

ST. ANNA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

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9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Closed Thursdays

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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

*Father,
help us to live as the*

*Holy
Family*



... united in respect and love.

*Bring us to the joy and peace of your eternal home.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.*

Author Unknown

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/10Co84DA9AE23AAF8C70-53968959-hybrid>

Or scan the QR code



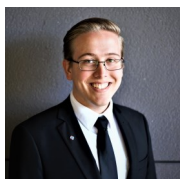
SCAN ME

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION GUARDIANS

Free time on Friday? Please consider signing up as a substitute for our Eucharistic Adoration Guardians. Guardian duty is a one-hour increment divided between 9:30 am and 3:30 pm in the Chapel. Our loyal and dependable guardians occasionally need a day off and rely on our substitute list to make sure Our Lord is never 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
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CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

"For where your treasure is there will be your heart also." – Matthew 6:21 As Christians we know we take nothing with us after we are gone. Making or updating your will would be a good New Year's resolution to ensure your possessions provide for good. After taking care of family and loved ones, please remember to make room for your parish endowment fund in your will or estate plans. Plan your will online at cfnga.org. Contact Juliet Greco jgreco@cfnga.org or 404.497.9440

ST. CECILIA'S CORNER HOW LONG IS CHRISTMAS?



For the culture, Christmas starts in November and ends the day after Christmas Day. Sadly, I see trees thrown out the day after Christmas. I am often sad when I see that because for us Catholics, Christmas Day is just the first day of either 12 or 40 days.

12 or 40 days? What? For most Catholics the feast of Christmas lasts 12 days. January 6, the feast of the Epiphany, denotes the end of the 12 days of Christmas. However, there is another tradition which keeps the season for 40 days. That longer season would be called "Carnevale" because the translation of that Latin word means "season of meat". Hence, it is a time of joy and feasting and the eating of meat would be part of the experience. I personally leave the creche up for the 40 days as my symbolic partaking of the feast.

Thus, on Feb. 2, known as "Candlemas" or the feast of the Presentation of the Lord (or the Purification of the Virgin) would be the official end of the season. Which is quite fitting as we process with candles to bring the light into the world. The day is also known as Groundhog Day, which is connected to the feast because of the prediction of winter. One can eat crepes on that day as sign of the sun (the crepe is the "Sun").

Whichever length of Christmas one celebrates is fine. Several times in the past I have tried to keep the tree up, but my spouse wears thin on the question. Just know that Christmas is not one day but many.

DID YOU KNOW?



St. Francis of Assisi created the first live Nativity scene in the 1200's. Come visit our parish library to explore new treasures about our Catholic Faith.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION:

December 22nd, 29th and January 5th- No SOR
January 12th- School of Religion kicks back off!

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.

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!



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UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

December 25th: Catholic Charities



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ONLINE OFFERTORY GIVING:

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



OFFICE CLOSED

Our Office will be closed for the Christmas Holiday.
December 23rd —December 27th and
December 30th —January 3rd

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

NO DAILY MASSES FROM MONDAY, JANUARY 6th —
FRIDAY, JANUARY 10th

NO ADORATION ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 10th

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WEEKLY MEETINGS DECEMBER 29TH—JANUARY 4TH

Sunday:

Mass—9:00AM
Mass—12:00PM
No School of Religion

Monday:

Mass —9:00AM
OFFICE CLOSED
KoC Assembly mtg —7:00PM
rm. 107/108

Tuesday:

Mass —12:15PM
OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday:

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of
God Masses—12:15PM &
6:00PM
OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday:

OFFICE CLOSED
NO MASS

Friday:

Mass —9:00AM
NO ADORATION
OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday:

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

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

Howard Green (D)

For the Parishioners of St. Anna's

Miguel Tapia (D)

Holy Souls in Purgatory

Janet Landkamer (D)

For the Parishioners of St. Anna's

Howard Green (D)



THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.

January 1st 2025 Masses: 12:15 PM & 6:00 PM

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 Deacon John:

deaconjohn@st-annas.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

****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.

