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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

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Office Hours

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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

December 3rd ~ First Sunday of Advent

Jesus sets the tone for how we are to approach this Advent with these words in today's Gospel, "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." The Church gives us Advent as the season of waiting and preparing for the coming of Christ at the end of time. Yet preparations for Christmas occupy our time leaving little or no time for reflection on Christ's admonition. This Advent, let us strive to make it a daily practice to take ten minutes each day to turn our attention to Jesus and to his presence. What change can we make or what practice can we adopt in our daily lives that will help ready us for the time when Christ comes to take us home?

Dear parishioners,

As we begin a new Church year with the First Sunday of Advent of year B, I wish you a Happy New Year! I pray that the new liturgical year we have embarked on be for each one of you a year of grace, peace, commitment, and gratitude to God. The season of Advent prepares us to receive Christ at Christmas with renewed hearts and minds. Let the call to prepare the way for the Lord resound in our minds and hearts and help us be better Christians.

I am also pleased to report that, for the past 2 weeks, our parish has seen a considerable increase in weekend collection/offertory; this is a sign that our Grateful Discipleship program has started bearing fruit thanks to all of you who have increased your weekend collection. Kindly refer to the bulletin to see the progress we are making. Our goal has been to have 100 people/families return their commitment forms indicating the parish ministries you want to be part of and the increased amount you will henceforth be donating to the Church. So far, thirty-seven people returned their forms, that is, 37% of our goal. With the progress we are making, you can imagine how far we will get if we were close to our goal. Once again, I urge anyone who hasn't made their commitment yet to do so for the good of our parish and as a sign of our gratitude to God from whom everything we have comes. The Grateful Discipleship committee is compiling the commitment forms and everyone who has returned theirs should expect to be contacted by the leaders of the ministries they want to embrace.

On another note, the financial report for last year as well as the budget for the current year have been inserted in last week's bulletin. They are also made available online in case you did not have the chance of picking up a copy of the bulletin.

I am so grateful to each and every one of you for being part of Ste. Anne Parish and for the gift of your time, talent and treasure.

I wish you all a fruitful and happy Advent season in preparation for Christmas.

Peace and blessings!
Fr. Augustin



MASS INTENTIONS & OBSERVATIONS

Saturday, December 2

Vigil: First Sunday of Advent

4:00 pm

Jeanne Guilmette, 11th Anniversary, by her daughter, Gloria Matton

Sunday, December 3

First Sunday of Advent

8:30 am

Parish Family

11:00 am

Rosario "Rosie" Lamarre, by his Loving Family

4:00 pm

Congolese Community

Monday, December 4

Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

9:00 am

Tuesday, December 5

9:00 am

Wednesday, December 6

Saint Nicholas, Bishop

9:00 am

Thursday, December 7

Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9:00 am

Friday, December 8

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am

Saturday, December 9

Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

4:00 pm

Sunday, December 10

Second Sunday of Advent

8:30 am

Parish Family

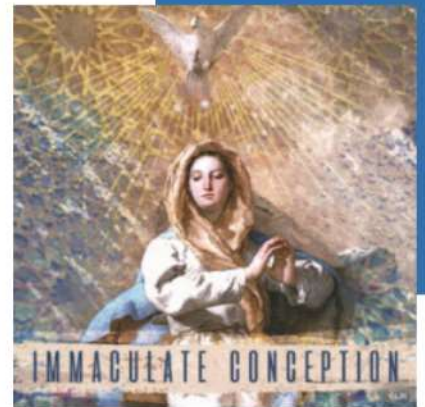
11:00 am

1:00 pm

Cameroon Community

4:00 pm

Congolese Community



Weekly Readings

Sunday

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Monday

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday

Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday

Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8



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
Jackie Gaudreau
Nancy Gavenda

Rob Holloran
Rosalinda Ibanez
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 deceased members of our parish, that the peace and happiness of heaven may be theirs forever.

For our parish family, that through our stewardship of time, talent, and treasure we will continue to be channels of the living and loving presence of Christ in our world.

For our Advent celebration, that it will be a reflection on the coming of Christ, filled with prayer, repentance, and love for God and neighbor.

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 11/26/23	Online 11/19/23	Online 11/26/23
Offertory	\$3,306.00	\$360.00	\$308.00
Maintenance & Repairs	\$1,525.00	\$50.00	\$23.00
Sacramentals	\$30.00		
Religious Education	\$125.00		\$20.00
Grand Annual			\$3.00
Grandma's Attic	\$9,219.50		
Christmas Flowers	\$320.00		
Thanksgiving	\$361.00		
Clergy Trust	\$25.00		
Retirement Fund - Religious Sisters	\$183.00		\$68.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$73.00	\$25.00	\$30.00
Total Offertory:	\$4,831.00	\$410.00	\$331.00
Total Deposit:	\$15,167.50	\$435.00	\$452.00

