

Sydney Victa—Graduate from Grace College



During my time at Grace College I studied Political Science and French, with a minor in Pre Law. I had the opportunity to compete on our Mediation Team for three years and served as president of the team for two years. We competed all across the country and abroad in Bologna Italy, winning 8th place overall at the law school level! I also served as Student Body President during my final year at Grace. This summer I will be fulfilling my study abroad requirement for my French degree in Dijon! After that I will be entering The University of Dayton School of Law on a full-ride. I hope to pursue mediation as a career after law school. Thank you St. Anne's for giving me a loving church home throughout my college career!

Sydney has served at St. Anne's on our Communications and Public Relations Committee. We will miss you while studying abroad and while you're at law school. Thank you for ministering to us!

A MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN:

Now that the Easter season is behind us, we have started the process of searching for a new priest at St. Anne's. A search committee has been formed. Our previous two Senior Wardens, Greg Ellis and Brenda Rigdon, have agreed to serve as Co-Chairs of the committee. The other members are Dan Kuhn, Diana Creech, Lynn Kerber, Ellen Wease, Mercedes Pratt, and Dan Coons. The search committee may choose to bring additional people in to assist in their efforts, and I hope we all can keep them in our hearts and prayers as they go through this process.

From past experience on previous search committees, I can tell you that the process will not move as quickly as we would like, and that legal restrictions and diocesan restrictions concerning confidentiality may mean that the church committee cannot communicate as much to all of us (including your Senior Warden) as we might like. Please remember that they will be working with the diocese to find good candidates to recommend to the Vestry, and that everyone is on the same page as we work together to do the best we possibly can for our church and its future.

We also have many other activities that will take up much of our time this summer, including but not limited to the annual sale. This fundraiser is vitally important to the outreach activities of St. Anne's, and also provides a good opportunity for you to clean out closets and garages. Please contribute what you can to make this event a successful one.

Finally, we have a food ministry task force which has been working over the last year to help eliminate hunger and reduce the impact of the "food desert" here on the west side of Warsaw. Couple that with the efforts of the committee investigating the potential installation of solar panels to significantly reduce our monthly utility bills, and we are making the effort to follow the imperative that we close the Eucharist with on Sundays, i.e. going out "to do the work that God has given us to do." I thank all of you who are supporting these efforts, and the activities of the Vestry, as we move forward in 2024.

God's Blessings to you
Jay A. Rigdon
Senior Warden

Our Vision Statement: We share the Light of Christ by giving hope, bringing joy, and loving each other.

Our Mission Statement: Through the Holy Spirit, we invite all to share the Gospel, celebrate life, and serve the Lord in our neighborhood, community, and the world.

Our Beliefs:
We uphold the Anglican tradition, demonstrated through the liturgy, expressed through the Nicene Creed and the Apostles' Creed, and celebrated through the sacraments.



We Value:
Shared ministry between the clergy and the laity, development of our youth, diversity and inclusion, relationships built through fellowship.

JUNE 5-7

8 A.M.—6 P.M.

JUNE 8

8 A.M.—NOON

THIS YEAR FIND US IN THE HOME AND FAMILY ARTS BUILDING

Kosciusko County Fairgrounds

1400 E. Smith St.

Warsaw, IN 46580

St. Anne's Episcopal Church ANNUAL SALE

The Episcopal Church welcomes you! Join us for worship on Sunday mornings at 8 or 10:15 a.m. or 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings.

St. Anne's Episcopal Church is located at 424 W. Market St., Warsaw, IN 46580

www.stanneswarsaw.org

DIOCESAN SUMMER YOUTH CAMP –

“Yum! Taste and See that the Lord is Good” Registration is now open for the 2024 Episcopal Summer Youth Camp! All youth entering grades 3 – 9 are encouraged to attend. To register, go to ednin.org under the Ministries and Programs tab, scroll to Episcopal Youth Camp and follow the link. Cost is \$500 per student and a discount of \$30 for additional children in the same family. Scholarship forms are available on the gift counter in Rose Hall.



