

**SAINT ANNE PARISH BULLETIN**  
**ST. ANNE PARISH 20 BOSTON ROAD SOUTHBOROUGH, MA**



**DECEMBER 17, 2017**  
**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



**JOY**



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**“REJOICE IN THE LORD  
ALWAYS; AGAIN I SAY,  
REJOICE.”**  
**(PHILIPPIANS 4:4)**

**ON THIS SUNDAY, THE  
CHURCH LOOKS FORWARD  
TO THE JOY OF  
CHRISTMAS., WHICH IS WHY  
IT IS CALLED  
“GAUDETE SUNDAY,”  
FROM THE LATIN WORD  
REJOICE.**

**IN THIS SEASON, A TIME OF  
PREPARATION FOR  
CHRISTMAS ROSE-COLORED  
FOR THE BLOSSOMING OF  
CHRISTMAS JOY, WHICH IS  
A SPECIAL JOY NOT JUST  
FOR CHRISTMAS DAY BUT  
FOR THE ENTIRE LIFE OF A  
CHRISTIAN. THE SERENE  
AND TRANQUIL JOY  
FOREVER ACCOMPANIES  
THE CHRISTIAN. EVEN IN  
DIFFICULT MOMENTS AND  
SUFFERING, THIS JOY  
BECOMES PEACE.**

*How might I pray, give thanks  
and help others better today?*

**Lord's Day Mass Schedule:**  
**Saturday ~ 5:00 pm**  
**Sunday ~ 8:30 am & 10:30 am**

**Children's Liturgy of the Word**  
**10:30 am Mass during school year**

**Filipino Mass:**  
**Third Sunday of the month - 12 pm**

**Daily Mass Schedule:**  
**Week Day Mass,**  
**Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am (during this  
Advent season Mass will be celebrated on  
Fridays at 9:00am)**  
**First Friday: 9:00 am**

**Confessions:**  
**Saturday ~ 4:15 pm,**  
**or anytime on request**

**Exposition and Adoration of the  
Blessed Sacrament:**  
**Wednesday ~ 9:30 am to 4:00 pm**

**Sacrament of Baptism**  
**Call the Parish Office to  
schedule a Baptism.**  
**Baptisms are generally celebrated at  
any of the Masses on the first weekend  
of the month so that the child may be  
welcomed and received in  
the presence of the parish community.**

**Sacrament of Marriage**  
**Arrangements with a Priest required  
at least one year prior to  
the wedding date.**

**Visitation of the Sick**  
**Fr. Albert and**  
**St. Anne's Ministers of Communion are  
pleased to bring Holy Communion to  
parishioners who are unable to join us  
for weekly worship. Please call the Par-  
ish Office to arrange a time.**

**Parish Contact Information**  
**Office Hours, Monday ~ Thursday**  
**9:30 am to 3:30 pm**  
**Friday ~ 9:30 am to noon**  
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**PREVENTING CHILD ABUSE IS EVERYONE'S  
RESPONSIBILITY:**

It's every adult's moral responsibility to protect possible victims (any age) by reporting suspected abuse or neglect to the responsible authorities. For particular help you may call: The Office for Healing and Prevention, Diocese of Worcester, at 508-929-4363. The Diocese of Worcester requires Safe Environment Training for all staff & volunteers.

# PARISH INFORMATION



**THE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE:** Thank you to all who contributed to the Giving Tree. On behalf of all the Southborough Food Pantry clients, a HUGE thank you to Orla Wages for all her work in ensuring that this year's Giving Tree was such a big success and to all who contributed to the Giving Tree. As I sat in Church, I was amazed as the gifts arrived and filled the sanctuary. What a sight!!! I had the honor of giving some of the gifts to our clients, receiving a big hug and kiss. I received this warmth on your behalf. Please know that you made many people lives brighter this Christmas season. May you and your family have a joyous, peace-filled Christmas and new year.  
*Pat Draper, St. Anne Pantry Coordinator*

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORTS FOR:

**December 9 and 10, 2017**

Weekly Offering..... \$7,242.00  
Retirement Fund for Religious.....\$1,428.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING GENEROUS SUPPORT.**

