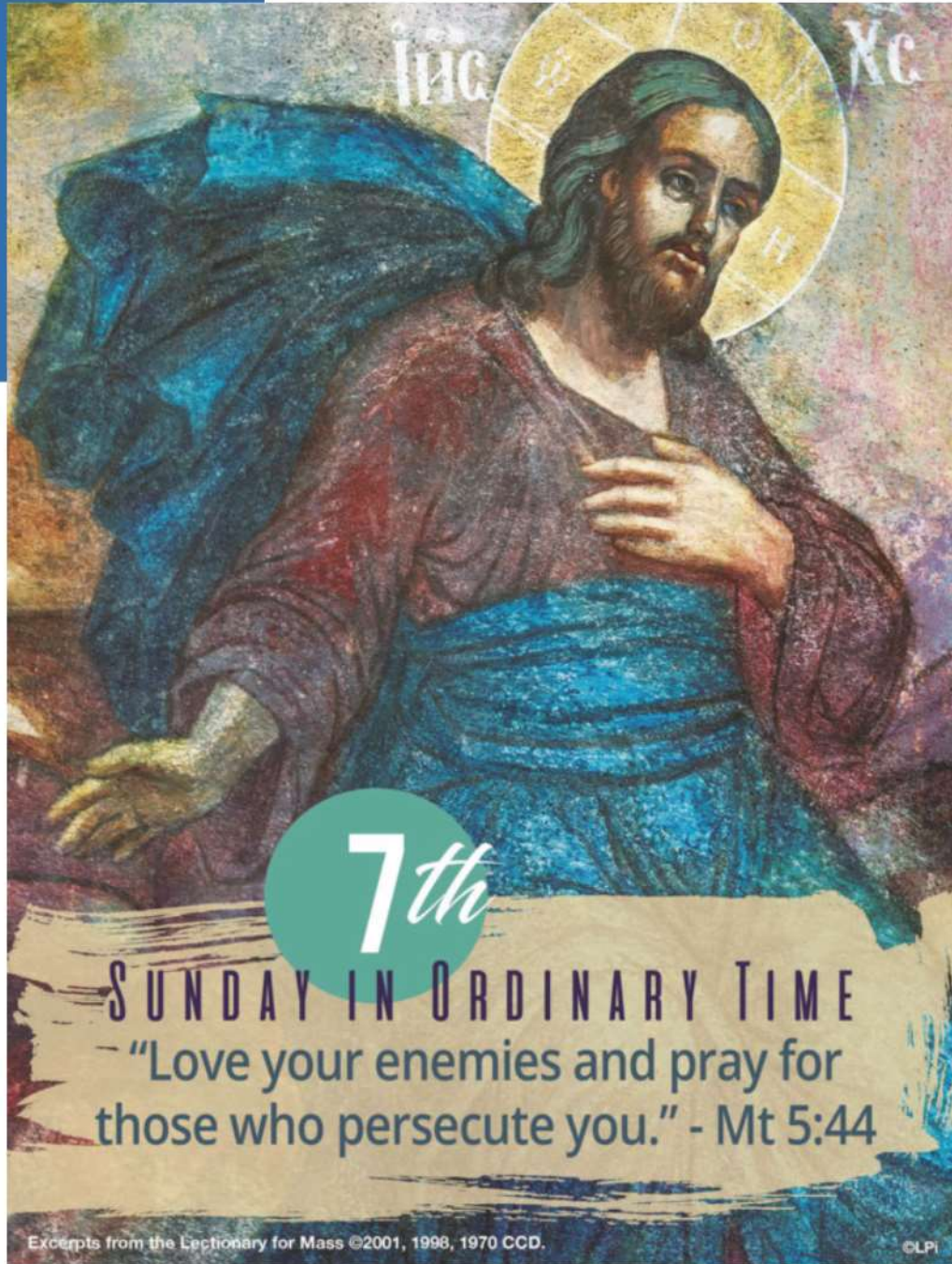




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PRAYER MOMENTS

Daily Masses

Monday-Friday | 9AM

Tuesday - Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus after the 9AM Mass

Holy Day Masses

As Announced

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 4PM

Sunday | 8:30AM, 11AM

Cameroon | 1PM (2nd/4th Sun)

