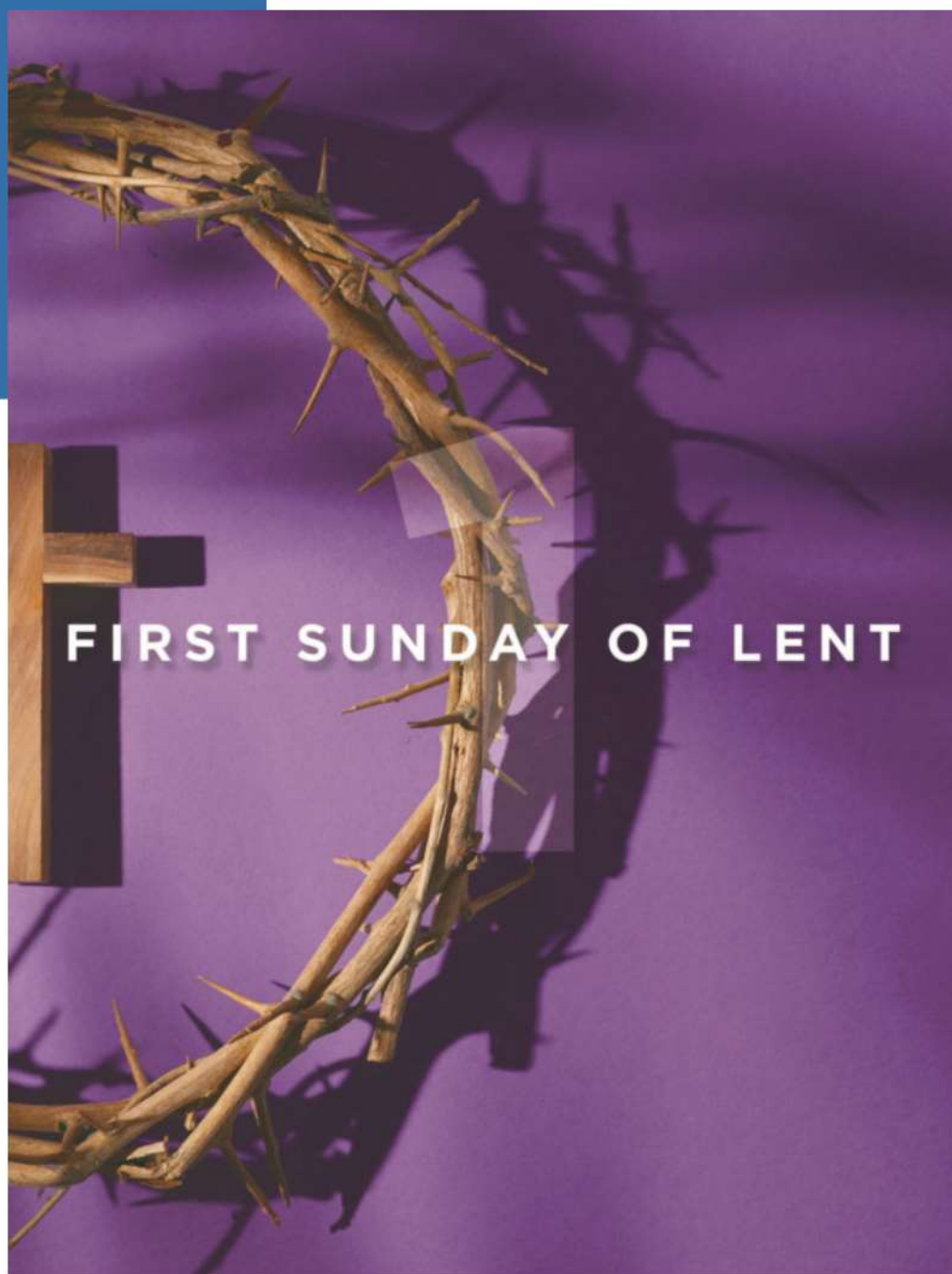




# SAINTE ANNE PARISH



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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-6:30PM

#### **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 Monday-Friday |

Sat & Sun, open for Mass only

## Parish Staff

### Administrator

Fr. Augustin Vondou  
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### Director of Music Ministry

