Fourth Sunday of LENT

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I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind. John 9:39

St. Anne Catholic Church

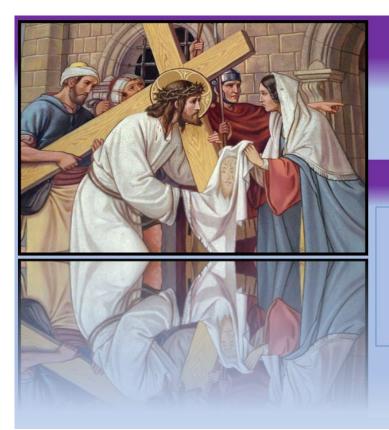
March 19, 2023

Lent Eucharistic Afternoon

Saturday, March 25

2:00-5:00 PM

- Eucharistic Adoration
- Benediction
- Quiet Prayer and Meditation
- Song
- Confessions: 2:30-4:30 PM
- Mass: 5:00 PM



Stations of the Cross

Fridays – 7:00 PM

Join us in praying the Stations this Lent!

March 24 Led by Knights of Columbus

March 31 Led by Men's Spirituality & Evening with the Bible

Good Friday, April 7 Led by Worship Commission

A NOTE FROM FATHER EICKHOFF

Today's Second Reading is taken from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians. It is worth quoting the opening line taken from Ephesians 5 verse 8 before continuing onward:

"For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light."

Notice that the line does not read "you were once **in** darkness, but now you are **in** the light of the Lord. Live as children of **the** light." (Yes, I used both bold and underline to bring out the changes). The differences might seem to be unimportant, but that would be wrong. The differences are crucial to understanding how we interact with God and whether we are changed by God.

In a few short weeks we Christians will be celebrating Holy Week and Easter. Those great days in which Jesus Christ suffered, died, and rose from the dead. During those days, Jesus accomplished the work of our salvation in which our sins are forgiven, and we are united with God forever. But how is our salvation accomplished? Are we moved from one situation (that is alienation from God) to another (that is union with God) by fiat? Are we internally changed by our salvation? These questions can have profoundly different answers with dramatically different consequences for who we are in Christ.

Recall the opening line of today's Second Reading. We were not in darkness, instead we were darkness. Darkness was not some place that we were stuck in, but a part of who we were before Christ. Through Christ's saving action upon the cross we are not simply moved from darkness to light. Rather, we have become light. Our very nature has been changed by Jesus Christ. We have been and continue to be transformed by the action of God to be more like Him who is light. Truly, this is a marvelous transformation that goes far beyond simply moving us from darkness to light but leaving us as we were before Jesus Christ died and rose again for us.

Finally, we must recognize and give thanks to God for this transformation of our very being. The very best way to carry out this act of thanks to God is to live according to the teaching of God. When we do so, we are cooperating with God in remaking us in His image. Recall that God earnestly desires us to be united with Him, but He always respects the human will. Living as children of light is an act of the human will that demonstrates that we want to be transformed by God.

One final note:

Saturday, March 25 is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation. However, there will be a Mass at 8am in the church that morning in honor of the solemnity.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Stephen Eickhoff Pastor

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Mass Intentions

Monday, March 20

8:00 AM-Ramona Larson req. Darlene Kuehl & Family

Tuesday, March 21

7:00 AM-Steve Leganski req. Paul & Rita Leganski

Wednesday, March 22

8:00 AM-Ella Iris req. Paul & Rita Leganski

Thursday, March 23

7:00 AM-Esther Horneman req. Gary & Joan Horneman

Friday, March 24

8:00 AM-Lisa Cowdrey req. Mom

Saturday, March 25

Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

8:00 AM-Barb Colwell req. Trish & Deane Goldstein

5:00 PM-Sr. Margaret Anne Spagnola, OSM req. Clare & Dorothy Hengesbaugh

Sunday, March 26

7:30 AM-Vincent Frank Foresta req. Karen Foresta

9:15 AM-Thomas Lindsey req. St. Anne Music Ministry

11:00 AM-For the Parishioners

Mon 8:30 AM-Rosary 4:45 & 6:15 PM-RE K-6 classes 7:30 PM-Celebration Ringers 7:30 PM-O.C.I.A. (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) Tues

Events

9:30 AM-The Search 4:45 PM-RE K-6 classes 7:00 PM-The Search 7:30 PM-Chancel Choir