Congolese | 4PM (Sunday)

First Saturday Devotion

7-9AM

Confession

Saturday | 3:15-3:45PM or by appointment

Adoration (with Rosary & Benediction @ 6PM)

Thursday | 9:30AM-6:45PM

Rosary

Weekdays | 8:30AM | Sat | 3:30PM

Sunday | 8AM, 10:30AM, 12:30PM

Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Tuesday | 6-8PM

Precious Blood of Jesus Prayer Group

Thursday | 8-11PM

Church is Open

9AM-5PM M, Tu, W, F |

Sat & Sun, open for Mass only

Parish Staff

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SAINTE ANNE PARISH, SALEM, MA

Our Mission

Sainte Anne Parish is a faith community in the Roman Catholic tradition. 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 daily celebration of the Eucharist. We meet Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and are then challenged to bring His love to others.

Welcome to New Parishioners

We pray that you find warmth, encouragement, and spiritual growth in our Parish. We're glad you're here and we look forward to getting to know you. Please introduce yourself to us after Mass. To register, contact the Parish Office at 978.744.1930 or send an email to: info@stannesalem.org.

Our Parish Story

Sainte Anne Roman Catholic Church is located in the Castle Hill neighborhood of South Salem, Massachusetts. Ste. Anne's was established as a French parish in 1901 to serve the large French-Canadian population living in Salem at the time. An increasing number of families from the Cameroon, Congolese, and Filipino communities now call Ste. Anne's their spiritual home.

STAY CONNECTED

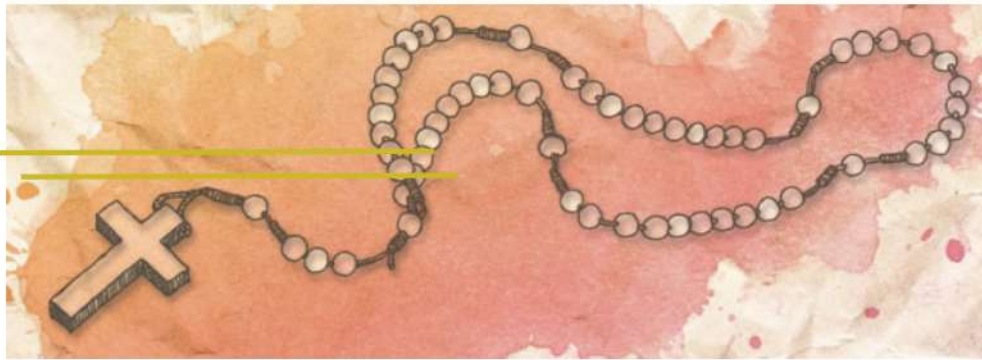


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Sainte Anne's Parish, Salem, MA





MASS INTENTIONS & OBSERVATIONS

Saturday, February 18

Vigil: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm

Reginald & Lydia Thibodeau, by
Bob & Susan Quinn

Sunday, February 19

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am

Repose of the Soul of Dina Russo,
by Stephen Volpe

11:00 am

Parish Family

1:00 pm

Cameroon Community

4:00 pm

Congolese Community

Monday, February 20

Presidents' Day

9:00 am

Roger Lavoie, by the Kirby Family

Tuesday, February 21

**St. Peter Damian, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church**

9:00 am

Votive Mass of the Holy Face
For the Honor and Adoration of the
Holy Face of Jesus and Praying for
the Growth of the Holy Face
Devotion

Wednesday, February 22

Ash Wednesday

9:00 am ~ Mass & Distribution of
Ashes

3:00 pm ~ Prayer Service &
Distribution of Ashes

7:00 pm ~ Mass & Distribution of
Ashes

Thursday, February 23

St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

9:00 am

For the Honor and Adoration of the
Holy Face of Jesus and Praying for
the Growth of the Holy Face
Devotion

Friday, February 24

9:00 am

Repose of the Soul of Gloria Volpe,
by the Volpe Family

Saturday, February 25

Vigil: First Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm

Michelle (Gallant) Howarth, 1st
Anniversary, by her Mother

Sunday, February 26

First Sunday of Lent

8:30 am

Parish Family

11:00 am

Richard Martineau, 14th
Anniversary, by the Family

4:00 pm

Congolese Community

Kind and
merciful
is the Lord
Psalm
103

Weekly Readings

Sunday

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2,
3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/1 Cor
3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

