

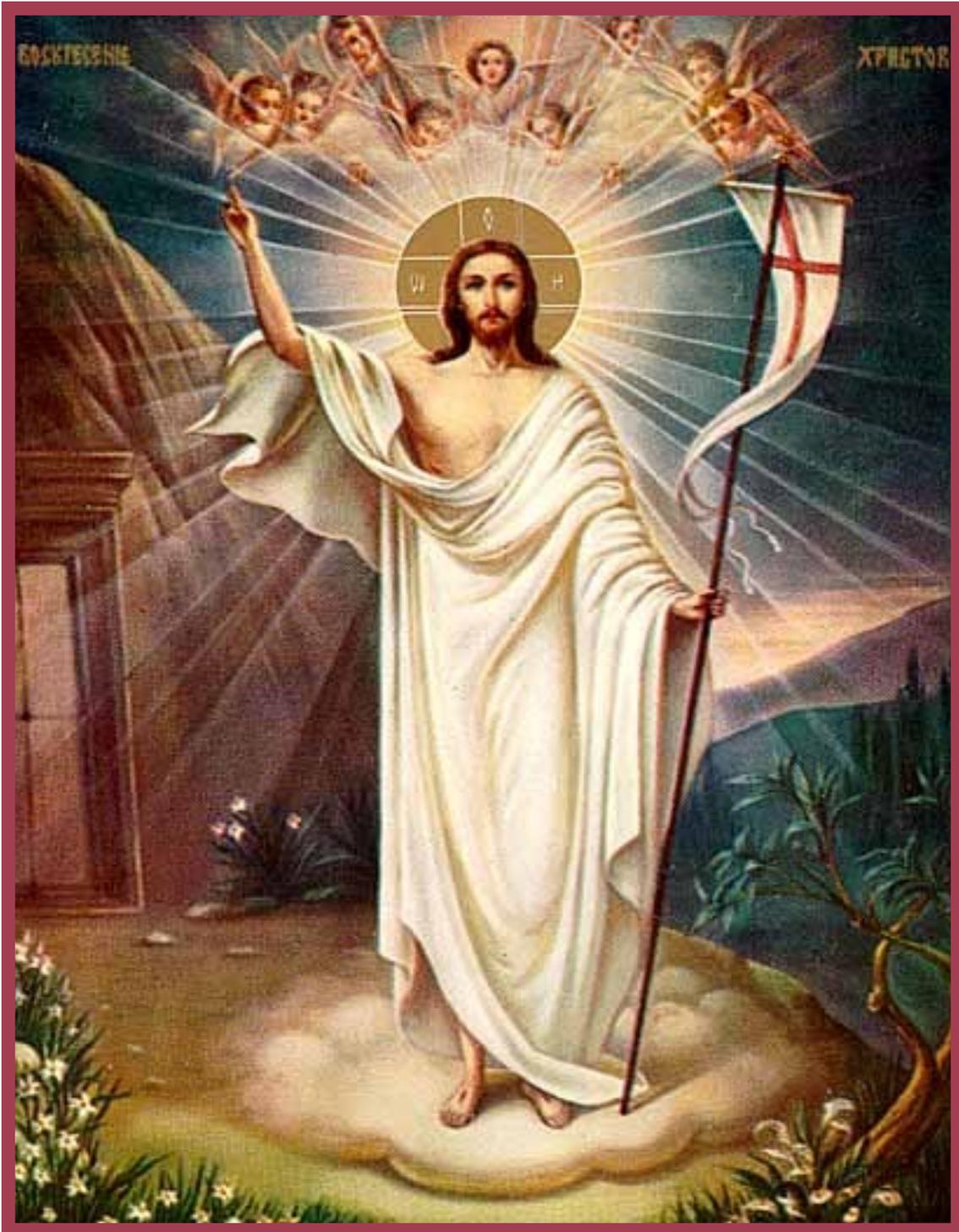
SAINT ANNE PARISH BULLETIN

ST. ANNE CHURCH

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**THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD
JESUS CHRIST
EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 16, 2017**





