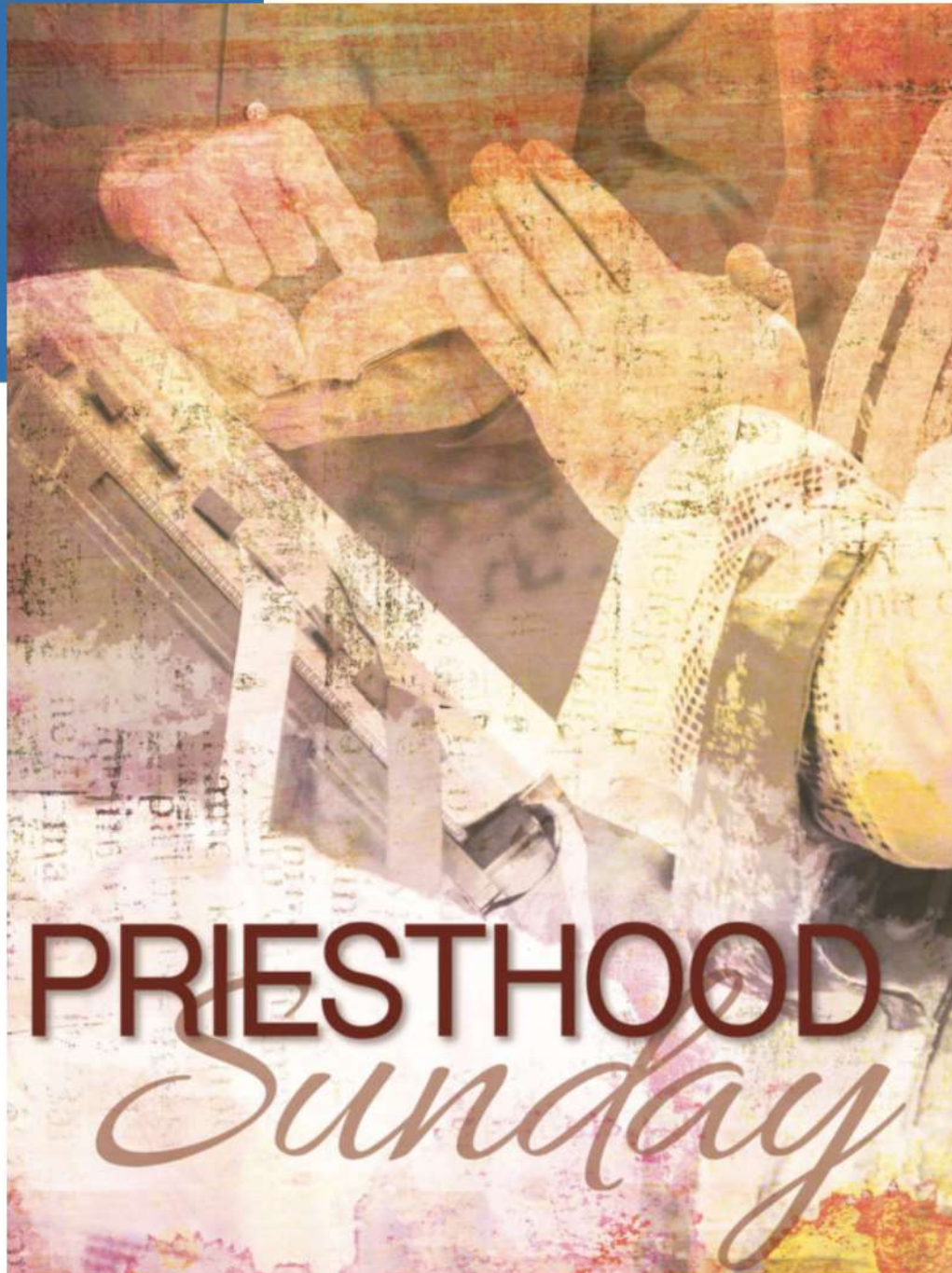




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PRAYER MOMENTS

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 | 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.