EDNIN MISSION WEEK 2024 June 30—July 6 “I am the Vine, you are the branches. All who live in me will bear great fruit”. This summer the EDNIN Sr. High Mission Team will travel to Dyer, Indiana and serve St. Barnabas Church, part of the Calumet Episcopal Ministry Partnership. Tasks include: painting the outside and doing some landscaping. We look forward to serving our extended family in Northern Indiana. High School students can register online at ednin.org under the Missions and Ministries tab, scroll to Sr. High Ministry. If you would like to donate funds to support the Sr. High Mission Team, checks can be made out to EDNIN with Sr. High Mission on the memo line. They can be placed in the offering plate or mailed to: Episcopal Diocese of Northern Indiana, 117 N. Lafayette Blvd., South Bend, IN 46601 Attn: Carol. Thank you!



THANK YOU TO:

- ◆ Miechi & Mike Petro for planting the lovely flowers and plants in the flower pots.
- ◆ All who assisted with Elsie Rigdon's visitation and funeral luncheon.
- ◆ Bill and Jane Hicks for acquiring hundreds of Ben's Rice for the Beacon Food Pantry. Good job!
- ◆ Cheryl Hastings, Shavawn Parduhn, Nanette Newland and Carol Morrison who serve as Lay Eucharistic Visitors making sure that members of our parish family who cannot make it to church in person can still receive communion.
- ◆ Bob Hastings, Mallorie & Miechi Petro for taking down the butterflies and setting up for Pentecost.
- ◆ As always, thank you to Altar Guild for your behind the scenes work during Holy Week & Easter.
- ◆ Carol Bianchini, Bob Hastings, Bob Jarboe & Dale, Dan Kuhn and John Shingler for helping Joy Craig move to her new home.



Miechi Petro ran into one of our former Rector's of St. Anne's, Bishop Dan Martins. Bishop Dan sends his love!



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Sundays:

The Holy Eucharist: Rite I
8 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II
10:15 a.m.

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UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

REFLECTIONS BIBLE STUDY Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m. in the parlor.

SAMS & ECW ST. ANNE'S ANNUAL SALE Prep Sunday, June 2 - Tuesday, June 4 and sale begins Wednesday, June 5 - Saturday, June 8. See page 2 for more details.

ECW MEETINGS Sundays, July 7 and August 11. at 11:45 a.m. in Rose Hall or the parlor.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS Wednesdays, June 26, July 24, August 28 at 6 p.m. in the parlor.

VESTRY MEETINGS June 27, no meeting in July, and August 22 at 6 p.m. in the parlor.

SAMS MEETING Mondays, July 1 and August 5 at 6:30 p.m., Location TBA. Details will be in the bulletin.

ANNUAL SALE June 7-9 from 8-6 & Saturday, June 10, 8-noon Thank you for helping.

SUMMER YOUTH CAMP June 9-15 at Camp Mack. Pray for the campers and staff.

SR. HIGH YOUTH—MISSION WEEK IN GARY, IN June 30 - July 6 Our High School teens will be painting St. Barnabas in Gary and assisting with landscaping. He is the Vine, we are the Branches.

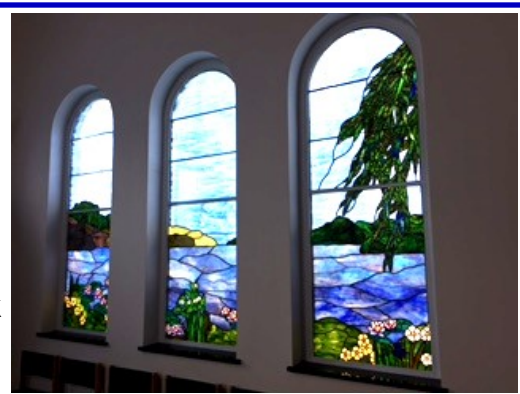
ST. ANNE'S DAY CELEBRATION Sunday, July 28 at 10 a.m. details TBD.

