Christmas Sponsor a Family

Delivery Day is

Saturday, December 17th!

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Senior Scene
Christmas Luncheon December 14th

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Saint Anne’s Children’s Choir

The Children’s Choir at the Advent Festival Mass

Please see page 10 for more photos

All Are Welcome!

We welcome new members to join our parish family. Please contact the parish office. We also welcome any adult who was never baptized, baptized non-Catholics or those seeking to receive First Eucharist or Confirmation to become a full participant in the Catholic Church.
**Advent - A Time for Preparation**

**Daily Mass**
Come and pray with us Monday - Thursday at 7:30AM and 9:00AM. On Friday, Mass is celebrated at 9:00AM. Come and pray with us!

**Take the Word with You!**
Copies of *The Word Among Us* are available so you can review the readings before Mass each day.

**DAY OF RECONCILIATION - MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2016 from 3:00PM TO 9:00PM**
You are invited to experience God's comfort through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Priests will be in the Church from 3:00PM until 9:00PM. Reconciliation is also offered Saturdays at 4:00PM or by calling the Parish Office for an appointment.

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**Celebrating Christmas at Saint Anne's**

**Celebrating The Eucharist**

**Christmas Eve - Saturday, December 24th**

3:30PM in the Church  
3:30PM Family Mass in McCloskey Auditorium (Family Mass Choir)  
5:30PM in the Church  
9:00PM in the Church  
Midnight in the Church - Choir begins at 11:15PM

**Christmas Day - Sunday, December 25th**

7:00AM, 8:30AM, 10:00AM, 11:45AM & 1:15PM  
All Masses are celebrated in the Church  
*Please note there is no evening Mass on Christmas Day*

*Please be aware that traditionally the 3:30PM and the 5:30PM Masses on Christmas Eve are filled beyond capacity. You may wish to attend one of our other liturgies.*

Our best wishes for a blessed and joyous Christmas!
Dear Parishioners,

As we have enjoyed these past five years, last Monday evening we gathered for our annual evening of Advent Praise and Song. Again it was a beautiful evening. We are very grateful to all who shared in the evening. Our parish choir was outstanding and the night demonstrated again what a great blessing it is to have such a vibrant, skilled, and dedicated music ministry in our parish. Joined by our newly formed children's choir, the choir stirred our Advent hearts and the children's presence reminded us of the many gifts our young families bring to life here at St. Anne's.

Our young families from the school and faith formation were very present for the evening of prayer and song. I believe our children are present for an experience of faith-filled music that is unique for them. This weekday evening parish gathering is a rather remarkable event in parish life.

The night was chillier than usual. The hot chocolate provided by the Knights of Columbus after the blessing of the lighted tree outside the church and the blessing of the nativity outside the rectory was a big hit as we went down to the cafeteria to warm up. Thank you to the Knights who are always generous in their support of the parish. Thanks to our maintenance staff for their organization of the outdoor decorations and to all who shared in the liturgy, song, and wonderful community spirit. It was a great Advent evening that uplifted the spirit of all who attended.

As you can see our church and sanctuary decorations are increasing every week. Those who decorate the church are present every weekend and give hours of service so that we can all enjoy the beauty of the church. Please support them in their efforts. If you want to help, contact me at the rectory and I will put you in contact with those who lead the effort.

Next Monday, December 19, in preparation for Christmas, we will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Confession from 3:00PM to 9:00PM in the church. Please, this week, give some prayerful reflection to sharing in this sacrament before Christmas. We have been celebrating the sacrament for the first time with second graders. When I recently asked one of them what we are doing tonight in going to confession for the first time, this young seven year old stood on top of the pew, threw his arms high into the air and exclaimed, “getting rid of sin.” That’s confession in its most simple, straightforward description. What I will remember for a long time is the smile of elation on the boy’s face as he threw his arms in the air in an expression of exultation. That’s what this sacrament of mercy and forgiveness can do for each one of us. Look upon the Sacrament of Reconciliation as an early gift you give to yourself this Christmas --- Monday, December 19.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The image of the second grader’s arms flung high in exultation is an image for the Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete or Rejoicing Sunday. We light the rose colored Advent candle as we move closer to the celebration of Jesus’ birth on Christmas Day. The Advent themes of patience, waiting, preparing are part of our readings, prayers, and reflections. The Advent virtue of hope will soon give birth to Christmas joy.

