

Saint Anne Catholic Church

August 16, 2015 — Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Church Schedule

Daily Mass:

Tuesday–Friday: 8:00 am

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:00 pm–3:45 pm

Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 8:30 am,
& 11:00am

New Office Hours:

Tuesday-Friday
8:00 am - 2:00 pm

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Mission Statement:

Saint Anne Parish is a giving, caring church, rooted in Christ,
growing in faith, and welcoming all.

Mass Intentions

Sat. Aug 15, 4pm	+ Darlene Hasselback requested by Her Family
Sun. Aug 16, 7am	sp Phil & Kathy requested by Phil & Kathy DeFelice
Sun. Aug 16, 8:30am	sp Men of St. Joseph
Sun. Aug 16, 11am	sp Parishioners of St. Anne
Mon. Aug 17, 8am	NO MASS
Tue. Aug 18, 8am	+ Robert Lala requested by Feli Salon
Wed. Aug 19, 8am	+ Martha Bradley requested by Don & Martha Krehely
Thu. Aug 20, 8am	sp In Thanksgiving requested by Anonymous
Fri. Aug 21, 8am	sp Mary Ellen Kilbe requested by Bitty LeBrun
Sat. Aug 22, 4pm	sp Altenbaugh Family requested by Joan & Alfred Ebert
Sun. Aug 23, 7am	+ Henry & Dorothy Dugger requested by The Dugger Family
Sun. Aug 23, 8:30am	+ Martin Misztal requested by Peg & Steve Misztal
Sun. Aug 23, 11am	sp Parishioners of St. Anne

Please Pray For...

Jeanne Allegato, Sue Almsted, Gloria Armitage, Ann Baker, Marge Baumlin, Angel Beasley, Stephanie Browne, Deborah Bush, Glenda Carmichael, Janet Cherry, Nancy Cherry, Nicole Christy, Brenda Crosby, Harper Elizabeth di Graaf, Patricia DiLeonardo, Josie Dominguez, Mary Dominguez, Elizabeth Duckett, Eleanor Dunn, Butch Durden, Larry Farley, Francis Figaniak, Sylvia Figaniak, Helen Flood, Chris Fracchia, Mario Fracchia, Catherine Goff, Cheri Hoagburg, Genevieve Holley, Helga Howard, Marion Humar, Justina Jennings, Robert Johnson, Kim Jones, Nina Jones, Inez Karasek, Joyce Kenney, Mary Ellen Kolbe, Mary Martin, Ruthie Matthews, Sara Matthews, Bob Mattus, Wanda McCagg, Carl McDavid, Vince Mercon, Josh Middleton, Ed Moore, Virginia Moretti, Judy Myers, Sue Olmsted, John Peters, Dolores Poljak, Aubrey Reed, Jason Reynolds, Doris Rogers, Theresa Row, Betty Schmitz, Lisa Sepulveda, Fred Sepulveda, Larry Stamper, Fr. Henry Thorsen, Lisa Tisdale, Sharell Williams.

To add someone to the prayer list please call 456-5966.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding (Proverbs 9:1-6).

Psalms — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Live as wise persons trying to understand what is the will of the Lord, filled with the Spirit and giving thanks always (Ephesians 5:15-20).

Gospel — Jesus says, "I am the living bread . . . whoever eats this bread (my flesh) will live forever" (John 6:51-58).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Wed:	Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69

AT THE TABLE

In today's first reading, Wisdom is imagined as a woman rich in poise and grace. She moves smoothly and confidently about her temple-like home. She doesn't flutter about, nervous with worry. Wisdom sends her maidens to invite all to her open house. The guests do not possess any particular genius or insight. They need only be a people of good will and common sense. They are summoned to leave behind foolishness and to find for themselves a place at Wisdom's table. There they may and can eat and drink deeply.

Today's Gospel draws us back to the table of the Eucharist. Jesus addresses those who seek to understand his words and, sadly, those who seek to avoid them. As people born of God, we are called and equipped to seek God's will and act on it.