FALL VISITOR DEADLINE The deadline for the fall issue of "The Visitor" will be Tuesday, August 2. Please submit all articles for consideration to office@stanneswarsaw.org. Thank you.

OFFICE CLOSED July 4 in observance of Independence Day and Tuesday, September 2 in observance of Labor Day. Please note: Carol will be out of the office June 11-14 and July 2-5 serving on staff for Youth Camp and Sr. High Mission Week.

GIFTING ST. ANNE'S IN YOUR WILL

St. Anne's makes a difference in the lives of people. Your contributions help support the many ministries of our church to the wider community. Please remember St. Anne's in your will. You can make a gift to St. Anne's AND earn income for the rest of your life! Ask Brenda Rigdon how.



ST. ANNE'S ANNUAL SAMS & ECW SALE

Julie Kuhn

The "Annual Sale" is upon us! We will set up Sunday June 2, Monday June 3, Tuesday June 4. The actual sale is June 5-7 8 a.m.-6 p.m. and June 8 from 8 a.m. -12 p.m. with clean up following. Sign-up sheets to work various shifts with days and times are located in Rose Hall on the gift counter. *Please sign up.* We won't panic knowing time slots are covered. Without the help, a few people end up working *veerrrrryyyy looonnnngg* shifts and no one really signed up for martyrdom.

Steve Shelby is posting on the private Facebook page "St. Anne's Annual Sale." I have invited church members to join that page, but my list is limited, so please ask to join. If we can make early sales without lugging heavy furniture or large items, it would be fantastic. If you sell something and wish to donate to the Annual Sale proceeds, then write a check to St. Anne's ECW and write Annual Sale on the memo line. Cash is welcome as well. The goal is to make money to turn around for our outreach projects. We also have postings on Instagram. Anytime you see something advertised for the Annual sale, please share it to all your groups. In a good year, the Annual Sale can bring in \$9,000- \$12,000. This is divided evenly between SAMS and ECW, minus expenses. There is nothing we can think of that brings in this kind of money.

If you have items to donate, please drop them off at the Home and FamilyArts Building on Sunday, June 2 or Monday, June 3. If you have bigger items and need a pick-up, contact the parish office to be put on the schedule, office@stanneswarsaw.org or call the office at 574-267-6266.

By the Way—All men of St. Anne's are members of SAMS (Saint Anne's Mens Society) and all women of St. Anne's are members of ECW. (Episcopal Church Women). Each man and woman at St. Anne's are already members and you are welcome to attend the meetings. Watch for meeting notices for time, day, and location in This Week at St. Anne's or in the announcement sections of the Sunday Bulletin.

COMMUNICATIONS/PR MINISTRY Julie Kuhn

Advertising for the Annual Sale in conjunction with SAMS/ECW

The C&PR committee has been working the last couple of years to broaden the marketing of the Annual Sale in social media using Instagram, personal Facebook pages, and *The St. Anne's Annual Sale Facebook page*. We encourage selling very large items via social media and making a donation to St. Anne's. The big push is to share anything for the Annual Sale that you post in social media and to share what others post as well, to extend our reach.

Live Streaming Status

We are making concerted efforts to streamline our live streaming and sound services for both the in house congregation and the online participants. We do ask that anyone making any kind of announcement go up to the podium to be heard. Folks simply cannot hear the announcements very well. If the speakers are not mic'd, the live stream participants hear nothing or just garbled speech. In an effort to make informed decisions for more consistent audio, the committee is gathering information and recommendations from specific tech experts.

