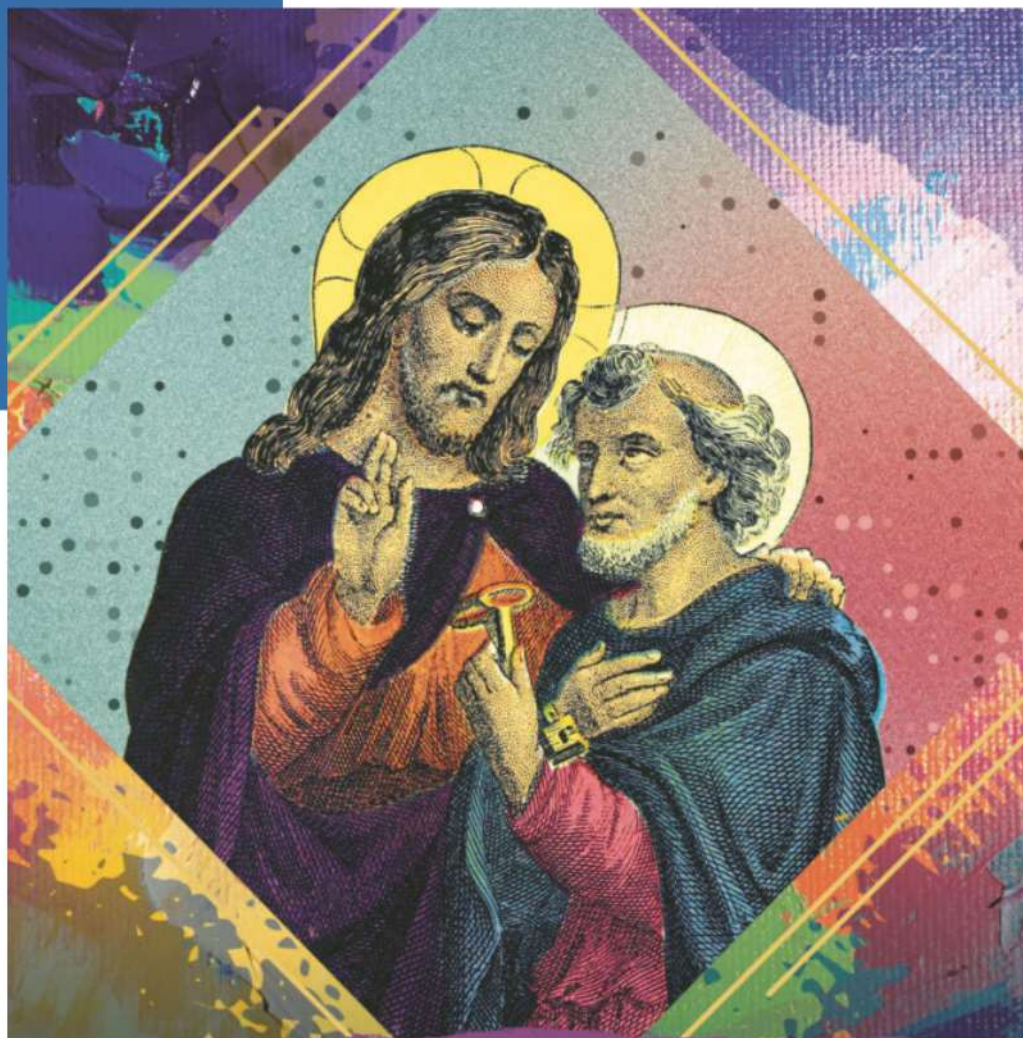




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## 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"  
Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ,  
the Son of the living God." - Mt 16:15-16

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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



## Parish Staff

### Administrator

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Joseph Stella

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**Deadline for Submissions:**  
**Monday by 5PM**

### Parish Pastoral Council

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### Office Hours

Monday - Friday | 9AM-1PM  
Phone: 978.744.1930  
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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](mailto: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







## PASTOR'S NOTE

### August 27 ~ Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel is so familiar that it may be easy to just let Jesus' question go quickly by without taking the time to answer him - "Who do you say that I am?" Will you respond with the conviction of Peter - "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God"? Or do you struggle to say who Christ is or if you know him at all? This Gospel invites everyone to take a few minutes today to consider what answer we give and to urge us to give time for the relationship with Jesus to grow. Taking time to honestly answer Jesus' question, will lead to our ability to say like Peter - "You are the Christ!"

