

ST ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - SMALL BUT MIGHTY



St. Anne's
Episcopal Church

SEPTEMBER 2022 Newsletter

Dear Faithful of St. Anne's,

Welcome back! I hope your summers were full and healthy. I hope your return includes finding your niche in our ever-evolving growing community. Welcome, here.

During my summer Sundays away and at home, my appreciation for hospitality has grown. First has been the hospitality that you all show me on a constant basis. You welcome me and you respond to my thoughts, ideas, and contributions. You care for my well-being. Those are the building blocks for true community.

I've seen hospitality in other cultures. Rwandans will always walk you to your car. Venezuelans will always make you a cup of coffee regardless of the time of day (or night!). Palestinians will always offer you a meal.

And I've noted the ways that I am less hospitable than I wish.

How do we, together, want to relate to our friends and our strangers, our neighbors and our newcomers? How do we communicate our best intentions?

As St. Anne's stands at a threshold of new energy and new life, how do we want our hospitality to move forward into our future of vitality? What does each of you say to this question?? I want to hear.

I'm glad to be starting another year with St. Anne's in N. Billerica!

Faithfully,
Mthr Jennifer

Worship:

9:00 am Sunday in person

Weekly worship on our YouTube Channel:

["St. Anne's Episcopal Church, N. Billerica MA"](#)
(Subscribe and see videos of our services!)

Our services are replayed on BATV

Check out our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/StAnnesBillerica

("Like" to see videos of our services as well as other news and information!)

Check our website (stannes-billerica.org) for a link to the services.

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Rosemary Kinser	Warden
Michael Hopkins	Warden
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Marguerite Massey	Clerk
Pat Cregg	2023
Dotty Callihan	2023
Maria Martin	2024
Marie Figenbaum	2024
Lisa Carpine	2025
Todd Baldwin	2025

Mother Jennifer's Office Hours:

Tuesdays	11-5 pm
Thursdays	2-5 pm

PLEASE call or email her with any kind of pastoral concern.

Church Office Hours:

Thursdays	2-5 pm
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Thrift Shop Hours:

Wednesdays,	
Thursdays, Fridays	10 am-2 pm
Saturday, September 17	10 am-2 pm

12-Step Meetings:

Wednesdays (AA)	7:30 pm
Thursdays (NA)	7 pm

New newsletter deadline schedule!

After lots of thought and conversation, Mthr Jennifer and Jayleigh are shifting our parish newsletter schedule. Instead of coming out on the first of the month (as it has for the past few years), it will come out on the last Wednesday of every month. We will publish the upcoming dates and deadlines, and they are always printed in every one. Of course, Christmas week always shifts normal schedules, but those dates will be announced. The next newsletter after this one will come out on September 28th, which puts the deadline for submission on September 19th.

October newsletter submission deadline: September 19

October newsletter distributed: September 28

November newsletter submission deadline: October 17

November newsletter distributed: October 26

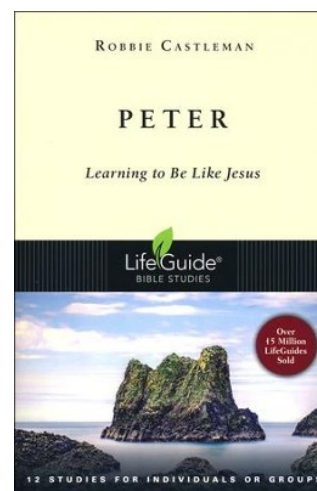
December newsletter submission deadline: November 14

December newsletter distributed: November 23

Bible Study Resumes

Both the Tuesday morning in-person Bible study (10 am, every week) and the Tuesday evening Zoom Bible study (7 pm, second and fourth weeks of every month) are resuming after their summer hiatus.

From John Geen: "We will start our 12-week study of *Peter: Learning to be like Jesus*. Cokesbury does not stock these books and I had to get them from Amazon, so they are the full retail price of \$12 each. It will be good to get together again."



