

ST. ANNA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

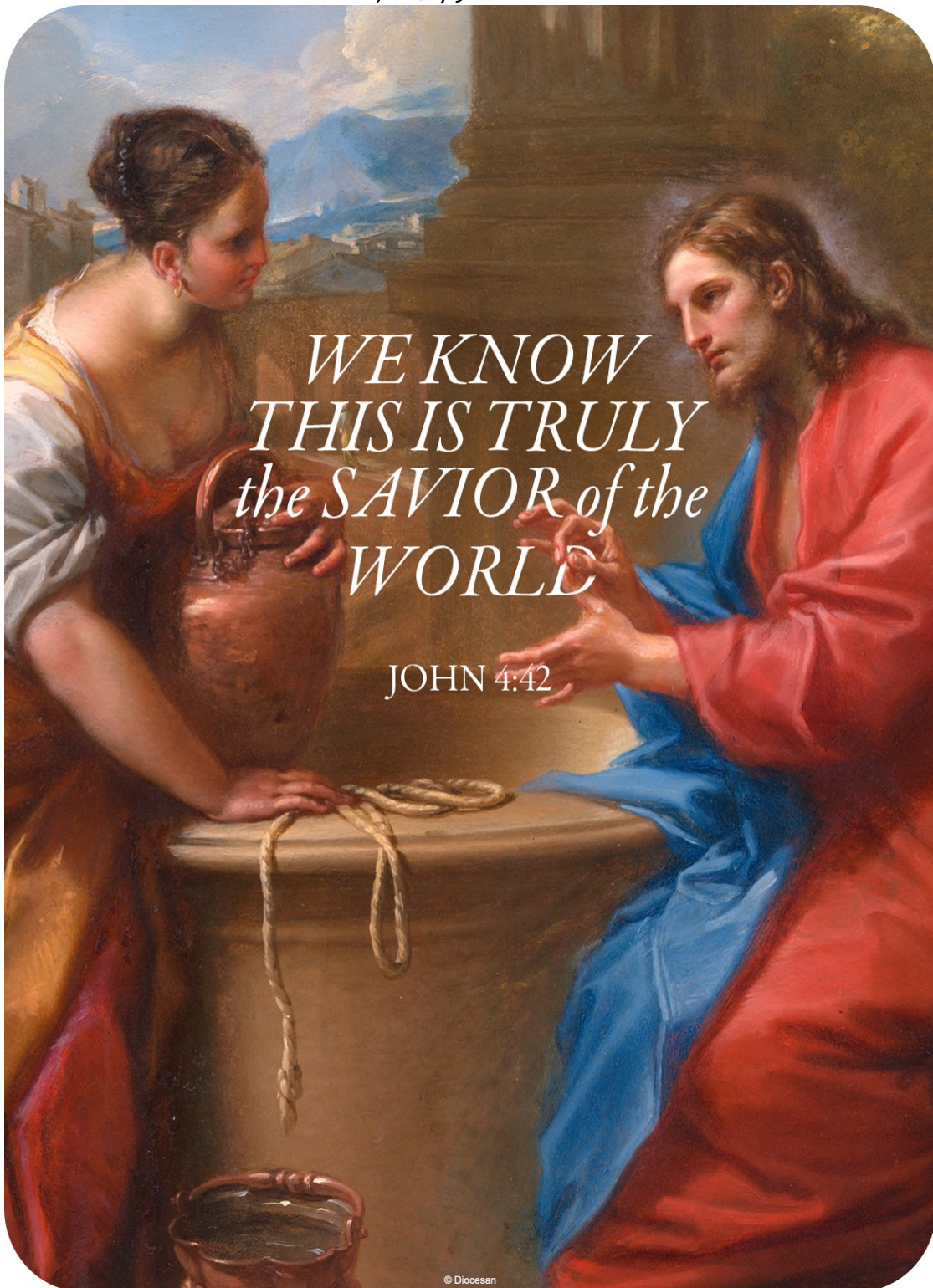
Fridays: 9:30 am-3:30 pm
*in the Chapel

HOLY DAY OF

OBLIGATION MASSES

12:15 pm & 6:00 pm

MARCH 8th, 2026 / 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT



FOR SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES CALL 770.520.8003

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COLLECTING FOR 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, please put your donations in the large bucket in the Parish Hall. We will be collecting eggs and candy until April 1st.

FRIENDS OF THE HEART SAVE THE DATE



Ladies, please join us **Monday, March 16th at 5:30 PM in the Parish Hall**. Join in and fellowship with others from other masses than you attend! Bring your favorite dish to share. Hope to see you there! For questions, please contact Barbie PG: BarbiePG2015@gmail.com.

**** SENIOR LUNCHEON ****

SAVE THE DATE



All St. Anna's seniors are invited to the luncheon on **Wednesday, March 18th at 1:00 PM** in the parish hall. **Come enjoy Don Williams famous corned beef and cabbage!** Please **RSVP** to Lynn Warren: lynnvw@windstream.net

CELEBRATING THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH



Men of the parish are invited to join together in celebrating the Solemnity of St. Joseph on **Thursday, March 19th from 5:30 AM-7:00 AM**. We will meet in the Sanctuary to pray the Rosary, followed by a light breakfast and coffee. We hope to see you there for this time of prayer and fellowship.

FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT

Saturday, March 28th, 2026



Father Brian was taking out our first communicants "spiritual garbage" during the retreat. Our First Holy Communion/Reconciliation retreat was Saturday, offering families a meaningful time of prayer, reflection, and preparation for the Sacrament. Please keep in your prayers the thirteen kids receiving their First Holy Communion this upcoming May.

EASTER HAM RAFFLE



The drawing will be held on March 29th. Please see one of the Knights of Columbus to purchase your tickets or you may use a credit card online by scanning the QR code. **One ticket costs \$5.00 and 3 tickets cost \$10.00.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We will be meeting on the second Monday of the month in the Parish Hall. Our next meeting is **Monday, March 9th**. We will enjoy a meal at 6:00 PM, pray the Rosary at 6:35 PM, followed by our meeting at 7:00 PM. If you are interested in joining or wish to know more about the Knights, come and join us! The meeting is open to all Catholic men over the age of 18.



ADULT CONFIRMATION PREPARATION



If you're baptized, have received First Holy Communion and are older than 18 but were never confirmed, we invite you to join our Adult Confirmation preparation. It's never too late to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit. For more information, please contact Yomaira Diaz: ydiaz@st-annas.com or call the Parish office.

VIRTUS SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Onsite VIRTUS Safe Environment Training at St. Anna's **Register online** at the VIRTUS website: www.VIRTUS.org

Date: Saturday, March 14, 2026

Time: 9:00am to Noon

Location: Parish Hall, St. Ann's Catholic Church, 1401 Alcovy St., Monroe, GA. 30655.

Maximum number of attendees: 35

No childcare provided

Questions? Please contact Patty:

pschaefer@st-annas.com



PARISH LENTEN MISSION

RETURN. REMAIN. RENEW.



"Return to me with all your heart" —Joel 2:12
St. Anna's Parish invites you to join us for our Parish Lenten Mission on **March 12th, 19th & 26th from 7:00-8:15 PM**.

Remember to bring your Bible!

FRIDAY LENTEN FISH FRY

The Knights of Columbus fish fry returns to St. Anna's during Lenten Fridays.

Our Fish Fry will be served from **5:00 PM -7:00 PM in the Parish Hall on 13th, 20th & 27th.**

Dine-in or take-out is available, with entrée choices including: fried cod, broiled cod, fried catfish or shrimp with French fries, coleslaw, and hush puppies. Other sides available are: macaroni & cheese, baked potatoes. Kids (fish sticks) and Family meals available. Lemonade, Tea and Water is complimentary. Cash, checks, and credit cards accepted. Proceeds benefit the many charities of the Knights of Columbus.



LENTEN SEASON

During Lent, fasting for Catholics means **eating one full meal and two smaller meals during the day; the two smaller meals together should not equal a second full meal.**

Abstinence means refraining from eating meat (mammals and fowl). Traditionally, meat was considered luxurious, so abstaining from it is a form of simple sacrifice and penance.

The Church permits fish, which is why many parishes host Fish Fries on Fridays during Lent.

Who is required to fast and abstain?

All adults ages 18-59 are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those ages 14 and older are required to abstain from meat on Fridays during Lent.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) says "Those who are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill, including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women."

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UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION:

March 8th: Catholic Relief Services

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

Catherine & Dan Melton &

Steve Cernogorsky (D)

Angie & Charles Laferla (D)

For the Parishioners of St. Anna's

Cecelia Hayes

John & Rose Cocchi (D)

Jim, EllaMary & John Kane (D)

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday, March 6th-March 27th at 6:00 PM

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Holy Thursday Mass: 7:00 PM

Liturgy of Good Friday: 7:00 PM

Easter Vigil Mass: 7:00 PM

SACRAMENTS:

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday 3:30PM-4:30PM 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

YOUTH GROUP (HIGH SCHOOL)

Meetings & Confirmation Classes

Wednesdays at 6:30PM

March: 11th, 18th & 25th

ldibble@st-annas.com

CAN YOU HELP FEED US? (Youth Group)



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 8TH— MARCH 14TH

Sunday:

Mass—9:00AM

Mass—12:00PM

School of Religion

10:30AM -11:45AM

Monday:

Mass —9:00AM

KOC Membership Mtg.

6:00PM^(PH)

KOC Ladies —7:00PM^(107/108)

Tuesday:

Mass —12:15PM

OCIA Class —7:00PM^(PH)

Wednesday:

Mass— 12:15PM

Youth Group & Confirmation

Class —6:30PM

Thursday:

No Mass

Office Closed

Parish Lenten Mission

7:00PM

Friday:

Mass —9:00AM

Eucharistic Adoration

9:30AM-3:30PM (in our chapel)

Stations of the Cross—6:00PM

Lenten Fish Fry

5:00PM-7:00 PM^(PH)

Saturday:

Reconciliation 3:30PM-4:30PM

Vigil Mass—5:00PM

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Week of March 8th, 2026

Third Sunday of Lent

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

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

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

Fourth Sunday of Lent

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



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.

