

SAINT ANNE PARISH BULLETIN

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Matt Bernier



APRIL 24, 2016

FIFTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER



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

Daily Mass Schedule:

Week Day Mass, Monday through Thursday:
9:00 am
First Friday: 9:00 am

Confessions:

Saturday ~ 4:15 pm
The Confessional is located on the right
hand side of the altar next to the Baptismal
Font through the door to the sacristy.

Filipino Mass:

Third Sunday of the month ~ 12 noon

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

Contact Information

Office Hours, Monday ~ Thursday
9:30 am to 3:30 pm
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Sacrament of Baptism

If this is your first child, please arrange for
baptism preparation prior to setting your
baptism date. Baptisms are celebrated on the
First Weekend of the Month at the
Saturday Mass or the Sunday Masses.

Sacrament of Marriage

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

Visitation of the Sick

Extraordinary ministers are 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's 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.

GOD'S MERCY LEADS US ON

What a beautiful truth of faith
this is for our lives:
the mercy of God!
God's love for us is so great,
so deep; it is an unfailing love,
one which always takes us by the
hand and supports us,
lifts us up, and leads us on.
~ Pope Francis

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

PARISH LIFE

A LETTER TO PARISHIONERS FROM DEACON PAUL REUTER

Dear parishioners,

This week, the parish is mailing to all of you a letter from Father Conrad announcing his retirement. Retirement can bring up many emotions, but we, as a parish need to celebrate what Father Conrad has accomplished and give him our love and support as he enters retirement. To help do this, the parish will be hosting a retirement party on May 14th after the 5:00 PM Mass in the parish hall. Please save this date on your calendar and we will send out more information on this as planning progresses.

With this decision being announced, the natural question on everyone's mind will be about the future leadership of our parish. At this time, I have not heard anything from Bishop McManus regarding changes in the parish administration. He is pleased with the current operations of the parish and at some point in the future he and the personnel board will decide who will be the new pastor of St. Anne Parish. Until that time, Father Albert and I will continue as sacramental minister and parish administrator. Not knowing what is next can cause us to worry and have fears. However, as people of faith, we trust in God when faced with uncertainties. We have a strong and active community and the Holy Spirit is fully present. Likewise, Bishop McManus makes his decisions with consultation, prayer, and guidance from the Holy Spirit. God is active in this whole process, and He will provide for the needs of this parish, and with our help, He will help provide and care for Father Conrad.

As always, if you have any questions about this please feel free to talk to me or Father Albert.

Deacon Paul Reuter

BLESSING OF YOUR HOME AND FAMILY: Fr. Albert has received several requests to bless parishioners homes and their families. He is very pleased to do this for any parishioner. Please call the Rectory and we will plan a day and time that is convenient for your schedule. This can be done at anytime.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: NEW DIVINE MERCY CENACLE Thursday, April 28 at 7:00-9:00 pm A faith fellowship group, to learn and live the message/spirituality of Divine Mercy through prayer, book and scripture study. We will be discussing The Holy Year of Mercy: A Faith Sharing Guide by Pope Francis, given to the parish community last Christmas. **Meetings will be bi-weekly in the Parish Hall Conference Room.**

UNITED PARISHES SOUTHBOROUGH: Currently we are in need of: **dish detergent, coffee (not instant), facial tissues (e.g. Kleenex), rice pilaf and Capri Sun juice boxes.** Donations may be left in the foyer of the parish hall. If you know of anyone who could benefit from the Food Pantry, please encourage them to come. **Pantry hours (located at Pilgrim Church) are Tuesdays from 7-8 p.m. and Fridays from 10-11 a.m. *Fat Draper* ~ *Coordinator***

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY meets on Mondays at 10am in the Parish Center Conference room. The beautiful shawls are very comforting to a person who receives one when they are dealing with an illness, undergoing treatments or a person who may be going through emotional pain. Completed shawls are available for parishioners to take at the Parish Office during office hours. **Annette Buhsmer ~ *Chairman***

STEWARDSHIP REPORTS FOR:

April 16 AND 17, 2016

Weekly Offertory Collection..... \$ 3,198.00
Support for Sister Parish, Haiti.....\$ 355.00

Thank you for your ongoing generous contributions.

Special and second collections for May:

Ascension of the Lord **May 5**

PARTNERS IN CHARITY APPEAL ~ 2016 *Called to Be Merciful* ~ St. Anne Parish parishioners have donated \$31,150.00 toward our goal of \$76,000.00. Thank you!!!

PARISHPAY: PLEASE CONSIDER ELECTRONIC GIVING: Are you away during the summer? Or maybe it's tough to remember your envelope when you attend mass each weekend. St. Anne Parish partners with Parishpay for easy on-line giving. Parishpay allows both one-time gifts, as well as regular, scheduled donations. Please visit our Parish website **www.stannesouthborough.org** for the link to Parishpay or contact Parishpay at 1-856-727-4741 to have a Customer Service Representative assist you with enrollment.

