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"The kingdom of heaven
is like a treasure buried
in a field."

MATTHEW 13:44

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Welcome!

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 | 6:30-8:30PM

Church is Open

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

Sat & Sun, open for Mass only

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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



Sainte Anne Salem, MA



Sainte Anne's Parish, Salem, MA





July 30 ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In our first reading we hear that God appeared to Solomon telling him to ask for whatever he wanted. Take note, Solomon does not ask for riches or a long life or an untroubled life. Solomon asks for an understanding heart! Consider - would your answer be like that of Solomon? To help us be clearer about what is important, Jesus gives us two short parables, the pearl of great price and the hidden treasure that is sought after and found. Do you think about your faith as a pearl of great price, or a treasure to seek after? These readings give us much food for prayer - about what we value, what we seek after, and whose we want to be!

PASTOR'S NOTE

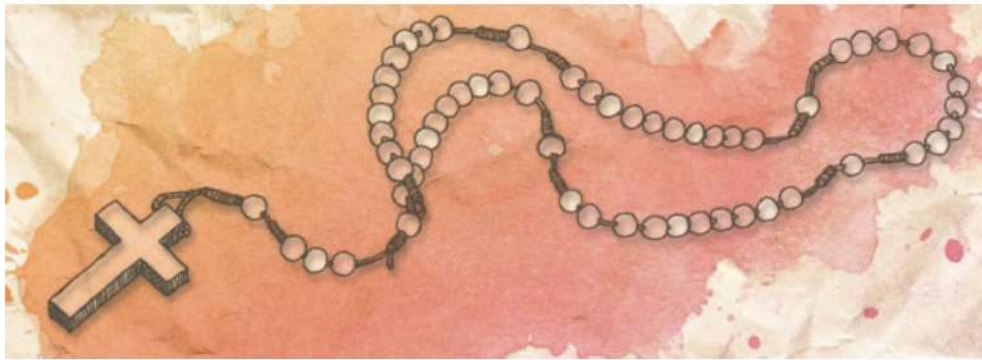
Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday, we continue our meditation on the series of Jesus' teaching about the Kingdom of God. The gospel pericope suggests, through the parables of a buried treasure in the field and a pearl of great value, that the Kingdom of God is priceless. Therefore, we should spare no effort in possessing it. The Church teaches that the Kingdom of God is both already in our midst and not yet. In other words, we are all making our way on this earthly pilgrimage to our final destination, which is union with God or eternal life. The Lord has given us the means to attain holiness and get into his eternal kingdom. But our getting there is not disconnected from the type of life we live here on earth. Heaven begins on earth; as you make your bed, so you lie on it. Let us therefore work for the coming of God's kingdom and not against it. In the "Our Father" prayer, we say: "thy kingdom come." In saying this wonderful prayer, I cannot say "Thy kingdom come" if I am not working to bring it about in the here and now. The kingdom of God is a kingdom of peace, forgiveness, joy, love, light and truth. Being children of the kingdom would mean working to bring them about in our hearts, in the hearts of others, in our community, in our society.

Back to parish news, as I announced last Sunday at all the masses, Fr. Gabriel Tokoh Afumbom, who has been at Ste. Anne since December 2022, is relocating to the collaborative of St. John and St. Paul parish in Wellesley. The urgent need in that Collaborative has him move almost immediately as he got the invitation. My immediate feeling is that I will miss him greatly and so will surely the parish. I wish to thank Fr. Gabriel for his services to Ste. Anne, for his thought-provoking homilies, gentleness, and availability. He has been a great collaborator and a generous priest. Fr. Gabriel asked me to convey to the entire community his gratitude and will miss the Ste. Anne community. I am sure he can count on our prayers for a successful mission in Wellesley.

Happy Sunday and God bless us all!