PARISH LIFE

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE with MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, APRIL 15 through Sunday, April 23, 2017

<i>Holy Saturday</i>	7:30pm	Parishioners of St. Anne Parish
<i>Easter Vigil</i>		
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	8:30am	Parishioners of St. Anne Parish
	10:30am	Parishioners of St. Anne Parish
	12noon	Filipino/St. Anne Community Mass
MONDAY	9:00am	Mary Ellen Bettinelli by Matthew & Barbara Malloy
TUESDAY	9:00am	Margaret Anne Hostage by her Family
WEDNESDAY	9:00am	Healing ~ Neil Cronin by Doris Campero & Family
THURSDAY	9:00am	Healing ~ Millie Garden by Doris Campero & Family and the LeDuc Family
FRIDAY	NO MASS	
SATURDAY	5:00pm	Parishioners of St. Anne Parish
SUNDAY	8:30am	Julie De Ciero (29th Anniversary) by her Grandparents
	10:30am	Bob Levangie by his wife Nancy and Family

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Held on Sunday at the 10:30am Mass during the school year. If interested in participating in a CL leadership role, please contact Joanne Flathers at jflathers@charter.net or 508-485-4345.

We wish a Blessed and Happy Easter to all our catechists, students and their families. Alleluia! HE IS RISEN! Enjoy this special time giving thanks and praise to our Lord Jesus Christ! To many of our students and families please enjoy your time off for April School Vacation.

1st Reconciliation/1st Eucharist ~ Grade 2 and up ~
LOOKING AHEAD: There will be one First Communion rehearsal for parents and students on Wednesday, April 26 from 7-8PM. REMINDERS were sent home with the children this past week.

St. Anne's First Communion Mass is Sunday, April 30 at 1:30PM. Students will arrive in the church at 1:15PM.

There will be a Going Forth Mass on Sunday, May 7 at 10:30AM. Children are invited to wear their First Communion outfits again as the whole parish prays for and welcomes our First Communicants. Following this Mass will be a potluck lunch for the First Communion Families.

Grades 9 and 10 -Last class on Sunday, May 21 meets from 7:00PM to 8:30PM.

CONFIRMATION: Thursday, April 27 at 7:00pm St. Paul Cathedral Worcester.

PRAYER, HEALING MINISTRY AND SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT GROUP

The Spiritual Development group will resume on Tuesday, April 18th. Feel free to join us every week, or drop in whenever you can. Please contact Monica Shay at onewhitestarling@gmail.com for more details or questions.

Dear Parishioners,

"The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!"
'Alleluia' is one expression that we hear so often during Easter. And when we hear a Catholic shouting out 'Alleluia' we think, they have become a Pentecostal. What does 'alleluia' mean? It simply means, 'Praise the Lord'! But this praise is also filled with thanksgiving, joy and triumph. Several psalms begin and end with this expression. This is one of those expressions that has come to be used in Christian tradition in its original Hebrew expression, like 'Amen' and 'Hosanna'. 'Alleluia' is an apt expression in the context of what we celebrate during Easter – it is simply to praise the Lord for his triumph over death.

The celebration of Resurrection is the first feast that early Christians ever celebrated. In fact it was such a powerful event that they celebrated it every Sunday. Yes, even today... Sunday is the day of the Lord, the day of Resurrection. Belief in the Resurrection is central to Christian life. It is the event and experience of Easter that confirms our belief in Jesus as the Son of God, as it confirmed the belief of the apostles. St Paul tells us, "if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain" (1Cor 15:14)

Did Jesus really rise from the dead? No one saw Jesus rising from the dead, but from the after-experiences of the event we can offer 3 pointers to show that Jesus really rose from the dead:
1. The Empty Tomb: The first pointer for the resurrection of Jesus is the empty tomb. The new tomb in which Jesus was buried was found empty. There were the Roman guards...even the Roman soldiers bore witness to the fact of the empty tomb (Mt 28).

