

ST. ANNA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MARCH 23rd, 2025

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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

“Sir, leave it
for this year
also, and I shall
cultivate the
grounds around
it and fertilize it;
it may bear fruit
in the future.
If not you can
cut it down.”

Luke 13:8, 9

The Vine Dresser and
the Fig Tree
by James Tissot, circa 1890s



3RD SUNDAY OF

LENT

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FOR SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES PLEASE CALL 706-688-9870

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**.



WIDOWS' & WIDOWERS' BREAKFAST



Please come join us for breakfast and open conversation dealing with the loss of a spouse. We will meet in the Parish Hall on **March 29th at 9:30AM-11:00AM**. If you have any questions please contact Greg Hennigan at 770-601-1589

THE COURAGE TO STAY: ENTERING INTO JESUS'S PASSION

April 11-13

Ignatius House Jesuit Retreat Center

Directed by Ignatius House Pastoral Team

As we enter Holy Week, this retreat invites us to walk with Jesus through his Passion, drawing inspiration from the steadfast women who remained by his side. Rooted in the Third Week of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, the retreat explores their witness of courage, fidelity and love—calling us to deeper intimacy with Christ and greater awareness of suffering in our world today. Through Ignatian prayer, scripture meditations and silent reflection, participants will seek the grace to accompany Jesus in his humanity and prepare their hearts for the mystery of Holy Week. **This is a silent retreat.** To register, visit our website at [Ignatius House Jesuit Retreat Center](#) or call 404-255-0503.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

For the Week of March 23rd, 2025

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

Monday

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

Tuesday

Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

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

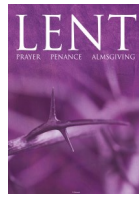
Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Scrutiny Readings: 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

ST. CECILIA'S CORNER

TENEBRAE FOR HOLY WEEK THIS YEAR



On **Wednesday April 16th at 7:00 p.m.**

(**Wednesday of Holy Week**) the ancient Office of Tenebrae will be sung. Tenebrae is the Latin word for “shadows”. The liturgy of Tenebrae is not what is given most days in many places as people put various things together and call it that. In actuality, Tenebrae consist of three

liturgical offices sung in anticipation of the liturgical day. The three “hours” consist of the Office of Vespers, Matins and Lauds. These three hours (not really hours) were sung in succession. Tenebrae consists of the recitation of psalms, sung readings and responsories which are sung in the form of 4 part motets. The bulk of these motets (4 part pieces) are from the pen of the great composer Tomas Luis de Victoria. Victoria composed these pieces in 1611 and most likely St. Teresa of Avila heard them as she was a patron of Victoria. They are some of the most wonderful choral music in the repertory. We have the luxury of some of the finest choral singers in Atlanta to come do this liturgy. To come to Tenebrae and hear it is to meditate on the passion of our Lord. Tenebrae is a complement to the liturgies of Holy Week. Mark your calendars now to come on Wednesday of Holy Week and come to hear incredible music, chanted psalms in English and readings on the Passion. After each section a candle will be extinguished and at the end only one candle (the Christ candle) will be extinguished. Then a great noise is made, and the Christ candle reappears. A special candlestand for the 16 candles is being made by a parishioner to complement the service.

Come and enter into the sacred darkness and drama of Holy Week. Your prayer will be enriched.

EASTER EGG HUNT:



We are getting ready to start preparing for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! **Plastic eggs are not needed this year.**

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 9^{AM} and 12^{PM} Masses.

PERSONAL SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT

Ignatius House Jesuit Retreat Center:

March 28th-30th

Step away from the busyness of life and enter 40 sacred hours of silence at Ignatius House. This Lenten weekend offers a rare opportunity to disconnect from distractions and reconnect with yourself and the divine. Unlike our typical guided retreats, this retreat allows for uninterrupted solitude, prayer and reflection across 20 peaceful acres along the Chattahoochee River. A retreat director will offer a brief welcome Friday evening before you enter silence, which continues until Sunday morning's closing Examen and sharing of graces. Spiritual conversations with a director are available but optional. Let the Holy Spirit guide your retreat, renewing your heart, mind and soul. This is a silent retreat.

To register, visit our website at [Ignatius House Jesuit Retreat Center](#) or call 404-255-0503.

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



CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE SURVEY:

The 10-15-minute survey can be accessed through an online link from **until April 7, 2025**. This link is available on our St. Anna's website and in our parish email.

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YOUTH GROUP (9-12TH) MARCH MEET UPS

Wednesdays at 6:30PM

19th & 26th

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Please note the change in Mass times:

Wednesday: 7:00PM Mass / No 12:15PM Mass

Friday: 5:00PM Mass / No 9AM Mass

March 26th-March 28th: 40 Hour Adoration: Following 7:00PM Mass on Wednesday, March 26th and concluding with 5:00 PM Mass on Friday, March 28th

WEEKLY MEETINGS MARCH 23RD - MARCH 29TH

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 (PH)

Wednesday: No 12:15PM Mass

Mass —7:00PM
40 Hour Adoration begins after 7PM Mass
Boys Choir —4:30PM
Youth Group & Confirmation Class —6:30PM
Adult Choir —7:00PM

Thursday:

OFFICE CLOSED
NO MASS

Friday: No 9:00AM Mass

Mass —5:00PM
40 Hour Adoration concludes with 5PM Mass with Benediction
Stations of the Cross —6:00PM
Fish Fry —5:00PM-7:00PM

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

***Ham Raffle Ticket Sales after all of the Masses in the Parish Hall.**

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM:

Sunday 9:00 AM:

Sunday 12:00 PM:

Monday 9:00 AM

Tuesday 12:15 PM:

Wednesday 7:00 PM:

Friday 5:00 PM

Catherine Weaver (D)
For the Parishioners of St. Anna's
Frank Palmisano (D)

Arlen Herrick (D)



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

March 7th-April 11th:

Fish Fry on Friday evenings: 5:00PM-7:00PM

Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings: 6:00PM

March 22nd & 23rd / April 5th & 6th: KOC Ham Raffle after the weekend Masses in the Parish Hall.

March 24th: Penance Service at 7:00 PM

March 26th: Mass —7:00PM

March 28th: Mass —5:00PM

March 26th-March 28th: 40 Hour Adoration: Following 7:00PM Mass on Wednesday, March 26th and concluding with 5:00 PM Mass on Friday, March 28th

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!

OCIA

Open to those inquiring about the Catholic Faith.

Tuesdays (Oct.-April) 7:00PM

For more information contact Christine Feibish:

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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.



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.



****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.

