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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

VIGIL MASS

Saturday 5:00 PM

SUNDAY MASSES

9:00 AM and 12:00 PM

OFFICE HOURS & INFO

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

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FOR SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES

PLEASE CALL: 706-688-9870

**The church office will be
closed March 28th—April 1st**

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



Called by Name: Mary. Even in the garden of the resurrection, Jesus goes unrecognized at first. The Gospel of John records a weeping woman, mistaking the risen savior for a gardener. Until, that is, she is called by name. Mary. Jesus rises for you. He rises for me. He rises for each and every one of us. We are called by name in the garden of the resurrection. This Sunday and every Sunday, Jesus comes to meet us. Imagine sitting with him. How is He looking at you? What do you say to Him? When the resurrected Lord greets you with a smile, how do you respond?



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.



March 31st 2024 | Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord



Saturday Vigil 8:00 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:

St. Anna's Parishioners

John Cocchi Jr. (D)

Brianna Luti (D)

Brian Broome (L)

Reparations for Desecration

Norman Cameron (D)

IN PEW OFFERTORY RECAP: 03/24/2024: \$10,863

You can give online by scanning the QR!

Second Collection: 3/30-31 Easter Flowers & Catholic Home Missions



SCHOOL OF RELIGION LITURGICAL LIVING NEWS:

March 31st: EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

HE IS RISEN!!! ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!!!

Happy Easter! I wish you and your families a joyous day of feasting, resting in the love of the Lord, and of each other. In the words of Pope St. John Paul the Great, "We are an Easter people, and alleluia is our song."

April 1st-6th: EASTER OCTAVE

Eastertide is a fifty-day season that lasts from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday, and the first eight days are known as the Easter Octave (So, the Octave includes Easter Sunday and Divine Mercy Sunday, which I've written about separately.). Every day within the Octave is a solemnity, the highest rank for a feast day. This means that if you normally abstain from meat on Fridays year-round, Friday within the Octave of Easter is a "Meat Friday" because solemnities abrogate the requirement to do penance. I usually try to do something a little nicer for dinner every day this week, not necessarily complicated or time consuming, just nicer than grilled cheese or hot dogs. And, we have dessert every night! My kids are on spring break this week, so I'll definitely try to get in some fun and celebratory activities for them. This might be as simple as going to the library or a park, just something fun that's outside our normal routine. I hope you'll find some ways to make the week special in your families as well.

April 7th: Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday

Jesus Himself requested the creation of the Feast of Divine Mercy in his visits to St. Faustina Kowalska in the early 20th century. St. Faustina was a Polish nun who received visits from Christ and was able to converse with Him. She wrote a book describing this experience called, *Divine Mercy in My Soul*. It is available on Amazon. There is also a plenary indulgence available today. See the blog for complete instructions. See the blog for more! 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-5/>

Live your faith out loud!

SCAN ME



EASTER HAM RAFFLE: Congratulations to the four winners of our Easter Ham Raffle, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Our winners of the honey baked hams are: Barbie Golden, Warren Parsons, John Ward and Pat McDonald.

ALL LITURGY VOLUNTEERS: Be sure to pick up the new liturgy schedule from the Ushers' Station. If you have a conflict with your scheduled Masses, please contact Delilah in the office. If you have an emergency the weekend of your Masses, please contact your head usher.

PRAYER FOR EASTER SUNDAY: The hosts of Heaven exult and sing aloud in mighty triumph! Let the earth be glad as glory alights and night reigns no more. Let the Church rejoice at the victory of her Lord and Master, Who paid the debt of Adam, Who frees those doomed to die, Who heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds, Who forgives the sinner and raises up the lowly, Who destroys death forever, Whose Kingdom shall have no end. God our Father, eternal is Your love for us! Christ the Son, in victory You reign! Holy Spirit, set the Easter fire ablaze in our hearts. Together you live and reign and ransom your people, one God forever and ever. Amen.

ST. CECILIA'S CORNER: *Easter explained in a sequence...*

Many of us come on Easter morning to sing "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" and many other great Easter hymns. And one would certainly receive the story well by singing those hymns and feeling the great joy that comes with them. However, if you really want to know what Holy Mother Church thinks and speaks on Easter, then you must go to the sequence. Yep, the little piece of prose sung between the 2nd reading and the Alleluia. Written by a fellow named Wipo in the 10th century, it is THE great Easter text. Sadly, in the years after the 2nd Vatican Council, it was barely read or sung in many places, much to the loss of the Church. However, in the last 10 years, it has made a comeback. And I for one have encouraged its recovery.

Let's read: Victimae paschali laudes, immolent Christiani.

Agnus redemit oves: Christus innocens Patri reconciliavit peccatores. Mors et vita duello conflixere mirando: dux vitae mortuus, regnat vivus.

Dic nobis Maria, quid vidisti in via? Sepulcrum Christi viventis, et gloriam vidi resurgentis Angelicos testes, sudarium, et vestes. Surrexit Christus spes mea: praecedet suos [vos] in Galilaeam. Scimus Christum surrexisse a mortuis vere: tu nobis, victor Rex, miserere. Amen. Alleluia.

