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Easter: A Season of New Life

I hope that you are having a fruitful Lenten season. I wish you a blessed Easter season. From Easter to Pentecost, we reflect upon the good news of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Jesus redeemed the world and humanity. He demonstrated that the power of love conquers hate and the power of good conquers the bad. By the gift of the Holy Spirit, we receive the grace to be transformed and to transform others.

As usual, we have had a group of people journey into the faith through Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. They will complete a process of transformation and receive full initiation into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

We also welcome infants into the Church throughout the year. These beautiful human beings are transformed into children of God. We average 70 baptisms per year. Recently our parish Knights of Columbus Council purchased blankets with the saying "Created in the Image of God." These will be distributed as our gift to the newly baptized child.

Our mission at the Basilica is to transform lives by the power of faith and love. We begin with our youth. A previous issue of ANNouncement described how we are changing the lives of our young people. We invited our benefactors to join in our supporting our efforts by an appeal. Thankfully, many generous people came forward to fund our Youth and Young Adult Ministry programs. We launched an appeal last fall that exceeded all our expectations! I am deeply grateful to everyone who contributed, and I find myself once again amazed by the generosity of our parishioners and friends. YOU are making a difference in the lives of others.

We have just purchased the resource FORMED by the St. Augustine Institute. This will provide online spiritual and catechetical resources for adults and families to assist in them in renewal. These resources can be accessed by our parishioners as individuals, families, or as small groups meeting in homes.

Preparations for the 2023 Novena to Ste. Anne are underway. Please stay tuned for further information. Whether you can come one night or all of the nights, our prayer is that you will have a transformative experience in your life.

Have a Blessed Easter Season!

Msgr. Chuck Kosanke
Rector



HOLY WEEK AT THE BASILICA

HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 6

- Spanish Mass @ 7pm
- Altar of Repose open until midnight

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SEVEN CHURCHES PILGRIMAGE - SELF-GUIDED TOUR

- Visit seven beautiful, historic Detroit churches on one sacred night, including the Basilica of Ste. Anne.
- More details, a program guide and a complete list of participating churches is at ste-anne.org/events.

GOOD FRIDAY

- Live Stations of the Cross @ 1:30pm
- Communion Service and Veneration of the Cross @ 3pm

HOLY SATURDAY

- Easter Vigil Bilingual Mass @ 8:30pm

EASTER SUNDAY

- Spanish Mass @ 10am
- English Mass @ 12pm

More details about all our services are at ste-anne.org/events.

NOVENA

Save the Dates

Join us for our annual celebration with ten days of Mass, prayer, ethnic pride, fellowship and joy. Don't miss it!

Monday, July 17

Celebration of Albanian Culture

Tuesday, July 18

Celebration of Latino Culture

Wednesday, July 19

Celebration of Asian Culture

Thursday, July 20

Celebration of Western European Culture

Friday, July 21

Celebration of Celtic Culture

Saturday, July 22

Celebration of Eastern European Culture

Sunday, July 23

Celebration of French and Native American Culture and the alumni of Ste. Anne School

Monday, July 24

Celebration of Chaldean Culture

Tuesday, July 25

Celebration of African Culture

Wednesday, July 26

Feast of Ste. Anne

Quinceañera Retreat

Saturday, May 6

9am – 5pm

Most Holy Trinity Catholic Academy

1229 Labrosse Street, Detroit

Girls making their Quinceañera are invited to join us for a day of inspiration, friendship and fun! Our theme this year is “Precious Daughters of God” and we’ll talk, pray, eat, play games and listen to great talks by some dynamic speakers.

Registration is required. No cost for girls making their Quinceañera at the Basilica of Ste. Anne or Most Holy Trinity.

For more information please contact Daniel Magareno at 313-965-4450 or daniel.magareno@steannedetroit.org.

Register at ste-anne.org/events.



Basilica Weddings

Newly engaged and looking for the perfect place for your big day? The Basilica of Ste. Anne hosts beautiful, unforgettable weddings! Start planning at ste-anne.org/weddings.

Basilica Sunday Mass Schedule

10am Spanish
12pm English

Daily Mass schedule at ste-anne.org

Thank You, Volunteers!

