Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday, December 8th
The feast of the Immaculate Conception is a Holyday of Obligation
Mass will be celebrated on
Friday, December 7th at 5:00PM and Saturday, December 8th at 8:30AM & 10:00AM

First Sunday of Advent
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 AT SAINT ANNE’S

The Church celebrates the holy and wonderful season of Advent beginning on December 2nd.

DAILY MASS

Mass will be celebrated Monday through Thursday at 7:30AM & 9:00AM and on Friday at 9:00AM.

TAKE THE WORD WITH YOU!

Copies of The Word Among Us are available so you can review the readings before Mass each day.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Come and experience God’s comfort through the sacrament of Reconciliation.

In addition to our regular celebration of the sacrament on Saturday afternoons, we will offer

DAY OF RECONCILIATION
MONDAY, DECEMBER 17th from 3:00PM - 9:00PM

Advent Lessons & Carols
Sunday, December 2nd-5:30PM Mass, Music starting at 5:00PM

Come and celebrate the Advent season with our Music Ministry as we gather for the 5:30PM Mass and an evening of sacred music starting at 5:00PM. An adaptation of “Lessons and Carols” this night is a great opportunity to remember the real “reason for the season” and hear the wonderful gifts of our Music Ministry.

Following Mass—Blessing of the crèche and Lighting of the Christmas tree

Celebrate with Saint Anne’s Professional Networking Group
Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00PM

Please join us on Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00PM for a lively dinner and some great networking at Park Place on Covert Avenue in celebration of St. Anne’s Professional Networking Group (SAPNG)!

Special thanks to Chris Gorman for coordinating this event.

The cost will be $40 pp all inclusive. Space is limited so please reserve your spot as soon as possible by emailing Linda Leone at lindaleone@stannesgc.org or Chris Gorman at cgor1735@yahoo.com or calling the parish office at 352-5904. (The fee will be waived for anyone in need of assistance.) Looking forward to a great evening of networking with fellow parishioners!

Saint Anne’s Professional Networking Group offers opportunities to network, to share resources and to find support. We offer monthly meetings at Saint Anne’s, with informative speakers and ongoing opportunities to network with fellow parishioners. You can join the group on Linkedin, where you’ll find many useful suggestions and advice from members who have offered presentations at our meetings.
Dear Parishioners,

We begin today a new Church year and a new liturgical season. Advent leads us to Christmas, but first, we have this four week time, each week marked by one of the four candles on the Advent wreath. Advent is a season associated with many related themes; waiting, preparing, repentance, beginning anew.

Two themes of Advent are particularly striking to me. Advent is a time when the days continue to grow shorter in daylight and the darkness of afternoon, through the night into the early morning can stretch to nearly 15 hours, culminating on December 21 with the winter solstice. As daylight begins to extend and darkness is shortened, we celebrate the Birth of Jesus, the Nativity on December 25. The extended darkness invites quiet, silence, and prayerfulness. This theme of Advent quiet contrasts sharply to the busy-ness of the approach of Christmas with its shopping, decorating, and parties. In the midst of all the activities and rushing, how important the time of Advent quiet is.

A primary virtue associated with Advent is hope. It is another great theme of Advent. Hope can be described in many different ways. A helpful description I find is that hope for the Christian is the act of prayer that the deepest desires of a person’s heart and soul will be realized. Hope is an essential virtue for parents as they pray and offer to the Lord their deepest desires for their sons and daughters. So moms and dads pray for the health and happiness of their children. Hope needs to be more than an attitude. Still, persons of hope in their countenance, in their manner, often indicate the presence of hope in their lives. At the same time, hope seeks to be expressed in some way. The action of hope is expressed by prayer. Advent invites prayer marked by hope. The fruits of Advent prayer are confidence, trust, and perseverance.

