

Brothers and sisters, we will hear today that we are not the only ones who have been invited into the Lord's kingdom. Indeed, there will be many present whom we did not expect to find at the Lord's banquet. As we listen to God's word today and give thanks and praise in the Eucharist, let us pray for the grace to be open and welcoming to all whom the Lord has invited, and that we, too, may be made worthy of an invitation.



Scripture readings for this week (Aug. 23 thru 28)

Monday: 2 Thess. 1:1-5, 11-12; Matthew 23:13-22
Tuesday: Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51
Wednesday: 2 Thess. 3:6-10, 16-18; Matthew 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Matthew 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Matthew 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Matthew 25:14-30

Readings for next Sunday (22nd Sunday/Ordinary Time)

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Ancient wisdom insists that the more humble we are, the greater we are.

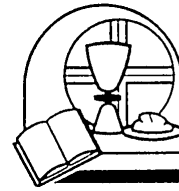
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Far from frightening, our encounter with God will be like a glorious holiday.

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Jesus presents His own version of table manners.

The living word manifests God's presence and leads us to conversion of heart. Let us pray that our hearts will be turned toward greater compassion for the poor and needy in our community and beyond. When we hear the scriptures proclaimed next Sunday, let us be attentive to sacred words that call us to Christian hospitality.



**Mass Intentions
Of The Week**

Monday, August 23

7:30 a.m. † Don Moore

Tuesday, August 24

7:30 a.m. † Father Bob Krenik

Wednesday, August 25

12:15 p.m. † Michael O'Hare

Thursday, August 26

7:30 a.m. † Elizabeth Koserski

Friday, August 27

7:30 a.m. † Veronica Belitz

Saturday, August 28

8:30 a.m. † Parishioners (Spanish Mass)

5:30 p.m. † Maris Dickert

Sunday, August 29

8:30 a.m. † Margaret Thomas

10:30 a.m. † Charles Johnson and † Donald Johnson

A Special Notice....Sixtieth Jubilee!

We recently received notice that *Sister Maria Porter*, of the Congregation of St. Joseph, who was a Second Grade teacher at St. Anne's School in the late '60's and early 70's is celebrating her Sixtieth Jubilee this month. God's blessings and our congratulations to Sister Maria as she celebrates 60 years of service to the people of God. If you'd like to send her a note of best wishes, her address is: Mount St. Joseph, 137 Mount St. Joseph Road, Wheeling, WV 20003.



Welcome to the RACE FANS who are here in Bristol this weekend! We hope you have a wonderful stay in our community and wish you safe travels back to your homes.

ADULT EXERCISE: We have a group of folks who gather twice a week in the gym for some light exercise. If you would like to join them, you are most welcome. They meet at the gym on Tuesday and Friday mornings at 10 a.m.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

We ask your prayers for †*Sr. Marie Celine Clarkin*, the godmother of *Jeannette Crum*, who died recently. Notes of sympathy can be sent to Jeannette at 21835 Old Dominion Road, Bristol, VA 24202.

Your prayers are requested for †*Emma Castrege*, the sister of *Pat Flanagan*, who died recently in Pennsylvania. Notes can be sent to Pat & John at 14804 Wyndale Road, Abingdon, VA 24210.

Tuesday Book Discussion Group

Resumes on Tues., Sept. 14

10-11 a.m. at Java J's on State Street

The Great Divorce by C.S. Lewis

Please join us on Tuesday mornings as we discuss The Great Divorce, an extraordinary meditation on good and evil, grace and judgment. Sign up at the religious education table in the commons and order your book.

Wednesday Night Scripture Study

Please join us for Wednesday Night Scripture Study this **Wednesday, August 25**, in the Monsignor Hickie Center. Fr. Tim will lead us in a study of the readings for Mass next weekend. No preparation is required. Just come and bring your bible. We begin at 7 p.m. and end at 8 p.m.

Needed in the Parish Nursery: Changing Table

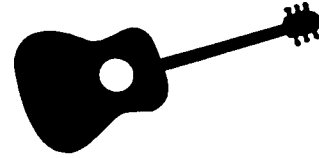
If you have a changing table that you could donate to our Parish Nursery, please call Sydney at 276-669-8200, ext. 32 or email sydneyfarnum@stannes-bristol.org. We are currently using a crib that has seen better days and would like to remove the crib and replace it with a changing table. Thank you.

Attention: All Parents Who Use the Parish Nursery

—Many of our pagers have not been returned. PLEASE check your home or car or purse to see if you forgot to return the pager when you picked up your child and return the pager to us ASAP. Thank you!!

BAPTISMS

Parents who wish to have a child baptized in the Catholic faith need to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. Please contact Jim Yencha at 276-669-8200, ext. 23 or email Jim at jpy@stannes-bristol.org to schedule an appointment. Expectant parents are encouraged to attend.



Bluegrass Masses — *Rhythm & Roots*

We are very pleased that once again this year **Fr. Ed Richard** (Vice-Rector, Kenrick Seminary in St. Louis, MO) will be with us the **weekend of Sept. 18/19**. Father Richard is an amazing banjo player and last year he wrote Bluegrass Mass parts especially for Saint Anne's parish. So mark your calendars and plan to attend one of our Bluegrass Masses! He and his group will be leading the music at all our regular Masses on Sept. 18/19. In order for you to be able to fully participate, please take some time to "practice" singing along with the music by going to our parish website www.stannes-bristol.org and on the main web page, under the Bluegrass listing, click on the link to Richard Davis' website. Then you can listen & sing along! Fr. Richard & his group will also be performing downtown as part of the Bristol Rhythm & Roots Celebration on Saturday, September 18 at 1:30 p.m. at the Troutdale Bistro stage and on Sunday, Sept. 19 at 3:15 p.m. at K.P. Duty. If you're going to Rhythm & Roots, be sure to support them by attending their performances! For more information about Rhythm & Roots, go to www.bristolrhythm.com. Fr. Richard also has a website which is HolyMountainbluegrass.com.

