

As we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, let us not forget that the word "eucharist" means "thanksgiving." The Greek word *eukharistia* is used to describe what Jesus did before sharing his body and blood at the Last Supper. Today, as always, we give thanks to God for all the blessings we have received and continue to receive, especially for Jesus Christ, God's only Son, whom we receive in a special way today in the Eucharist.



Readings for this week (Oct 14-19)

Monday:	Romans 1:1-7	Luke 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Romans 8:22-27	John 15:1-8
Wednesday:	Romans 2:1-11	Luke 11:42-46
Thursday:	Philippians 3:17-4:1	John 12:24-26
Friday:	2 Timothy 4:10-17b	Luke 10:1-9
Saturday:	Romans 4:13. 16-18	Luke 12:8-12

Scripture for next Sunday
(29th Sunday/Ordinary Time)

Exodus 17:8-13

As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight.

2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

The scriptures train you to stay with the task.

Luke 18:1-8

Be persistent in prayer, especially in the pursuit of justice.

October is Respect Life Month

“Christ our HOPE: In Every Season of Life”

Today the gift of life is threatened in countless ways. Those who are most vulnerable, rather than receiving the protection they deserve, are all too often seen as a burden and as expendable. As new attacks on human life continue to emerge, we can be tempted to despair, but Christ instead offers us unfailing hope.

Hope is not false optimism or empty positivity. Christian hope is something much more profound and goes to the very depths of our identity as followers of Christ.

Hope is the virtue “by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ’s promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit” (CCC 1817).

Stop by the Respect Life Table in the commons to pick-up interesting reading materials and other respect life items during the month of October as we continue in prayer for respect of all life from conception to natural death.



Last week, I wrote about the problems that arise using labels like liberal and conservative to describe people within the Church. There are trends that develop in our society, and in our Church, and it is important that we are able to understand them. Assigning labels to people once again is an excuse to dismiss what is happening as a superficial movement and not really understand what is going on in people's lives. When we do this around evangelization, we will continue to lose the battle.

There has been a trend in the Church over the last fifteen years or more that has seen a resurgence in older traditions of the Church. This has been especially popular among younger Catholics. Some go as far as finding a renewed interest in the Latin Mass, even though they are not old enough to remember a time when this was the norm. Most however, are simply looking for a more traditional approach to their faith, and rediscovering more traditional styles of prayer and devotion.

Many people dismiss these ideas as being old and out of touch. They say these younger Catholics are just too conservative and are trying to undo the reforms of Vatican II. Take the time to get to know some of these younger Catholics however, and you will see there is an entirely different motivation behind what they are doing. They actually have no interest in undoing any reforms seen in the Church. Most are simply trying to recreate something that has been lost.

Prior to Vatican II, there was a very distinct Catholic subculture in the United States. Catholic communities were very close knit groups, and most Catholics regarded their faith as a major part of their identity. Talk to young adult Catholics today who are embracing more traditional styles of worship. They will tell you that rather than trying to turn back the reforms of the past fifty years, they are attempting to recreate the Catholic subculture that once existed in this country.

I've spoken often about my own time away from the Church, and how young adult ministry did so much to help me take ownership of my faith. I wasn't able to articulate this at the time, in fact I was on the verge of graduating from the seminary before I put it all together, but it was the subculture I discovered in young adult ministry that promoted a strong Catholic identity that made all the difference for me. It was something that not only prompted me to take ownership of my faith, but it gave me much greater pride in my faith. I was proud to be Catholic and to be known as Catholic, even in a society that is not always kind to our faith. I believe this is something not only our young people are seeking. As we seek to evangelize those around us, we must not abandon the attempts to create a stronger Catholic identity within our own parishes that will inspire people to make their faith a more important part of their lives.

Senior High Youth Ministry (Grades 9-12)

- **Oct. 13—Youth Group** (BYC 6:00-8:00 p.m.)
 - The “In” Crowd
- **Oct. 20—Youth Group** (BYC 6:00-8:00 p.m.)
 - Contents Under Pressure
 - **Confirmation Class**
- **Oct. 26—Fun Night! (7:15am-11:45pm)**
This is a SATURDAY!! ■ Dollywood!!
- **Oct. 27—NO SHYM**
 - Due to the late night at Dollywood

Junior High Youth Ministry (Grades 7 & 8)

- **Oct. 13—Youth Group** (BYC 6:00-8:00 p.m.)
- **Oct. 19—Diocesan Middle School Youth Rally**
(6:00am-9:30pm) - **This is a SATURDAY!**
 - Charlottesville, VA
- **Oct. 20—NO JHYM** (Due to Middle School Rally)
- **Oct. 26—Fun Night! (7:15am-11:45pm)**
This is a SATURDAY!! ■ Dollywood!!
- **Oct. 27—NO JHYM**
 - Due to the late night at Dollywood

The parish office will be closed Monday, October 14, for Columbus Day. Bulletin deadline for the Oct. 20 bulletin is still 12N on October 14. Leave message at 276-669-8200 ext. 0 or at stannes@stannes-bristol.org.