Hope is such an important virtue. It is more than optimism. Jet fans are no longer optimistic. Giant fans have optimism about their teams’ game against the Cowboys. Hope is so much more. Hope, for the Christian, is a first cousin of prayer. A description of hope that I find helpful: Hope is the prayer that the deepest desires of the heart and soul will be realized. The prayer is confident. And so parents pray to the Lord their desires for their children. Hope deals with important matters.

Pope Francis has begun a new cycle of catechetical talks that he offers at his Wednesday audiences. I offer to you some of his thoughts on hope as we celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent. “We need hope. We feel lost and somewhat discouraged, as we find ourselves helpless to act and it seems that this darkness will never end. "But we should not abandon hope, because God, with His love, walks with us. I hope, because God is by my side: this we can all say. Each one of us can say, I hope, I have hope, because God walks with me. He walks and He leads me by the hand. God never leaves us alone. The Lord Jesus defeated evil and opens up the road of life to us. And so, especially in this time of Advent, that is the time of waiting, in which we prepare to receive once more the consoling mystery of the Incarnation and the light of Christmas, it is important to reflect on hope.” Throughout this quote from Pope Francis, I think we can insert the words pray and prayer and we can see how closely related are hope and prayer.

Pope Francis sees a link between hope and a smile. “When we are in the dark and in difficulties, we do not smile. It is hope that teaches us to smile so as to find that road that leads to God. One of the first things that happens to those who drift away from God is that they are people without a smile. Perhaps they are capable of great laughter . . . a joke, a laugh . . . but the smile is missing. The smile gives only hope: it is the smile of the hope of finding God. Life is often a desert: it is difficult to journey through it, but if we entrust ourselves to God it can become beautiful and wide as a highway. It is enough never to lose hope; it is enough to continue to believe, always, in spite of everything.”

I find the pope’s words rich for reflection. When these last words quoted above are read slowly and repeatedly, they can be a source of prayerful comfort and consolation.

Peace to you.

Fa. Tom
PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

LOAVES AND FISHES

Love consists of sharing what one has and what one is with those one loves.
Love ought to show itself in deeds more than in words. ~ St. Ignatius of Loyola

Christmas Sponsor a Family: Delivery Day is Saturday, December 17th!
We have committed to sponsoring the same families we did for Thanksgiving—over 325 families assisted through Saint Martha’s Parish Outreach Center in Uniondale and the Gerald J. Ryan Outreach Center at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Wyandanch.
Thank you to all have volunteered to be a sponsor for Christmas.
Specific drop-off instructions can be found in the red envelope you received. Any questions?
Wyandanch: Please contact Mary McCarraher at 352-1099.
Uniondale: Please contact Barbara Tranfaglia at 741-0629.

If you are unable to do the shopping but would still like to help...
If you are unable to do the shopping but would still like to help, you may make a monetary donation. Please make a check (no cash please) payable to Saint Anne’s Church with a notation:
“Christmas Sponsor a Family” program, and send it to: Saint Anne’s Church, 35 Dartmouth Street, Garden City, NY 11530; Attention: Parish Social Ministry.

Advent Giving Opportunities
Advent Giving at the Family Mass — Thank you for bringing your toy/s and food item/s to Family Mass today! If you forgot, simply leave the items in the Loaves and Fishes closets at the rear of the Church no later than Thursday, December 15th. These gifts and food go to the neediest families at Saint Martha’s outreach center in Uniondale. Thank you for your support!

