

# St. Anne Catholic Church

MOTHER OF MARY

*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*January 27, 2019*

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring glad tidings to the poor.

Luke 4:18

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## EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	7:30, 9:15 & 11:00 AM
Monday-Wednesday-Friday	8:00 AM
Tuesday—Thursday	7:00 AM
Wednesday	7:00 PM

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	3:30-4:30 PM or by appt.
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## PARISH OFFICES

630-554-3331 630-554-0530 (FAX)

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday	8:30 AM-4:00 PM
Friday	8:30 AM-Noon

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Friday	8:30 AM-Noon

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**DISCOVERING OUR VOICE TO EVANGELIZE**

“Go, He Said” is Bishop Conlon’s pastoral letter to all of us. As a parish, we are to embrace what it is inviting us to do and to become. We are to respond to the invitation given at Baptism to be a community moving out into the world to live and express the Good News of our faith. In the weeks and months ahead, it is the commitment of the staff, the Parish Council and all of the Commissions to look at how we can empower this mission set forth by the conviction of our faith. For me, as I ponder how we as a community can enable and empower, it must first come at a starting point of discovery. We must discover our love for the Lord and the Lord’s love for us. We must visit in reflection the moments of interaction with God. Where are the God moments in our lives? When did we feel His love shower us? When did forgiveness change our lives? Everything begins with discovery. God has blessed all of our lives. He has made His presence known to us. In the sheer joy of this we must stay fixated on this discovery. It is the echo of Elizabeth when Mary came to visit her. “Who am I that the mother of my Lord would come to visit me?” In reality God does come to visit us and overwhelm us. He comes to challenge us and He never abandons us. These moments of discovery are the powerful moments of beginning to be evangelists of the faith.

After this we must take what we have discovered and learn to articulate it in ways that energize ourselves and others. Finding this voice is a gift. We must take the experience found in discovery and unpack it. In the early church it was called “mystagogia”, an unpacking of the mystery. By remembering these great God moments we can embrace the need to tell our story with the conviction that God is with us, not only at that time but at all times. Articulating our faith and God experiences is not easy. It is easier to tell others about the facts of God and the Church and all of its precepts. Articulating our trust and unshakable belief is very vulnerable. Also in the articulation and passing on this unique experience which was given as a gift, we must do in a way it can be received and inspire others. This too takes some learning and trusting in the Holy Spirit.

Once we have moved from discovery to articulation of what we need and want to share, then comes the empowerment process. We are all empowered by God to live faith and bring its joy into the world. We all do this already in various ways, but now we are asked to do it in a loud and convincing way. For some it is being a catechist, for others it is raising children, for others it is feeding the hungry. Outreaches are ways in which we respond, yet we are invited to go beyond the functionality of outreach to a place where the fire of faith burns with a passion to share the Good News. To do this well we must look into our prayer time and balance. For me, beyond the decades of the rosary that offer me reflection time, I think quiet time of meditation is important. Our attitude to how we live the faith, filled with joy is as critical as the words we say or the things we do. If there isn't light in our eyes and we are just going through the motions, we are not evangelizing.

In the weeks ahead I ask you to read the pastoral letter written by the Bishop. If you have already read it, pray over it again. Seek the God moments in your life and look for the opportunities to which God is inviting you. We’re all called to discover our voice.



Father John

**FULFILLED IN YOUR HEARING**

This powerful Gospel engages us to seek and find everything in the blessings of God. Jesus sits at the synagogue and a scroll is given to Him. He reads from the prophet Isaiah. This reading announces a year of favor from our God. It speaks of conversion. The hurting will find peace. Captives will be set free, gladness will enter the conversations of all. This is a time when fulfillment will prosper. I have always loved picturing this setting. I have always entered this Gospel reflecting on the crowd who were not only spellbound by what the Lord has to say, but also the hope He raised. This is a year of favor. Do we live trusting that this year and every year and every day is a moment of favor from our God? Do we believe we can find fulfillment in this moment and allow it to transform our lives? I do. When I first arrived at St. Anne, we adopted a few Sundays when after our reception of the Sacrament of the Eucharist, different ministries presented a short summary of what they do in our community. We highlighted the SPICE Ministry, the Bereavement Ministry and the God Parent High school program. The short witness gave us a sense of blessing. It revealed to us this was a year of favor with all that was taking place and how lives were being changed. After each of these Sundays many remarked that they did not realize these things were happening.