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MINISTRY NEWS

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Dan Kuhn
Jr. Warden

Greetings from the Junior Warden. St. Anne's has been given a generous donation to renovate and improve our rest rooms. Plans include paint, counters and sinks downstairs, new flooring upstairs, changing tables, and a number of smaller projects to create a welcoming space. The priest's restroom will also get a make-over. This will be an exciting face-lift for anyone who uses restrooms! The Restroom Renovation Committee includes Ellen Wease, Cathy Carter, Miechi Petro, Deb Blatz, and myself.

A beautiful raised bed garden will add fresh vegetables to our food pantry. The garden is located near the yellow garage, and if you have a desire to use your green thumbs, you are welcome to help with this project! See Sandra Buchanan, Brenda Rigdon, and Pam Vosler for more information.

COMMUNICATIONS/PR MINISTRY cont'd.

Podcasts

Upcoming podcasts include Food Ministry and Stewardship. We hope to have one with a young couple discussing why they attend St. Anne's. We will reach out to Bob about the music we use and we are interested in having one discussing our amazing chapel and even the history of St. Anne's.

Committee Members

Dave Baumgartner, Carol Bianchini, Chuck Brindle, Bob Jarboe Julie Kuhn, Pam Nichols, Brenda Rigdon, Steve Shelby, Laurie Victa, Sydney Victa.

Contact Julie Kuhn if you have questions, comments and ideas.

ECW

Sandra Buchanan

Every year the main focus in spring is preparing for the Annual Sale at the fairgrounds. The Annual Sale is our only fundraiser and we use the proceeds from it to give to local charities. It is our way of helping make our community a better place.

We need everyone's help to make this a success so please sign up to help us set up, work at the sale, and then clean up. It is a fun way to get to know each other outside of the church building and create bonds of friendship. You will also benefit from meeting the community members who shop our sale. See you there!

FOOD MINISTRY UPDATE

Brenda Rigdon

The Food Ministries Steering Committee, myself, Sandra Buchanan, and Pam Vosler, is very excited about the ways we have been able to feed people over the past 9 months.

The Beacon Food Pantry remains popular with the people in our neighborhood who have food insecurity issues. Thank you to everyone who has put food items in the pantry for our neighbors and also the folks who have donated cash to support this ministry. Your support of this effort is sincerely appreciated and cannot be overstated.

Some people have expressed dismay to us that the pantry gets filled up and emptied so quickly. Sandra, Pam and I want to assure you that this is

normal for a pantry like this. No one is stealing food from the pantry. The book we read during Lent in 2023 (Five Loaves, Two Fish and 12 Volunteers) makes this point: The food is free to anyone who needs it. Therefore it cannot be "stolen". And yes, some folks who visit and use our Beacon pantry probably ARE using other pantries in the community—and that too is okay! Their needs are great. Our job here is to help them as much as we can.

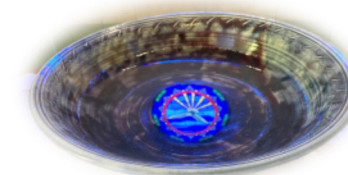
We recently were accepted by the Milford Food Bank as approved users, and we are excited to be able to purchase food from them at a steep discount over the retail prices. The inventory they have available varies by the week, so we won't be able to consistently buy the same things over time.

But, once the **monthly hot meal** begins (which is part of our Phase 2 offerings), we will be able to buy frozen meat, and milk from them also! (Items which we cannot use in the Beacon pantry.) If anyone in charge of the Soup Kitchen later this summer would like to know more about what is available through the Food Bank when planning the meal for the soup kitchen, I am happy to take you there so you can see what might work for your menu and budget.

We also have been able to pay down lunch account balances for over a dozen low income students at Edgewood Middle School so that they can continue to eat the hot lunch. This is our **Lunch Money Program**. Their families do not qualify for Free lunches, and we all know that no one can learn with an empty stomach—and we are excited to be able to help keep these children fed.

