

On this final Sunday of the Easter season, we celebrate what some have called the "birthday of the church". Let us pray today that the promise of the church on the day of its birth may continue to be realized through God's grace in us as we attend to the movement of the Holy Spirit in our lives.



Readings for this Week

Monday:	James 3:13-18;	Mark 9:14-29
Tuesday:	James 4:1-10;	Mark 9:30-37
Wednesday:	James 4:13-17;	Mark 9:38-40
Thursday:	James 5:1-6;	Mark 9:41-50
Friday:	James 5:9-12;	Mark 10:1-12
Saturday:	James 5:13-20;	Mark 10:13-16

Scripture for next Sunday (Most Holy Trinity)

Proverbs 8:22-31

Holy Wisdom is God's playmate, God's creative companion.

Romans 5:1-5

Faith matures into a well-founded hope for God's promised glory.

John 16:12-15

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are one in perfect communion.

Images of our triune God abound in next Sunday's readings. They summon us to a spirit of thanksgiving for the created world that brings beauty, joy, and depth to our lives. St. Paul tells us that through the power of the Holy Spirit the love of God is poured into our hearts. Let us be grateful for the abundant love of God.

Please note: — No Confessions this <u>Tuesday</u>, May 17.

— No Mass this Wed., May 18.

A Message from Deacon Mark Kowalski:

Happy Easter! I wanted to extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone at St. Anne's for your support, encouragement, and many prayers as I was ordained a Deacon with my two classmates for the Diocese of Richmond on April 16th. Thank you to all of you who made the trip to Richmond. It was a blessing to have you present, and it means very much that you would make the trip to support us. It was great to see many of you before, after, and during the Ordination itself as I caught glimpses of you in the procession and during various parts of the Mass. St. Anne's holds a very special place in my seminary formation, and I look forward to seeing everyone when I am in Bristol the weekend of May 22nd!

Rev. Mr. Mark Kowalski Seminarian, Diocese of Richmond Theological College 401 Michigan Ave., NE Washington, DC 20017

Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays, 9:15a-4:30p. Please consider spending an hour in prayer with our Lord.

CHOIR NEWS! Upcoming rehearsals:

- —May 18 and May 25. (Wednesday's at 6:30 p.m.):
- —The Choir will sing at Mass:
 - May 15 (8:30a) May 22 (11:30a) May 29 (10:30a.)
- —CHOIR PARTY is June 3, 6:30 p.m.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

- Catechumens & Candidates meet this Wed., May 18,
 6:30 p.m. in the greatroom. Topic for the evening:
 Gifts of the Spirit/Confirmation. Presenter: Teresa Ingle.
- Ongoing Inquiry Class meets in the parish office conference room at 6:30 p.m. (also on Wednesday).
 Please stop by the greatroom to join in opening prayer before going to the conference room.
- If you know someone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or in need of conversion, please bring them on Wednesday evenings.

FINANCE COUNCIL members are reminded of their meeting this <u>Thursday</u>, <u>May 19 at 7 a.m.</u>

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Part-Time Custodian (19 hrs./week)

- cleaning church and school and other duties.

Part-Time Maintenance Worker (19 hrs./week)

- Plumbing, electrical, painting, HVAC; possibility of position becoming full-time, based on experience and skills.

Contact the parish office for job applications.

Women's Communion Breakfast



All women of the parish are invited to attend a Communion Breakfast here at St. Anne's on:

Saturday, May 21 at 9 a.m.

Mass at 9 a.m. in the church, followed by breakfast/brunch in the Great Room.

The Celebrant for the Mass will be Father Francis Musolooza.

Please bring a brunch dish to share. Sign-up in the Commons THIS weekend May 14/15.

This event is sponsored by the Council of Catholic Women.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB! St. Anne's Friendship Club will meet this **Thurs.**, **May 19, 11:30 a.m.** at the <u>Golden Corral Restaurant</u> at Exit 7. Please call Gina Rossetti, 423-878-7827, by Tuesday, May 17 to reserve your spot for lunch.



