

SAINT ANNA PARISH

October 4, 2020

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27th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

“What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?” - Mt 21:40

Parish Office Hours are Monday through Friday 8am-3pm
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Safety Environment Notice



Our parish follows the guidelines of the national charter for the protection of children & young people approved by the US Bishops & Diocese of Worcester policies. Contact Judith Audelle, Victim Services Coordinator, at 508-929-4363 (direct& confidential.) Claire Freda is the St. Anna Parish Safety Environment Coordinator.

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From the Pastor's Desk

Twenty-five years ago, Pope St. John Paul II wrote that the Gospel of life is at the heart of Jesus' saving message to the world (*Evangelium Vitae* 1). In taking on human flesh, dwelling among us, and sacrificing his very life for our redemption, Christ reveals the profound dignity of every human person. This God-given dignity does not change with our stage of life, abilities, level of independence, or any other varying circumstances.

Rather, it is rooted in the permanent fact that each of us is made in the image and the likeness of God, created to share in every life of God himself. The human person is a "manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory" (*EV* 34). And we must reflect this truth in how we act and how we treat one another.

Jesus calls each of us to "care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible" (*EV* 87). The Gospel of life is intrinsic to the whole Christian life and foundational to the decisions we make on a daily basis. For, "the Gospel of God's love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a single and individual Gospel"

In this encyclical on the Gospel of life, Pope St. John Paul II recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. He places particular emphasis, however, on the threats to life at its beginning and end—precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mother's womb and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the "least of these" in our world's estimation. Practices such as abortion and assisted suicide tragically reject the truth that human life is always to be cherished and defended with loving concern.

Let us reflect on how we personally live out the Gospel: ***Do I talk about and act towards others as I would talk about and treat Jesus himself? Do I support and advocate for laws and policies that protect and defend human life? Do I help pregnant and parenting mothers in need? Am I ready to support and love one nearing death?***

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may Our Lord grant us the grace to truly and courageously live his Gospel of life.

USA Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
Fr. Carlos

Parish News

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your generous support!

REGULAR COLLECTION	\$ 4434.00
CANDLES, MASSES, ETC.	\$ 109.00
RETIREMENT FOR RELIGIOUS	\$ 1500.00
MAINTENANCE	\$ 194.00
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS APPEAL	\$ 6109.00
TOTAL	\$12,346.00

ST. ANNA PARISH MASSES

WILL STILL BE AVAILABLE ONLINE!

There are still several ways to stay connected with Fr. Carlos and St. Anna Parish during this time.

St. Anna's YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/CMhGk1bMQl3jOOcyUIKy8Yw>

St. Anna Parish Facebook:

Like us at: <https://www.facebook.com/Stannaleominster/>

St. Anna Parish Website:

Masses will be posted at www.stannaparish.org. In addition, direct links to YouTube & Facebook are provided on the homepage in the upper right hand corner next to the search icon.

Religious Education News

There is still time!

Registration is now open for Grades 1 through 10!

Registration forms are available on the parish website at stannaparish.org. Our calendar year will begin October 4th and come to a close April 4th. We will offer classes either in person or online. All classes will meet on alternate Sunday mornings from 8:40 AM to 9:40 AM.

Please know we are here to serve and support you and your families in your journey of faith. If you have questions about anything or about how to become involved in our program, please do not hesitate to contact our Religious Ed Coordinator, Ron Trznadale, 978.302.6139 or via email at trznadelron@gmail.com

St. Bernard Cemetery Lot and Columbarium Sale

St. Bernard Cemetery will be having a sale from October 1st thru October 31st on grave lots in the New Calvary Section which recently plotted with updated regulations pertaining to monument and lot layouts. Plus newly constructed Columbarium with niches will also have reduced prices. Please contact the Cemetery Superintendant Ray Spagnuolo at the cemetery office 978-342-4820.

All calls will be returned. Weekend and after hours appointments are available.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2020

4:00PM

Catherine Ciccone by family

Dieter Wolferseder (1st anniversary) by family & friends

Ronald Gallant by a friend

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020

8:00AM

Anthony Iacaboni by Tantillo Family

Gerardo Miniscalchi by Karen and Emanuel Longo

10:00AM

Dieter Wolferseder (1st anniversary) by St. Anna Parish

Angela (Buono) DiRusso by niece

12:00PM

Maddelena Notturmo (month's mind) by St. Anna Parish

Elizabeth Hopkins by her friends

Ralph Buono by wife Judy

DAILY MASSES, OCTOBER 5 -8, 2020

**The school mass is returning and being added to
Thursdays at 9:00AM. Daily Mass will still be
Monday-Thursday at 7:30am. The school mass will be
in addition to our daily mass schedule. It will not
replace the 7:30 AM mass on Thursdays.**

MON: Roland & Lorraine Benoit by Dan & Donna Benoit

TUES: David Benoit by Dan & Donna Benoit

WED: Angelo DiRusso by niece

THURS: Ralph Castriotta Sr. (birthday remembrance) by family

*****9:00AM School Mass*****

FRI. No Mass. Church will open at 6:45AM for personal prayer.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2020

4:00PM

Clotilda & Avellino Piermarini and deceased children by family

Josephine Valeri (birthday remembrance) by family

Norman Maxim by Pam & John Petricca

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2020

8:00AM

Mario & Laura Cancellieri by Dan & Donna Benoit

Beatrice Alexakis (12th anniversary) by Sue & Paul Morizzo & family

Clito and Lucy Piermarini by family

10:00AM

Sean Benotti by Jean and Margaret Plante

12:00PM

Ruth Piermarini (1st anniversary) by St. Anna Parish

Dianna Carboni by her father

Gilda Racine (month's mind) by St. Anna Parish

Nellie & Guerino Fiore by family

School News

*****PTO School Fundraiser from Meadow Farms, where families, relatives, and friends can purchase candles and beautiful gifts, that will be shipped directly to the purchaser. Perfect for the holidays! The link to order is below and please feel free to contact the school office with any questions.

<https://shop.meadowfarms.com/index.asp?PID=3003257>



Thank you to everyone who participated and donated to our annual Catholic Schools Appeal! Your generosity and kindness is unmatched! As of today we have raised over \$6000.00 dollars for our school!

Our Lady, Health Of The Sick, Pray for Us

Please pray for those who are ill, especially: Samuel Madore, Deacon Jim, Mary Lou Petty, Frank Desorbo, Jacob DeCarolis, Diana Escabi, Linda Gonyon, Rickie Gorski Jr., Kathy Holman & John Joseph. If you know of someone who needs prayers, call the rectory or email us at stanna9@comcast.net and we will add them to the list.

Public Square Rosary Crusade

On October 10, 2020 at Noon, the local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place at Carter Park on Main St., Leominster, MA across from St. Leo's church. Please join us in praying for all that is happening in our nation and more. Please respect social distancing and wear a mask, thank you. For more information please contact Laura Casey at 508-331-5888.

The Joseph P. Keating Council #99 Knights of Columbus

Will be holding a Chicken BBQ Sunday October 11, 2020 from noon until 2pm. TAKE OUT ONLY. Tickets are \$10 each and are available at the Council at 165 Electric Ave Fitchburg, advance sales only or call the Knights at 978-343-9841. Menu: Half a chicken breast, Baked Potato, Corn on the cob and Pasta Salad. All proceeds will benefit the Knights Charities.