Advent not only anticipates the celebration of the Birth of Jesus, Advent also points to the Second Coming of Jesus at the end of time. While we are familiar with the Advent figures of John the Baptist, Elizabeth and Zachariah, Mary and Joseph, we first read from the 21st Chapter of Luke and hear Jesus speak of the end time. The passage begins with disturbing images. Jesus speaks of the end time in apocalyptic terms. He speaks of roaring seas and turbulent waves. He speaks of people dying of fright. However at the conclusion of this paragraph he proclaims, “...stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.” Advent looks not to the destruction of which Jesus speaks but to the time of redemption. Redemption overcomes evil. Redemption silences violence. Redemption defeats war. Redemption brings peace. Advent anticipates Redemption, the culmination of the story that begins with the Birth of Christ, the Savior, the Redeemer.

In the second paragraph of today’s gospel Jesus counsels us to be vigilant and alert. He warns against drowsiness, drunkenness, and anxieties of daily life. Jesus proposes Advent prayer as our help. Pray for strength Jesus advises. None of us knows when the end time will come. And those of the past and the present who have made predictions of the end time have been badly mistaken and often appear to be fools. Only the Lord knows the end time. It is not a question of mathematical equations, counting years, or particular events. It is a mystery known only to the Lord. Blessed by the gift of our faith and the promises of Jesus, we can anticipate Redemption, that experience of eternal life, heaven, and the communion of saints, always giving praise and thanks to God. Though we can anticipate the experience of Redemption, it too is a very mysterious truth of our faith. None of us knows heaven.

Jesus twice speaks to us about standing erect and standing before the Son of Man. He also speaks to us about raising our heads. Though these words are part of his apocalyptic words, they are words for us today. In light of the distress and destruction, the evil and the violence of our own time, we need not cower nor bow our heads. In faith we “stand erect” and “raise (our) heads” confident in God always being present to us and trusting in the promise of Redemption.

ADVENT HIGHLIGHTS AT ST. ANNE’S

This Sunday afternoon in conjunction with the 5:30PM Sunday evening Mass we will have our Advent Lesson & Carols. The music will begin at 5:00PM. Our choir is a very dedicated group of parishioners who assist at the 10:00AM Mass all through the year. The Advent, Christmas, and Easter seasons are very special times for our choir and music ministry. Their music this evening, beginning at 5:00PM offers a wonderful beginning of the Advent Season.

Another special part of the beginning of Advent is the Christmas Sponsor a Family. Many parishioners want to be a part of this effort that helps more than 300 families. Sponsors, donors, drivers, and teens are all needed in this large and highly organized effort. More information appears on the Parish Social Ministry page of the bulletin. Family participation is welcome.

Late in Advent, on Monday December 17, confession is available from 3:00 to 9:00PM. This is an additional opportunity for the sacrament along with the usual Saturday time at 4:00PM.

SOLEMNITY OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Next Saturday, December 8 is a holyday of obligation. Masses are at 5:00PM on Friday evening and 8:30AM and 10:00AM on Saturday morning. The 5:00PM Mass on Saturday evening will be the Mass for the Second Sunday of Advent. Have a peace-filled week.

Fr. Tom
PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

LOAVES AND FISHES

“In all truth I tell you,” Jesus says, “whoever believes in Me will perform the same works as I do Myself, and will perform even greater works...Whatever you ask for in My name I will do.” ~ John 14:12-13

Christmas Sponsor a Family—Delivery Day is Saturday, December 15th!

Thank you to all who have signed up to sponsor families in need for Christmas! Over 330 families in Uniondale and Wyandanch will be able to celebrate this special day with sufficient food and gifts because of the generosity of many parishioners.

Drivers to Wyandanch are needed—
Please call Joanne Sorge at 248-1834

Youth Support for Christmas Program
To provide support in delivering food to both Wyandanch and Uniondale, we need teens to help on Saturday, December 15th. Please contact Tricia Paskewitz at tpask@hotmail.com.

If you are unable to do the shopping but would still like to help…
you may make a monetary donation. Please make a check payable to Saint Anne’s Church with a notation: “Christmas Sponsor a Family”, and send it to: Saint Anne’s Church, 35 Dartmouth Street, Garden City, NY 11530; Attention: Parish Social Ministry.

Advent Giving Opportunities

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 60 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 Thursday, December 13th. Questions? Please call Linda Leone at 352-5904.