Baby Bottle Campaign: Next weekend May 21/22 there will be a large baby bottle in the Commons in support of Abortion Alternatives Baby Bottle Campaign. 100% of all contributions will be given through the Catholic Daughters of the Americas to Abortion Alternatives. You may place cash or a check in the baby bottle that weekend. If you write a check, please make it payable to CDA. Abortion Alternatives assists women and families in crisis, due to a difficult or unplanned pregnancy. The Center also provides pregnancy tests, maternity clothing and clothes for infants and small children, helps arrange for housing, medical care, legal assistance and other community support. They also provide assistance for adoption referrals and education on abstinence and sanctity of life topics.

Senior High Youth Ministry (grades 9-12) Upcoming Schedule:

- May 15—Youth Group (BYC 6:00-8:00 p.m.)
 - Dinner Night—Come hungry!
- May 22—Fun Night
 - **Putt Putt & Shakes**
- May 29—NO Youth Group
 - Memorial Day Weekend
- June 2—Community Service (9:00am-12:00p)
 - **■** Feeding America

The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy Begins Tuesday, May 24th

Did you know? There are sixteen prophetic books in the Old Testament. The importance of the prophetic books is incalculable, as it is nearly impossible to understand the work and message of Jesus without them. Join us on Tuesdays for a 10-week study of the Prophets. We meet at the St. Vincent de Paul Center 6:30pm-8:00pm. No need to sign up, join us any and all Tuesdays beginning May 24.



God's abundant blessings and our congratulations to Angela Christine Dillard and Lonnie Allan Fentress

who were married here at Saint Anne's this weekend.

May they know of our prayers as they begin their
lives together in Christ.

CDA MEETING: Monday, May 23

Members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas are reminded of their meeting on Mon., May 23, at the KofC Hall. Social time starts at 6:30, the meeting at 7 p.m. If you need a ride, call Gina Rossetti. Any Catholic lady wishing to join CDA, call Regent Gina Rossetti at 423-878-7827.

Baptismal Preparation—June 4

Save the Date: Our next baptism preparation class is scheduled for <u>Saturday</u>, <u>June 4</u>, <u>2pm-4pm</u>. If you have a child under the age of 7 who needs baptism or you are expecting the birth of your child soon, plan to attend. If you would like to baptize your child during the months of June, July, or August, this is the class you will need to attend. To register, please call or email Sydney Farnum at 276-669-8200, ext. 32 or sydneyfarnum@stannes-bristol.org.



Saturday, May 14 (Vigil of Pentecost) 5:30 p.m. †Cornelia "Connie" Green

Sunday, May 15 (Pentecost) 8:30 a.m. †Van Thomas 11:30 a.m. †Rozelma Wagner

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

Tuesday, May 17

8:30 a.m. Spec. Int. for my St. Anne church family

(from Geri Wilkerson)

(No weekday Mass on Wed., May 18)

Thursday, May 19

6:00 p.m. †Francis J. Finan, Jr.

Friday, May 20

7:30 a.m. †Paul Carriera and †Joanne Carriera

Saturday, May 21 (Vigil: Trinity) 5:30 p.m. †Regina C. Finan Sunday, May 22 (Most Holy Trinity) 8:30 a.m. †Theresa Orobona

*11:30 a.m. †Carl Rossetti 2:00 p.m. †parishioners

Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs

CD of the Week: "Answering Atheism" by Ken Hensley. How can we evangelize an unbelieving world? In this talk, Ken Hensley uses simple, effective logic to show how the atheistic worldview inevitably leads to contradictions that can't hold up to sound reasoning. After hearing this talk, you will be empowered to conclusively demonstrate how unbelief leads to the destruction of morality, meaning, and even knowledge. Stop by the CD display in the commons to pick up this CD and many other titles. A \$3.00 donation per CD is appreciated in order for us to restock the CDs. Thank you!

Collection Report (May 7/8)

Regular/Operating	\$11,600.77
Diocesan Home Missions	\$ 2,164.25
Addt'l School 2nd Coll.	\$ 2,582.00

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

"The Spirit gave them ability."

Is the Holy Spirit preparing you to share the Lord's mission as a priest, deacon, or in the consecrated life? Call Father Michael G. Boehling, Vicar for Vocations, 804-359-5661 or email mboehling@richmonddiocese.org.