Wed

8:30 AM-Rosary 9:30 AM-The Search 5:30 PM-RE K-6 classes 7:00-8:00 PM-Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel 7:00-8:00 PM-Confessions 7:00 PM-The Search

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4:45 PM-RE Sacrament make up class 7:00 PM-Peace & Justice meeting 7:30 PM-Adult Confirmation class

Fri

8:30-9:00 AM-Eucharistic Adoration in Church 7:00 PM-Stations of the Cross led by the Knights of Columbus

Sat

2:00-5:00 PM-Eucharistic Afternoon 2:30-4:30 PM-Confessions

Sun

9:15 & 11:00 AM-Peace & Justice Easter card writing

11:00 AM-O.C.I.A. 3rd Scrutiny

Readings for the Week

Scripture Readings

For the Week of March 19, 2023

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Lent 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

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

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

Tuesday

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday

Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday Saint Toribio de Mogrovejo, Bishop

Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 & 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25 -30

Saturday 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

Sunday Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

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Please Pray For

Lilia Adaya Maximiliano Ballesteros Trica Barron Arlene Bartkowicz Emma Bates Tyler Brewick Roman Cybulski Jim De Vos Virgiio dungo Tom Duprey James Feeley Peggy Flanigan Nicholas Gross Samantha Harkins J. J. Heinemann Ken Hermann Bob Hettinger Martha Hettinger Martha Hettinger Mark Hums Bill Kassen Bea Koehler Rick Llanes Ramiro Martinez Carol Preseren Bill Pyles Breanna Ramirez Jean Sanchez John Seego Norma Seego Bob Skeels Brady Stevens Jay Vidmar Doug Westbrook

And all who are experiencing illness and are not listed by name. Names will be kept on listing for six weeks

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

"My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen."

PARISH BULLETIN EMAIL NOTIFICATION

Stay up to date with what is happening at St. Anne Parish.

Each week Discover Mass will send you an email update with a link to the current week's bulletin.

https://discovermass.com/church/st-anne-oswego-il/#bulletins



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 1 gifts. Thanking, however, is not done in word only, but in deed, also.

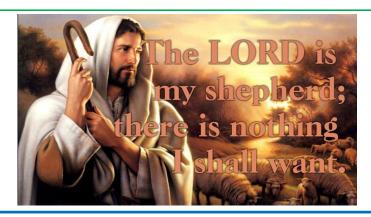
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Sunday Offering E-Giving	\$15,941.58 \$ 6,963.00	\$22,500.00 161 Transactions
Total Parish Offering March 5, 2023	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>

Thank you to those who are able to continue to support us through EGIVING or mailing in your contribution!

E-Giving: If you would like to participate in E-Giving <u>https://giving.ncsservices.org/App/Giving/ncs-1474</u>

For those signed up for EGIVING, please continue this practice to aide in the processing of the collection.

"Recent Federal Tax changes may make it advantageous for parishioners receiving RMDs (Required Minimum Distributions) to <u>transfer funds</u> 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."

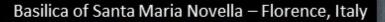


THE 2023 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL IS NOW UNDERWAY

Pledge your gift to the CMAA

This year's CMAA theme is *We Belong to God*. We must work together to ensure all feel included in our community of faith. Through our annual appeal, our parish joins with the other parishes in the diocese to help the poor and vulnerable, form our children in the faith and strengthen vocations. We could not accomplish these and the many other ministries the CMAA supports on our own.

Seventy percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us, which is a wonderful opportunity for our parish. Please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support our annual appeal and help our parish reach its \$109,300.00 goal. To make a gift, complete and return one of the pledge envelopes in church today. In advance, thank you for your support!



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE - 2023

Holy Thursday – April 6th

- 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Eucharistic adoration from the end of Mass until Midnight

Good Friday – April 7th

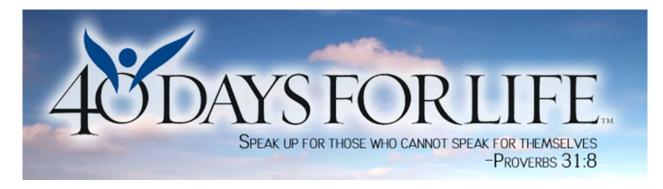
- 3pm Service of the Lord's Passion
- 7pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday – April 8th

• 7:30pm – Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday – April 9th

- 7:30am Mass
- 9:15am Mass
- 11am Mass



You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion! Can you give up ONE HOUR to pray peacefully for the sanctity of life? If so, the 40 Days for Life spring campaign is in need of your help. St. Anne is committed to one day of prayer outside Planned Parenthood in Aurora during this event.