Wednesday Morning “Craft and Chat” Group Resumes

After not having met since before the pandemic, the Wednesday morning (9:30 am) Craft Group is resuming in-person meetings at the church. This group is open to anyone, inside or outside of the St. Anne’s parish community. Come with your craft projects of any variety, make new friends, and get to know others. For more information, please contact Marie Figenbaum.



St. Anne’s Social Group Meeting on Saturday Afternoons

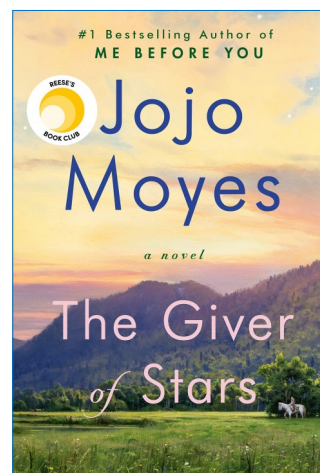


The St. Anne’s Social Group, which meets on the first Saturday of each month, has changed its meeting time from 7 pm to 1 pm. Meeting locations and activities vary month to month, so please look to the church calendar and to the announcements for details! The next meeting will be held at the church on Saturday, September 10, at 1 pm. This group is open to all adult St. Anne’s parishioners.



Social Conscience Book Group

The Social Conscience Book Club will be meeting on Sunday September 11 and September 25. We will be discussing the historical novel, *The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes. The story is set in Depression-era America when Eleanor Roosevelt calls women to create a traveling library. Watch the bulletins in September for our next book.





St. Anne's Christmas Event Planning Meeting:

Wednesday September 14, 2022

7:00pm

We are planning something New and Unique!

That means we need you!!!

Please come with an open mind and a positive heart as we continue our transition into the Journey that we at St. Anne's are on now!

Please feel free to email me with any questions at

Lisa.carpine@outlook.com

See you There- Lisa Carpine

Thrift Shop Updates

St. Anne's Thrift Shop has had a busy summer with Christmas in July, "purple bag" sale of summer clothes, and books and glass items on sale. Fall is on the calendar for September so the clothes will be slowly changing from bathing suits, shorts, and sleeveless shirts to jeans, sweat shirts, and long sleeve tops. Come by and see what we have to offer. You never know what you will find.

Please note that the Thrift Shop will be open on Saturday, September 17, which is Billerica's Yankee Doodle Homecoming Day.



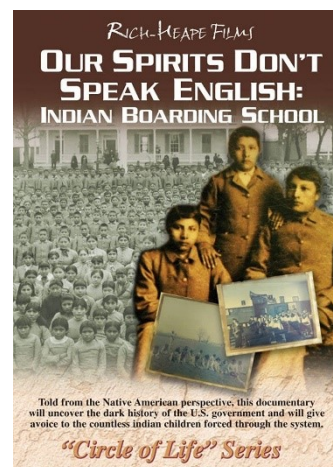
Monthly Ladies' Breakfast New Schedule



The monthly Ladies' Breakfast, which previously met on the fourth Saturday of every month, will now meet on the third Saturday of every month at 9 am at Stelio's Family Restaurant. The next meeting will be on Saturday, September 17.

Movie Night

Our movie night will start back up on Saturday, October 8 at **6:00pm**. We will be watching the documentary **"Our Spirits Don't Speak English: Indian Boarding Schools."** This is a 53-minute film. A discussion will follow.



HISTORY COMES ALIVE

SATURDAY 8 OCTOBER 2022
10AM - 2PM

Billerica Public Library
15 Concord Road,
Billerica MA 01821

Come and meet
some descendants
of greater Lowell's
Native Americans

Bring your questions
View Exhibits

DRUMMING AND DANCING
AT 3PM RIGHT BY THE LIBRARY, 7 CONCORD ROAD, INSIDE THE FIRST PARISH CHURCH IN THEIR COMMUNITY ROOM

Tom (Chief Eagle Rising) Libby

Greater Lowell Indian Cultural Association

Presented by
BASC

BILLERICA ADVENTURE SERIES CORPORATION

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October 8 is a town-wide celebration and learning about Indigenous People.

