

“I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly”.

Jesus teaches "Secrets Of The Abundant Life" ...

I. BEARING FRUIT united with Jesus the vine.

A. Kinds of fruit: 1. Sharing the faith + helping others to grow - [Ro 1:13](#) 2. Sharing with those in need - [Ro 15:28](#) 3. Becoming more Christ-like - [2Pt 1:5-8](#); [Ga 5:22-23](#) 4. Worship together giving thanks - [He 13:15](#)

II. SECRET OF BEARING FRUIT IS ABIDING

A. Abide: 1. Jesus uses the word "abide" ten times - [Jn 15:4-10](#) 2. We must abide in Him, and He in us, to bear fruit 3. Without Him, we can do nothing

III. SECRET OF ABIDING IS OBEYING

A. OBEY: 1. By keeping His commands we abide in His love - [Jn 15:10a](#) 2. By keeping His commands we will be His friends [Jn 15:14](#) 3. By keeping His commandments we abide in Him - [1Jn 3:24a](#)

IV THE SECRET OF OBEYING IS LOVING

A. 3 REASONS TO OBEY... 1. **we have to** (level of fear) avoid punishment 2. **we need to** (level of selfish) get what we want 3. **We want to** (level of love) we love the One we are obeying

B. OBEDIENCE OUT OF LOVE... appeals to our sense of love - [Jn 14:15,23](#) 2. He knows that without love our obedience will falter - [Jn 14:24](#) 3. The secret to consistent obedience is loving!

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat 5:30pm for the soul of William Charles Zeigler at request of Robert and Holly Ferrier
9:00am all members of St. Anna's
12:00pm for the soul of Anthony DeProspero at request of his wife, Dolly.

TREASURE STEWARDSHIP:

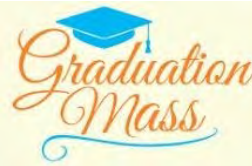
Fourth Sunday of Easter Offertory: \$9,058.00

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Today eighteen of our children will receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. We welcome the following children to the Lord's Table: **Rosie Cannon, Griffin Costantino, Tobie Dean, Kylee Dippel, Talon Goodwin, Veronika Hang, Patrick Hassan, Joel Hernandez, Jackson Herrick, Savanah Jones, Ava McDonald, Griffin Mertzloff, Ian Miller, Durell Patman, Rebekah Preston, Leocadio Sanchez, Jake Schay, Emiliano Torres.** God bless you



The **GRADUATION MASS** for our graduating High School Seniors will be held on Sunday, May 28th at the 12:00 p.m. Mass. We would like to recognize your son/daughter at this Mass. If you have a graduating senior and they will be able to attend this Mass, please contact Mrs. Deb at 770-267-7637 or dfarabaugh@st-annas.com.



The **VIRTUS CHILD PROTECTION CLASS** for all volunteers who work with



or around children/youth will be held **THIS Thursday, MAY 11TH** from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This includes Knights of Columbus who will be around children/youth at their functions, Summer Days Volunteers & youth ministry volunteers. **This will be the last VIRTUS class offered at St. Anna's until next fall so don't miss this opportunity.** Register at www.virtus.org. Contact Deb Farabaugh with any questions.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

WYN (Wednesday Youth Night) is this Wed., May 10th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Join us!



ANNUAL YOUTH GROUP YARD SALE SATURDAY, MAY 20TH, 2017

We need your unwanted "treasures" for our annual Youth Group Yard sale! We'll take anything you wish to get rid of. Drop off for the Yard Sale is Friday, May 19th from 6-8pm. Pick up CAN BE arranged, if you have large items. All proceeds from the Yard Sale go towards the youth trip to Steubenville Atlanta.



.....CLIP / TEAR.....

Your VOTE will determine if

SUMMER MASS CHANGE?

(from end of MAY to beginning of SEPTEMBER)
 [corresponding to our School of Religion being in session]

Change SUNDAY 12:00 MASS To 11:00 AM

No Yes
 (Circle one)

[place in BOX beneath Screen in Narthex.
 Vote only once. Vote accepted until 5/13.]