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PASTOR'S NOTE

Dear parishioners,

In the First Reading of this 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time from the prophet Isaiah, we read: "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways and my thoughts above your thoughts." These words are very much relevant to us today. As disciples of Jesus, we tend towards what is above, we tend towards what is spiritual, toward holiness; we try to be more like Christ. However, in our efforts to do so, our human thoughts and wishes often pull us back. Sometimes what we think is right for us may not be so. Only God's will is best for us. Hence, we are called to trust in the Lord at all times for he is true and just. Using Pope Benedict's thoughts on the above quote from Isaiah, Deacon Frederick Bartels from the diocese of Pueblo, Colorado gives the following interesting reflection that links the virtue of justice to the gap between human and divine thoughts:

"Isaiah records the profound difference between God's thoughts and man's: 'For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways,' says the Lord. 'For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts' (Is 55:8-9).

Yes. Our way of thinking differs radically from God's. Catholics seek to change themselves and the world by thinking more like God, by closing the "gap," if you will, which is accomplished by prayer and repentance, conversion and love, by conforming one's self to Christ. It is about going into the world and taking a fresh look, becoming a new person in Christ, and giving God the justice he deserves. What would the world be like if everyone truly understood justice, and then, lived by it? Yet we cannot live in justice and, at the same time, desert God. The Pope observed that "Just as man needs bread, so does man have even more need of God. St. Augustine notes: if 'justice is that virtue which gives everyone his due ... where, then, is the justice of man, when he deserts the true God?'"

Where is the justice of man? Perhaps we can find little justice because we have failed to acknowledge the source of justice. That is, we cannot understand the true meaning of justice if we desert God; for in so doing we are distancing ourselves from Truth. Apart from the Father, there is no truth; there is no lasting happiness, there is no life. As we turn our backs – to one degree or another – on Christ, acting unjustly toward his profound gift of self, errors creep into our beliefs, our words and our actions. We begin to believe we are self-sufficient, we isolate ourselves, we close ourselves off to truth and stubbornly adhere to falseness."

Spiritual growth is accepting to sacrifice our often-selfish thoughts to let God's will prevail in our lives; and God's will for us is to work for justice, unity, and peace.

This weekend, we kick off religious education in our parish. I wish all who have registered for this wonderful journey towards the sacraments, a fruitful preparation and God's abundant blessings. I also wish to thank Vicky Dela Cruz for accepting to be our Alter Servers' parish coordinator.

Blessings!
Fr. Augustin

September 24 ~ Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The parable in today's gospel has many explanations. In it, Jesus presents a lesson for his first disciples as well as for us - his disciples today. It is almost as if he is saying, "Everyone, no matter when they come to the faith, is equally precious to God." As Christ's disciples today, we need to celebrate each new generation and culture that comes to the faith. If we are to be the evangelizing parishes that God intends us to be, we need to welcome all those who come to our parishes. That means we can't disregard anyone, whether they speak a different language or have different religious practice or have different economic circumstances. Rather we are to see all as "equally precious to God."



MASS INTENTIONS & OBSERVATIONS

Saturday, September 23

Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

4:00 pm

Ronald Deschenes, 5th Anniversary, by his Wife and Family

Sunday, September 24

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday

8:30 am

Parish Family

11:00 am

1:00 pm

Cameroon Community

4:00 pm

Congolese Community

Monday, September 25

9:00 am

Tuesday, September 26

Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

9:00 am

Wednesday, September 27

Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

9:00 am

Fatima DaSilva, by Al Costa

Thursday, September 28

Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

9:00 am

For the Repose of the Soul of Cindy Riker-Mulligan

Friday, September 29

Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

9:00 am

Saturday, September 30

Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

4:00 pm

May C. Pinault, 4th Anniversary, by Judy, Ralph & Marie

Martin Fair, 4th Anniversary, by Susan, Elizabeth & Lindsay

Alice Archambault, by Gloria Kelley

Sunday, October 1

Twenty-Six Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

8:30 am

Parish Family

11:00 am

4:00 pm

Congolese Community

6:30 pm

VESPERS SERVICE



Weekly Readings

Sunday

Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 (18a)/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

Monday

Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Saturday

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday

Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9, (6a)/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32



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 people of Maui, May those devastated by fires, loss, and grief be held in the love of Christ Jesus. May we help rebuild people's lives and work to sustain their beautiful and fruitful land.

