

SAINT ANNE PARISH BULLETIN
ST. ANNE PARISH 20 BOSTON ROAD SOUTHBOROUGH, MA 01772
JULY 30, 2017



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**WE WELCOME ALL
VISITORS TO
ST. ANNE PARISH.
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
JOIN OUR FAITH
COMMUNITY, PLEASE
CALL THE PARISH OFFICE
TO REGISTER
AS AN ACTIVE MEMBER.
MAY GOD BLESS YOU.**

Next weekend, August 5/6 we will welcome Fr. Bernard Dore' speaking on behalf of the Archdiocese of Pondicherry and Cuddalore, India for the Annual Mission Appeal at St. Anne Parish. Listed below is a brief summary of the Co-operative program.

The Missionary Co-operative Program

A Short Summary of the Archdiocese: The Archdiocese of Pondicherry and Cuddalore is located in the south-east coast of India, one hundred miles down the coast from the metropolitan city of Madras. It has a Catholic population of 380,000 spread in 11,350 sq. kms in two districts of Pondicherry State and in two districts of Tamil Nadu State.

The Needs of the Archdiocese:

Evangelization: The Archdiocese is carrying on the most important work of Evangelization to bring the non-Christians into the Catholic Church.

Creation of New Parishes: Due to the expanding Catholic population, The Archbishop is dividing the existing parishes and establishing New Parishes which are urgent needs of The Archdiocese in the work of Evangelization. These New Parishes need New Church Buildings, Parish Halls and Rectories. Thus Creation of Parishes involves a lot of money.

Fostering Vocations and Education of Seminarians: We are happy that God has blessed our Archdiocese with a great number of vocations. At the same time due to financial constraints, we are not able to pay for their maintenance. Their training and education to be future priests needs your financial support.

Maintenance of the Priests: Our Archdiocese has been blessed with the presence of 216 Diocesan priests. We need prayers and financial support for the maintenance of the priests, providing them medical assistance, providing resources and opportunities for the on-going education and formation and providing a decent living quarters and support for our retired clergy.

The Education of the Poor Children: Our Archbishop's preferential option for the liberation and development of the poor and the marginalized can be very well sensed by his Education Mission to the faithful of the Archdiocese. The Education of The Poor Children needs financial support.

Social and Economic Development: The Archdiocese has also been working for the social and economic development of the poor and the needy.

The Archdiocese runs homes for the sick, the poor and the aged and has self-help groups, income generation programs, community house-construction, vocational training for basic life-skills – all necessary means for the development of the poor and the needy.



The Kingdom of heaven is like a net
thrown into the sea, which collects fish of
every kind. When it is full they haul it
ashore (Gospel)

*Jacopo Bsano,
Miraculous Draught of Fishes,
(detail) 1545*

MISSISSIPPI MISSION TRIP 2017

Please keep the 63 youth and 12 adult chaperones who will be leaving on Saturday, July 29th for the combined St. Anne and St. Matthew Parishes Annual Mission trip to the Gulfport Mississippi area in your prayers.

The Youth who are going from St. Anne Parish are:

*Colin Hartnett, Dustin Hartnett,
Elizabeth Monaghan, Daniel Furey, John Furey,
Conor Coghlin, Kara Solomon, Patrick Solomon,
Sophia Scaringi, Nathan Scaringi, Emma Luiso*

YOUNG ADULT MASS AND ROSARY

FOR: College students and young adults' aged 18-39
WHEN: August 5, 2017
WHERE: St. Anne Church

followed by Sky Zone (Indoor trampoline park, Rt. 9,
Westborough, MA): Jump start your faith by sharing it with
other young adults. Cost per ticket, \$20.00/group
discount may apply.