A Special Request: Last year, one of our parish families generously made a donation which helped cover the costs involved in bringing Fr. Richard & Group to St. Anne's. To help the parish with these expenses, if you would be willing to donate toward the "Bluegrass" costs, it would be appreciated. Please contact the office.

Bishop Richard Stika, the Bishop of Knoxville, will be joining us for one of our Bluegrass Masses. He will be here at St. Anne's on Sunday, September 19 at the 11:30 a.m. Mass.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB: The St. Anne Friendship Club will have a cookout and meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 125 18th Street, Bristol, TN on **Thursday, August 26 at 12noon**. Because some of the food will be purchased ahead of time, please call Gina Rossetti at 423-878-7827 if you plan to attend.



Religious Education News

Sunday School of Religion (SSR/CCD) Notes:

Parents of children in grades K--6: You should have received your registration packet in the mail this past week for Sunday School of Religion (grades K-6). Please help us by completing your child's registration forms and returning them as soon as possible. Early registration helps us tremendously as we plan classes and order materials. Thank you.

Help Needed—If you enjoy working with children and would like to share your faith with them, please consider being a part of our Sunday School of Religion program. We need those who will teach (catechists) and those who are willing to be aides. If interested, please contact Sydney Farnum at 276-669-8200 ext. 32 or sydneyfarnum@stannes-bristol.org. Thank You!

Parent/Child Meeting—Sunday, Sept. 12, 9:45 a.m. in the church: Parents and children/teens will meet in the church at 9:45 a.m. on Sept. 12 to begin our religious education/youth ministry year. This is a very important meeting as you will meet the catechists, receive the calendar/schedule for the year and have an opportunity to ask questions. Please save the date on your calendar and plan to attend with your child.

East Tennessee State University—Johnson City
The **CATHOLIC CENTER** at ETSU will celebrate Mass at 6 p.m. on Sunday, August 29. All are welcome to attend! The Catholic Center is located just off the ETSU campus at 734 W. Locust St. For more information, please contact Fr. Mike Cummins at 423-926-7061.

Looking ahead just a bit....

- **Monthly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**
SEPTEMBER 7
- **Monthly Men's Communion Breakfast**
(resumes) on Saturday, October 2

Jubilee House Retreat Center—Abingdon

"*Into Great Silence*" will be presented at Jubilee House on August 27-28. Drawing from Philip Gröning's highly acclaimed film, this retreat will focus on the place and value of silence, mindfulness, and contemplation in modern life. Prayer, discussion, personal journaling and periods of silence, will form the basis of this reflective retreat. Cost: \$85 (overnight accommodation & meals) or the commuter rate which is \$50 (includes meals). For further info or to register, please call 276-619-0919 or info@jubileeretreat.org.

Collection Report

Regular Collection (August 15)	\$10,177.39
Regular Collection (August 8)	\$12,886.00
Regular Collection (August 1)	\$22,035.75
Capital Repairs (August 15)	\$ 4,160.00
Capital Repairs (August 8)	\$18,765.00
Capital Repairs (August 1)	\$32,351.40
School Collection (add'tl Aug. 8)	\$ 742.00
School Collection (Aug. 1)	\$ 6,016.46

Donation Received: Recently we received a check in the amount of \$192 from The Church Mouse religious store in Richmond, VA which represented 10% of the sales they received when they were here at St. Anne's in July.



Church League GOLF Outing

Tues., Sept. 7 at 5:30pm
Clear Creek Golf Course.

Format is 8-man Captain's Choice. Teams of 4 on the front & 4 on the back will combine for an 18-hole score. Pairings by handicap. Eligibility: Must have played 6 or more Church League Rounds. Cost is free. Dinner/prizes served following the event. Register at the front desk at Clear Creek or call 276-466-4833. If you are unable to attend please give 24 hours notice

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank **BurWil Construction Company** (Bill & Rose Marie Burriss and William & Elizabeth Burriss, parishioners) this week for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.



Catholic Daughters (Court Our Lady of the Rosary) will meet this Monday, Aug. 23 at the Knights of Columbus Hall (125 18th St., Bristol, TN). Fr. Tim, our Court Chaplain, will continue his discussion on the spirituality of St. Teresa of Avila. Refreshments will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7pm.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS!! Please notify the office by close of business this Tues., Aug. 24 of dates you cannot serve in September & October. Plan to pick up your schedules next weekend in the commons.

MASS TIME changes back to **11:30am** (instead of 1030) on Sunday, **September 12.**

FATHER TIM'S STUDIES

Fr. Tim is asking for your help to be part of a group for his D.Min. studies. If you have family members who marginally practice their faith or if you yourself only attend Mass sporadically, please come to the Great Room this Thursday, Aug. 26 at 7 p.m. to take part in a one hour group activity for the purpose of his study.

ATTENTION ENGAGED COUPLES

Are you planning to be married in the Catholic Church? Please call the Pastor at least six months in advance of the date you might be considering for a wedding in order to begin marriage preparation. Part of the process is to attend a Marriage Prep. Weekend (offered once in the fall and once in the spring).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- **MINISTRY FAIR**

Weekends of Sept. 4/5 & 11/12

We'll have tables in the commons and listings of all the wonderful opportunities to be of service and ministry here at St. Anne's parish and school. You can sign up to get involved or to get more information!!