NEWS AND EVENTS

Burse Club Collection This Weekend

This weekend the Altar Society will take up the monthly Burse Club collection outside all Masses. Please be generous.

CCD Program

Volunteers are needed for our CCD program starting in the Fall. If you are interested, please contact Louise Browne at 944-5466.

KoC Wednesday Night Dinner

The next Knights of Columbus Wednesday night dinner is scheduled for August 19th at 5:00 pm. They will be serving *Red beans and rice with sausage, salad and cornbread.*

Visitation

If you are unable to attend Mass for a period of time and would like to receive communion, please call Bill Handy at 776-6089.

Register for Bible Study Classes

At the heart of the Bible are the Psalms, prayers from God that help us learn to pray. The Holy Spirit inspired them. Israel sang them. Christ himself prayed them, as did our Blessed Mother. These sacred hymns become our heartfelt response to God's loving and wondrous deeds for us. Their words captivate the imagination and draw us into a deeply personal encounter with God.

Join Jeff Cavins, Sarah Christmyer, and Dr. Tim Gray as they show you how to establish a deeply personal dialogue with God through the Psalms.

Join us for *Psalms: The School of Prayer* at St. Anne beginning the week of September 21 and continuing through December 13. We will have signups after all masses the weekend of August 15/16 and August 22/23 for more information and to register for the study, the cost of this study will be \$25.00. For additional information please see our website <http://saintannebellview.org> or contact Scott Miller at 850-748-4393 or via email: s_miller_0725@hotmail.com

Stewardship of Treasure

Monthly Offertory Goal 2015/2016: \$52,470.83

The Month of JULY

Offertory Collection: \$ 40,629.23

Burse Club Collection: \$ 763.46

August Second Collection

This month's second collection will be for the **Church in Latin America**, and will be taken up next weekend, August 22/23.

Your generosity to the Collection for the Church in Latin America is invaluable to the future of the faith in this region. Your donations will fund catechesis, marriage and family life programs, and seminarian formation. Please give with a joyful and generous heart. Please support programs like these and give generously in next week's collection.

Young at Heart

The Young at Heart ministry, adults of any faith 45 years of age and older, meets every Tuesday at 10 am in the Family Life Center. If you are interested in joining, please contact Ruth Paiva at 944-0270.

St. Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank everyone for their generous contributions this month. They raised 1,502.13.

The food pantry is in need of peanut butter, jelly, canned vegetables, ramen noodles and cereal.



Parish Registration/Update

NAME _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

_____ New in parish. Please send registration and other pertinent information.

_____ Moving out of parish. Please delete me/my family from records. Envelope # _____

_____ Moving within parish area. **Please change my:**

ADDRESS: _____ CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

Signature _____

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Phoenix Bast	Charlene Majewski-Olcott
Janelle Beaudoin	Jamie Mattair
Emily Brockmeier	Wanda McCagg
Ryan Carty	Tim Milsted
Suzanne DeLay	Sandra Nelson
Mary Dominguez	Ronald Painter
Edwin Eblamo	Neil Richards
Jennifer Engel	Eric Rittenhouse
Frances Faught	George Ruble
Ariena Forester	Lynn Thorsen
Daisy Frederick	Thomas Wagner
Rosalyn Huaroco	Krestine Whaley
Nicholas Krauss	Avery Wilson
Rusty Liscoe	

Firewood for Sale Grounds Improvement Committee (GIC)



GIC Firewood for Sale
1- Pallet \$80.00 1/2—Pallet \$40.00
GIC will load after Masses w/appointment
Call: Gregg Graves 850-426-7290 cell
Tony Keligond 850-380-4854 cell

Join the Email Tree

To join the email tree just send an email to:
stanneinfo+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Bulletin deadline

Bulletin Submissions deadline is due 9 days before published Sunday. Email items to office@stannebv.org.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT INFORMATION

Educational Material on the Danger of Abuse

The overwhelming majority of our clergy and lay leaders are hardworking individuals who are dedicated to serving the people of God in our parishes and schools. All of us together are responsible for making sure that all of our ministries are as safe as possible for our children and vulnerable adults. Each of us has a responsibility to educate ourselves about the real danger of abuse. Courses are available online at www.shieldthevulnerable.org, and they are free. For help on these courses and other safety matters, please contact the Diocese Office of Safe Environment at 435-3570.

