



Dear St. Anne Families,

November 14, 2025

With daytime temperatures dipping into the low 50s and nights in the 30s, this week has been a clear reminder that November is in full swing—fall colors are all around us, and winter isn't far behind! The shorter days and earlier sunsets show just how quickly the season is changing. Please remember to send your child to school dressed warmly for recess so they can enjoy the crisp fall air comfortably.

On Tuesday, we celebrated our annual St. Anne School Veterans Day Program. Nearly 30 veterans joined us for a special morning assembly honoring their service. The program began with a warm welcome and opening prayer. Students proudly recited the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moving performance of the National Anthem by the St. Anne Singers. A slideshow on the history of Veterans Day added meaningful context, and the St. Anne Ringers delighted everyone with a lively rendition of *Salute to the Troops*. Each veteran was then recognized and presented with a gift bag from their child or grandchild—a truly heartfelt moment for all in attendance. The program concluded with a spirited performance of *The American Patrol* by J'Shawn Neely and a closing blessing from Father Esposito. A big thank you to Mrs. Miklus, Mrs. Boyle, Mrs. Riggins, Mrs. Estock, Mrs. Bartelt, Mrs. Reichard, and Mrs. Vasko for their tremendous efforts in making this year's program so meaningful and successful.

We also want to give a huge shout-out to our incredible PSA for a fantastic Dancing Through the Decades Dance-A-Thon! It was such a joy to see all of our students out on the dance floor, smiling, laughing, and having an absolute blast. Each class had fun dancing to their decade's song, and the energy was contagious! The event was exceptionally well planned, and the PSA's hard work shone through all day. Special thanks to the Notre Dame High School and Bethlehem Catholic High School band, cheerleaders and mascot for taking their time to kick off and close out our Dance-A-Thon, and also Father Esposito for helping make this celebration so memorable and full of fun for our students.

Looking ahead, on Friday, November 21, and Monday, November 24, our students will be attending Mass at 8:45 a.m. School will be closed for Thanksgiving vacation from Wednesday, November 26 through Monday, December 1. Wishing all of our families a wonderful weekend ahead!

With prayers and appreciation,

Dr. Fries

St. Anne, Pray for Us.

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Attention Families

As the weather gets colder, we'll still be heading outside for recess when it's **32°F and above**. It's so important for our students to get some fresh air and a chance to stretch their legs, even on those brisk days!

Please make sure your child comes to school with a **warm jacket**, and feel free to send **hats and gloves** as well. If a student comes to school without a coat, they'll need to spend recess inside the office instead of going outdoors.

Thank you so much for helping us keep everyone warm, healthy, and ready to play!



St. Anne School and CYO Volunteers. . .

Thank you to so many of you who have recently applied for and completed your Child Protection Clearances. I work on a part-time basis both remotely and in the rectory – please don't hesitate to contact me. This is an extremely busy time for so many obtaining and updating volunteer clearances for CYO, School and Parish events/activities. **Communication by email works best.**

I know this is a tedious task, but a necessary one, and required by law to keep our children safe. St. Anne School/Parish is grateful for your cooperation.

Many of you have asked me about the volunteer badges...they are slowly arriving...this is a new process. There are several steps involved in finalizing your final approval status on the Diocesan-wide system, which results in the badges being created. I am working to speed up that process. They will arrive.

A couple of tips:

1. Keep your original clearances and send me copies only. You may need clearances for other activities outside of St. Anne involving your children. Keep a file at home.
2. Read the directions CAREFULLY and pay attention to the forms sent to you...the State and the Diocese issue updates from time to time. **PLEASE READ THE PARENT COMMUNICATION EVERY WEEK.**
3. Once you receive your badge, please wear it for ALL SCHOOL/CYO ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS. You can volunteer until your badge arrives!
4. **CYO-a reminder....**the three CYO DIOCESAN clearances are required for EVERY COACH at the beginning of every academic year – regardless of the season in which you volunteer or coach.

Thank You.

Eileen Brida
Safe Environment Coordinator
St. Anne School/Parish
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🎄 St. Anne School Christmas Concert Invitation! 🎵

St. Anne School is excited to invite you to our annual Christmas Concert! This special evening is a wonderful way to celebrate the Advent season and prepare for Jesus' birth.

Concert Details

- **Date:** Thursday, December 18th
- **Time:** 6:30 PM
- **Location:** St. Anne Church

Performing Groups

- **Students in grades 1-3**
- **Advanced Band**
- **St. Anne School Choir**
- **St. Anne School Ringers Choir**

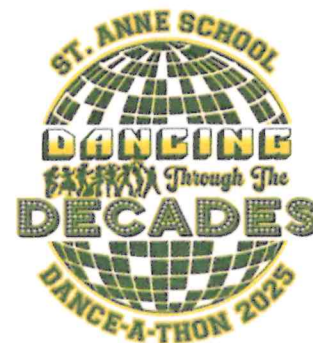
The concert will include Instrumental Christmas Selections by the Advanced Band and a musical for children, *The Unfriendly Beasts (No Room in the Stable)*. Students in grades 1-3, the St. Anne Choirs and our talented middle school cast will entertain you with a charming, humorous story of the manger animals who must share their crowded stable with Mary, Joseph and the infant Jesus.

