

ST. ANNA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

1401 Alcovy Street Monroe, Ga 30655 770-267-7637 www.st-annas.com

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

OFFICE HOURS & INFO

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday:
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Closed Thursdays

PARISH STAFF

PASTOR

Fr. Randy Mattox
770.267.7637
fatherrandy@st-annas.com

DEACON

John Duffield
404.423.7988
deaconjohn@st-annas.com

PARISH SECRETARY

Bridgette Reger
770.267.7637
breger@st-annas.com
REL. ED. COORDINATOR
Miranda Marlowe
770.267.7637
mmarlowe@st-annas.com

BUSINESS/OFFICE MGR

Betsy Jourdan
770.267.7637
bjourdan@st-annas.com
SACRED MUSIC DIRECTOR
Kevin Faulkner
770.267.7637
kfaulkner@st-annas.com

REGULAR MASS

SCHEDULE

Monday 9:00 am
Tuesday 12:15 pm
Wednesday 12:15 pm
Thursday No Mass
Friday 9:00 am

VIGIL MASS

Confession 3:30-4:30pm
Saturday 5:00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES

9:00 am and 12:00 pm

*ADORATION

Fridays 9:30 am
*in the Chapel

HOLY DAY OF

OBLIGATION MASSES

12:15 pm & 6:00 pm



The magi were overjoyed at seeing the star,
and on entering the house they saw the child
with Mary his mother.

Matthew 2:10-11

SCRIPTURAL ROSARY

Come pray with the Knights of Columbus and the Carmelites **forty minutes before each weekend Mass**. We will be praying the Scriptural Rosary before each of the weekend Masses on every **first Saturday and Sunday of the month**.



SAINT ALCUIN CLASSICAL ACADEMY

There are many challenges today in educating our children in the Faith and raising them to be Saints. St. Anna's wishes to aid parents in this great work by offering a low-cost Catholic educational program through St. Alcuin Classical Academy. The program would be hosted at St. Anna's. We will be holding an informational session for all interested families and their friends on Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Please join us to learn more about this opportunity to offer a solid Catholic education in Monroe. Please RSVP for the event online:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10Co84DA9AE23AAAF8C70-53968959-hybrid>

Or scan the QR code



FRIENDS OF THE HEART

The next get together will be on **January 9th, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. Our hostesses will provide the drinks and the desserts while the rest of us bring our favorite dish!



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION GUARDIANS

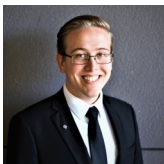


Free time on Friday? Please consider signing up as a Eucharistic Adoration Guardian. Guardian duty is a one-hour increment divided between 9:30 am and 3:30 pm in the Chapel. Our Lord is never to be left alone in the Chapel. Please call or email your name, phone and email address to Alan Farabaugh:

afarabaugh@bellsouth.net

678-982-9290

JONATHAN WEBSTER: As our parish families know, one of our former youth, Jonathan Webster, is working on his second year in Seminary after completing his undergrad. We are so grateful for the time we get with him while he works towards the priesthood. If you would like to write him letters of support or send him a care package you may send it to:



Jonathan Webster
Notre Dame Seminary
2901 S. Carrollton Ave. New Orleans, LA 70118

LET US PRAY FOR THE FORMATION OF RELIGIOUS AND SEMINARIANS

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

ST. CECILIA'S CORNER

EPIPHANY AND ITS MANY FACETS



The feast of the Epiphany, historically celebrated on January 6, but under the latest revisions of the calendar is now celebrated on the Sunday after Jan 1. January 6 is a much older tradition as it denotes the 12th day of Christmas and the arrival of the Wise men.

The word Epiphany comes from the Greek word which means "occurrence" or "revelation." The word is used in the context of the feast because there are three "occurrences" or revelations that are significant to the feast. The first one is the seeing of the star in the sky by the sages who are traveling to see the Christ. The second is the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan. The third occurrence is the miracle of water into wine at Cana. These three "occurrences" make the Epiphany a central feast to the Christian calendar.