Joseph Stella

### Bulletin | Website | Social Media

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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  
 Email: [info@stannesalem.org](mailto:info@stannesalem.org)



## 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



Sainte Anne Salem, MA



Sainte Anne's Parish, Salem, MA







## PASTOR'S NOTE

### February 18 ~ First Sunday of Lent

In today's first reading we are given a beautiful reminder that every time we see a rainbow in the sky, God is reminding us of his covenant, his promise, to be with us. Like Christ, we will experience times of temptation to ignore the need for prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Our scriptures are meant to help us remember God's promise of fidelity so that we don't succumb to the temptations of ignoring the call to change our ways. To remember God's promise to be with you, place a rainbow in a prominent place to remind you that you can overcome any temptation, because God is with you.

Dear parishioners,

I am back from Cameroon where I spent some vacation time split between teaching in our regional Major Seminary, personal retreat, and spending quality time with my family. Greetings from my bishop and family.

As you already know, Lent began on Ash Wednesday last week. By receiving ashes on our foreheads, we were being reminded of our humble, short-lived human nature and we thereby made a commitment to grow closer to the Lord by an active life of prayer, giving up something (fasting) and charity. May we mean what we undertook so that this Lenten season be for each of us a time of renewal, purification, commitment to the Lord and his Church and a time to be better version of ourselves. As the success of an event depends mainly on its preparation, may we use this Lenten season as a true spiritual battle/training so that we may come out victorious over sin with the risen Lord at Easter and always. The gospel passage on this first Sunday of Lent narrates the temptations of Jesus. We too are surrounded by temptations and like Jesus, we can avoid yielding to temptations if we know Scriptures and live by them. Temptation is not a sin; yielding to temptation is. As we pray: "lead us not into temptation...." may we not put ourselves into situations of temptation but walk the path of the cross and sacrifice.

Back to our parish events, as you already know, we have launched our Grand Annual collection. In order to help us navigate better through the various collections, we are invited to close our Grand Annual by the weekend of March 2nd. So, we have less than 3 weeks to meet our goal of \$21,000. So far, we have raised \$2,285, that is, 11% of our goal. Kindly refer to the bulletin for the project to be funded by our 2024 Grand Annual collection. I call on the generosity of each of you and on your promptitude in contributing for the improvement of our parish. One of the reasons of closing the Grand Annual by March 2nd is that we are to take up the Catholic Appeal collection which has already been launched at the level of the archdiocese. Thank you for not growing weary in supporting our mother Church.

Happy and fruitful Lenten season to all and God's abundant blessings!

Fr. Augustin

### Letter of Invitation to Join the Choir and Handbells

As we enter into the Lenten season, we'd like to encourage all those with an interest in singing or learning handbells to join us! No experience is necessary; just a desire to sing and/or play and join with your fellow parishioners in community. Choir rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 7PM. Handbell rehearsals to be determined. Please see Joe Stella after Mass if you are interested in joining this ministry for the Lent and Easter season. We would love to have you!







## MASS INTENTIONS & OBSERVATIONS

### Saturday, February 17

**4:00 pm**

Reginald & Lydia Thibodeau, by  
Susan & Bob Quinn

### Sunday, February 18

**First Sunday of Lent**

**8:30 am**

Lewis Warren & Jane Fitzpatrick, by  
Mary Warren

**11:00 am**

Parish Family

**4:00 pm**

Congolese Community

### Monday, February 19

**Presidents' Day**

**9:00 am**

Briana Francois, Innocent arrest of  
our Lord, by her mother, Jessie  
Pierre-Louis

### Tuesday, February 20

**9:00 am**

Briana Francois, Innocent  
condemnation, by her mother,  
Jessie Pierre-Louis

### Wednesday, February 21

**Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and  
Doctor of the Church**

**9:00 am**

Briana Francois, Innocent mockery,  
by her mother, Jessie Pierre-Louis

### Thursday, February 22

**Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter,  
Apostle**

**9:00 am**

Briana Francois, Holy wounds/pain,  
by her mother, Jessie Pierre-Louis

### Friday, February 23

**Saint Polycarp, Bishop and  
Martyr**

**9:00 am**

Briana Francois, Crucifixion, by her  
mother, Jessie Pierre-Louis

### Saturday, February 24

**4:00 pm**

Gloria Volpe, 14th Anniversary, by  
the Family

Briana Francois, Resurrection &  
Ascension, by her mother, Jessie  
Pierre-Louis