Rehearsals will take place during school hours. Students will enjoy participating in all the pre-show preparations and rehearsals even if they cannot be present for the final performance.

We look forward to sharing the joy and excitement of Christmas with your family. **Mark your calendars for Thursday, December 18 at 6:30pm.**



"Dancing Through the Decades" **St. Anne School Dance-A-Thon 2025**



Our **"Dancing Through the Decades" Dance-A-Thon** was a success! Many thanks to all who helped the students dance the day away! **Dance-A-Thon is one of our biggest fundraisers. We have exceeded our \$30,000 goal!**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ If we raise \$10,000, our students earn a... ✓ If we raise \$20,000, our students earn a... ✓ If we raise \$30,000, our students earn a... | <p><i>Crazy Sock Day!</i></p> <p><i>Dress Down Day!</i></p> <p><i>Kona Ice Truck!</i></p> |
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A date to celebrate with the Kona Ice Truck will be announced soon.

Many thanks to our business sponsors who supported Dance-A-Thon!

Atlas Advisors Attorney Graig M. Schultz B.F. Brown & Company Bednar Construction Bethlehem Catholic High School Blue Mountain Landscape Supplies Buck Jones, Edward Jones Investments Cantelmi Long Funeral Home Civic Electric Connell Funeral Home Deiter Bros. Heating Cooling Energy Massari Hardwood Flooring Notre Dame High School Yates Electrical	Bakerly LLC Cliff Lewis Experience Corporate Images & Team Sports DJ Ron Kelly Fratelli Pizzeria James Sullivan State Farm Agency JC Home Improvement Services Oakland Excavating Romig's Lawn and Landscaping Vestra Financial Partners of Janney Montgomery Scott, LLC Weiss Construction Inc. Wolf Insurance Agency	Capstone Capital Partners Inc. Captrust - Bethlehem Fresh Wave Cleaning, LLC G&S Fastening Systems Inc. Hott Fitness Factory LMS Designs and Signs Norm Steinruck Photography ReMax Real Estate - Julie Rich Weaver Rich Mar Florist Sibri's Restaurant St. Anne's Class of 2026 The Other Fish TJ Green Associates LLC
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Still want to contribute? The website (<https://app.99pledges.com/fund/stannescho16>) will be open through next Friday, November 21.

Prefer cash or personal check contributions? These are accepted and welcomed. Send in a sealed envelope to the Main Office with your student's name. Within a few days, they will be added to your family's 99Pledges page.



The Dance-A-Thon Day was supported by a team of excellent parents who helped the students throughout the day.

Sofia Arellano Jamie Bednar Jennifer Behn Erika Brew Lorraine Bruno Jamie Chapman Jennifer Cramer Lisa DeNisi Katie Federico	Tessa Houston Tiffany Jacob Kristina Kempinski Kaity McKittrick Dinette Medina Emily Meyers Jaclyn Miller Traci Nistal Emily Pendzick	Lenore Pitsilos Mark Reichard Adrienne Schultz Liz Seaman Marybeth Shea Michael Spampinato Jenna Steinruck Sheila Villaflor
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If you and your family would like to participate in the beautiful ritual of the lighting of the Advent Wreath for this coming Advent, please contact Fidelia Akabogu, Coordinator of Spiritual Activities, at 610-867-5039 X14. You may reserve the Mass you would like to participate in. The Advent season is a time of preparation for the birth of the Christ child. What a wonderful gift you would give to Him by your participation.

FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

Saturday, November 29, 2025	4:30 PM
Sunday, November 30, 2025	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12 Noon

SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

Saturday, December 6, 2025	4:30 PM
Sunday, December 7, 2025	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12 Noon

THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

Saturday, December 13, 2025	4:30 PM
Sunday, December 14, 2025	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12 Noon

FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

Saturday, December 20, 2025	4:30 PM
Sunday, December 21, 2025	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12 Noon



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH, 8 - 11:30 AM

10+ YRS

\$10

BREAKFAST MENU

**EGGS, BACON, PANCAKES,
WAFFLES, HASHBROWNS**

Free photo with Santa!

5-9 YRS

\$8

Under 5 FREE!

St. Anne's Community Center - Proceeds will benefit St. Anne's PSA

Please RSVP to Anthony Garguilo at GarguiloAnthony@gmail.com
(not required but appreciated!)

Thank you for your continued support!



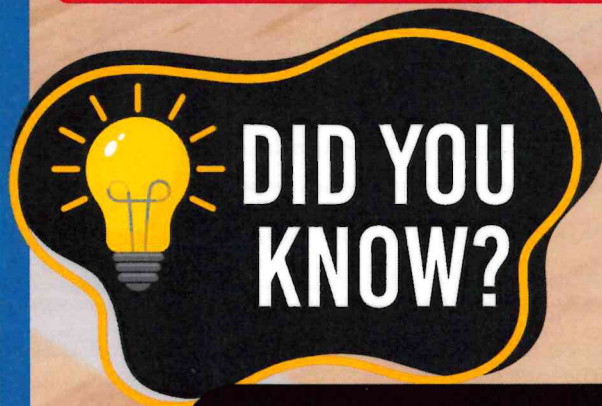
WE WANT YOU TO GET YOUR CLEARANCES!

