

ST. ANNA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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AUGUST 24th, 2025 / 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Monday, Tuesday,
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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

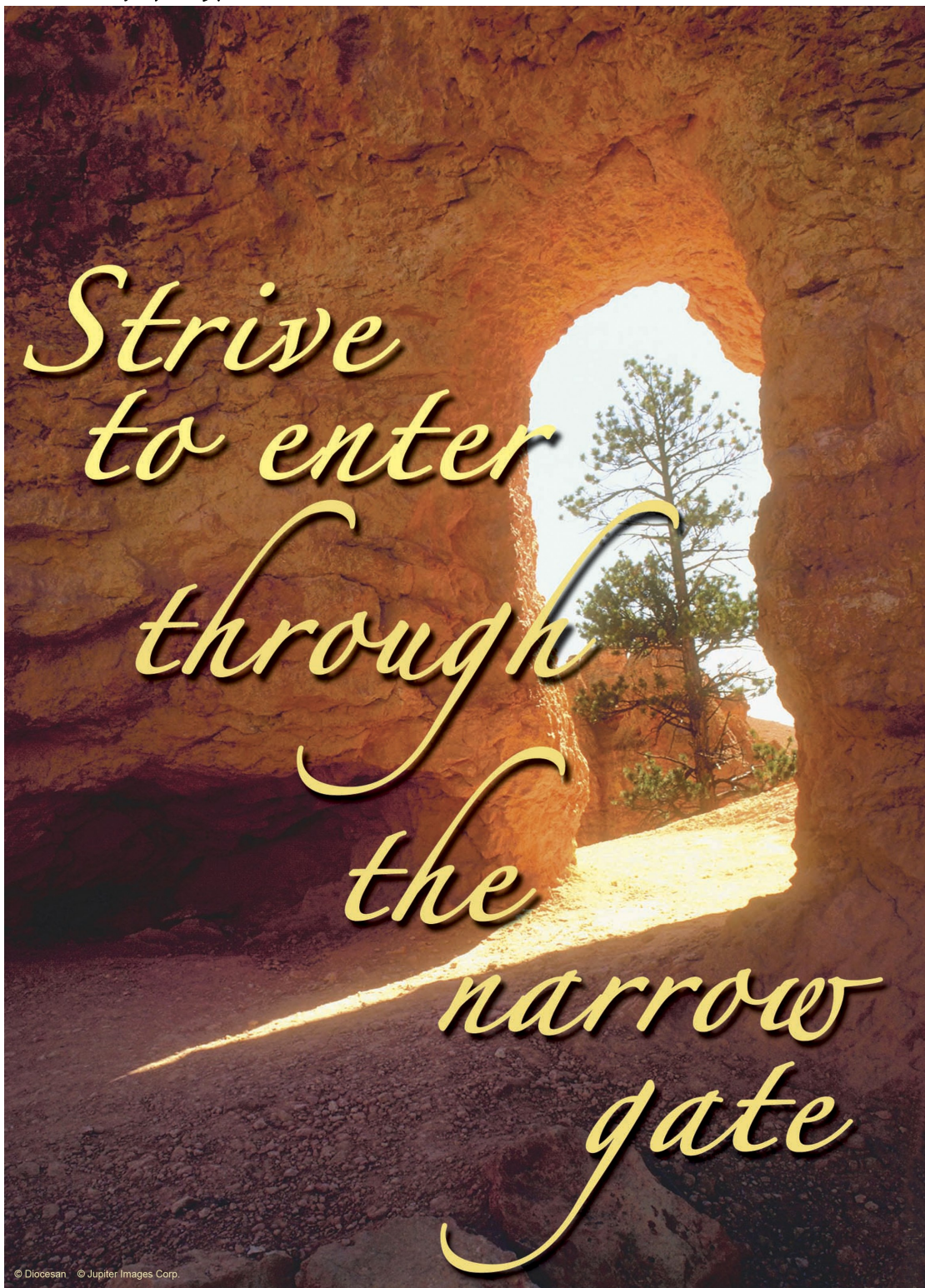
Fridays: 9:30 am-3:30 pm

*in the Chapel

HOLY DAY OF

OBLIGATION MASSES

12:15 pm & 6:00 pm



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SCHOOL OF RELIGION REGISTRATION IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST

SOR Registration Events **each Sunday in August from 10:15 AM-11:45 AM in the Parish Hall** during Coffee and Donuts! School of Religion is for any child from kindergarten to 12th grade! Sign-ups can only be done in person on Sundays at these registration events so make a plan to be there and register your children! **No online registration this year.**

The last day to register is August 31st. The first class is September 7th.

If you have any questions please contact
Miranda Marlowe: mmarlowe@st-annas.com

ADULT CLASSES BETWEEN THE MASSES!

The adult class will begin a 9-week series entitled, "**The Turning Point: The Gospel of John**" by Dr. Allen Hunt with Dynamic Catholic. **Classes begin September 7th from 10:30 – 11:50 in room 107/108.**

Please sign up at the registration table in the Parish Hall and pick up an instruction sheet on where to order your study set. The set is free, but shipping is \$15.95. Please contact Darryl Moore at 770-380-8872 or darryl.moore52@gmail.com if you have any questions!

INTERESTED IN QUILTING?

St. Anna's quilters is welcoming anyone who quilts or would love to learn to quilt to join our quilting group. We meet from **2:00PM - 4:30PM every Monday** here at St. Anna's. We use our talent to provide help for charities in the area. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Gina at 770-402-6155.



CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

Honoring the Lord with our gifts: During Make-A-Will - Month, make a gift to our parish in your will or estate plans to create your own Catholic legacy. There are many ways to support our parish without affecting cash flow. For more information please contact Juliet Greco at jgreco@cfnga.org or 404-497-9440 to learn more.

ST. MICHAEL'S LENT 2025: A CALL TO SPIRITUAL COMBAT AND HEALING



St. Michael's Lent will begin on **August 15th, 2025, at St. Anna's Parish.** This 46-day period of prayer, asceticism, and fraternity, mirroring the spirit of Lent, invites men to engage in a "spiritual combat" against distractions and attachments that hinder their relationship with God. It is a time to imitate St. Michael the Archangel, who, by God's power, cast out the devil.

For more information and registration details, please contact Chuck Baird: chuckbaird@bellsouth.net or call 678-449-9223. Have questions? Meet me in the Parish Hall after each Mass this weekend, August 16-17, 2025 to find out more about St. Michael's Lent. St. Michael's Lent is a period of spiritual preparation and renewal, rooted in the tradition of the Church, and inspired by the example of St. Michael the Archangel. It is a time for men to grow in their relationship with God, find freedom from distractions, and embrace a life of prayer, asceticism, and fraternity.

OCIA CLASSES

Are you thinking about becoming Catholic? OCIA classes begin on **September 9th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall.** Come on the first day to have your questions answered. If you have any questions please contact Christine Feibish at cfeibish62@gmail.com

RETRouvaille WEEKEND PROGRAM FOR MARRIED COUPLES

September 12-14



Does your marriage need a tune up? Or even a major overhaul? Sometimes a marriage can run along fine and then things change. This may need your time and attention.

Sometimes lines of communication break down and they need repair. Sometimes our focus moves away from our marriage and family and needs a little redirection. Sometimes a fair or average marriage is just not enough. Have you ever thought to yourself, "How can I make my marriage better?" If so, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille is marriage program for couples whose marriage has become off course. It begins with a weekend program that can help get your relationship back on track. It is an effective program that has worked for thousands of couples and it can work for your marriage.

If you want more information about our upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program, September 12-14, please call 404-644-3253 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.org

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. AUGUSTINE, BISHOP OF HYPPON AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Feast Day: August 28th

Augustine's mother, St. Monica, reared him in the Catholic faith, but he did not follow her example. A lively, witty and exuberant teenager, Augustine undertook the study of rhetoric, giving brilliant performance and showing enormous promise. He loved life and its pleasures, displayed a profound gift for friendship, experienced passionate love, adored the theater, sought fun and entertainment. On reading Cicero's *Hortensius*, Augustine's whole way of seeing the world experienced a change. Happiness, Cicero taught him, consists of things that do not perish: wisdom, truth and virtue. Augustine decided to dedicate his whole life to their pursuit. To refine his eloquence and persuasive speaking, he listened to the sermons of Bishop Ambrose. He wanted to overwhelm Ambrose's dialectics, and instead the words of the bishop touched him to the quick. Meanwhile, his mother Monica came to join him in Milan, and she accompanied him with her prayers. Augustine grew ever closer to the Catholic Church, and entered the catechumenate.

He was baptized by Bishop Ambrose in the night between April 24 and 25, 387.

St. Augustine of Hippo, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, was an indefatigable truth-seeker. The author of hundreds of books, tracts, treatises and letters. He was born in Thagaste on November 13, AD 354, and died in the city of Hippo (present-day Annaba in Algeria), on August 28, AD 430.



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UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION:

September 7th: Catholic University of America: A second basket will be passed.

ONLINE OFFERTORY GIVING:

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



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YOUTH GROUP (HIGH SCHOOL) MEET UPS

Wednesdays at 6:30PM

August 27th

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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>



SCRIPTURAL ROSARY



Come pray the Scriptural Rosary with the Knights of Columbus and the Carmelites every **first Saturday and Sunday of the month**, forty minutes before each weekend Mass.

WEEKLY MEETINGS

AUGUST 24TH – AUGUST 30TH

Sunday:

Mass—9:00AM

Mass—12:00PM

Monday:

Mass —9:00AM

KoC Assembly Mtg —7:00PM

Rm 107/108

Tuesday:

Mass —12:15PM

Wednesday:

Mass —12:15PM

Youth Group —6:30PM^(PH)

Thursday:

NO MASS

OFFICE CLOSED

KoC Planning Mtg —7:00PM

Rm 107/108

Friday:

Mass —9:00AM

Adoration —9:30AM~3:30PM

(in our chapel)

Saturday:

Reconciliation 3:30PM~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

Friday 9:00 AM



Matthew Someras (D)

Barbara McDonald (D)

For the Parishioners of St. Anna's
Ong Pham viet Phe , Ba Nguyenthi,
Pham viet Binh, Nguyen Van Hoa

SACRAMENTS:

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by appointment

INFANT BAPTISM

Catholic parents must be active, registered for six months 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 (Sept.-April) 7:00PM

For more information contact Christine Feibish:

cfeibish62@gmail.com

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

For the Week of August 24th, 2025

Sunday

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

Monday

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday

1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday

Memorial of Saint Monica

1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday

1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17; Mt 24:42-51

Friday

Memorial of the Passion of John the Baptist

1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mk 6:17-29

Saturday

1 Thes 4:9-11, Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk

14:1, 7-14



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.

