

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thousands of people, many of them sick and all of them hungry, walked for miles from towns throughout Galilee just to see and hear Jesus. How fortunate we are that Jesus is with us here whenever we gather in His name. He nourishes us at this table, strengthening our weaknesses and fortifying us for our own journeys. In the letter to the Romans, Saint Paul speaks of love, proclaiming that it is given so generously that nothing can separate us from it. God's generosity satisfies our greatest needs.



Readings for this Week (August 3-8)

Monday: Jeremiah 28:1-17; Matthew 14:22-36
Tuesday: (Memorial: St. John Vianney)
Ezekiel 3:17-21; Matthew 9:35—10:1
Wednesday: Jeremiah 31:1-7; Mt. 15:21-28
Thursday: (Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord)
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19;
Matthew 17:1-9
Friday: Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt. 16:24-28
Saturday: (Memorial: St. Dominic)
1 Corinthians 2:1-10a; Luke 9:57-62

Scripture for next Sunday (19th Sunday/Ordinary Time)

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

Elijah recognized God in the tiny whispering sound.

Psalms 85

“Lord, let us see your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.”

Romans 9:1-5

Paul speaks the truth in Christ.

Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus walks on the sea.

Elijah and Peter each encounter the Lord in an unusual way in next Sunday's readings. Elijah expected the Lord to come in the wind, in an earthquake, or with fire, but instead it was in a tiny whispering sound. The Lord appeared like a ghost to the disciples during a storm and Peter dared to walk across the raging sea. How do we encounter the Lord? Here in this space we encounter the Lord in His Church, gathered together in His name, and in the Eucharist.

Pastor's Notes

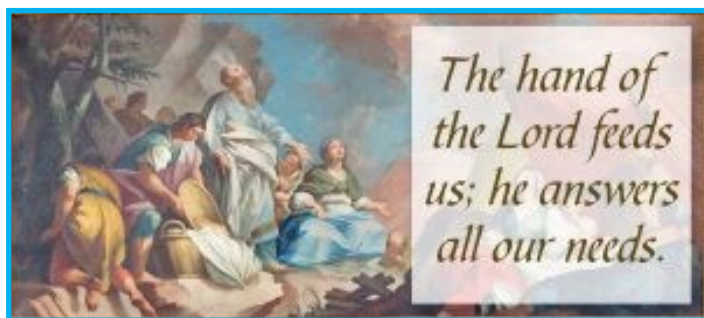
I have long enjoyed reading articles written by Msgr. Charles Pope, who is a pastor in Washington, DC, and listening to him speak. He has offered some great insight to what is happening in the Church today. Friday morning I read the sad news that he had tested positive for COVID19. He seems to be doing well though. He is self isolating in his rectory and has reported that his condition is improving every day. Please pray for him and all affected by this pandemic.

Msgr. Pope recently wrote an article about fear. He stated that fear is far more dangerous than this current pandemic. I think he is correct. He made some very bold statements that may lead some to say he is not taking this current situation seriously enough, but I think he said some things that we all need to hear.

As I reflect on this, I am reminded of just how dangerous fear can be. Jesus warned his followers many times not to be afraid. He said we would all face many challenges and persecutions because we were his disciples, but no matter what dangers we face in this world, we should not give in to fear.

What does this have to do with us now? We are facing a difficult situation. This is one of, if not the greatest challenge we have faced as a society in a long time. We absolutely need to take this seriously and work together to get through this. At the same time, it is important that we do not give in to fear. Why is that? When people see that we are able to live our lives without being dominated by fear, what they are seeing is that no matter how dire our situation is, we are a part of something greater. Our faith teaches us that we are a part of something that cannot be destroyed by anything on this earth.

Yes, we are in the midst of a crisis. We are also being given a great opportunity to demonstrate just how important our faith is when it comes to overcoming great challenges in this world. We are all called to let the world see that we belong to Jesus Christ, and that when our lives are united to him, there is nothing in this world we will ever need to fear.