Translated: Let Christians offer sacrificial praises to the paschal victim. The lamb has redeemed the sheep: The Innocent Christ has reconciled the sinners to the Father. Death and life contended in a spectacular battle: the dead leader of life reigns alive.

Tell us, Mary, what did you see on the way? "I saw the tomb of the living Christ and the glory of his rising, The angelic witnesses, the shroud, and the clothes. Christ my hope is arisen; he will go before you into Galilee." We know Christ is truly risen from the dead! On us, you conqueror, King, have mercy! Amen. Alleluia.

Remember my thought that the law of prayer is the law of belief. So now you know what the Church prays and thinks on this great feast of Easter.

Christos anesti, Kevin

YOUTH GROUP (8-12TH)

MARCH MEET UPS

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM

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ldibble@st-annas.com

RISING YOUTH (4-7TH)

MARCH MEET UPS

Sundays at 1:00 PM

TBA

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March 31st 2024 | Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

POPE FRANCIS' APRIL PRAYER INTENTION:

For the role of women—We pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to discrimination they face in various parts of the world. Amen.

EASTER EGG HUNT: Calling all St. Anna's Children and families! Join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt following the noon Mass! We will be meeting behind the church. A giant THANK YOU to Mrs. Beth Laufer for stuffing the Eggs and preparing the hunt for our littles and making it an incredible memory to cherish!

2024 VBS UPDATE: This year's VBS camp will be held from June 24th-28th from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM each day. Rising Pre-K through 6th grade campers will enjoy daily activities including crafts, music, Adoration, a themed snack, Bible, Rosary, outdoor games, lunch (brought from home), and recess. Cost to attend is \$50 for one child, \$75 for two children, and \$100 for three or more children. Registration opens May 1st! If you are interested in VOLUNTEERING at VBS this summer, please make note of the dates of our planning meeting Tuesdays: April 16th, May 14th, May 28th, and June 18th. All meetings are at 7:00 PM in room 107/108. There is an additional set-up meeting on Saturday, June 22nd at Noon. Teens who volunteer for the whole week receive FORTY SERVICE HOURS! For more information, contact Heather Stewart: hstewart@st-annas.com



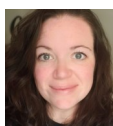
SENIOR LUNCHEON: Save the date! Our Senior Luncheon is back! Join us April 17th for FOOD, FUN & Fellowship! Be sure to RSVP by 4/15. patgreen@windstream.net



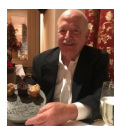
2024 PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS: Next month, we will vote for 1 man and 1 woman to be elected for our Parish Council. Elections will be held the 3rd weekend of April! See the insert for more info! Our nominees are:



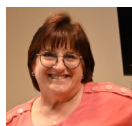
Zach Williams



Jaime Ruoff



Mike McGuire



Patricia Buttner

WEEKLY MEETINGS MARCH 31ST—APRIL 6TH

Easter Sunday:

Mass—9:00AM
NO SOR
Mass—12:00PM
Easter Egg Hunt—1:00PM

Monday:

Mass—9:00AM
OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday:

Mass—12:15PM
RCIA—7:00PM

Wednesday:

Mass—12:15PM

Adult Choir—7:00PM

Thursday:

OFFICE CLOSED
NO MASS
Friends of the Heart—6:00PM

Friday:

Mass—9:00AM
Adoration—9:30AM-4:30PM

Saturday:

Reconciliation 3:30-4:30PM
Vigil Mass—5:00PM

The church office will be closed March 28th—April 1st

****PLEASE DO NOT FEED ELIJAH OR JOEY****

DONATE WHILE YOU SHOP! VISIT: WWW.KROGER.COM/ACCOUNT/COMMUNITYREWARDS/

EASTER VIGIL: Congratulations to those coming into the Church this Easter! We share in your joy as you enter into full communion with the Church. We will continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ as they grow with the Holy Spirit and the light of Christ. Congratulations to our newest members:



Adults:

Brian O'Donnell +
John Petrie +
Vicki Davis
Alisha Smith
Christopher Cody Smith
David Williamson
+ denotes baptisms

Children:

Benjamin Becerra
Carlos Becerra
Bryan Perez
Giselle Perez +
Emalee Smith
Walker Smith
Isabella Trejo-Garcia

Let us pray for our catechumens and candidates. God of the Samaritan Woman, the Man Born Blind, and Lazarus, You show yourself in many ways, most often in ways we cannot see until we look with eyes of faith. Continue to bless these catechumens and candidates who will receive the Church's Sacraments during the Season of Easter. Fill their lives and hearts with Your unending love and grace. Help us to continue to be models of living Christian lives, and grant them the endurance to continue to race to the resurrection. We ask all this in the name of Jesus, your Son, who reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Alleluia, Happy Easter!!!



LIVE THE LITURGY: Even as the disciples saw the empty tomb and the discarded burial cloths, they did not understand what had happened. But they kept faith, trusting that the Lord was at work. Let us Keep that same faith when we do not find God where we expect Him to be.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 31ST 2024

Saturday: Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7
Easter Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15