Angel Gift Ornaments from the Church — Thank you to all who picked up an Angel Ornament, which lists a child or teen by gender and age. These gifts will be delivered to 72 children whose families live in Project Independence housing, Special Needs housing and the Teaching Family Home program. These children are from families who have been homeless, who have someone with chronic mental illness or HIV/AIDS or who have suffered from substance abuse.
For younger children, toys are requested and for teens, there are other suggestions, including gift cards. Please bring your gift (unwrapped, with the Angel attached) to the Parish Office by Wednesday, December 14th. Questions? Please call Linda Leone at 352-5904.

Weekly Food Drive
We want to thank those parishioners who have consistently donated food throughout the year. Thanksgiving and Christmas programs are wonderful times to help people in need but only represent a few weeks.
By participating in the weekly food drive you help families 52 weeks in the year. Thank you very much!! Please call Barbara Tranfaglia at 741-0629 for more information.

Michael Glynn, Joe Ferrick and friend help with the weekly food drive
PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

There are many parishioners involved in Parish Social Ministry, reaching out to offer assistance and sharing their gifts with one another, all in the context of our faith.

Looking for a way to volunteer? In need of some support or assistance? Please call Parish Social Ministry at 352-5904.

**Special Needs**

**Special Needs Mass**
Mass will be celebrated with our special needs community on **Saturday, December 17th at 5:00PM in the cafeteria.** The children will be presenting a living Christmas Nativity. All are always welcome!

**Respite Care**
The next session of Respite will take place on **Friday, January 6th from 6:00PM to 8:00PM** in the McCloskey Auditorium and cafeteria. Please contact Linda Leone at lindaleone@stannesgc.org or 352-5904 for any information.

**Resilience ... You are not alone**

**Meeting - Thursday, January 5 at 7:30PM**
Research shows that many parents don’t discuss concerns about their children’s mental health with anyone due to fear of the stigma that is often attached. Just when parents are vulnerable and in need of support, they tend to withdraw. If you have a son or daughter who is experiencing psychological or emotional challenges, do you hesitate to speak with trusted friends or relatives because of the concern that at best they would not understand or perhaps they would be critical or judgmental? As a result, do you often feel isolated, as if you are alone in dealing with this issue? Do you wonder at times where God is in the midst of your child’s struggles?

Saint Anne’s has formed a group to support parents of teens and young adults who are experiencing challenges, either psychological, emotional or both. Our group is called **Resilience.** We respect the confidentiality of each person and offer a safe environment to meet with other parents who are facing similar challenges. You are not alone! Our next meeting will take place on **Thursday, January 5th at 7:30PM in the St. John Vianney Room in the rectory.**

For more information, please contact Linda Leone at lindaleone@stannesgc.org or 516-352-5904.

**Families in Service**
Thank you to all who will join us for Christmas caroling as we visit some of our homebound and senior parishioners to bring them a message of love and good cheer. Parents and children are invited to gather in the cafeteria on **Sunday, December 11th at 4:00PM.** Song sheets and information will be provided (along with juice and cookies!) Families will be arranged in groups and sent out to sing at two or three homes. *(Please note: Most of the homes are NOT walking distance from the Church. Families will need their cars to travel to the homes where they will carol.)*

What a wonderful way to gather with family and friends, bringing a message of “Joy to the World” this Christmas!

You may contact Shannon Kolenik at shannon.kolenik@gmail.com or Rena Capri at renaann614@yahoo.com for information. All are welcome!

**Senior Scene — Christmas Luncheon**
The next meeting of the Senior Scene will be **Wednesday, December 14th at 1:30PM.** Please go directly to McCloskey Auditorium where the school children will be presenting the Nativity pageant for us. A hot luncheon will follow in the cafeteria. The cost is $10 per person. If you would like to attend and have not yet signed up, please call Susanne Blum at 352-5904.

