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**November 22, 2020 ~ THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD
JESUS CHRIST THE KING**



Rev. John J. Mink, Pastor

Rev. Richard Jasper, Associate Pastor

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MASSES

Saturday Vigil

4:00 PM

Sunday

7:30 AM, 10:30 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday

8:30AM -9:30AM

DAILY MASSES

Monday through Friday

8:00AM

RECTORY HOURS 9AM-4PM Monday to Friday

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The St. Ann “APP”: Associate Pastor’s Perspective-Solanus Casey was a lumberjack, a prison guard and a trolley-car operator who suffered early in life from an illness that permanently damaged his vocal cords and also claimed the life of two of his siblings. After having witnessed a murder at age 19, his life radically changed and he decided to enter the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee in 1891. Yet, because he neither knew nor could master Latin, he was expelled from seminary and eventually found his way to the Capuchin-Franciscans of Detroit.

Although forbidden to preach or hear Confessions once he was ordained for the Capuchins (again due to Latin deficiency), Fr. Solanus spent most of his ministry as a porter and doorkeeper at the friaries where he was assigned. And yet, his compassion and ability to prayerfully bring about miraculous results in the lives of those who came to seek his advice kept the friar busy for endless hours every day, year after year.

With each visitor who came seeking healing or hope, Solanus always left them with this thought: ***In all things, thank God ahead of time.*** What Solanus knew – and what he wanted others to believe – was that we have a God who is already working all things out for us who love Him. Our God is One who never leaves us, who helps us carry our crosses, and will lead us in every decision we prayerfully make. Thus, Solanus reminded all of us: God’s already there in the present and the future moments ... thank Him for working it out before we’ve even faced the task or difficulty at hand.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving in very challenging times, let us take Fr. Solanus’ advice and do our best to make his words our own prayer: “God, in all things, we thank You, knowing that You are by our side always. We are grateful for everything, including the challenges, knowing that You only desire our holiness. May we never lose sight of You and cling to You in our storms and in moments of darkness.

From all of us at St. Ann Church and School to your family: have a blessed Thanksgiving Day. Like Solanus, may we always thank God ahead of time.

***WE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING FOR ALL SOUL’S DAY WHO WERE BURIED FROM ST. ANN’S
WITHIN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS:***

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Communion Update – All who would like to receive communion on the tongue, are asked to wait until the end of the communion line to receive in order to abide by state/diocesan Covid regulations. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE will be set up Saturday, November 28 in the church sanctuary. Tags on the tree represent GIFT CARD requests for families visited by our St. Vincent dePaul society throughout 2020. This year there will also be stamped, addressed envelopes available for you to make direct donations to various charities in our community. Please note that due to COVID we will only be collecting GIFT CARDS, NO GIFTS PLEASE. If you take a tag please return the attached envelope with the GIFT CARD inside to the basket under the tree NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13. For more info contact Katie O’Connor at madello@msn.com.

Just a reminder that the rectory is closed on Thursday November 26th and Friday November 27th in observance of the Thanksgiving Day Holiday.

SAFE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AT ST. ANN'S

Our parish continues to observe all Covid-19 precautions for the safe celebration of the sacraments. In particular, due to the in-person and close contact required for the valid celebration of the Sacrament of Penance, the following guidelines are reiterated:

Individual, masked, face to face confessions with 6 feet distancing, are held in the church sacristy on Saturday mornings from 8:30-9:30, with disinfecting by the priest after each penitent. A bell will ring to indicate that the priest is ready for the next penitent. In order to observe occupancy regulations and time constraints, those wishing to celebrate the sacrament are asked to arrive no later than 9am on Saturdays.

SCHEDULE OF ADVENT CONFESSIONS IN PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS

Individual confessions observing the above guidelines are scheduled as follows:

December 10th Thursday 6:30-7:30pm

December 12th Saturday 8:30-9:30am

December 17th Thursday 6:30-7:30am

December 19th Saturday 8:30-9:30am

The communal penance service previously scheduled on December 14th is cancelled

There will be no scheduled confessions on Saturday December 26th. Vigil Mass will still be celebrated at 4pm Saturday for the Feast of the Holy Family.

. St. Ann's Church is open for Private Prayer on Monday through Thursday after the 8am mass until 10am. On Fridays, the church is open after the 8am mass until 10am and then again from 12-3pm.

ANNUAL ST ANN THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE - The Annual Saint Ann Thanksgiving Food Drive will start accepting your kind donations of canned goods and non-perishable food on Saturday, 21 November and Sunday, 22 November continuing to Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, 26 November 2020. Please leave your donations of food in the plastic Knights of Columbus containers in the vestibule of our church. The Msgr Dewson Council 13821, Knights of Columbus will transport your donated food to the Saint Paul Parish Feed the Hungry Program. They especially request, powdered milk in packages that make one quart, fruit juices, containers of fruit, and beans of any color (except black beans). They serve the hungry children of God throughout the year. The winter months are especially difficult for the poor.

