



Today we celebrate the *Solemnity of Christ the King*, acknowledging that Jesus Christ is above all temporal rulers — past, present, or future. We also recognize that Jesus Christ should reign in our lives, guiding us in our thoughts, our decisions, and our conduct. In both the universe that is the entire world and the universe that is our own heart, *Jesus Christ is Lord!*

Readings for this Week

Monday: Revelation 14:1-3, 4b-5; Luke 21:1-4
Tuesday: Revelation 14:14-19; Luke 2:5-11
Wednesday: Revelation 15:1-4; Luke 21:12-19
Thursday: Rev. 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a; Luke 21:20-28
Friday: Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22
Saturday: Revelation 22:1-7; Luke 21:34-36

Scripture for next Sunday (1st Sunday of Advent)

Jeremiah 33:14-16

I will raise up for David a just shoot.

1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2

May the Lord make you abound in love.

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Be vigilant at all times.

The Gospel on the **1st Sunday of Advent** always concerns the end of the world, when Jesus will return to call us home. How should we prepare for this day that Luke calls an “assault”? Saint Paul’s words to the Thessalonians are no less apt today than they were then: *“Conduct yourselves to please God.”* May this Advent season concentrate our attention on how we treat each other, for we know that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters, we do for the Lord.

Bloodmobile here

This Wednesday

Nov. 28

2p—6:30p

at the Msgr. Hickie Center



Contact the parish office (276-669-8200 ext 0 or stannes@stanne-bristol.org) to sign-up to donate, or just stop in.

PLEASE... GIVE the GIFT of LIFE!!

**The new liturgical year (cycle C)
begins next weekend (Dec. 1 & 2)
with the First Sunday of Advent!**

A Message from Father Chris...

Without a doubt the saddest moment of my time in seminary came when I was living here in Bristol. I received the news that our beloved vice rector, Fr. Tony Perez suffered a heart attack while playing racket ball with some seminarians and died suddenly. Fr. Perez was a great inspiration to us all. He was a liturgist. He was director of liturgy at the seminary and taught all liturgy classes and practicum. He was a priest who truly loved the Catholic liturgy and did so much to inspire us all to have the same great love for the liturgy. I think about Fr. Perez often and the things I learned from him. Many of us who studied under him have fond memories of listening to him respond anytime someone would comment that they don't feel like they are getting anything out of the liturgy, whether it was the Mass or the Liturgy of the Hours. We would all watch Fr. Perez's face fill with emotion as he would answer, "It's not about you!" He would go on to explain that we should not view the liturgy in terms of what we get out of it, rather it is about what we are offering to God.

Many years ago, I took a friend to Mass to introduce her to Catholic liturgy. Coming from a Protestant background, she did not understand what was happening. She told me she felt there was too much ritual and not enough teaching going on during the Mass. It is true, there is more ritual than teaching in the Catholic Mass, but I disagree with the idea that it should not be this way. There are many opportunities for teaching our faith, but the Mass is primarily an act of worship. It is prayer. It is a sacrifice offered to God. The Mass is all of these things. When we try to change our liturgy into something else that we feel will better suit our needs, we are robbing ourselves of the greatest gift ever given to us.

Others have suggested to me that our liturgy would be so much better if we did away with the ritual and did more to just speak to the people and bring them closer to Christ. At face value, there is an appeal to this as we truly want to do all we can for the people and meet their needs. There are many ways we can and should do this in our Church, but the Mass is a time for us to worship our God. It is a time to participate in the sacrifice that won for us salvation and to be in full communion with Christ as we receive his body and blood.

As I already mentioned I think about Fr. Perez and his lessons often. I hope that he would be proud of my treatment of the liturgy and all the things I learned from him. I hope that I am able to pass on what I learned from him and inspire more people to have the same great love for our liturgy.

Senior High Youth Ministry (Grades 9-12)

Upcoming Schedule:

- Sun., Nov. 25—**FUN NIGHT!**
 - Ice Skating
- Sun., Dec. 2—**Youth Group (BYC 6:00-8:00 p.m.)**
 - The New Testament
 - **Confirmation Class**
- Sun., Dec. 9—**Youth Group (BYC 6:00-8:00 p.m.)**
 - More Than Meets the Eye
 - **Confirmation Class**
- Sun., Dec. 16—**Youth Group (BYC 6:00-8:00p.m.)**
 - Christmas Caroling

ServSafe Certification

The class scheduled for today (Nov. 25) at 3:15p is **full**. If you have not been certified to be in the kitchen, you can watch the bulletin for the next class offered or you can go online at home at ServSafe.com and do it at home. Please print your certificate and bring it in to the parish office. Thank You!

