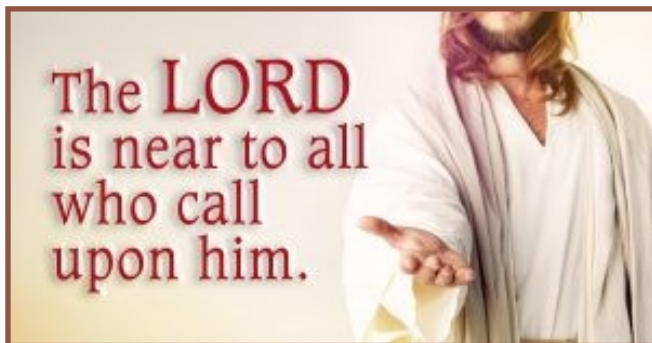


“Seek the LORD while He may be found, call to Him while He is near”, Isaiah counsels us in the first words from today’s first reading. We come together today to seek the Lord in Word and Sacrament, knowing that He can be found in scripture, in the Eucharist, and in each other. We call to Him now, lifting our voices in song and prayer, aware of His closeness as we are gathered two or more in His name.



Weekday Readings (Sept. 21-26)

- MONDAY:** *(Feast of St. Matthew)*
Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13
- TUESDAY:** Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13; Luke 8:19-21
- WEDNESDAY:** *(Memorial of St. Pius of Pietrelcina)*
Galatians 2:19-20; Matthew 16:24-27
- THURSDAY:** Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Luke 9:7-9
- FRIDAY:** Ecclesiastes 3:3-11; Luke 9:18-22
- SATURDAY:** Ecclesiastes 11:9—12:8; Luke 9:43b-45

PRAYERS REQUESTED

We ask your prayers for *Margaret Reeves*, the sister of *Liz Murray*, who died this past week in Georgia. Notes of sympathy may be sent to Liz at 1217 Holston Ave., Bristol, TN 37620.

WORD AMONG US

During these challenging times, many may be unable to attend Mass. *The Word Among Us*, with the help of the USCCB, is honored to continue to provide full complimentary access to the daily Mass readings and daily mediations at their website: www.wau.org.

Pastor's Notes

Last weekend we began introducing more music into the Mass. Chris sang the Mass parts. We will soon be introducing a cantor to do even more including the Responsorial Psalm. I know many people will find this awkward since we cannot sing along, but it is prudent that we listen to the music and participate silently. We received very good feedback for this last week. I am hoping to hear from more of you about what you think of our liturgy and what we might do to make it even better.

We may not be able to do everything the way we used to do it, but we are going to do everything we can do to make our liturgy a positive experience for everyone. The Eucharist is still the source and summit of our faith. Whether you are in the pews, or watching on the live stream, we are very happy to have you joining us.

I have a little more news to share. I was so happy in May with the number of people that showed up for our stuff the bus to collect food for Bristol Faith in Action. On Friday we did it again for the school and we will be doing another one for the parish on Wednesday September 30. It will be in the evening again and I will provide more information about this next weekend as we get closer to this date. We chose this date to be a part of the Octave of Service that is happening across the diocese for our bicentennial celebration. There is a list of items most needed on page 3 of this bulletin and we will update that in next week’s bulletin.. BFIA continues to be very appreciative of all that St. Anne's does to help support them.

I am continuing to pray for everyone in our parish community. I hope that you are all doing well and finding ways to stay active and healthy during this difficult time and I still await the time when we can all gather together again for the celebration of the Mass. That will definitely be a joyful occasion.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept. 19 (*Vigil/25th Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

5:30 p.m. †Andy Kilinski

Sunday, Sept. 20 (*Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

8:30 a.m. †Molly Moore

11:30 a.m. Parishioners

Tuesday, September 22

8:30 a.m. †Susan Mellett

Wednesday, September 23

8:30 a.m. †Walt Mitchell

Thursday, September 24

6:00 p.m. †Della White

Friday, September 25

8:30 a.m. †Mike Mansfield

Saturday, Sept. 26 (*Vigil/26th Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

5:30 p.m. †Bernie Separ

Sunday, Sept. 27 (*Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

8:30 a.m. Parishioners

11:30 a.m. †Mike Arnold

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.

PRAY for VOCATIONS!!

“Seek the Lord while He may be found...”

While seeking Him in prayer and the sacraments, listen to Him. Are you discerning a vocation to serve the Lord as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Call Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661 or email him at vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

YOU are *Wonderful!*

We appreciate your Generosity & Support of Saint Anne’s!!

Donations deposited 09/14/2020

(*mail-in, drop-off, Masses Sept. 12/13*)

Regular/Operating	\$ 8,081
School 2nd Collection	\$ 450
Retired Religious 2nd Coll.	\$ 10
Bristol Faith in Action	\$ 75

E-Giving (Sept. 10-16)

Regular/Operating	\$3,573
School 2nd Collection	\$ 125
Bristol Faith in Action	\$ 100
Bldg/Maintenance Reserve	\$ 10

Second Collection NEXT Weekend

Sept. 27.....Retired Religious Fund

- ◆ Please give to those who have given a lifetime. Nearly 30,000 elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests in U.S. have educated the young, tended the sick, and ministered to the needy. Today they pray for a world that is hurting. Yet many religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for aging members. Your gift to next weekend’s second collection for Retired Religious will help furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please be generous.