From 10am-2pm at the library, BASC is presenting "History Comes Alive" that will include Chief Eagle Rising of the Greater Lowell Indian Cultural Association (GLICA) in the downstairs activity room as well as exhibits in the upstairs conference room.

Starting at 3pm, in the First Parish Church's community room, will be drumming presented by GLICA.

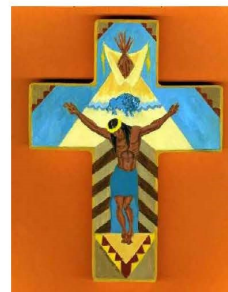
Indigenous Peoples' Day Weekend

Sunday, October 9, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

[The Old North Church 193 Salem Street, Boston](#)

Service of Holy Eucharist

The Rev. Canon Cornelia Eaton, Guest Preacher



Monday, October 10, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. (doors open at 10:30 a.m.)

Registration required. <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=s4blzzbab&oeidk=a07ejc90hz1d16c469f>

[Christ Church 149 Court Street, Plymouth](#)

Symposium, Lunch, and Special Service of Lament and Commitment

Please join the Right Reverend Alan M. Gates, Bishop Diocesan of Massachusetts, the Right Reverend Gayle E. Harris, Bishop Suffragan of Massachusetts, the Right Reverend Douglas John Fisher, Bishop Diocesan of Western Massachusetts, special guest the Reverend Canon Cornelia Eaton of the Episcopal Church in Navajoland, and Indigenous leaders from the Commonwealth.

This event is free of charge. To make a donation visit this website: <https://donatenow.networkforgood.org/1409645>

Designation "Immigration/Multicultural Ministries"



The Rev. Canon Cornelia Eaton served in many lay positions in the Episcopal Church prior to being ordained to the priesthood on February 7, 2015. She is currently the canon to the ordinary for the Episcopal Church in Navajoland. Cornelia is dedicated to serving the beloved people of God and to encourage the laity to have active roles in the life of the Church, believing that we all live into our baptismal covenant. She enjoys sharing God's love, hope, and grace with all of God's people through Holy Scripture and Navajo spirituality of Hozhó—Peace and Beauty Way. She is a storyteller and a writer of poetry with a particular focus on the Navajo way of life known as lina Biké Hozhó—being in harmony with divine creation through spirituality, culture, tradition, and relationship. She has deep love and appreciation for the outdoors and enjoys mountain biking, fly-fishing, camping, hiking, and tending to her family sheep camp.

For more information: <https://www.diomass.org/event/2022-indigenous-peoples-day-gathering>



Episcopal Diocese
of Massachusetts

Sponsored by the Office of Immigration and Multicultural Ministries of the Diocese of Massachusetts, together with the Racial Justice Commission of the Diocese of Massachusetts, the Beloved Community Commission of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts, and the Indigenous Peoples' Justice Network of the Dioceses of Massachusetts and Western Massachusetts.



Wardens' message September 2022

We're now coming into September, and I hope everyone had a great summer break. After two years of Covid and many restrictions lifted, it seemed more like a normal summer. We shouldn't forget that Covid is still around even though it didn't seem to be holding summer travel and events hostage any longer.

Church services continued as planned to give the Rector and Filming Crews much needed time off for Covid Respite as described in the summer newsletter. Eucharist services were covered by Rev. Jonathan and three Morning Prayer services were covered by the Lay Leadership as planned. Thank You to all who participated.

In other news, we recently had the Fire Department respond to the church due to a faulty detector. Only a few weeks ago, we had an inspection of our system to make sure it was functioning properly, so it's unclear why the detector falsely activated the fire alarm. Ken Kinser volunteered to contact the company responsible for the detection system and see if perhaps we should replace one or more of the older detectors.

