

ST. ANN'S CHURCH

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME– September 12, 2021

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MASSES

Saturday Vigil

4:00 PM

CONFESSIONS - Saturday 8:30am-9:30am in the Sacristy, face to face.

Sunday

7:30 AM, 10:30 AM

Monday through Friday

8:00AM



PARISH CLERGY

Rev. John J. Mink, Pastor

Rev. Richard J. Jasper, Associate Pastor

Mr. Matthew F. Boyer, Esq., Permanent Deacon

Mr. James M. Gebhart, Seminarian Intern

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.

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PARISH MUSIC PROGRAM Director: Andrew Trites
Email atrites@stannwilmington.com Choir Rehearsal:
Thursdays 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
Mrs. Melody Haley, Coordinator of Rel. Ed. at
mhaley@stannwilmington.com

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM (Grade 8)

For info contact Mrs. 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 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

The St. Ann “APP”: Associate Pastor’s Perspective - There’s a judge in Rhode Island who has recently become somewhat of a social media celebrity for the wisdom he dispenses in the city of Providence’s traffic court. Unlike other TV judges who come-off edgy and snarky toward the offenders who stand before them, this particular judge instead offers advice as a loving father would to his wayward child who has made an error in judgment.

One recent episode of “Caught in Providence” was particularly meaningful for the story this judge shared about his own brother, Jimmy, who went to visit an army buddy with whom he served in Vietnam. It had been decades since the men saw each other, and when Jimmy found out his best friend from long ago was in the VA hospital, he went to visit him.

Jimmy didn’t recognize his fellow soldier, of course. The years had not been kind to him and he was in his last days, according to the hospice nurse. Although the man was non-responsive, Jimmy sat by his bedside for hours, sharing memories of their time together.

Later that evening, Jimmy had called another friend who also served with them in the military and told him he had just seen Harry at the VA.

“Harry’s not at the VA,” came the response. “He’s in Florida with his grandkids. Who in the world did you visit?”

Jimmy was stunned at the news. Nevertheless, the next day, he returned once again to the VA to sit with the buddy he originally thought was his best friend Harry. When asked why he was going back to visit a stranger, Jimmy simply replied: “I promised the man in that bed that I would go back and stay with him until he passed, and a soldier always keeps his word. I won’t leave him.”

Jesus asks us in today’s Gospel: “Who do you say that I am?”

For Jimmy, it is clear: Christ is the One who doesn’t leave another in need, for in Him, everyone is our brother and sister, especially in moments when the Cross is heavy and companions are few. May we all strive to demonstrate that same kind of love for others, no matter how they may come into our lives.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will NOT be offered next Saturday September 18th at 8:30 a.m. Instead, Fr. Jasper will hear Confessions on Monday September 20th from 6:30pm-7:30pm in the Church. (Reconciliation will return to Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. on September 25th).

2022 Mass Intentions - We are now accepting Mass requests for the calendar year 2022.

Many of you ask for Masses to be said regularly for deceased loved ones, and some ask that these Masses be offered on specific dates. Your special requests will be honored to the extent possible and we do our best to accommodate you, but we ask for your patience and understanding in this regard. In addition, since it frequently happens that there is more than one request for certain dates and times, it is possible that there will be more than one Intention for a particular Mass.

For the foreseeable future, the Mass times will continue to follow the schedule set to comply with COVID-19 guidelines. All Masses said at St. Ann's will be announced in the bulletin, whether said publicly in the church or said privately by a parish priest.

Scheduling begins in mid-October so it is important that requests be received by October 1, 2021. If you would like to be informed of the dates and times of your scheduled Masses, please include a self addressed stamped envelope, a phone number or an email address so that we can contact you.

The suggested stipend for each Mass is \$10 and stipends must accompany your requests. Thank you.

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School is beginning and our in person PREP program will begin for **grades 1 through 8 on October 3rd at 9:00 am. Our parent meeting is September 19th and 22nd.** If you have a child in a public or private school we look forward to having your child join us in learning about Jesus. Please register as soon as possible. Hard copy registrations are located in the church or you can register at stannwilmington.com/religious_education. If you have any questions or concerns about in the program please call Mrs. Melody Haley at 302-654-8504, or email mhaley@stannwilmington.com Monday through Thursday. ***If any child wants to make their First Communion in 2023 they need to be enrolled in the 1st grade program for 2021/2022 PREP year.***

We still need volunteers for PREP. If you would like to help teach or be an aid please let me know. Our PREP teacher meeting/training is on Sunday September 12th. Please call Mrs. Melody Haley at 302-654-8504 or email mahaley@stannwilmington.com , Monday through Thursday.



