



SAINT ANNA PARISH

199 Lancaster Street • Leominster, Massachusetts 01453

Rev. Father Frederick D. Fraini, III, Pastor

Weekly Schedule

Daily Mass: Monday-Friday, 7:30am

Saturday Vigil: 4pm

Sunday Mass: 8am, 10am, 11:30am

School Mass: Wednesday 9am (September-June)

Adoration: Tuesday 8am-3pm

Confessions: Saturday 2:45-3:45pm; or by appointment

Brazilian & Portuguese Mass: Sunday, 6:30pm

New Members: We warmly welcome new members to our parish family. To register, contact the parish office or visit our website at www.stannaparish.org

Sacraments

Baptisms: are celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of the month with preparation classes for parents and God parents on the 1st Tuesday of the month.

Marriage: Contact the parish office 1 year before the date to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick: If you have family members who are seriously ill, anticipating surgery, or weakened because of prolonged illness or advanced age, contact the parish office for assistance.

Staff

Mrs. Beth Donlan, Administrative Assistant

Deacon James Graves

Deacon Malcolm Colgate

Mrs. Mary Lou Petty, Religious Education Coordinator

Mrs. Lorraine Carrier, RCIA Director

Mrs. Bobbie French, Principal, St. Anna School

Mrs. Marian Priddy, Secretary, St. Anna School

Parish Contacts

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Extraordinary Ministers mpriday@stannaleom.org

Parish Email stannaparish@gmail.com

St. Matthew 25 Society Paul Schiavitti

St. Anna School 978-534-4770

Liturgical Assistants: March 25th and March 26th

Extraordinary Ministers

4pm Sarah, Skip, Toni and Pat

8am Peter and Cheryl

10am Virginia, Fran, Gianna, Marianne

11:30am Sharon, Carol

Altar

Servers

Lectors

4pm Maddie, Zach, Rachelle 4pm Toni

8am David, Andrew, Lizzy 8am Matt

10am Emma, Colin, Emily 10am Mark

11:30am Ken, Krista and Kevin 11:30am Fran

Safety Environment Notice

Our parish follows the guidelines of the national charter for the protection of children & young people approved by the US Bishops and Dioceses of Worcester policies. Contact Judith Audette, Victim Services Coordinator, at 508-929-4363 (direct & confidential.) Claire Freda is St. Anna's Safety Environment Coordinator.



Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, MARCH 25TH

4:00PM: Mark Ricci (15th anniversary) by the Friedman Family
Margaret Howard by Sylvia Lovewell
Mario Ermini by his family
Mary J. Ciccone (birthday remembrance) by her children

SUNDAY, MARCH 26TH

8:00AM: Roland Benoit by Donna Benoit
Victor DeFelice by his family
Rev. Glenn Downer by Donna Benoit
Francesco and Antonietta by Ralph and Maria Maldari

10:00AM: Concetta Dandini by Richard Mullaney
Vanessa Marcotte by John Marcotte
Rosemary Bogrette by John Marcotte

11:30AM: Anthony DeCarolis (month's mind) by St. Anna Parish
Mary and Anthony Tata by their daughters Kathy and Lorna
Louise DiRusso (4th anniversary) by Sandra, Frances and family

MONDAY, MARCH 27TH

7:30AM: Rev. Fr. Edward J. Moran by St. Anna Parish

TUESDAY, MARCH 28TH

7:30AM: Vanessa Marcotte by St. Anna Parish

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29TH

7:30AM: The Serafini Family by sons

9:00AM: School Mass

THURSDAY, MARCH 30TH

7:30AM: Joe Bodanza by a friend

FRIDAY, MARCH 31ST

7:30AM: A special intention for wellness

SATURDAY, APRIL 1ST

4:00PM: Delia Amorosi by Carol Millette
Benedetto Marchetti by Mr. & Mrs. Gabriel LaManna
Frank and Mary Bilotta and children by Dolores and Herbert

SUNDAY, APRIL 2ND

8:00AM: Jodi Lyn Bastarache by Cristina Valeri

10:00AM: Rose and Charlie Dale by their family
Benedetto Marchetti by Paul Puma and Family
Vanessa Marcotte by John Marcotte

11:30AM: Marian Pellegrini by the family
Egidio and Teresa Marrone by son Chris
Sr. Angelina Panetti by Patti Lanza and Carol LeBlanc
Sr. Liliana Diliddo by Patti Lanza and Carol LeBlanc

FISH DINNERS

The fish dinners are in full swing and just keep getting better! They will be served every Friday during Lent except for Good Friday from 4pm-7pm or until sold out! If you are able to help by baking or volunteering, contact Beth in the rectory.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your support of our parish. Please remember, you can set up your donations at www.stannaparish.org. Our collections for last week:

Sunday Collection	\$ 4,022.00
Tuition Assistance	\$ 1,093.00
Candles, Flowers, Masses, Etc.	\$ 561.00
Total	\$ 5,767.00

THE GALA

Next Saturday, April 1st we will host our annual Gala at Wachusett Country Club. Our honored guest is Mrs. Esther DiMarzio. New this year, we will be providing transportation for those who need it. You must contact Beth in the office if you need a ride. Reservation are required. Tickets may be purchased online at www.stannaparish.org through Monday 3/27. Even if you are unable to attend, we encourage you to participate in our online raffle or donate! We have set a goal of \$40,000 for our school!