**Please note:** The 12/28 meeting has been cancelled.

**Saint Anne’s Senior Ministry**
Our parish is happy to offer support to our senior parishioners. We help them stay connected to Saint Anne's through the dedicated efforts of our Homebound Visitors, Telephone Network, EM's who bring Holy Communion, nurses, volunteers who deliver flowers and send cards, and our Senior Newsletter. If you’re interested in getting involved, please contact Evelyn Schwantner at 488-7516 or Parish Social Ministry at 352-5904 or lindaleone@stannesgc.org.

**Saint Anne’s Is Here For You...**
If you’re struggling with something and not sure where to turn, Saint Anne’s Parish provides confidential support & assistance. Serious illness, economic problems, marital difficulties, mental health concerns and coping with caring for those who are ill or elderly are issues we may all face at different times in our lives. If you would like to know more, please call Parish Social Ministry at 352-5904.
Steven McDonald will speak on Wednesday, December 14 at 7:00PM in McCloskey Auditorium to all 8th grade students and their parents.

Faith Formation Mass in the St. Therese Chapel for Tuesday 5th Grade classes
On Tuesday, December 13th at 4:10PM. Parents are welcome.

Faith Formation class schedule this week:
Sunday, 12/11 One on One 8:30 to 9AM
Sunday, 12/11 Grades 1-6 9 to 10:15AM
Monday, 12/12 Grades 1-6, 4 to 5:10 PM
Tuesday, 12/13 Grades 1-6, 4 to 5:10 PM
Wednesday, 12/14 Grades 1-6, 4 to 5:10 PM
Wednesday, 12/14 Grade 8 meeting with speaker Steven McDonald at 7PM in McCloskey Auditorium, for all 8th grade students and parent
Wednesday 12/14 Grade 7 NO CLASS
Tuesday 12/13 Grade 5 Faith Formation Tuesday classes Mass in Chapel

Please know our lines of communication are always open to families.
The Faith Formation office is located in the school building.
Please call or email Vivian Flood at 516-488-1032 or vflood@stannesgc.org.

Marina Chen’s class collected toys for the animals at North Shore Animal League for Christmas

Mrs. Caracciolo’s 2nd grade class hold the Advent wreaths they made in class.
**LITURGY AND WORSHIP**

*Third Sunday of Advent*

“The desert and the parched land will exult; the steppe will rejoice and bloom.”

The prophet Isaiah reassures the exiled Israelites that God will return them to the Promised Land and tells of the restoration both the land and the people Israel. Not only does the desert and the steppe rejoice but the blind see, the deaf hear, the lame leap and the mute sing. In the gospel Jesus responds to John’s disciples that they are to tell John what they hear and see in Jesus’ ministry; the blind see, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead raised. Jesus not only reveals who he is but also who John is, more than a prophet. He is privileged to be the messenger of the Messiah. And yet, Jesus tells us who we are, the least in the kingdom, and greater than John if we continue to bring sight and healing to those in need and proclaim the Good News to all we meet. In these busy days before Christmas let us find ways to proclaim the kingdom of God in our daily lives. Today is also called “Gaudete” (Rejoice) Sunday, from St. Paul’s letter to the Philippians, “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near.” May our prayer be to rejoice in the awareness that God’s kingdom is near!

**Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Advent**

- Isaiah 7:10-14
- Romans 1:1-7
- Matthew 1:18-24

**Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe**

December 12th

This Monday, December 12th is the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, “patroness of the Americas.” It celebrates Mary’s special care and presence for not only Hispanic peoples, but for all peoples of America. The story of the origin of the miraculous image of Our Lady of Guadalupe is well known. Juan Diego was a humble peasant in Mexico and on the morning of December 9, 1531 on his way to Mass the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to him and asked him to tell the bishop to build a church in her honor. The bishop did not believe him and so Mary filled Juan Diego’s tilma or cloak, with roses in December. When he emptied out the flowers at the bishop’s feet, imprinted on his tilma was this image of the Virgin, dressed like a young Aztec woman. The image is filled with rich symbolic details. The black sash was worn by pregnant women at that time, indicating that Mary is carrying the infant Jesus in her womb. The rays of light behind her, the angels at her feet and the stars on her gown have cosmic symbolism, appropriate in this season of meditating on the end time. Let us remember to pray on this day for Mary’s continued care and presence among the people of Mexico and in all the Americas.