Reconciliation/First Holy Communion

Reconciliation preparation begins on October 3rd. The parent meeting is on September 26th & 28th. If your child is in 2nd grade with one year prior religious education (last year) and are a parishioner at St. Ann's attending SAS, Public/Private or another Catholic School please register as soon as possible. Hard copy registrations are located in the church or you can register at stannwilmington.com/religious_education. If you have any questions or concerns about in the program please call Mrs. Melody Haley at 302-654-8504 or email mahaley@stannwilmington.com , Monday through Thursday.

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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.

FOOD FOR GOD'S HUNGRY CHILDREN. We are collecting canned goods, (bagged food or food in plastic containers too) and dry foods for those who are hungry. Parishioners can leave such food in the marked Knights of Columbus containers in the vestibule of our Saint Ann Church. Foods that are needed include: Powdered/dry milk or milk that does not need refrigeration; Hamburger helper; Green beans; Pasta or Rice; Tuna or other packaged meats in cans or packages; Fruit juice boxed or bottled; and Fruit in cans or packages.

For your convenience, there are reusable plastic bags near the Knights of Columbus containers in the vestibule that you make take to bring food back to SAINT ANN FOOD FOR GOD'S HUNGRY Program.

Need to register for St. Ann's? Visit our website www.stannwilmington.com and under the Parish Information button, select parish registration. You can either print the form and drop off to the rectory or fill out online and email it back to us. If you have questions, just call the rectory at 302-654-5519 or email stannschurch@stannwilmington.com.

Mass Intentions

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

Saturday September 11

**8:00 A.M. Alfonso Lopez

4:00P.M. Intention of Joanne & Don Brownlowe

Sunday September 12

7:30 A.M. Rose Julian

10:30 A.M. Lee Husbands

Ashle Bailey

Monday September 13 St. John Chrysostom

**6:30 A.M. Michael & Cassie Mahaney

8:00 A.M. Robert C. Feeney

Tuesday September 14

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

8:00 A.M. Genevieve Nolan

Wednesday September 15

**6:30 A.M. Catherine & John Doraz

8:00 A.M. Jerry Fleming

***9:15 A.M. Rita Draper Mozeleski

Ashle Wilson Bailey

(***9:15am school mass is not public)

Thursday September 16 St. Cornelius, Pope

**6:30 A.M. Henry, John & Jimmy Mauk

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

Friday September 17 St. Robert Bellarmine

**6:30 A.M. Francesco Corrieri

8:00 A.M. Lynn Murphy Procak & Rick Murphy

Saturday September 18

**8:00 A.M. Katharine Lynn Thornton

4:00P.M. Theresa Ann/Thomas W. Faulkner, Sr.
Philip J. Kosak

Sunday September 19

7:30 A.M. Harris/Montague families

10:30 A.M. Kenny Ackerman

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 August 29 was \$9417. 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.

St. Ann's COVID Guidelines –Fully vaccinated individuals can choose whether or not to wear a mask - Those unvaccinated or not yet fully vaccinated **must** continue to wear a mask. The mass times will remain as is for now – 4pm on Saturdays, 7:30am and 10:30am on Sundays. **MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED FOR VISITING THE RECTORY – Thank you...**

Bishop William E. Koenig invites all couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th wedding anniversary, or any anniversary beyond 50th, to the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at **2:00 PM on Sunday, October 17, 2021** at St. Joseph's, Middletown, at 371 E. Main Street, Middletown, DE 19709. The Bishop will be available for photos with interested couples beginning at 1:00 pm and again after the Mass. If you would like to have a photo taken with Bishop Koenig, please arrive at 1:00 pm or plan to stay after Mass. There is no cost to you, however **reservations are required.** Please make your **reservations by September 30th.** This year, you can register by clicking on <https://cdow.coursetorm.com/course/annual-wedding-anniversary-mass>.

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, September 18th, Ms. Sheila McGirl, Director of the Development Office of the Diocese of Wilmington, will discuss the Share in the Spirit Campaign to assist Catholic school families. Catholic Forum airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30pm on Relevant Radio 640 or listen online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum, or by searching "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts.

Marian Pilgrimage with Bishop William E. Koenig at the Basilica of the National Shrine – September 25th from 10am-4pm. Bus departing from St. Joseph on the Brandywine at 730am and returning at 7pm. The cost is \$32 per person. For more info, contact Linda Mondzelewski at 302-584-7872 or lmondzp@verizon.net.

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