

The Nativity of the Lord

December 25, 2025



Parish Information



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Sr. Yvette, Fr. Thirburs Millot, Joy, Thomas Chemmanur, Janet Mattioli, Michael, Diane Higgins, Annette LaHaye, Val Provencher; Fr. Conrad, Michael Philbin-Pelland, Jamie Farley, Jim Garden, Millie Garden, Dave Lemoine, Brookie Sullivan, Beth Stephens, Karen Bouley, Susan Cioppa, Peter Bradstreet, Cecilia Lynch, Susan, Catherine, Walter McClain, Frances Robertson, CMR, Raphaela, Bong Sanchez, Lisa Moeller, Joan Gilroy, Lorraine Gasparoni, Michael, Justine Acosta, Helen McCollough, Leo, Joan Patchell, Nora O'Donnell, Lois Carney, Helen Curran, Diane, Roger, Pat, Loraine Bradley, William, Maria Martin, Nancy, Barbara Malloy, Fran Allen, Kathy, Pat LeBron, John Tennaro, Brendan, Matt, Za, Jim, Noah, Michael, Charlotte, Amelia, Carol Jarosz, Kevin, Fr. Sagayam, Al Peterson, Debbie Simon, Patricia Stott, Matt Bernier, Peter Sullivan, Kristen, Lily, Lisa Arnold



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS 12/27/25 ~ 1/4/26

SATURDAY 12/27	5:00 p.m.	George Stagno (Birthday Remembrance) By Former & Current St. Anne Parish Staff
SUNDAY 12/28	8:30 a.m.	St. Anne Parishioners (Living)
	10:30 a.m.	The Bernier & Brodeur Families By Denise Brodeur
MONDAY 12/29	9:00 a.m.	Marianne Geary By Jim & Millie Garden
TUESDAY 12/30	9:00 a.m.	Bob Moro By Jim & Millie Garden
WEDNESDAY 12/31	9:00 a.m. 5:00 a.m.	St. Anne Parishioners-Living St. Anne Parishioners-In Memory
THURSDAY 1/1/2026	9:00 a.m.	Mary Vivieros (10th Anniversary) By The Rider Family
FRIDAY 1/2/2026	9:00 a.m.	For All of the Holy Souls in Purgatory by Helpers of the Holy Souls
SATURDAY 1/3/2026	5:00 p.m.	Alfred Garavente By Cheryl Garavente
SUNDAY 1/4/2026	8:30 a.m.	St. Anne Parishioners (In Memory Of)
	10:30 a.m.	John Callinan (6th Anniversary) By Sandy Callinan

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

December 27 & 28, 2025
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

5:00 p.m.	Lector	MaryBeth P-H	
	EM's	Charlotte Zakarian (Host) MaryBeth Philbin-Hannigan (Cup)	(Cup)
8:30 a.m.	Lector	Elaine Yetman	
	EM's	Elaine Yetman (Host) Doris Campero (Cup) Nancy Denardo (Cup)	(Cup)
10:30 a.m.	Lector	Janice Brown	
	EM's	Maggie Raymond (Host) Steve Buttiglieri (Cup) Joseph D'Angelo (Cup)	(Cup)

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

January 3 & 4, 2026
The Epiphany of the Lord

5:00 p.m.	Lector	Roger Jolicoeur	
	EM's	Laura Schroeder (Host) MaryBeth P-H (Cup) Charlotte Zakarian (Cup)	(Cup)
8:30 a.m.	Lector	Nick Paganella	
	EM's	Nancy Denardo (Host) Elaine Yetman (Cup) Doris Campero (Cup)	(Cup)
10:30 a.m.	Lector	Pat Draper	
	EM's	Pat Draper (Host) Joseph D'Angelo (Cup) Maggie Raymond (Cup)	(Cup)

Preventing Child Abuse is Everyone's Responsibility

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



St. Anne Parish hosts trivia fun in the parish hall:
Catholic Trivia on Friday Evenings
Trivia is preceded by the Rosary

We will begin with the Rosary at 6:00 PM and immediately follow with Trivia. All are welcome!

Announcements & Updates

Capital Campaign Update

Phase One 12/21/25



Total Goal: \$2,000,000.00
Total Pledges: \$2,092,163.16
Payments Received: \$1,534,697.16
Number of Families Pledging: 162 families (35%)
Balance to Receive: \$557,466.00

Thank you for your ongoing support!



Christmas Flowers-Thank you!

Thank you to all parishioners who contributed to the Christmas Flower offerings towards the beautiful flowers that decorate the church for the season. We remember and pray for those honored and memorialized. A list of names are posted on the bulletin boards in the foyers of the church. Many thanks also to those who helped to decorate the church and parish hall for Christmas!

OFT-Holiday Thank You

On behalf of the patrons of Our Father's Table in Marlborough, thank you to all the St. Anne parishioners who contributed individual toothbrushes and toothpaste tubes for the OFT Holiday Appeal. We more than met our goal of providing items for inclusion in 50 holiday bags which were distributed to patrons!



Urban Missionaries of Our Lady of Hope - Giving Tree Program - Thank You!

We would like to express gratitude to all parishioners for the hard work and generosity involved in the Giving Tree Program, making it possible another year for the Urban Missionaries to assist "the least the last and left out" children of our neighborhood and the surrounding areas. The gifts of toys and clothing bring joy to children and families at Christmas, thank you!

St. Anne Parishioners, you once again amaze me and the other coordinators of the Southborough Food Pantry. Thanks to your generosity to the Food Pantry, 70 families and 178 family members will be receiving gifts this Christmas season. A special thanks to Orla Wages for all her work in making sure the Giving Tree was a huge success once again this year. On behalf of the Food Pantry, I wish all of you a peace-filled, joyous Christmas.