There is great blessing happening at St. Anne. Every year and every day is a blessing. When Jesus spoke these words in the synagogue, He was inviting the community of those gathered to realize that this was an experience that is to be received over time. It is not a one-time event. It isn't that we had our prayers answered and it is over, like attending a sporting event. It isn't that the time of fulfillment begins and the time of fulfillment ends. Jesus spoke of fulfillment as an experience over time. The joy and fulfillment of the Sacrament of Marriage is not about one day, but a lifetime. A couple committed to each other breaks open the blessings seen and unseen over the years. What a joy. The same is true in the Sacrament of Holy Orders. As the years of ministry have unfolded in my life, the deepening commitment of God finds a new and ever strengthening joy not even thought of over 34 years ago when I was a newly ordained priest.

Fulfillment is not just a momentary experience that is closed with then a new journey beginning to seek the next fulfillment. Fulfillment is a continuum. It is a year of favor followed by another year of favor. So often society tells us what we are to search, receive and then move to begin another search. How often do we do that with our electronic search engines? If we cannot find it this way, we ask Alexa, or Google or Apple, or Amazon to find it another way. What we are searching for then finds us questioning what we have found or accepting that the search did not yield to our expectations.

On the spiritual journey Jesus invited the people in the synagogue to find fulfillment right where they were. He is doing the same for us. This is a year of favor like no other. This is a time of blessing like no other; the experiences of this year will lead us to a new place with God.

Our definition of fulfillment must be connected with awareness. Awareness must be grounded in the desire to know our soul and what feeds it.

It is here; seek and you will find it.



Reverend John J. Ouper

### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, January 28

8:00 AM-Thomas Kordas req. Wife

#### Tuesday, January 29

7:00 AM-Bob Kingsley req. Gail Moody

#### Wednesday, January 30

8:00 AM-Nancy Miriani req. Ellen Holzner & Mary Ann Soszynski

7:00 PM-Intention of the Priest

#### Thursday, January 31

7:00 AM-Alexander Klonowski req. Carole Klonowski

#### Friday, February 1

8:00 AM-Daniel Schedler req. Schedler Family

#### Saturday, February 2 Presentation of the Lord

9:00 AM-The Staff of St. Anne Parish

5:00 PM-Tom Stoneberg req. Family

#### Sunday, February 3

7:30 AM-Robert Rybicki

9:15 AM-For the Parishioners

11:00 AM-William Hottinger req. Parishioners of St. Anne Parish

### Readings for the Week

Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

### Meetings and Events

#### Monday

4:30 & 6:00 PM-RE K-6 classes & 1st Communion parent meetings.

7:00 PM-Celebration Ringers.

7:00 PM-Blue Army meets for Rosary and Holy Hour. All are welcome to attend.

7:30 PM-RE Grades 7/8 classes.

7:30 PM-RCIA.

7:30 PM-St. Vincent DePaul Society meeting.

#### Tuesday

9:30 AM-AFF: Speaker Series.

4:30 & 6:00 PM-RE K-6 classes & 1st Communion parent meetings.

7:30 PM-Chancel Choir.

7:30 PM-Men's Spirituality.

#### Wednesday

9:00 AM-Rosary.

9:00 AM-Bereavement planners meeting.

9:30 AM-AFF: Transfigured Scripture Study.

4:30 & 6:00 PM-RE K-6 classes & 1st Communion parent meetings.

5:00 PM-Joyful Ringers.

5:45 PM-Youth Choir.

7:30 PM-Heart of Worship.

7:30 PM-Family RCIA.

#### Thursday

7:30 PM-Ruah.

#### Friday

8:30 AM-Noon-Eucharistic Adoration.

9:00 AM-Cursillo.

7:00 PM-Knights of Columbus 16720.

#### Saturday

9:30 AM-Parish Council Discernment.

3:30 PM-First Communion retreat.

4:45-6:30 PM-Religious Articles Store

5:00 PM-Blessing of Throats.

#### Sunday

Blessing of Throats.

8:15 AM-12:30 PM-Religious Articles Store.

9:15 AM-Liturgy of the Word for Children.

9:15 AM-Scout Mass and Blessing.

9:15 AM-RCIA Rite of Dismissal & Breaking Open.

11:00 AM-RCIA Rite of Dismissal and Breaking Open.

12:30 PM-Baptisms.

