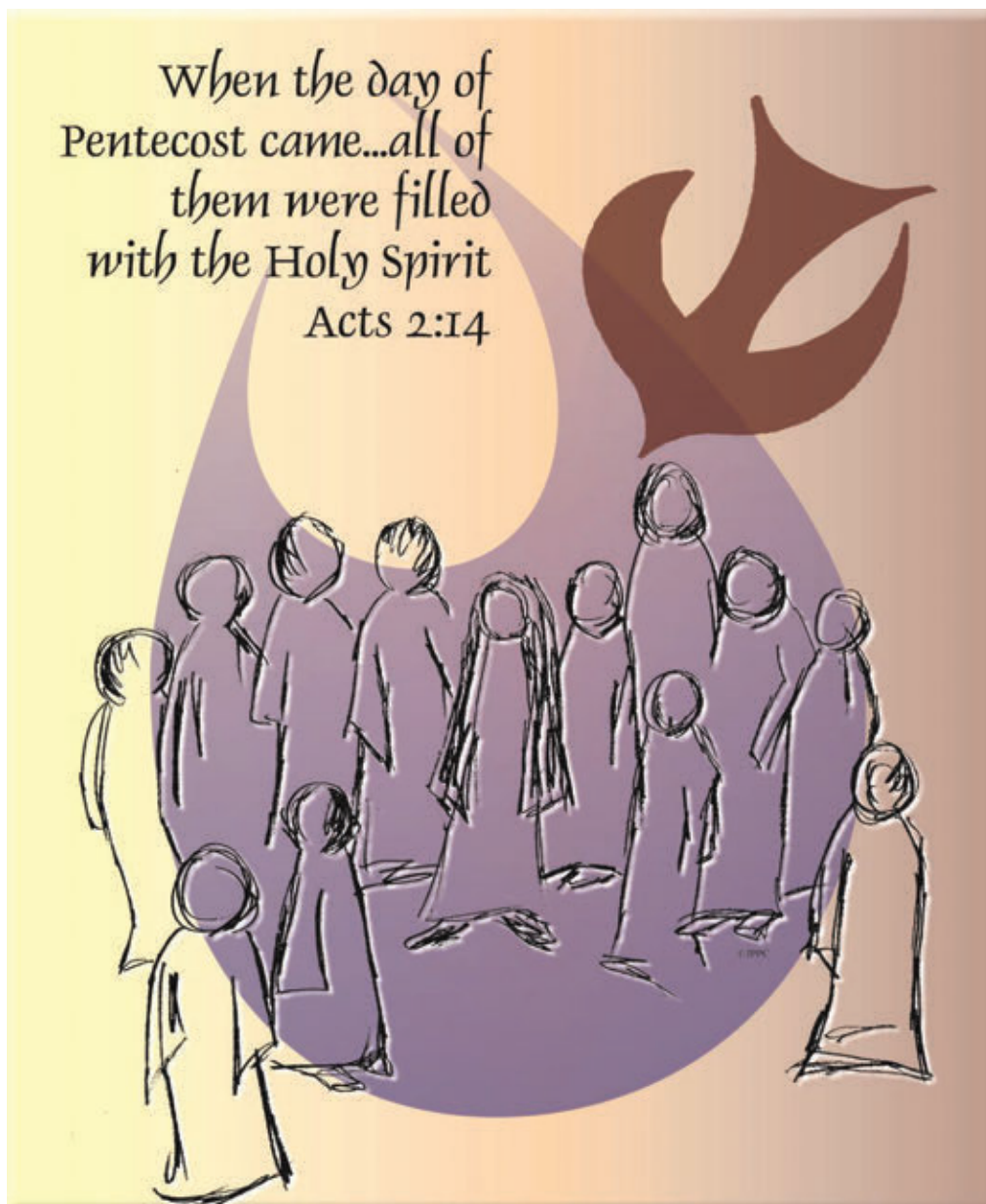


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When the day of
Pentecost came...all of
them were filled
with the Holy Spirit
Acts 2:14

May 23, 2021

Rev. John J. Mink, Pastor

Rev. Richard Jasper, Associate Pastor

Mrs. Pat Grant – St. Ann's School Principal (www.thesaintannschoool.org)

MASSES

Saturday Vigil

4:00 PM

Sunday

7:30 AM and 10:30 AM

CONFESSIONS Saturday

8:45 AM

DAILY MASSES

Monday through Friday

8:00AM

RECTORY HOURS 9AM-4PM Monday to Friday

PENTECOST SUNDAY MAY 23, 2021

The St. Ann “APP”: Associate Pastor’s Perspective - The principal at the school where I once taught always had the entire student body sing “Happy Birthday” to the Church on the Friday afternoon before Pentecost Sunday, reminding us of the gift we’ve been given to be both a member of the Catholic Church and to be Church for one another. (The younger students loved singing the Birthday-Church song; the middle-schoolers, not so much!)

On this feast, then, it is with joy that we at St. Ann’s celebrate the opportunity to welcome new members to our parish family. Traditionally, as you know, those coming into the Church often do so at the Easter Vigil, but with Covid restrictions in place this past April, celebrating their reception into the Church at that time would have presented many logistical challenges, especially as we wanted their family and friends to be a part of this special and sacred moment on their faith journey.

Today, then, six new Catholics will be joining us at the Altar: the wife of a Catholic spouse married nearly 50 years; a Mom who sent her children to Catholic school and now wants to receive Eucharist with her kids; a young man about to get married this summer; a graduate student who had learned about Jesus Christ during her time at Padua; a middle-school student who asked to become Catholic because of what he is learning at his Catholic school; and a Catholic school language arts teacher who decided it was time to follow his heart and enter the Church.