E-GIVING

To set up a recurring gift thru our E-giving, simply go to Saint Anne’s website: www.stannes-bridol.org

- ◆ at bottom of page, click on link under **\$ on-line Giving** which takes you to the OSV/Our Sunday Visitor) hub where you can sign up for our online giving.
- ◆ Besides setting up a recurring gift (for operating or for the monthly school second collection), you can also make a one-time donation to our upcoming second collections.

CONFESSIONS: Tue. 5-6p, Thurs. 5-5:30, Sat. 330-4p

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at our altar this weekend are placed in honor of *Angela Costagliola* in celebration of her birthday, given by Chris Neal.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From September 23-November 1, area Christians from various denominations are participating in the **40 Days for Life** campaign to end abortion. For 40 days we will pray, fast, and have a peaceful, non-confrontational, 12 hr./day prayer vigil on the public areas around the Bristol Regional Women’s Center. This clinic is at 2901 W. State Street in Bristol, TN. For more information, please contact Angie Bush at 40daysbristoltn@gmail.com or 423-482-1324. Together we can end abortion in the Tri-Cities.

WORSHIP NOTES....

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION:

- ◆ For those receiving **Holy Communion**, you are **ENCOURAGED** to receive **in the hand**.
- ◆ If you plan to receive on the tongue, let the USHER know when you are being seated... PER DIOCESAN POLICY at this time — anyone receiving on the tongue must receive after the rest of the congregation has received, so you will need to be seated in a specially designated area.

Also, at this time **only the priest** may distribute Holy Communion to someone on the tongue.

Singing...The Diocese of Richmond Emergency Preparedness Manual currently in effect states “Choirs suspended and assembly discouraged from singing. In light of scientific data... parishes are to suspend the use of a choir and **strongly discourage singing by the assembly**; it has been demonstrated that singing can increase the spread of the virus.” Chris Neal and Cantors will be singing during liturgies and we ask the congregation to participate silently in your hearts. Many thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

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 liturgies (except the 11:30) are live-streamed on social media; and images may appear in print.

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

If not feeling well, please do not attend —those in vulnerable categories encouraged to please stay home!

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.

- **Weekend Mass, only entrance**—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 door is locked & no one else can enter.
- **Weekday Mass, only entrance**—side commons door.

THANKS

Just a SHOUT OUT to our great USHERS who have been so dedicated to help us all stay safe during this challenging time. We appreciate you!!

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

***“I Received from the Lord
what I also Handed on to You.”***

Today, September 20, is Catechetical Sunday. On this day, catechists are formally commissioned for ministry to the community, which we will do at the 11:30 Mass. The 2020 Catechetical Sunday theme is rooted in Scripture. It stems from Saint Paul's first letter to the Corinthians: ***“I Received from the Lord what I also Handed on to You.”*** Catechists hand on the faith in their communities and in the world as witnesses of Jesus Christ. Through their work, many encounter Christ and hear and respond to His invitation to new life. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each baptized person plays in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is a time for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

A Prayer for Catechists

Loving Father,
we pray today for our catechists.
We thank you for their gift of ministry
in Your Church.
Grant them Your wisdom that they may grow in
the understanding and teaching of Your Word.
Grant them also Your love that they may be
fruitful heralds of Your Word and lead others
to love You.
Pour forth Your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them
wisdom about what is important;
knowledge of the truths of faith;
understanding of their meaning;
right judgement about how to apply them in life;
courage to persevere even in the face of adversity;
reverence before all that is sacred and holy;
and that loving zeal which leads others to a
transforming encounter with your Son.
We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

“Stuff the Bus” for Bristol Faith in Action September 30

Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, September 30th** when we will again “Stuff the Bus” for the food pantry at Bristol Faith In Action. **Watch next week's bulletin for the time** you can drop your donations off in our parking lot (*will be late afternoon/early evening, but not sure of exact timeframe as this goes to print*). BFIA is in need of cleaning and personal care items, things such as laundry soap, spray cleanings, toilet paper, paper towels, dish soap; shampoo/conditioner, toothpaste, feminine products, shave creams, razors, etc. Non-perishable food is always in demand as well.

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time—CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

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Scripture for NEXT Weekend (Sept. 26/27)

As the Richmond diocese continues the celebration of our Bicentennial, the Bishop will celebrate a Regional Mass this coming Saturday morning in Roanoke. This Mass will recognize the Catholic presence in the Western Vicariate of our diocese and commemorate the Feast of St. Vincent de Paul, the patron of the Diocese of Richmond. **This Mass will be livestreamed at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 26 at www.richmonddiocese.org.**

In addition to this Regional Mass, for next weekend all parishes will use a **special Mass setting and special readings** of Scripture (*which will replace the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time*).

Scripture Readings for September 26/27

Zephaniah 3:14-18

The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst.

Psalms 112

"Blessed the man who fears the Lord."

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong.

Matthew 9:35-38

The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

The Bicentennial hymn will be sung and the Bicentennial Prayer will be prayed at each Mass.