This Week in Adult Faith Formation:

- Sunday, May 15—Sunday Morning Adult Religious Education Class "Haggai and Malachi: Messengers of Hope", 9:45am-11:00am in the Greatroom. Coffee & donuts at 9:45a and the presentation begins promptly at 10a. Bring your bible. Next Sunday, May 22, our topic will be New Testament and Modern Prophets: Messengers of the New Covenant.
- Monday, May 16 "The History of the Catholic Church" 1:00-2:30pm, St. Vincent de Paul Center.
 "The Jesuits" and "Catholicism in Asia and the New World". Join us any Monday, no need to sign up.
- Tuesday, May 17:
 - Tuesday Morning Book Club: <u>The Grave</u> <u>Robber</u> by Mark Batterson, 10:30-11:30am in the St. Vincent de Paul Center.
 - Tuesday Evening Scripture Study will take a break this week and begin our new study session next week, May 24, 6:30-8 p.m. in the St. Vincent de Paul Ctr. New study session: The Prophets (NOTE: This is the same series that was studied on Sunday Morning. If you missed a Sunday class, you are welcome to come on Tuesday evening to get the lesson you missed.
- Wednesday, May 18:
 - Scripture Study, 1:00-2:30pm, St. Vincent de Paul Center - "The Book of Genesis". Join us any Wednesday, no need to sign up.
 - RCIA at 6:30 p.m. in the greatroom.
- Thursday, May 19: Scripture Study (to prepare us for the Sunday readings), St. Vincent de Paul Center, 7:00-8:00 p.m. (after Mass). Bring your bible!
 (Please note: If there is no Mass at 6:00 p.m., the time for scripture study changes to 6:00-7:00 p.m.

For more information about any of the above programs, email <u>sydneyfarnum@sannes-bristol.org</u> or call 276-669-8200 ext. 32.

BRISTOL FAMILY PROMISE

St. Anne's will again host families the weeks of June 19-25 and July 10-16. We will need volunteers and donations for both of those weeks. There will just be the one weekend for sign-ups (for volunteers and donations for both of the weeks). Plan to stop by the table in the commons on the weekend of June 4/5 to sign up to help with this most worthwhile project. Donated items can be brought in the weekends of June 11/12 and July 2/3. Thanks!

Merylen Ott (423-573-4805)

St. Anne School's 1st Annual Craft Bazaar will be held on Sat., Sept. 24, 2016, 9a-3p. For info & a vendor booth application, contact Marie McConnell (276-676-2087) marie mcsinski@yahoo.com. No commercial vendors need apply. Deadline for applications is July 31.

^{*}May 22 is last "11:30" mass time, on Sunday, May 29, Summer Mass time of 10:30a begins.



Many thanks to everyone who participated in the recent **Family Promise** *Home Sweet Home* Desserts Fundraiser. It was a great turnout!

Merylen Ott

A special note... I would like to express our family's great appreciation for all the cards and memorials for our beloved mother, Pauline J. Snyder. We were consoled by our wonderful Church family! Many thanks to Fr. Kevin, James, Rosie and Richard for the beautiful service! We were touched by the generosity to St. Anne's School which our mother served and loved!!

Thanks So Much, Clare Snyder-Branch Matt Snyder and the rest of the Snyder Family!

REMINDER: Summer Mass schedule begins May 29!! So next Sunday, May 22 the Mass time is still 11:30a; Then on **Sunday, May 29 the time changes to 10:30a.**

Living Our Mission Moving Forward in Hope

Many thanks to all who have already made a sacrificial pledge to the Living Our Mission effort here at St. Anne's. Your generosity will help many people encounter Christ in Western Virginia for generations to come. In order to reach our goal, we hope for a gift from every parish family — no gift or pledge is too small to make an impact.

On this Pledge Participation Weekend, please prayerfully consider being part of Living Our Mission!

If you didn't return your pledge card this weekend, there will be a <u>basket in the commons</u> for the next several weeks where you can place your pledge card in the envelope provided.

(Any checks should be made payable to "Living Our Mission" (NOT to St. Anne's). If you want to set up an automatic payment, indicate that on your pledge. Living Our Mission will send you reminders of your pledge on a monthly, quarterly, or annual basis—based on what you choose on the card.