WHEN:	Wednesday, March 22, 2023
TIME:	7:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Choose one hour during this time period to pray)
WHERE:	Waterleaf Women's Center, 3055 E. New York St., Aurora, II.
	Waterleaf is directly across the street from Planned Parenthood and the meeting ground for
	prayer. Parking is in the Waterleaf parking lot.
CONTACT:	Linda Zedrow, <u>zeddys@sbcglobal.net</u> or 630-768-4350 (call or text).

It is important to use the contact information to sign up for a specific hour so that all 10 hours are covered.

PLEASE CONSIDER, WE NEED YOUR HELP!



The March for Life Chicago is moving to Illinois' state capitol, Springfield for 2023.

THE MOVE INCLUDES:

*New Name: *New Location: *New Day: The March for Life Chicago is now the Illinois March for Life Move from Chicago to Springfield at the state capitol building Tuesday, March 21, 2023 12:00 PM-3:00 PM

Complete details can be found at <u>www.illinoismarchforlife.org</u>. If enough parish members are interested, we can arrange transportation to and from Springfield.

Please contact Linda Zedrow, <u>zeddys@sbcglobal.net</u> or 630-768-4350 by March 14 to confirm your interest.

PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE

- Know a parishioner, family member or friend going through a difficult time?
- Prayer Shawls are available. Please contact the parish office to arrange a time to pick one up to take to them: 630-554-3331 or stanne@stanneparish.org
- Shawls have been knitted or crocheted, blessed and bagged with an enclosed prayer ready to be given to someone in need



Come join us on Monday and Wednesday to recite the Rosary in the church after the 8:00 AM Mass.

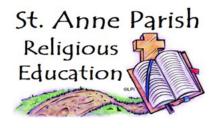
Also, Monday evening we do teleconference/ZOOM Rosary at 7:00 PM. To join: Contact Don Oblazney630-518-7387













Monday Tuesday and Wednesday Thursday Friday

11:00 AM to 7:30 PM 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM Closed

Contact us by phone (630-554-1425) or email us: reo@stanneparish.org for Cathy Gillooly, DRE K-5 jhdre@stanneparish.org for Julie Krakora, DRE 6-8

K-5 Family Scripture Connection

In the Gospel for this 4th Sunday of Lent, we hear about a man born blind. He literally could not see anything. But even those of us with good eyesight can sometimes be blind. Because of our sins (our bad choices), we sometimes fail to see what is most important. Maybe we don't notice when someone is lonely or needs our help. Maybe we are blind to how our words and actions sometimes hurt other people. Maybe we don't see how it hurts our friendship with God when we don't take the time to pray or worship Him. The season of Lent is the perfect time for us to think about our choices, ask for forgiveness, and have our eyes No Longer Blind! opened by the love and mercy of God. Then, no longer blind, we can go out to spread the Good News and be a disciple of Christ.



K-5 Schedule

Classes are in session as usual this week, March 20-22. There are no RE classes the week of March 27-29 for Spring Break and April 3-5 to honor Holy Week. Please check out the Holy Week schedule on the parish website or in the Bulletin and plan join us for the holy liturgies.





We know that we shouldn't judge a book by its cover, but it's sometimes hard not to choose a book that way (or a Tik Tok video) because certain covers (short clips) really draw us in. It's a good thing in life, despite the hard times as youth (and even adults) thinking outer appearances matter the most, that God doesn't judge our worthiness that way. God tells Samuel today that He "looks into the heart." disciples actively shiving 4 holiness. This Lent, how are you doing in prayer, fasting in a way to give God more glory, and giving of your time/heart to others? God sees and loves that!

DASH 1: This whole year has been a focus on the kerygma tree and Old Testament people/themes. As Holy week approaches, we connect dots of why it matters to know the Old Testament as Jesus fulfills it.

DASH 2: You guys are back to The Chosen, episode 5, which is Jesus' first miracle. Over the next three weeks, as all assignments have been posted to the classroom. Feel free to go ahead and finish all the episodes so you will be almost done in April.