Ongoing issues:

The work to eliminate the problem of water getting into the Thrift shop every time it rains, has been completed. Much work was done and we're optimistic that the latest work was successful in eliminating the problem, but we won't know for sure until we've had some rain! Thanks to drought conditions, the Thrift shop has been dry, but we need rain to prove that the work was successful. I've just received a quote to repair the Thrift shop kitchen areas after the removal of the floor, walls, and cabinets. The quote will be forwarded to the Buildings and Grounds committee for action.

We have an electrician scheduled to replace the faulty light in the storage room off Bixby Hall where chairs and tables are stored. The light will be replaced and an On/Off switch will be located just inside the door. In addition, he will replace the main unit for our Emergency Backup lights and two remote units with LED lights.

I'm sure there is more; we have a long list of items to be taken care of and B&G will be scheduling fixes, repairs, and replacements as necessary, but we'll get it all done, one thing at a time.

Respectfully,

The Wardens





The schedule for the 2022-2023 Church School year is below. For in-person lessons, we will be having classes the 3rd Thursday of the month. We will have classes for the 3-6 year-olds from 3:30-4:30pm and then for the 7-12 year-olds from 4:30-5:30pm. If any teenagers are interested in in-person lessons, please let Brenda know. If you have questions, please let Brenda know (bkomarinski@gmail.com). We will still be doing take-home lessons.

Windows of St. Anne's

Date	Window/Window group
September 15, 2022 Thursday	The Good Shepherd
October 20, 2022 Thursday	The Eucharistic Prayer
November 17, 2022 Thursday	The Sea and Ships in the New Testament
December 15, 2022 Thursday	The Christmas Story (not a window)
January 19, 2023 Thursday	The Life and Ministry of St. Paul
February 16, 2023 Thursday	Women of the Bible
March 16, 2023 Thursday	The Revelation of St. John
April 9, 2023 Saturday	Children's Easter Service on Holy Saturday
April 20, 2023 Thursday	The Resurrection
May 6, 2023 Saturday	Early/First Communion formation for children
May 7, 2023 Sunday	Early/First Communion Sunday
May 18, 2023 Thursday	The Holy Spirit

A note on music...

Hope you've been having a very good summer. ☺

Just a reminder...

For anyone interested, we are resuming choir rehearsals on the 3rd & 4th Sundays of each month at 10:30am (or possibly 10:15 or 10:45am, depending on feedback of those interested). Rehearsals will last 30 minutes. The rehearsals will often focus on music for the week or two following (the rehearsals). Both those who have lead much singing at St. Anne's, and those who have not lead singing at St. Anne's, are welcome! If you haven't lead singing at St. Anne's but may be interested, please feel free to reach out to me at (617) 480-9775. Participation can be regular throughout the year (Sept-June) or on months of your choice.

Best,

Peter Morelli



Jennifer's Journal September 2022

Gratitude and more gratitude are my words for St. Anne's Worship Lay Leaders who lead us during my Sundays away. They did a magnificent job, as I watched on YouTube from my various travels and homestays. Thank you, Sue and John Geen, Kathy Brewster and Marguerite Massey, Rosemary Kinser and Mike Hopkins. Your courage, care, and voice make a difference in our life together. I'm especially proud of the new preachers we got to hear from, and will hopefully hear from again soon! Thank you, all, immensely!

Also, the consistency and comfort brought to us by our own Reverend Jonathan MacKenzie make us spiritually wealthy, indeed! Thank you, Jonathan ☺

This month, I have only dates and events for your calendar, prayer, and presence as we return to participate in our communities this fall.

Yankee Doodle Day, September 17, 2022. Support our town's faith communities by visiting or working our tables. Please speak with Mthr Jennifer if you can help with this, even for just a half hour.

Pet Blessings will happen. Look for further information.

TWO Services of Worship at 8am and 10am on October 2, November 6, December 4, 2022.

