth. Because of this, we can quickly forget the benefits we enjoy that they did not. We live on the other side of the Resurrection, for example. The first followers of Christ believed in him BEFORE he rose from the dead. We, on the other hand, have the confidence of knowing that this man literally conquered death. We also have two millennia of Christian witness through the saints to pull upon. The first Christians had no idea what this new religion would produce, how many people would embrace it, or how it would change the world for the better. We know that Christianity has been fruitful beyond measure.

Today's Gospel informs us that it was only after they were baptized that the people witnessed the opening of heaven. Even Jesus himself was baptized before he heard this earthly confirmation of his heavenly origin. We who have been baptized, following the example of Christ, also have "access" to the voice of God. In the silence of our hearts, and through God's word in the Bible (another advantage we enjoy), heaven is "opened" for us as well.
Liturgical Publications

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Bill MacIver, June Stephens, Sr. Yvette Beford, Faith Stephens, Caitlin O'Hara, Jenny Polanik, Sr. Paula Norton, Sr. Norene, June Phillipo, Jan & Charlie Mangana, Christian Campero, Danielle Taylor, Jamie Farley, John Gagliano, Stephanie McMahan, Rachel Knoll, Diane Toomey, Sue (Infante) Despo, Sr. Jessica Hendron, Lee Ann Hamlin, Brad Arsenaault, Janet McGuire, Paine Family, Lavallee Family, Marilou A. Custodio, Patty Morgan, Jim Davis, Melinda O'Connor, Sr. Declan, Susan Davis, Carol Cory, Baby Cameron Domina, Scott Broussard, Paul Brodeur, Alexa Hu, Beth Stephens, Kenny Cassidy, George Heeley, Zenta Franz, Justine, Colleen Manning Dinovo, Simone Almeida, Pat Austin

