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DAILY MASS

Monday 9:00 AM
Tuesday 12:15 PM
Wednesday 12:15 PM
Thursday No Mass
Friday 9:00 AM
(Adoration every Friday
9:30 AM—3:30 PM)

VIGIL MASS

Saturday 5:00 PM

SUNDAY MASSES

9:00 AM and 12:00 PM

LENTEN PENANCE

Every Wed. 10:00AM –
12:00PM (In Parish Office)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday:
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Closed Thursdays
Weekly Staff Meeting:
Tuesdays at 10:00AM
If you need to contact us please
leave a message.

www.St-Annas.com

1401 Alcovy Street
Monroe, GA 30655
GPS: 836 Monroe Jersey Rd

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by appointment.

INFANT BAPTISM

Catholic parents must be active, registered and participate in a Baptism class. Please, call the office to schedule.

MARRIAGE

Call at least six months before proposed date. Catholics must be active and registered!

RCIA

Open to those inquiring about the Catholic Faith.

Tuesdays (Sept.-April) 7:00PM

Deb Farabaugh: debfarabaugh@gmail.com



If you become aware of or have a reasonable suspicion of abuse you are required to report within 24 hours by Georgia law. **Reports of child abuse and neglect can be made by phone to 1-855-GA CHILD (1-855-422-4453) 24 hours/day, 7 days/week.** Archdiocesan policy **requires** a follow up letter to be sent to your local DFCS office detailing all the information provided to the intake center in order to keep records of our response to allegations of abuse. A copy of the letter also needs to be sent to the Office of Child and Youth Protection.

If an allegation of abuse involves any member of the clergy, employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Atlanta, you must contact the Office of the District Attorney and the Office of Child and Youth Protection in addition to DFCS within 24 hours.

**FOR SACRAMENTAL
EMERGENCIES PLEASE CALL:
706-688-9870**



February 25th 2024 | Second Sunday of Lent



Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM:

Sunday 9:00 AM:

Sunday 12:00 PM:

Monday 9:00 AM:

Tuesday 12:15 PM:

Wednesday 12:15 PM:

Wednesday 6:00 PM:

Friday 9:00 AM:

St. Anna's Parishioners & Families

Robert Cocchi (D)

Hunter, Blair & Jim Fellers (D)

Tom McClary (D)

Shirley Hartl (D)

Fr. David McGuiness (D)

Ann Marie Cannon (L)

IN PEW OFFERTORY RECAP:

02/18/2024: \$10,370.87

You can give online by scanning the QR code or visit:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/PS-993>



POPE FRANCIS' FEBRUARY PRAYER INTENTION:

For the terminally ill: We pray for those with a terminal illness, and their families, that they receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment. Amen.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING SAVE THE DATES:

2/28: Sacred Heart Penance Service 7:00PM

3/1: Fish Fry Friday 5:00PM

3/1: Stations of the Cross 6:00PM

3/2: Carmelites Day of Reflection 9:00AM

3/2: Easter Ham Raffle Tickets (after all Masses)

3/6: St. Matthew Penance Service 7:00PM

3/8: Fish Fry Friday 5:00PM

3/8: Stations of the Cross 6:00PM

3/12: UGA Catholic Center Penance Service 7:00PM

3/16: Easter Ham Raffle Tickets (after all Masses)

3/23: RCIA Retreat

ST. CECILIA'S CORNER: NEW CHOIR: TRAINING
CHOIR FOR CHILDREN 6,7 years

I am happy to begin a new choir for children, ages 6 and 7 years. This choir, called a training choir, is to begin children with music and singing fundamentals. Boys and girls will learn basic solfege, simple singing exercises and rhythm training. This choir will meet on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:00 p.m. in the choir room behind the nave. Come in through the church. This choir may perform on Mother's Day in May.

For more information, contact Kevin Faulkner through the Church office or email at kfaulkner@st-annas.com. The minimum number of children is 10 and the maximum is 25.

EASTER EGG HUNT: We are getting ready to start preparing for our annual Easter Egg hunt! We are in need of eggs and candy to stuff them with. If you are able to donate, we will be collecting them in the bucket in the Parish Hall. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on March 31st, following the Noon Mass. This event is open to ALL children in the Parish.