Monday

Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2,
5/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday /

Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19,
27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab,
12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20
6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4
and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday

Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab,
18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday

Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4,
5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4,
5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom
5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11



PASTOR'S NOTE

Dear Parishioners,

The injunctions from Jesus in today's gospel: "Give to the one who asks of you; love your enemies; pray for those who persecute you; be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect" sound like a wonderful invitation, so timely, as we are about to begin the Lenten season on Wednesday. Today, I would like to reflect on the importance of Lent and how we are to prepare for greatest Christian celebration of the year: Easter.

We all have a common vocation: to be holy. Even though every day offers us an invitation to holiness, the Lenten season stresses that call through scriptural passages that highlight the urgency of conversion, of returning to the Lord. Lent is thus a period of 40 days of intense preparation for the celebration of the pascal mystery, that is, the passion, death, and resurrection of Our Lord, which is the *raison d'être* of our faith. Easter is so important because all of Christianity revolves around this pascal mystery. Just as the success of an event depends so much on the time put in and the quality of its preparation, to celebrate such a great mystery-event as Easter we ought to put much in spiritual preparation.

Apart from the traditional works of Lent that are: prayer, fasting and charity, according to Catherine Doherty, "Lent is a time of going very deeply into ourselves... What is it that stands between us and God? Between us and our brothers and sisters? Between us and life, the life of the Spirit? Whatever it is, let us relentlessly tear it out, without a moment's hesitation." As individuals and as a community, we can figure out ways of committing or improving what we have committed to do. It is also a time to take up new resolutions, responsibilities; a time to be better and to make our parish better. Things to be considered can be, among others: being faithful to Sunday masses, attending weekday masses whenever possible, volunteering for an activity that will benefit others, regularizing one's situation in the Church, going to the sacrament of reconciliation often, offering holy masses for people and life events, joining a prayer group or apostolate, spending some time before the Blessed Sacrament/adoration, daily family prayer, daily praying of the rosary, getting involved in charitable works, practicing spiritual and corporal works of mercy, etc.

Lent being of sacrifice, many still ask what they can give up during this holy season to help them grow spiritually. Beyond fasting from food, Pope Francis has the following suggestions:

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

As we begin Lent this week, may we make good use of this precious time when "grace is cheap" and "God is weak."
~ Fr. Augustin

February 19 ~ Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our readings this week continue to stress how we are to live: turn the other cheek, hand over your cloak as well as your tunic, asked to walk a mile, walk two. All of these lead up to what we might find the hardest to live by: **LOVE YOUR ENEMIES** and **PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PERSECUTE YOU**. As difficult as this may seem, we don't despair! We have hope in the words of St. Paul in his letter to the Corinthians: "... you are the temple of God, ... the Spirit of God dwells in you. . ." We will live according to Jesus' words once we open ourselves to the power of God, the love of Jesus, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Please Pray for Those in Need

For the Sick:

Maria Abramo
John Akatyszewski
Jason Alexander
Laurie Babbitt
Pauline Bellomo
Joan Driscoll Bick
Larry Blanchard
Marion Blanchette
Carson Borden
Ron & Leona Budka
Kayla Campagna
Steven Conner
Patricia Davern
Susan Engel

Debbie Erwin
Karen Friedrich
Rob Holloran
Pat Jalbert
Pat John
Veronica Kelley
Steve L.
Lila LaMalfa
Kathleen Levy
Peter and Ben
Donald Provost
Al Robidoux
Madeline St. Pierre
Armen Sarafian
Dorothy Sherry

J. Sylvain
Raymond Thompson
Susana Topacio
Denise Wells
Stephen White

For the Military:

Michael Angers
Nicholas Budka
Jason Boyle
Keith Lovely
K. Ryan McKinley
Sean Patrick Mautone

For the ongoing war in the DRC, we pray for those seeking refuge and for peace to return to the Congo.

For the deceased members of our parish, Especially **Albert A. Bedard**, whose funeral Mass was celebrated this past week, that the peace and happiness of heaven may be theirs forever.