Liturgical Trainings Scheduled

Altar Server
 Sunday, May 21 at 10:30am
Lector
 Saturday, May 20 at 10am
Eucharistic Minister
 Saturday, May 27th at 10am



8th Annual Ed Reinagel Memorial Fish 4 Kids Golf Tournament
 Friday, May 19th at Bear Creek Golf Club in Monroe
 Please Contact Chasity Stewart for information at 770-722-0465 or chasity0702@windstream.net

St. Anna's Family Knight with Gwinnett Braves
 \$13 includes a free cap and tailgating
 Game is Friday, June 9th
 tailgate 5PM and game starts at 7PM
 Contact: Roger Coyne (770)309-5623
 Greg Hennigan (770)601-1589
Tickets will go on sell soon!



A Grief Support Group will begin meeting on Saturday, June 3rd at 10 am. More information coming soon.



SUMMER DAYS VBS
 "Tracking Mary: Mysteries & Messages"
 June 12th to the 16th 5-8 p.m.
VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED
 to insure the success of this year's Summer Days. Please contact Deb Farabaugh to volunteer or for more Information: 770-267-7637 or dfarabaugh@st-annas.com
 All volunteers must take the **VIRTUS** class on May 11th if you have not yet taken it.



Athens State Botanical Garden Tours
 Come and discover the wonderful Botanical Gardens. The Athens State Botanical Garden Visitors Center is located at 2450 Milledge Ave. Athens Master Gardeners gives tours for \$5.00 a person. Call Geri Simon 404-909-2719, if you want to go. Minimum of 5 to a max. of 20 people.

2017 PARISH COUNCIL NOMINEES

You will **VOTE** for 1 man and 1 woman in two weeks, to serve on Parish Council .



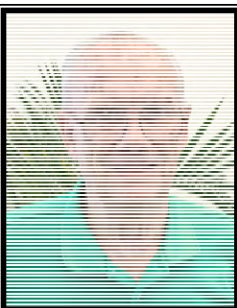
Sue Plumb



Wylie Stokes



Christine Feibish



Roger Coyne

Save the Date for **Women's CRHP VI** Weekend
 August 19-20
 For more inform: www.st-annas.com
For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them~ Matthew 18:20



Meeting times for the week:
 OLPH - Every Mon. @ 3pm (102/3)
 Men's CRHP - Mon. 5/8 @ 6:30pm (101)
 Women's CRHP- Mon. 5/8 @ 6:30pm (108)
 Centering Prayer - Every Mon. @ 7pm (Chpl)
 Be My Rock - Tues. 5/9 after mass (PH)
 Parish Bible Study - Every Wed. @ 10am (105)
 Kid's Choir Rehearsal - Wed. 5/10 @ 6:30pm
 Adult's Choir Rehearsal - Wed. 5/10 @ 7pm
 Stewardship Council - Wed. 5/10 @ 7:15pm (Lib)
 Rosary Makers - Thurs. 5/11 @7pm (108)
Call the Church Office at 770-267-7637 to get items on the Calendar!!!!

WEEKLY VERSES
 A week's worth of God's Word

May 7 thru May 13
Saturday: Confessions
begin at 4 PM

Sunday: Acts 2:14.36-41. / Ps 23(22):1-3a.3b-6/1 Peter 2:20-25/Jn 10:1-10.
Monday: Acts 11:1-18. / Ps 42(41):2-3.43(42):3.4. / Jn 10:11-18.
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26. / Ps 87(86):1-3.4-5.6-7. / Jn 10:22-30.
Wednesday: Acts 12:24-25.13:1-5a. / Ps 67(66):2-3.5.6.8. / Jn 12:44-50.
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25. / Ps 89(88):2-3.21-22.25.27. / Jn 13:16-20.
Friday: Acts 13:26-33. / Ps 2:6-7.8-9.10-11. / Jn 14:1-6.
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52. / Ps 98(97):1.2-3ab.3cd-4. / Jn 14:7-14.

Nursery

Available for Mass

9:00 Mass
 May 7 - **NEED SOMEONE!**
 May 14 - **NEED SOMEONE!**

12:00 Mass
 May 7- *Yaricxa Roman*
 May 14 - *Meagan Xydias*