

# ST. ANNA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MARCH 16th, 2025

## OFFICE HOURS & INFO

Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday, Friday:

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-3:30 pm

\*in the Chapel

### HOLY DAY OF

### OBLIGATION MASSES

12:15 pm & 6:00 pm

Jesus took Peter,  
John, and James  
and went up the  
mountain to pray.

While he was  
praying his face  
changed in  
appearance and  
his clothing  
became dazzling  
white.

*Luke 9:28, 29*

Transfiguration of Jesus  
by Carl Bloch, 1872



2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF  
**LENT**

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FOR SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES PLEASE CALL 706-688-9870

## **FORTY HOURS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

**March 26th-March 28th**



Adoration will begin following the 7PM Mass of Exposition on Wednesday, March 26th. After the Mass, St. Anna's Knights of the Altar will lead everyone in prayer followed with the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary led by Respect Life Ministry. Eucharistic Adoration will conclude with a 5PM Mass with Benediction. To participate in this spiritually rewarding devotion, please sign up for one hour shifts in the Narthex or call Alan Farabaugh: 678-982-9290

## **LENTEN FRIDAY FISH FRY**

**JOIN OUR PARISH FAMILY:** Make plans to attend this year's Lenten Fish Fry in our Parish Hall, every Friday from March 7 through April 11. Adult plate of fried or baked Cod or Catfish for \$15, includes fries, coleslaw, hush puppies, cookie and tea or lemonade. Children plates for \$7. Family meal for 2 adults and 2 children for \$40. Add-on extra items available of NE clam chowder, fish sticks, baked potato, mac & cheese and soft drinks for additional cost.



## **CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE SURVEY:**

The 10-15-minute survey can be accessed through an online link from **March 5, 2025- April 7, 2025**. This link is available on our St. Anna's website and in our parish email. All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole.

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

**For the Week of March 16th, 2025**

**Sunday**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17-4:1 or Phil 3:20-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

**Monday**

Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, and 13; Lk 6:36-38

**Tuesday**

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

**Wednesday**

**Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**Thursday**

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

**Friday**

Gen 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday**

Mt 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Sunday**

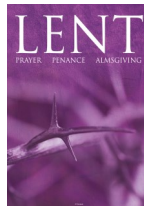
**Third Sunday of Lent**

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

Scrutiny Readings: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rm 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or Jn 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

## **ST. CECILIA'S CORNER**

**ADDICTED TO MEDIOCRITY**



In the 1990s there was a very important book that looked at Christians and their addiction to mediocrity. The title, of all things, "Addicted to Mediocrity" addressed the question of the efforts of Christian artists, musicians and writers regarding subpar work. The point of the matter was to encourage Christianity to turn away from "just good enough" to excellence. The

problem was that excellence took a whole lot more work, time and investment of money to produce. Many Christians, particularly Catholics demurred on the question, stating that it was the effort and not the quality that mattered. After all, the fact that we were Christians was good enough for God. That attitude still plays out today. Buildings, architecture, music and art still suffer. The attitude that we should not put our best for God is still missing. We worry about the cost. We say "it's too hard" or "they won't understand" or "we might have to learn something new" is among the litanies given. It was not always that way. My relatives helped to build Christ the King Church in Nashville. It was built in the 1880s. They spared no expense. It was because they said, "it was for God and God was so great." Now, mind you, these were Irish workers who ran bars, shops and small businesses. They were not rich. They were barely 2<sup>nd</sup> generation. But they did not forget excellence. And because of that, it is a beautiful building that will last for many years.

Excellence in the liturgy is what I care about. We should offer our best to God. When we do so, God blesses us. Is it hard work? Yes. Is it worth it? Yes, because it possesses the three things that are important to Holy Mother Church. Those three things are beauty, truth and universality. When we work for those things, we just might glimpse God. And a glimpse of God is Michelangelo longed for and cared about in his work. Let us aim for excellence in all things this Lent.

## **CHOIR NEWS**

**Girls Choir:**

Monday at 4:30 pm

**Boys choir:**

Wednesday at 4:30 p.m

**Adult Choir:**

Wednesday at 7:00 pm

Questions: Call Kevin at the office.

## **REHEARSAL REMINDER:**



## **NEW ADULT CLASS**

Join us at 10:40 AM until 11:45 AM in room 107/108 in a Lenten journey "Walking With Mary To Jerusalem" by Father Mark Tupps. "No one knew Jesus better than Mary. No one. This is your invitation to walk with Mary as she walks alongside Jesus. This is your lent-welcome to the journey!"-Fr. Tupps For any additional information or questions, please contact Darryl Cynthia Moore at 770-380-8872 or via email: Darryl.moore52@gmail.com

## **COME JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ON MARCH 22nd FOR OUR 5K**



# MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup> 2025 | 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

**ONLINE OFFERTORY GIVING:**  
You can give online by scanning the (GREEN) QR!



**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**

Barbara McDonald (D)  
Tom Dombrowski (D)  
For the Parishioners of St. Anna's  
Mayo Glass (D)  
Barbara McDonald (D)  
Leonard Cicero (D)

## JANUARY 2025

Offertory \$ 70,429  
Budget \$ 51,500  
Difference \$ 18,929  
Prior Year \$ 70,268  
Increase \$ 161

## PARISH STAFF

### YOUTH MINISTERS

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## YOUTH GROUP (9-12TH) MARCH MEET UPS

Wednesdays at 6:30PM  
19th & 26th  
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**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 MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup> - MARCH 22<sup>ND</sup>

### Sunday:

Mass—9:00AM  
Mass—12:00PM  
School of Religion —10:30AM

### Monday:

Mass —9:00AM  
Girls Choir —4:30PM

### Tuesday:

Mass —12:15PM  
RCIA Class—7:00PM<sup>(PH)</sup>

### Wednesday:

Mass —12:15PM  
Boys Choir —4:30PM  
Youth Group & Confirmation  
Class —6:30PM  
Adult Choir —7:00PM

### Thursday:

OFFICE CLOSED  
NO MASS

### Friday:

Mass —9:00AM  
Adoration —9:30AM-3:30PM  
Stations of the Cross —6:00PM  
Fish Fry —5:00PM-7:00PM

### Saturday:

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

## 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](mailto:cfeibish62@gmail.com)

**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 22nd-23rd and April 5th-6th**. See a Knight in the Parish Hall to purchase your tickets! The Ham Raffle Drawing will be on Palm Sunday.



## EASTER EGG HUNT:



We are getting ready to start preparing for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! We are in need of candy without nuts or coconut. If you are able to donate, we will be collecting them in the green bucket in the Parish Hall. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 20th, Easter Sunday, following the 9AM and 12PM Masses.

**\*\*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.

