ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fifth Sunday of Lent

102 N. 19th Street ~ New Castle

Sunday Mass at 10 a.m.

Welcome!

No matter what your present or past status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family or marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race or color, YOU are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved at St. Anne Catholic Church.

Office Hours - Monday—Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-noon; 1-4:30 p.m.
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SACRAMENTS: Baptism—Call the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism.
Marriage—Call the Parish Office to make an appointment at least 6 months in advance.

Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life, contact: Fr. John Hall, 765-529-0933

MASS TIMES		INTENTIONS
Sunday,	**@ St. Anne, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.**	**Adoration with Confessions**
Monday,	@ St. Elizabeth, 4:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Adoration with Confessions Mass
Tuesday,	**@ St. Anne, 8:00 a.m.**	**Manuel & Carmela de Lopez**
Wednesday,	**@ St. Anne, 4:30 p.m.** **5:30 p.m.**	**Adoration with Confessions** **Deceased Bergin & Davis families**
Thursday,	**@ St. Anne, 8:00 a.m.**	**For those who serve**
Friday,	**@ St. Anne, 6:00 p.m.**	**Stations of the Cross**
Saturday,	@ St. Elizabeth, 5:00 p.m.	
Sunday,	@ St. Elizabeth, 8:00 a.m.	
	@ St. Anne, 10:00 a.m.	**Imelda Vores**

Confessions: Before each respective weekday evening Mass, 4:30—5:15 p.m.
or by appointment (If there is No evening Mass, there are NO confessions)

The Special Intentions of Pope Francis for April

We pray for healthcare workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries. May they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SUNDAY	**April 10**	**10:00 a.m.**
CANTOR	Pat Cronk	
SERVER	Mireya & Adriana G.	
LECTOR	Chris Morris, Ross Lammers	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF	Twilla Deaton, Caitlyn Adkins	
HOSPITALITY MINISTERS	Bob & Jaci Hadsell	

Sunday Offerings

03/27

Collection…….....$1,973.00
Loose…….....$166.00
Direct Deposit…….....$780.00
Total.....$2,919.00

Catholic Relief Serv.…….$735.00
Ukraine Relief…….$410.00
Capital Improvements……..$205.00

Wednesday Attendance - 17
Sunday Attendance - 123
Online Views - 7

The financial support of our parishioners and visitors is deeply appreciated!

Our Catholic Faith

Two weeks ago we had our March Family Retreat on Signs, Symbols and Sacraments. What was it like? We had a meal of pulled pork sandwiches with chips, fruit chews and drinks. Then each family built their world according to God and presented their world to all of us. There were worlds with love, kindness, peace, clean water and shelter, forgiving and caring, with respect and equality for all people. Worlds with friendship, trust, solidarity, freedom and happiness. There would be flowers and cats and butterflies, and we would play together. We do live with some of these things! That's good.

It was a little surprising to all of us how hard it was to imagine living in the world according to God. It was easier to say what that world would NOT have. And we did look at the world that we do have. There was jealousy, homelessness, nationalism, illness, suffering and war. There was death, addiction and hatred. There was hunger and murder and poverty.

Jesus had a short ministry, only three years long. He came against all evil and brought God's kingdom instead. He was killed for doing that, but death could not hold God, and he rose from the dead. He overcame the worst! Today in the Psalms we sing, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!" When Jesus left to go back to the Father, he told us it was better for him to go because he would send the Holy Spirit. Why? So WE would and could do what he had showed us to do —come against evil and bring the Kingdom of God instead.

What would we need to do that? We would need sacraments. Sacraments are given to us to bring Jesus right into us. They use visible concrete signs that bring God's presence to us and in us and they are effective! How amazing that God uses ordinary things to become our extraordinary Jesus! We played and prayed with water, bread and oil, and I hope, hope that every time any of us see any of those things we remember that God is with us! To live the Kingdom, we need Jesus' comfort, strength and power. We need to be nurtured and enlightened as we live out his mission to destroy evil and make good things happen! We talked about ways we can do that – giving, speaking against evil, fasting and sacrificing, feeding people, and forming our consciences rightly so we can think rightly and act rightly. God bless and protect our families!

You're invited to come to our Bible discussion Thur., April 7, at 10 a.m. in the parish hall. All of us are better together!

April 3, 2022

Today's Gospel begins by reporting that Jesus is again teaching the crowds in the vicinity of the Temple. The scribes and the Pharisees approach Jesus, bringing a woman who has been caught in the act of adultery. They put to Jesus the question of what ought to be done in this case.