PARISH INFORMATION AND FINANCIALS

Liturgical Minister Schedule

July 29 and 30

5:00pm	Lector	Roger Jolicoeur
	Communion Ministers	P. Moran/need
8:30am	Lector	Kate Battles
	Communion Ministers	D. Campero/need
10:30am	Lector	John Callinan
	Communion Ministers	P. Bradstreet/need

August 5 and 6

5:00pm	Lector	Nick Paganella
	Communion Ministers	G. Polanik/J. Castelda
8:30am	Lector	Tom Bhisitkul
	Communion Ministers	D. Campero/C. Carreras
10:30am	Lector	Jim Garden
	Communion Ministers	P. Draper/need

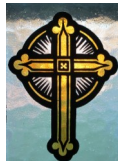
ST. ANNE CHURCH OFFERING COUNTERS: Volunteers needed to count the St. Anne Parish the weekly offerings. The money is counted after the 10:30am Mass on Sundays. If you are interested in serving the church in this capacity, please call Father Albert or the parish office.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: Meets every Monday at 10:00am in the Parish Hall Conference Room. If you like to knit or crochet, please come and join them at anytime. The beautiful completed shawls are available for parishioners to take at the Parish Office during the week.

Annette Buhsmer, Chair

UNITED PARISHES OF SOUTHBOROUGH FOOD PANTRY: Our shelves are getting depleted very fast. Some of the items we especially need are **toothpaste, dish detergent, tin foil, plastic wrap, facial tissues (e.g. Kleenex), crackers and Rice Pilaf.** For a complete list of our needs, please check out our Facebook page (Southborough Food Pantry). 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.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: June Stephens, Sr. Yvette, Faith Stephens, June Phillippo, Jan & Charlie Mangana, Danielle Taylor, Jamie Farley, Stephanie McMahon, Rachel Knoll, Brad Arsenault, 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, Alexandra Barr, Carolyn Green, (Red) Weir, Zenta Franz, Denise Perrin, Katie Lutz, Susan Blake, Judi Shea, Irene Laroche, Kim Chnshan, Barbara Peterson, Irene & Victoria, Isabel Chesak, George Wood, Louise Tootalian, Gertrude Wallace, Judy Christian, Jeanne Walker, Dianne Higgins, Aletha, Carol, Maryellen, Shannon Hayden, Millie Garden, Janet Mattioli, Brian K., Eunice, June St. Andre, Margaret Driscoll, Neil Cronin, Emily, Mark S. Tootalian, Richard Buttiglieri, Milton Rattet, Val, Dorothy and Douglas Reid, Lana Connors, Joan Dameri, Elena, Irene, Yvonne Allain, Jamie Rybarczyk



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE with MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 29 ~ Sunday, August 6, 2017

SATURDAY	5:00pm	For the youth of Saint Anne & St. Matthew Parishes traveling to Gulfport, Mississippi on the Mission Trip
SUNDAY	8:30am	Parishioners of St. Anne Parish
	10:30am	Kathy Gazard (Healing) by Jim and Millie Garden
MONDAY	9:00am	Joan Dameri (Healing) by Jim and Millie Garden
TUESDAY	9:00am	Margaret Anne Hostage by her Family
WEDNESDAY	9:00am	Yvonne Allain (Healing) by Jim and Millie Garden
THURSDAY	9:00am	Parishioners of St. Anne Parish
First FRIDAY	9:00am	Souls in Purgatory
SATURDAY	5:00pm	George Boothby (5th Anniversary) by his wife and Family
	7:00pm	<i>Young Adult Mass</i>
SUNDAY	8:30am	Parishioners of St. Anne Parish
	10:30am	Parishioners of St. Anne Parish

PARISH STEWARDSHIP RESPORSTS FOR:

July 23/24, 2017

Weekly Collection.....\$2,548.00

Electronic giving through PARISHPAY (WeShare):

Totals received once a month ~ June, 2017

Weekly Offertory Collection.....\$ 3,081.74

Capital Improvement\$ 394.38

Communication Campaign.....\$ 66.95

Peter's Pence.....\$ 65.95

Totals received from BluePay for June 2017

Weekly Donations.....\$1,039.00

Thank you for your ongoing donations.