7:00 PM-HS Godparent Home Session.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Cherie Andrews  
 Gary Avram  
 Emma Bates  
 Steven Bermes  
 Emily & Scott Buchner  
 Noah Burch  
 Gaetano Capici  
 Sol Carlson  
 Ryan Catey  
 Thomas Duprey  
 Lucille Mary Eager  
 Peggy Flanigan  
 Al Frieders

Gail Gross  
 Nick Gross  
 Daniel Harkins  
 Lari Johnston  
 Fran Lang  
 Debra Losch  
 Ramiro Martinez  
 Callie Payne  
 Julie Peters  
 Frank Petrella  
 Estella Ramirez  
 Bill Rich  
 Nick Rich

Terry Ann Richmond  
 Joel Rivera  
 Isabella Rominski  
 Eleanor Salisbury  
 Carmelita Schuster  
 Steve Schuster  
 Lance Smalarz  
 Thomas Szymborski  
 James Wren  
 Janet Zakosek  
 Josefina Zwerenz

And all who are experiencing illness and are not listed by name.

**COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND**

If you know of someone unable to attend Mass regularly due to age or illness and wishes to receive Communion at home, please have them contact the parish office, 630-554-3331, so that arrangements can be made to have a Pastoral Care Minister bring the Eucharist to their home.

**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

**Saturday, February 2, 2019**



Saturday's feast of the Presentation is a day for the blessing of candles. Why does liturgy require candles? In the first years of the church, worship was often at night, and candles and torches were carried from place to place within the worship space as needed. Candles were also a mark of festivity and hospitality when people gathered for prayer in homes, and later on in large buildings with thick walls and dark corners. But even after gaslight and electricity, candles were kept.

Part of the reason has to do with the warm, clean light of a candle's flame. Candles are a good sign of the partnership of God and creation: wax made by bees, gathered and fashioned by human hands into something beautiful and useful. In order for the light to shine, the candle surrenders itself, almost as if it is pouring itself out so that the light can flood into the world. The candle of baptism, placed into our hands, and carried again and again, speaks silently of that same wisdom. If you would save your life, you must lose it. You must pour your life out like Christ so that you may be filled with the light of his love.

**To celebrate this Feast we will celebrate Mass and bless candles at 9:00 AM. Please join us in the church for this celebration. Blessed candles will be available after the Mass.**

Blessing of throats will take place after the weekend Liturgies of February 2-3.

### God's Share

All of us are recipients of many blessings from God. In return, He expects that we praise Him for His goodness and thank Him for His generous gifts. Thanking, however, is not done in word only, but in deed, also.

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Total Parish Offering		
Sunday Offering	\$24,256.95	\$24,750.00
E-Giving	\$ 4,083.00	94 Transactions
Children's Offering	\$ 3.26	
Money not in envelope but in above figure	\$ 971.69	
Parishioners registered for envelopes as of December 31, 2018	3,041	
Average Regular Envelope Users	538	17% Participation
Number of envelopes used last Sunday	504	16% Participation
Number of Children's envelopes used	05	01% Participation

**E-Giving:** If you would like to participate in E-Giving, please log on to the Saint Anne website: [www.stanneparish.org](http://www.stanneparish.org) and click on the E-Giving link for under "Support Us". Please follow link for instructions.

"Recent Federal Tax changes may make it advantageous for parishioners receiving RMDs (Required Minimum Distributions) to transfer funds from their IRA (Individual Retirement Accounts) to St. Anne Parish. "Please consult your financial planner or tax advisor before making any tax or contribution decision."

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Today's reading from the Gospel of Luke offers us the first words of Jesus as he begins his public ministry. The words reflect his understanding of his Spirit-anointed mission. His words are His "Mission Statement." Good stewards rejoice in being followers of Jesus. They realize that Jesus' commission is their commission as well. They embrace it and adopt it as their own. We, too, have "glad tidings" to bring to a suffering world. This year, how will we fulfill Christ's commission in the world in which He has placed us, using the gifts he has entrusted to us?

### CATHOLIC MINISTRY ANNUAL APPEAL

The Diocese of Joliet is mailing information about the 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) to all registered parishioners this month. As you know, the CMAA supports 30 ministries that benefit every parish in the diocese, including ours, and are *Signs of Hope* to our brothers and sisters most in need. Our goal this year is \$115,200.00.

Please remember that 70 percent of any amount we raise over goal will be returned to us for our use. This is a great opportunity for our parish! Please review the materials you receive and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a mailing from the diocese about the CMAA, please contact the parish office, 630-554-3331.