Fr. Augustin



MASS INTENTIONS & OBSERVATIONS

Saturday, July 29

Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

4:00 pm

Sunday, July 30

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am

Parish Family

11:00 am

Carol Ouellette, 3rd Anniversary, by the Family

4:00 pm

Congolese Community

Monday, July 31

Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

9:00 am

Tuesday, August 1

Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9:00 am

Wednesday, August 2

St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

9:00 am

Thursday, August 3

9:00 am

Friday, August 4

Memorial of Saint John Vianney, Priest

9:00 am

Saturday, August 5

The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

4:00 pm

Sunday, August 6

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

8:30 am

Anne Volpe, by the Kirby Family

11:00 am

Parish Family

1:00 pm

Cameroon Community

4:00 pm

Congolese Community



Weekly Readings

Sunday

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday

Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53

Friday

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday

Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9



Please Pray for Those in Need

For the Sick:

Maria Abramo
John Akatyszewski
Jason Alexander
Laurie Babbin
Pauline Bellomo
Joan Driscoll Bick
Larry Blanchard
Marion Blanchette
Carson Borden
Ron & Leona Budka
Joe C.
Kayla Campagna
Steven Conner
Patricia Davern
Apolinar Dinglasan
Susan Engel
Karen Friedrich
Nancy Gavenda
Rob Holloran

Pat John
Veronica Kelley
Steve L.
Lila LaMalfa
Kathleen Levy
Peter and Ben
Ann Michaud
Ronelia Najito
Leanne P.
Donald J. Pelletier, Sr.
Donald Provost
Al Robidoux
Madeline St. Pierre
Armen Sarafian
Dorothy Sherry
J. Sylvain
Vicente Taguam
Raymond Thompson
Susana Topacio
Denise Wells

Shawn Welsh
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 all those caught up in violence, remembering especially the people of Ukraine; that in this time of fear and conflict, they may know God's presence and peace.

For the deceased members of our parish, especially **Ruth M. Hopton** and **Patricia A. Weil**, whose funerals were celebrated last week, that the peace and happiness of heaven may be theirs forever.

For our parish family, that the Holy Spirit will inflame our hearts to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to all we encounter.

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	Collection 7/23/23	Online 7/16/23	Online 7/23/23
Offertory	\$2,375.00	\$613.00	\$482.00
Sacramentals	\$1,664.00		
Maintenance & Repair	\$165.00	\$53.00	\$2.00
Grand Annual		\$3.00	\$7.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$44.00	\$23.00	\$7.00
Total Offertory:	\$2,540.00	\$666.00	\$484.00
Total Deposit:	\$4,248.00	\$692.00	\$498.00
Grand Annual Total:	\$7,565.00		



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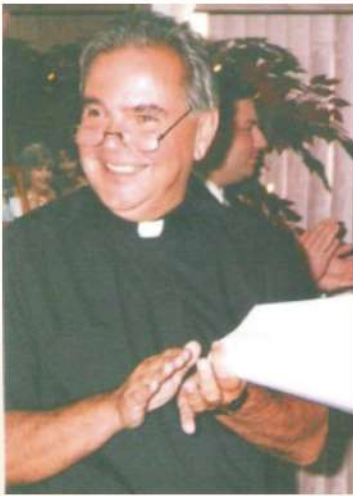
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PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & SEMINARIANS

Saturday: Fr. Allan Butler and Alex Charow
Sunday: Fr. Paul Ring and Nicholas Colon
Monday: All Jesuits
Tuesday: All Redemptorists
Wednesday: Fr. James Moran and Brian Daley

Thursday: Fr. Thomas Donohoe and Alexander de Tirado
Friday: All Parish Priests
Saturday: Fr. Ronald Gomes and Brian Delaney



Memorial Mass to Remember and Honor Fr. George

Please join us for a **Memorial Mass for Fr. George Dufour on Saturday, September 16, 2023 at 11AM** in commemoration of the 10th Anniversary of his death (August 28, 2013). Fr. George served as Pastor of Ste. Anne's from 1993 to 2013. The Main Celebrant for the Mass will be Fr. Augustin. Fr. John Kiley will deliver the homily. Several other priests will concelebrate the Mass. There will be brief words of remembrance at the end of Mass, and light refreshments will be served in the courtyard (or the chapel, depending on the weather). If you would like to share a special memory or picture of Fr. George, please email it to stannesbulletin@gmail.com. We hope you will join us for this special day to honor, remember, and pray for Fr. George on his anniversary.



