



# St. Anne's Episcopal Church

## Newsletter February 2018

SERVING CHRIST IN THE WORLD

### From the Co-Wardens

Happy New Year!! Although it's early February, I feel like it's ok to greet you all with this wish as it is the first newsletter of 2018.

Just a couple of weeks ago we held our annual meeting where we voted on and discussed various issues within our parish. It was a very positive meeting and I feel that although there is much work to be done, we are beginning the New Year with much enthusiasm! If you were unable to attend the meeting and would like a copy of the annual report, please contact Stacey in the church office and request a copy.

For the second time during my time at St. Anne's we begin a period of time without our Rector. But this time it's for a very good reason. On January 29<sup>th</sup>, Rev. Lauren gave birth to baby Frankie. Please join me in congratulating her and Frank! She sent pictures which are included below. It is important for us to remember that while she is away, St.

Anne's needs to continue and we are responsible to make sure the parish runs smoothly. Everyone has gifts or talents to offer. Please offer your talents to help continue the successes at St. Anne's.

As many of you may know, Ed creates the liturgical schedule for LEM's, ushers, readers, and acolytes.

He schedules people for these roles each Sunday in the upcoming quarter (3 months). We need volunteer for each of these roles at both the 8 o'clock and 10 o'clock services. We have a dire need of acolytes at both services.

If you feel called to take on any of these roles, please contact either of us, or Reverend Lauren (once she returns from maternity leave) and we can add you to the list of volunteers. Please consider volunteering as a way to enhance your worship experience.



As always, thanks for reading.

Ed Giroux and Mark Komarinski

Co-Wardens

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Worship:  
 Sundays, 8am & 10am

## St. Anne's First Blood Drive

### **YOU MADE A DIFFERENCE - YOU SAVED LIVES!**

On January 27th St Anne's hosted a community Blood Drive. The goal for our drive was 24 pints. When we organized this drive, we were told (from the Red Cross) not to have high expectations because this was a first attempt drive!

Thank you to all the parishioners that gave so generously of their blood and time. **Combined with the community we had 42 on line appointments**, unfortunately 10 people didn't show; but our walk-ins saved the day. We had a total of 44 attempts to donate and were able to give 37 pints. We even had to turn away 5 additional walk-ins because they didn't have the capacity to store the blood once donated. **The American Red Cross called you all "ROCK STARS"**. **Staffers also asked when do we want to host another drive!** Due to our size we are capped for capacity of intake and beds, but they will always be grateful for a solid 35-40 pints of blood for a 5-hour drive.

**Just think one (1) pint can save up to three (3) lives. You have just affected a potential of 111 lives!**

**Thank you!**

Sandra Giroux

## **FUN - RAISING!**

The Sweetheart Silent Auction and Dinner is happening Saturday, February 10th at 6 PM. A delicious pasta dinner will be provided by the Anneacreaons. **Tickets are \$25 for couples, \$10 for individual tickets. They can be purchased in advance or will be available at the door.** All are welcome! This will be a great night to have a delicious dinner, raise some money for St. Anne's, and have some fun!

Fondly,

Andrea Jeffrey

## **New Dance Class at St. Anne's with Carolisa of Moonlightdjz!**

Bellydance

New Session starts March 1st ~ Thursday mornings at 10:30 am

6 weeks \$60 \* to register: [moonlightdjz@gmail.com](mailto:moonlightdjz@gmail.com) or 978-937-7937

Have you ever wanted to try Bellydance? Join friends and learn this beautiful and joyous dance! You'll be surprised how much you'll learn in this Beginner intensive series. Fast & fiery to slow & smooth, this dance includes isolations, figure 8's, flowing hands/arms, a Greek dance and the beautiful Veil Dance --all set to a fantastic mix of world music! Wear comfortable, stretchy clothing; best are thick socks, slipper socks or ballet-type slippers you can glide in.

Increase flexibility, self-confidence, work all muscles especially the core (low impact) & feel great in this FUN & friendly class! For women of all ages, generations, body types and fitness levels.

Advance Registration Required \* Just want to try it? Try the first class for \$11!

