

Saint Anne Catholic Church

A VOICE CRIES OUT:
IN THE DESERT PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD!
MAKE STRAIGHT IN THE WASTELAND A HIGHWAY FOR OUR GOD!
EVERY VALLEY SHALL BE FILLED IN,
EVERY MOUNTAIN AND HILL SHALL BE MADE LOW.

ISAIAH 40:3-4



SECOND SUNDAY OF
ADVENT
DECEMBER 6, 2020

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Pastor's Letter

Dear Parishioners,

Bishop Stephen Parkes has reinstated the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Day Masses with several exceptions. This is what he writes:

As society reopens, mindful of social distancing and other precautions, I make an appeal to you: that you perform an examination of conscience regarding your everyday activities and consider Mass attendance in that context. If you and your household are frequenting restaurants, your children are attending school, family members are involved in sports, and individuals are attending social gatherings, I believe that Sunday Mass attendance should also resume. Sunday Mass may only be missed with good reason related to personal and communal health as the pandemic continues... Beginning with the First Sunday of Advent, November 29, 2020, the dispensation from Sunday Mass attendance is granted only for the following:

- those who belong to vulnerable populations due to age or health
- caregivers and those who live with those in vulnerable populations
- those who are sick or have symptoms
- those who suffer from extreme uneasiness or anxiety from being in any public places in this time of pandemic.

While we must not forget that we are still living in a time of pandemic, as a Church we are to be guided with a desire to move forward with hope, confident in God's help. We are called to promote a culture of hope, not a culture of fear.

Bishop Parkes emphasizes the use of masks:

The use of masks has been shown to significantly decrease the rate of contagion of COVID-19. Wearing a mask is highly encouraged at all times when the faithful are inside our buildings.

Today is the Second Sunday of Advent. In less than three weeks, it will be Christmas. We have added an extra Christmas Eve Mass, as we can only accommodate half the number of people our pews can seat (400–450 people).

Our first Christmas Eve Mass is at 5:00 p.m., with the Children's Pageant at 4:30 p.m. This is traditionally the most crowded, so I would ask families without small children not to attend this Mass. Our next Mass is at 8:00 p.m., with carols at 7:30 p.m. This Mass is traditionally to capacity too, so if you would consider attending the 11:00 p.m. Mass, this will help alleviate anyone being turned away. And of course, there is one Mass on Christmas Day at 10:00 a.m.

I am requiring all to wear masks on Christmas Eve and Day.

Today, December 6, is also the Feast of Saint Nicholas. Teach your children about this feast and who St. Nicolas was. In other words, Santa Claus was a Catholic priest and bishop and showed generosity to all in need, especially poor children. God bless you.

Your Pastor,

Fr. Allan

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The Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule—Holy Day of Obligation

- **Monday, December 7**, the Vigil of the Immaculate Conception, 6:00 p.m. in the Main Church, will be the Extraordinary Form Sung Latin Mass
- **Tuesday, December 8**, 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. (no 6:00 p.m. Latin Mass), both in the Main Church

SEEK

They trust in you who cherish your name, for you forsake not those who seek you, O LORD.

—Psalm 9:11

Religious Education

- Upcoming Classes: December 6, 13
- Please check the website at www.stannerh.org/ccd for news and updates.

The Children's Nativity Pageant will take place at 4:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve, prior to the 5:00 p.m. Children's Mass. Rehearsals will take place on December 14 and December 21. Children in grades Pre-K to 5th Grade are invited to participate. Middle and high school volunteers are needed (service hours opportunity!) Sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex to participate or volunteer.

This bulletin board has announcements, news, handouts, and more! This month, you can also find:

- Information on the four weeks of Advent
- Children's guide to the Immaculate Conception

These resources are there for everyone, not just students enrolled in CCD, so please take and enjoy!

Catholic Youth Ministry

Sun 12/6, 6-7:30 p.m., Teen Trailer

Letters 13-14 *Screwtape Letters* by CS Lewis

Wed 12/9, 6-7:30 p.m., Teen Trailer

Get your glitter! Ornament making!

Sun 12/13, 6-7:30 p.m., Teen Trailer

Letters 15-16 *Screwtape Letters* by CS Lewis

Wed 12/16, 6-7:30 p.m., Teen Trailer

Decorating our building for Christmas

Moms & Little Catholics

December 9

Mass and MLC, 9:00–11:00 a.m.

