



When Jesus ascended to heaven, He called on His disciples to continue His mission. He asked them to proclaim the Gospel, to preach, to teach, to baptize, to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth. We too are called to continue the mission of the Lord. We too are called to reach out, to witness, to build up the body of Christ. To paraphrase the angels in the first reading, don't just stand around waiting!

Readings for this week (May 14-19)

Monday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26;	John 15:9-17
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27;	John 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38;	John 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30, 23:6-11;	John 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21;	John 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31;	John 21:20-25

Scripture for next Sunday (Pentecost)

Acts 2:1-11

As on Sinai, the Lord descends in fire and wind.

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

The Spirit calls the baptized to ministry for the common good.

John 20:19-23

On the first day of the week, the risen Christ imparts the Holy Spirit.

In John's Gospel on Pentecost, Jesus refers to the Holy Spirit as the Advocate: someone who supports us, who defends us. As we hear the readings next weekend, let us note the work of the Spirit in scripture and discern the Spirit's work in our lives. The coming of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles on the first Pentecost after Jesus' death and resurrection was a historical event, but it is also an event that occurs again and again over thousands of years.

INCENSE: Incense will be used at the 5:30p and the 11:30a Masses on Pentecost weekend (May 19/20).

Last 11:30 Mass time will be next Sunday, May 20.

The Mass time changes to the summer schedule (10:30a) beginning Sunday, May 27.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Your prayers are requested for **Joe Avento**, a member of our parish family, who died last weekend. Notes of sympathy may be sent to his wife, Connie, at 24 Kilmainhom Circle, Bristol, TN 37620.

**Sacrament
of
Eucharist**



First Eucharist

Congratulations to the following children who are receiving their First Holy Communion this weekend!

Caleb Craiger	Angelina DiBartolo
Maxwell Dye	Luke Early
Carlie Harmon	Noel Hernandez
Tripp Huff	Daley Jansen
Caroline Long	Anna Mullins
AJ Musick	Kinley Nygaard
Nyssa Onate	Ryan Pepin
Lola Rainero	Joshmely Rodriguez
Cami Sells	Nathan Sells
Madeline Shipley	Sophie Tibol

**Council of Catholic Women
Meeting: Monday, May 14**

The Council of Catholic Women will have a meeting this **Monday, May 14, at 6:30 p.m.** at the Bristol Columbian Center. All women are invited to attend and plan events for the coming year. For more information, contact Eileen Gibney at 423-652-7425 or egibneysas@yahoo.com.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday
"Come let us adore Him"**

Please join us this **Tuesday, May 15, 9:15am to 4:30pm**. Join us for an hour of prayer during the day and for **Benediction at 4:30 p.m.**

SAINT ANNE'S SCHOOL

Admissions Open for next school year!!

St. Anne's School is still admitting students for the next school year! It is not too late to apply for tuition assistance and we would LOVE to have your family join our family here at St. Anne's School!! If you are interested in receiving more information, please call 276-669-0048 or go to our website (www.stanne.schoolbristol.org).

SUMMER CAMPS at St. Anne's School!

Summer can be tiring for parents and for kids! Good news for you and your child... St. Anne's School will be offering summer camps this summer! We are still working out the details, but if you are interested, please contact the school and we will put you on the list to receive more information! Call the school office at 276-669-0048.

Prayer Groups meeting this week:

Wednesday, May 16 —

- Noon—1:00pm in the Chapel and
- 2:45pm—3:45pm, in the St. Vincent de Paul Center.

All are invited to attend. No preparation, no cost.

Join us for an hour of prayer!



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

- **Catechumens & Candidates** will meet this **Wed., May 16**, in the Great Room, **6:30pm-8:00pm**.
- **Mystagogy** will also meet at **6:30pm**. Please gather in the Great Room.
- **Inquirers** will meet in the office conference room. Stop by the Great Room for opening prayer at **6:30pm**.
- **Children's RCIA & Mystagogy** will gather in the hallway by the Great Room at **6:30pm** before going to class.

For more information about our RCIA, please contact Sydney Farnum at sydneyfarnum@stannes-bristol.org or call 276-669-8200 ext. 32.

ATTENTION CHOIR FOLKS!

Rehearsal this Wed., May 16 at 6:30 p.m. and the Choir will sing on Pentecost Sunday (May 20) at the 11:30 a.m. Mass.

St. Anne's Friendship Club will meet **THIS Thursday, May 17** at **11:30 a.m.** at the **Burger Bar** meeting room (Piedmont Station—8 Piedmont Ave., Bristol, VA).

Please call Gina Rossetti at 423-878-7827 by this Tues., May 15, to reserve your spot for lunch. New members are always welcome to join us!

Sunday School of Religion & Junior High of Religion Happenings

Sunday School and Junior High Religion Picnic

Sugar Hollow

May 20, 2018

3:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

See your child's catechist on Sunday, May 20 to sign up for the picnic.



Register for Vacation Bible School!

June 18-22

9am—noon

Grades K-5th

Junior High Students can be volunteers at VBS.

If you are working on getting Community Scholar hours this will go towards that.

Early Registration is greatly appreciated!!

Adult Faith Formation Committee (AFFC) members are reminded of our regularly scheduled monthly planning meeting on **Monday, May 21, at 4 p.m.** in the St. Vincent de Paul Center.

CDA meeting: Monday, May 21

Members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Our Lady of the Rosary local court #2624, are reminded of their meeting on **Monday, May 21** at the Bristol Columbian Center. Social time begins at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting will begin at 6 p.m. with the "Education Awards" to be presented to the winners. Please come and support the people who gave their time to enter and win. Our business meeting will follow with election of new officers. We look forward to seeing you there! Any Catholic lady wishing to join CDA, please call our Regent, Carol Reynolds, 276-591-1134 or Gina Rossetti, 423-878-7827. The CDA theme is "**For Him, we live and move and have our being**" Acts 17:2.