Gift Tree Cards for Saint Martha’s - Gifts are needed for children and teens at Saint Martha’s. The Gift Trees in the Church lobby have cards with children’s age listed. Please purchase a gift and bring it UNWRAPPED to the Loaves and Fishes closet by Sunday, December 9th but no later than Thursday, December 13th. Thank you.

“Thank you for bringing such big smiles to the children's’ faces!
Due to your generous Christmas Spirit, many children who have felt the pain of homelessness, rejection and emotional suffering now have the chance to feel the love of Jesus.”
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

Respite Care
The next session of Respite will take place on Friday, December 7th from 6:00PM to 8:00PM. This will be our annual Christmas Party with a special appearance by Santa Claus!

Special Needs Mass
Mass will be celebrated with our special needs community on Saturday, December 15th at 5:00PM in the cafeteria. The children will be presenting a living Christmas Nativity. All are always welcome!
Please contact Linda Leone at lindaleone@stannesgc.org or 352-5904 for any information.

Resilience... You are not alone
Meeting on Monday, Dec. 3rd @ 7:30PM
Rectory Meeting Room

Many parents don’t discuss concerns about their children’s mental health due to the stigma that is often attached. Just when parents are 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—do you wonder at times where God is in the midst of your child’s struggles?

Saint Anne’s Resilience group offers support to parents of teens and young adults who are experiencing challenges, either psychological, emotional or both. We respect the confidentiality of each person and offer a safe environment to meet with others who are facing similar challenges. You are not alone! For more information, please contact Linda Leone at lindaleone@stannesgc.org or 516-352-5904.

Families in Service Christmas Caroling
Sunday, December 9th @ 4PM

We invite you to 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 9th 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!

Please RSVP by December 6th to Shannon Kolenik at shannon.kolenik@gmail.com or Rena Capri at renaann614@yahoo.com if you’d like to participate.

Senior Scene — Christmas Luncheon
The next meeting of the Senior Scene will be Wednesday, December 12th 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, please call Susanne Blum at 352-5904.

Coffee & Kids: Wednesdays @ 9:30AM - Cafeteria
Saint Anne’s MOMs welcomes mothers of young children, offering them many ways to connect with one another. If you are new to the parish and would like to join, please email our membership chairperson, Melanie Unterstein at stannesmoms@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at 352-5904 for more information.

Saint Anne’s MOM’s
Breakfast with Santa, December 16 see page 11

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Professional Networking Group
Social—Please see page 2 for details

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 and 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.
## FAITH FORMATION

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### The Advent Wreath

Today we begin the season of Advent. The Advent Wreath is a home tradition that made its way into the Church’s liturgy. The color green symbolizes life, the evergreen reminds us that God’s love for us never changes, the circle of the wreath means that our life with God just keeps going, God keeps loving us. The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. The pink candle, which is lit on the Third Sunday of Advent reminds of joy, knowing that Jesus will come again.

### Advent Wreath Blessing

O God, bless our wreath and be with us as we prepare our hearts for the coming of your Son, Jesus.

As we light the candles each day, help us to remember to keep our hearts on fire with your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Prayer for the First Week of Advent

O God, show us your ways.

Teach us to follow your paths, and guide us in your truth, as we await in joyful hope the coming of your Son.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Family Mass

Please return unwrapped Christmas gifts and either a box of cereal or a jar of peanut butter for needy families next Sunday. This is a wonderful way to help families who are in need at this time in St. Martha’s parish in Uniondale.

Today Advent activity books will be given to the children at Family Mass.

Next Sunday, Dec. 9th we host hospitality after the Family Mass – please bring something to share – remember no nut products!

Our annual Christmas pageant will be held on Christmas Eve at 3:45PM - before Christmas Eve Family Mass. Any child who would like to take part in the pageant is welcome to participate. See S. Judy at Family Mass to sign up!