Epiphany, in its most basic understanding affirms the notion that salvation is not just limited to the Hebrew people, but also to the Gentiles. Thus, salvation becomes the possibility for all people. This notion was shocking to the earliest Christian communities but later became a feature of the missionary leaders from the apostle Paul onward.

There are many wonderful traditions regarding Epiphany. The dates of the coming holy days in the liturgical year are announced. The tradition of blessing the home with chalk is a wonderful family tradition that we began here at St. Anna last year. Also, there is a "King" cake tradition which hides a small stone or statue in a cake. The person who finds the stone or statue in their cake piece is declared King or Queen of the festival. An even older tradition calls the feast the "Feast of Fools" and a boy is crowned bishop for the day. Lastly, Epiphany begins the season of Carnival, a time of revelry lasting until the preparation times for Lent.

THE WAY FOR WOMEN RETREAT

The Way for Women is a three-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program February 14-16, 2025, at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, Georgia. Registration deadline is February 7, 2025. Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or sstubbs@archatl.com for more information.

MASS WITH THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK CELEBRATED BY ARCHBISHOP HARTMAYER

The Atlanta Region of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta is hosting a Mass with the sacrament of the anointing of the sick on **Saturday, January 11, at 10 a.m. at Holy Spirit Catholic Church**. Archbishop Gregory J. Hartmayer, OFM Conv. will be the celebrant. All are invited to attend.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

Honoring the Lord with our gifts: Just as the Magi paid Jesus homage, you too can bring your gifts to the Lord. Make a gift to your parish in your will or estate plans and create your own Catholic legacy. For more information, visit cfnga.org or call Juliet Greco at 404.497.9440.

JANUARY 5TH 2025 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

January 12th: Archdiocesan Hispanic Ministries



(BLACK) QR CODE FOR THE OSV CAMPAIGN

ONLINE OFFERTORY GIVING:

You can give online by scanning the (GREEN) QR!



PARISH STAFF

YOUTH MINISTERS

Collin & Lisa Dibble

706-714-2088

ldibble@st-annas.com

MAINTENANCE

Tom Golden

Jenny Wachsmann

770.267.7637

COUNCILS:

FINANCE COUNCIL

Bill Schneider

financecouncil@st-annas.com

PARISH COUNCIL

Chenjing Fernando

parishcouncil@st-annas.com

YOUTH GROUP (9-12TH) JANUARY MEET UPS

Wednesdays at 6:30PM

8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th

ldibble@st-annas.com

YOUTH MEALS: We are still doing a meal train for our youth group. If you are interested in donating or making a meal visit:

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/dd9471>



WEEKLY MEETINGS JANUARY 5TH—JANUARY 11TH

Sunday:

Mass—9:00AM

Mass—12:00PM

No School of Religion

Thursday:

OFFICE CLOSED

NO MASS

Monday:

NO MASS

Friday:

NO MASS

NO ADORATION

Tuesday:

NO MASS

Saturday:

Reconciliation—3:30-4:30PM

Vigil Mass—5:00PM

Wednesday:

NO MASS

Youth Group & Confirmation

Class —6:30PM

****PLEASE DO NOT FEED JOEY OR AUDREY****



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.



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



Dan & Catherine Melton (D)

Charles & Angie LaFerla (D)

For the Parishioners of St. Anna's

No Mass

No Mass

No Mass

No Mass

THERE WILL BE NO DAILY MASSES FROM JANUARY 6TH—JANUARY 10TH. NO ADORATION—JANUARY 10TH

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 (Oct.-April) 7:00PM

For more information contact Christine Feibish:

cfeibish62@gmail.com

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

For the Week of December 29th 2024

Sunday

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

Monday

1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40

Tuesday

1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

Num 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Thursday

Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28

Friday

1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34

Saturday

Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42

Sunday

The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12