Don't Get Ride of it — Donate it!!

When you and your vehicle have come to the end of your journey together, don't get ride of it — donate it! Commonwealth Catholic Charities accepts cars, boats, RVs and many other vehicles — and they can even tow them away for you. Donating is easy and your gift is tax deductible. Call 804-285-5900 or visit www.cccofva.org/donate to learn more.

HOLY WATER

There are holy water bottles available by request in the church office. Stop by the office if you would like to get a holy water bottle so you can have holy water in your home. Keep in mind that the holy water in the font has already been blessed by the prayers of the priest. *Please also keep in mind that holy water from the church font is NOT for drinking.*



Masses For The Week

Saturday, May 12 (Vigil of Ascension)

5:30 p.m. †Tonette Davidson

Sunday, May 13 (Ascension of the Lord)

8:30 a.m. †Ruth Taylor

11:30 a.m. †Lorraine Smith

2:00 p.m. Parishioners (Spanish Mass)

Tuesday, May 15

8:30 a.m. †Frank Hanson

Wednesday, May 16

8:30 a.m. †Thalia Cooper

Thursday, May 17

6:00 p.m. †Peter Prank & family

Friday, May 18

7:30 a.m. †Barry Brady

Saturday, May 19 (Vigil of Pentecost)

5:30 p.m. †Louis Przystas

Sunday, May 20 (Pentecost)

8:30 a.m. †Mike Yaromey

11:30 a.m. †Mary Pat Flanagan

2:00 p.m. Parishioners (Spanish Mass)

This Week in Adult Faith Formation

Sunday, May 13:

- SMARE is now on summer break. Classes resume in September.

Monday, May 14:

- **Monday Adult Faith Formation. The Mystery of God — Atheism and What We Mean by "God"**. All are welcome to join this study group. **1:00pm-2:30pm in the St. Vincent de Paul Center.**

Tuesday, May 15:

- **Book Club. 10:30-11:30am in the St. Vincent de Paul Center. To Light A Fire on the Earth** by Bishop Robert Barron
- **Tuesday Evening Scripture Study 6:30-8:00pm in the St. Vincent de Paul Center. "Eucharist-Mysteries of the Tabernacle: The Bread of the Presence".**

Wednesday, May 16:

- **Little Rock Scripture Study, 1:00pm-2:30pm in the St. Vincent de Paul Center. The Pastoral Letters**
- **RCIA: 6:30 p.m. in the Great Room.**

For more information about any of the above programs, email sydneyfarnum@stannes-bristol.org or call 276-669-8200 ext. 32.



PARISH SUPPORT

E-giving Report (April 16-30)

Regular/Operating	\$3,765.
School 2nd Collection	\$ 255.
Catholic Virginian 2nd Coll.	\$ 45.

Collection Report (May 5/6)

Regular/Operating	\$10,524.
School 2nd Collection	\$ 4,229.
Add'l Catholic Virginian	\$ 132.
Add'l Holy Day/Easter	\$ 5.
BFIA	\$ 75.
Diocesan Home Missions	\$ 50.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Diocesan Home Missions — May 12/13

St. Anne's School — June 2/3

Holy Father/Peter's Pence—June 10/11



VACATIONING?

Your PARISH
BILLS DON'T!
Remember your
SUNDAY ENVELOPE

**2018 Annual Diocesan Appeal:
*Building Our Family of Faith***

If you made a pledge to the 2018 Appeal, the Diocese has begun sending reminders so you can fulfill your pledge. Please note that if you chose an auto-debit off your checking account or credit card, you will not receive a reminder.

It is important for all our parishioners to complete their pledges. The assistance that is provided to the ministries and programs the Appeal supports, such as grants to our mission parishes, heating and grocery assistance to families, health insurance for our retired priests and tuition for our future priests to attend the seminary, is based on what is collected.

In addition, all parishes receive back a portion of their amounts collected. This means the more the Appeal collects, the more we can address our important parish needs. This year, the fund returned to us will be used for our parish debt.

Thank you for your continued support of the important ministries and programs that are made possible due to the generosity of the Annual Appeal.

Senior High Youth Ministry (Grades 9-12)

Upcoming Schedule:

- May 13—NO SHYM
 - Mother's Day!
- May 20—Youth Group (BYC 6:00pm-8:00pm)
 - "What would Jesus do?"
- May 27—NO SHYM
 - Labor Day Weekend!

BLOOD DRIVE: MAY 16

Calling all BLOOD DONORS!!

Please sign up in the commons this weekend (May 12/13) or contact Rosie M. in the parish office at 276-669-8200 ext. 0 or stannes@stannes-bristol.org to come donate blood here **THIS Wednesday, May 16**. The Marsh Regional Bloodmobile will be at the Msgr. Hickie center on that date from **2 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** We are **in need of more folks willing to donate blood**. Please consider this request — will you ***Give the Gift of Life?*** Free snacks and T-shirt!!



**Give Blood.
Give Life.**



Blessed is the ***Mother***

Who lets the ***Lord*** be her guiding hand,
Whose faith brings her family courage,
Whose wisdom comes from ***God***
And whose children stand and honor ***Her***.

**May God bless all mothers,
those living and those who are deceased.**

**"She openeth her mouth with wisdom;
And in her tongue is the law of kindness.**

Proverbs 31:26

Happy Mother's Day!