*O God, who placed your people under the singular protection of your Son’s most holy Mother, grant that all who invoke the Blessed Virgin of Guadalupe, may seek with ever more lively faith the progress of peoples in the ways of justice and of peace.*

(Opening Prayer in the Roman Missal from the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe)

**Family Mass at Saint Anne’s**

Please return your unwrapped gifts for needy children to Family Mass today. Please include either a box of cereal or a jar of peanut butter. One of the best ways to prepare for Christmas is to help those in need.

**Christmas at Family Mass**

Christmas Eve Family Mass will be at **3:30PM** in McCloskey Auditorium. The Christmas Pageant will begin at **3:15PM**. If your child will like to participate in the Christmas Eve pageant please see Sr. Judy at Family Mass.

**Happy Clappers**

Happy Clappers will rehearse today at 10:00 and each Sunday until Christmas. We will be preparing a song for Christmas Eve Family Mass at 3:30 on Christmas Eve!
PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY

SUNDAY OFFERTORY
Sunday, December 4, 2016 $21,543
WeShare Electronic Contributions $ 8,710
Total Collection $30,253

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(*Includes November 2015 Electronic Contributions - $6,690)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers
Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses are in need of lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and ushers. Please contact Sr. Judy at srjudy@stannesgc.org or call 352-5904 with your availability to serve at the masses on Dec. 24 and 25. We are always grateful for your service to our liturgical celebrations at this time and throughout the year!

Lector Workbooks are available to be picked up in the sacristy. Please make sure that you pick up your copy as soon as possible. They are in a box under the bench with your name on your copy.

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Religious Retirement Collection
Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others—educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously to today’s second collection.

Children’s Choir
Congratulations to our Children’s Choir which has been participating in our parish liturgies. They added their voices in song on Thanksgiving Day and also at our Advent Festival last Monday night.
Our next rehearsal will be Monday, December 12th at 6:30 PM– 7:30PM – and this week our rehearsal will be in church. Any child from Grade 2 and older who would like to join the choir please contact Sr. Judy at srjudy@stannesgc.org or call the parish office 352-5904.

Altar Bread & Wine Memorials
Donations can be made for these in memory of loved ones both living and deceased for one week. Please come to the rectory office to make arrangements. An acknowledgement of your memorial will appear in the Sunday bulletin and we offer a card that can be given to the family of the loved one.

Donation Offering:
Altar Bread - $25.00
Altar Wine - $25.00
Both - $50.00
**Youth Ministry  Faith - Community - Service**

**Next Meeting - Wednesday, December 14th at 6:30PM** Join us as we wrap the gifts and shop for the food for the family we are sponsoring in Wyandanch.

On December 4th, members of Youth Ministry went shopping to purchase gifts for the family they are sponsoring in Wyandanch.

Join us for games and activities that encourage teens to form new friendships and have easy conversations with different people. Pizza and snacks are served. Teens come from various high schools and all are always welcome. New members are invited to join! For more information, please contact Bill Leone at bleone@stannesgc.org. **New members always welcome.**
The Gift of Hope This Christmas
For couples struggling with infertility and miscarriage

The Gianna Center for Women’s Health & Fertility at Good Samaritan Hospital provides general gynecological care, FertilityCare education and infertility services – all with a deep commitment to honoring a woman’s dignity and the sanctity of human life. Comprehensive gynecologic primary care and specialized fertility and family planning techniques are used to unmask the causes of infertility for all women, regardless of faith. We are pleased to be the first medical practice in the community to feature two new women’s health services:

- FertilityCare Services
- NaProTechnology

These two unique services allow us to provide you with a natural, restorative, scientifically based approach to monitoring your health and managing your fertility. Please call today 631-376-3232.