THE CHURCH OF SAINT ANNE DEVELOPMENT FUND: The Development Fund will be used for future projects for the buildings and grounds of the Church. Donations may be made in honor of a loved one, deceased or living.

HAITIAN APOSTOLATE: St. Anne Parish, Southborough is linked to St. Anne, Camp Perrin, Haiti which we refer to as our "sister parish" through the Worcester Diocesan "Twinning Project." Donations will always be welcomed.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

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](tel:508-485-4345).

APRIL/MAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASS DATES

First Communion: Thursday, April 28 (7:00 - 8:00 p.m.)
Parents and children practice for FC Mass in church

Sunday: May 1 *First Communion* at 1:30pm

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

MASS/CONFIRMATION CLASS:

Saturday: May 7 @ 5:00 pm (Rite of Sending)
Rehearsal for Confirmation ~ @ 6:00 pm
followed by a Pot Luck Dinner

Monday: May 9 *Confirmation* @ 7:00 pm,
St. Paul's Cathedral, Worcester

New England Center for Children Walk/Run for Autism Sunday May 7. Come cheer on the participants and hand out water. All parishioners invited! St Anne Church has 2 water stations to manage. Let us know if you are running/walking in the event too - we will cheer you on! Call Mary Piekarz 508-272-9378 or email Mary.piekarz@mindspring.com to volunteer.

OUR FATHER'S TABLE: The dates for April are as follows; cooking at the Parish Hall at **6:00 pm (note the time change)** on Wednesday, **April 27** and serving at 4:30 pm on Thursday, **April 28** at New Hope Community Church. Our Father's Table commitment for St. Anne Parish is held once a month at New Hope Community Church, 204 Main St., Marlborough, MA. Entrance in the rear on Weed Street.

BINGO NIGHT: The organizers of The Youth Ministry sponsored Bingo Night for all parishioners has been postponed until the Fall.

BAND NIGHT: To be held on Friday, **May 20** starting at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. More information to follow.
SAVE THE DATE!!!



Do you need money for college? The fifth annual Rev. Tom Garlick Scholarship shall be awarded to the seniors of St. Matthews and St. Anne Church. **The Southborough Knights of Columbus will be awarding \$1,500 of scholarship money.** Please pick-up an application at the entrance to the church or download the application form off the Knights of Columbus website at www.kofcsouthboro.org.

All applications and essays must be submitted by Tuesday, 5/31/16

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOMEN OF FAITH – Springtime Morning of Prayer “You Shall be Like a Watered Garden” will be held on Saturday, **April 30** from 9:30 am – 1 pm, St. Anne's Convent, 720 Boston Post Road East, Marlborough. The presenter will be Sr. Nancy Sheridan, SASV, a spiritual director, supervisor for spiritual directors and retreat director. Registration fee is \$10 at the door. Pre-registration is required by April 27. Please email or call Sr. Yvette Bellerose, SSA, at 774-239-3372, srybellerose@yahoo.com to pre-register.

FATIMA SHRINE (XAVERIAN MISSIONARIES): A gathering for "Celebrating the Jubilee of Mercy" will be held Sunday, **May 1** from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm in Holliston at Fatima Shrine. The theme will be, “BLESSED ARE THE CLEAN OF HEART, FOR THEY WILL SEE GOD” ~ on prayer and mercy. The presenter will be Fr. Peter Schmidt, O.C.S.O., a member of the St. Joseph Abbey in Spencer, MA. There is no fee and no registration. All are welcome to attend...bring a friend. For further information call Fr. Rocco or Fr. Joe at 508-429-2144

St. Thomas More Law School Scholarship: Each year the St. Thomas More Society of our Diocese awards a scholarship of not less than \$3000 to a law student attending an accredited law school in the fall. Applicants or parents must be registered and active members of a parish in the Diocese of Worcester. Applicants may be in any year of law school studies. Applications may be obtained by visiting the diocesan website, www.worcesterdiocese.org/st-thomas-more-society, by mailing requests to: St. Thomas More Society, Chancery Office, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609 or by calling Julie Schroeder at 508-929-4345. Applications are due on or before **June 30, 2016.**

FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM: The 5th annual Fortnight for Freedom will take place in dioceses nationwide from June 21, the vigil of the feast of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, through July 4, Independence Day. This year's theme is “Witnesses to Freedom”. Bishop McManus will open the Fortnight for Freedom in the Diocese of Worcester on **Tuesday, June 21 at 7:00pm** with Mass at St. Paul's Cathedral. The Mass will be followed by a light reception in the Cenacle with a presentation by guest speaker, Marie Hilliard, JCL, PhD, RN, Director of Bioethics and Public Policy for the National Catholic Bioethics Center. We look forward to all our parishes being represented on June 21. Additional information will follow in the coming weeks. Learn more at www.fortnight4freedom.org or contact the Respect Life Office at 508-929-4311.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

