

The Book of Signs

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. John 2:11

John's Gospel is commonly divided into four sections: the Prologue, the Book of Signs, the Book of Glory and the Epilogue (which contains the resurrection appearance in Galilee). Today's Gospel comes from the beginning of the Book of Signs, which begins at Chapter 1:19 and continues through Chapter 12. In this section, the Apostle John presents us with seven "signs," which are seven miracles Jesus performed. Each sign has a deeper spiritual meaning that reveals Jesus' divinity and mission. In many ways, the entire Book of Signs prepares us for the Book of Glory in which Jesus' "hour" of glory is identified with Him taking up His glorious throne of the Cross, fulfilling His mission as the "Lamb of God" Who offers His life for the salvation of all, and pouring forth His grace and mercy from His wounded side.

The first of seven signs Jesus performs in John's Gospel is the changing of water into wine at the Wedding of Cana, which was done in superabundance! The six stone jars, filled to the brim with water, were transformed into as much as 180 gallons of the finest wine. The changing of water into wine was done at the request of Jesus' mother, who told the servants to do whatever Jesus told them to do.

There is certainly much to ponder in this incredible miracle. One specific thing to consider, as we begin reading the first of these signs, is that Jesus uses His miracles to prepare His disciples for the "hour" of grace and glory that is to come. And though the hour of Jesus has already taken place in time, it's important to understand that each one of us needs to go through the process of preparing for that hour in our own lives. We must let Christ continuously prepare us for the hour of glory by which we receive Him and all the grace He won for us on the Cross. This preparation will take place in our lives, just as it was presented in John's Gospel. Jesus' seven signs, His miraculous actions, were performed to prepare His disciples to receive all that He bestowed on the Cross. We must not only prayerfully reflect upon these signs as recorded by John throughout the year, we must also look for the many personal signs that our Lord gives to each one of us.

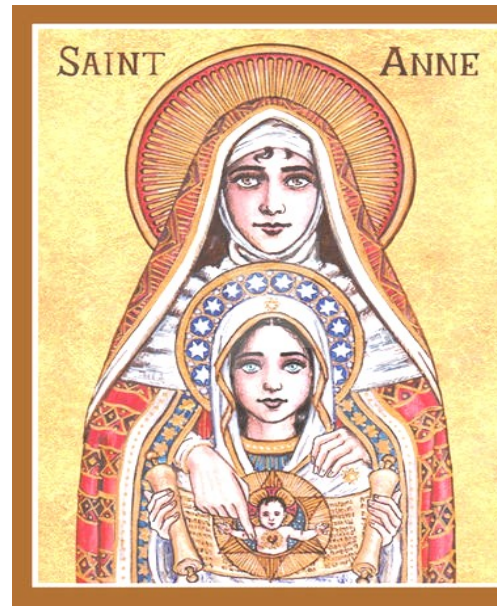
Just as the participants at the Wedding of Cana were left in amazement at the miracle of Jesus, so we must allow ourselves to become continuously amazed at His action in our lives. The seven signs that are recorded in Scripture, as well as the effect of our spiritual pondering of them, must become beacons of light that prepare us to come to know our Lord more fully and to receive the grace won by His Cross of glory.

Reflect, today, upon this, the first of Jesus' signs. Try to meditate upon this story as a way of preparing yourself to receive His grace more fully in your life. Think of the superabundance of the miracle and ponder the fact that it points to the superabundance of grace God wants to give you. Reflect, also, upon the fact that it took place by the intercession of Jesus' dear mother. She also will anticipate your needs and pray for you with her motherly heart. Ponder the beautiful meaning and symbolism in this passage so that you will more fully share in God's abundant glory.

St. Anne Catholic Parish

January 19, 2025

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Holy Mass and Sacraments Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass: 9:00 am

Daily Mass: Mondays & Fridays @ 6:00 pm
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays @ 9:00 am
First Saturday's ONLY @ 9:00 am

Reconciliation: 30 minutes prior to each Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: Mondays and Fridays 5:00-6:00 pm
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 9:30-10:30 am

Baptism and Holy Matrimony: The family should be registered and active at St. Anne Parish for a least three months prior to Baptism or Holy Matrimony. Couples are engaged to marry need to contact Fr. Ishida at least four months prior to the wedding date for marriage preparation.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact Father Ishida.

Parish Office: Please email or leave a voice message.