CITY WIDE LENTEN MISSION ~ 7PM

Sunday, March 26th Evening Prayer at St. Leo's
Monday, March 27th Mass at St. Anna
Tuesday, March 28th Penance Service at St. Cecilia's
Wednesday March 29th Mass at Hoy Family

ST. ANNA HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 13th Holy Thursday, Mass 7pm
April 14th Stations of the Cross 3pm
April 14th Good Friday, Service 7pm
April 15th Easter Vigil Mass 7:30pm
April 16th Easter Sunday Masses 8am, 10am, 11:30am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be said in the Church every Friday during Lent at 7pm. We hope you can join us.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE FOR LENT

Monday St. Leo's 7pm; St. Joseph's, Fitchburg 7-8pm
Tuesday St. Anna 7-8pm; St. Anthony's, Fitchburg 5-6:30pm; St. Francis 7-8pm
Wednesday St. Cecilia's 4:30 - 5:30pm, St. Boniface, Lunenburg 6pm, Holy Family 7pm
Friday St. Cecilia's 6-7pm, Our Lady of the Lake 7-8pm

ST. ANNA GOLF TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, JUNE 24TH

Registration is open for the 15th Annual Golf tournament! Take advantage of our early bird deadline! Rate \$135 per golfer (\$540 foursome). Register and pay online at www.stannaparish.weshareonline.org. Tournament will be held at Townsend Ridge Golf Course!

PARTNERS IN CHARITY 2017

Last weekend was our Parish Commitment Weekend for the 2017 *Partners in Charity Appeal*. Thank you to those who made a gift and a special thank you for those who gave for the first time. Your gift will help us in reaching our parish goal. If you have not yet completed your pledge, please make your pledge and return it to the church office or in the collection basket. As Pope Francis recently shared, "The time has come for the Church to take up the joyful call to mercy once more. It is time to return to the basics and to bear the weaknesses and struggles of our brothers and sisters. Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope." We are confident that, with God's help and yours, we will rise to it! If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, fill out a commitment pledge envelope or visit www.partners-charity.net. Thank you!

FINKELSTEIN AND JESUS

Jesus was walking around Jerusalem when he decided he needed a new robe. After looking around for a while, he saw a sign for Finkelstein, the Tailor. He went in and made the necessary arrangements to have Finkelstein prepare a new robe for him. A few days later, the robe was finished. Jesus tried it on and it was a perfect fit! He asked how much he owed. Finkelstein brushed him off: "No, no, no, for the Son of God there's no charge! However, may I ask for a small favor. Whenever you give a sermon, perhaps you could just mention that your new robe was made by Finkelstein, the Tailor?"

Jesus agreed and as promised, extolled the virtues of his Finkelstein robe whenever he spoke. A few months later, Jesus was walking through Jerusalem by Finkelstein's shop and saw a great line of people waiting for the robes. When Finkelstein spotted Jesus he said: "Jesus, Jesus, look what you've done for my business! Would you consider a partnership?"

"Certainly," replied Jesus. "Jesus & Finkelstein it is." "Oh, no, no," said Finkelstein. "Finkelstein & Jesus. After all, I am the craftsman." The two of them debated this for some time. Their discussion was long and spirited, but ultimately fruitful --and they finally came up with a mutually acceptable compromise. A few days later, the new sign went up over Finkelstein's shop:



LEOMINSTER ROTARY CLUB DINNER

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29TH

The Leominster Rotary Club announces the 23rd Annual Community Service Award Dinner on Wednesday, March 29th. The social begins at 6pm followed by the Dinner 7pm at the DOUBLE TREE by Hilton Leominster. Tickets \$30 per person and are available from Claire Freda at 978 537-3772 or at Councillor3@aol.com or any Leominster Rotarian, Respective Department Head, School office or Mayor's Office.

Honoring Leominster Employees of the Year

William Roy – Firefighter of the Year
Shaun Booth – DPW Employee of the Year
Randy Thomas – Police Officer of the Year
Cassandra Hall - Library Employee of the Year
William Mitchell – City Hall Employee of the Year
Kate Infantino – Grades PK-5 Employee of the Year
Rita DeOiveira – Grades 6-8 Employee of the Year
David Sweeney - High School Employee of the Year
Elizabeth Ellis - St. Anna School Employee of the Year
Heather Rupp – St. Leo School Employee of the Year

ST. CECILIA'S PARISH

Looking for an evening Mass in Lent? St. Cecilia's will host a 5:30pm Mass Monday through Friday during Lent.

SAM PAWLAK MEAT RAFFLE

The Sam Pawlak meat raffle will be held at the Fitchburg Knights of Columbus located at 165 Electric Ave. on Friday, April 7th at 6pm. Help us raise money for the new Sam Pawlak Handicap Playground in Coolidge Park, Fitchburg. For more details or to make a cash donations go to www.cfncm.org

please call Cheryl at: 978-855-1712 or email judyjollimore@yahoo.com



ALL CITY MUSICAL

THE LITTLE MERMAID

The students from Leominster's Middle schools will perform Disney's The Little Mermaid on Friday, March 31st at 7:00 pm and Saturday, April 1st 2:00pm & 7:00pm at the LHS Cousins Auditorium. Tickets are \$10/ adults and \$8 for students/seniors.