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & SEMINARIANS

Saturday: Fr. Joseph Baggetta and Luca Azzani
Sunday: All Xavierians
Monday: Fr. Kwang Lee and Chris Barton
Tuesday: Fr. Robert M. Blaney and Steve Baruffi
Wednesday: Fr. Michael Steele and Rev. Mr. Paul Born
Thursday: Fr. Leroy Owens and Alden Bronson
Friday: Fr. Joseph Scorzello and Vincenzo Caruso
Saturday: Cardinal Sean O'Malley



Upcoming Second Collections

December 8th	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
December 17th	Maintenance & Repair
December 25th	Christmas Collection: Clergy Trust
January 28, 2024	Church in Latin America

****PLEASE NOTE: THE SECOND COLLECTION ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH IS FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL****



SIMBANG GABI 2023: A Revered Filipino Christmas Tradition



Simbang Gabi, which means "Night Mass or Evening Mass," is a novena, a devotional 9-day series of Masses attended by Filipino Catholics in anticipation of Christmas and to honor the Blessed Mother. The 9 Masses represent the 9-month stay of the Infant Jesus in the womb of our Lady leading up to Christmas, and so, we join or accompany her, so to speak, as she awaits the birth of her Son. This is the second year that Simbang Gabi will be celebrated in Ste. Anne's church. Simbang Gabi is an occasion to evangelize and deepen one's faith, build our communities, celebrate fellowship among other communities of different cultures, pray together, reach out to friends, re-live and share memories, impart to our young our culture and religious heritage, and above all, be ultimately blessed by our God. Please join us on **December 15th-23rd**. The Masses will start at 7PM. We will be praying the Rosary beginning at 6:30PM followed by a few prelude songs. A simple food sharing will be right after the Mass every night as part of the tradition. On the 23rd, there will be a potluck celebration in the Parish Center with some Christmas carol songs and celebration. Everyone is welcome! For more information, please contact: Melvin Ambas at 571-331-7646 (cell) or Lourdelyn Valsote at 978.744.1930 (Parish Office) or click on the QR code to visit our Facebook page.



Society of St Vincent de Paul ~ Salem

This past year your donations to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul provided \$129,957 to over 1,780 Salem residents in need. As we enter the Advent season, please consider making a tax deductible donation to SVdP, Salem by placing a donation in one of the collection boxes. This year, we have been blessed by an anonymous donor who will match all donations made during the month of December and Advent (up to \$10k). This is a wonderful opportunity for you to double the value of your contribution to SVdP, and a great way to help kick off the new year. You may also make a donation by check to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 158 Federal Street, Salem, MA 01970. Please contact us at 978.594.3309 or by email to svdp@mqa.com for additional information or questions. The next meeting of SVdP will be Monday, December 11th, at 6:30PM in the St. James Church Youth Room located behind St. James Church in the church parking lot. Please feel free to join us if you would like to consider joining the Society.

Christmas Flowers and Decorations

Donations may be made in memory of a loved one toward the purchase of flowers and decorations for the altar for Christmas. All memorial donations will be published in a bulletin insert and we ask that they be remembered in our prayers. Please complete the form below and place it in an envelope marked **"Flower Donation-Christmas."** Envelopes may be placed in the regular collection. Thank you!



Christmas donation in memory of:

Submitted by:



HOLIDAY Mass Schedule

Mass Schedule for Christmas

4th Sunday of Advent - Masses will be at their regular times:

Saturday, December 23rd - Confessions: 3PM or by appointment. Mass at 4PM

Sunday, December 24th - 8:30AM and 11AM

Christmas Eve Masses:

4PM - with Children's Choir

5:30PM - Congolese Christmas Mass

Midnight Mass with Prelude - Please join us for a Christmas Prelude before the Midnight Mass. The prelude will begin at 11:15PM, followed immediately by Midnight Mass.

Christmas Day Masses:

10AM Mass

1PM - Cameroon Community



Pro-Life Living Tree

Ste. Anne's Christmas 'Pro-Life Living Tree,' in the back of the Sanctuary, is decorated with gift wishes for pregnant women who are served through the Pregnancy Care Center (PCC) in Haverhill, MA. For the past thirty-nine years the PCC has mentored, educated, and offered material support to assist the moms up to the first two years of their babies' lives. They also provide ultrasound to help the women see their child developing. This Advent, please take a gift wish tag and place the gift you bought under the tree (unwrapped with the gift tag) by **December 15th**. If you prefer, you can donate directly through the Amazon.com maternity wish list:

<https://tinyurl.com/PCCGivingTree>. The items most requested are diapers and baby wipes. Any gift wish you choose to give to these mothers in need is greatly appreciated!

LIVE THE LITURGY

Advent is a time for waiting, for hoping, for praying. It is a time for reflecting on the special work to which God calls us all. Stay alert. Show Him you are listening.



RESOURCES FOR ADVENT

FORMED® has two new Advent series from the Augustine Institute. *Rooted* presents a beloved tradition in a new light and *Drawing Closer to God* prepares your family for the Messiah's coming. Visit <https://daily.formed.org/advent> for more information.

Additional resources for the Advent season can be found on our website at www.stannesalem.org/advent.

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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