PARTNERS IN CHARITY

Thank you to everyone who continues to give so generously. To date our parishioners have donated \$67,320.00 toward the amount of \$76,000.00 requested by the Diocese. We are \$8,680.00 away from reaching the goal. We are very close! Please consider giving any amount to help us reach this goal.
Thank you.

DISCOUNT CARD FUNDRAISER: The new Discount Cards for 2017 are available for purchase at the Parish Office and in the foyers of the church. We are looking for people who would like to take a few cards to sell to help us in this endeavor to benefit St. Anne Parish.

Other religions, even other Christians, often look at Catholics with curiosity or disdain due to our customs and Traditions. We may not even know the origin of some of the things in question, or we may have questions ourselves. I will attempt to clear up some of the most common misconceptions about our faith.

Wearing a Crucifix: Catholics wear crucifixes rather than just a cross, not because we are morbid, neither because we have forgotten that Jesus is our *Risen* Lord. To the contrary; we chose to remember the sacrifice that Jesus made for us by dying on the cross. He lay down His life, so that He could take it up again. (John 10:11-18) We are not wearing a symbol of torture, but rather a reminder of love. "Proclaim the death of the Lord, until he comes again." 1 Corinthians 11:26

The Eucharist: Some of other faiths, believe Catholics to be idol worshipers due to our belief in the Eucharist; however Sacred Scripture clearly points out why we believe what we do. In *John 6:31-66* Jesus repeatedly instructs us to eat His body and drink His blood. When the crowds questioned Him, He did not correct them and explain that it was a "symbol," rather Christ let them leave as they would not follow His teaching. We see further evidence of this in *1 Corinthians 11:17-33* when the words of the Lord are repeated and clear instruction is given to receive this gift equally and worthily. Study of early Christian Church shows that the Eucharist was celebrated with the understanding that it was the Body and Blood of Christ well into the 1500s.

Saying the Rosary: Many misunderstand this beautiful Catholic prayer. They equate it to "prattling" as we are instructed not to do in scripture. (Sir. 7:14). The basic truth of this scripture is that God hears our prayers and we do not need to repeat them to be heard, nor to repeat them just to be seen by others as holy. The Lord often repeated Psalms and other prayers. He, Himself, taught us The Lord's Prayer. He clearly encouraged us to pray it. He did not object to formal prayer, just to the misuse of prayer. The Rosary consists of a few prayers: The Creed (which just states our belief in the Trinity, the Life, Death and Resurrection of Christ and our hope in the life to come), The Lord's Prayer, The Glory Be (again just expressing belief in the Father, Son and Spirit) and the Hail Mary. What many don't realize is that the Rosary and especially the Hail Mary is Biblical. The Mysteries of each decade describe an event in Christ's life. The entire first verse of the Hail Mary comes from scripture. "Hail, full of grace... blessed is the fruit of your womb." (Luke 1:28- 43) The second verse is asking the Blessed Mother to pray with us and for us. We do not worship her, we honor her as Christ's mother and a wonderful example of holiness to us. "Holy Mary, Mother or God." Luke 1:43 (Elizabeth refers to Mary as "the mother of my Lord." In Luke 2:35 and in John 2:5 we are reminded that Jesus respected His mother and would do what she asked of Him, this gives us the courage to go before her and ask for her help when we talk to her Son.

Saying the Sign of the Cross: Many Christians end their prayers by saying, "In Jesus' name." This is a reference to the Bible verse which instructs us to ask all things through Jesus. (Col. 3:17) What about the rest of that verse though? "Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, *giving thanks through Him to God the Father.*" When we make the sign of the cross, we are honoring Christ's sacrifice on the cross and offering our prayers to the Holy Trinity, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. It is referenced at the end of Matthew. "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." (Matt.28:19)

