

SAINT ANNE PARISH BULLETIN

ST. ANNE CHURCH

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SOUTHBOROUGH MA

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Saturday at 5:00pm

Maintenance

Matt Bernier

DECEMBER 13, 2015

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT "Gaudete Sunday" *Rejoice*

The Eyes of God

*Loving God, we
take your love so
much for granted
and often restrict
and limit it. Help
us to gaze on
you in prayer so
that we may
show a
contemplative
loving face to a
world toiling in
weariness,
hopelessness
and fear.*

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

Office Hours, Monday ~ Thursday
9:30 am to 3:30 pm
Friday ~ 9:30 am to noon
Telephone 508-485-0141
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Internet Information:

E-mail: stanne403@charter.net
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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 TO JOIN
OUR FAITH COMMUNITY.
PLEASE CALL THE
PARISH OFFICE TO
REGISTER
AS AN ACTIVE MEMBER.**

**Parish Office
telephone ~ 508-485-0141**

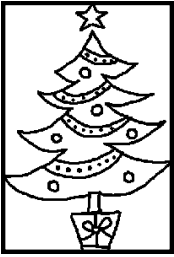
PARISH LIFE

YEAR OF MERCY

"It is a favorable time to heal wounds, A time to offer everyone the way of Forgiveness and Reconciliation." ~ Pope Francis

"Let Us Remember The golden Rule:: Do Unto Others, As You Would Have Them Do Unto You."

Pope Francis
2015 USA Visit



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE: We thank all parishioners who were so generous in donating the many gifts for the three agencies that St. Anne Parish supports. It is safe to say that it will be very Merry Christmas for the many who might not otherwise have received a gift. We again exceeded all expectations of the parishioners kindness and generosity. We especially thank Orla Wages for all her efforts and time in coordinating this Ministry. Orla exceeded all expectations in doing an outstanding job.

PARISH ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE:

A Sacrament of Penance service will be held on Tuesday, December 15th at 7:00 pm. Fr. Mike Sheridan, will be the Celebrant, Fr. Steve Lundrigan, and Fr. Ron Falco will be present along with Fr. Mike to hear confessions.



LESSONS AND CAROLS: Sunday, December 20th 7pm –High School Ministry Festival of Lessons and Carols

A Festival of Lessons & Carols is a service which began in the Church of England in 1918 and is now celebrated worldwide. Through nine short Bible readings, each accompanied by carols and hymns, the program presents the story of Christ, including Adam and Eve sinning in the Garden of Eden, the prophets' promise of a Savior and the birth of Jesus. All are invited to join our high school students in prayer, song, and spiritual preparation for the Christmas season.

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED.

PRAYER SHAWL COMMITTEE: Meets on Mondays at 10:00am in the Parish Center Conference room. Come and join us as we create beautiful prayer shawls to distribute to the sick and suffering within all walks of life who are experiencing challenges within their lives. Please call the Parish Office if you have someone to whom you would like to present one of these beautiful shawls.

Annette Buhsmer ~ Chair

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS MEMORIAL OFFERINGS:



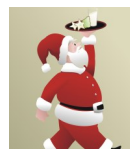
Christmas Flower Memorial donations are welcomed and will be used for decorating the church for the Christmas season. Please list all of the names of those you wish to remember and honor with your flower donations. Donation envelopes are found in the weekly envelope packet and extra envelopes are in the foyers of the church.

UNITED PARISHES SOUTHBOROUGH FOOD PANTRY:

Did you sit in wonder as I did with all the gifts around the Giving Tree? St. Anne parishioners, you have made the lives of many families very joyous for Christmas as well as throughout the year. I've spoken about your generosity in filling my trunk with food donations every week. Now at Christmas time, you filled the wishes of every one of the Food Pantry clients with your generosity. I have the honor of distributing your gifts. I receive hugs, thank you's and wishes for a Merry Christmas from the clients on your behalf. A truly heart-felt thank you to each and every one of you for your generosity. A special thank you to Orla Wages for all her efforts in coordinating the Giving Tree. May you and your families have a very joyous, peace-filled Christmas and new year. Thank you to everyone who continues to donate to the food Pantry.

Pantry hours (located at Pilgrim Church) are Tuesdays from 7-8 p.m. and Fridays from 10-11 a.m.
Pat Draper ~ Coordinator

COME JOIN SANTA FOR TREATS



DECEMBER 20, 2015
AFTER THE 8:30 AM MAS
IN THE PARISH HALL
For all parishioners!!

REJOICE, GOD IS WITH US

Our joy begins because
we know
God is near.

