

ST. ANN'S CHURCH
THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – January 15, 2023

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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.



PARISH CLERGY

Rev. John J. Mink, Pastor

Rev. Richard J. Jasper, Associate Pastor

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

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 –Completion of Parent Baptismal Program with Godparent guidelines required before setting baptism date. Call the rectory for more info.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - Chapel of the Divine Mercy call 584-1422. Openings/Closings (302)655-1639 or contact <http://www.adorationchapel.org>.

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

PARISH MUSIC PROGRAM Director: Andrew Trites
Email atrites@stannwilmington.com Choir Rehearsal: Wednesdays in the Social Hall at 7pm.

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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Mrs. Bonnie Tsaldaris – info & admissions

btsaldaris@thesaintannschoool.org.

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Student PREP, First Reconciliation/First Eucharist

For info contact the office: (302) 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 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 (302)654-5519 or email pcullen@stannwilmington.com.

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JANUARY 15, 2023

FROM THE PASTOR

On the eve of the Epiphany of the Lord, we were privileged to have Father Chet Artysiewicz, Past President of Glenmary Home Missioners concelebrate the 4pm Saturday Mass. Fr. Chet, a native of Wilmington from St. Elizabeth Parish was visiting family over Christmas vacation. After serving as president, he volunteered to become the administrator of a mission parish, Holy Trinity, in Williamston, North Carolina. Along with the other 42 member community of priests and brothers, he serves the rural poor in Appalachia and the deep south.

Even though his headquarters is in Cincinnati, Ohio, he remains a Phillies and Eagles fan through and through. The Glenmary Home Missioners do great work in serving the rural poor, establishing missions, and sharing the Good News of the Gospel by deeds as well as words.

Fr. Chet entered the community 60 years ago and is still going strong. As I mentioned in my homily, he is a true missionary, self-sufficient, with a positive attitude, shining the light of Christ to seekers who have never heard the Good News. Like the Magi, he and his community members follow the Star and lead others to Christ. Founded in 1938, by Fr. William Howard Bishop, a priest of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, this rural pastor of 20 years felt strongly that the rural poor should know Christ and be helped in their poverty by other Christians. Glenmary has founded 120 missions that have become parishes among the 1 % of Catholics, and 80 % unaffiliated who live in the many areas they served.

While Fr Chet was only passing through and not making a mission appeal, he did thank The St. Ann students who supported Glenmary this year with mission donations from their no uniform days. The contribution envelopes that I put out were taken quickly after Mass. There are now others available for the taking. If you wish to contribute or find out more about the great work of Glenmary, go to: Glenmary.org. Thank you for your consideration and support of those serving the rural poor in our own country.

...Fr. Mink

The St. Ann “APP”: Associate Pastor’s Perspective - I met Monsignor Cini only once in my life.

I was making a retreat at the same location where he was residing after he left St. Ann’s as pastor. I was a relatively new seminarian at the time, and so I introduced myself to him at dinner. He invited me to join him at table.

We stayed and talked for quite a while that evening, long after even the dessert dishes had been cleared. I found him to be engaging, quite witty and, perhaps most meaningful to me at the time, sincerely interested in my vocation. He cared about what I was studying at seminary in Baltimore, and shared so many of his thoughts about what makes a good and holy diocesan priest. I knew he wanted me to be one of those priests. That has stayed me with all these years later.

When news came the first week of January that Monsignor passed away, my mind and heart immediately went to that moment at the dining room table where he shared his hopes for the future of the Church of Wilmington. “Don’t live your priesthood half-heartedly or only for yourself,” he told me then. I do hope I am making him proud.

I know, too, that many of you have very fond memories of your encounters with Monsignor here at St. Ann. One parishioner shared with me the other day how Monsignor was responsible for bringing her and her husband back to the Church; another was good enough to tell me how her non-practicing husband found his homilies to be intellectually stimulating and challenging, and so he kept coming to Mass just for that opportunity. And apparently, so many of you remember his Lenten soup and Scripture sessions, which just goes to show that Jesus knew *exactly* what he was doing when he kept feeding the hungry crowds before he taught them.

Perhaps it is fair to say that we never really know the effect a good priest has on the faith life of a parish and on the individual journeys of so many of us.

As Monsignor Cini is laid to rest tomorrow (*Monday 1/16 – 11 a.m. Funeral Mass at St. Elizabeth Church in Wilmington*), please say a prayer for the repose of his soul, and ask him to intercede for our beloved parish and the diocese. May his prayers bring us the holy priests, religious and faithful laity for whom he himself poured out his own life in service as a priest of Jesus Christ.

Our Lady, Queen of the Clergy and Mother of priests, pray for him.

St. Ann, pray for us.

Election of Trustees – Each parish in the Diocese of Wilmington is incorporated within and by the laws of the State in which it is located. St. Ann is incorporated in the State of Delaware. The by-laws of the Corporation and the statutes of the Diocese of Wilmington provide for five trustees; the Bishop of the Diocese, and the Pastor, and a priest so designated by the Bishop, (these days it is the Chancellor of the Diocese) and two (2) lay persons are to be elected each January by duly registered members of the parish in the meeting called by the President (the Pastor). ***That election is scheduled for TODAY Sunday - January 15th, after the 10:30am Mass. If you would like to vote in this election, please fill out the nomination below and put in the basket as you are leaving church.*** Our current lay trustees are Charles Klous and David O'Connor.