2. The Words of the Women: Despite their differences in details, all gospel narratives are agreed on the fact that women were the first witnesses of the resurrection of Jesus. As we know in the Semitic cultures, women's words had no value, as may be is the case even up to this day in some cultures. So if the disciples were framing a big lie about the Resurrection of Jesus they would not say and even record that the women were the first witnesses of the Resurrection. The Resurrection event was an undeniable miracle that it could not be weakened by the words of the women.

3. The Transformation of the Disciples: We remember how the disciples and apostles were simple men, and had to hide behind closed doors after the death of Jesus. How did they suddenly come out preaching, even putting their lives at great risk? Acts of the Apostles is full of surprises. And these men were ready even to die for this truth that they proclaimed.

Belief in resurrection is possible when we can pass from a mere acceptance of the resurrection as an event, to it becoming an experience. Yes, Easter is not a mere event. It is an experience. An event becomes an experience when you are part of it. Events are happenings; but experiences are what you make out of them. My dear parishioners, so then let this Easter that we celebrate be not just an event – an historical event that happened 2000 years ago, or just a liturgical event. Let it be an experience for each one of us. We have fifty days – in this season of Easter – to savor this experience. Let the risen Lord become real to us. May we experience the outpouring of his spirit during this season! And this is the foundation of our Christian faith. The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia.

Wish you all a Happy Easter. May the Risen Lord bless you and fill you with hope and joy.

Fr. Albert

PARISH LIFE

Divine Mercy Novena



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY April 23, 2017

Schedule for preparation:
Divine Mercy Novena (Chaplet and Benediction) begins on Good Friday, April 14th, and ends on Saturday, April 22nd and will be recited in the church on the following days and times:

Good Friday:	9:00 am
Saturday, 4/15:	9:00 am
Easter Sunday, 4/16:	9:30 am (following 8:30 am mass)
Monday, 4/17 to Friday, 4/21:	Following the 9:00 am mass (Please note mass will be held on Friday 4/21)
Saturday, 4/22:	9:00 am
Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration	
Saturday, April 22:	5:00 pm Sunday Vigil mass (Confession 4:00 to 4:50 pm; Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction 6:00 to 6:30 pm; Confessions will resume 6:30 to 7:00 pm)
Sunday, April 23:	9:30 am following the 8:30 am mass (Chaplet and Benediction) 11:30 am following the 10:30 am mass (Chaplet and Benediction)
<i>"The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment" (Jesus to St. Faustina, Diary, 699)</i>	

St Anne's Church
Second Annual Golf Tournament
Have fun, meet new friends,
support the youth of our parish!

REGISTRATION FOR GOLFERS: MAY 7
FOR SPONSORSHIPS: MAY 9
REGISTRATION FOR DINNER ONLY: MAY 7

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Monday, May 22, 2017
10:00 am
\$125.00 Each Player
\$500.00 per 4-some:
Includes 18 Holes, Cart
Morning Coffee, Box Lunch, Gift Bag,
and BBQ Dinner.
Highfield Golf and Country Club Grafton MA

Main Street BANK

Non-Golfers please join us for
"dinner only" Price - \$50.00
This includes "5 Raffle Tickets".

For details and more information
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508-662-0357 or bernadinesmall@me.com

ST ANNE SPRING SHOPPING BAZAAR: St. Anne Parish will be holding a shopping bazaar as a fundraiser on Saturday, June 24, 8am to 4pm and Sunday, June 25, 8am to 2pm. Please bring any items you would like to contribute (clothing, furniture, any household items, books, linens etc.) and drop them in the entry to the parish hall. We are also still looking for volunteers to help organize this. Please contact Karla if you can help at karla@stannesouthborough.org, cell (508) 335-7968.