YOUTH GROUP (8-12TH)
JANUARY MEET UPS

Wednesdays at 6:30PM

2/28

ldibble@st-annas.com

RISING YOUTH (4-7TH)
FEBRUARY MEET UPS

Sundays at 1:00PM

2/25

emmarlowe@st-annas.com

SERVICE HOURS: We have volunteer opportunities available for 9th and 10th grade students. We need teens to help with the Lenten Fish Fry. Please contact Heather Gardner or Nancy Sykes if you would like to volunteer.

COME and SEE: Join St. Joseph Seminary College for a seminary visit and discernment weekend! This is open to men ages 16-30 on March 22-24. Lodging, transportation, and meals are provided. Scan the QR code to sign up or visit: www.calledbychrist.com/events



MASS INTENTIONS: Would you like to have a Mass said for a loved one? Contact the office to schedule a Mass.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION LITURGICAL LIVING NEWS:

February 25th - February 29th

February 25th: Fourth Sunday of St. Joseph

See devotion instructions on the blog!

I had to include a Leap Day saint! I was surprised to discover that there are a few. In addition to Auguste Chapdelaine, Pope Saint Hilary, Saint Oswald of Worcester, and Blessed Antonia of Florence are all remembered on February 29th.

Auguste Chapdelaine was a French missionary who served in the Guangxi province of China. He was born in La Rochelle-Normande, France, entered seminary at the age of 20, and was ordained a priest in 1843. He celebrated his first Mass in Guangxi on December 8 (Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception!), 1854.

Chapdelaine was arrested just ten days after his arrival in Guangxi and held prisoner for about two and a half weeks.

After just over a year of priestly ministry, he was arrested again on February 25, 1856 along with other Chinese Catholics. He refused to pay a bribe when he was accused of inciting rebellion and was condemned to "cage torture." This involved 100 lashes on the cheek with a leather throng, which caused Chapdelaine's teeth to be knocked out and his jaw to be gruesomely torn. The small, iron cage in which he was imprisoned was hung at the entrance of the jail, and the planks supporting his weights were gradually removed. This caused increasing strain in the neck muscles and ultimately resulted in death by suffocation. Chapdelaine was decapitated postmortem, and his head was hung from a tree by the hair.

Although Chapdelaine was French, his ministry was in China, so I fully endorse Chinese takeout for dinner tonight! But, you really do not have to twist my arm to get me to eat sesame chicken and egg rolls. After dinner, maybe play a game of Chinese checkers, and check out on the blog describing how the Chinese government has attempted to discredit Chapdelaine by falsely accusing him of atrocities.

Other Feasts in February:

February 24th: St. Adela

February 25th: St. Walburga

February 26th: St. Isabelle of France

February 27th: St. Anne Line; St. Gabriel; St. Gregory of Narek; St. Leander of Seville

I encourage you to do some research on any of these that may be important to your family. Catholic culture is universal AND personal. Celebrate the feasts that are significant to you. Our faith is super fun!

Recommended FREE Catholic apps for iPhone and Android:

Laudate: The most comprehensive Catholic app: daily readings, prayers, podcasts, rosaries, and more!

iBreviary: brings the traditional Catholic prayer of the Breviary and all the texts of the Liturgy to your device

SCAN ME



You can access the blog by scanning the QR code with your phone or visiting the following web address:

<https://www.st-annas.com/liturgical-living-4/>

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ST. ANNA'S LENTEN FISH FRY IS BACK!!!:

Join us every Fridays during Lent, until March 22nd in the Parish Hall for our annual Fish Fry sponsored by the Knights of Columbus! This year the Fish Fry will start at 5:00PM with Stations of the Cross, led by Deacon John and Father Randy, at 6:00PM in the Sanctuary. The menu will include fried cod or fried southern catfish, french fried potatoes, hush puppies, and coleslaw. Iced tea, lemonade, water, and Coke products to drink. Two types of cookies are also included in the price. The cost is \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children under 12.