Indigenous Peoples' Day at our library and First Parish. See the attached flyer. Both events will be stunning. Come to an exhibit and a Live Q&A from 10-2pm. Or, come to Drumming at 3 on Saturday, Oct. 8th.

Indigenous Peoples' Day celebrated by our Diocese at Christ Episcopal Church in Plymouth, MA on Monday, October 10th 10:30am-3pm.

My Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands with Bishop Gayle Harris and 25 others from our Diocese, October 17-29, 2022. As I learn more about this complicated place and its peoples, I welcome your conversation, prayer, and hopes.

About our Diocesan Convention and Resolutions: Tuesday, September 13 at 7:00pm online gathering is an opportunity for voting members of Diocesan Convention to discuss and offer suggestions for refinement to proposed resolutions. The meeting link will be sent out in the fall. An online form for submitting feedback about resolutions will also be made available during the Sept. 9-14 open comment period.

Last year, our St. Anne's delegates offered valuable feedback to the writers of resolutions.

Pre-Convention Forum Thursday October 6, 7pm on Zoom.



St. Anne's Prayer List

Lord Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd of the sheep, you gather the lambs in your arms and carry them in your bosom: We commend to your loving care this child _____. Relieve their pain, guard them from all danger, restore to them your gifts of gladness and strength, and raise them up to a life of service to you. Hear us, we pray, for _____. Amen.

**Barbara Rogers, Bob MacKenzie, Casey Epperson, Chick Meech, Cyndi,
Diane Brown, Donald Fudge, Donald Sutton, Sr., Elaine McLaughlin,
George Squires, Sr., Helen, Janet Lyna, Jean Flight, José Soreso, José Torres, Sr.,
Joshua Young, Kathy Chang, Lee Conley, Linda E., Marie Horgan,
Mary Lander & her daughter Christine, Norm & MJ Zarella, Paul Hamner,
Sally DiRocco, Sue Kennedy, Tammy, Tom, Viki Mahoney, Yvonne Hopkins**

We also keep in our prayers all who are ill with COVID-19, the families of those who have died, all who are affected by the war in Ukraine, all who are affected by racism and violence, and all who are grieving.

Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

O God, our times are in your hand; Look with favor we pray, on your servant _____, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer pages 830 (*For a Birthday*) and 430-1 (*Blessing of a Marriage*)

Jennifer Beal	8/1	Maureen Thibeault	9/7	Amy Desmarais	10/2
Neil Hopkins	8/2	Jose Torres & Doris Hamner	9/8	Maria Baldwin	10/3
Dotty Callihan	8/3	Brenda Komarinski	9/10	Eli Baldwin	10/4
Peter Morelli	8/5	Michele O'Shea	9/11	Lucy Ann Young	10/5
Mark & Brenda Komarinski	8/5	Judy Peck	9/20	Yvonne Hopkins	10/6
Lisa & David Carpine	8/8	Cindy Fawcett	9/24	Travis Farmer	10/7
Lisa Higgins	8/8	Jonathan McKenzie	9/27	Sue Kennedy	10/8
Mark Komarinski	8/15	Pete Jeffrey	9/27	Julian Cole	10/19
Robert Stockton	8/19	Nancy Packard	9/30	Easton Elder	10/26
Jane Clark	8/19			Olivia Mannetta	10/27
Ed Giroux	8/23				
Camryn Stockton	8/24				
Mark Figenbaum	8/31				



Spring into Fall with Carolisa!

