

“To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away.”

This statement strikes me, at first glance, as contrary to what is just. But it does describe reality! After all, for instance, learned people practice what it takes to grow in knowledge and to become more learned! But is this the seed the sower in this parable is sowing?

Yes, but more specifically, I believe these seeds are “knowledge of the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven”. Whenever a person comprehends such a “seed” of wisdom they grow in Christ-like spirituality and are open to more growth in the way of the “spirit and truth”.

The lesson is to value and give thanks for the gifts of “faith, hope, and love” you have been given. To cherish these gifts from God is to open yourself so as to receive an ever greater measure of the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven!

PS: *Cantrell Construction will mount our beautiful new Crucifix above the tabernacle at the latest by August 5th!*

PS: *A Holy Spirit dove is now above the stained glass window in the Chapel.*

PS: *Your pastor has given a 1954 edition of a Papal Bible to the parish in honor of the 2nd anniversary of the dedication of our new Church. It is located in the Chapel to be used there!*

Note: *In 1954 fund raising began for the the new mission in Monroe.*

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. 5:30pm for the people of St. Anna’s **Sun 9:00am** for the repose of the soul of George Still at the request of Terry Still and Wyllie Stokes **Sun 11:00am** for the Lord’s blessings on our Pledge Drive Number 4.

TREASURE STEWARDSHIP:

Offertory Weekend of July 2: \$ \$8,444.50
Offertory Weekend of July 9: \$7, 888.00
(Average of \$9,000 per week to balance budget)

FAITH FORMATION NEWS



Share God’s Word

“Come, children, listen to me: I will teach you of the Lord.” Psalm 34:12
It is a blessing to be able to share your faith with children or youth who are just beginning their faith journey!
BE A CATECHIST AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD OR TEEN!

Catechists are needed in grades 1 & 3. Catechist aides are needed in grades 1, 5 & 6. We also need a couple to teach our Theology of the Body class to our 8th graders. Contact Deb Farabaugh at 770-267-7637 or dfarabaugh@st-annas.com

There are so many ministries we would love to offer families with young children. **“CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD” - CLW** is one of those ministries. Children’s Liturgy of the Word allows children from 4 years to grade 1, to hear the readings and the Gospel at their level. We would love to be able to offer CLW at both the 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. mass beginning this fall. However, in order to do that, we need volunteers to facilitate CLW. It’s a very simple program (all lesson plans and materials provided) and is done during the Mass. We need 2 adults with the children during CLW so ideally, we would need 8 volunteers per Mass. If you have an interest in participating in CLW or would like more information, contact Mrs. Deb at 770-267-7637 or dfarabaugh@st-annas.com.



Another area we could really use help in is our **NURSERY.**

Our nursery, which is such a blessing to parents of young children, is short volunteers every week, which sometimes necessitates closing the nursery. Anyone can be a nursery volunteer (as long as you have taken the VIRTUS Child Protection Class). Contact Mrs. Deb for info!

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

WYN WATER NIGHT has been rescheduled to

Wed., July 26th! Join us for mass at 6:00 pm, followed by pizza and then be ready to GET WET! All youth of St. Anna’s are invited to this fun event.





Welcome our newest Parishioner:
Darryl & Jill Brown
Dan & Amy Sekowski
AJ & Trayce Suppes

EXCITING NEWS REGARDING YOUR ULTREYA GROUP! St. Anna's Ultreya group will begin gathering the **4th SATURDAY of each month, following the 5:30 p.m. mass!** We hope that by gathering on a SATURDAY night vs. a FRIDAY night, more people will have the chance to join in!

Our 1st gathering will be **SATURDAY, July 22nd** FOLLOWING the 5:30 mass in the Parish Hall.
As usual, BRING A DISH TO SHARE!
Can't wait to see everyone!

ONLINE GIVING
now available

Do you love sharing your Catholic faith with others?



The **RCIA TEAM** could use your help! RCIA meets on Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 8:30pm to teach and share our faith with those interested in learning more about being Catholic. We would love to have more members on the RCIA team and perhaps you are looking for a ministry to become involved in. If interested, call Don Nye (770-605-9439), Jay Sobczak (404-803-1827) or Deb Farabaugh (770-267-7637).

They had an AWESOME weekend!



Our youth at the Steubenville Atlanta Youth Conference. Thank you for your prayers and a big thank you to our youth ministers, Delilah Barron & David Quintanilla for accompanying them. Pictured from left: Nick Warren, Sam Warren, Will Landkamer, Wesley Breedlove, Gabby Holmes, Regan Breedlove, Mary Brown & Marianna Tanner.

Available for Mass

9:00 Mass

July 16 & 23

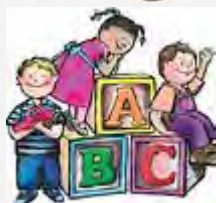
Contact Mrs. Deb to HELP

11:00 Mass

July 16 & 23

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Nursery



ST. ANNA'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN IV GOAL
\$850,000
3 YEAR CAMPAIGN
December 2017-December 2020

Purposes:

1. Pay off mortgage.
2. Pave rear parking lot and stations path, pave and improve stairs to pavilion, and repair concrete as needed.
3. Determine and implement an acoustical solution for the narthex.
4. Your ideas on projects to be voted on at a town hall meeting in November.

"Naturally, participation is voluntary. I do ask all to give this prayerful consideration and do what you believe it right." – Father Dan

IMPORTANT DATES:

Volunteer Team Sign Ups

Sign up weekend of August 19th and 20th (early sign-up In Narthex two weeks prior)

Volunteer Organizational Meeting

August 29th at 7pm in Parish Hall

Town Hall Meeting

November 12th between the Masses- to discuss suggestions for optional items and vote to determine the order they are funded.

Commitment Weekend

December 9th and 10th



FISH Summer Lunches for Kids

Only a few weeks left of summer. Don't miss your chance to help! St. Anna's day to pack lunches is every **Friday** from 9:30 to 11:30. Meet in the building behind the Thrift Store on Spring St.
Many Hands, Make Little Work

Meeting times for the week:

- OLPH - Every Mon. @ 3pm (102/3)
- Women's CRHP- Every Mon. @ 6:30pm (Lib)
- Centering Prayer - Every Mon. @ 7pm (Chpl)
- Dave Ramsey Class - Tues. 7pm (105)
- Parish Bible Study - Every Wed @ 10am (105)
- Parish Council - Wed @ 7pm (105)
- Grief Support - Every Sat. @ 10am (105)

Call the Church Office at 770-267-7637 to get items on the Calendar!!!!

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

July 16 thru July 22
Saturday: Confessions
begin at 4 PM

- Sunday:** Is 55:10-11. / Ps 65(64):10.11.12-13.14. / Rm 8:18-23. / Mt 13:1-23.
- Monday:** Ex. 1:8-14.22. / Ps 124(123):1-3.4-6.7-8. / Mt 10:34-42.11:1.
- Tuesday:** Ex. 2:1-15a. / Ps 69(68):3.14.30-31.33-34. / Mt 11:20-24.
- Wednesday:** Ex. 3:1-6.9-12. / Ps 103(102):1-2.3-4.6-7. / Mt 11:25-27.
- Thursday:** Ex. 3:13-20. / Ps 105(104):1.5.8-9.24-25.26-27. / Mt 11:28-30.
- Friday:** Ex. 11:10.12:1-14. / Ps 116(115):12-13.15-16bc.17-18. / Mt 12:1-8.
- Saturday:** Song 3:1-4a. / Ps 63(62):2.3-4.5-6.8-9. / Jn 20:1-2.11-18.