### Sunday, February 25

**Second Sunday of Lent**

**8:30 am**

Briana Francois, Holy souls of  
purgatory, by her mother, Jessie  
Pierre-Louis

**11:00 am**

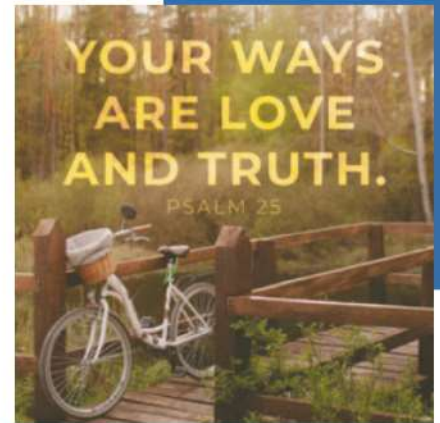
Parish Family

**1:00 pm**

Cameroon Community

**4:00 pm**

Congolese Community



## Weekly Readings

### Sunday

Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1  
Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

### Monday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt  
25:31-46

### Tuesday

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/  
Mt 6:7-15

### Wednesday

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk  
11:29-32

### Thursday

1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-  
19

### Friday

Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/  
Mt 5:20-26

### Saturday

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-  
48

### Next Sunday

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10,  
15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/  
Mk 9:2-10





## Please Pray for Those in Need

### For the Sick:

Maria Abramo  
John Akatyszewski  
Jason Alexander  
Laurie Babbitt  
Pauline Bellomo  
Joan Driscoll Bick  
Larry Blanchard  
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  
Max Martelli  
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 the conversion of our hearts and minds during this Lenten season,** that we may strive to imitate our Lord and the blessed Virgin Mary.

**Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intention:** For the terminally ill, that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

### HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

Submit your requests to the parish office at [info@stannesalem.org](mailto: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	2/4/24	Online 2/4/24
Offertory	\$3,053.00	\$663.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$20.00	\$25.00
Sacramentals	\$165.00	
Grand Annual	\$500.00	\$3.00
Father B's Memorial Fund	\$805.00	
Churches in Latin America	\$82.00	
St. Vincent de Paul		\$7.00
<b>Total Offertory:</b>	<b>\$3,073.00</b>	<b>\$688.00</b>
<b>Total Deposit:</b>	<b>\$4,625.00</b>	<b>\$698.00</b>

### Support of 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. For more information, visit: [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).

## PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & SEMINARIANS

Saturday:	Fr. Christopher Boyle and Nicholas Colon
Sunday:	Fr. Robert Milling and Brian Daley
Monday:	Msgr. Peter Conley and Alexander de Tirado
Tuesday:	Fr. William Palardy and Brian Delaney
Wednesday:	Fr. Peter Schirripa and Ulises Diaz
Thursday:	Pope Francis
Friday:	Fr. Paul Sughrue and Kyle Ellis
Saturday:	Fr. John Healy and Marcelo Ferrari

## Upcoming Second Collections

February 25th	Support of the Church around the World
March 3rd	Maintenance & Repair
March 29th	Holy Land Shrines (Good Friday)
April 21st	Maintenance & Repair

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





## GRANDMA'S ATTIC SALE COUNTDOWN! Sale ~ Saturday, March 16th ~ 9AM - 2PM

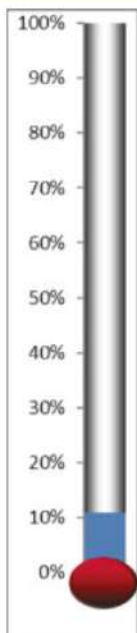
Five weeks to go! Get involved and help our parish/our church. We have so many repairs needed to our house of worship ... sadly, not enough money. Help us to raise \$10,000 through this widely popular community event. We need you. Come see what you are missing! Volunteer, shop all for the greater goodness of God.

