

## ST. ANNE'S FEAST...COME CELEBRATE!

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Next Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, is St. Anne's Patronal Festival...join in the festivities: bring friends and family to the 10:30am worship service and enjoy the children's group offering songs of praise and worship.

Stay for our celebratory luncheon: catch up with old friends, make some new ones! St. Anne's has wonderful opportunities for good works and fellowship in the community.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH DINNER NEXT SUNDAY

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Thanks to many committed volunteers, St. Anne's hosts a community dinner each month. Opportunities abound for help in preparing the food and the space, serving, tidying up afterwards, and forging new connections within the community.



Please contact Roy Schatz if you can offer your time! You can reach him at 416-922-4415 or [royschatz@bell.net](mailto:royschatz@bell.net).

## WORSHIP

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**"RIVER"**: helping to bridge culture and faith, this weekly worship will feature eclectic music from folk, to hip-hop, to traditional hymns with a live band and an informal message with adult-oriented reflective activities for deeper learning.

Every Sunday at 4pm.

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*If you have any ministry events or notices of interest you would like highlighted, please contact the Office by Wednesday of each week:  
416-536-3160*

*or send an email to [lance@stannes.on.ca](mailto:lance@stannes.on.ca)  
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# Ministry Highlights

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**Hey SpiritKids!**  
The theme for today is:  
**"Choose Justice"**

The Children's Sacred Music Program continues today in the Parish Hall Chapel, along with fun learning about God's message for today.

## Children's Sacred Music Performance – Next Sunday!

After six-weeks of singing, fun, and ritual celebration, the children are excited to be performing next Sunday for St. Anne's Patronal Festival.



Launched this Spring, the program has drawn in four local children and brought out new volunteers. Choir members have been generous with their time and energy. A teenaged congregant has gamely played along on his guitar. And the children have sung their hearts out.

The collaborative learning environment, richly layered approach to prayer and ritual, and the joy of singing and dancing together on a Sunday has inspired the children and the adults alike. One local mom commented, "My 5-year-old spent the rest of the day singing!"

We look forward to continuing this program in the Fall!

*St. Anne's Feast is next Sunday...see last page for more details!*



from Marc Chagall's "Levi: Jerusalem Windows" New York City

## The Proclamation of the Word

### Reading 1 Kings 21:1-10, (11-14), 15-21a

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21:1 Later the following events took place: Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard in Jezreel, beside the palace of King Ahab of Samaria.

21:2 And Ahab said to Naboth, "Give me your vineyard, so that I may have it for a vegetable garden, because it is near my house; I will give you a better vineyard for it; or, if it seems good to you, I will give you its value in money."

21:3 But Naboth said to Ahab, "The LORD forbid that I should give you my ancestral inheritance."

21:4 Ahab went home resentful and sullen because of what Naboth the Jezreelite had said to him; for he had said, "I will not give you my ancestral inheritance." He lay down on his bed, turned away his face, and would not eat.

21:5 His wife Jezebel came to him and said, "Why are you so depressed that you will not eat?"

21:6 He said to her, "Because I spoke to Naboth the Jezreelite and said to him, 'Give me your vineyard for money; or else, if you prefer, I will give you another vineyard for it'; but he answered, 'I will not give you my vineyard.'"

21:7 His wife Jezebel said to him, "Do you now govern Israel? Get up, eat some food, and be cheerful; I will give you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite."

21:8 So she wrote letters in Ahab's name and sealed them with his seal; she sent the letters to the elders and the nobles who lived with Naboth in his city.

21:9 She wrote in the letters, "Proclaim a fast, and seat Naboth at the head of the assembly;

21:10 seat two scoundrels opposite him, and have them bring a charge

against him, saying, 'You have cursed God and the king.' Then take him out, and stone him to death."

21:15 As soon as Jezebel heard that Naboth had been stoned and was dead, Jezebel said to Ahab, "Go, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give you for money; for Naboth is not alive, but dead."

21:16 As soon as Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, Ahab set out to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.

21:17 Then the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying:

21:18 Go down to meet King Ahab of Israel, who rules in Samaria; he is now in the vineyard of Naboth, where he has gone to take possession.

21:19 You shall say to him, "Thus says the LORD: Have you killed, and also taken possession?" You shall say to him, "Thus says the LORD: In the place where dogs licked up the blood of Naboth, dogs will also lick up your blood."

21:20 Ahab said to Elijah, "Have you found me, O my enemy?" He answered, "I have found you. Because you have sold yourself to do what is evil in the sight of the LORD,

21:21 I will bring disaster on you; I will consume you, and will cut off from Ahab every male, bond or free, in Israel; **Amen.**

Reader: *The Word of the Lord.*

### **People Thanks be to God**

## PRAYER REQUESTS



Going through a difficult time? Or someone you love struggling with health or work issues? Don't carry it alone!

A dedicated group of St. Anne's members pray daily for the concerns of the community.

Contact the Church office for any prayer requests you may have – 416-536-3160.

*"God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in times of trouble." (Psalm 46:1, NIV)*

*"...pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." (James 5.16, NRSV)*