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Ave Maria Parish Presents
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Free concert - Free will offerings welcome

Chris Brunelle will be joined by our Holy Spirit Ensemble
Reception to follow

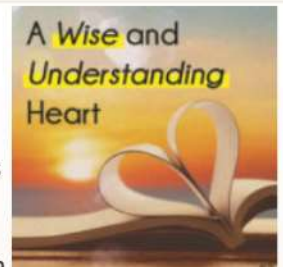
GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

July 30, 2023 ~ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our culture seems more polarized and divided than ever. Into this wounded situation, our Catholic faith has a healing remedy to offer: the gift of wisdom. When the Lord offers to give King Solomon anything the monarch desires, he requests "an understanding heart" (1 Kings 3:9). In his polarized situation, the King doesn't ask for power to defeat his enemies. He asks for a wise and understanding heart to judge right from wrong. This wisdom is elevated and fulfilled in Jesus who teaches us to bring forth "both the new and the old" (Matthew 13:52).

In our fractured society, we Christians should stop pining for political power to crush our perceived enemies. That often just makes things worse. Rather, it's much more useful to beg for the grace of true wisdom which transcends both sides of the aisle. This places us in a fresh position from which we can help our culture see what is true and good all across the ideological spectrum. Sometimes we'll look like liberals (e.g., in our love for the poor and marginalized) and other times like conservatives (e.g., in our sexual ethics and views on religious freedom). Because this wisdom is free from ideological narrowness, it will help to heal these painful fractures. Lord Jesus, this week, pour into us your healing wisdom.

- Father John Muir ©LPi





Transformed in Love, August 16, 22, 24 from 6:30-9:30PM. Transformed in Love is the marriage preparation workshop of the Archdiocese of Boston for engaged couples and those civilly married seeking a convalidation. The August workshop is being offered virtually over Zoom. This mini-series is an alternative, yet equivalent format of our marriage

prep. The \$195 cost per couple includes registration, couple workbooks, resources, and a certificate of completion mailed to the bride's residence. There is also an **in-person workshop** available on **October 13-14** at St. Mary Parish Hall in Wrentham, MA.

Love's Perfect Design, A Guide to Understanding Fertility Awareness, is available free of charge and is a resource for married couples wanting to learn more about holistic family planning options that are in line with God's design for married life.

For more on Family Life Ministry, visit www.evangelizeboston.com. There you will find additional resources for Transformed in Love marriage preparation, marriage enrichment, Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass, support for divorced and separated couples, upcoming events, NFP, Ministry with Persons with Disabilities and more.

SAVE THE DATE ~ SEPTEMBER 23RD ~ GRANDMA'S ATTIC FALL SALE

Grandma's dozen or so volunteers have faithfully continued to work on a reduced summer schedule retrieving, accepting, preparing, pricing and selling items in person and online. Ste. Anne's has received some wonderful donations and with a lot of EFFORT & TIME we have made some fantastic sales! As long as donations are controlled, we are in pretty good shape with not only reduced hours but also, sadly, less volunteers. Though not mentioned in the bulletin, Grandma's Attic is a great VOLUNTEER MINISTRY SERVING the parish (raised \$42,000 last fiscal year) and SERVING the community: providing a place to donate items, giving items another chance and keeping them out of the landfill, bringing great merchandise and people together, as well as importantly EVANGELIZING (we have many examples of volunteers planting the seeds of Jesus on fertile soil). Looking forward, in order to continue to be a critical financial resource of the parish, volunteers are needed. Interested in volunteering some of your time and talent or donating items? Volunteer and donate now. **Donations for this sale will NOT be accepted after 10AM on Tuesday, August 29th.** Thank you for adhering to this request. Please do not leave donations outside or in the stairwell (unless pre-arranged/discussed). And always many thanks to the volunteers for shopping and referring people to Shop Grandma's First! Thank You, Alma Pelletier for Ste. Anne's Grandma's Attic Volunteers, 978.314.7344.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

Each year, the Office for the Propagation of the Faith assigns a missionary to parishes of the archdiocese. This year, Fr. Gabriel will be speaking at all of the masses the weekend of **August 19-20** on behalf of the archdiocese of Bamenda in Cameroon. There will be a second collection for the Propagation of the Faith that weekend. Thanks for preparing to support mission of Bamenda archdiocese.



On **Tuesday, August 1st** at 6PM, the charismatic renewal movement of Ste. Anne will be having a meeting/welcoming and revival session with the archdiocesan charismatic coordinator. Old and new members are all welcome to this important gathering.

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.





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