December 16

MLC Christmas Party and Good Deed Craft (TBD)

Please contact Crystal Reynolds for more information at mlc.saintanne@gmail.com.

Saint of the Week

Juan Diego (December 9)

St. Juan Diego was born in Mexico in 1474. In 1531, Mary appeared to him near Mexico City. When Juan Diego told his bishop, the bishop did not believe him and wanted proof. Juan Diego brought him roses, which had miraculously grown in the cold of December! When he opened his tilma to show the flowers to the bishop, there was an image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The image is still visible today at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

(Kids: Please color me!)



Thank you to seminarian Kevin Braski for his help with our "Saint of the Week!" Check back for a new series starting in 2021!

KNOW

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.*

—John 1:1

Sacraments

Mass

Martha Mary Chapel

Monday–Friday 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday: Low Latin Mass at 6:00 p.m.

First Saturday of Each Month: 9:00 a.m. Mass

Main Church

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. (live streamed)

Holy Days of Obligation Mass Times

9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Confession/Reconciliation

Martha Mary Chapel

Wednesday 6:00–6:45 p.m.

Main Church

Saturday 3:30–4:30 p.m.

Also by Appointment

Baptism

Parents and godparents should be formed in the meaning of the Sacrament and its responsibilities before Baptism. Classes are offered online. To register, please contact Renee at renee@stannerh.org.

Matrimony

Registered and active parishioners should contact clergy four months prior to the wedding date. Contact Wedding Coordinator Pat Byler at WeddingsStAnne@comcast.net for more information.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact Fr. Allan at Frajm@stannerh.org or Fr. Robert at FrRobert@stannerh.org for details on receiving this Sacrament.

Natural Family Planning

Natural Family Planning classes are taught upon request by Betsy DeBry, certified teacher of the Sympto-Thermal Method (betsydebry@comcast.net or 912–659–8244).

Holy Rosary

- Tuesday 5:00 p.m. in the Martha Mary Chapel, before the Latin Mass (Latin Chant)
- Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 a.m. in the Martha Mary Chapel, as Adoration begins, after the daily Mass
- Friday 9:30 a.m. in the Martha Mary Chapel, after the daily Mass (Latin Chant)
- Saturday 8:30 a.m. in the Martha Mary Chapel
- Saturday 4:30 p.m. in the Main Church, before the 5:00 p.m. Mass

The Traveling Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available for home visits by request. Kindly contact Eugene McKee at 912–308–8827.

Adoration

Martha Mary Chapel

Wednesdays 9:30 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

6:00–7:00 p.m. hour includes praise and worship and instrumental music and Confession and concludes with the Miraculous Medal Novena and Benediction

Thursdays 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

3:00–4:00 p.m. hour concludes with the Divine Mercy Chaplet

To sign up as an Adoration volunteer, please contact Rosemary at rosemaryjbrown@gmail.com or 912–677–0401.

RCIA Information

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Mary Fullerton about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) at maryf@stannerh.org or 912–247–9953.

Adult Catechism Class

Our Adult Catechism class meets Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the Martha Mary Annex. Join Dr. Brent Stubbs and Ross Tomazin as we explore the tenets of our Catholic Faith.

Prayer for Vocations

O God, hear our prayer and let our cry come unto you. Bless our Diocese of Savannah with many vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. Give the men and women You call the light to understand Your gift and the love to follow always in the footsteps of Your priestly Son. Amen

LOVE

Above all, let your love for one another be intense, because love covers a multitude of sins.
—1 Peter 4:8

Weekly Collection Capital Campaign Debt Reduction

Please mark “pledge” on your check if you are paying on your pledge. Thank you!

Offertory Budget

Budget for offertory for FY 2021	\$832,000
Per week offertory needed	\$16,000
Monthly offertory needed	\$69,334
Loan payment on Main Church/month.....	\$32,200

Weekend Collection November 21 and 22, 2020

Offertory

Collection Boxes in Church	\$4,639.25
Mailed In	\$730.95
Online	\$5,365.00
Total	\$10,735.20

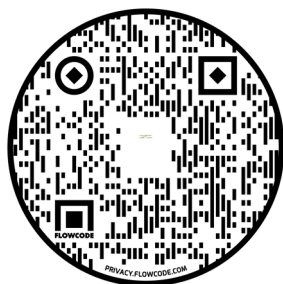
Debt Reduction for Main Church

Collection Boxes in Church	\$56.50
Mailed In	\$1,090.50
On Line	\$1,883.00
Total	\$3,030.00