April 23 and 24

5:00 pm Lector: Laura Schroeder
Communion Ministers: P. Moran/G. Polanik

8:30 am Lector: Regina McAuliffe
Communion Ministers: D. Campero/J. Flathers

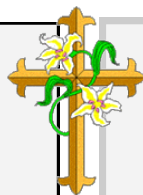
10:30 am Lector: Janice Brown
Communion Ministers: P. Bradstreet/J. Cruciani
Counters: Joanne Flathers and Maureen Robertson

April 30 and May 1

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

8:30 am Lector: Tom Bhisitkul
Communion Ministers: M. Hanick/ D. Campero

10:30 am Lector: Peter Bradstreet
Communion Ministers: J. Cruciani/P. Howard
Counters: Kathy Gittins and Maureen Robertson



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE with MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 23 through Sunday, May 1, 2016

SATURDAY 5:00 pm: Bob Levangie
(Anniversary of his birthday)
by his wife, Nancy and Family

SUNDAY 8:30 am: Julie DeCiero (28th Anniversary)
by Nick and Pat Paganella

10:30 am: Elizabeth Levine
by Jim and Millie Garden

MONDAY 9:00 pm Parishioners of St. Anne Parish

TUESDAY 9:00 am: Margaret Anne Hostage

WEDNESDAY 9:00 am: Healing for Al & Alice Morse
by Jim and Millie Garden

THURSDAY 9:00 am: Healing For the sick of St. Anne Parish

FRIDAY NO MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm: Parishioners of St. Anne Parish

SUNDAY 8:30 am: Prayers for all who receive
First Holy Communion

10:30 am: Prayers for Confirmation Candidates



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Bill MacIver, June Stephens, Sr. Yvette,
Faith Stephens, Caitlin O'Hara, Jenny Polanik,
Sr. Paula Norton, Sr. Norene, June Phillippo, Jan &
Charlie Mangana, Christian Campero, Danielle Taylor,
Jamie Farley, John Gagliano, Stephanie McMahon,
Rachel Knoll, Diane Toomey, Sue (Infante) Despo,
Sr. Jessica Hendron, Lee Ann Hamlin, Brad Arsenault,
Janet McGuire, Paine Family, Lavallee Family,
Marilou A. Custodio, Patty Morgan,
Jim and Kathi Davis, Melinda O'Connor, Sr. Declan,
Susan Davis, Carol Cory, Father Caldarella,
Baby Cameron Domina, Scott Broussard,
Paul Brodeur, Beth Stephens, Kenny Cassidy,
Zenta Franz, Colleen Manning Dinovo,
Simone Almeida, Pat Austin, Susan Whitemore,
Nolan Francis Lane, Bill Yetman, Phil Auzenne,
Gayle Dufour, Robert Nelson,
Jane Bradstreet, Pauline Mickle, Alexandra Barr,
Rita Camp, Carolyn Green, Jeannine and Rita Gadabout



We pray for the recently deceased:

*Victims of the earth quakes in:
Japan and Equador*

May they rest in peace.

Reflections from this weekend's Gospel: "This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." When people watch us, do they know that we are the disciples of Jesus?

As Christians, we are called to do more than love the Lord. We are called to be his witnesses in the world by loving others as well. In today's Gospel reading, he gave us a new commandment, "As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Anyone, everyone, should be able to look at us and see this love in action. If we are not witnesses to this love, then we are falling short of our mission.

So, how did Jesus love us? Selflessly. His love was never motivated by personal gain. On the contrary, he often suffered for us, and not just on the cross. He faced rejection and animosity for loving those who were considered "unlovable" in his culture. He lived a life of poverty and simplicity, never focused on amassing things for himself, but always willing to give of himself. This is the love we are called to imitate.

The task can feel daunting. We are not perfect people, and being witnesses to Christ-like love can strike us as a lofty challenge. Of course, it's easier to be selfless and generous with people who love us in return, or with those who stir our compassion. But to be consistent witnesses to loving one another in all circumstances --like Jesus does for us--that takes it to another level. Thankfully, however, Jesus doesn't expect us to do this on our own. He promises us his Spirit to live in us and love through us. Through our baptism, we have his Spirit dwelling in our hearts, along with the supernatural gifts of faith, hope, and love. May we make these gifts flourish. *Liturgical Publications*

"CAN WE HEAR EACH OTHER NOW?"

As part of diocesan-wide strategic communications planning, we invite parishioners to take an online survey to help us understand better how people are communicating today. Being able to stay in touch with parishioners given increasingly hectic schedules is more important than ever. Your 5 – 10 minutes will provide critical input to improve our efforts at the parish and diocesan level. Please visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/comm-strategy before next weekend and help us hear you!