Public celebration of the Mass:

Saturday: 5:30p Sunday 8:30a & 11:30 a.m.

Tues./Wed./Fri. 8:30 a.m.; Thurs. 6 p.m.

(All are livestreamed EXCEPT for 11:30 Sunday Mass.)

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass is still in effect until further notice.

**If you are not feeling well,
PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND Mass!**

Review the **guidelines** listed under Latest News on *our parish webpage* at www.stannes-bristol.org

REMINDERS:

We ask for your understanding and cooperation with our ushers and their instructions.

Everyone (age 10+) must bring/wear a face mask;
ALL ages receiving Communion must wear a face mask.

For **Weekend Mass**, the **only entrance** is the doors at main p/lot. Please arrive approx. 15-20 minutes prior to Mass time. If social distancing capacity is met, we'll not be able to allow anyone else into the building; Once Mass begins (on time!), the door is locked & no one else can enter.

For **weekday Mass**, the **only entrance** is the side door to the commons.

Those in vulnerable categories encouraged to please stay home!

The Word Among Us

The Word Among Us, with the help of the **USCCB**, is giving complimentary access to the daily Mass readings and their entire website during this challenging time —
Read the daily scriptures and meditations at www.wau.org.

***GOD BLESS our
Health Care Workers!!***



**Liturgy Intentions
For The Week**

Saturday, August 1 (Vigil: 18th Sunday/Ordinary Time)

5:30 p.m. †Dorothy Chamberlin

Sunday, August 2 (Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 a.m. Parishioners

11:30 a.m. †Carol Brown

Tuesday, August 4

8:30 a.m. †Elizabeth P. "Betty" Miller

Wednesday, August 5

8:30 a.m. Spec. Int. for: Richard Davis & Rosie Mansfield

Thursday, August 6

6:00 p.m. †Veronica Nicholls

Friday, August 7

8:30 a.m. †Ann P. Rogers

Saturday, August 8 (Vigil: 19th Sunday/Ordinary Time)

5:30 p.m. †Tonette Davidson

Sunday, August 9 (Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 a.m. †Bernie Separ

11:30 a.m. Parishioners



Stewardship

Donations deposited 07/27/2020

(mail-in / drop-off / Masses July 25/26)

Regular/Operating	\$12,922
School 2nd Collection	\$ 185
Catholic Virginian	\$ 5
Holy Father/Peter's Pence	\$ 12
Assumption Holy Day	\$ 30

Livestream (online thru diocese—Rpt.dtd 07/20-21)

Regular/Operating	\$150
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E-giving: The E-giving report for July 22-31 will be included in next week's bulletin.

If you would like to set up a recurring gift through our parish E-giving, go to the main page of the parish website at www.stannes-bristol.org and scroll to bottom of page — click on the link under **\$ on-line Giving**

This will take you to the OSV (Our Sunday Visitor) hub where you can sign up for our online giving.

Besides the Regular Operating Fund and Bldg./Maintenance Reserve Fund, you can also donate to all of our 2nd collections thru our parish E-giving.

***2nd Collection this weekend (1st Sunday of the Month)
is for Saint Anne Catholic School.***

PRAYER for SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

We encourage you to pray the *Prayer for Spiritual Communion* when you are participating in livestream Masses or viewing a recorded or televised Mass.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present
in the Most Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things and I desire
to possess You within my soul.
Since I am unable at this moment to
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as being already there,
and unite myself wholly to You.
AMEN.

A special Note...

Many thanks to Saint Anne's parishioners for your prayers for me when I had my lung surgery in June, during the setbacks and complications, the 2nd hospitalization in mid-July.... I will begin six weeks of chemotherapy and radiation this coming week. Rosie and I greatly appreciate your prayers and concern and the many kindnesses you have shown us. Saint Anne's has been our "family" for so many years and we are blessed to be part of such a wonderful community. Please know your ongoing prayers are appreciated. May God bless you all.