### PARISH COUNCIL IS SEEKING YOU!



Do you feel called to serve your parish and share your talents as a Pastoral Parish Council member? If the answer is yes or not really sure, please join us on Saturday, February 2 to a discernment meeting. This meeting will follow the 9:00 AM Mass for the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord Jesus. This meeting will be followed by a second discernment meeting on Wednesday, February 6 after 7:00 PM Mass. (All interested members must attend both of these meetings.)

We will share our responsibilities, our current plans and future vision for St. Anne Parish. If you are interested in serving on Parish Council please contact:

Joe Leahy @ [leahyst.anne.ppc@gmail.com](mailto:leahyst.anne.ppc@gmail.com) or call at 630-701-4067.



### ATTENTION ALL SCOUTS (girls and boys)

All Scouts, both boys and girls, are invited to attend the 9:15 AM Mass next Sunday, February 3. During the Liturgy, Father John will bless the scouts.



### WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

We want to warmly welcome and congratulate the following children who were Baptized last Sunday by Deacon Duane Wozek:



Dean Anthony Ciapetta

Jaxson Miles Gianpetro

Joseph Lee Keil

Gavin Bennett Kokot

Lorenzo Felix Seego

Liliana Grace Spagnoli

## SAY YES TO OUR LADY

*“Are you willing to offer yourselves to God and bear all the sufferings He wills to send you, as an act of reparation for the sins by which He is Offended and in supplication for the conversion of sinners?”*

*Our Lady of Fatima, May 13, 1917*

**Our Lady wants to visit you in your home.** On October 13, 1947 in the presence of hundreds of thousands of pilgrims of Fatima, the statue of The Blessed Virgin Mary was blessed by the Bishop of Liera, Fatima and commissioned to serve as the Pilgrim Virgin who would claim her dominion and carry the blessings of Fatima throughout the world. The Bishop prayed that Mary herself accompany the statue wherever it goes. The purpose of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue is to bring the **graces of Fatima and Our Lady’s message of hope, peace and salvation to people** who may never have an opportunity to make a pilgrimage to Fatima itself.

**Our Lady wants to visit you in your home.** The Bishop gave the statue to John Haffert, co-founder of **The Blue Army**, who first brought it to the United States in October, 1947. Mr. Haffert had met with Sister Lucia in 1946 to understand exactly what Our Lady wanted of the Catholic faithful. Together they composed **The Blue Army pledge** and Mr. Haffert went to spread the Message of Fatima worldwide through the Pilgrim Virgin Statue tours.

**Our Lady wants to visit you in your home.** In 2010 (approximately) The Blue Army of St. Anne’s Parish obtained their own Traveling Blessed Virgin Mary Statue. **The Blue Army** purchased a suitcase and had Father David Bless her and started the program of parishioners taking **The Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary** for a week at a time in their homes. We have a calendar where people sign up for their week. They come to the Monday night Rosary Hour, 7:00 PM and after, take her home to be with them and their families, for the entire week. They then bring her back the following Monday night, 7:00 PM for the Rosary Hour and then the next person takes the statue home for the week. If you cannot spend the Rosary Hour we will make arrangements to have **The Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary** delivered to your home and picked up.

**Our Lady wants to visit you in your home. This is a New Year – 2019 – The Blue Army** would like to involve more of St. Anne’s parishioners in **YOU having Our Blessed Mother** in your homes. She wants to be with you and your families. She will give many of her graces and blessings to you and your family. She will bring peace and comfort to you and your families. Many miracles and signal graces have been experienced by many of us who have had her in our homes.

**Our Lady wants to visit you in your home.  
Please call Joanne Smar or Charlotte A. Sartain  
and will be delighted to sign you and your family up for a week**

Joanne Smar – 630-554-2065

Charlotte A Sartain – 630-554-8120



## Understanding and Responding to Pornography and Compulsive use of Social Media

Join us as we hold two sessions open to  
ALL ADULTS of the parish and their friends.