Saint Anne's Advent Festival (please see Fr. Tom’s letter on page 3)

After Mass, a Christmas tree provided by the Knights of Columbus is lit

The choir provided beautiful music for the evening

Parishioners enjoying hot chocolate and cookies

Members of the K of C offer hot chocolate

“Religion and Rock” and TeleCare

Tune into “Religion and Rock” with Msgr. Jim Vlaum on Sunday from 7:00AM - 8:00AM on WBAB 102.3 FM or 95.3 on Long Island’s East End. Listen on Saturdays at 11:00PM on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11:00PM on XM Satellite, Channel 117.

Don’t forget to tune into TELECARE, Cablevision Channel 29/137 or Verizon FIOS 296 or visit www.telecaretv.org for the Best Catholic Television!

Saint Anne's CYO Indoor Track

Registration is now open for our 2017 season. For details visit the Indoor Track team page at www.stannesgccyo.org.

Registration closes December 31.
Let us pray for those who have died
Joseph A. Calamari
Vincent Farrell
Edmund Malhame
Kathleen Malon
Martin Timothy McAuliffe

We welcome those newly Baptized into our faith community
Megan Susanne Blum
Lillie Margaret DiGennaro
Luke Thomas Dillon
Peter Desmond Palladino
Grace Ann Went

WeShare For Online Giving

You don’t have to worry about forgetting your envelope again.
Electronic giving has been made easy!

Donating online is made easier than ever with St. Anne Church’s online giving and registration system, WE SHARE. Donate today using your debit card, credit card, checking, or savings account. You can use it for your Weekly and Special Collections.

TO START GIVING ONLINE TODAY:
Visit https://stannesgc.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities and click on any collection.
Select the YOUR DONATION AMOUNT and FREQUENCY.
Enter in your account and payment information.
Or scan the QR code!

Prize | Member’s Name
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Week One
$25 | Angie & Karl Ruhry
$20 | Patricia Smith
$20 | Lawrence & Kathryn Davis
$20 | Laura & Richard Marooney
$20 | Diane Lenahan
Week Two
$25 | Frank DeMaio
$20 | Carol Wisell
$20 | Arlene Crowley
$20 | Kathy & Basil Bliss
$20 | Peggy & John Fay
Week Three
$25 | Michael & Janet Lynch
$20 | James & Lynne Edert
$20 | Sam Sirignano
$20 | Mr. & Mrs. Robert Caffine
$20 | Mr. & Mrs. William Grogan
Week Four
$25 | Lynda & William Capozzello
$20 | Louise Santangelo
$20 | Thomas & Maureen McAlea
$20 | Lucy & Andrew Bartilucci
$20 | Mr. & Mrs. Frank X. Fields
Monthly
$50 | Damian George
$25 | Scott & Liz Castellano
$25 | Lorraine A. Henneberger
BONUS DRAWING
$100 | Tara & Bill Nick
LOOKING FOR A LASTING CHRISTMAS GIFT???

PURCHASE A COMMEMORATIVE BRICK

Saint Anne’s Commemorative Brick Walkway Program is a wonderful way that we, as a community, can create a lasting legacy. Commemorative Bricks are the perfect way to acknowledge special achievements – baptisms, birthdays, graduations, marriages, other joyous occasions, or to memorialize a loved one.

Each brick can be inscribed with your own personal message and will be placed in a decorative fashion in front of the Saint Anne’s School building. A 4” x 8” brick costs $125.00, which includes thirteen characters AND spaces per line, with up to three lines per brick. Larger 8” x 8” bricks are also available for the price of $500.00, which includes thirteen characters AND spaces per line, with up to six lines per brick.

All proceeds from this effort will directly benefit Saint Anne’s School.