Telling a priest your sins (Reconciliation or Confession): "Catholics are strange, they don't realize they can tell their sins to God, so they tell them to a priest (who is just a man)." That's what we sometimes hear even in our own Church. Well, the first answer is that we have been instructed to do so. Jesus himself instituted the Sacrament of Confession and the priesthood. "*Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.*" Matt 18:18 Jesus also states, "*Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them and whose sins you retain are retained.*" John 20:22-23 "*Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed.*" James 5:16 He stated this to His Disciples, His first Priests. In the Catechism of the Church 1457, we are reminded that, "after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to confess serious sins at least once a year." We are instructed by the Church to go to confession whenever we have committed a mortal sin and furthermore, to confess venial sins. Confession helps bring about accountability. It is hard to move past a sin if you are just holding it privately in your heart. Saying it out loud (and having to repeat it when you are having trouble breaking free from a particular sin) helps to keep us on track. Furthermore, we believe we are, "whispering in the ear of Christ," the priest only takes the place of Jesus during the sacrament. The Catholic Faith is rich with wonderful prayers, customs and Traditions. Traditions by themselves are not bad, I'm sure many families have holiday Traditions and family Traditions. Additionally, we are instructed to (2 Thes 2:15), "hold fast to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter." Furthermore, 2 Thes. 3:6 states, "according to the tradition which you received from us." The Bible was not yet put together, so the teachings passed on by word of mouth are in fact Christian Traditions, Hopefully this clears up some of the questions that you may have about the customs of the Catholic Church. May God bless you in your quest for truth.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES FOR 2017-2018:

AS WE PREPARE THE ST. ANNE WEBSITE TO ACCEPT REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR PLEASE REMEMBER THAT CATECHISTS ARE NEEDED AT ALL GRADE LEVELS FOR THE FALL:

Announcing Free Registration Tuition for Catechists with children in the program! We are extremely thankful for our returning catechists and are looking for more volunteers to serve in this rewarding ministry. In appreciation for catechists who regularly commit to volunteering to share their faith with our young people, spend time in preparing lessons and creatively present the material to engage their learners, Fr. Albert has waived the registration fees (sacrament fees still apply) for catechists who have children in St. Anne's Religious Education program.

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Saint Martha (Feast Day, July 29)
Martha was the sister of Mary and Lazarus, her brother whom Jesus raised from the dead. The three shared a household in Bethany, and were friends of Jesus. In the famous incident in Luke's gospel (10:38-42), Martha was hostess to Jesus in her house. She demanded that Jesus tell her sister Mary to help her. Jesus commended Mary as choosing the better part, sitting at his feet and listening to his word (singular in the Greek). Martha and her sister Mary were not only related by blood but also by religious aspirations. Christian discipleship is first and foremost devotion to Jesus, the "one thing required" (Lk 10:42). This relationship shows itself in loving service, but without prayer, care for others' needs may not be love. Martha may have been part of an early mission to France. She is known as the "Wonder Worker of Gaul."

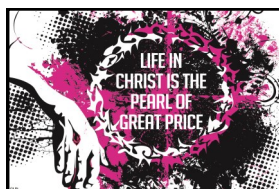
Do not grieve or complain that you were born in a time when you can no longer see God in the flesh. He did not in fact take this privilege from you. As he says, "Whatever you have done to the least of my brothers, you did to me."-- Saint Augustine



The 100th Year Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima celebrates the monthly apparitions to the three children. These apparitions took place between May and October of 1917. Therefore the statue of Mary will remain in the Sanctuary through

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

As human beings, we desire to find happiness. This desire is so strong that we often go to great lengths to discover and obtain it. Unfortunately, our search sometimes brings us to the wrong places. We mistakenly think that money, certain possessions, social status, popularity, and even power and control can satisfy the longing that exists in our hearts. Time and again, one after another, these things come up empty and we find ourselves with the same unfulfilled longing gnawing at us deep within. It is only the kingdom of God that can satisfy our desire and that ache. We are made and hardwired for this. When we discover it, we know that we have found something very special—a pearl of great price. Then, everything comes together and is put in proper order: our relationship with God, others, ourselves, and even the universe in which we live.



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
7:00pm ~Young Adult Mass
1st Saturday of the Month

Filipino Mass:

Third Sunday of the month - 12 pm
Filipino Mass will not be celebrated in the month of July & August, resumes in September

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.

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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.