

ST. ANN'S CHURCH
THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASSES

Saturday Vigil

4:00 PM

Sunday

7:30 AM, 10:30 AM

Monday through Friday

8:00AM

CONFESSIONS - Saturday 8:30am-9:30am in the Sacristy, face to face, wearing a mask, sitting 6 feet from the priest.



St. Ann's Mission Statement: "Worship and furthering the Gospel message of Jesus Christ are the central core of our being"

PARISH STAFF

Rev. John J. Mink, Pastor

Rev. Richard Jasper, Associate Pastor

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE - call the Rectory at least 12 months in advance. *Initial meeting with couple & St. Ann's priest required before setting wedding date.*

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - Attendance at parent info meeting with Godparent guidelines required before setting baptism date. Call the rectory to register.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - Chapel of the Divine Mercy info call 584-1422. Openings/Closings 655-1639

ST. VINCENT DePAUL SOCIETY - Provides emergency help/assistance to the needy. Call 658-9876.

VISITS TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND - can be arranged on a temporary or regular basis by the homebound person, an immediate family member or care giver. We are happy to bring the sacraments.

PARISH MUSIC PROGRAM Director: Peter Solecki
Email stannmusmin@gmail.com. Choir Rehearsal: Wednesdays 7:00-8:30PM. All are welcome!

Couples being married are to contact the director for an appointment several months before the requested date.

PARISH ADVISORY GROUP

Charles Klous, Finance Council Executive Officer

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For info contact Mrs. Pat Grant - Principal,
pgrant@thesaintannschoool.org

Mrs. Bonnie Tsaldaris – info & admissions
btsaldaris@thesaintannschoool.org.

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Student PREP, First Reconciliation/First Eucharist

For info contact the office: 654-8504 or email

Patricia Walker, Director - pwalker@stannwilmington.com

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM (Grade 8)

For info contact Lynne Dickinson, Coordinator
mdickinson@thesaintannschoool.org

ESTATE PLANNING – We are grateful to those

parishioners who have included St. Ann's in their plans with a legacy gift in their memory for the future stability of our parish. For more info, contact Patrick Cullen at the rectory (654-5519 or email pcullen@stannwilmington.com).

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 17, 2021

The St. Ann “APP” - My cell phone just up-and-died without warning last week, and I wasn't prepared for the startling realization that I am much more attached to this technology than I thought. The endless texts, the easy means of emailing others, the barrage of Facebook posts and YouTube videos, and the quick Google searches all were gone in the blink of an eye.

I must admit that, in some ways, this forced “technology fast” was a blessing. I found myself less distracted and, quite honestly, less stressed. No constant news feed. No reading of uncharitable on-line comments (no matter how much I try to avoid them). A more-focused time for dedicated, uninterrupted prayer. All good things.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Andrew and his brother Simon (Peter) ask Jesus an important, life-changing question (“Master, where are you staying?”), and the reply offered them is simply: “Come and see.” I can't help but think that the place Jesus offered them was one in which they could rest in him and find some peace from the challenges, distractions and temptations of their daily lives. It was a place where they came to know love and to know that they were loved, and there was nothing standing in the way of growing that relationship together.

Ultimately, the question asked by Andrew and his brother that day is one we, too, must sincerely ask the Lord if we want to grow deeper in relationship with Him. Staying surface-level in our Catholic faith and prayer life will never fully satisfy the heart, so let us be courageous enough to be open to the ways in which God wants to lead us in following Him more closely.

Perhaps a good place to start is putting the cell phone down for a bit more time than we are inclined to do.

You might just find life a bit more peaceful and quiet.

And it is there – in the quiet – that the Lord waits for us.

Holy Hour for Life at St. Ann's -- Please join us for a Holy Hour for Life on Monday, January 25, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Ann's Church, as we pray together for a culture of life and non-violence in word and action. Our gathering as a parish community will feature Eucharistic Adoration, scripture readings, time for reflection, and praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song.

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.

St. Vincent de Paul Society News

The St. Ann's Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society recently completed its fiscal year. Although the opportunities to help our neighbors-in-need were limited due to the COVID-19 pandemic, through the generosity of St. Ann's parishioners we nevertheless helped almost 200 people with their rent, food, and utility needs and, through the Giving Tree, provided some much-needed Christmas cheer.

At the end of the year President Tony Orga and Vice-President Ann Trzuskowski completed their terms in office. We thank them for their years of dedicated service as officers and are pleased to report that they are remaining as members of the Society. Our officers for the next three years are: President: David O'Connor, Vice-President: Katie O'Connor, Treasurer: Mike Eckrich, and Secretary: Marge Altergott. Please pray that our officers and the other members of the Society can continue to bring hope and help to our neighbors-in-need.

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.