Victims of Abuse

The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is committed to healing the hurting hearts of sexual abuse victims and has established Victims Assistance Coordinators who are experienced and trained counselors and are available to help persons who have been sexually abused. The Coordinator for the Pensacola/Fort Walton Beach area is Louis M. Makarowski, Ph.D., P.A; 477-7181.

Ask Fr. George...

Q. Is suicide a mortal sin and I have heard that you go to Hell if you committed suicide? Does suicide negate baptism and faith, and why? And don't we have the right to heaven because we are sons and daughters of God?

A. Your questions about suicide are good questions although some of what you have heard, or come to understand, is not quite true. First of all, what I am about to say pertains to everyone, baptized or not. The Church has always held that taking a life, anyone's life, including our own, goes squarely against the 5th Commandment – though shalt not kill. So killing anyone is a grave sin (you don't have to be baptized to sin) because life is given to us by God and so we are only the custodians, the stewards of life, not the owners. Therefore what does not belong to us cannot be destroyed by us. Now, let's say a person does commit suicide. They have sinned, but:

1. how culpable (punishable because of circumstance) are they? Remember what constitutes a mortal sin: there must be grave matter (yeah, killing someone is grave matter), there must be full knowledge of the evil act (if I didn't know it was wrong, I am not due the same punishment so the gravity of the sin is diminished from mortal to venial), there must be full consent (so if I was forced to shoot myself, there was no consent therefore no mortal sin; also, if I am mentally or emotionally disturbed and I react out of my dysfunction, I cannot be in full control of myself so there can't be full consent). So having said this, a person living in some kind psychological illness **can't** commit mortal sin because there may be either a lack of knowledge or a lack of consent or both. Does that person go to hell? Of course not.
2. What if they asked for forgiveness before they died? Doesn't God forgive **any & every** offence the moment we ask? There may not be absolution as there is in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and so there is a just punishment that is due to us for the offence, but the sin IS forgiven. The Church teaches: *We should not despair of the eternal salvation of persons who have taken their own lives. By ways known to Him alone, God can provide the opportunity for salutary repentance. CCC 2283.* You see, we don't know what goes through a person's mind in those moments just before death. It is conceivable that at the last moment, the person realized they had just made a terrible mistake and in their anguish have turned to God and said in one way or another "Forgive me Lord". The Church has NEVER declared that any particular person is in Hell. She acknowledges that there are persons in hell, but the Church has never said, for instance, "John Brown has taken his own life, therefore he has been sent to hell." Why? Because we just don't know what may have happened in those last moments.

So, not everyone who commits suicide is in hell. Secondly, nothing can negate our baptism except for a public repudiation of our baptism. Being baptized does NOT guarantee salvation because we can still CHOOSE to sin and to die in sin and therefore condemn OURSELVES to hell. Baptism gives us new life in Christ, but it does not destroy our free will. This is the error of some Fundamentalist Protestantism and of the ancient Pharisees. They thought that because the Israelites were the chosen people they were automatically saved. Some Protestants think "once saved, always saved". How can that be? Does 'being saved' or being baptized negate my free will? It can't, otherwise our humanity is destroyed. So although I am *being* saved – because salvation is a continuing effort (St Paul says that we are continually working out our salvation), that does NOT mean that I cannot sin, ergo I can't go to hell. What it means is that we have the power to avoid sin and the means of forgiveness; but if we don't ask, it doesn't happen, it's not automatic. Therefore in answer to your question "does it negate baptism and faith, and why?" – there is no why because there is no negation.