Richard Davis

CONFESSIONS: Confessions in the main church (in the stained glass section) on:

Tuesdays 5-6p
Thursdays 5-5:30p
Saturdays 3:30-4p
(or by appointment)

Enter thru the side door to the commons. If someone is already in the church in confessions, you are asked to wait in one of the chairs (socially distanced) in the commons until they finish their confession.

Parish Contact Info:

During office hours & non-emergencies call:

276-669-8200 ext. 0

or email stannes@stannes-bristol.org.

If you need a priest for a sacramental emergency evening/weekend call [276-821-8023](tel:276-821-8023).

Parish mailing address is:

350 Euclid Ave., Bristol, VA 24201

fax #: 276-669-7825

parish website is www.stannes-bristol.org.

St. Anne's School: 300 Euclid Ave., Bristol, VA

Phone: 276-669-0048

Email: schooloffice@stanneschoolbristol.org

BULLETIN SPONSORS

Until we again are allowed to "hand out" bulletins to our congregations at weekend Mass, our bulletin is typed on Fridays and posted to our webpage, (printed copies available at front office door foyer during the week).

*Many thanks to our bulletin SPONSORS
for their understanding!!*

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From Commonwealth Catholic Charities

- ◆ ***Do you know an older adult who could use a friendly call?*** CCC's Call Reassurance program provides lonely and shut-in seniors with regular phone calls from caring volunteers. Seniors feel encouraged knowing a compassionate friend is only a phone call away. To make a referral or to volunteer, call 804-545-5916 or visit www.cccofva.org/aging-and-disability-services.
- ◆ ***Help Us Help Others:*** Have you seen our Wishlists? During these tough times, CCC is doing its best to support individuals and families in need. If you are interested in helping out, but don't know how, what, or where to donate—please take a look at our wishlists at www.cccofva.org/wish-list. You'll find a list of our CCC programs that need your support as well as an easy & non-contact way to help those in need.
- ◆ ***Careers with CCC:*** Do you know someone who might be interested in working with the premier human services provider within the Catholic community and community-at-large throughout the Diocese of Richmond? Check out the open positions in Commonwealth Catholic Charities at www.cccofva.org/careers.

Farewell and God Bless!!

This summer we have been blessed to have two seminarians with us here at Saint Anne's!! This is the last weekend they are with us as they will be heading to their seminarian retreat and then back to the seminaries. Our thanks to **William Douglas** and **Samuel Hill** for being with us in Bristol this summer. Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they continue on their journey toward ordination to the priesthood. Once they get back to seminary, we will list their addresses in the bulletin so that you can keep in touch with them this year.



PRAY for VOCATIONS

If simplicity of life and the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience especially attract you, discover that life as a priest, deacon, sister or brother.

Call Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661 or email him at vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Address for Fr. Paul

Some of you have asked about an address for Father Paul Maier who recently celebrated his ordination anniversary and his birthday... Fr. Paul's address is: 650 N. Jefferson St., Apt. 305, Roanoke, VA 24016.

Holy Day

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This year the Assumption falls on a Saturday (Aug. 15) and it is not an obligatory Holy Day this year. Here at Saint Anne's we WILL celebrate a Holy Day/Assumption Vigil Mass on **Friday, August 14 at 6 p.m.**

(There will not be a morning weekday Mass on Aug. 14.) We will not have an Assumption Mass on Sat., Aug. 15. The 5:30 Mass on Saturday, Aug. 15, is the Vigil of Sunday (21st Sunday in Ordinary Time).

Attention Young Adults and others who might be willing to volunteer at BINGO!! We are looking at the possibility of perhaps starting up Bingo again which benefits the parish, the school, and the Knights of Columbus... Many of our Bingo volunteers are in a high risk category and we are wondering if some of our younger folks might be willing to volunteer to help us get things going again... If you are age 18+ and might be able to help, please contact Rosie in the parish office at 276-669-8200 ext. 0 or stannes@stannes-bristol.org.