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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**



March 3rd 2024 | Third 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:

Friday 9:00 AM:

Catherine & Dan Melton (D)
St. Anna's Parishioners & Families
Debra Landkamer (D)

John & Elizabeth (D)
Fr. David McGuiness (D)

IN PEW OFFERTORY RECAP:

02/25/2024: \$9,525

You can give online by scanning the QR code or visit:
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/PS-993>



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:

March 3rd: Fifth Sunday of St. Joseph

It has long been customary in the Catholic Church to prepare for the Feast of St. Joseph by dedicating to him the seven Sundays preceding his feast day, which is March 19th. We spend these weeks recalling the seven sorrows and seven joys of St. Joseph. This is as simple as adding some special prayers to your day on each of these Sundays. See the blog for links to prayers.

March 7th: Sts. Perpetua & Felicity

Perpetua was a young noblewoman in the Roman province of Carthage in North Africa. She was the daughter of a pagan father and a Christian mother, and she also had an infant son. Felicity, her maidservant, was eight months pregnant when the two women were arrested along with three other male companions for refusing to renounce their Christian faith. Perpetua kept a journal while the group was imprisoned, which still survives today. It's quite short, and you can find a link to read it on the blog.

March 9th: St. Catherine of Bologna

Catherine of Bologna was born to a wealthy family in Bologna, Italy on September 8, 1413. Feeling called to the religious life, she entered the convent of Corpus Domini at Ferrara in 1426 at just 13 years old.

In 1456, Catherine was asked by the governors in Bologna to found a Poor Clares monastery there and serve as its abbess. Catherine fell ill during the Lenten season of 1463 and passed away on March 9th of that year. She was initially buried without a coffin, but, when people began to attribute cures to her and to talk of a sweet-smelling aroma coming from her grave, her body was exhumed. The body was found to be incorruptible and continues to remain so, although the skin has blackened from the continual exposure to soot and oil lamps. Catherine's body, dressed in her religious habit, can be seen at the chapel of the Poor Clares in Bologna. Recipes, activities, and more are on the blog!

March 10th: Laetare Sunday/Sixth Sunday of St. Joseph

Laetare Sunday

Congratulations! You've made it halfway through Lent! *Laetare* is a Latin word that means *rejoice*. It comes from the introit (entrance antiphon) for today's Mass, which reflects on Isaiah 66:10-11. *Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad because of her, all you who love her; Rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—So that you may be satisfied from her consoling breast; That you may drink with delight at her abundant breasts!*

Sixth Sunday of St. Joseph

See above under Fifth Sunday of St. Joseph.

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/>

SCAN ME



ST. CECILIA'S CORNER: NEW CHOIR: TRAINING CHOIR FOR CHILDREN 6,7 years. This choir will meet on Tuesdays from 4:00-4:30 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.

LITURGICAL PIETY:

Liturgical Piety (Or Why Do Some People Do Things Differently and Wear Things and Make the Sign of the Cross Many More Times)

In any Catholic church these days one will find some expressions of liturgical piety that may differ from one's own expressions. But, before we attend to the questions, let us define piety. Piety is the act of being religious or being reverent. Piety may reflect the inner attitude of a person toward something or someone.

So, the acts of liturgical piety that will be addressed include kneeling for the reception of Communion, the wearing of the veil by women, and making the Sign of the Cross at other times. All three of these actions constitute liturgical piety. They are practices that have their roots in the behaviors of previous generations of Catholics.

Kneeling for the reception of Communion was required before 1969. If one might recall, there were Communion rails, and everyone knelt to receive the Eucharist. This is still true if one were to attend a Tridentine Mass. It is not required to kneel to receive, but it is a commendable practice. It is understood that you kneel before Jesus, who is in the Eucharist. If you wish to kneel, you may do so. If not, then you are not required to do so.

Women wear veils. It is common to see this practice. Before 1965, women were instructed to wear veils before the Blessed Sacrament. The 1983 Code of Canon Law indicated that women were not required to wear a veil while at Mass. However, the last 10 years have seen a recovery of the use of the veil. Most women who wear a veil see it as a sign of their dignity before God. Veils have been considered a sign of modesty and respect before the Blessed Sacrament. However, it is not required. Interestingly, veils have been embraced by younger generations of Catholic women, and sales of veils have skyrocketed.

Making the Sign of the Cross at other times than the beginning and end of Mass is another practice that has its roots in earlier times. One made the sign at the mention of the word "blessed," at the mention of the dead, and one bowed one's head at the name of Jesus. If one chooses, one can may continue to do so. All these actions constitute piety. They are not done to be "holier than thou" or to attract attention. In fact, they are outward expressions that have long and venerable histories. Lastly, one should never judge these actions because, as many spiritual masters have indicated, one should never judge another person's soul in relation to God. It is simply not our business. Do any of these practices if they enhance your piety. If not, then do not worry.

March 3rd 2024 | Third Sunday of Lent

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.

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!



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:

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

YOUTH GROUP (8-12TH)

MARCH MEET UPS

Wednesdays at 6:30PM

3/6

ldibble@st-annas.com

RISING YOUTH (4-7TH)

MARCH MEET UPS

Sundays at 1:00PM

3/3

emmarlowe@st-annas.com

LENTEN PENANCE: Father Randy will 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.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING SAVE THE DATES:

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
3/16-17: Easter Ham Raffle Tickets (after all Masses)
3/23: RCIA Retreat
3/24: Easter Ham Raffle Drawing (Palm Sunday)

WEEKLY MEETINGS MARCH 3RD—MARCH 9TH:

Sunday:

Mass—9:00AM

Easter Ham Raffle—All Masses

SOR—10:30AM

Mass—12:00PM

Rising Youth—1:00PM

Monday:

Mass—9:00AM

Girls Choir—4:00PM

Tuesday:

Mass—12:15PM

RCIA—7:00PM

Wednesday:

Open Reconcil.—10AM-12PM

Ecumenical Luncheon—12:00PM

Mass—12:15PM

Thursday:

OFFICE CLOSED

NO MASS

Friday:

Adoration 9:30AM-3:30PM

Fish Fry—5:00PM

Stations of the Cross—6:00PM

Saturday:

Reconciliation—3:30PM

Vigil Mass—5:00PM

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



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.**



YOUTH 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 (hgardner@st-annas.com) or Nancy Sykes (nssykes1950@gmail.com) if you would like to volunteer. Students need to wear black pants and white shirt!

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.



POPE FRANCIS' MARCH PRAYER INTENTION:

For the new martyrs—We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm. Amen

LIVE THE LITURGY: Jesus was not afraid to confront iniquity wherever He encountered it, and His zeal for righteousness was so strong it looked like anger as He drove the moneychangers from the temple. Pray that, with that same devotion and care, He will cleanse our hearts from sin.

"Since God does so much for me, what could I not do for Him?" - St. Emily De Vialar

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 3RD 2024

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

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 **Scrutiny:** 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

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

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