**! CYO NEEDS VOLUNTEERS
FOR THE UPCOMING
BASKETBALL SEASON!**



**Volunteers are VITAL to St. Anne CYO's success!
ALL volunteers MUST have clearances!!**

THIS INCLUDES ALL SNACK STAND VOLUNTEERS, SCOREBOARD, AND BOOKKEEPERS!



**DID YOU
KNOW?**

Visit **StAnneBethlehemCYO.com**
to get started TODAY!

Email **ebrida@stannebethlehem.org**
with questions

**When parents volunteer, it can
naturally help foster trust,
communication, and stronger
relationships with their child's
school community.**

**Recent studies have shown that
students whose parents
volunteer at their school tend
to have better school
attendance and behavior, get
better grades, and even
demonstrate better social
skills.**



**Volunteering
models the values
of teamwork and
community
engagement.**

**Volunteering can help children
feel more valued and supported
in the school environment
which can have a positive
impact on a child's self-esteem,
motivation, and school
engagement.**



2025/2026 WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION



OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS,
GRADES 3 - 8 , AT ST. ANNE
SCHOOL OR ST. ANNE CCD



LAST CALL!

REGISTRATION
ENDS
11/15!!!



PRACTICES BEGIN IN NOV & DEC

ALL STUDENTS PLAYING
LITTLE HAWKS OR LITTLE
CRUSADERS BASKETBALL
MUST ALSO PLAY CYO
BASKETBALL, PER DIOCESAN
RULES

QUESTIONS? EMAIL:
adrienne.apgar@gmail.com

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AS A REMINDER, ALL COACHES AND VOLUNTEERS (INCLUDING SNACK STAND) MUST HAVE CLEARANCES!

DON'T WAIT - BEGIN YOUR
CLEARANCE PROCESS NOW TO
PARTICIPATE THIS WINTER!

PLEASE EMAIL MRS. BRIDA
(ebrika@stannebethlehem.org)
WITH CLEARANCE QUESTIONS!



BASKETBALL SPIRIT WEAR SALE!



SALE ENDS 11/21!

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**PLUS
MUCH
MORE!**

**ARRIVES IN TIME FOR
CHRISTMAS**



CHEER SPIRIT WEAR SALE!

SALE ENDS 11/21!

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ORDER



**PLUS
MUCH
MORE!**

**ARRIVES IN TIME FOR
CHRISTMAS**





CHRISTMAS

Crusader



Please join us for our annual Crusader Christmas!
Buy Crusader gear, crafts, food, and more while supporting
our Clubs and Sports teams. Items are Cash & Carry.
We will also have a tuition & large ticket item raffles



Sunday, Dec. 7, 2025
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM



Notre Dame Gymnasium
3417 Church Rd. Easton, PA 18045

Thank you for supporting our Clubs and Sports!

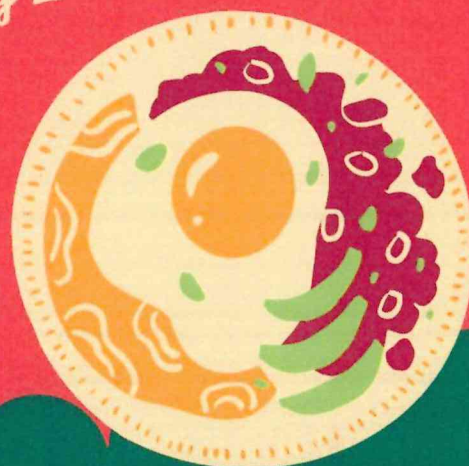
NOTRE DAME HS BASEBALL

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



Enjoy the Breakfast while Getting Entertained by Santa

SUNDAY
DECEMBER 14
NOTRE DAME HS CAFETERIA
09:00 AM - 12:00 PM



Ticket: \$10 per person (Under 2 free)

TICKET INCLUDES: DELICIOUS BREAKFAST
(PANCAKES, SAUSAGE, EGGS, PASTRIES & HOT/COLD
BEVERAGES),
PHOTOS WITH SANTA, ARTS & CRAFTS, AND MUCH
MORE...

For more information:

CONTACT: MIKE BEDICS @

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THE INAUGURAL
CRUSADER
CHRISTMAS 5K
2025



Sunday, December 7, 2025

Notre Dame Green Pond High School

Easton, PA



8:00 AM Registration opens

10:00 AM Race Start

12:00 PM Crusader Christmas Holiday Sale in the Gym

Holiday costumes encouraged — think Santa hats, elf ears, and ugly sweaters! Enjoy some finish Line fun with hot cocoa, cookies, music, and photo ops with Santa himself.