**Diocesan and Special Collections in DECEMBER ~ 2017**

|                                  |                  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Immaculate Conception (Holy Day) | December 8       |
| Christmas Flower Offering        | During the Month |
| Retirement Fund for Religious    | December 10      |
| Christmas Offering               | December 25      |



**CHOIR PRACTICE:** Please join us on Christmas Eve to sing carols at the 11pm Mass. We'll have 2 rehearsals in preparation:

- Sunday December 17th at 9:30am
- Wednesday December 20th at 7:30pm

Both rehearsals will be held in the choir loft of the Church. Questions, call/text Paul Crivello at 508-254-1254 or email at [pcrivello@osram.com](mailto:pcrivello@osram.com)

## PRAYER, HEALING MINISTRY AND SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT:

The Spiritual Development group will meet every **Tuesday morning following the 9:00am mass**. Please read the conclusion section of the *Immaculate Heart of Mary and God's Plan for America*. We will have 30 minutes adoration followed by study and fellowship in the Parish Hall from 10:00 to 11:00 am. Please contact Monica Shay if you have questions.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** The Prayer Shawl Ministry will not be meeting during the Christmas Holidays. Meetings will resume on Monday, January 8, 2018. The ministry members meet every Monday at 10:00am to noon in the Conference Room at the Parish Hall. Anyone interested in being a part of this Ministry are welcome to join. *Annette Buhsmer, Chair*

**United Parishes of Southborough Food Pantry:** Thank you for your ongoing donations. Pantry Hours (located at Pilgrim Church), Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m. & Fridays from 10-11 a.m. *Pat Draper, St. Anne Pantry Coordinator*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:



Sr. Yvette, Faith Stephens, June Phillipo, Jan & Charlie Mangana, Danielle Taylor, Jamie Farley, Stephanie McMahon, Rachel Knoll, Brad Arsenault, Paine Family, Lavallee Family, Marilou A. Custodio, Patty Morgan, Melinda O'Connor, Susan Davis, Scott Broussard, Paul Brodeur, Kenny Cassidy, Colleen Manning, Simone Almeida, Pat Austin, Nolan Francis Lane, Bill Yetman, Phil Auzenne, Gayle Dufour, Alexandra Barr, Carolyn Green, (Red) Weir, Zenta Franz, Denise Perrin, Katie Lutz, Judi Shea, Irene Larochele, Barbara Peterson, Isabel Chesak, George Wood, Gertrude Wallace, Judy Christian, Jeanne Walker, Dianne Higgins, Shannon Hayden, Millie Garden, Brian K., Eunice, June St. Andre, Emily, Mark S. Tootalian, Richard Buttiglieri, Milton Rattet, Dorothy Reid, Yvonne Allain, Dewey Morton, Nancy Powers, Carol Dunn, Stephen Brown, Fr. John Sassani, Jack Maley, Elaine Taylor, Karen Gazzardi, Joan Misener, Fernard, Cecile, Beverly, Michael Santella

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS MEMORIAL OFFERINGS** are welcomed and will be used for decorating the church for the Christmas season. Please list all the names of those you wish to remember and honor with your donation. Donation envelopes are found in the weekly envelope packet and extra envelopes are in the foyers of the church.



**ADVENT BABY DOLL COLLECTION FOR ST. FRANCIS REHABILITATION AND NURSING IN WORCESTER** Thank you St. Anne Parishioners, for your generosity in donating to our baby doll collection! Saint Francis Nursing and Rehabilitation Center now has 45 baby dolls to comfort residents in need! What a blessing! The love you've shown will be passed on to and by the residents throughout the coming year. Blessings to you and your families during this Advent season...and wishing you a wonderful Christmas! *Tanya Rybarczyk, St. Anne Parishioner and director of Pastoral Care at St. Francis Rehabilitation and Nursing in Worcester.*

If you or someone you know needs to sell or buy a home please let  
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O' Jesus, help us to be glad with the joy that you give us when we allow you to enter our life. Enter our lives anew and invite us to go our to the margins of life and proclaim the gospel with joy and courage! Help us discover true joy--the joy of making of our self a gift, of reciprocating the great gift that we have first received without merit of our own. *Amen*  
~Pope Francis

