

Sainte Anne Parish

Salem, MA



26TH

SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

THE PARABLE OF THE TWO SONS

"Which of the two did his father's will?" They answered, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you."

Matthew 21:31



Sainte Anne Parish

Sainte Anne Parish is a faith community in the Roman Catholic tradition. We strive to live up to the motto: "We Are Family." We see ourselves as a local expression of the universal Church, the People of God, the Body of Christ. Through God's grace we seek to be welcoming and loving. Our life centers on the weekend celebration of the Eucharist. We meet Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and are then challenged to bring His love to others.

WEEKEND MASSES:Saturday 4:00 PM; Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 AM
 DAILY MASSES: Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM
 HOLY DAY MASSES:As Announced
 CAMEROON MASS:2nd and 4th Sunday of Month, 1:00 PM
 EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday, 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM
 ROSARY GROUP:Thursday, 6:00 PM
 CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:Tuesday, 6:00 - 8:00 PM
 CONFESSIONS:Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 PM or By Appointment
 CHAPEL:Closed Until Further Notice
 CHURCH:Will Remain Open After 9 AM Mass Until 7 PM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday; Saturday 9 AM-5 PM; Sunday Open for Mass Only

Welcome to New Parishioners: Please introduce yourself to us after Mass. To register, contact the Parish Office or online at stannesalem.org.
Sacrament of Baptism: Baptisms are celebrated on the fourth Sunday of the month at 12:15 pm. A preparation for parents and godparents will take place on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Rectory. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange a baptism.
Matrimony: Please contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance to arrange for the celebration of your wedding.
Home Visitation: We are happy to visit for confession, holy communion, anointing of the sick, or with anyone who is unable to come to church. Please contact the Parish Office.
Anointing of the Sick: This sacrament is for anyone who is seriously ill, in a weakened condition, facing surgery, entering hospice care, or near death. Please contact the Parish Office for this sacrament to be celebrated.

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UPDATE TO MASS ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

Beginning October 1st, we will discontinue SignUpGenius and you will no longer need to sign up to attend Mass. Please note that all other safety precautions remain in place, including the wearing of masks.

Going forward, the greeters will be handing out missalettes for your personal use during worship. Please take your copy with you when you leave church and bring it with you to Mass. ***The missalettes should not be left in the pews.***

Please visit our website (www.stannesalem.org) for further information on the requirements for attending Mass. Adjustments will be based on the latest information from the Archdiocese and the Governor.

WORSHIP & MEDITATION



500 Club Winners - September



- \$500 Laurie Gomes #081
- \$300 John Walsh #260
- \$100 Lynn Lavoie #024
- \$100 Richard Lariviere #429
- \$ 50 Jackie Gaudreau #359
- \$ 50 Beverly Tosto #397
- \$ 50 Donna Andrews #227
- \$ 25 Joan Raney #036
- \$ 25 Julianna Tache #327
- \$ 25 Helen Brown #430
- \$ 25 John & Carol Corriveau #314
- \$ 25 Lisa Cavallaro #352
- \$ 25 Marguerite Labrecque #212
- ATT Don Raney #442603

**Note that there is an extra \$50 winner this month due to a mishap last month.*

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

What prompts you to make the decisions you make? When confronted with a decision, whether one that is more trivial and mundane or one that is more significant and profound, we rely on guidance. That guidance can be the result of impulse and passion or the fruit of the interior voice of conscience. Decisions made on impulse and passion can be misguided and erroneous. Decisions based on conscience, or the moral voice within, will reflect the depth and maturity of our soul work. A more contemplative soul will make more contemplative decisions. A less developed conscience will make decisions based on the individual's level of development.

Conversion and a change of heart are at the core of Jesus' message precisely because of this reality. We are works in progress. For the person on fire with the Holy Spirit and centered on God, life reflects an ever-deepening awareness and heightened sense of God's presence and a greater willingness to do God's will. What is happening internally is validated by what is witnessed externally. The hypocrite is the one who says yes when they really mean no. From the start, they had no desire to do the virtuous act but wanted to outwardly appear as if they did.