Fr. Chris will be at the diocesan Priests’ Convocation this week. **No weekday Mass or Confessions** this Tuesday thru Friday.

CCW Meeting

The Council of Catholic Women is having a meeting on Monday, October 14 at the Columbian Center. Please join us for refreshments at 6:00pm followed by the meeting at 6:30pm. For more information contact Eileen Gibney at 423-652-7425 or egibneysas@yahoo.com.

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Many thanks to the hard working crew who helped with fall planting and mulching last weekend. We appreciate your efforts and support.

NO Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this Tuesday, October 15. Fr. Chris will be out of town. Join us again next **Tuesday, October 22, 9:00am-4:30pm.**

For your Info: The Paraclete Bookstore of Knoxville will NOT be coming this year, as they have in years past. They are in the midst of a restructuring and we hope at some point in the future that they may again be able to visit us.

SAVE THE DATES!!

November 17, 18 and 19 -7:00pm
“Christ-lock: Identity Theft No More”

A parish mission directed by Fr. Bill Garrott, O.P.

Where can you go to experience daily Mass, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, six opportunities to go to confession within three days, great music, and a grace-filled evangelical moment in your life and the life of the parish? Right here, in your own parish community. Plan to join us at our Fall Parish Mission with Fr. Bill Garrott. Bring a friend!

Evangelization Committee Members are reminded of our meeting this **Wednesday, October 16, at 9:30am** in the St. Vincent DePaul Center. New members are always welcome to join the committee.

TAKE NOTE

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Change in deadline for your dates to be scheduled. Please notify the office NLT 4:00pm **THIS Wednesday, October 16** of any dates you are unable to serve from Nov. 1 thru the weekend of Nov. 27. Puck up your schedules in the commons next weekend. This schedule will be for the month of November only.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—RCIA

- **Catechumens & Candidates** will meet this **Wednesday, October 16**, in the Greatroom 6:30pm-8:00pm.
- **Inquirers** will meet in the office conference room after opening prayer in the **Greatroom at 6:30pm.**
- **Children’s RCIA** will gather in the hallway by the Greatroom at 6:30pm before going to class.

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

St. Anne’s Friendship Club

Meeting LOCATION change for St. Anne’s Friendship Club — We will meet on **Thursday, October 17, 2019** at **11:30 a.m.** at the **MAD GREEK** restaurant on the Volunteer Parkway. Please call Gina Rossetti at 423-878-7827 by Tuesday, October 15 to reserve your spot for lunch. New members are always welcome to join us!!

Looking ahead just a bit...

BULLETIN DEADLINE for the Oct. 27 bulletin will be on **SUNDAY, Oct.20 by 1:00pm.** (The parish office will be closed Monday, Oct. 21)



Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 12 (*Vigil: 28th Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

5:30 p.m. †Rose Rotella

Sunday, October 13 (*28th Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

8:30 a.m. †Anna Grace Cooper

11:30 a.m. †Geraldine Fleenor

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

(*NO weekday Masses this week: Priest Convocation*)

Saturday, October 19 (*Vigil: 29th Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

5:30 p.m. †John Paloian

Sunday, October 20 (*29th Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

8:30 a.m. †Anna Cooper

11:30 a.m. †Recently deceased CDA members

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



CHURCH SUPPORT

E-giving Sept. 16-30

Regular/Operating \$3,460

School/2nd Collection \$ 245

Retired Religious/2nd Collection \$ 155

Collection Report (October 5-6)

Regular/Operating \$ 11,682.17

School/2nd Collection \$ 2,903.00

Add'l Retired Religious \$ 550.00

Catholic World Missions \$ 100.00

Mission Cooperative \$ 500.00

All Saints Holy Day \$ 100.00

BFIA \$ 75.00

Upcoming Second Collections:

Oct. 19/20 Catholic World Missions

Oct. 26/27 Mission Cooperative

(*for Gate City and Dungannon*)

Anna Cooper Memorial Fun Run/Walk

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 19, 7:30a/T-shirt pick up

8:30a: Run/walk start time

(*3 mile run / 1 1/2 mile walk*)

WHERE: Whitetop Creek Park, Bristol, TN

(*located off Hwy 394 near BMS*)

Please join Todd & Jennifer Cooper & family as they host a Run/Walk in memory of their daughter Anna who passed away in June of cancer. All donations will be sent to **Anna's Backpack Buddies Fund** at Tennessee Tech which provides meals to underprivileged youth. For more information, contact Jennifer Cooper at tjcoop@btes.tv or call her at 423-366-2885.