CDA Meeting: Monday, Nov. 26, 2018

Members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas are reminded of the meeting this Monday, Nov. 26, at the Columbian Center. Social time at 5:30; meeting begins at 6pm. There will be a short awards ceremony at the start of the meeting. Bring items to sell (old or new) to the meeting. We look forward to seeing you there! Any Catholic lady wishing to join CDA, please call our Regent, Carol Reynolds at 276-591-1134 or Gina Rossetti at 423-878-7827. The CDA theme is:

“For Him, we live and move and have our being.” Acts 17:2

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Every Tuesday

Please join us this **Tuesday, November 27, 9:15a to 4:30p**. Join us for prayer during the day and for **Benediction at 4:30 p.m.** in the Chapel.

Prayer Group meeting this week:

Wednesday, November 28, 2:45-3:45p
St. Vincent de Paul Center

All are invited to attend. No preparation, no cost. Join us for an hour of prayer!

Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs

CD of the week: “A Journey Through Advent—Liturgical Cycle C”. Get the most out of Advent by following along with Bishop Robert Barron’s homilies as he unpacks the profound Scripture readings of Advent. Find this CD and many more titles at the CD display in the commons. A \$3 donation per CD is appreciated and allows us to re-stock with new CDs. Thank you!

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA

- Catechumens & Candidates will meet this **Wednesday, November 28**, in the **Great Room, 6:30pm-8:00pm**.
- **Inquirers** will meet in the church office conference room. Stop by the **Great Room** for opening prayer at **6:30 p.m.**
- **Children’s RCIA** will gather in the Great Room before going to class at **6:30 p.m.**

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

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(Church code: 24Q8G9)

Register this week to have unlimited access to high quality religious education that you can enjoy in the comfort of your home!

Family Advent Activity

(for families of all shapes & sizes—single, married couple, children or no children— all are welcome)

THIS is the LAST WEEKEND to SIGN-UP!

Saturday, December 1, 10am-12n

Join us for an old-fashioned Advent activity to prepare us for the Season of Advent

We will make our own Advent wreaths and ornaments for our trees. The children will enjoy decorating Christmas cookies while having hot chocolate and hearing Christmas stories. Save the date on your family calendar and **sign-up to attend!** Space is limited and we need to know how many will be here so we can purchase enough wreaths and supplies. **Sign-up now at the religious education table in the commons.**

FINANCE COUNCIL members are reminded of their upcoming meet this Thursday, November 29th at 7 a.m. in the school conference room.

Monthly Papal Intention

To better know “*the concrete problems that trouble the Universal Church, especially those of the missions*”, the Holy Father asks that his monthly intentions be “*the object of knowledgeable and responsible prayer on the part of the people of God*”.

Pope’s Universal Intention for December 2018

In the Service of the Transmission of Faith.

That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

Mass Intentions for this Week

Saturday, November 24 (*Vigil: Christ the King*)
5:30 p.m. †Jason Hearl
Sunday, November 25 (*Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King*)
8:30 a.m. †Helen Bizzotti
11:30 a.m. †Lucille Cato
2:00 p.m. Parishioners (*Spanish Mass*)
Tuesday, November 27
8:30 a.m. †Nguyen Han Phai (*Pham*)
Wednesday, November 28
8:30 a.m. †Ronnie Davenport
Thursday, November 29
6:00 p.m. †Gary Hinch
Friday, November 30
7:30 a.m. †Gerry & †Fran Carriera
Saturday, December 1 (*Vigil: 1st Sunday/Advent*)
5:30 p.m. †Markus "Max" Reich
Sunday, December 2 (*1st Sunday of Advent*)
8:30 a.m. †Jason Hearl
11:30 a.m. Spec. Int.: 64th Anniv.: John & Peggy Jenkins
2:00 p.m. Parishioners (*Spanish*)

COLLECTION REPORT

Due to the Thanksgiving schedule of the publisher and delivery companies, this bulletin had to be submitted before the collection results for Nov. 17/18 were available. They will be listed in next weekend's bulletin.

2nd Collections: Dec. 1/2 St. Anne's School
Dec. 15/16 Social Ministry/outreach
Dec. 24/25 Commonwealth Catholic Charities
(*Second collections are taken up during the Offertory,
Immediately following the regular operating collection*)

With Gratitude!