DASH 3: Today, March 19, is normal time (5:00-7:00 PM) and then we have a few weeks off due to spring break, Holy Week and Easter. It's crazy to think after this, you only have 3 sessions left in April, a retreat in August, and then you are done with DASH. But you are never done in your choice to show up to God. He judges by your heart so continue to commit to your prayer time and draw closer to Jesus/Holy Spirit/God.

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Schedule for DIOCESAN THREE-DAY LENTEN MISSION with National Eucharistic Preacher Reverend Luke Spannagel in Celebration of the National Eucharistic Revival

THURSDAY, MARCH 23

10am	St. Ann, Channahon
	This is My Body Given for You
	How the Mass brings Jesus to us and us to Jesus
1pm	Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus, Joliet
	Priests Presentation
7pm	St. Paul, Joliet
	That All May Be One
	How Holy Communion draws us into deeper union

with God and one another and propels us to action and ministry out in the world.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

10am Immaculate Conception, Gilman This is My Body Given for You How the Mass brings Jesus to us . . . and us to Jesus.

1pm St. Joseph, Bradley That All May Be One How Holy Communion draws us into deeper union with God and one another and propels us to action and ministry out in the world.

7pm St. Jude, New Lenox Lord I Want to See Blessed Carlo Acutis and how miracles show what our faith says is always true.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

- 10am St. Matthew, Glendale Heights Only Say the Word and I Shall be Healed Finding the healing hand of Jesus through the Eucharist
- 1pm Christ the King, Lombard This is My Body Given for You How the Mass brings Jesus to us . . . and us to Jesus.
- 6pm St. Joan of Arc, Lisle That All May Be One How Holy Communion draws us into deeper union with God and one another and propels us to action and ministry out in the world.

Watch Father Luke's invitation to these days of our DIOCESAN LENTEN MISSION in celebration of the National Eucharistic Revival on your parish website and on diocesan social media.



PEACE AND JUSTICE MINISTRY Service Sunday Event—March 26

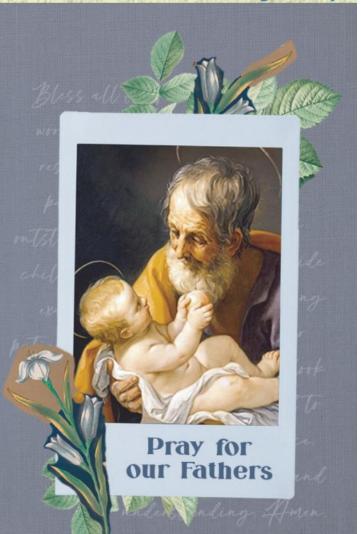
There will be a Service Sunday Event on Sunday March 26 after the 9:15 and 11:00 AM Masses to prepare Easter cards for nursing homes in our community.

Cards will be available in the Joachim Center where adults and children can decorate and write a short message to the recipients for Easter.

So, if you have a few minutes after Mass, you can share some love for Easter with the seniors. Thank you and God Bless You!



SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 20



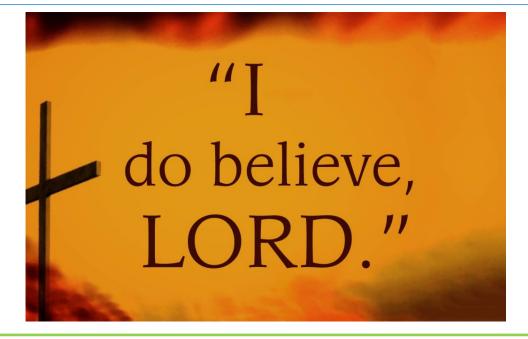
St. Vincent de Paul Society Gospel Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives sight to the blind man. Through grace, we are also transformed from not seeing to seeing. Then Jesus sends us to help others see and to believe.

Your prayers for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy, and kindness to the hurting hearts of the poor.

If there is anyone you know who needs help, our contact information is:

Hotline—630-383-2322 Email stvincentdp@stanneparish.org





KENDALL COUNTY COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

The Kendall County Community Food Pantry continues to serve families from the County in need of food assistance.

The Pantry is still able to "purchase" large quantities of food from the Northern Illinois Food bank to meet their needs. The demands on the pantry have increased and donations are down. Any help provided is greatly appreciated!

Cash donations go a long way. For every dollar donated, the pantry can purchase \$8.00 in food from the Northern Illinois Food Bank.