Right now, the Steering Committee is hard at work, with the help of Jimmy Bauman, the Victa Family, Marc Vosler and Gary Proietti, on constructing and planting our **raised bed vegetable gardens** on the East lawn of the church! We will be growing fresh veggies and possibly some fruits, to supplement the offerings at the Beacon for our neighbors. This project is funded entirely by philanthropic support from the Dane and Mary Louise Miller Foundation, The Operation Round Up Fund and the Be Beautiful Feet Fund at the Community Foundation. These philanthropic partners very generously are supporting the purchase of the materials for the beds, the plants, mulch, soil, and garden tools. We look forward to sharing the bounty with our neighbors this summer.

The Feast of Pentecost Celebration



This Week at St. Anne's Photos



Pictured above: Food Ministry Raised Gardens, Mike & Miechi Petro receive their anniversary blessing & Katy Ellis Hilts a birthday blessing from Fr. Joe Czolgosz. Bp Doug Sparks Celebrates Eucharist with St. Anne's Vestry and all former Wardens that could attend. Cn. Terri Bays Celebrates Eucharist, Palm fronds adorn the windows. Spring Youth Retreat...because they asked for it. Dan and Olivia Coons make Birthday Cake Kits for the Beacon Pantry. Ellen assists Fr. Joe, Will assists Eleonore, and Bambi is blessed.

If you have a green thumb and would like to help us weed the garden, speak with Sandra, Pam or myself and we can hook you up! And thank you again for supporting this important work.

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE Brenda Rigdon Stewardship Chair

Keeping in mind that Stewardship is more than just making a pledge in the Fall, but includes taking care of everything that God has given us and giving back a portion of that bounty to God via the church. Please be on the lookout for ways YOU can share your Time, Talent, and Treasure all year round.

The Rev Dr. James B. Lemler of Greenwich, Connecticut says this, "The Genesis story moves quickly from our human creation and identity to our responsibility. "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth." Generosity becomes generative action on our part. The human response to the generosity of God is to be generous in return. We are called to be stewards of God's gifts reflecting the same generosity and love that God has shown to us".

* **2024 ALTAR FLOWER CHART** *

* Did you know that you can sponsor the *
* flowers that adorn the altar each Sun- *
* day? The 2024 Altar Flower Chart is *
* posted in Rose Hall on the bulletin board. *

PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Are you receiving our e-mail "Prayers & Concerns"? If not, please send a note to the office with your e-mail address and the request to be on the "Prayers & Concerns" list. This e-mail shares information about those who have asked to let our parish family know that they need prayer. We are also sending written copies of "Prayers & Concerns" to all parishioners who are homebound.

There are also cards on the gift counter for parishioners to send to other parishioners that are on your mind. It's always nice to know someone is thinking about you. If you'd like to include a prayer request for a certain person in our parish family, please get their approval first, then submit it in writing to the church office by e-mail or call.

SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE Greg Ellis

As most of you know a search committee has been set up to lead the selection process for our next Rector.

The members of the committee are Greg Ellis and Brenda Rigdon co-chairs, Dan Coons, Diana Creech, Lynn Kerber, Dan Kuhn, Mercedes Pratt, and Ellen Wease

We are in the preliminary stages of the process and are awaiting further steps from Canon Terri Bays. Please keep us in your prayers as we move forward.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gary Proietti, Treasurer

We have just concluded the first quarter of 2024 and a quick financial review shows that we are on track with our planned giving through pledges and plate income. Thank you so much for staying current and committed to your planned financial support of St. Anne's which allows us to "keep our lights on" and reach beyond our four walls with numerous helpful and impactful community projects through our Mission, Ministry, and Outreach.

Our overall Operating Expenses are below the 2024 Budget and also the 2023 levels through the first quarter. The growth in value of our investments continues to reflect an extremely strong economy. As we look towards an exciting future, we are in very good financial shape to meet it head on.

Enjoy the wonderful warmer weather and have a fun and safe Summer!