What has impressed me the most is that each of these discerners came during the past year individually to learn more about Catholicism, ask serious questions about who we are and what we profess, and then prayerfully discern whether God was truly calling them to follow Him as a member of this Church. Gratefully, they have all said “yes” to this initial stirring within their hearts, and we celebrate this great day with them.

In your charity, please pray for these six new Catholics, and continue to invite others to join us as well. If you know someone who may be interested in learning more about our faith, Fr. Mink and I would be happy to accompany them on the journey.

On this final day of the Easter season, let us take up the challenge to be Church for one another and allow the Holy Spirit to use us to invite others to learn more about this beautiful gift of Catholicism. I couldn’t think of a better way to celebrate this Pentecost Birthday!



First Eucharist... Congratulations to all of our 2nd graders who will join us for the first time in receiving Jesus in Holy Communion this month! May they always feel welcomed and fed at the table of the Lord and may their hearts always be open to receive the special graces of this beautiful gift!

Confirmation Program: We are pleased to be able to invite your teen to register for this year’s (2021-2022) parish Confirmation preparation program! Classes begin in early October and students will be participating in a number of activities to prepare them for this blessed sacrament.

Here’s what you need:

- Registration form completed online <https://forms.gle/LXPKoz6uu3MuNUbXA>
- Baptismal certificate copy (If we don’t already have it).
- Fee of \$100.00 per candidate by **submitting online.**

Upon receipt of the registration form and fee, you will receive further information about the program. We strive to provide quality religious education that aids in the passing on of the treasure of our faith. It is one of our greatest joys! Thank you for allowing us the privilege of partnering with you in this great responsibility. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact the Confirmation team: Lynne Dickinson at mdickinson@thesaintannschool.org or Melody Haley at mhaley@stannwilmington.com. Blessings to you and your family.



Students in grade 7 presented Sister Kathy with a beautiful photo album. Inside the photo album was a hand drawn picture of each student with an inspirational message for Sister to share with the women in her prison ministry. Sister Kathy has visited grade 7 and has shared what it is like to be a prisoner in many aspects of our lives. As she services those in need, her blessed spirit radiates to the students in Saint Ann School as a symbol of peace, honor, and love of Christ.

---submitted by 7th grade teacher Mrs. Lynne Dickinson

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.

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St. Ann's Church is open for Private Prayer Monday through Thursday after the 8am mass until 10am. On Friday's the church is open after the 8am mass until 10am & again from 12-3pm. The Chapel of Divine Mercy remains closed.



Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is open! If you are looking for a top notch education for your child or children, look no more! St. Ann's has a long history of providing outstanding academics as well as a superior Catholic education for all who enter its doors. With grades offered from Prek3 through 8th, it's no wonder that one generation after another come back to follow in their family's footsteps as a "St. Ann's Mustang". For more info, contact St. Ann's School at (302)652-6567 or visit the website www.thesaintannschool.org. Spots fill up quickly!

St. Ann School Alumni Program – St. Ann School has a rich heritage dating back to 1899. We are fortunate to have such a long history and an important component of that history in our school's alumni. The school has an alumni program and if you or someone in your family is an alumnus of St. Ann School please help us by spreading the word and collecting contact info so we can include you in our plans. You can email your info to alumassoc@st-ann.net. The info we would need is name, address, phone, email and graduation year. Like us at <http://www.facebook.com/StAnnsAlumni>.

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Mass Intentions

****Priests will be saying Mass Intentions privately for each 6:30am daily mass & the 8am Saturday Mass**

*****9am Masses – FOR STUDENTS ONLY**

Saturday, May 22 St. Rita of Cascia

**8:00 A.M. George Haney

4:00 P.M. James M. Hogan

Joseph & Evelin Dorris

Sunday May 23

7:30 A.M. Charles H. McKinney

10:30 A.M. Pat Joyce

Monday May 24

**6:30 A.M. James A. Hall, Jr.

8:00 A.M. Michelle Perigard MacEachern

Tuesday May 25 St. Bede the Venerable

**6:30 A.M. Ricky Modica

8:00 A.M. Deceased members of the Reardon & Sweeney families

Wednesday May 26 St. Philip Neri, Priest

**6:30 A.M. Jane Scott Mahoney

8:00 A.M. Intention of Fr. John Mink

Thursday May 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

**6:30 A.M. Louise Dzara

8:00 A.M. Jack Danko & Louis Bellini

**9:00 A.M. Pete Morole (school only)

Friday May 28

**6:30 A.M. Ryan Kapes

8:00 A.M. James Lewandowski

Saturday, May 29 St. Paul VI, Pope BVM

**8:00 A.M. Garry Edward Harbison

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

Faulkner, Sr.

Sunday May 30

7:30 A.M. Christopher David Felice

10:30 A.M. Francis P. Jones

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 May 9th was \$12,684. 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 – Visit our website and click the Parish Giving Button.



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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. 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 scheduling baptisms one each Sunday after the 10:30am mass. For info, call 654-5519 or email stannschurch@stannwilmington.com.

FEED THE HUNGRY. We thank all those who generously donated food for the hungry during Lent. We ask you to continue your generosity each week, by placing can food and dry goods in the Knights of Columbus containers in our church vestibule, because the hungry need food every day. God bless you!

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, May 29th, tune in to hear highlights including Bishop Malooly's homily from the priesthood ordination of Deacon Michel Preston. Listen anytime at the website www.cdow.org/CatholicForum.



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