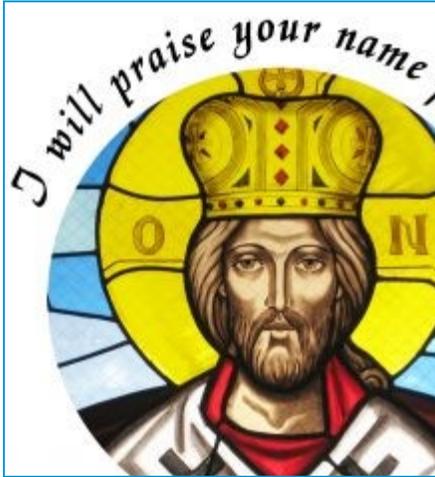


It's been nearly a month since Easter Sunday, but there's a reason that we celebrate this event for so long. The Resurrection changes everything. A whole new world has been opened up to us. No wonder God says, "**Behold, I make all things new**" in the vision from Revelation that we hear today. As we celebrate this liturgy, let us thank and praise God for all the ways in which our lives have been made new.



**Readings for this Week (May 20-25)**

Monday:	Acts 14:5-18;	John 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28;	John 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6;	John 15:1-8
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21;	John 15:9-11
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31;	John 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10;	John 15:18-21

**Scripture for next Sunday (6th Sunday of Easter)**

**Acts 15:1-2, 22-29**

Faced with controversy, the disciples reach a decision under the Holy Spirit's guidance.

**Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23**

John sees the city of God illumined in splendor.

**John 14:23-29**

Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit to guide his followers.

*As we approach Pentecost, let us consider the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. Jesus teaches his disciples that they will be able to rely on the Holy Spirit for guidance and instruction. Indeed, next Sunday in Acts we see the leaders of the church trusting the Holy Spirit to guide them in deciding what to require of Gentile converts. As we listen to God's word next Sunday, let us recall the gifts of the Holy Spirit: **wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord.***

**PRAYERS REQUESTED**

We ask your prayers for St. Anne parishioner **Bernie Raykowitz** who died recently. Notes may be sent to his family c/o his daughter, Mary Raykowitz, at 304 Oak Rd., Bristol, TN 37620.

**A Message from Father Chris....**

I am always interested in learning new things. Last week I had to Google the word "dox". I saw it being used on Twitter and had never heard it before. This is how Dictionary.com defines the word dox: search for and publish private or identifying information about (a particular individual) on the Internet, typically with malicious intent.

I am sure everyone is dying to know why I decided to look up that particular word. It is because I saw several friends of mine responding to the Twitter posts of Pennsylvania State Representative Brian Sims. Representative Sims was live-streaming on Twitter offering people \$100.00 to dox three teenage girls he filmed praying outside a Planned Parenthood clinic in Philadelphia. He then made several posts defending his actions — calling Christians Bible bullies, racists, and bigots among other things.

The first suggestion I would offer this man is that before he calls anyone a racist, he should look up the many books and letters written by the founder of Planned Parenthood in her own hand and see what she had to say about immigrants and minorities in the United States. I am not the only one who would benefit from seeking to learn new things.

I chose to write about this, not just because it made me angry to see this happening, but also because it is a very important issue we should all be discussing. It relates to many things I have mentioned in my homilies in recent weeks. This is about so much more than supporting the pro-life movement. This is an attack on Christianity. This is an attack on who we are. It is an attack from an elected official speaking from a position of power.

This is not the first time our faith has been attacked in this way, nor will it be the last. Last week, I wrote about the importance of being able to talk about our faith. My fear is that the more people in positions of power say things like this about our faith, not only will more people believe them, but more people will be afraid to talk about their faith out of fear of being attacked. Two weeks ago, I ended my homily by stating how we should be responding to attacks like this. We should not respond with anything that will resemble the tactics used to attack what we believe. We should respond by boldly demonstrating the love of Christ in our lives. While other people call us "Bible bullies", let the world see by our example what it really means to be a disciple of Christ.

**MASS TIME CHANGES NEXT SUNDAY!**

**Summer Schedule: beginning May 26**

**Mass at 10:30a (instead of 11:30)**

CDA Members are reminded of their meeting this **Monday, May 20** at the Columbian Center. Social time at 5:30 and meeting begins at 6 p.m. We will assemble “Personal Care” kits for Bristol Faith in Action to give to those in need. Please come and join us.



(Any Catholic lady wishing to join CDA, please call our Regent, Carol Reynolds, 276-494-6883.) The CDA theme is **“For Him, we live and move and have our being.”** Acts 17:2

**NO Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Tuesday, May 21**, as Fr. Chris will be away. Join us next Tuesday, **May 28** for Adoration in the Chapel, 9:15am-4:30pm.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** is reminded of our gathering this **Wednesday, May 22**, at 10 a.m. in the St. Vincent de Paul Center. New members are always welcome to join us!

### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults RCIA**

- **Catechumens & Candidates** will meet **Wednesday, May 22** in the **Great Room, 6:30pm-8:00pm**.
- **Inquirers** will meet in the office conference room. Stop by the **Great Room** for opening prayer at **6:30pm**.
- **Children’s RCIA** will gather in the **Great Room** at **6:30pm** before going to class.
- **Mystagogy** will meet in the school library after opening prayer in the **Great Room at 6:30pm**.

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

### **NEW PARISH DIRECTORY**

Last Call FOR PHOTOS!!! If you forgot what date/time you signed up to have your photo taken OR if you haven’t yet scheduled a time for your family photo— **call the office this Tuesday between 9a and 1p**, or contact the Directory Committee Chairman, Linda Williams at 276-494-6103 or email her at [LMEWMS@aol.com](mailto:LMEWMS@aol.com). FINAL DAYS for PHOTOS: May 22-25. (Photos are being taken at the Msgr. Hickie Center.)

### **The Family Fully Alive—Building the Domestic Church Prayers, Meditations and Activities to Enrich Your Family Life**

Be sure to pick up this FREE booklet and many others in the display rack in the vestibule. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for donating these free materials.

### **Please take note!**

There WILL BE Mass this Tuesday, May 21 at 8:30a in the Chapel; then Fr. Chris will be leaving later in the day for Richmond so No Adoration & No Confessions on Tuesday. Fr. Tim Drake will be here for the School Mass at 8:30a on Wednesday. (Fr. Chris has Priests’ Council in Richmond on Wednesday and then the Priests’ Benefits Committee meeting on Thursday morning, then will travel back to Bristol — so No Confessions at 5p Thursday, however Father Chris WILL BE back for Mass at 6p on Thursday.



### **Please Help Us Support Our School!**

### **PTO Walk-A-Thon Spring Fundraiser**

The Students will be participating in a Walk-A-thon on May 30 to raise funds to purchase educational materials and technology for our school. Fr. Chris will be walking with the students to support this event. Our students & Fr. Chris need sponsors!! With enough support, Fr. Chris might even be the top earner and win a prize! **The School will be collecting donations in the commons after Masses next weekend, May 25/26**. Checks can be made payable to Saint Anne’s PTO. Business sponsorships are also available—for more info, contact Eileen Panasewicz at [eb.panasewicz@gmail.com](mailto:eb.panasewicz@gmail.com). **Thank you for your support of Saint Anne’s School!!**

### **FAMILY PROMISE of Bristol**

St. Anne’s parish will again host Family Promise the **week of June 9-15**. **VOLUNTEERS are needed** for set-up, meals, hosts from 5:30-8:30p, and overnight hosts; as well as for clean-up. There will be Volunteer Sign-up Sheets in the commons NEXT weekend, May 25/26.

**Please consider volunteering for this most worthwhile outreach program.** We currently have two mothers and two daughters that we will be hosting.

We are also in need of non-perishable items such as condiments, breakfast items, lunch items, drinks and snacks—Bring in donated food items when you come to Mass the weekend of June 1 & 2.

**Incense allergies???** We do have several weekends coming up on the liturgical calendar where we will be using incense. We DO NOT ever use incense at the 8:30a Mass on Sunday morning. There WILL BE INCENSE USED at the other Masses all weekends in June as follows:

June 1 & 2	(Ascension)
June 8/9	(Pentecost)
June 16/17	(Most Holy Trinity)
June 22/23	(Body and Blood/Corpus Christi)

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

- Saturday, May 18** (*Vigil: 5th Sunday of Easter*)  
5:30 p.m. †Maureen Guckert
- Sunday, May 19** (*Fifth Sunday of Easter*)  
8:30 a.m. †Sally Piazza Sperrazza  
& †Salvatore Anthony Sperrazza  
11:30 a.m. †Joseph Sperrazza and †Lisa Sperrazza  
2:00 p.m. Parishioners (*Spanish Mass*)
- Tuesday, May 21**  
8:30 a.m. †Frank Dehler
- Wednesday, May 22**  
8:30 a.m. †Bernie Raykowitz
- Thursday, May 23**  
6:00 p.m. †Regina C. Finan
- Friday, May 24**  
8:30 a.m. †Michalina Bliznik & Family
- Saturday, May 25** (*Vigil: 6th Sunday of Easter*)  
5:30 p.m. †Tonette Davidson
- Sunday, May 26** (*Sixth Sunday of Easter*)  
8:30 a.m. †Fay Anne Carmack  
**10:30 a.m.** †Lou Pingo  
2:00 p.m. Parishioners (*Spanish Mass*)



**Senior High Youth Ministry (Grades 9-12)**

**Upcoming Schedule:**

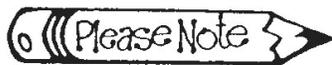
- **May 19—Youth Group (BYC 6:00-8:00pm)**
  - The Mystery Revealed
- **May 26—NO SHYM**
  - Memorial Day Weekend
- **Monday, June 4—Summer Fun (BYC 6:00-8:00pm)**
  - Ice Cream Social
- **June 22-28—Work Camp**
  - Wise County, VA

**Collection Report (May 11/12)**

Regular/Operating \$9,155.  
Addtl School 2nd Collection \$ 545.