Donations may be mailed directly to: **Checks should be made out to Kendall County Community Food Pantry: (not St. Anne Parish)** Kendall County Community Food Pantry 208 Beaver Street Yorkville, IL 60560 <u>https://kccfoodpantry.org/donate/</u>



JEREMIAH DAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2023 MUNDELEIN SEMINARY









FOR BOYS IN 7TH, 8TH, 9TH AND 10TH GRADE FROM THE JOLIET DIOCESE

IS IT FOR YOU?

- Do you often feel close to God?
- Do you try to do the right thing?
- Do you like helping other people?
- Are you a good leader?
- Do you like to learn new things?

If you answered "Yes" to these questions then Jeremiah Day IS for you!!

The story of the prophet Jeremiah tells us that it is never too early to think about God's plan for us. This is a day for boys to grow closer to God and to visit a seminary. The activities include a tour of Mundelein Seminary, talks about how God calls us, lunch, recreation time and open gym, and Mass. It is hosted and lead by the Joliet Diocese seminarians at Mundelein Seminary.

JEREMIAH DAY SCHEDULE

10:00 AM	Registration & Basketball
11:00 AM	Opening Session
11:45 AM	Campus Tour
12:30 PM	Lunch
1:15 PM	Adoration
2:15 PM	Sessions II at the Pier
2:45 PM	Break and Session III
4:00 PM	Mass
5:00 PM	Depart

Carpooling on a parish level is suggested. Parents, youth ministers, teachers and parish priests are invited to attend as well. For more information please call the Joliet Diocese Vocation Office at 815-221-6171.

	REMIAH DAY REGISTRATION in Seminary, 1000 E. Maple Ave., Mundelein, IL on Saturday, April 15, 2023.
Name:	Birthdate://
Address:	Parish:
	Grade in School: 7th 8th Fr. So.
Phone:	School:
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Email:
Please include the name and phone number and	relationship of the person who will be transporting you to and from Mundelein Seminary:
Name:	Phone#: Relationship:
Food Sensitivities/Allergies:	After payment is made online at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/april-15-2023-jeremiah-day-tickets- 566613204017

<u>566613394917,</u> please email the Registration and Parent Permission forms to: vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org

Call the Vocations Office at (815) 221-6171 if you have questions.

551 Boulder Hill Pass P. O. Box 670 (mailing address) Oswego, IL 60543

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Parish Office

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Religious Education Office

Phone	(630) 554-1425
Fax	(630) 554-9797
Mon-Wed	10:00 AM-7:30 PM
Thursday	8:30 AM-4:00 PM
Friday	8:30 AM12:00 PM

MISSION STATEMENT Learn. Live and Nurture -Learn the Faith. Live the Faith and Nurture the Faith

As a welcoming Catholic community, we strive to be disciples of Jesus glorifying His true presence in the Eucharist. Just as St. Anne was called by God, we are called as faithful witnesses to celebrate the Sacraments, honor traditions and nurture the family by studying, praying and proclaiming the Good News through service and evangelization.

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EUCHARISTIC LITURGY

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are generally held the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month (some months this may vary) at 12:30 PM. Expectant parents are to call the Parish Office, six months before the birth of their child for preparation information. Please do not choose Godparents until vou receive the established Church guidelines for Godparents.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples seeking the Sacrament of Marriage should call the parish office at least six months before the date of marriage. A wedding date may not be secured until meeting with the parish Deacon or Priest. At that time, the couple will be secured a date and begin the process of preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

freickhoff@stanneparish.org

If there is anyone at home who cannot get to Mass and the Sacraments because of illness or age, please call the parish office at anytime to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

O.C.I.A. (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Those interested in becoming Catholic or in learning more about the Catholic faith meet weekly. Call the parish office or e-mail rcia@stanneparish.org for more information.

STEWARDSHIP PARISH

We are a stewardship parish. This means that every parishioner with an income is asked to use a Sunday envelope, since we expect to meet our needs from the one collection at the Presentation of the Gifts.

NEW PARISHIONERS

All new families are warmly welcomed to Saint Anne Parish and we ask that you register your family through our website at http:// stanneparish.org/registration-form/.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Bulletin articles are due into the parish office by 10:00 AM Thursday, 10 days before the Sunday you wish the article to appear. Please email your copy to stanne@stanneparish.org using Microsoft WORD.

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DIFIBRILLATOR AED

Located Across from Parish Offices and On Outside Wall of Gathering Room of Church.

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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