Ordering Instructions
1. Orders for personalized bricks will be accepted and processed on a first come, first served, basis.
2. All text will be a standard size, font and style.
3. Messages will be centered automatically. They may not be justified to the left or right.
4. Enclose a check for $125.00 for a 4” x 8” brick, or $500.00 for an 8” x 8” brick, made payable to Saint Anne’s Home School Association.
5. Orders may be dropped off at the School Office in the school or at the Rectory.
6. Please note: All imprints are subject to approval by Saint Anne’s Home School Association.

Name: ____________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________________________________
Phone #: __________________________________________________________________________________________________________

(Use lines 1 – 3 for 4” x 8” bricks. Use lines 1 – 6 for 8” x 8” bricks.)

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Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11
7:00AM  Thomas A. Nappi
8:30   Pamela Winning, Frank DiStefano, Delia Rivera, Mary Rafferty, Vincent Farrell
10:00  Rarie & Tom Nappi
10:30  Parishioners of St. Anne
11:45  John D. Straton
5:30PM Thomas A. Nappi

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12
7:30  Lawrence Cummings
9:00  Eamon Tubridy

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13
7:30  Pio Pellegrini
9:00  Irene Carey

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14
7:30  Frank & Sophia Dellarosa
9:00  Anthony Ricco

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15
7:30  Tim McAuliffe
9:00  Eileen Joyce

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16
9:00  Priscilla Bonnie - 4th Anniversary

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17
8:30  Kathleen Morley, Marge Rix Schnell, Helen M. & John M. Hendricks, Thomas Grilli - 30th Anniversary
5:00PM Robert Murphy

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18
7:00AM  William Kenneth Mitchell - 7th Anniversary
8:30   William Burke, Joseph Cassese Sr. & Stephen Velechenko, Martin T. McAuliffe, Lauren Munafö
10:00  Galileo Maragni
10:30  Gerry Mitchell
11:45  Parishioners of St. Anne
5:30PM Kathleen & Patrick Morley

*Intention for the living

The Altar Bread & Wine for this week is in memory of Helen & Harry Michalski
Donated by Karen Lanzetta

Our Faith Community offers prayers this week on their first anniversary for:
December 11, 2015-Ingeborg Christy
December 12, 2015-Catherine Mescal
December 13, 2015-Irene Carey

Please remember in your prayers family members of Saint Anne’s parishioners who are serving in the military.

Sgt. Christopher Aubin, USMC
Pvt Charles Bosch, US Army
Thomas Brown, US Army
L/Cpl. Neal T. Burke, USMC
Capt. Anthony F. Califano, US Navy
Gunnery Sergeant Denis Cashin, USMC
Capt. Matthew Clements, US Army
Lt. Cmdr. Brian Cunningham, Navy SEAL
Capt. Christopher Dar Conte, USAF
Petty Officer 2nd Class Ian Sage Donley, US Navy
Spc. David Garcia, US Army
1st Lt. Edward Gibbons, US Army
1st Lt. Lily Hague, US Army
Lt. Corporal James Harkin, USMC
Major Kevin Joyce, US Army
Michael Koster, Military Police, US Army Reserves
Specialist Daniel R. MacFall, US Army
Lance Cpl. James McCartin, USMC
Ensign Glenn McKenna, US Navy
Cpl. Owen A. Monahan, USMC
AD2 Joseph V. Muscaro, US Navy
Greg Pakloto, Int'l. News Reporter
Airman Anthony J. Pittella, US Navy
C. Chief Nicholas Preziosi, USAF
F.C. Patrick Preziosi, US Navy
T. Sgt. Ian William Roth, USAF
Capt. Thomas Safina, US Army Reserves
Captain Tara Sutcliffe, USMC

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Denise Bedeian Patricia Mahler
Kim Bily Michelle Marooney
William Brown Danny Marquino
Deacon George Browne Frank Mauro
Regina Childs-Cacioppo Tommy McCann
Charles Cangelosi John Mccloskey, Jr.
Kenneth Carpenter Barbara Mohan
Mary Caruana Gabriele Monastero
Elizabeth Castellano Grace Munafö
Michael Cintorino Will Hughes
Deborah Connelly Tina Napoli
Anthony Corrao Phil O’Connell
Anthony Cuccia Andrea O’Halloran
John D’Alessandro Adelaine Parks
Claire Decker Kathleen Picha
Denise DeCrescito Nicholas Piotrowski
Mike DiGregorio Ellen Redding