**FROM THE OFFICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP,  
DIOCESE OF WORCESTER:**

“As you know the 4th Sunday of Advent is celebrated by the Church this year on the 23rd and the morning of the 24th of December. The celebration of Christmas begins on the afternoon of the 24th and continues into Monday the 25th of December, Christmas Day. As disciples of the Lord, and good stewards of all that we have received, we are called to return to God a portion of the good things we have received to God himself. In addition to our talent and our treasure, an essential portion of our life as good stewards is our time, time for worship even amidst the many demands placed upon us in this month of December. Also, our journey through this time of Advent preparation which the Church has provided for us is only completed with the celebration of the Fourth Sunday of Advent. While we recognize the difficulty for many in coming to Holy Mass twice in three days, the Church calls upon us to prioritize these days of sublime Grace, for us, for our families, and for our communities, and join with us in being good stewards, by returning that portion of our commitment to worship at Holy Mass with our brothers and sisters in the Lord.”

**Our Father's Table:** The St. Anne Parish youth participates by cooking a meal on Wednesday, **December 27** at St. Anne Parish Hall, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. The meal is served in Marlborough at the New Hope Community Church, 204 Main St., Marlborough (entrance in the rear on Weed Street) on Thursday, **December 28** at 4:30pm. If you can make a dessert or serve at 4:30pm on Thursday, RSVP to Regina at 508-485-0159

**PRAYER SPONSOR PROGRAM FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:** In order to involve our whole parish community in the **Sacrament Program of First Communion and Confirmation** we have developed the Prayer Sponsor Program. It involves parishioners like you, who choose to sponsor a Candidate with prayer as they prepare for their Sacraments. Prayer is a powerful way to support our candidates especially as they journey towards God and His Sacraments. Please take an envelope from the basket labeled Prayer Sponsor in the foyers of the church and pray for that Candidate daily. We also encourage you to send them a card or note by dropping it into the “Prayer Sponsor Mailbox” which will be located in the front entrance of the Church. The box will be there until the end of April. We will forward the card or note to the candidate. **This is a wonderful opportunity to let our candidates know that they are being supported through prayer.**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** Held on Sunday at the 10:30am Mass. If interested in participating in a Children's Liturgy leadership role, please contact Joanne Flathers at [jflathers@charter.net](mailto:jflathers@charter.net) or 508-485-4345.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS DATES:

**Grade 1-2:** Meet on Sunday, January 7, 2018, 9:00am - 10:30am and Monday, January 8, 4-5:30pm (New Location-Parish Office, Conference Room) (First year of Sacramental preparation) ~Mrs. Pat Battles and Mrs. Jane Wood

### FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION:

**Grade 2 and up** Meets on Sunday, January 7 and Sunday January 21 from 9-10:30AM and First Reconciliation Service is on January 28 at 2:00pm. with Mrs. Joanne Flathers and Mrs. Pat Draper. This class meets for the most part in the Children's Liturgy Room.

**Grade 3:** Meet on Sunday, January 7, 9-10:30am with ~Mrs. Deb Sanford and Monday, January 8, 4-5:30pm ~Mrs. Laura Schroeder

**Grade 4-5:** Meet on Monday, January 8, 4-5:30pm ~Mrs. Beth McGonagle and Melissa Shields

**Grade 6:** Meet on Monday, January 8, 4-5:30pm (new Location-Parish Hall Conference Room) ~ Ms. Maggie Murphy

**Grade 7 –8:** The Edge Program will meet on the following Sundays:

December 10

See the Edge Box below for details

7:00pm to 8:30 pm ~Mrs. Monica Shay

**Grade 9-10 (Confirmation Candidates):** Sunday, January 14, 2018, 7:00pm to 8:30pm ~ Mrs. Karla Reuter.

**CONFIRMATION ~ 2018:**

**CONFIRMATION CLASS:** Sunday, January 28, 2018, 9:00am to 11:30am ~Mrs. Karla Reuter



**ST. ANNE'S MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 7 & 8) RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM IS GOING TO "THE EDGE"**

January 7 ~ 7th grade students only.  
January 14 ~ 8th grade students only.  
More details to follow

Please contact Monica Shay if you have any questions [monica@stannesouthborough.org](mailto:monica@stannesouthborough.org)





**WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE  
with MASS INTENTIONS**

*Saturday, December 16 ~ Monday, December 25, 2017*

# BELIEVE

**A MAN NAMED JOHN WAS SENT FROM GOD. HE CAME FOR TESTIMONY, TO TESTIFY TO THE LIGHT, SO THAT ALL MIGHT BELIEVE THROUGH HIM. HE WAS NOT THE LIGHT, BUT CAME TO TESTIFY TO THE LIGHT.**

DURING THIS ADVENT SEASON MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED EVERY FRIDAY AT 9:00AM



*Saint Anne Parish extends sympathy to the family and friends of:*

*Paul McCarthy*

*May he Rest in Peace*



### SCHEDULE FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

#### THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (HOLY DAY)

MASS TIMES:

VIGIL MASS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7  
7:00 PM

HOLY DAY MASS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8  
9:00 AM

#### CONFESSIONS FOR THE ADVENT SEASON

WILL BE HELD BETWEEN THE  
8:30AM AND 10:30AM MASSES  
STARTING ON DECEMBER 10  
AND AT 4:15PM ON SATURDAYS AS USUAL

#### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE

MASS TIMES: 5:00PM AND 11:00 PM

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—CHRISTMAS DAY

MASS TIMES: 9:00AM AND 11:00AM

|                      |         |   |
|----------------------|---------|---|
| SATURDAY             | 5:00pm  | Parishioners of St. Anne Parish                                 |
| SUNDAY               | 8:30am  | Douglas S. Reid Sr.<br>by his wife Dorothy & Children           |
|                      | 10:30am | Dr. Richard Hallisey<br>by Jim and Joan Richardson              |
|                      | 12 noon | <i>Filipino/St. Anne Parish Mass</i>                            |
| MONDAY               | 9:00am  | Joan Misener (Healing)<br>by your friends in Prayer Shawl       |
| TUESDAY              | 9:00am  | Margaret Anne Hostage<br>by her Family                          |
| WEDNESDAY            | 9:00am  | Steve L. White  |
| THURSDAY             | 9:00am  | For the Pope's Intentions                                       |
| FRIDAY               | 9:00am  | For the Community of Southboro                                  |
| SATURDAY             | 5:00pm  | Anne "Cibelli" Donahue<br>(1st Anniversary)<br>by her daughters |
| SUNDAY               | 8:30am  | Pamela Soucy (1st Anniversary)<br>by her Family                 |
|                      | 10:30am | Phil Wood<br>by his wife, Jane and Family                       |
| <i>CHRISTMAS EVE</i> | 5:00pm  | Parishioners of St. Anne Parish                                 |
|                      | 11:00pm | Parishioners of St. Anne Parish                                 |
| <i>CHRISTMAS DAY</i> | 9:00am  | Parishioners of St. Anne Parish                                 |
|                      | 11:00am | Parishioners of St. Anne Parish                                 |

### Liturgical Minister Schedule

#### December 16 and 17

|         |                     |                          |
|---------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 5:00pm  | Lector              | Laura Schroeder          |
|         | Communion Ministers | J. & J. McCarthy         |
| 8:30am  | Lector              | Tom Bhisitkul            |
|         | Communion Ministers | A. & B. Shea             |
| 10:30am | Lector              | Peter Bradstreet         |
|         | Communion Ministers | P. Howard/J/ J. Flathers |

*Counters: M. Robertson/P. Moran*

#### December 24 and 25

|         |                     |                        |
|---------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 5:00pm  | Lector              | Roger Jolicoeur        |
|         | Communion Ministers | J. Castelda/M. Andries |
| 8:30am  | Lector              | NEED                   |
|         | Communion Ministers | D. Campero/C. Carreras |
| 10:30am | Lector              | Peter Bradstreet       |
|         | Communion Ministers | J. Flathers/NEED       |

#### Christmas Eve

#### December 24

|         |                     |                            |
|---------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 5:00pm  | Lector              | Joe Cruciani               |
|         | Communion Ministers | P. Howard/J. & J. McCarthy |
| 11:00pm | Lector              | John Callinan              |
|         | Communion Ministers | C. Carreras/A. & B. Shea   |

#### Christmas Day

#### December 25

|          |                     |                    |
|----------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 9:00am   | Lector              | Regina McAuliffe   |
|          | Communion Ministers | J. Flathers/NEED   |
| 11:00 am | Lector              | Jim Garden         |
|          | Communion Ministers | P. Bradstreet/NEED |