Dear parishioners,

In the context of salvation, holiness, and spiritual growth, besides and above their communal dimension, the personal dimension is crucial and even indispensable. Judgment, which is one of the "Four Last Things," is personal because we act personally using our free will and conscience. No doubt, then, that Jesus in today's gospel, besides and above what people thought of him, he turns towards his disciples, his friends and asks: "But who do you say that I am?" It matters a lot for Jesus to know what his followers think of him. This presupposes that it is not enough to be a disciple of Jesus by name; a disciple of Jesus should know who He is and act accordingly. The more we know someone, discover their qualities and strength, the more we will love them and be closer to them. The same is true with us Christians. If we really know who Jesus is, we will fall more and more in love with him and we would like to always be with him in his word and in the sacraments, especially in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As a little examination of conscience, the following questions come to my mind: Would it be that my lack of commitment, my reluctance to spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, or lack of interest in the sacrament of reconciliation or lack of thirst for the Scriptures are a sign that my knowledge of Jesus is superficial? If I am to answer Jesus' question: "who do you think that I am," will I give ready-made answers I learned from the catechism or give an answer from the heart, an answer that comes from my personal relationship with Jesus in prayer and in the sacraments? Dear brethren, every day is an opportunity for us to know Jesus personally and deeply. The church offers us such opportunities as daily masses at 9:00 am, weekend masses, vespers and benediction every first Sunday of the month at 6:30 pm, a whole day adoration every Thursday ending with rosary and benediction and other spiritual events as announced. May we make use of those to increase our knowledge and love for Jesus.

As Summer is drawing to an end, we are preparing to kick off our Religious Education program. Registration forms for Religious Education/CCD (grades 1-12) are available at the back of the church and on our website under Faith Formation ([www.stannesalem.org/faith-formation-registration](http://www.stannesalem.org/faith-formation-registration)). Classes will begin on **Sunday, September 24th at 9:30 am**. The week before, on Sunday, September 17th, committed volunteer teachers will meet to prepare for the first class. For any questions regarding CCD, please contact Louise Frederickson, our new Director of Religious Education, at the parish phone number or by email at [religioused@stannesalem.org](mailto:religioused@stannesalem.org).

I wish to invite you to consider volunteering to help transmit the faith to young people. It is an opportunity not only to transmit Catholic doctrine and the faith but also of deepening your own knowledge of the Church's teaching and your faith.

Peace and blessings!  
Fr. Augustin





## MASS INTENTIONS & OBSERVATIONS

**Saturday, August 26**

**Vigil: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:00 pm**

Fr. George Dufour - Ste. Anne's  
Beloved Pastor, 10th Anniversary,  
by the Kirby Family

**Sunday, August 27**

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:30 am**

Parish Family

**11:00 am**

Fr. George Dufour - Ste. Anne's  
Beloved Pastor, 10th Anniversary,  
by the Kirby Family

**4:00 pm**

Congolese Community

**Monday, August 28**

**Memorial of Saint Augustine,  
Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

**9:00 am**

Fr. George Dufour, Ste. Anne's  
Beloved Pastor, 10th Anniversary,  
by the Kirby Family

**Tuesday, August 29**

**Memorial of the Passion of Saint  
John the Baptist**

**9:00 am**

**Wednesday, August 30**

**9:00 am**

**Thursday, August 31**

**9:00 am**

**Friday, September 1**

**9:00 am**

**Saturday, September 2**

**Vigil: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:00 pm**

Clara Ellis, 2nd Anniversary, by  
Claire, Leo, Lee & Eileen

Ann Michaud, by Janet & Henry  
Nadeau

**Sunday, September 3**

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:30 am**

Parish Family

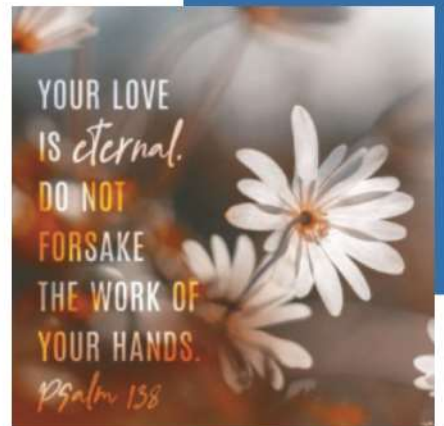
**11:00 am**

**1:00 pm**

Cameroon Community

**4:00 pm**

Congolese Community



## Weekly Readings

**Sunday**

Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/  
Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

**Monday**

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-  
6a and 9b/Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday**

1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mk 6:17-29

**Wednesday**

1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/  
Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday**

1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and  
17/Mt 24:42-51

**Friday**

1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-  
12/Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday**

1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-  
30

**Next Sunday**

Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/  
Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27





## 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  
Ronelia Najito  
Leanne P.  
Donald J. Pelletier, Sr.  
Donald Provost  
Al Robidoux  
Madeline St. Pierre  
Armen Sarafian  
Dorothy Sherry  
J. Sylvain  
Vicente Taguiam  
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,** that the peace and happiness of heaven may be theirs forever.

**For our parish family,** that we may be the light of Christ to all we encounter.

### HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

Submit your requests to the parish office at [info@stannesaleam.org](mailto:info@stannesaleam.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 8/20/23	Online 8/20/23
Offertory	\$2,127.00	\$641.00
Sacramentals	\$750.00	
Maintenance & Repair		\$20.00
Grand Annual	\$1,100.00	\$8.00
Religious Education		\$20.00
Propagation of the Faith	\$1,481.00	
Assumption	\$727.00	
St. Vincent de Paul	\$118.00	\$60.00
<b>Total Offertory:</b>	<b>\$2,127.00</b>	<b>\$661.00</b>
<b>Total Deposit:</b>	<b>\$6,303.00</b>	<b>\$749.00</b>

### GIVE ONLINE

Support us today using your debit or credit card or checking or savings account. Visit [www.stannesaleam.org/](http://www.stannesaleam.org/) and click Online Giving. Select the fund or event of your choice. Set up your donation or payment. Or scan the QR Code located on page 2 of the bulletin. It's that simple!

## PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & SEMINARIANS

Saturday:	Fr. Paul Miceli and Gustavo Neitzke
Sunday:	Fr. Brian Manning and Joseph Thuy Van Nguyen
Monday:	All Augustinians
Tuesday:	1970: Cardinal Sean ordained
Wednesday:	Fr. Richard Visbisky and Christian Ortez
Thursday:	Fr. Richard Donahue and Javier Padilla
Friday:	Fr. Paul Coughlin and Diego Pena
Saturday:	Fr. Harry Kaufman and Dong Huy Pham

Be gracious  
to us, O Lord,  
for we are  
in distress.

PSALM 31:9

God, bring  
consolation  
and relief

*to Maui.*





## 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](mailto:stannesbulletin@gmail.com).** We hope you will join us for this special day to honor, remember, and pray for Fr. George on his anniversary.

## 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.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR MAUI RELIEF September 2-3, 2023

The images and news reports coming out of the Island of Maui are heartbreaking. The wildfires have killed more than 100 people, left many injured and missing, and destroyed homes and businesses.

Pope Francis has expressed his solidarity with the people of Maui including all suffering from this tragedy, while also invoking God's blessing of "strength and peace."

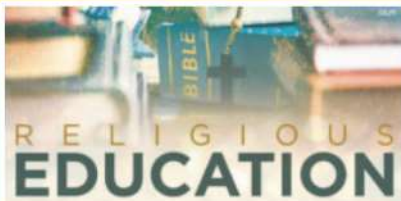
Recognizing the immediate and growing need for assistance, Cardinal Seán has asked that a special collection be taken in all parishes in the Archdiocese of Boston to support Church relief efforts in the Diocese of Honolulu. **Ste. Anne's will have a Special Collection on the weekend of September 2/3.**

Funds raised will support the Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF) relief efforts for local community members affected by the Maui wildfires.

**Please address checks to Ste. Anne's parish, with "Maui Relief" in the memo.**

On behalf of the Cardinal, thank you for your attentiveness to this important collection and expression of our solidarity with those who are suffering.





## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

It's time to start a new year of faith and fun for parish children and young adults! Registration forms for CCD classes (grades 1 to 12) are available at the back of the church and on our website under Faith Formation

([www.stannesalem.org/faith-formation-registration](http://www.stannesalem.org/faith-formation-registration)). Classes will begin on **Sunday, September 24th at 9:30AM**. The week before on Sunday, September 17th, committed volunteer teachers will meet to prepare for the first class. Are you interested in sharing your faith with our precious children and young adults? Teaching is a great way to deepen your faith. We will teach you what to do. We have lesson plans to guide you and materials to use to engage students. We could use your help! Everyone interested is encouraged to contact me. Great thanks to Ludger Veer, the teachers and others for their work on the CCD program last year! With God's help, on that foundation we will work together to build a strong faith in our parish youth.

God bless, Louise Fredericksen, Director of Religious Education | [religioused@stannesalem.org](mailto:religioused@stannesalem.org) | 978-744-1930.

P.S. We also invite your children, ages 7 to 21, to join our ongoing Children's Choir!

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration of the Week

"Who do you say that I am?" Let our whole lives be the answer, given not in words, but in action. If the world looked at your life, your decisions, your words, and your deeds, would they conclude that you are a person who believes Christ is the son of the living God?



## EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL RETREAT

We invite you to visit Saint Kathryn Parish, 4 Dracut Road, Hudson, NH on **September 16th** for a Eucharistic Revival Retreat led by the Daughters of Mary, Mother of Healing Love. The retreat begins at 8AM with the Rosary followed by Holy Mass; then, there will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with meditations, music, and Confession; talks on the Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic Faith; and small group discussions. Snacks and coffee will be provided, but please bring lunch. There is no fee to attend the retreat, but please register so that we may have a head count for planning purposes. For a printable schedule and registration form or to register online, please visit [stkathryns.org/pr](http://stkathryns.org/pr). You may also register by calling the parish office at 603.882.7793.

## 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.

## POPE SAINT JOHN XXII NATIONAL SEMINARY

Consider a Priestly Call! Take a risk for God! Enter the mission field where bold action meets lasting outcomes. Over 750 priest alumni discerned a sacred call later in life. Maturity with God's grace can move mountains. Can you leave it all to follow Christ? Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary, Weston, MA is offering the latest in its "First Friday Visits" program on **September 1, 2023 at 5PM**. Holy Hour and Evening Prayer. Option to attend in person or virtually. In person includes dinner with the seminarians and a tour. Virtual includes a Zoom visit following Holy Hour. Make a resolution to be courageous. Consider a priestly call. Contact: [msgr.fay@psjs.edu](mailto:msgr.fay@psjs.edu) or 781.899.5500 ext. 134.







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