Zephaniah 3:16-17



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP REPORTS FOR:

December 5 and 6, 2015:

Weekly Offertory Collection.....\$5,569.00
Capital Improvement Fund.....\$ 1,047.00

Electronic giving through PARISHPAY:

Totals received once a month ~ November 2015

Weekly Offertory Collection.....\$3,550.49
Capital Improvement Fund.....\$ 536.84
Campaign For Human Development.....\$ 106.24

Thank you for our ongoing generous contributions.

Special Collections to be taken in December 2015

Immaculate Conception December 8
Christmas Flower Offering

PLEASE CONSIDER ELECTRONIC GIVING: To give through Parishpay visit the Parish Web site stanne-southboro.org and click on Parishpay or go online to Parishpay. You may also contact Parishpay at 1-866-PARISH1(866-727-4741) 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, at any time.

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

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 on **May 1st**, and 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, please contact stannereledsouthborough@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at (508) 485-0414.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: 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.

DECEMBER CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASS DATES:

First Penance/First Communion

Sunday: December 13 @ 9:30am

Grades 1-3: Sunday: December 6 @ 4pm
Monday: December 7 @ 4pm

Grades 4-5: Sunday: December 13 @ 4pm
Monday: December 14 @ 4pm

Grades 6-8: Monday: December 7 @ 7pm to 8:30pm
Tuesday: December 8 @ 4pm to 5:30pm

CONFIRMATION CLASS: December 13 @ 9am-11:30am
and MASS

Grades 9-10: Sunday, December 20 @ 6:30pm in Parish Hall
7:00pm Lessons and Carols Service

YOUTH MINISTRY

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All 9th and 10th Graders expected to attend as a scheduled Rel. Ed. Class.

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.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

December 12 and 13

5:00 pm Lector: Laura Schroeder
Communion Ministers: J. McCarthy/J. McCarthy

8:30 am Lector: Ellen Kluge
Communion Ministers: F. Schiebe/J. Flathers

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

Counters: Susan Sheehan/Need

December 19 and 20

5:00 pm Lector: Nick Paganella
Communion Ministers: J. Castelda/G. Polanik

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

10:30 am Lector: Cindy de la Pena
Junior Lector: Elise Gobron
Communion Ministers: P. Howard/NEED

Counters: Cathy Gittins and Susan Sheehan



**WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE
and MASS INTENTIONS:**



Saturday, December 12 through Sunday, December 20, 2015

SATURDAY 5:00 pm: Evelyn Bender Vaskas
by her Family

SUNDAY 8:30 am: Parishioners of St. Anne Parish
10:30 am: William Younie
by his daughter, Marie Montanari

MONDAY 9:00 am: Jean A. D’Arcangelo
by Keith and Melinda O’Connor

TUESDAY 9:00 am: Margaret Anne Hostage
7:00 pm: *Advent Penance Service*

WEDNESDAY 9:00 am: Alphonse Romano
by Jim and Millie Garden

THURSDAY 9:00 am: Jean A. D’Arcangelo
by Steve and Andrea Fustado

FRIDAY No Mass

SATURDAY 5:00 pm: Irene Waterman
by her Family

SUNDAY 8:30 am: William Daley
by his wife, Catherine
10:30 am: Fred Anketell (Month’s Mind)
by John and Sandy Callinan

FILIPINO COMMUNITY MASS

Sunday ~ December 20, 2015 ~ 12 noon

Followed by a Pot Luck gathering in the Parish Hall.

We pray for the recently deceased:
Patrick Cassells
May he rest in peace.



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 Phillip, 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 Arsenaault, Janet McGuire, Paine Family, Lavalley Family, Marilou A. Custodio, Patty Morgan, Jim Davis, Melinda O’Connor, Sr. Declan, Susan Davis, Carol Cory, Baby Cameron Domina, Scott Broussard, Jennifer Zschokke, Paul Brodeur, Alexa Hu, Beth Stephens, Kenny Cassidy, George Heeley, Zenta Franz

SCHEDULE FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE:
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15 AT 7:00 PM

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE
CHRISTMAS EVE
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

5:00 PM
11:00 PM

CHRISTMAS DAY
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25
8:30 AM
10:30 AM



**HOLY DAY ~ SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

MASS SCHEDULE:
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2015
7:00 PM
FIRST FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2016
9:00 AM



Inserted in the bulletin this week : A pamphlet,
"A Year of Mercy"
and a flyer,
JOSEPH'S DREAM, A Vision of Choice
At the Hanover Theatre for the
Performing Arts