Be a part of our success. We turned in \$2,000 on January 28th from online sales, private sales and volunteer shopping. Amazing! Phenomenal! Profound gratitude and thank you to Ste. Anne's Grandma's Attic small group of 14 occasional to weekly volunteerism preparation volunteers. More on that later.

**DEADLINE for DONATIONS is Tuesday, February 27th, 9AM-1PM.** This will allow us time to thoughtfully prepare, price, display your donations for sale and/or possibly showcase them online to a larger audience and hopefully procure a better income for the church. Please **DO NOT** leave donations in stairwells or outside (please make arrangements with Alma as needed).

1. **DONATE** clean and in good repair:
  - GIFTS you have received and won't use; why keep them in a closet or drawer?
  - NEWER NOVELS; Baskets, Games, Puzzles
  - Corelle from 1970s (blue, gold avocado); Pyrex, Corningware, silverware
  - Small electronics; home repair items, power tools
  - Cleaning and laundry supplies (can be open/used)
  - Unused HEALTH & BEAUTY cosmetics; perfume, lotions, bath spa items, hair dye, shampoo, Gift Sets
  - Designer CLOTHES: pocketbooks, shoes & sneakers, sweatshirts, hoodies, Boston Sports team apparel
  - Christmas Decorations; Wreaths, Wall Decorations, Home Décor, Wine/Martini Glasses
  - Jewelry: Clean out your boxes! We accept costume, precious metals (gold, silver, platinum) and broken jewelry (we can repair). If you have one earring and lost the other, we want them.
2. **VOLUNTEER** to prepare items Tuesday mornings or an evening (generally Monday or Tuesday - check with Alma).
3. **VOLUNTEER** the day of the sale. We require 35 people for a successful sale to monitor sales. We begin with prayer and are available to assist shoppers, assist in carrying out items, help with parking (we would like to use our property at the corner of Lawrence & Jefferson, but need people), and answer questions. Think sacrifice, giving of self using your God-given time, talent, and treasure and pray for success. Bring people to our church and eventually hopefully upstairs to Mass.

Thank You, Alma Pelletier 978.314.7344 (Leave a voice mail, as unknown messages are "silenced." I will return all calls.)



### STE. ANNE'S GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

The Ste. Anne Parish 2023-24 Grand Annual Collection continues for two more weeks. One of the three planned projects for this year is improving **Signage Visibility**. The current outdoor signage for the Church provides space for much information about our activities, but there is no clear indicator about the presence of our Parish. The Grand Annual Collection will provide for review and procurement of new and clearer signage for the Church.

**Collection Target: \$21,000**  
**Collected to Date: \$2,285.00 (11%)**





## 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.

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:

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by: 

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## Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreats (March 23, May 11)

Are you – or someone you know – seeking peace after an abortion? The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women experiencing regret from a past abortion to attend a Come to the Waters of Healing one-day retreat. Spring dates are **Saturday, March 23rd** and **Saturday, May 11th**. Locations are confidential. For more information on the retreats or other services, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or [help@projectrachelboston.com](mailto:help@projectrachelboston.com).

## ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN

The John Paul II Shrine of Divine Mercy in Salem will pray the Rosary on Monday evenings at 6:30PM throughout this season of Lent. Please come and pray the Rosary of the Unborn which Our Lady gives the World to conquer abortion.



## PRAYER FOR LENT

Dear Jesus,  
This weekend is the first Sunday of Lent, and I want to commit myself more deeply to you this season. Inspire me with the Lenten penances you most desire, the ones that help me to grow ever nearer to you. Amen.

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the Week

*In the desert, Jesus endured forty days of hardship and temptation. But he did not endure it alone: "the angels ministered to him" the Gospel tells us. Remember that you do not face Lent alone. God is beside you in your journey to the desert.*



## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to the parish family for your generosity and support through the Advent and Christmas season. Special thanks to all those who volunteered their time and talents to prepare our church for Christmas. God bless you all ~ Al Robidoux, Arts & Environment Committee



## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Every Thursday ~ 9:30 AM to 6:30 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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