For the parish community, that all members of the church will take the opportunity that **Lent** offers to renew their faith, to increase in holiness, and prepare joyfully for the great feast of Easter.

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

Submit your requests to the parish office at info@stannesalem.org.

Parish Financial Information

We wish to thank everyone who supports our parish financially. Your contributions pay 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!

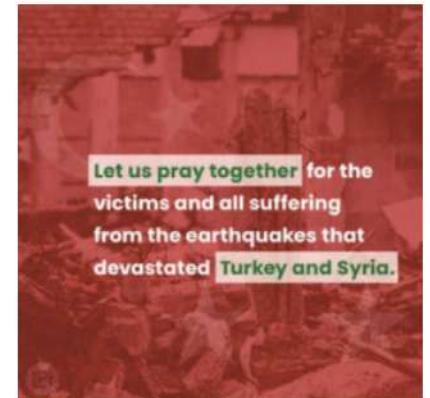
COLLECTION	2/5/23	2/12/2023
Offertory		\$2,932.00
Online Giving	\$155.00	\$384.00
Maintenance & Repair		\$15.00
Sacramentals		\$355.00
Fr. B Memorial Fund		\$186.00
Grand Annual (2022-23)		\$659.00
Utilities		\$1,189.00
Clergy Health & Retirement Trust		\$70.00
Church Around the World		\$15.00
St. Vincent de Paul		\$358.00
Total Offertory:	\$155.00	\$3,331.00
Total Deposit:	\$155.00	\$6,163.00
Grand Annual Total:		\$6,154.00



Upcoming Second Collection:
Turkey & Syria Earthquake - Feb. 19th
Support of the Church around the World - Feb. 26th

Special Collection ~ February 18th-19th

Cardinal Sean has asked that a special collection be taken the weekend of February 18/19, 2023, in all parishes in the Archdiocese of Boston, to support the victims of the Turkey and Syria Earthquake. It is reported that more than 20,000 people died and many are wounded and lacking basic necessities. Funds raised will help to provide safe shelter, and access to food, clean water, and hygiene supplies. Please prepare to support generously.



PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & SEMINARIANS

Saturday: Fr. Richard Beaulieu and Edward Rodriguez
Sunday: Fr. Fernando Ayala and Johnathan Saniuk
Monday: Fr. Thomas Bouton and Aaron Sanz
Tuesday: Fr. Peter DeFazio Rev. Mr. Peter Schirripa
Wednesday: Pope Francis
Thursday: Fr. Michael Zimmerman and Henry Seuffert
Friday: Fr. Francis Sullivan and Christopher Silebi
Saturday: Fr. Albert Sallese and Rafael Stefano Rubio

Ash Wednesday ~ February 22nd

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd. The following is our schedule of Masses and distribution of ashes:

- 9AM - Mass & Distribution of Ashes
- 3PM - Prayer Service & Distribution of Ashes
- 7PM - Mass & Distribution of Ashes

Stations of the Cross ~ Begins February 24th

Stations of the Cross will take place every Friday at 6:30PM during Lent, beginning on Friday, February 24th. Books will be provided.

Resources for Lent

Visit our website for resources to help you journey through Lent:
www.stannesalem.org/resources-for-lent

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal. Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.



Beverly is one of hundreds of communities around the world conducting simultaneous 40 Days for Life Campaigns from Ash Wednesday, February 22nd until Palm Sunday, April 2nd. 40 Days for Life is an intensive campaign that focuses on 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and grassroots educational outreach. Since 40 Days for Life began, over 22,000 mothers have chosen life for their children; more than 240 abortion workers have quit their jobs; and over 130 abortion centers where 40 Days for Life vigils have been held have gone out of business. To learn more about 40 Days for Life, visit www.40daysforlife.com. For information about the Beverly Campaign, visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/local-campaigns/beverly/>. For assistance or for more information, please contact John J. Kwiatek at awacinpi@comcast.net or at 508.932.7311.



The next Community Grandma's Attic Sale is **Saturday, March 11th** from 9AM-2PM. To volunteer to help, please contact Alma Pelletier at 978.314.7344.