**Sunday, February 10, 2019**

**4:15-5:15 PM or**

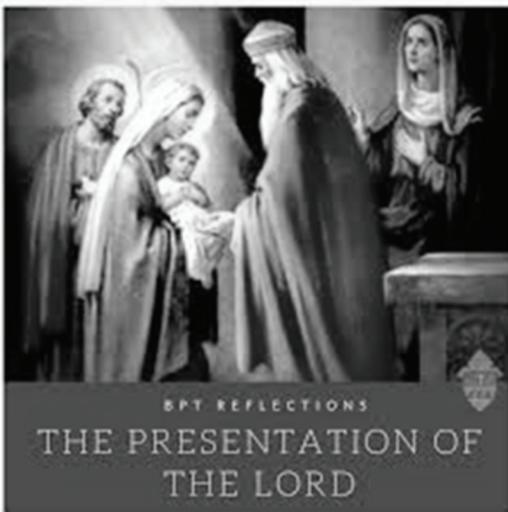
**6:45-7:45 PM**

For more information about these presentations,  
please contact Sister Margaret Anne, 630-554-3331

Therapist and speaker  
Dr. David Rennard

Presentations are scheduled during our Junior High Religious  
Education classes to allow these parents to more easily attend.

### FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION FEBRUARY 1, 2019



COME CELEBRATE THE  
**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**  
BY ADORING JESUS IN THE  
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT ON

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 1**

THE FEAST IS ALSO CALLED "CANDLEMAS"  
AND IS CELEBRATED ON FEBRUARY 2  
EVERY YEAR.

HOURS OF ADORATION ARE FROM  
8:30 AM UNTIL NOON  
IN THE CHAPEL

For more information contact  
Marguerite Nangle  
[rbnangle@att.net](mailto:rbnangle@att.net)  
630-624-2062 call or text



**Adult Faith Formation  
Speaker Series**

**Tuesday, January 29  
9:30 AM  
Joachim Center**

“Being  
a People of  
Compassion”

**Speaker:  
Sr. Margaret Anne Spagnola, OSM**

**WANT SOMETHING NEW TO DO IN THE NEW YEAR?**

*Evening With the Bible* will be studying

**Introduction to the Bible – a Beginner’s Study**

**Beginning on February 7, 2019**

**7:30 PM in the Joachim Center**

Some areas that will be covered

- † How to begin reading the Bible
- † What resources are available
- † Prayerful Study
- † And much more to jumpstart your Scripture journey!
- † Need more information contact:



Theresa McQueen

Call: 630 892 2852 E-mail: [tjmecq1953@comcast.net](mailto:tjmecq1953@comcast.net) Text: 630 347 2852

St. Anne Parish



Religious Education

**RE Office Hours and Class Schedule**

January 28-30	Classes for Grades K-6 as usual; First Communion Gatherings for Grade 2
Saturday, February 2	First Communion Parent & Child Retreat #1
February 4-6	Classes for Grades K-6 as usual
Sunday, February 10	RCIA2 Dismissed from 9:15 Mass
February 11-13	Classes for Grades K-6 as usual

**First Communion Preparation**

If you have a child in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, be sure to mark your calendars for the following special events!

**Parent and Child Gathering:** At least one parent (or other responsible adult) must attend with your child during their regular class time **THIS week - January 28-30.**

**Parent & Child Retreat:** At least one parent must attend ONE of the retreat dates with your child – February 2, February 23 or March 16.

**Church Tours:** Parents are welcome to join us for a tour of the Church during regular class times on February 11, 26, and 27.



The next **DASH 2 & 3 sessions** are ***THIS Sunday & Monday, January 27 & 28*** (our regular day and time).

Mark your calendars for our DASH Focus Mass on **Saturday, February 16 at the 5:00 PM Mass.**

**10 Year SPICE Anniversary**  
*Special People Included in Catholic Environments*

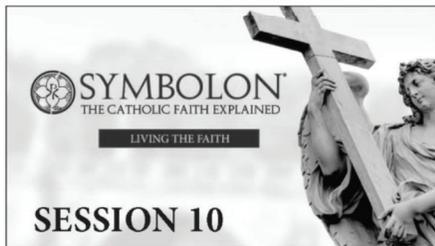


**All Are Welcome - Two SPICE Events Coming in February**

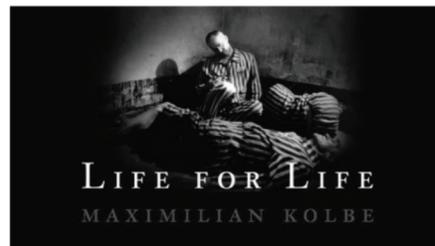
\*On **Saturday, February 16, after the 5:00 PM Mass**, we will be showing the movie **“Temple Grandin.”** It is the true story of an autistic woman who refused to let her disorder limit her potential. This evening is **FREE** and open to people of all ages and abilities, but children/youth must be accompanied by an adult. A light dinner/snacks will be provided and a Nursery and Activities Room will be available for children who are unable to sit through the movie. Contact Jenine Boes, Coordinator, at 630-554-2502; t.j.boes@att.net or Cathy Gillooly at 630-554-1425; reo@stanneparish.org with questions, to volunteer, or to RSVP.