ZUMBA & LINE DANCE Mix @ St Anne's

Mondays 6:15p-7:30p * Starts September 19

(off 10/10 and 10/31)

Advance sign up required @moonlightdjz@gmail.com

7 weeks \$64 or Try it -\$10



Move, Groove, be Fit & Have FUN! Get funky to a fantastic mix of dance classics to current plus plenty of 80's, 90's; latin and Bollywood. Mix it up with a variety of line dances; review the "party" dances; Learn an Irish & a barn dance! It's easy to catch on; adjust the level to suit you. Best are sneakers without much tread. **Beginners & all fitness levels welcome – come with friends!** Dance off calories in this **FUN & friendly class!**

BELLYDANCE @ St Anne's

Tuesdays 6:15-7:15p * Starts September 13

Advance sign up required @moonlightdjz@gmail.com

6 weeks \$59 or Try it -\$10

Make it a "girls' night" with friends to try this beautiful and joyous dance! Energizing yet relaxing; fast & fiery to slow & smooth, we cover all the basics including a Greek dance and the Veil dance! (Veils may be

borrowed) Increase flexibility and work all muscles in this

FUN & friendly beginners' class. Women of all ages and fitness levels welcome!

*ALSO on ZOOM Wednesdays- 6:30p * join friends from anywhere!

starts September 21 *

*** Schedule a Workshop @ St Anne's for a special occasion or just for fun!**

Bellydance 101 ~Girls' Night * Line Dance 101~ Friends' Night

*Family Fun Dance for your family gathering



Further info on all classes & Sign up: moonlightdjz@gmail.com



Carolisa Moonlightdjz



Carolisa's Classes

***Family Fun Dance * Get ready to Move & Groove, rock out & have FUN!** *Party Dances * Fun & Games * Learn something new * Get creative & show your stuff! * Do the limbo; freeze dance; hula hoops; learn a barn dance! Includes a few dances for the littlest children. Music is kid-friendly classics & pop *geared to ages 4-11 with parent & grandparent participation ☺

September 2022 St. Anne's Church Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <i>Covid Respite</i> 10-2 Thrift Shop	2 <i>Covid Respite</i> 10-2 Thrift Shop	3 <i>Covid Respite</i>
4 <i>Covid Respite</i> 9 am Sunday Service (Morning Prayer)	5 <i>Covid Respite</i>	6 10 am Bible Study 6:45 pm B&G Meeting	7 9:30 am Craft Group 10-2 Thrift Shop	8 10-2 Thrift Shop 2-5 Church Office Hours 4 pm Clergy & Wardens	9 10-2 Thrift Shop	10 1 pm St. Anne's Social Group
11 9 am Sunday Service 10:30 am Social Conscience Book Group	12	13 10 am Bible Study 7 pm Bible Study on Zoom	14 10-2 Thrift Shop 7 pm Christmas Fair Planning Meeting	15 10-2 Thrift Shop 2-5 Church Office Hours 3:30-5:30 Church School	16 10-2 Thrift Shop	17 9 am Ladies' Breakfast 10-2 Thrift Shop
18 9 am Sunday Service	19	20 10 am Bible Study 12 pm Billerica Interfaith Meeting	21 9:30 am Craft Group 10-2 Thrift Shop 7 pm Vestry Meeting	22 10-2 Thrift Shop 2-5 Church Office Hours 4 pm Clergy & Wardens	23 10-2 Thrift Shop	24 8:30 am Men's Breakfast
25 9 am Sunday Service 11 am Social Justice Committee Meeting	26	27 10 am Bible Study 7 pm Bible Study on Zoom	28 10-2 Thrift Shop	29 10-2 Thrift Shop 2-5 Church Office Hours	30 10-2 Thrift Shop	

September 2022 St. Anne's Ministers' Schedule

Date	Ushers	Lector	LEM/Prayers	Acolyte	Video	Audio
September 11	Dotty Callihan Pat Cregg	Michele O'Shea	Kathy Brewster	Mike Hopkins	Ron Desmarais	Mark Komarinski
September 18	Russell Bent Marguerite Massey	Lisa Carpine	Dotty Callihan	Brenda Komarinski	Eli Baldwin	Mike Hopkins
September 25	George Cousens Linda Kusnierz	John Geen	Sue Geen	Mike Hopkins	Sandra Giroux	Ed Giroux