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.

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 9/17/23	Online 9/17/23
Offertory	\$2,526.00	\$548.00
Sacramentals	\$265.00	
Maintenance & Repair	\$30.00	
Grand Annual		\$3.00
Grandma's Attic	\$500.00	
Clergy Trust	\$1,682.00	
Holy Father - Peter's Pence	\$10.00	
St. Vincent de Paul	\$83.50	\$81.00
Total Offertory:	\$2,556.00	\$548.00
Total Deposit:	\$5,096.50	\$632.00

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PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & SEMINARIANS

Saturday:	Fr. Thomas Reilly and Aaron Arbizo
Sunday:	Fr. Sean Connor and Giovanni Argote
Monday:	Fr. Brian McMahon and Giris Azize
Tuesday:	Fr. Robert Murray and Luca Azzani
Wednesday:	Fr. Albert Faretra and Chris Barton
Thursday:	Msgr. Joseph Lind and Steve Baruffi
Friday:	Fr. Michael Ferraro and Rev. Mr. Paul Born
Saturday:	Fr. James Mahoney and Alden Bronson

Upcoming Second Collections

October 1st -	For the Holy Father & Missionary Efforts
October 15th	Maintenance & Repair
October 22nd	World Mission Sunday
November 1st	All Saints Day
November 19th	Collection for Retired Religious Sisters
November 26th	Maintenance & Repair
December 8th	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
December 17th	Maintenance & Repair
December 25th	Christmas Collection: Clergy Trust

****PLEASE NOTE: The second collection on the second Sunday of every month is for St. Vincent de Paul****

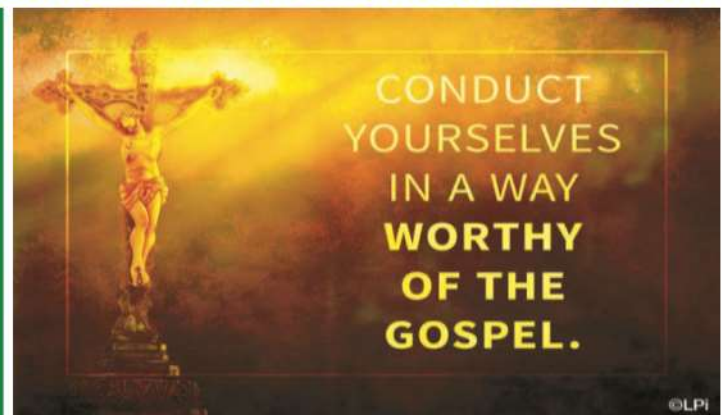
YB Catholic Conference ~ The Eucharist ~ "Our Highway to Heaven"

St. Kathryn Parish in Hudson, NH will be hosting Fr. Leo Patalinghug for a special two day conference on **October 27th-28th**. Fr. Leo is a priest member of a community of consecrated life, Voluntas Dei. He is the creator and founder of an international food and faith movement called Plating Grace, and founder and chair of the non-profit group The Table Foundation. He is a best-selling author, acclaimed international speaker, radio host, and host of a podcast and an international food and faith show on EWTN, Savoring our Faith. Join us on Friday evening as Fr. Leo hosts a cooking demonstration and serves a light meal to attendees and then again on Saturday, as Fr. Leo speaks on timely topics of our Catholic faith. This will truly be a wonderful event for the entire family to attend and enjoy. For more information and to register, please visit www.stkathryns.org or call the parish office at 603.882.7793. Registrations must be received no later than **Tuesday, October 24th**. Please also see <https://2023ybcatholic.eventbrite.com> for a complete schedule and visit www.platinggrace.com to learn more about Fr. Leo.