Easter 2017

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Love drew Mary Magdalene to Jesus' tomb on Easter Sunday. In the pre-dawn darkness she set off in grief to anoint his body. Instead, she found an angel, an empty tomb and the announcement: "He has been raised, just as he said." Fearful, but overjoyed, Mary ran quickly from the tomb to tell the astonishing news to Peter. On the way, the Jesus appeared and greeted her, "Do not be afraid." Grief gone and fear dispelled, joy alone now propelled Mary from the garden with the Good News, "Jesus, My Hope has arisen" (Easter Sequence). Faith, hope and love draw you to church this Easter Sunday. Like Mary you have your hopes and joys, griefs and sorrows. At Easter Mass you, like Mary, encounter and receive the Risen Christ who tells us all "Do not be afraid." In life, many things can prompt fear and stifle hope. Division and discord mar our politics and may touch our families. Worries about health, safety and economic opportunity can undermine our sense of optimism. Changes in society and cultural mores may leave us unsettled, guarded and discouraged. But in the face of it all, we are filled with hope. Ours is a hope that stems not from a culture, country or economic system. Our hope is based in God and on His love for us. Out of love, God sent His Son into the world. Out of love, His Son went to the Cross to save us from our sins. Out of love, Jesus suffered death and then defeated death that we might share forever in God's glory. Easter shows us that, in the end, good triumphs over evil, redemption overcomes sin and God's love is stronger than death. After Easter, we need not fear anything that befalls us in this world, even the sins we repent. We are not only freed from fear but we are liberated to live bold lives marked by faith in the Risen Christ and a confident hope that we, too, will share in God's love that on Easter triumphed over all. With every prayerful best wish for a joyous Easter, I remain
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Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus Bishop of Worcester



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HAPPY EASTER



WE WELCOME ALL VISITORS TO ST. ANNE PARISH. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE PARISH, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE.

Lord's Day Mass Schedule:

Saturday ~ 5:00 pm

Sunday ~ 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word

10:30 am Mass during school year

Filipino Mass:

Third Sunday of the month - 12 pm

Daily Mass Schedule:

Week Day Mass,

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am

First Friday: 9:00 am

Confessions:

Saturday ~ 4:15 pm,

or anytime on request

Exposition and Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday ~ 9:30 am to 4:00 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Call the Parish Office

to schedule a Baptism.

Baptisms are generally celebrated at any of the Masses on the first weekend of the month so that the child may be welcomed and received in the presence of the parish community.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements with a Priest required

at least one year prior to

the wedding date.

Visitation of the Sick

Fr. Albert, Deacon Paul and

St. Anne's Ministers of Communion are

pleased to bring Holy Communion to

parishioners who are unable to join us

for weekly worship.

Please call the Parish Office to arrange a time convenient for all

PREVENTING CHILD ABUSE IS EVERYONE'S

RESPONSIBILITY:

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



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

June Stephens, Sr. Yvette, Faith Stephens, June Phillip, Jan & Charlie Mangana, Danielle Taylor, Jamie Farley, Stephanie McMahon, Rachel Knoll, Brad Arsenaault, Paine Family, Lavallee Family, Marilou A. Custodio, Patty Morgan, Melinda O'Connor, Susan Davis, Scott Broussard, Paul Brodeur, Kenny Cassidy, Colleen Manning, Simone Almeida, Pat Austin, Nolan Francis Lane, Bill Yetman, Phil Auzenne, Gayle Dufour, Kathi and Jim Davis, Robert Nelson, Pauline Mickle, Alexandra Barr, Carolyn Green, (Red) Weir, Zenta Franz, Denise Perrin, Katie Lutz, Susan Blake, Judi Shea, Irene Laroche, Catherine Galbraith, Kim Chnshan, Barbara Peterson, Irene & Victoria, Isabel Chesak, George Wood, Louise Tootalian, Gertrude Wallace, Judy Christian, Jeanne Walker, Dianne Higgins, Aletha, Carol, Maryellen, Jean, Kathy and Paul, Shannon Hayden, Millie Garden, Janet Mattioli, Dianne Westin, Brian K., Eunice, Richard, June St. Andre, Margaret Driscoll, Dorothy Reid, Neil Cronin, Emily, Mark S. Tootalian, Neia Silva, Richard Buttiglieri, Milton Rattet