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### Please know that 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.
Christ’s first coming on Christmas fulfilled the Old Testament prophecies that God’s Messiah would come to restore all things new. Jesus’ public ministry showed us how God’s new reign would come about: by repenting and believing in the Gospel. In his second coming God’s glory and justice will be fully revealed. We find ourselves straddling the first and second comings of Christ. But Christ comes right now, foremost in the sacraments but no less through each of us. Recognizing Christ in the many sacramental comings of our everyday lives exchanges a holy love that makes us whole.

**A blessed Advent – Come, Lord, Jesus, come!**

### Readings for December 9

**Second Sunday of Advent**

- Baruch 5:1-9
- Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

### Saint Anne’s Children’s Choir

Our Children’s Choir’s next rehearsal will be **Monday, December 3 from 6-7PM** in Church. We are preparing to sing at Christmas Family Mass – Christmas Eve at 4:00PM. All children from Grades 3 and older are welcome to join the choir. The Children’s Choir sings at one mass a month and on special occasions. For more information contact Sr. Judy at sriudy@stannesgc.org or at the Parish office 352-5904.

### The Gospel of Saint Luke

As we begin the new Liturgical year our gospel readings switch to the Gospel according to Luke. Luke’s gospel and its sequel, the Acts of the Apostles, presents a narrative of early Christianity, from Gabriel announcing the birth of John the Baptist to the Apostle Paul announcing the Gospel of Jesus in Rome. Luke was a second generation Christian who may have been a Gentile. He was well educated, traveled widely, and wrote excellent Greek. Luke tells us directly that he is handing on what contemporaries of Jesus have reported. He wrote his gospel about fifty years after Jesus’ time and incorporated many stories and sayings from Mark, from a source also known as Matthew and from his own traditions. It is in Luke’s account that we hear of the mercy and concern that Jesus had for the people.

### RCIA at Saint Anne’s

Last Wednesday our RCIA group welcomed back those who have been part of the RCIA for the past five years. At this supper gathering we had a chance to share the RCIA experience and catch up with all who have been on this journey of faith.

Please keep our RCIA members in your prayer as they journey toward the Easter Sacraments.

Each year at the Easter Vigil and on Pentecost we celebrate the sacraments with those who have journeyed with the RCIA process. It is always a blessing for our parish and for each of us individually to experience the faith and commitment of our catechumens and candidates.

Perhaps you or someone you know would like to complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Communion and/or Confirmation), is of another Christian religion and would like to become a Catholic or is interested in becoming a Catholic through receiving the Sacrament of Baptism. **Our RCIA sessions are on Wednesday evenings at 7:30PM in the rectory meeting room.** Contact S. Judy at sriudy@stannesgc.org or at 352-5904 for more information.

**Members of the RCIA packing up food for the Thanksgiving Food Drive.**
**First Friday is December 7th - Holy Hour**

There will be a Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday, December 7th at 7:00PM in the St. Therese Chapel. COME JOIN US!** - The Nocturnal Adoration Society is a group of parishioners who spend one hour in Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament on the first Friday of every month.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered on **Thursday, December 6th at 4:30PM and Saturday at 4:00PM.** If you are unable to make it at the scheduled time, please call the rectory office at 352-5904 to make an appointment with a priest.

**Anointing of the Sick**

The Sacrament is available to those who are ill, bringing God’s healing and strength. Anointing of the Sick is especially appropriate for anyone with serious illness, whether physical, emotional or spiritual, those who are being admitted to the hospital, or anyone who is elderly. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated on the **first Saturday of each month at the 8:30AM Mass.** If a loved one is unable to come to church, please call the rectory for a home visit.

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**Religious Retirement Collection December 9th**

Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little or no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious.

*Please be generous.*

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**Catholic Daughters of America Court St. Anne #1077**

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00PM** in the school cafeteria. Please bring new baby items for Birthright to the meeting. Thank you.

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH**

**PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY**

**SUNDAY OFFERTORY**

- **Sunday, November 25, 2018**  
  $17,146
- **WeShare Electronic Contributions**  
  $3,584
- **Total Collection**  
  $20,730

- **Sunday, November 26, 2017**  
  $20,353
- **WeShare Electronic Contributions**  
  $3,363
- **Total Collection**  
  $23,716

**FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE OFFERTORY**

- **September 1, 2018- November 25, 2018**  
  $297,819
- **September 1, 2017- November 26, 2017**  
  $309,875

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**THIS SEASON, GIVE YOUR GIFTS ONLINE**

Visit stannesgc.weshareonline.org and click Make a Donation.