Ministry Contacts

Liturgical Ministries

Sacristan - Theresa Reisenauer

Lectors – Cheryl Moriarty

Music – Linda Pearson

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Parish Guilds

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(Intensions can be kept anonymous if requested or needed.)

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Step 2. **Then enter your name and create a password.**

welcome
to our Parish

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectionary #66C- Liturgical color: green

1st Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

Responsorial: Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8,9-10

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Gospel: John 2: 1-11

The Gloria and the Creed

The Book of Signs

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My glorious Lord, Your entire earthly life was a preparation for the hour in which You gave Your life as a sacrifice on the Cross for the remission of sins. Please continuously prepare me to receive You more fully and to open my heart to You and all that You have bestowed upon me through Your perfect sacrifice of love. Jesus, I trust in You.

“The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus.”



St. John Vianney

Please note: Mass Intensions take approximately two (2) weeks to get processed and on the calendar. Please note this when giving your stipends for Intensions.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY

12	Sunday	Pro Populo
13	Monday	
14	Tuesday	
15	Wednesday	
16	Thursday	
17	Friday	
18	Saturday	
19	Sunday	Pro Populo

St. Anne ... Pray for us!
Mary, Queen of Heaven ... Pray for us!



CHESTERTON ACADEMY OF NOTRE DAME
A JOYFULLY CATHOLIC, CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL

The Fleur-de-Lis GALA

08 FEBRUARY 2025 AT 5:30PM

THE DAVENPORT GRAND

ENJOY AN ELEGANT EVENING OF FOOD, DRINK, AND THE ENTERTAINMENT OF EMMY AWARD WINNER JOHN CURLEY.

LIVE AUCTION ITEMS INCLUDE A PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES, FRANCE

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Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

Catholic School Collection kicks-off on Sunday, January 26th, which coincides with the first day of Catholic Schools Week.

A letter from Bishop Daly was sent out to all parishioners inviting them to participate in this year's collection. This year's collection will be used for tuition assistance in our K-8 Catholic schools. All contributions, no matter the amount, will help to shape future leaders of the Church. A remittance envelope was also included with the letter from Bishop Daly. Extra envelopes can be found (e.g., in the pews, near the entrance of the Church, in the vestibule).

Please prayerfully consider a financial contribution to this year's Catholic School Collection. Thank you.



2024 ACA Parish Goals St. Anne, Medical Lake: \$21,368
We have currently received \$17,550— 82.13% of our goal.
Thank you!



Welcome to St. Anne Parish To all visitors who are joining us for worship today. May your time with us be grace-filled and may the Lord Jesus bless you and your loved ones today and every day. Pax et Bonum (Peace & Happiness)

St. Anne Parish

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturdays @ 5:00 pm—confession @ 4:30 pm

Sundays @ 9:00 am - confession @ 8:30 am

Join us for FELLOWSHIP immediately following Sunday 9:00 am Mass in St. Anne Hall.

Daily Mass Schedule

Mondays & Fridays— 6:00 pm Mass

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays - 9:00 am Mass

ADORATION

Mondays & Fridays @ 5:00 pm;

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays—following Mass

CONFESSION

Mondays & Fridays @ 5:30 pm;

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays @ 8:30 am

PRAY FOR our priests & Bishop Daly!



Schola Cantorum—Choir

Please join our new schola (Choir). We would love to have you assist us with singing the Holy Mass. Please contact Linda at 509-879-0753 or email at sookisue@msn.com

All voices are welcome!

PRAYER CHAIN

INTENTIONS can be emailed and kept anonymous if requested or needed. Please request prayers to Theresa Reisenauer at: lovinretirement@gmail.com



St. Anne Events!

Join us for FELLOWSHIP immediately following Sunday 9:00 am Mass in St. Anne Hall.

Wednesday, January 15 @ 9:45 AM

Quilting Group @ 9:45 am in the Hall

Wednesday, January 22 @ 9:45 AM

Quilting Group @ 9:45 am in the Hall

Wednesday, January 29 @ 9:45 AM

Quilting Group @ 9:45 am in the Hall



Seven Sisters Apostolate

That our prayers may find the heart of every priest and bishop.

Please contact Linda Pearson if you are interested in joining at 509-879-0753
Or email sookisue@msn.com

We need you!

Please prayerfully consider helping St. Anne's Parish with your gift of time and talent.

Parish Council:

If you are interested in being part of the Parish Council, please talk to Father Ishida. Two members' terms are up at the end of the school year. Parish council members have a unique opportunity to build our parish community. Please prayerfully consider and talk to Father.

Thank you.