



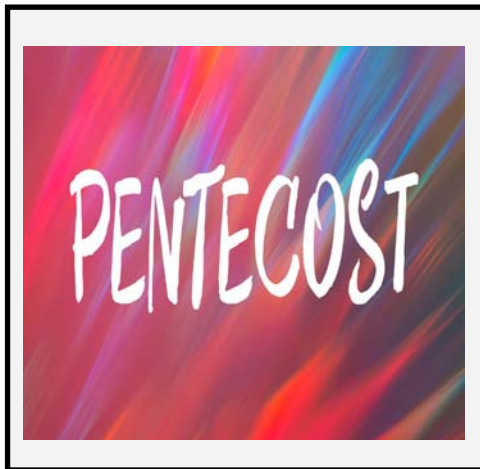
SAINT ANNA PARISH

Founded 1937

Pentecost Sunday
May 19th—20th

Rev. Father Frederick D. Fraini, III Pastor
Deacon James Graves

Mrs. Beth Donlan, Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Mary Lou Petty, Religious Ed Coordinator
Mrs. Lorraine Carrier, RCIA Director



Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4pm
SUNDAY: 8am, 10am, 11:30am
DAILY: Monday-Friday, 7:30am
SCHOOL MASS: Wednesday 9am (September-June)
BRAZILIAN / PORTUGUESE: Sunday 6:30pm
HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION: Check the bulletin & website

Adoration

TUESDAYS 8am—12pm

Confessions

SATURDAYS 2:45-3:45pm or by appointment

Sacraments

BAPTISMS: Celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of the month with preparation classes for parents and God parents on the 1st Tuesday of the month. Contact Deacon Graves at james.graves@umassmemorial.org.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish office at least 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.

Contact Us

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St. Anna School

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Principal, Bobbie French Administrative Assistant, Marian Priddy

Safety Environment Notice: Our parish follows the guidelines of the national charter for the protection of children & young people approved by the US Bishops & 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

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Parish News...

FEAST OF PENTECOST

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BRIDE OF CHRIST!

“Our family is made up of every race we are young and old, rich and poor, men and women, sinners and saints. Our family has spanned the centuries and the globe. With God’s grace we started hospitals to care for the sick. We established orphanages and helped the poor. We are the largest charitable organization on the planet, bringing relief and comfort to those in need. We educate more children than any scholarly or religious institution. We developed the scientific method and laws of evidence. We founded the college system; we defend the dignity of all human life, and uphold marriage and family. Cities were named after our revered saints who navigated a sacred path before us. Guided by the Holy Spirit we compiled the bible, we are transformed by Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition, which have consistently guided us for two-thousand years. We are the Catholic Church!”

Over two thousand years of divine History all inspired and guided under the direction of the Holy Spirit. My friends, this is the Feast we celebrate today, the Feast of Pentecost. Pentecost originates from the Greek word meaning “fifty”. It was fifty days after His triumphant Resurrection, just ten days after His glorious Ascension when our blessed Lord sent His Holy Spirit to descend upon His apostles.

Until that time, those men, the first bishops of the Church, were nothing more than elements in a chemical laboratory of sorts. Incidentally, did you know that science has discovered and understands each and every one of the chemical elements that compose a human body? However, even with that extreme wealth of knowledge, science will never be able to compose a human being, because science lacks the one unifying principle of every human person, namely, the soul.

In the same way, the Apostles were unable to give the Church Divine life, any more than science can create human life. They needed God’s invisible Divine Spirit to unify their visible human natures, to bring them each together as one. Just as cells in a body form a new human life when God breathes a soul into the embryo, so too the Apostles appeared as the visible body of Christ when the Holy Spirit descended to make them one. This One Mystical Body or the Church is called in both scripture and tradition “the fullness of Christ”.

In the same way Christ assumed a human nature from the womb of Mary, overshadowed by the Holy Spirit, on Pentecost He took a Mystical Body from the womb of humanity, overshadowed by the Holy Spirit. In the same way that He taught, governed, and sanctified through His human nature, so now He continues to teach, govern, and sanctify through other human natures united in His Mystical Body the one true Holy Roman Catholic Apostolic Church.

SATURDAY, MAY 19TH

4:00PM: Madeline Girouard by a friend
Armondo Ciccone Sr. (29th anniversary) by the family
Clarence H. LaFleur (17th anniversary) by his wife and son

SUNDAY, MAY 20TH

8:00AM: Linda Booth by Stan and Maria Francis
Rosalie Lisciotti by Cristina Valeri
Ann Lacey by the Morning Mass Group
10:00AM: Robert Duval (1st anniversary) by St. Anna Parish
Joey Long by Virginia Stanley
Hilmar Braun (month's mind) by St. Anna Parish
Mariann Rosa (month's mind) by St. Anna Parish

11:30AM: Loretta Lisciotti by Steven DiRusso
Dante and Lucia DiGiannantonio by their sister
Enzo Cappuccitti by family