### **Zumba !~ mornings**

starts February 27<sup>th</sup> ~ Tuesday mornings at 11:15 am

6 weeks \$55 \* to register: [moonlightdjz@gmail.com](mailto:moonlightdjz@gmail.com) or 978-937-7937

**Move, Groove, Dance, Workout & have FUN!** This energizing dance-fitness workout combines easy dance & traditional exercise to burn calories; strengthens abs, core & lower body. Get Funky to a fantastic mix of "old" classics & pop to current; latin & world music; bollywood & more. This class is great for all levels including the **those new to exercise**; moves & dances will be explained as needed. We will use therabands for a couple son bi's and tri's; therabands supplied. *Optional: stay for a short segment on mats for core & cool-down stretches; t* Best are sneakers with minimum tread such as aerobics, dance or well used sneakers. Bring water!

**Dance off calories and get a complete workout in this fun & friendly class!**

**Advance Registration Required** \* Just want to try it? Try the first class for \$10!

### **Zumba ! - evenings**

Starts March 5: Monday evenings 6:30 pm

4 weeks \$36 \* to register: [moonlightdjz@gmail.com](mailto:moonlightdjz@gmail.com) or 978-937-7937

**Advance Registration Required** \* Just want to try it? Try the first class for \$10!

**Carolisa** has over 20 years experience teaching dance in many styles including Bellydance, Zumba and Line Dancing;. She also runs a Family Fun Dance workshop! More classes may be added in the future!

**Please let her know what classes and days/ times work best for you; she welcomes your feedback. She may add a class or adjust timing slightly if requested by those who sign up!**

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Feb. 2018**

Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>: 6:00pm Sweetheart Auction and Spaghetti Dinner

Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>: 5:30pm Pancake Supper

Feb 27<sup>th</sup>: 11:15am New Session of Dance Classes by Carolisa

Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>: 9:00am Ladies' Breakfast at Stelio's  
9:00am Men's Breakfast at Deli King

### **Ongoing Activities:**

Mondays: Al-Anon 7:30pm

Tuesdays: Bible Study 10:00am

Wednesday: AA 8:00pm  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup>

Craft Group 10am

Thursdays: Dance Class 10:30am

Saturdays: 4<sup>th</sup> Men's & Women's Breakfasts  
NA 6:30pm

### **Announcements:**

#### **Rev. Lauren on Leave**

Rev. Lauren is on maternity leave until the end of April. If you need assistance, please contact the Wardens or Vestry, or Stacey in the office.

### Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop hours are as follows:

Wed: 2-6pm

Thurs: 10am-4pm

Fri: 10am-2pm

Sat 10am-2pm

Thrift Shop Ph: 978-667-6268

We are always looking for volunteers, so drop by and sign up to help!

### Tuesday Bible Studies

-The 10am study resumed on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, continuing with the book of Acts. All are welcome!

-Tuesday evening Bible study will be on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. We're currently studying the "Women of the Bible"

### Men's Breakfast

The Men's breakfast takes place on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month at 9:00am at the Deli King restaurant located at 885 Mains Street in Tewksbury. The men's group is simply anyone who wants to show up for a good breakfast and little socializing. Everybody is welcome.

### Women's Breakfast

Ladies – Let's get together for breakfast on the last Saturday of the month at 9:00am at Stelio's in North Billerica. It's a good time to reconnect and plan activities. Please come.

### Choir

Our choir is now rehearsing on Sundays from 11:30am-12:30pm. Please consider taking part in the rehearsals, and singing in the choir at the services on Sundays. All ages and voices are welcome. There are options with time commitment availability and singing / music reading experience. With choral projects, your participation in preparing and singing any anthem is valued. If you're interested or have questions about the choir or the music program, please feel free to contact me at [morellimail@msn.com](mailto:morellimail@msn.com) or at (617) 480-9775.

If you can sing joyfully, you are welcome. God hears your song!

Sincerely,  
Peter Morelli

### Altar Flowers

If you wish to donate altar flowers to Saint Anne's, please fill out one of the flower request forms and return it to Stacey in the office. Suggested donation is \$25 per arrangement.

### St. Anne's Craft Group

St. Anne's Craft Group meets the first, third and fifth Wednesdays of the month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Nichols Room, followed by lunch. One does not have to know how to knit, crochet, or any other type of needle work. Please contact Marie Figenbaum (714-585-9744, cell, or 781-275-7294 home.)

### Administrative office:

Administrative office hours are Tuesday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and Wednesday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

### Bulletin Announcements

Announcements for the weekly bulletin must be submitted to the office by the Tuesday. Please include details, as well as the end date for the announcement. Please submit announcement to Stacey at: [stannesbillerica@gmail.com](mailto:stannesbillerica@gmail.com)