St. Ann's Trustee Ballot Nomination - 2023

1. _____

2. _____

SVDP GIVING TREE UPDATE - Thank you to all who participated in this year's SVDP GIVING TREE! Because of your generosity our Vincentians were able to deliver over 200 Christmas gifts. Twenty families received your kindness. And the hope and spirit of Christmas were given to over fifty children! See you again next year!

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: In the Gospel after Jesus was baptized, John testified saying, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove...and remain upon him." **As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's Spirit of love to those who are suffering.**

Interested in becoming Catholic? RCIA classes have begun (Wednesday evenings 6:30 to 7:30 pm) for those interested in joining the Church or for baptized Catholics who wish to complete their sacramental journey. It's never too late to join the conversation! For more information, please email Fr Jasper: rjasper@stannwilmington.com.

WE ARE HIRING - St. Ann's School is accepting applications for the role of 6th Grade Homeroom Teacher with a January 2023 start date. Qualified candidates will have a Bachelor's Degree and teacher licensure and certification in the State of Delaware. Prior teaching experience is preferred. Interested candidates should contact Principal Casey at rcasey@thesaintannschoool.org. For more info, visit: <https://www.thesaintannschoool.org/about-us/employment-opportunities>.

WE ARE HIRING - St. Ann Parish, located in the Highlands neighborhood of Wilmington, is seeking a multi-skilled person to join our maintenance department. This is a full-time position with benefits and a salary of \$20 - \$22 per hour. Valid driver's license required. Please send cover letter, resume and letters of recommendation to Mr. Patrick Cullen at pcullen@stannwilmington.com. For more information visit: <https://www.stannwilmington.com/parish-information/employment-opportunities>.

"MEMORIAL VOTIVE CANDLES" – *Dedicate the sanctuary candle in front of the Blessed Sacrament in both the church and the Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel in memory of your deceased loved one. The offering will be \$20.00 for the week per each location. The dedications will be published in the parish bulletin the week prior. Just send in your check for the offering and also note the requested week you would like to reserve. For questions, contact the rectory at stannschurch@stannwilmington.com. or call 302-654-5519.*

Mass Intentions

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

Saturday January 14

**8:00 A.M. Patricia Choma

4:00 P.M. M/M Francis T. Smith

Sunday January 15

7:30 A.M. Parishioners

John Tharan

10:30 A.M. Special Intention of Joe & Shirley

Ackerman

Monday January 16 Martin Luther King Holiday

9:00 A.M. Catherine Warner

Tuesday January 17 St. Anthony, Abbot

6:30A.M.** Philip Nolan

8:00 A.M. Rosemary Heron

Wednesday January 18

6:30A.M.** Joseph A. Lofink

8:00 A.M. George Seitz

Thursday January 19

6:30A.M.** John R. Mullen

8:00 A.M. Alice & John Fleming

Harris/Montague families

Friday January 20 St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

6:30A.M.** Michael P. Kelly

8:00 A.M. Henry, Theresa & Paul Deptula

Saturday January 21 St. Agnes

**8:00 A.M. Angelina "Ginny" Lewis

4:00 P.M. Diane Ackerman Pierce

Thomas & Anita McBride

Sunday January 22

7:30 A.M. James D. DeCarlo, K of C

Parishioners

10:30 A.M. R. Gregory Meese

Victor J Bilotta

Pray for the sick and elderly of our Parish

Offertory for the weekend of January 1st was \$12,168 and the Christmas collection was \$14,790. Thank you for your support!

ST. ANN'S PRAYER LINE – to place a name on the prayer line contact Sarah Saldivar at sssahsaldivar1@aol.com or 302-824-0161.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET US!!! Parish Giving is available for Online Offertory Giving – Visit our website and click the Parish Giving Button.

The School and Rectory will be closed on Monday, January 16th in observance of the Martin Luther King holiday.

Hospital Visitations – Make sure to email the Rectory at stannschurch@stannwilmington.com or call 654-5519 if you are in the hospital and would like the rectory to know. The pastoral services at the hospitals are no longer making weekly calls to update us on admissions.

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. For more info, email stannschurch@stannwilmington.com or call 654-5519.

St. Ann's School Trivia Night January 28th. Contact Brian Klous at bklaus@gmail.com or klousb@dnb.com to register your table!

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 being held on World Marriage Sunday, February 12, 2023, at 1 pm at Saint Margaret of Scotland Church in Newark, Delaware. The Mass coincides with National Marriage Week, February 7 through 12. The Bishop will be available for photos with interested couples beginning at 12:00 noon and again after the Mass. If you would like to have a photo taken with Bishop Koenig, please arrive at 12:00 pm or plan to stay after Mass. There is no cost to you, however **reservations are required**. Please make your **reservations by January 30th**. This year, you can register by clicking on <https://cdow.coursestorm.com/category/family-life-events> or by calling the office at 302-295-0657.

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, January 21st, Dan Pin from the Diocese of Wilmington Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry will discuss the upcoming "Jesus Night," a celebration of fellowship, fun, witness and worship for students in grades 6-12, plus parent and ministry leaders. Catholic Forum airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30pm on Relevant Radio 640. However you can listen online any time after 2pm at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum.

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