Please remember the following people in your prayers

Denise Bedeian Marie Dillon
Kim Bily Margaret Donalson
William Brown Danny Drumm
Deacon George Browne Janet Fellingham
Regina Childs-Cacioppo Ryan Fornasar
Charles Cangelosi Dennis Gallery
Kenneth Carpenter Charles Gibilaro
Mary Caruana Patricia Hnis
Elizabeth Castellano Patrick Hughes Sr.
Michael Cintorino Will Hughes
Deborah Connelly Terese Karcher
Anthony Corrao Carolyn Kast
Anthony Cuccia Richard Keane
John D’Alessandro Elaine Kelley
Claire Decker Klavdia Krieg
Denise DeCrescito Ricky Loew
Mike DiGregorio Henry Lynk

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember the following people in your prayers

John Rochford
Ann Roland
Chloe Rombach
Melissa Sarfin
Dr. Lester Schnell
Sharon Sharp Elliot
Michael Sigwart
Mary Spadaro
Jim Stiehl
Kristen Stimmer
Jean Thompson
Debbie Ventura
Loretta Weiss
Callie Williams
Susan Williams
Geraldine Witzig
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Pastor
Msgr. Thomas Harold
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We Celebrate the Sacraments
Eucharist
Saturday Evening 5:00PM
Sunday 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:45, 5:30PM
10:30AM Family Mass (October—May)
Monday thru Thursday 7:30AM, 9:00AM
Friday 9:00AM
Saturday 8:30AM
Reconciliation
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45PM /Thursday before First Friday 4:30 - 5:00PM
Baptisms
Infant Baptisms are celebrated the first and third Sundays of each month at 1:30PM. Parents are asked to call the parish office for more information.
Marriage
Couples should contact the parish office to arrange an appointment with a priest or deacon at least six months prior to their wedding.
Anointing of the Sick
The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated on the first Saturday of the month at the 8:30AM Mass. If a loved one is unable to come to church, please call 352-5904 to arrange for a home visit.

Opportunities for Prayer
Rosary 9:30AM Mondays-Fridays-Church
9:00AM Saturdays-Church
Miraculous Medal Prayers 9:30AM Tuesdays-Church
Saint Anne’s Prayer Group 10:00AM Tuesdays-Church
Eucharistic Adoration 8:00AM Thursdays-Church
Legion of Mary 9:45AM Thursday-Church
Divine Mercy 9:30AM Fridays-Church

This Week at Saint Anne’s

Monday, December 12th
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
6:30PM Children’s Choir Rehearsal - Church

Tuesday, December 13th
7:00PM St. Anne’s School Concert - McCloskey Auditorium
8:00PM Mom’s Ministry Board Meeting - SJVR

Wednesday, December 14th
9:30AM Mom’s Ministry - Cafeteria
1:30PM Senior Scene - Cafeteria
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
7:30PM Knights of Columbus - Cafeteria

Thursday, December 15th
5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium
7:30PM Families Anonymous - Faculty Room
7:30PM Adult Choir Rehearsal - Church

Saturday, December 17th
8:00AM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium

Sunday, December 18th
1:30PM Baptisms - Church
6:30PM Youth Ministry - Cafeteria

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 17
5:00PM - Fr. Rudy
5:00PM - Fr. Tom (Special Needs Mass/Christmas Nativity) Cafeteria

Sunday
7:00AM - Fr. Rudy 10:30AM - Fr. Rudy
8:30AM - Fr. Tom 11:45AM - Fr. Peter
10:00AM - Fr. Tom 5:30PM - Fr. Peter