Where are you on the road of integrity? Honesty is all that is required. God is good with that. It is okay to struggle with our decisions and wrestle with ourselves. Consciences on the path to maturity and greater depth are not always going to know what action is immediately best. We may, at first, say no to what we know is right and, after prayerful reflection and thought, come around to doing it. Conversion happens when our no changes to yes, regardless of how sinful or out of sync we may be at the time. God is anxious to welcome us to Himself. But we cannot embrace Him unless we want to. Learning to orient our gift of free will to what is of divine origin, right, and best is a discipline we must always tweak and perfect.

Preach the Gospel at all times.
If necessary, use words.

~ St. Francis of Assisi ~

Re: Thursday Eucharistic Adoration

Dear Holy People of God, as you know, our parish has Adoration of the Eucharist every Thursday. I understand these are very difficult times. But from my limited experience of life, I firmly believe that prayer before the Eucharistic Lord really brings with it much courage and strength. If we feel overwhelmed and crushed by the present circumstances, then the right place to be is with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Please kindly consider signing up for an Hour with the Lord. We need more Adorers to stay with the Lord, for the good of our parish, our families, and our world (Fr. Maurice).



**APPEAL FOR A LARGE MONSTRANCE FOR A MAGNA HOST
AND EUCHARISTIC PYX FOR ADORATION**

For a while now, we have been having our Parish Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday, from 9:30 am to 6:45 pm, concluding with Rosary and Benediction. I thank all who continue to sign up for Adoration, fulfilling the desire of Our Blessed Lord in Gethsemane: Could you not watch with me for one hour? Watch and pray that you might not fall into temptation, for the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak (Matthew 26:40-41). I firmly believe that our Thursday Adoration is a lifeline for our parish community, more so, during these uncertain times of COVID. It is on this note that I am appealing to any person or group of persons, or family, to kindly consider donating a new large Monstrance to our parish, which would be used for Adoration in our parish Church. The present Monstrance that we have served well when we were using the Chapel for Adoration. But the size of the Church demands a large Monstrance for a Magna Host and Eucharistic Pyx. I estimate that both items would cost about \$750.00. Those who feel moved to donate these items could either check them out online and get them, or make a donation check payable to Ste. Anne's Church, and we will get the two items needed. At every Adoration, your generosity will be remembered before the Eucharistic Lord. Once again, thank you very much for your love and generosity. God is still good, in spite of the times (Fr. Maurice)



Vatican City, Sept 14, 2020 / 12:00 pm MT (CNA) - Cardinal Robert Sarah, prefect of the Vatican's dicastery for liturgy and sacraments, sent a letter to bishops around the world, urging a return to Mass, with proper safety protocols observed amid the coronavirus pandemic. [CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK'S BULLETIN...]

This Dicastery intends to reaffirm some principles and suggest some courses of action to promote a rapid and safe return to the celebration of the Eucharist.

Due attention to hygiene and safety regulations cannot lead to the sterilisation of gestures and rites, to the instilling, even unconsciously, of fear and insecurity in the faithful.

It is up to the prudent but firm action of the Bishops to ensure that the participation of the faithful in the celebration of the Eucharist is not reduced by public authorities to a "gathering", and is not considered comparable or even subordinate to forms of recreational activities.

Liturgical norms are not matters on which civil authorities can legislate, but only the competent ecclesiastical authorities (cf. Sacrosanctum Concilium, 22).

The participation of the faithful in the liturgical celebrations should be facilitated, but without improvised ritual experiments and in full respect of the norms contained in the liturgical books which govern their conduct. In the liturgy, an experience of sacredness, holiness and beauty that transfigures, gives a foretaste of the harmony of the eternal blessedness. Care should therefore be taken to ensure the dignity of the places, the sacred furnishings, the manner of celebration, according to the authoritative instruction of the Second Vatican Council: "The rites should be distinguished by a noble simplicity" (Sacrosanctum Concilium, 34).

The faithful should be recognised as having the right to receive the Body of Christ and to worship the Lord present in the Eucharist in the manner provided for, without limitations that go even beyond what is provided for by the norms of hygiene issued by public authorities or Bishops.

In the Eucharistic celebration the faithful adore the Risen Jesus present; and we see with what ease the sense of adoration, the prayer of adoration, is lost. In their catechesis we ask Pastors to insist on the necessity of adoration.