\*We extend an invitation to All Special Needs Families, Friends, and Supporters from our parish and the surrounding area to join us on Sunday, February 24 at 5:00 PM for a **“Celebration of Abilities” Mass.** Accommodations will be made for all our special needs guests. Please share this important date with anyone you know who has a family member with Special Needs. Contact Angela Flaherty at 630-201-4305; dancewithflair6@gmail.com or Cathy Gillooly at 630-554-1425; reo@stanneparish.org with questions or to RSVP.

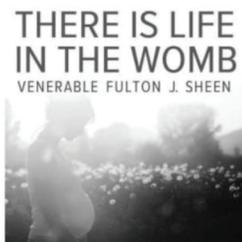
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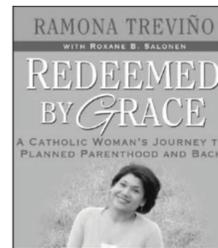
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#### SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

**Study:** Symbolon: Living the Faith, Session 6: A Catholic Moral Vision\*  
**Read:** Practical Theology: Spiritual Direction from Saint Thomas Aquinas  
**Read:** Saint Thomas Aquinas (Children's Book)

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#### SAINT JOHN BOSCO

**Watch:** Saint John Bosco  
**Watch:** Don Bosco\*

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### ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adult confirmation classes will be held in the Joachim Center on Thursdays:  
 February 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2019 at 7:30 PM

Confirmation will be celebrated at 2p on Sunday, April 28, 2019 at  
 St. Raymond Cathedral in Joliet.

- † If you are an adult age 18 or older who has not been Confirmed
- † and you are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation
- † please contact



Deacon David Brockman, 630-383-2331  
 or e-mail [rcia@stanneparish.org](mailto:rcia@stanneparish.org)

### WATERLEAF

"Makayla" came to us very upset and was not sure if she could parent another child as she was already the mom of four children ranging in age from 1 to 13. She was not in a relationship with the father of the baby and the pregnancy would cause a lot of financial stress. She was very uncertain of her future and hesitant to tell her parents, as they would not support abortion, an option she was seriously considering.

The team provided her with her first ultrasound and window into the womb and Makayla left making a plan for life; undecided now between parenting and adoption. She returned for a follow-up ultrasound and was now leaning more toward parenting as she had support from her baby's father.

She was very excited to share the news of the birth of her baby girl "Leslie" just before Christmas!

**SAINT ANNE SENIORS —S.A.S.**



**February 14** 12:00 Noon—After the regular meeting we will have a potluck lunch. Therefore, we will meet at noon instead of at the regular time. Visitors are welcome, with or without a dish to pass.

SAS plans to have lunch at a local restaurant in the week following the monthly meeting. Please attend the meeting to find out where we are going!

Saint Anne Seniors group meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 1:00 PM in the Joachim Center. Please join us for fun and companionship. All registered parishioners 55 and older are invited to join the Saint Anne Seniors (SAS) group.

For more information please call Francis Slama, 630-897-2421.

**VISITING SENIORS AT BICKFORD FEBRUARY 9**

The Holiday Season brings joy to many but can also be depressing to those who have lost loved ones or are suffering from ill health themselves. The Peace and Justice Ministry has arranged a special day to visit residents at Bickford Senior Living where participants will be decorating valentine cookies and sharing them with the residents. They so enjoy visits, especially with children, and this will bring them joy during these cold gloomy winter days. So, if you have an hour to spare on **February 9 at 10:30 AM**, please join us in sharing our love with them.

Bickford Senior Living is located at 3712 S. Grove Road, Oswego.

**Please RSVP to Join Us on February 9 by calling:  
Joe G, 630-779-9501 or Sophie, 331-472-4258**

*God Bless you for Sharing Your Time!*



**Parish Information**

**PARISH MAILING ADDRESS**

Reminder: anything **mailed** to parish offices must be addressed to:

P. O. Box 670  
Oswego, IL 60543-0670

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