Special Collection—Intentions, CCD, & Other

Collection Boxes	\$818.75
For Chapel Repair	\$1,650.00
Mailed In	\$60.00
Online	\$80.00
Total	\$2,608.75

Online Giving Available



If you would like to give online, sign up at the St. Anne online giving website: <https://osvonlinegiving.com/4445>, or use your phone to scan this QR Code to be taken to the website. Please contact Sarah at the parish office with any questions (912-737-0122).

Help Us Reach You

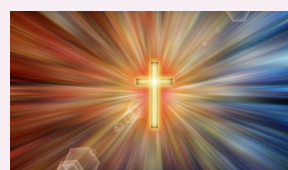
Please update your information at www.stannerh.org under About/Parish Registration Form.

Our Sympathies

Judith E. Wilson (November 20)

(Mother of Parishioner Bob Duckworth)

May all the faithfully departed be raised up to eternal life, O Lord, and hold them in the palm of Your hand.



God's Delay

In times of great difficulties, scoffers taunt us, “Where is God? Why hasn’t your Lord come to save you now?”

And we of faith respond much in the same way as Peter did in today’s second reading: the “delay” of the Lord’s second coming is not any type of punishment or failure to keep the divine promise, but a loving sign of God’s patience. God is giving everyone the chance to seek repentance.

God does not make life more difficult. Rather, God lessens our burdens as once before for the Jewish exiles returning home to Judea after captivity in Babylon. It was God who personally led them, making a “straight highway” for them across the desert.

We join with our ancestors of faith, who hoped that they might see God’s Chosen One before them and who eventually realized that the Lord was also walking with them side by side.

Tuesday Adoration Starting

Adorers are needed for our new Tuesday Adoration for every hour from 9:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Mary, our Blessed Mother said PRAY, PRAY, PRAY. Contact Rosemary Brown ASAP to volunteer (rosemaryjbrown@gmail.com or 912-677-0401). You may drop into the Martha Mary Chapel and choose an hour on the sign up sheet, located at both entrances.

NEWS | EVENTS | BITS

Christmas Schedule

(All in Main Church)

Wednesday, December 23

- Advent Confessions with Several Priests at 6:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve, December 24

- 5:00 p.m.: Family Mass with Children's Pageant at 4:30 p.m.
- 8:00 p.m.: Solemn Sung High Mass with a choral prelude of carols by the choir at 7:30 p.m.
- 11:00 p.m.: High Mass with cantor and congregational singing

Christmas Day, December 25

- 10:00 a.m.

Sign of Peace

Bishop Parkes has asked that the Sign of Peace return to Mass but in a no touch or no contact way, such as a bow of the head or other non-physical gesture towards those not in our households. Families/households may still exchange the Sign of Peace as before.

Gartland Award Winners

Congratulations to Mrs. Patricia Byler and Mr. Michael Dunnermann on receiving the Gartland Award from Bishop Parkes on Saturday, December 5 at our Cathedral Basilica.

ADVENT ON TAP

Journey through Advent with Ruth and learn how to prepare for the birth of Christ over burgers and beers.

November 30: Make Room for Christ

December 7: Our Lord's Promises

December 14: **Guadete**

December 21: Prepare for the Brith

Open for all Young Adults

B&D Burgers | 6-7pm

209 W Congress Street

CCW Bake Sale a Success!

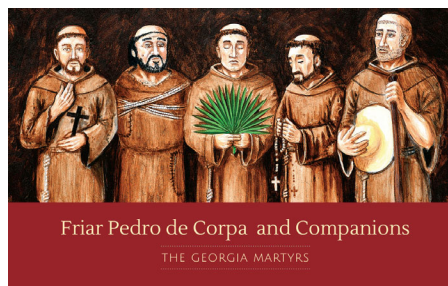
Thank you to all parishioners for their generous donations to the CCW bake sale. We raised \$767 and donated \$500 of it to the "Moving Forward" Capital Campaign.