Consecration to St. Joseph's - St. Ann's is making tentative plans to offer a 33-day preparation for Consecration to St. Joseph. Meetings will be Mondays, February 15, 22, March 1, 8, 15, and Consecration Day, Friday, March 19, the Solemnity of St. Joseph. Meetings may be in person or remote. Participants would need to purchase their own book in advance of group meetings: Consecration to St. Joseph, The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father. (www.fathercalloway.com \$14.95 plus shipping; EBook: \$9.95) For further information or to indicate your interest, please contact Connie Winner Varone at cnwinner@comcast.net or call 302-765-9864 and leave a message.



GIVING TREE UPDATE - Many thanks to all those who participated in this year's SVDP Christmas Giving Tree. Due to COVID 19 we had fewer clients than usual. However, those clients who received gift cards through your generosity were able to purchase gifts for their families. All of your efforts were greatly appreciated by our neighbors in need. See you next year!

Are you Using Our Online Parish Giving and Don't Need Your Weekly Envelopes? Please let us know so that we can cancel them. Just email the rectory at stannschurch@stannwilmington.com or call us at 654-5519. Thank you.

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.

Amazon Smile: AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support St. Ann's every time you shop, at no cost to you. Next time you want to make a purchase through Amazon, sign up for Amazon Smile via this link <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/51-0066739>. Or go to Amazon Smile and search for St. Anns. Save the link to your favorites or bookmark it. That way, every time you buy, Amazon will donate 0.5% to St. Ann's.

BULLETIN ADVERTISERS – *Have you taken a look at the patrons listed on the back on the bulletin? It's because of their support that we can provide this bulletin at no cost to our parish.*

Bishop Malooly will preside at a Holy Hour for Life and a Mass for Life, on Friday, January 29, 2021- Both online events are a part of the National Prayer Vigil for Life sponsored by the U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. The Holy Hour will debut at 4:00 a.m., and the Mass will be live-streamed at 10:00 a.m. Both events will be shown on the diocesan YouTube channel, [YouTube.com/DioceseofWilm](https://www.youtube.com/DioceseofWilm), and are from the beautiful and historic Cathedral of Saint Peter in Wilmington, Delaware. Due to COVID concerns, these events are online only. More information can be found at cdow.org/respect-life.

Catholics across the country are encouraged to observe a nationwide prayer vigil from Thursday, January 28 to Friday, January 29, 2021 marking the 48th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's 1973 *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* decisions legalizing abortion through nine months of pregnancy. Since those decisions, over 60 million abortions have been performed legally in the United States.



Need to register for St. Ann's? Visit our website www.stannwilmington.com and select the parish registration button. You can either print the form and drop off to the rectory or fill out online and email it back to us.

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 January 16

**8:00 A.M. Rick Duhn

4:00 P.M. Nora G. Hogan & Terrance Dolan

Sunday January 17

7:30 A.M. Rosemary Heron

10:30 A.M. Victor Bilotta

Monday January 18 Martin Luther King

**6:30A.M. John & Jane Yannello

9:00 A.M. Alice & John Fleming

Tuesday January 19

**6:30 A.M. Margarita Corona

8:00 A.M. John Hammerer

Wednesday January 20 St. Fabian

**6:30 A.M. Barbara Nelson

8:00 A.M. Celebration of Joe & Shirley Ackerman's 70th Wedding Anniversary

Thursday January 21 St. Agnes

**6:30 A.M. Michael Dugan

8:00 A.M. Harris/Montague families

Friday January 22

**6:30 A.M. Viola May McQueen

8:00 A.M. James D. DeCarlo, K of C

Saturday January 23 St. Vincent

**8:00 A.M. Charles H. McKinney

4:00 P.M. Bernie Barrish & Linda Prickett

Ann Kane

Sunday January 24

7:30 A.M. Theresa Manelski

10:30 A.M. Charlotte Smith

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 January 3rd was \$14,168. 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. Feel free to call the rectory or email stannschurch@stannwilmington.com.

The rectory is closed Monday, January 18th in observance of the Martin Luther King Holiday.



WE CONGRATULATE...



RAPHAEL PATRICK BARDIN

Son of

Gregory & Alessandra Bardin

who was welcomed into the Christian community through Baptism

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER – Give your relationship the gift of quality time during the pandemic! Join us from the comfort of your home via Zoom for eight sessions presented on Sunday and Wednesday evenings from January 20 to February 14. Make Valentine's Day 2021 extra special as you learn tools to revitalize romance and deepen communication in your marriage!! For more information visit our website at www.wwme-delmar.org or to register for the weekend, please call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-220-9833.

RETRouvaille: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE -Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of February 12 - 14, 2021 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, January 23rd, learn about the new video series, "Jesus and the Dead Sea Scrolls," when Dr. John Bergsma from the Franciscan University of Steubenville, is the guest. Listen to Catholic Forum online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts.



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