MONDAY, MAY 21ST

7:30AM: Maria Olohan Flanders by Pasquale Traylor

TUESDAY, MAY 22ND

7:30AM: John Kenney by Ralph Lolli

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23RD

7:30AM: Betty Fraini by the Fraini Family

9:00AM: School Mass

THURSDAY, MAY 24TH

7:30AM: Joe B by a friend

FRIDAY, MAY 25TH

7:30AM: Frederick Fraini Sr. by the Fraini Family

SATURDAY, MAY 26TH

4:00PM: Louis Morizzo (6th anniversary) by Paul and Sue Morizzo
Vincencino Tata and deceased family members by Friedman Family
MaryAnn Motika by John and Pat LaPosta
Laura and Lou McCarthy by Nancy McCarthy

SUNDAY, MAY 27TH

8:00AM: Joseph Thibaudeau by Cristina's Restaurant
John Scopelliti by his wife
Ann Lacey (month's mind) by St. Anna Parish

10:00AM: Lucia Clementi (1st anniversary) by her sister in law, Lillian Clementi
Leonard Mallard, Sr., (month's mind) by St. Anna Parish
Marguerite Chiarelli (month's mind) by St. Anna Parish

11:30AM: Aldo, Ronald and Mary Saudelli by Bob Saudelli
Vincenzo Cappaccitti by his family
Mary and Anthony Tata by their daughters
Kathy and Lorna

My dear friends, Christ is alive now! He is teaching now, governing now, and sanctifying now, just as He did in Judea and Galilee. His Mystical Body the Church existed throughout the Roman Empire before one word of the Gospels had ever been written.

Sadly however, some will reject His presence in the Church, because of individual sinfulness in His ministers...but I pose this question...Is sunshine that streams through an occasional dirty window anything else but sunlight? No, and Christ is no less present to the world in His Mystical Body the Church.

In the end, His own words accentuate our celebration today: "You are Peter and upon this rock I build my Church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Nothing will ever conquer the love of Christ made present to the World in His Body the Church.

Today our prayer becomes: Come Holy Ghost, creator blest, and in thy hearts take up thy rest!

May Almighty God bless you, as He has abundantly blessed me through you! ~ *Father Fred*

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your generosity and support of St. Anna Parish! Thank you for your support!

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS	\$ 4,537.00
MASSES, FUEL, CANDLES	\$ 148.00
MAINTENANCE	\$ 746.00
<u>ASCENSION THURSDAY</u>	<u>\$ 773.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 6,204.00

ROSES FOR LIFE DRIVE

The roses for life drive raised \$1,684 which will support our Respect for Life efforts. This drive was sponsored by the Massachusetts Citizens for Life.

PARTNER'S IN CHARITY

St. Anna is 68% towards its goal of \$55,900! If you have not yet made a gift, fill out a commitment envelope located in the pew or visit www.partners-charity.net to do it online. Partners in Charity, formerly known as the Bishop's Fund, is the Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Worcester, serving 28 charitable, educational and pastoral ministries.

ST. ANNA PARISH

Parish Goal	\$ 55,900
Donations to date	\$ 38,012 ~ 68%
Please continue to give. Your donations are crucial to our parish success! Thank you!	



CELEBRATING 10 YEARS!

The St. Anna Society invites you to a reception with refreshments on Saturday, June 2nd following the 4pm Mass. This occasion is to honor the anniversaries of Deacon Jim and Fr. Fred who respectively celebrate ten years of diaconate and priestly ministry this year! We hope you will join us to show them how much we love and appreciate what they do for our parish family, school and Diocese.

ST. ANNA ~ 16TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Special thank you to our sponsors and donors to date. Please support these businesses when possible as they have been generous in supporting our tournament!

Bolton Orchards	Girouard Tool & Die
Rollstone Bank & Trust	Fidelity Bank
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Cristina's Restaurant	Comeketo's
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Thank you to the families who have generously donated— DiGeronimo Family, DiRusso Family, Krysiak Family and special friends of St. Anna.



The support we have received is overwhelming! If you are able to help continue the momentum with sponsorships or donations to our raffle, contact Cristina Valeri at cvaleri27@gmail.com or visit www.stannaparish.org!

RESPECT FOR LIFE PRESENTATION

Leominster's City Wide Respect Life Committee invites you to a dynamic talk by Dr. Mark Rollo on the prophetic nature of Pope Paul the VI's Encyclical "Humane Vitae". As we approach the 50th Anniversary of its publication we can learn about how Pope Paul VI predicted this culture oriented towards death. Dr. Rollo is a family practitioner-practicing family medicine for 20 years. He is an ardent pro-life doctor and is influential in the state-wide debate on the Physician Assisted Suicide and the negative impact it will have on the medical profession and society. The talk is on Thur., June 7th St. Cecilia Parish Center, 6:30pm.

SAVE THE DATE!

2ND ANNUAL 5K RUN/WALK

On Saturday, June 16th the 2nd Annual Vanessa T. Marcotte Foundation 5K Run/Walk will be held at Wachusett Mountain, Princeton! Entry fee is \$30/adults & \$15/kids 12 & under. The race begins at 10am—rain or shine. There will be vendors, food trucks, raffles, beer and more! For information on the 5K, what the foundation does, visit <https://www.vanessatmarcottefoundation.org/>