Please remember those less fortunate as you give thanks for blessings received this year. God bless you! Also, God bless you for your weekly food donations for the children of God.

Hospital Visitations – In this covid time, our priests are not allowed to visit anyone in the hospital. But if you or your loved one are in the hospital, please still call/email the rectory and let us know. The priests pray for any of our sick or infirmed. Thank you.

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INTERESTED IN BAPTIZING YOUR CHILD AT ST. ANN'S? There is an online Baptism PREP class required if you have not taken a class within the last two years. Just visit the "Ascension Press" website and look for "Belonging". The cost for the class is \$9.95. Once you have taken the class, we can get you on our baptism calendar. We are only scheduling baptisms one each Sunday after the 10:30am mass – so approximately 11:30pm. For more info, email stannschurch@stannwilmington.com or call 654-5519.

Need to register for the parish? Visit our website www.stannwilmington.com and select the parish registration button. You can print the form and drop off to the rectory or fill out online and email it back. We would love to have you join our parish community!

Mass Intentions

****Priests will be saying Mass Intentions privately for each 6:30am daily mass & the 8am Saturday Mass starting on Monday June 1st with the beginning of public Masses.**

Saturday November 21

**8:00 A.M. Deborah Foster

4:00 P.M. Thomas W. & Theresa Ann Faulkner

Sunday November 22

7:30 A.M. Jean Mahoney

10:30 A.M. Intentions of Connie Winner-Varone

Monday November 23

**6:30 A.M. Jane Ingram

8:00 A.M. Henry & Theresa Deptula

Tuesday November 24

**6:30 A.M. M/M Francis & Stella Smith

8:00 A.M. Charles H. McKinney

Wednesday November 25

**6:30 A.M. Robert, Mary & Catherine Walsh

8:00 A.M. Deceased members of the Sarbara & Regan families

Thursday November 26 Thanksgiving Day

9:00 A.M. Carmen Menton

Friday November 27 Thanksgiving holiday

9:00 A.M. James M. Foy

Saturday November 28

**8:00 A.M. Deceased members of the Michael & Catherine Irwin family

4:00 P.M. Joseph & Elizabeth Dwyer

Sunday November 29

7:30 A.M. Kenneth Ackerman

10:30 A.M. Matthew James Hogan

Pray for the sick, shut-ins and elderly of our Parish.

ST. ANN'S PRAYER LINE – to place a name on the prayer line contact Joe/ Shirley Ackerman at 384-7513 or joeshirl7@comcast.net.

Offertory for the weekend of November 2nd was \$11,818. As always – thank you for your kind and generous support to St. Ann's.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET US!!! Parish Giving is available for Online Offertory Giving – To set up your account, visit our website and click the Parish Giving Button. If you have questions, please feel free to contact the rectory at 654-5519 or stannschurch@stannwilmington.com

St. Ann School Alumni – Please visit alumassoc@st-ann.net to join and don't forget to like us at <http://www.facebook.com/StAnnsAlumni>



CONGRATULATIONS



**JOHN SOLTYS &
LAURA GIMBUTAS
united in marriage at St. Ann's
November 14, 2020**



Greetings from Pre-K 3! The Mustang Minis are having a fantastic 2020-2021 school year! All of the friends are so happy to be back in school together and are loving our daily routine. One of the highlights of the day is Prayer Circle during which we say our special preschool prayer and read from "The Rhyme Bible". The boys and girls truly enjoy learning about special Bible truths through the soothing sound of rhyme. Another highlight of our day is gym class with our new gym teacher, Mrs. Megan Saienni. Mrs. Saienni brings a wealth of fitness knowledge to our gym program, not to mention that she is full of enthusiasm and energy! The Minis just love her! Oh and did I mention how much the Minis enjoy dining al fresco? Our outdoor picnic lunches truly are a hit amongst both the children and the teachers. Speaking of being outside, we have been taking advantage of this gorgeous weather and having lots of outside run around time. It's good to be a Mustang Mini.

Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Wilmington - is once again offering families the option of purchasing Christmas decorations for placement on the graves, crypts and niches of those dearly departed that are laid to rest in Cathedral, All Saints and Gate of Heaven Cemeteries. Decorations must be ordered no later than December 9th. The decorations are placed on the designated grave, crypt, or niche by cemetery personnel. To order on-line visit cathcemde.com and choose the Special Announcements Page. There you will find the link to our online ordering page. Proceeds from the sale and placement of these decorations helps to fund the ongoing maintenance of our cemeteries.



**Happy Thanksgiving
Have a blessed and safe holiday**





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