The Pharisees state clearly that according to the Law of Moses, those caught in the act of adultery were to be stoned to death. Under Roman occupation, however, the Jewish people did not have the authority to execute people; this is cited in John's passion narrative. To answer the Pharisees' question, Jesus must propose an action that will be either contrary to the Law of Moses or contrary to Roman law. The purpose of the question appears to be similar to the question about paying taxes found in Mark 12:13-17. Either answer, yes or no, will support the Pharisees' case against Jesus.

Jesus avoids the trap, however, by offering an answer that was not anticipated by those who posed the question. Jesus, after writing on the ground with his finger, addresses those who stand before him and suggests that the one without sin cast the first stone. Jesus then returns to his writing. This Scripture reading, by the way, is the only evidence we have of Jesus writing. Yet there are no specific details about what he wrote.

We can easily imagine the scene as the Pharisees and the elders disperse, one by one. Jesus has eluded the trap they had prepared. We might also give credit to the elders and the Pharisees who do not, in the end, claim to be sinless and worthy of passing judgment. These Pharisees are not as self-righteous as the portrait found in the parable of the pharisee and the tax collector (See Luke 18:9-14).

Left alone with the woman, Jesus asks where the accusers have gone. With no one remaining to condemn the woman, Jesus (the one who truly is without sin) sends the woman on her way, refusing to pass judgment on her and exhorting her to avoid future sin.

Jesus' response to those who accuse the woman is more than a caution to us about making judgment of others. It is a profound lesson in divine mercy and forgiveness. As sinners, we are all unworthy to judge the sins of others and we would stand convicted by God for our transgressions. Yet Jesus, the one without sin and thus our judge, offers us who are sinners his mercy and forgiveness. Redeemed by Jesus' compassion, we are sent to sin no more and to live in God's love and peace.
— Loyola Press

STATIONS OF THE CROSS, ADORATION - The last opportunity to attend the Stations of the Cross will be at St. Anne this Friday, April 8, at 6:00 p.m. Confessions will be heard afterward .

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY - Palms will be blessed and available at all Masses next Sunday.

FRIDAYS OF LENT; ABSTINENCE - All those 14 years and older are to abstain from meat, as health issues allow.

AFTERNOON OF PRAYER - Today, Sunday at St. Anne, 11 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

WELCOME! - To Sebastian Hunter, who is being baptized at St. Anne this weekend.

WELCOME! - *If you are visiting our church and would like to become a part of our parish family, please contact the parish office; 765-529-0933.*

REST IN PEACE - May all who have died, rest in peace, and all who mourn and remember, be comforted. From St. Elizabeth, **Carol Tague** and **Darrell King**, son of Eileen King and brother to Dallas King.

CONGRATULATIONS! - to Father John, for being voted the *Courier Times*, Best of the Best Minister in Henry County.

EASTER MEMORIALS - If you would like to contribute to our Easter flower fund in memory or in honor of someone, please place your donation in the envelope provided in the pews. Put the name of who you're remembering, and who the donation is from and drop it in the collection basket or mail to the parish office. Memorials are **due <u>next Sunday, April 10.</u>**

If you wish to make a contribution to our flowers without a memorial, place your donation in an envelope and mark it 'Flowers'. Thank you!

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP - is **THIS** week, April 3—9. If you have a little spare time to help by going out and picking up any trash, debris or unsightly decorations that need removed or have blown against the fence, it would be greatly appreciated. If you would also take a trash bag with you and dispose of it at home, that would help out tremendously!

PENANCE SERVICE - Tuesday, April 5 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton-Holy Family Chapel in Richmond at 6:00 p.m.

Rural King
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CHURCH WEEK - Rural King is hosting Church Week, April 7—20 (2 weeks). This program provides an opportunity for you to support St. Anne Church, while shopping at Rural King. 10% of qualified purchases will be given to St. Anne's. This is good for in-store or online purchases.

<u>Shop during the above dates, save your receipt and upload it to www.ruralking.com/churchweek.</u> To be eligible, the receipts must be dated between April 7-20 and uploaded by <u>May 6.</u>
If you don't have access to a computer, drop your receipt in the offering box by May 1, and we will do it for you. Thank you!

<u>HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE</u>

Holy Thursday - St. Anne - Mass, 6:00 p.m.; church open until 8 p.m. for prayer

Good Friday - St. Anne, Stations of the Cross at noon
- St. Elizabeth, Liturgy at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, Vigil - St. Anne, 8:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday - St. Elizabeth, 8:00 a.m.; **St. Anne, 10:00 a.m.**

Pray for Peace!

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