-Pat Draper, Coordinator



SOUTHBOROUGH YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES
STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITY BY SUPPORTING ITS FAMILIES

Please accept the sincere thanks of the Friends of the

Southborough Youth Commission for all of the checks and Venmo donations to support local families through the Southborough Youth & Family Services Winter Wishes program this year. Thank you to the St. Anne parish community!

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORTS—12/21/25

Regular Weekly Offering.....\$3,299.00
Retirement for Religious.....\$100.00
End of Year Gift.....\$500.00
Immaculate Conception.....\$25.00
Fuel & Maintenance.....\$25.00
Christmas Collection.....\$625.00
Basket Raffle.....\$646.00
Blue Pay Donations.....\$1,470.00
WeShare Donations.....\$125.00

To set up online giving, please call the parish office or visit the [Parish website](#)

[St. Anne Parish - Southborough - Southborough, MA](#)



Thank You Donors!

We value and thank all those who donated time, talent and monetary gifts to St. Anne Parish! We have purchased and are in the process of acquiring many items including a new Advent candle stand, chasubles, Altar Server items, banners, flowers, wreaths, and garlands. If you are interested in supporting any of these initiatives or would like to make a gift in memory of a loved one, please contact the parish office. We are grateful for all of the generous donations!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Faith Formation Classes 2026
January 11 & 25

Confirmation Retreat 1/10/2026
11:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
St. Luke's Parish Hall

Christmas Pageant -Thank you to all!

Many thanks to all children, parents, parishioners and volunteers who made the Christmas Pageant a success! Special thanks to St. Nicholas himself, Evelyn Walton & Pat Russell for decorating the parish hall and organizing the basket raffle, Laura Schroeder for arranging the meal, Nancy Denardo and Anders Hokinson for providing music and technical support and to MaryBeth Philbin-Hannigan for pulling everything together. Everyone had a wonderful time!



Thank you to Hostage Brothers Printers!

We are grateful to HB design, print and marketing for their continued generosity through providing the paper bulletin for St. Anne Parish each week!



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Announcements & Updates

A Letter From Bishop McManus

Christmas 2025

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This brief biblical text from the Gospel of St. Matthew summarizes the mystery and wonder of Christmas – out of divine love for us, Jesus took on human flesh in the virginal womb of Mary through the power of the Holy Spirit, to save all people of all times and places from their sins. The birth of the Christ Child in the manger of Bethlehem was unlike any other event in human history because this birth has transformed the ultimate destiny of humanity, giving men and women the hope of spending an eternity of peace and joy in the presence of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Our Catholic faith teaches us that the birth of the Holy Child of Bethlehem, true God and true man, is the theological basis for our unshakeable hope for the gift of eternal life in heaven, a gift that makes each baptized person a pilgrim of hope, a theme that has been a focal point of our Jubilee Year, 2025 that is quickly drawing to an end.

I have often preached at Confirmation liturgies that our goal as disciples of Jesus Christ is “to get to heaven” and “to bring with us as many people that we possibly can,” beginning with those people we love most in life. The true peace and joy of Christmas is to embrace the hope of eternal life that the Infant Jesus, with outstretched arms, offers to each of us once again this Christmas Day, 2025, especially through our worthy reception of Holy Communion.

During this Christmas Season, I invite you to welcome Jesus, our Lord and Savior, as if for the first time, into your life and the lives of your loved ones. Strive to share your gift of hope in eternal life in heaven with others by keeping your hearts and minds fixed on the one thing that really matters, life on high in the eternal presence of the God who is Love itself.

I extend to all of you my prayers for a Blessed and Merry Christmas and I invite you to join your prayers to the prayers of our beloved Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, as he prays for peace, a peace our war-wearied world needs so desperately these days.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus, S.T.D.
Bishop of Worcester

MERRY CHRISTMAS

★ Blessings to you and your family





A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM FR. ALBERT



Dear Parishioners,

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a grace-filled New Year 2026.

Jesus said, “I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life” (Jn 8:12). On Christmas Day, we rejoice in seeing the Light of Christ born in a manger, in a place surrounded by darkness. Our world today experiences many forms of darkness—hatred, violence, intolerance, domination, and faithlessness. May we allow the Light of Christ to be born anew in our hearts, our families, and our Church. When the light shines, darkness flees; darkness can never prevail as long as the Light of Christ dwells within us.

I am deeply grateful to each of you for being part of the St. Anne family and for being light to one another. Your presence, service, sacrifice, and love make our parish truly beautiful at its core. Our faith community continues to grow and flourish because we share the Light of Christ with all who enter our midst.

Though the world has celebrated His birth for over two thousand years, no one ever grows weary of this holy feast. Christmas continually reminds us of God’s unconditional love across generations. Our hearts are filled with joy as we recall the promise made to our ancestors—that God would show us mercy and save us from our sins.

As we celebrate His birth, we remember the wonders He continues to work throughout the ages. We are truly blessed that our God chose to dwell among us, to guide us, and to remain with us always. May the peace, hope, and love of Christ dwell in your hearts and homes now and throughout the coming year.

Please be assured that you will all be remembered in my prayers during the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. Wish you all a Merry Christmas again.

God bless you all,

Fr. Albert



Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas!

Please find a copy of your Christmas gift in the foyers of the church! All are welcome to enjoy a copy of Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy by Matthew Kelly.



SLOWING
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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH
DECEMBER 27 & 28, 2025