



November 25, 2025

Dear St. Anne Families,

As Thanksgiving approaches, our hearts are full of gratitude for the many blessings we experience each day at St. Anne School. We are especially thankful that you have chosen a Catholic education for your child and entrusted us with their learning and spiritual growth. Your support, involvement, and partnership strengthen our school community and help make it the wonderful place it is.

We are grateful for our students, who come to school each day ready to learn, share, and grow. Their curiosity, joy, and energy remind us why the work we do is so meaningful.

We are especially thankful for our teachers, who have gone above and beyond to make St. Anne a welcoming and nurturing learning environment where students can thrive. Their creativity, dedication, and genuine care for each child help create a place where both faith and knowledge can flourish. We are equally appreciative of our secretary, nurses, and support staff, whose everyday efforts keep our school running smoothly and compassionately.

I am also personally very thankful to be a part of St. Anne School. From my first day here, I have deeply appreciated the warm welcome I received from our students, staff, and families. Your kindness, support, and encouragement have meant so much. I truly believe that St. Anne School is a special place - rooted in faith, community, and a shared commitment to helping every child grow - and I am grateful and proud to be part of this wonderful school family.

During this season of gratitude, we reflect on the blessings of our students, faculty, staff, and families. It is truly a joy to witness the successes, kindness, and growth that fill the halls of St. Anne each day.

From all of us here at St. Anne School, we wish you a safe, joyful, and blessed Thanksgiving - one filled with love, laughter, and cherished moments with family and friends.

May God's goodness fill your home this Thanksgiving.

Greg Fries, Ed.D.
St. Anne Principal

St. Anne, Pray for Us!

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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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Food Drive

St. Anne Third grade and Eighth grade in correlation with the Knights of Columbus are conducting a food drive from November 24th – December 17th. Each grade is asked to bring in a specific item or items. Items needed are listed below.

Pre-K

Cereal and Powdered Milk

Kindergarten

Pancake Mix and Syrup

First Grade

Oatmeal, Coffee and Tea

Second Grade

Rice, Boxed Potatoes and Stuffing

Third Grade

Canned Veggies

Fourth Grade

Peanut Butter and Jelly

Fifth Grade

Canned Soups and Dry beans

Sixth Grade

Canned Tuna Fish and Chicken

Seventh Grade

Dry Pasta and Sauce

Eighth Grade

Canned Veggies and Stuffing Mix



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



BREAKFAST

With Santa!



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

10+ YRS

\$10

BREAKFAST MENU

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

Free photo with Santa!

5-9 YRS

NOW ONLY \$5!

~~\$8~~

THANKS TO A
DONATION FROM
A GENEROUS
PARISHONER!

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!

**St. Anne Sodality of The B.V.M.
Christmas Cookie Walk**

Sunday, December 7, 2025
from 9:00 to 1:30
In the Community Center

BAKERS NEEDED

Drop off at Community Center
Saturday, December 6th between 2 PM and 4 PM
Decorated Cut Outs, Drop Cookies, Kiffles,
Nut Tossies, Bar Cookies, Family Favorites, ETC.

Include an index card with cookie name, ingredients
and name of baker.

(No Store Bought Cookies, Brownies, or Cake Pops)

Call Trish Zechman: 610-417-1657



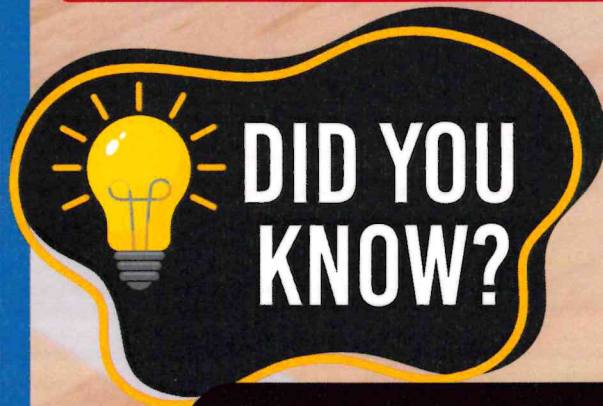
WE WANT YOU TO GET YOUR CLEARANCES!

**! 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.**



BASEBALL WINTER HITTING CAMP

Email

bcbaseballcamp@gmail.com
to reserve your spot!



AGES:

1st Grade through 8th Grade



COST:

\$200.00



8 WEEKS

Every Sunday in January
and February



All skill levels welcome

HitTrax is redefining training by measuring
the batters Exit Velo, Launch Angle,
Distance, Point of Impact, Play Outcome,
Strike Zone Analysis and High Speed Video
with integrated metrics.

Players will receive immediate hitting feedback
on our HitTrax machine!

1 Hour Sessions

1:30pm - 2:30pm

2:30pm - 3:30pm

3:30pm - 4:30pm

Space is LIMITED

**12 players per
session!!**

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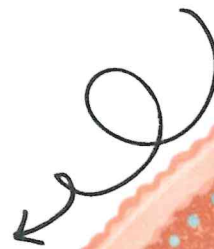
COOKIES & CRAFTS WITH THE GOLDEN HAWKS



JOIN US FOR CRAFTS, MUSIC
AND DELICIOUS TREATS! THEN STAY AND CATCH
THE FINAL PERFORMANCE OF "BELIEVE"!

DECEMBER 07 • 1:00-3:00PM

BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
PLEASE RSVP TO HELP US PREPARE!



Bethlehem Catholic
Little Hawks Theater Presents:

Believe!

December 5 & 6: 7:00 PM

December 7: 3:00 PM