**Upcoming 2nd Collections:**

June 1 & 2 School  
June 8/9 Diocesan Home Missions  
June 22/23 Holy Father/Peter's Pence



Don't forget—TODAY (May 19)  
is our last 11:30 Mass time —  
**beginning next Sunday, May 26,**  
the Summer Mass time will be **10:30a**  
(until AFTER Labor Day).

**This Week in Adult Faith Formation:**

**Sunday, May 19:**

- **Sunday Morning Adult Religious Education Class (SMARE)** join us for the final lesson on “The Mass” **9:45am-11:00am** in the Great Room. All are invited.

**Monday, May 20:**

- **Monday Adult Faith Formation, 1:00pm-2:30pm**, in the St. Vincent de Paul Center—“The Mass”. All are welcome to join us!

**Tuesday, May 21:**

- **Book Club:** 10:30-11:30am, at the St. Vincent de Paul Center. “*Into His Likeness—Be transformed as a Disciple of Christ*” by Edward Sri
- **Tuesday Evening Scripture Study:** 6:30pm-8:30pm, St. Vincent de Paul Center. *The Bible and the Virgin Mary*. No need to sign-up—all are welcome to join us.

**Wednesday, May 22:**

- **Little Rock Scripture Study, 1:00-2:30pm**, in the Saint Vincent de Paul Center. *The Book of Exodus*
- **RCIA 6:30pm in the Great Room.**

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

**Prayer Group meeting this week: Wed., May 22, 2:45pm-3:45pm in the St. Vincent de Paul Center.**

All are invited to attend. No preparation.

**“Annie” the Musical**

**Wolfahrt Dinner Theatre—Wytheville, VA**

St. Anne parishioner *Lucy Tester* (the daughter of Daniel & Amy Tester) is performing in the role of “Annie” at the Wolfahrt Theatre in Wytheville in May & June. Upcoming dates that Lucy is in this role are: Thursday, May 23 (Meal begins at 12N, followed by the musical); Saturday, May 25 (Meal at 6p, followed by the musical); Thursday, May 30 (meal at 12N, followed by the musical). As this bulletin goes to the publisher, the office doesn't yet have the June dates for Lucy's performances, but contact the parish office if you need those dates. Cost (which includes the meal, show & tax): adults/\$45.48, seniors age 55+/\$43.48, students over age 12/\$32.48, children 12 & under/\$27.86. For reservations call 1-888-950-3382 / 1-276-223-0891. The Wolfahrt Dinner Theatre is located at 170 Malin Drive in Wytheville, VA. Drive-time from St. Anne's is approx. one hour/10 minutes (take I-81 North and then take exit 73). *The sun will come out tomorrow—bet your bottom dollar!*

**LOOKING AHEAD just a bit....**

The parish office will be closed Mon., May 27 for the *Memorial Day Holiday* (but the bulletin deadline is still 12N—  
Leave message at 276-669-8200 ext. 0 or email [stannes@stannes-bristol.org](mailto:stannes@stannes-bristol.org)



**Give Blood.  
Give Life.**

**Calling all Blood Donors!!** Sign up this weekend or next in the commons to come donate blood on **Wed., May 29 from 2p-6:30p** at the Msgr. Hickie Center; (or you can contact Rosie M. in the office to sign-up — 276-669-8200 ext. 0 or [stannes@stannes-bristol.org](mailto:stannes@stannes-bristol.org)). **THANK YOU to all our donors**—at the recent Marsh Awards Luncheon for 2018 donations — St. Anne's got 2nd Place in the Church category!! Gosh—with a few more donors at each Blood Drive.... Maybe we could hit 1st place this year ???!!!

**Priest Appreciation Day** is this Friday, May 24. Take a moment to thank the priests you know for their commitment and dedication to serving God's people.

**A special note...**

Our family wishes to thank each of you for the kindness shown to us during the loss of my sister **Ethel Plishka**. Thank you for the cards, calls, visits, texts and prayers during our difficult time. May God bless you.

*Andy Czick & family*

**USHER SAFETY TRAINING**

There will be an usher safety training class in the commons area on **Thursday, June 13 @ 6:45 PM**. All current ushers and any new people interested in becoming part of the usher/safety team are encouraged to attend this training session. Safety issues are a growing concern in our churches today and ushers need the proper guidelines and tools to learn how to keep our parish safe. Please make every effort to attend this training so we can assure our parish is safe before, during, and after all Masses.

**Save the dates for Vacation Bible School:**

**The week of: June 17-21 from 6:30pm-8pm  
For Grades: Rising K—Rising 7th**

Jr. & Sr. High students can be volunteers at VBS.

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

**Vacation Bible School 2019**

At *Roar!* VBS, your children will learn that when life is unfair, scary, changes, sad —God is GOOD. When life is Good, GOD IS GOOD! Registration material was sent home with SSR & SAS students. Please fill out registration form and return with fees to the basket in the commons.