* **BORROWING THINGS FROM** *

* **ST. ANNE'S?** *

* Part of stewardship is taking good care of *
* the things God has provided. In order to *
* best keep track of and maintain the items *
* of the church, we now have a "Property *
* User Agreement" form. Whether you are *
* using a coffee pot or chairs for a reception *
* at home, please see Carol, the Parish Ad- *
* ministrant, in the church office during of- *
* fice hours. There is a quick and easy form *
* we are asking everyone who borrows any- *
* thing from the church to complete. Thank *
* you very much! *

ST. ANNE'S MONTHLY OUTREACH



June

ST. MARGARET'S HOUSE

"For when I was hungry you fed me. When I was thirsty, you gave me a drink. When I was a stranger, you welcomed me. I was naked, you clothed me. When I was sick, you took care of me." Matthew 25:35-36

St. Margaret's House is a day shelter for women in South Bend at the Episcopal Cathedral of St. James and supported by the Diocese of Northern Indiana. Started over 30 years ago to meet women where they are, and help them move forward. St. Anne's has supported St. Margaret's House over the years by collecting toiletries, sending funds, and volunteering their time serving the women in the community. Visit their website: stmargarethouse.org.

Monetary donations are welcome, please make your checks payable to St. Anne's and put St. Margaret's House on the memo line. Last year we purchased: towels, washcloths, sheets and blankets for the residents. Other items needed are: coffee, creamer, laundry soap and fabric softener sheets, toiletries, feminine products.

July

KOSCIUSKO COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN & COMMUNITY CLOSET

CO-CHAIRS: Cathy Carter, Ellen & Mark Wease



Wednesday, July 24, St. Anne's will be hosting the Community Soup Kitchen at the First United Methodist Church. During the height of the pandemic we purchased the supplies needed to host the meal and realized how well that worked. So, if you would like to give a financial contribution, please make checks payable to St. Anne's and write soup kitchen on the memo line.

Sign-up sheets will be posted on the bulletin board in Rose Hall for how you can help. Please have all donations into the office by Sunday, July 21.



Habitat for Humanity®

August

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

We will be collecting monetary donations as well as house warming gifts for Habitat for Humanity to assist them with future home building expenses. We

will have a list of items for the housewarming posted on the bulletin board in August. Check the announcements in This Week at St. Anne's for other ways to help.

OUTREACH DOLLARS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Thank you for giving generously to our outreach ministries! In March-May St. Anne's gave:

- \$995 Beds and Britches, Etc. B.A.B.E.
- \$1140 was donated to Fellowship Missions along with baskets full of toiletries and food items.
- \$306.06 for food items along with lunch supplies to provide sack lunches for residents and staff of Fellowship Missions on the second Sunday of the month.
- \$2170 was collected for Our Father's Pantry enabling us to shop several times to help fill the pantry and the need in our community.
- \$990 has been donated so far toward the Salvation Army Food Pantry so far. We still have two more Sundays until the month is over.
- \$750 was donated toward rental and mortgage assistance for three families in our community.
- 102.12 was spent towards utility assistance for a family in our community.
- \$300 was used to purchase Autozone gift cards as a farewell gift to Fr. Ryan.
- \$25 gift card was given to Sydney Victa in celebration of her college graduation.



ST. ANNE'S DAY CELEBRATION

We will celebrate St. Anne's Day with our church family on Sunday, July 28 with Brunch following the service. Our Patron Saint "Saint Anne", the Grandmother of Jesus, will be honored in Rose Hall as we all come together to enjoy brunch. There will be a sign up sheet in Rose Hall to sign up for main dishes, side dishes, fruit, muffins, coffee cake, or a sort of sweet bread and desserts. There will also be a sign up sheet for those attending.

Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend the service at 10 a.m. on July 28 and enjoy the lovely meal and fellowship to follow. (We will only have one service on this day.) Watch the weekly pew bulletins and emails for more details and possible opportunities to assist as they are determined.