This Week in Adult Faith Formation:

Sunday, October 13:

- **SMARE** (Sunday Morning Adult Religious Education) **Jesus Revealed-Encountering Jesus in his Biblical Names- "The Word"**. 9:45am-11:00am in the Great Room. Everyone welcome, no need to sign up. Next Sunday, **October 20: "I AM"** in the Great Room.

Monday, October 14:

- **Monday Adult Faith Formation: 1:00-2:30pm** in the St. Vincent de Paul Center. **The Catechism-Pillar 2- The Sacraments** All are welcome to join us!

Tuesday, October 15:

- **Book Club: 1030-11:30am** at the St. Vincent de Paul Center. **The Great Divorce** by C.S. Lewis.
- **Tuesday Evening Scripture Study: "The Bible and the Virgin Mary-Journey through Scripture— Always a Mother"** 6:30-8:00pm, in the St. Vincent de Paul Center. All are welcome to join us!

Wednesday, October 16:

- **Wednesday Scripture Study Group, "Gospel According to John" 1:00-2:30pm** at the St. Vincent de Paul Center. All are welcome to join the group!
- **RCIA at 6:30 p.m.**

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

Wednesday Prayer Group, October 16, 2:45-3:45 p.m. at the St. Vincent de Paul Center. All are invited to join us for an hour of prayer.

Singer/Song-writer Jason Harrod

King University Institute for Faith and Culture presents Jason Harrod for two special concerts, tomorrow, Monday, October 14th at King Memorial Chapel at 9:15am and at the Birthplace of Country Music Museum at 7:00pm. All are invited.

Food City School Bucks: It's that time of year to reconnect your Food City ValuCards to St. Anne's School. Link your card to our school at the register or online at foodcity.com/schoolbucks. **Our Food City # is 41037. Every year we need to re-link our cards to the school.** Thank you for your support!

Kroger School Rewards: Kroger shoppers can help our school raise money each time you shop. Please create or go to your Kroger accounts online at <https://www.kroger.com/> and link your card to our school: **Our School ID is: WD 160.** Thank You!

If you have any questions about the Food City School Bucks or Kroger School Rewards, Please contact Angie Bush at 276-669-0048 or email her at abush@stanne-schoolbristol.org.

St. Anne's Catholic School
Celebrating our 70th Anniversary Year!

Come to the school library for the Fall Scholastic Book Fair. The book fair will be open from 7:45am-7:00pm on Tuesday, October 22nd and from 7:45am-4:00pm October 23-25th. This is a great opportunity to get some early Christmas shopping done. All purchases will help us add new books to the school library and classrooms. Contact Angie Bush at 276-669-0048 if you have any questions. Happy Reading!

Parish Family Night returns Wednesday, November 6
"Eucharist in the Scripture"

Mark your calendars!

Parish Family Night: Dinner, prayer, presentation by Father Chris, activities for the children and teens—a true night of faith enrichment and community building with your parish family. Please plan to attend and watch the bulletin for more details in the coming weeks. There will be a sign-up sheet on the table in the commons later this month for those attending the dinner. You do not have to sign-up to attend the presentation.

Pray for Vocations!



ROSARY and Breakfast
Saturday, October 19th

October is the Month of the Rosary. The Council of Catholic Women is sponsoring a Rosary and Breakfast on Saturday, October 19, 2019. The Rosary will begin at **9:00am**. Fr. Francis will give a commentary on Mary and the Rosary. Breakfast will follow. All members of the parish are invited. The Council plans this event to be a special time for us to come together as a community to pray for the Church, the Clergy, and the Laity. As Church, we wish to revere Our Blessed Mother Mary. Please bring your rosary and join us. Sign up this weekend (October 12 /13). For more information, please contact Joyce Denton at 276-669-3224 or Barbara Dittmar at 276-669-3144.

BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Monday, Tuesday and Saturday evenings

Your help will enable this important ministry of our parish & school to continue. To learn more, contact the parish office!