Children's Choir Practice

Practice for the Christmas Eve Mass Children's Choir began on Saturday, November 28 and will continue for the following three Saturdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass begins at 5:00 p.m., with the prelude beginning at 4:30 p.m. Contact Jody DeLiguori at 912-228-0993 (text preferred) or jody.deliguori@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Prayer for the Canonization of the Georgia Martyrs



O Lord Jesus Christ, reward the apostolic zeal of Friar Pedro de Corpa and his four companion friars, Blas, Miguel, Antonio and Francisco,

who labored for the spiritual well-being of the native Gule people of Georgia and gave their lives in witness to the Christian faith. Through their merits and intercession graciously grant the favor I humbly ask of You, so that, for the glory of Your Name, their heroic sacrifice may be officially recognized by the Church. Amen.


<https://thegeorgiamartyrs.org/en/>

Processional Hymn


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O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL


Verses




1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,
 2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,
 3. O come, O come, great Lord of might,
 4. O come, O Rod of se's stem,
 5. O come, O Key of Da - vid, come,
 6. O come, O Day - spring from on high
 7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind



1. And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,
 2. Who or - dered all things might - i - ly;
 3. Who to your tribes on Si - nai's height
 4. From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them
 5. And o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home;
 6. And cheer us by your draw - ing nigh;
 7. In one the hearts of hu - man - kind;

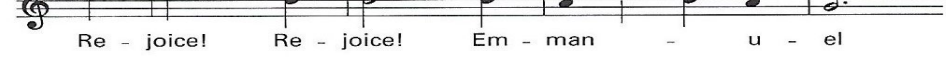


1. That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
 2. To us the path of knowl - edge show,
 3. In an - cient times did give the law,
 4. That trust your might - y pow'r to save,
 5. Make safe the way that leads on high,
 6. Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,
 7. Make all our sad di - vi - sions cease,

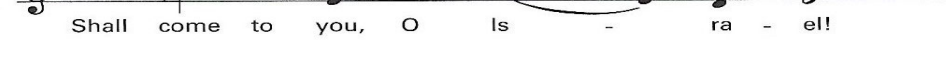


1. Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 2. And teach us in her ways to go.
 3. In cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.
 4. And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
 5. And close the path to mis - er - y.
 6. And death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
 7. And be for us our King of Peace.

Refrain



Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el




Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el!


Recessional Hymn

THE ANGEL GABRIEL FROM HEAVEN CAME

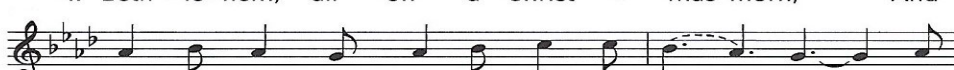
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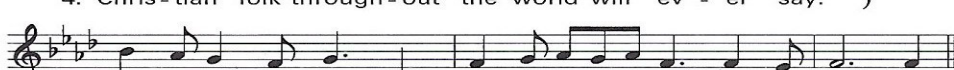
1. The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came, His
 2. "For know a bless - ed Moth - er you shall be, All
 3. Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head; "To
 4. Of her, Em - man - u - el, the Christ, was born In



1. wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame; "All
 2. gen - er - a - tions praise con - tin - ual - ly, Your
 3. me be as it pleas - es God!" she said. "My
 4. Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn; And



1. hail," said he, "O low - ly maid - en Ma - ry," }
 2. Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told." }
 3. soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy his ho - ly name." } "Most
 4. Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say: }



1-4. high - ly fa - vored la - dy!" Glo - ri - al

Mass Readings and Intentions

Saturday, December 5, 2020

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

9:00 a.m. Mass

James, Loretta, and Frank McKee †

5:00 p.m. Mass

Scott J. Babin †

Sunday, December 6, 2020

Second Sunday of Advent—Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

8:00 a.m. Mass

Jean Breton †

10:30 a.m. Mass

For the People (SI)

Monday, December 7, 2020

St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church—Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26

9:00 a.m. Mass

Kay Lamb †

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

9:00 a.m. Mass

Paul Lamoree †

7:00 p.m. Mass

Elizabeth Lopez †

Wednesday, December 9, 2020

St. Juan Diego—Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30

9:00 a.m. Mass

Shaheen Family Living & Deceased (SI)

Thursday, December 10, 2020

Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9, 10-13ab; Mt 11:11-15

9:00 a.m. Mass

Walter Barr †

Friday, December 11, 2020

St. Damasus I, Pope—Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4; Mt 11:16-19

9:00 a.m. Mass

Carlos Hernandez †

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