LIVE THE LITURGY
Inspiration of the Week

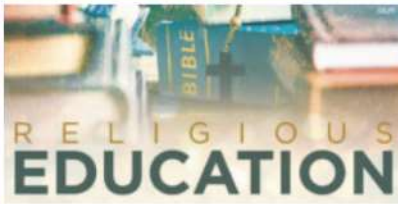
Let us never make the grave mistake of assuming we earn our salvation in the same way we earn a wage. It is a gift lavished upon us by a God who does not count the hours of our labor or measure the amount of our output.



THANK YOU!

Fr. George's 10th Anniversary Memorial Mass and the reception that followed was truly a distinguished tribute to him and all who loved him. It was wonderful to see so many in attendance! Many thanks to all of the Priests who concelebrated the Mass, to Deacon John and Deacon Matthew, to Sr. Pauline, to Fr. George's family, to our lectors, greeters, ushers, and volunteers, to all those who provided the refreshments, to the Ste. Anne's choir, which included both present and former members joined together in song, and to the Planning Committee. Fr. George will forever be in our hearts. May he rest in eternal peace. (Visit our website at www.stannesalem.org to view pictures and video of the event.)





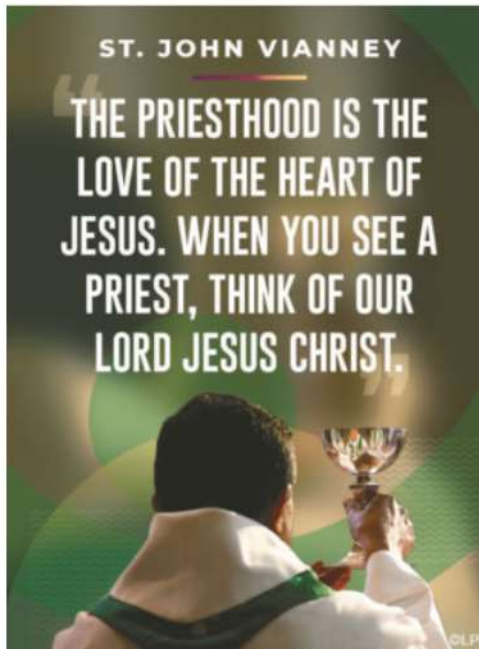
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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). Classes begin on **Sunday, September 24th at 9:30AM**. We are in need of catechists.

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 Louise Fredericksen, Director of Religious Education | religioused@stannesalem.org | 978-744-1930.

Prayer for Priests

Lord God, most holy, we approach you in gratitude for your holy ordained priesthood. You have called these men to be set apart and to shepherd your people, as you shepherd your entire church. We pray for them in their daily work. Grant to them an increase in spiritual gifts and grace, so they may be prepared for the tasks at hand. Lead them not into temptation and protect them from the grasp of the evil one. It is through the sacraments they confer that we encounter the divine in a real and profound way. May your church never lose sight of these, your special sons, and may we, the body of Christ, never fail to cherish the gift of their lives, which they have freely given to you and your holy church. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son. Amen.



42nd Annual Lawn Party to Benefit Seminarians

Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary in Weston is hosting its Annual Lawn Party on **Wednesday, September 27th, at 6PM**, on the grounds of the seminary. This premiere fundraising event is hosted by His Eminence, Seán Cardinal O'Malley, OFM Cap. The evening will include a cocktail reception and dinner with music. Located on Route 30 in Weston, the Seminary prepares second career candidates, men over the age of 30, for priesthood. The proceeds from the Lawn Party help to keep tuition costs affordable. For ticket information, please call the Pope St. John XXIII Development Office at 781.899.5500, or visit their website <https://www.psjs.edu/lawn-party>. You can make a difference and encourage the vocations of these men through your support of the Lawn Party.



Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreats ~ September 23 & November 11

"Project Rachel led me to a place of forgiveness and mercy. During the retreat, I realized the lasting impact of forgiveness. I knew God had forgiven me, and now I needed to forgive myself."

The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women suffering from the pain of a past abortion to attend a "Come to the Waters of Healing" one-day retreat. Upcoming dates are September 23rd and November 11th from 9AM to 5PM. Locations are confidential. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.



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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