5K & FUN RUN: Please consider being a sponsor and runner/walker for the St. Patrick's 5K & Fun Run! Saturday, March 16, 2024 Knights of Columbus #14425 See one of the Knights after Mass to sign up.



ECUMENICAL LUNCHEONS: Each Service begins at 12:00PM and includes a welcome, singing a song, and sharing a 15-20 minute message. Lunch is served at 12:30PM with a love offering to FISH. The schedule is as follows:

2/28: First African Baptist	* They encourage those working to
3/6: Lighthouse World Outreach	eat first in order to honor their time.
3/13: First Baptist	
3/20: First Methodist	

LENTEN PENANCE: During Lent we should take on some extra penitential practices in order to grow in holiness and be free from the bondage of sin. Because of this, it is fitting that many Catholics choose to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation during this holy season. Father Randy will also offer Reconciliation every Wednesday during Lent from 10:00AM—12:00PM. Just come to the office to be seen. No appointment is necessary. We will continue to offer Reconciliation every Saturday from 3:30-4:30PM in the Sanctuary as well.

EASTER HAM RAFFLE: It is almost that time of year again! Our Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual Easter Ham Raffle the weekend of March 2-3 and March 16-17. See a Knight in the Parish Hall to purchase your tickets!



WEEKLY MEETINGS FEBRUARY 25TH— MARCH 2ND:

Sunday: Mass—9:00AM SOR—10:30AM Mass—12:00PM Rising Youth—1:00PM	Mass—12:15PM Thursday: OFFICE CLOSED NO MASS Friday: Adoration 9:30AM-3:30PM Fish Fry—5:00PM Stations of the Cross—6:00PM
Monday: Mass—9:00AM Girls Choir—4:00PM	Saturday: Carmelite Day of Reflection Reconciliation—3:30PM Easter Ham Raffle—All Masses Vigil Mass—5:00PM
Tuesday: Mass—12:15PM RCIA—7:00PM	
Wednesday: Open Reconcil.—10AM-12PM Ecumenical Luncheon—12:00PM (First African Baptist)	

****PLEASE DO NOT FEED ELIJAH****

DR. EDWARD SRI'S VISIT TO ST. ANNA'S:

On Wednesday we had two amazing and dynamic talks from Dr. Edward Sri. We are so thankful to be able to provide this Lenten Mission to our parish and pray that you found the talks to be transferable in your every day lives as we journey through Lent.

SYNODAL: For the next stage of the Synod on Synodality, the Archdiocese is hosting five Regional Listening Sessions throughout Lent attended by one of the bishops of Atlanta:

Domingo, 25 de febrero, 5PM San Miguel, Gainesville (español)	Thursday, March 7, 7PM (Focus on college students & young adults) Saint Thomas More, Decatur
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Tuesday, February 27, 7PM Saint Philip Benizi, Jonesboro

Monday, March 18, 7PM
Virtual

Wednesday, March 6, 7PM
Chancery in Smyrna

Please visit www.archatl.com for more information.

LIVE THE LITURGY: Today we are following Jesus up on a high mountain with Peter, James, and John. There they see Jesus "transfigured," his face like the sun and his clothes as white as light. Jesus is there conversing with Moses and Elijah.

What are we to make of this image of Jesus, the earthly teacher of this small band of disciples? They were merely followers of a teacher, a rabbi. When they see this and hear a voice proclaiming, "This is my beloved Son..." they begin to realize this man is more than just a rabbi. However, Jesus tells them to keep this a secret until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.

Well, they have no idea what this means. Therefore, they continue to follow him as if he was just a human, a teacher. However, we live in the time after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead. Now it is we who must proclaim the good news of Jesus, the Son of God the Father.

Take this week and think about how, in your own way, can proclaim through your words and deeds the Jesus is your savior, your teacher, and rabbi.

The Transfiguration left the disciples with more questions than answers. What had they just seen? What had they just heard? They were confused, but they trusted Jesus. Let us follow in their example, trusting in God's care as we journey deeper through Lent.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 25TH 2024

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-3

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-4

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-3

Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 **Scrutiny:** Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

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