St. Anne's Social Ministry would like to say a ***BIG THANK YOU*** to all our parishioners who helped in any way in making our **Thanksgiving Project** a huge success. To— the St. Anne School students who assembled the turkey & feathers (a big job!), to all who bought and brought in their groceries and gift cards, to the St. Anne Middle School students for carrying groceries to the Great Room and sorting ALL the groceries (what a time saver!), to the Pre-School children who made Thanksgiving cards, to the volunteers who packed the boxes and delivered the boxes to the families, to the volunteers who cleaned up the Great Room, and to the Friendship Cub for donating the boxes that carried, not just food, but joy to the recipients. ***Thank you, Saint Anne Parishioners, for your caring and your generosity! You gave many a Happy Thanksgiving.***

This Week in Adult Faith Formation

Sunday, November 25

- **NO Sunday Morning Religious Education Class (SMARE) this week.** We will resume class on **Dec. 2** with **Mary, Part 2. 9:45-11a in the Great Room**

Monday, November 26

- **Monday Adult Faith Formation 1:00-2:30p in the Saint Vincent de Paul Center.** "*John Paul II—The Great*" and "*Benedict XVI, the Future, and the Past*".

Tuesday, November 27:

- **Book Club: 10:30-11:30a, in the St. Vincent de Paul Center.** *The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis
- **Tuesday Evening Scripture Study** will meet **6:30pm-8:00pm** in the St. Vincent de Paul Center. The Letter to the Philippians

Wednesday, November 28:

- **Little Rock Scripture Study, 1:00-2:30pm, Saint Vincent de Paul Center.** The Gospel According to Luke
- **RCIA at 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.

SMARE-Sunday Morning Adult Religious Education: Next Sunday, Dec. 2, Mary-Part 2. SMARE meets on Sundays in the Great Room, 9:45-11am Coffee & donuts at 9:45a; the presentation begins at 9:50 a.m. No preparation & No sign-up needed. Everyone welcome to attend any Sunday.

Christmas Cards

(*sponsored by American Red Cross*)

As in the past, we are collecting Christmas cards to be distributed to **our local veterans, firefighters, emergency responders and police officers.** There will be a box in the commons **December 1 thru 9** for you to place your cards. The Red Cross has given us these guidelines:

- Sign your **FIRST** name & St. Anne Catholic Church
- A note of thanks for protecting our freedom and keeping us safe
- Do NOT include e-mail or home addresses
- Do NOT include any inserts (such as photos etc.)
- **PLEASE INCLUDE UNSEALED ENVELOPES**

*Thank you for helping us thank
our veterans and first responders!*

Parish Website: don't forget— our website has "latest news", the weekly bulletin if you forgot to pick one up after Mass, Father Chris' homily if you were out of town and attended Mass elsewhere... www.stannes-bristol.org

**CHRISTMAS
GIFT GIVING**

Our Giving Tree is up!! Please consider selecting an ornament and return the gift designated to the commons the weekends of **Dec. 1/2 or Dec. 8/9.**

The recipients of these gifts were recommended by various TN/VA agencies and many of these folks have never received gifts at Christmas.

Please:

- Return unwrapped gifts in gift bags with tissue
- Include in the gift a Christmas card with wishes and signed St. Anne Catholic Church
- Return gifts to commons NLT Dec. 9!!
- It is critical the ornament is attached to the gift bag!

This is our ONLY WAY to identify what gift goes to what person and agency.

Thank you for your contribution to make someone's Christmas a Merry One!!



Welcome

to the following newly registered parishioners:

Lyndsay Whitmore (and son **Evan**)
112 Winners Circle, B5, Bristol, TN 37620
423-573-1106

Justin Graham
805 Raytheon Rd., Bristol, TN 37620
423-383-6024

Stuart & Ashleah (Foran) McCall
(and sons **Matthew and Carter**)
1821 Lee Hwy., Bristol, VA 24201
423-383-6994

Looking Ahead Just a Bit!!

- **“First” Tuesday Adoration**, December 4, **9a-9p**
- **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Holy Day Vigil Mass: Friday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m.
(no Holy Day Mass on Sat., Dec. 8)
(the 5:30p Mass on Dec. 8 is 2nd Sunday/Advent)
- **Advent Penance Service**, Thurs., Dec. 13, 7 p.m.
- **Christmas** (Holy Day) Mass times:
Christmas Eve, Dec. 24: **4p, 630p, 9p/Spanish, 12M**
Christmas Day, Dec. 25: **10 a.m.**

PARACLETE CATHOLIC BOOKSTORE HERE
After Masses on December 1 & 2