A few scenes from the Mardi Gras themed Volunteer Appreciation Party held in January to honor volunteers at the Basilica of Ste. Anne and Most Holy Trinity Parish



Join the Fr. Gabriel Richard Guild

The purpose of the Guild is to:

- keep alive the inspiring memory of Fr. Richard;
- bring knowledge of his exemplary life to others;
- archive information about his life and work;
- provide prayer, support, and office services to the Cause for Sainthood.

Learn more and join at ste-anne.org/father-gabriel-richard

Super Volunteer Joseph Zarazua

Joseph Zarazua (pictured at left) has been a parishioner at Ste. Anne since 1998. He is incredibly generous with his time and talents and is a wonderful witness to Christ. Here, he talks about his life, his family and his faith.

I have lived Southwest Detroit since the 1980s but was not a fully practicing Catholic. I was baptized at age 7 at St. Alfred Catholic Church in Taylor. While weekly Mass attendance was not something my parents were regimented in, their hearts were filled with a love of Christ and the Virgin of Guadalupe.

Their humble ways of giving reverence taught me a great deal. My dad's medalla of the Sacred Heart and mom's altar de La Virgen along with her suffering Jesus statue were devotionals that represented their own fear of the Lord and awe and wonder. I witnessed their unconditional love of their children, relatives and neighbors. They taught me to treat people with dignity.

I moved to Southwest Detroit after I was laid off from Great Lakes Steel where my father had worked. I went back to school and entered the Chicano Boricua Studies program at Wayne State University. It was there that I would meet some of my future Ste. Anne de Detroit family members. As I learned about my Mestizo heritage, I also learned my own migrant ancestors used their faith to navigate their assimilation into society. It all made sense.

In the 1990s, I received a call from my sister inviting me to accompany a niece and nephew who were preparing to complete the Sacraments of Initiation. Like myself, they had only received the first sacrament, Baptism. I called the Ste. Anne office to inquire about sacrament prep. The voice on the other end of the phone was Fr. Maurice Restivo, who said, "As a matter of fact, we start tonight!" So here's where my story of serving in parish life began.

After completing the Sacraments of Initiation, I was seeing Jesus everywhere and His light was brilliant. I was in love with my newly found and re-formed faith. I saw so many things that the Ste. Anne community had been active in and it was so inspiring. What made it special was my feeling that I was a "grandchild of Ste. Anne" and that she found me to be special. I found it hard to even consider disappointing her. It was as if she said, "Mi'jo, you know I have so many ways to show you how loved and needed you are and I'll start by letting you get to know your cousins here in this community. There are even some you already know from your years without a community."

And she was right. My RCIA sponsor was a wonderful woman. She was the mother of one of my college friends, and she encouraged me to become a lector and Eucharistic Minister. It was becoming an EM that really moved me. I realized that I had many Ste. Anne family members that could not attend weekly services, and were feeling left out. You know something? All it took was for Grandma Ste. Anne to hear me say "Yes" and there was no stopping her guidance as to where I could and would go from there.

I have been initiated and consecrated into many different aspects of Catholic culture that God's grace feels overwhelming at times, but I see how important it is to love back the way that He loves us. His gift of love is reciprocated in doing His works. RCIA has become one of my passions as it allows me to assist people searching their own hearts. I feel so privileged to be able to accompany these travelers.

From Ste. Anne, to St. Joseph, St. Mary, St. Francis and St. Mother Theresa of Calcutta, I can always expect that there is no greater reward in serving God's people than the love that my parents saw for me in my future in their loving eyes. They knew I would get it, and boy do I ever!



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Founded in 1701, the Basilica of Ste. Anne de Detroit invites people of all cultures to encounter Jesus, grow in faith and form disciples. Inspired by our patroness, we provide a place for pilgrimage, formation, healing and devotion.

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YOUR CHILD'S FUTURE

What Matters *Most.*

We see every student as a child of God. It's our mission to discover their potential, to celebrate their talents, and to nurture their faith.

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, April 23 at 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. for grades K-4
Saturday, May 20 at 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. for grades 5-8

Scan to register



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