Select the collection or event of your choice.

Set up your donation or payment. That’s it!

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**Online Giving By WeShare**

Support your church today using your debit, credit cards, checking, or savings accounts.

**Or scan the QR code!**

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

- 1st Lt. William Allen, US Army
- Pvt. Nicholas Ballek, US Army; Pvt Charles Bosch, US Army
- Thomas Brown, US Army; L/Cpl. Neal T. Burke, USMC
- Capt. Anthony F. Califano, US Navy
- Master Sgt. Denis Cashin, USMC; Capt. Matthew Clements, US Army
- Lt. Cmdr. Brian Cunningham, Navy SEAL
- Capt. Christopher Dar Conte, USAF
- Lt. Corporal James Harkin, USMC; Major Kevin Joyce, US Army
- Sean Kelly, US Navy
- Michael Koster, Military Police, US Army Reserves
- Spec. Daniel R. MacFall, US Army
- Lance Cpl. James McCartin, USMC
- Ensign Glenn McKenna, US Navy; Cpl. Owen A. Monahan, USMC
- Capt. Thomas Safina, US Army Reserves; Capt. Tara Sutcliffe, USMC
- 2nd Lt. Kyle T. Walsh, US Army, Aviation
Did you know that 2019 is the 90th year of our parish of St. Anne?

Let’s celebrate this milestone throughout the year. They say that firsts are the best because they are beginnings so let’s plan on beginning each month of the year together as a parish family! Put a “Save the Date” on the first of every month in the New Year:

SAVE THE DATES!!!!

Tuesday, January 1, 2019
The Anniversary year will begin with an Opening Mass on the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. The Mass will be at 10:00AM.

Friday, February 1, 2019
Evening Prayer and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, March 1, 2019
Parish Party at the Garden City Hotel
Future events will be announced as they are scheduled.

Trivia answer: First Prize in the drawing was A TON OF COAL!!!

National Night of Prayer for Life
Saturday, December 8, 2018
A Holy Hour after the 5:00PM Mass

Uniting the Feast of the Immaculate Conception with the Feast of St. Juan Diego

On Saturday, December 8 directly after the 5:00PM Mass, please join St. Anne’s Respect Life Ministry for a holy hour. The National Night of Prayer for Life is a prayer service consisting of exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the Rosary, prayer to St. Michael, silent prayer and hymns. It was on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception (then celebrated on December 9th) that Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and the unborn, first appeared to St. Juan Diego. The National Night of Prayer for Life bridges these two feasts to honor Our Blessed Mother and to pray for the sanctity of all human life.

Youth Ministry

All High School Teens are Welcome!
Please join us for our next meeting
Tonight, December 2nd
6:30PM in the cafeteria

Saint Anne’s Youth Ministry is founded on three main values: faith, community and service. Teens come from various high schools and new members are always welcome. Pizza and snacks will be served. For more information, please contact

Bill Leone at bleone@stannesgc.org
Saint Anne’s School Sponsoring a Fund Drive

Congratulations to Saint Anne’s School’s fifth grade classes for sponsoring a fund drive for cancer patients. Our class leaders Courtney and Michael along with the Saint Anne’s School Family collected over 400 dollars for this worthy cause.

Knights of Columbus
Msgr. John Seidenschwang - Council # 11836
St. Anne’s Parish
Garden City, NY

Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism
Knights are Catholic men committed to working in the Family, Parish, Community and Nation to make it a better place.

A Knights of Columbus council can work wonders; in fact, with its many programs, it can help change a community.

Are You Ready to Become a Knight?
We welcome new prospective members to join us and participate in the Council’s programs and work.

Through our programs we strive to build our parish and our community which can only be done with the commitment of our members sharing their gifts and talents.

We graciously invite your help so we, the Council, can further the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism.