Two pair of prescription glasses were found in church and outside in the street after a funeral on February 6th. If you've lost your glasses or know someone who has, please check at church - they might be yours!



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday ~ 9:30 AM to 6:45 PM
 Rosary & Benediction begins at 6PM

We encourage everyone to come and spend some quiet time with the Lord. A sign-up sheet is located at the Church entrance. Each time slot must be covered to ensure that the exposed Sacrament is never left alone. Visiting with Jesus is a great way to grow in friendship with Him.





Easter Flowers and Decorations

Please contribute financially to support the adornment of our Church as we prepare to celebrate Easter ... Our Risen Lord.

Each family is asked to make a donation in memory of a loved one so that flowers, plants, linens, banners, and decorations can be purchased. The name(s) of your loved ones will be listed in the bulletin and the parish family is asked that they be remembered in all of our prayers. New this year, there will be a Mass intention offered for the donors and their named family/friends in memorial.

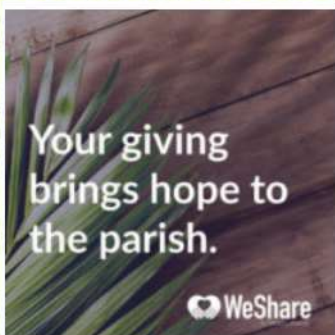
Please complete information below, mark an envelope **Flower Donation**, and drop the envelope with completed slip, check or cash in the collection basket any week, or bring it to the Rectory as soon as possible in order for your name to appear in the Easter bulletin.

Easter donation in memory of:

Donated by: _____

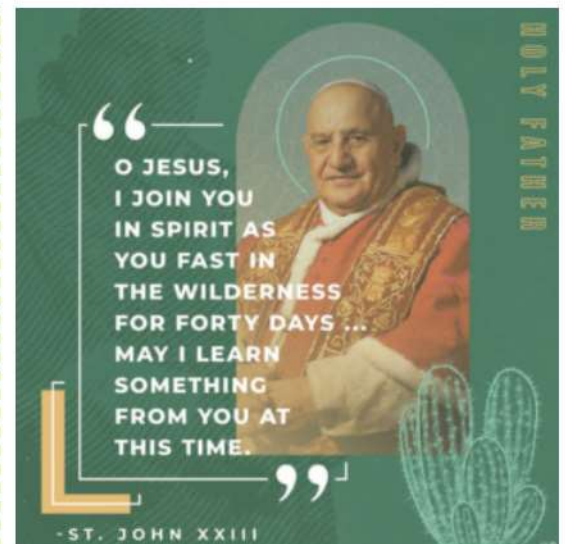
Support of the Church around the World

Next week's second collection will support the Church in those underdeveloped areas of the world. Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the Church in Africa and in Central and Eastern Europe and three important national Catholic missions: The Military Archdiocese, Home Missions, and the Black and Indian Missions. Your generosity will help fund the spiritual, educational and humanitarian needs of the Church around the world. For more information about each of these organizations go to their websites: CRS: www.usccb.org/crscollection; Church in Africa: <http://www.usccb.org/catholicgiving/opportunities-for-giving/solidarity-fund-forafrica/index.cfm>; Church in Central and Eastern Europe: www.usccb.org/catholicgiving/opportunities-for-giving/centraland-easterneurope/collection/index.cfm; Military Archdiocese <http://www.milarch.org/>; Catholic Home Missions: www.usccb.org/catholicgiving/opportunities-for-giving/catholichome-missions-appeal/index.cfm; Black and Indian Missions: <https://blackandindianmission.org/>.



During Lent we are reminded to develop a more conscious spiritual life and share what we have with those in need. One practical way to achieve this goal is to make the change to eGiving for your parish support. You can use our parish's online giving platform, WeShare, to deepen your commitment to the church and the ministries you care about most. Your recurring gifts will sustain our mission month after month. You will also help our parish by cutting costs for envelopes and paper, and allowing our staff to spend less time processing cash and checks

and more time on ministries. It's easy to get started. Here are the ways to sign up: visit **Ste. Anne's Parish - Ways to Give - Salem, MA** (stannesalem.org), call 978.744.1930, email info@stannesalem.org, or scan the QR code on page 2 of the bulletin.





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