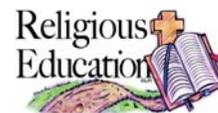
A sure principle in order not to err is obedience. Obedience to the norms of the Church, obedience to the Bishops. In times of difficulty (e.g. wars, pandemics), Bishops and Episcopal Conferences can give provisional norms which must be obeyed. Obedience safeguards the treasure entrusted to the Church. The measures given by the Bishops and Episcopal Conferences expire when the situation returns to normal.

The Church will continue to cherish the human person as whole. She bears witness to hope, invites us to trust in God, recalls that earthly existence is important, but much more important is eternal life: sharing the same life with God for eternity is our goal, our vocation. This is the faith of the Church, witnessed over the centuries by hosts of martyrs and saints, a positive proclamation that frees us from the one-dimensional reductionisms and from ideologies. The Church unites proclamation and accompaniment towards the eternal salvation of souls with the necessary concern for public health. Let us therefore continue to entrust ourselves confidently to God's mercy, to invoke the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, *salus infirmorum at auxilium christianorum*, for all those who are sorely tried by the pandemic and every other affliction, let us persevere in prayer for those who have left this life, and at the same time let us renew our intention to be witnesses of the Risen One and heralds of a sure hope, which transcends the limits of this world.



Saturday, Sept. 26	Vigil: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 pm	Will Matton, by his wife Gloria
Sunday, Sept. 27	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 am	Parish Family
11:00 am	Martin Fair, 1st Anniversary, by the Kirby Family Rosie Lamarre, by Grace Lamarre
Monday, Sept. 28	
9:00 am	Pauline Berube, by Pauline Bedard
Tuesday, Sept. 29	
9:00 am	Arthur Sr. & Hilda Jean
Wednesday, Sept. 30	
9:00 am	May C. Pinault, 1st Anniversary, by her Family
Thursday, October 1	
9:00 am	Thomas Kirby, 9th Anniversary, by the Family
Friday, October 2	
9:00 am	Parish Family
Saturday, October 3	Vigil: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 pm	May C. Pinault, 1st Anniversary, by her Family Francis Walker, by his Wife Jeanne & Armand Guilmette, by Gloria Matton
Sunday, October 4	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 am	Parish Family Patricia Gorton-Louf, by Kelly, Mark & Ben
11:00 am	David Pickett, 4th Anniversary, by Celeste Tremblay

Dear Parents,
Classes for religious education will begin mid-October. Details for registration and classes will be announced soon. Each family will receive an email with details. Thank you for your support. Charlene Carrier, CRE



Re: Catholic Appeal



Warm greetings in Christ Jesus. I hope you are well. I am writing to you on behalf of the annual Catholic Appeal. I know we are living in very difficult times. Covid-19 has completely affected the normal workings of life. As a faith community, we continue to draw strength from the Lord, from whom all our help comes (Psalm 121:2). I am very reluctant to ask this of you, but I am left with no choice. I really want to plead with you to consider making an extra donation for the Catholic Appeal 2020. If we do not meet up with our goal, the deficit will be placed on our parish, which will greatly affect the operational budget of our parish. I am therefore appealing to you to kindly consider making an extra sacrifice by donating to the Catholic Appeal 2020. I take this opportunity to thank Marion Blanchette for coordinating this effort thus far. May the Lord reward her. And may the Lord bless and reward you for being generous to this appeal. (Fr. Maurice)

Ste. Anne's Goal -	\$20,437
Amount Received to date -	\$11,110 (54%)
Shortfall -	\$ 9,327



Clergy Health and Retirement Trust

SUPPORT OUR PRIESTS IN SEPTEMBER



SCAN HERE TO GIVE

On behalf of our priests in good standing, thank you for your generous support of last week's special collection to benefit the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust (CHRT). The strength and vibrancy of our communities depends on the health and well-being of our priests. Truly, healthier priests build stronger communities. If you haven't made your gift to the collection yet, you can still donate by going online to clergytrust.org, or by scanning the QR code above to give with Venmo, Apple/Google Pay, and PayPal via Givebutler.

DON'T FORGET TO JOIN US FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE PRIESTHOOD VIRTUAL GALA!