Please ask how you can add your gifts and talents to ours, so we can grow in our best efforts for our church community!

K of C Contact Information:

Name___________________________
Phone _____________________
Email_______________________
Best Time to Contact You

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St. Anne’s Church, Garden City, NY
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516 510 7997

Membership Donald DePol
516 775 3097

Chaplain Fr. Tim Valentine

Meetes the 2nd Wednesday of each month at
St. Anne’s School Cafeteria -
25 Dartmouth Street, Garden City, NY

St. Anne's Catholic Daughters
Court Saint Anne #1077

Annual Christmas Luncheon
The Westbury Manor
(Jericho Turnpike, Westbury)
Friday, December 7th - at 12 Noon

The cost is $43 per person.
Reservations must be paid in advance.
For more information and reservations, please call Peggy Fay at 352-5040.
Wedding Banns

Kerin-Leigh Boghosian
St. Anne’s, Garden City, NY
&
Brian Harrington
St. Anne, Garden City, NY

Breakfast with Santa sponsored by St. Anne’s MOMs

Sunday, December 16 at 9:00AM
in the school cafeteria

Please join us for a Breakfast with Santa catered by Tulip Deli
($15 per adult—cash only)
followed by Family Mass at 10:30AM

Please drop off the money with the registration form below at the rectory.

RSVP by December 10th

Family Name___________________

Adults________________________

Kids (free)____________________

Attending to Grief in a Season of Cheer
Tuesday, December 4th at 7:30PM
St. Thomas Parish Center

“Christmas...A time to remember loved ones, both here and in heaven. And a time to remember our own needs, as we seek healing and peace.”

St. Thomas Bereavement Ministry will host an evening to assist those in need during this Christmas season:

Opening Prayer
Presentation and discussion on helpful coping tips for the Christmas season
Hospitality

Please join us and let us help you through this difficult time. For additional information, please call Human Services at 538-7465.

PART TIME OUTREACH COORDINATOR
POSITION AVAILABLE

The Parish of a Western Nassau parish is seeking a Parish Social Ministry Coordinator. The PSM Coordinator will work with the volunteers (e.g., Core Workers) and SVDP conference members serving the clients who seek parish assistance through the food pantry and other support services.
This is a part-time position. A Bachelor’s degree and some experience in PSM preferred.
Multi-lingual/bi-lingual a plus (Spanish and/or Creole).

Please email cover letter and resume to:
Malloy.Paula@CatholicCharities.CC
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.
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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.

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2
7:00AM Dora Nespole
8:30 Marian Cassese & Stella Zenniro, John Regan, Ed McKeown, Jane McCloskey
10:00 Robert Blaze Zehndar - 14th Anniversary
10:30 Parishioners of St. Anne
11:45 Concetta DiStefano
5:30PM Robert Leonard

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3
7:30 Vincent Gulino
9:00 Erin McQuillan

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4
7:30 Bishop James McHugh
9:00 Costanza Maria Orlando

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5
7:30 Thomas Lewis
9:00 Rosemary D'Alessandro

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6
7:30 Alexander Hesterberg - 5th Anniversary
9:00 Felicia Zupich & Elizabeth Lindenber

FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7
9:00 Joan Deehan
5:00PM Vera Liu

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8 - The Immaculate Conception
8:30 Mary Ann Kick, Bernadette Askin & Francis Askin, Donald Desmond
10:00 Margaret Gavigan
5:00PM Josephine Griffio

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9
7:00AM Imelda Crimmins
8:30 Theresa Browne, Jerome Kaveney, Santa Fini, Jane McCloskey, Kathryn Razza
10:00 Pamela Winning
10:30 Frank & Maureen McCaughey
11:45 Parishioners of St. Anne
5:30PM Dorothy Alexis

Let us pray for those who have died
Anna Carpentier
Paul Colavita
James Rapacioli
Jean Tomitz

The Altar Bread & Wine for this week is in memory of Frank Aprea
Donated by The Pugh Family

We welcome those newly baptized
John Francisco Downey
Clark Philip Kinsler
Edith Lorraine Kinsler
Gwendolyn Florence Kinsler

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK - Please remember the following people
Victor Abrahamsen  Denise DeCrescito  Terese Karcher  Lauren Munafo
Rosemary Abruzzino  John DeOliviera  Carolyn Kast  Philip O'Connell
Stephanie Adamovicius  Sergio DeVincent  Terri King  Sally O'Conner
Catherine Amato  Unal Dinc  H.J. Kong  Dorothy O'Grady
Jodi Arciere  Margaret Donaldson  Carole Langan  Andrea O'Halloran
Garth Atchley  Patricia Durecko  Ricky Loew  Thomas Onorato, Jr.
Mary Bagnato  Rosemary Ecker  Chris Lynch  Vincent Panarella
Denise Bedelian  Michael Economos  Henry Lynk  Adelaine Parks
Kim Bily  Janet Fellingham  Patricia Maher  Mary Rose Parlato
William Brown  Michael Fitzgerald  Salvatore Manfre  Brian Pfai
Deacon George Browne  Sean Fitzsimons  Kevin Mansfield  Kelly Pfeffer
Gail Calma  Brendan Galligan  Luke Mapes  Kathleen Picha
Lisa Cantara  Brian Gormley  Danny Marquino  Silvio Pironi
Cathy Carroll  Anthony Greco  Dorothy McAleavey  Linda Safina
Kevin Carroll  Kenneth Green  Bob McAuliffe  Melissa Sarfin
Mary Curuano  Sean Green  John F. McCloskey, Jr.  Vinny Scheppa
Elizabeth Castellano  Fannie Hayden  Michael Meoni  Eileen Sharp
Bernadette Clarke  Rhett Hemingway  Vincent Milo  Michael Sigwalt
Anthony Corrao  Don Hess  Barbara Mohan  Mary Spadaro
Anthony Cuccia  Patrick Hughes Sr.  Gabriele Monastero  Catherine Sullivan
Pat Dalia  Donald Kalbacher  William Morgan  Jerome Vanora
Claire Decker  Joan Kalbacher  Jimmy Mulligan  Susan Williams
**Pastoral Staff**

**Pastor**  
Msr. Thomas Harold  

**Associate Pastor**  
Rev. Tim Valentine  

**Priest in Residence**  
Rev. Johnny R. Mendonca  

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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**

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**This Week at Saint Anne’s**

**Monday, December 3**
- 5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium  
- 6:00PM Children’s Choir - Church  
- 7:30PM Resilience Meeting - SJVR

**Tuesday, December 4**
- 5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium  
- 5:00PM CYO Chess - Library  
- 7:00PM Catholic Daughters - Cafeteria  
- 7:30PM HSA Board Meeting - Faculty Room  
- 7:30PM Boy Scouts - Library

**Wednesday, December 5**
- 9:30AM MOM’s Ministry - Cafeteria  
- 5:00PM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium  
- 7:00PM Knights of Columbus - Cafeteria  
- 7:30PM R.C.I.A. - SJVR

**Thursday, December 6**
- 2:30PM Altar Server training - Church  
- 7:30PM Families Anonymous - Faculty Room  
- 7:30PM Adult Choir - Church

**First Friday, December 7**
- 6:00PM Respite Care Program - Cafeteria & McCloskey Auditorium  
- 7:00PM Nocturnal Adoration - St. Therese Chapel

**Saturday, December 8 - Immaculate Conception**
- 8:00AM CYO - McCloskey Auditorium  
- 6:00PM Respect Life Holy Hour - Church

**Sunday, December 9 - 2nd Sunday of Advent**
- 11:30AM Family Mass Hospitality - Cafeteria  
- 4:00PM Families in Service - Cafeteria

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, December 8**
- 5:00PM - Fr. Tim

**Sunday, December 9**
- 7:00AM - Fr. Tom  
- 10:30AM - Fr. Tim  
- 8:30AM - Fr. Tim  
- 11:45AM - Fr. Tom  
- 10:00AM - Fr. Tom  
- 5:30PM - Fr. Tim

*Celebrant subject to change*