Thursday, September 29th at 7 pm

Featuring remarks from Former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, **General Joseph F. Dunford, Jr. (Ret.)**. **Special appearances by NHL star Brian Boyle, actor Mark Wahlberg, and the music of Dion with Patty Scialfa and Bruce Springsteen.** This year's *Celebration of the Priesthood* will be an event to remember! You won't want to miss it! **Register for free at 2020cop.org**



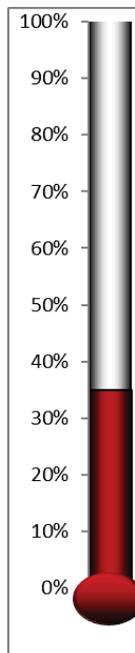
FINANCIAL UPDATE - SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

Your financial support of the parish pays for utilities, staff and clergy salaries, property maintenance, supplies, and supports our parish ministries. Everything we do as a parish relies on the offertory collections and other donations. Your continuing generous and sacrificial giving will assist your parish to provide for your spiritual needs and to serve the wider community.

Merci and Thank You!

Week ending 9/20	Collection	Online Giving
Offertory	\$3,224	\$1,855
Sacramentals	\$30	
Maintenance	\$121	
Grandma's Attic	\$1,000	
St. Vincent dePaul*	\$40	\$20
Clergy Health & Retirement Trust	\$923	
Totals	\$5,338	\$1,875

GRAND ANNUAL Goal - \$45,000
Current Total - \$15,737 (35%)



Scripture Readings

Sunday	September 27
Ez 1:8-25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32	
Monday	September 28
Jb 1:6-22/Lk 9:46-50	
Tuesday	September 29
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Jn 1:47-51	
Wednesday	September 30
Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62	
Thursday	October 1
Jb 19:21-27/Lk 10:1-12	
Friday	October 2
Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Mt 18:1-5, 10	
Saturday	October 3
Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24	
Sunday	October 4
Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43	



“How I loved the feasts!....I especially loved the processions in honor of the Blessed Sacrament. What a joy it was for me to throw flowers beneath the feet of God!...I was never so happy as when I saw my roses touch the sacred Monstrance...” - St. Therese

THERE IS *Nothing* TOO GREAT OR TOO SMALL FOR PRAYER

For the Sick: Jason Alexander, Dorothy Sherry, Armen Sarafian, Pat John, Steve L., Kathleen Levy, Ron Budka, Denise Wells, Kayla Campagna, Jay P., Madeline St. Pierre, Joan Driscoll Bick, Napolina Thompson, Pat Jalbert, Steven Conner, Raymond Thompson, Larry Blanchard, Chris Hall, Laurie Babbin, Rob Holloran, Karen Friedrich, Peter and Ben, Carol Whynott, Barbara Newman, Lila LaMalfa, Dina Russo, June Urbanski, Carson Borden

For the Military: Jason Boyle, Nicholas Budka, Sean Patrick Mautone, Keith Lovely, David Irwin, K. Ryan McKinley, Michael Angers

For all victims of the Coronavirus, for all front line workers, and for all medical researchers that they may find an effective prevention.

For Priests and Seminarians: Please pray each day for our Boston priests and seminarians:

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| Saturday - Fr. Robert E. Sullivan and Francis Trewin | Thursday - Fr. Joseph Hubbard and Andre John Rondelli |
| Sunday - Fr. Michael Ferraro and Maxwell Chukwudiebere | Friday - Fr. Mark DeAngelis and Peter Schirripa |
| Monday - Msgr. Laurence McGrath and Paul Born | Saturday - Fr. J. Bryan Hehir and Jeremy Wagner |
| Tuesday - Fr. Michael Harvey and William Foley | |
| Wednesday - Fr. Jeremy St. Martin and Javier Padilla | |



PLEASE SUPPORT OUR PRIESTS IN SEPTEMBER

Our priests are often at the center of efforts that build strong support systems for all of us. In addition to their daily pastoral responsibilities, they help establish social service organizations, offer spiritual support for first responders, operate parish food pantries, and recently, in response to the pandemic, put their lives at risk to provide comfort and peace to those suffering with COVID-19. Healthier priests build stronger communities. And the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust (CHRT) is dedicated to keeping our priests healthy.

This September, you can support the CHRT's mission by giving to the special collection at Masses on September 19/20. Every gift makes a difference and is a symbol of gratitude for all our priests who don't just observe need in our communities; they seek it out so they can respond.

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