ST. ANN'S CHURCH

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 10-29-2023

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MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM Sunday 7:30 AM, 10:30 AM Monday through Friday 8:00 AM **CONFESSIONS -** Saturday 8:30am-9:30am in the reconciliation room in the church vestibule.



PARISH CLERGY

Rev. John J. Mink, Pastor Rev. Eric Frimpong, Associate Pastor Deacon Matthew Boyer, Esq. Mr. Eric Gianforcaro, Seminarian

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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – For info on the Chapel go to www.stannwilmington.com/parish information or email adorationchapel.stann@gmail.com.

ST. VINCENT DePAUL SOCIETY - Provides emergency help/assistance to the needy. Call (302) 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: Andrew Trites Email <u>atrites@stannwilmington.com</u> 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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PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Student PREP, First Reconciliation/First Eucharist For info contact the office: (302) 654-8504.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM (Grade 8)

For info contact Mrs. Lynne Dickinson, Coordinator mdickinson@thesaintannschool.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 more info, contact Patrick Cullen at 654-5519 or email pcullen@stannwilmington.com,

THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 29, 2023

From Fr. Eric - Thoughts for this week, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Love of God and Love of neighbor: complete definition of religion (Matthew 22:37, 39)

Why are these two commandments the greatest? Because they encapsulate everything that God had spoken to Moses and the Israelites. As Jesus told the Pharisees, "The whole law and the prophets depend" on them (Matthew 22:40).

We may well say that here Jesus' response to the questions laid down the complete definition of religion.

- (i) Religion consists in loving God. The verse which Jesus quotes is Deut.6:5. That verse was part of the Shema, the basic and essential creed of Judaism, the sentence with which every Jewish service still opens, and the first text which every Jewish child commits to memory. It means that to God we must give a total love, a love which dominates our emotions, a love which directs our thoughts, and a love which is the dynamic of our actions. All religion starts with the love which is total commitment of life to God.
- (ii) The second commandment which Jesus quotes comes from Lev.19:18. Our love for God must issue in love for men. But it is to be noted in which order the commandments come; it is love of God first, and love of man second. It is only when we love God that man becomes lovable. The Biblical teaching about man is not that man is a collection of chemical elements, not that man is part of the brute creation, but that man is made in the image of God (Gen.1:26-27). It is for that reason that man is lovable. The true basis of all democracy is in fact the love of God. Take away the love of God and we can become angry at man the unteachable; we can become pessimistic about man the unimprovable; we can become callous to man the machine-minder. The love of man is firmly grounded in the love of God.

The First Reading and the Gospel are a good occasion for us to reflect on the way we treat strangers, people we do not know; minority groups and particularly migrants. We can overcome these tendencies today by traveling ourselves beyond our own cultural and ethnic regions to realize that all people have their origins and cultures. It is not because they have left their natural habitat that they cease to be human persons worthy of respect.

"Jesus, help me to see how I can love you and my neighbor today."

All Saints Day Mass Schedule for November 1st is 8am and 5:30pm. There is NOT a vigil mass on October 31st.

RCIA CLASSES HAVE BEGUN! The clergy of St. Ann Parish are happy to help individuals inquire about the Catholic Faith, by leading the sessions through the process called: "The ORDER of Christian Initiation of Adults (formerly RCIA). It meets over a period of six months, once a week each Wednesday (off for Thanksgiving and Christmas) through March 27th at 6:30 PM in school Conference Room A. In these sessions, we will explain the faith, and help inquirers every step of the way, guiding them to discern the possibility of entering the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil on March 30, 2024. **Call the parish office at 302-654-5519 or email** stannschurch@stannwilmington.com for more information.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time: In this Sunday's Gospel we find the truth that loving God isn't merely a matter of fervor in our hearts, but that it must be expressed in doing good for the sake of others. This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to show that we indeed love our neighbors by assisting families with their utility and rent bills and by providing food and other needed items. Thank You!

St. Ann's Welcoming Committee is looking for new members to help us in this important ministry. Welcoming new members and visitors is a key contributor to the vibrancy of our parish. If you would like to join the Committee, or learn more about us and our work, please email Dave O'Connor at madello@msn.com Thank you!

Holy Hour of Prayer – Monday November 6th at 6:30pm – Please join Seminarian Eric for this All Souls Holy Hour in the Church. We hope to see you there.

Second Sunday Social - Please join us Sunday, November 12th after the 10:30am Mass in the social hall for the Second Sunday Social. Members of the Welcoming Committee will be available to provide information about the parish, its events and also how to register. Hope to see you there!

Msgr. Dewson Knights of Columbus – Christmas card Sales! Your Knights of Columbus council will be selling high-quality Christmas cards from a new publisher after all Sunday masses on Nov. 5, 12, 19, 26, and December 3 (if cards are still available). This annual fundraiser allows the Knights to support our school and parish, as well as the other service works that we do in the community. Please contribute to this worthy activity by buying a box of cards. Thank you for your support!

Veterans' Day Clothing Collection - The Msgr. Dewson Council of St. Ann's Knights of Columbus is part of Bishop Mardaga Assembly. We are requesting assistance from our fellow parishioners to help hospitalized and nursing home veterans. We are collecting new white t-shirts, white boxer briefs, white crew socks, and sleep pants in various sizes, as well as shaving cream and disposable razors. NEW items can be dropped off in the collection box at the entrance of the church with the food donations. (The Knight who manages the food donations assures me he can tell the difference between food and clothing!) We will be delivering the items just prior to Veteran's Day. The collection begins Sunday, October 15th and ends Sunday, November 5th, 2023. A credit card monetary donation can be made instead of an item donation by scanning the QR code below or going to https://clothing-for-veterans-2023.cheddarup.com. A donation by check, payable to Bishop Mardaga Assembly, can be mailed to K of C Bishop Mardaga Assembly #2014 c/o Clothing for Vets, 135 Princeton Ave, Claymont, DE 19703. Any questions please contact Neal Potts at 302-632-8436 or npotts823@gmail.com. Thank you.



Emmanuel Dining Room – St. Ann's next meal drop off at Emmanuel Dining Room is *November 8*. We are asking for cases of water, packs of fruit cups or applesauce, and fruit or granola bars. We also welcome monetary donations. Your generosity to the disadvantaged and homeless in our city is appreciated. Please drop your donation to 2413 W 17th St. or call Clair Field if you need anything picked up at (302) 893-7182.

Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration - The 10 parishes of the City Deanery invite you to The Feast of All Saints, Wednesday, <u>November 1st</u> at **St. Elizabeth Catholic Church**, 809 S. Broom St, Wilmington, De 19805, for Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM. There will also be a special blessing and veneration of the *St. Benedict Relic*.

It's that time of the year!!! Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour before going to bed on Saturday November 4th.

Mass Intentions

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

Saturday October 28 Ss. Simon & Jude

**8:00A.M. Intention of Marie Graney 4:00P.M. Eileen T. & John "Jack" Lynam Norman A. Zigrossi

Sunday October 29

7:30 A.M. John Gallagher Veronica Volk

10:30 A.M. Anita Julia Flynn Parishioners

Monday October 30

**6:30 A.M. Gerri MacCord-Martin

8:00 A.M. Gloria Manubay Dorothy Rooney

Tuesday October 31

**6:30 A.M. Paul Cullen

8:00 A.M. Patricia Owens Angela Cunneely

Wednesday November 1 All Saints

**6:30 A.M. Harvey Crossan

8:00 A.M. Anne Newcomb

Marie Dotto

***9:15 A.M. Intentions for St. Ann's School families

School Mass – not a public mass

5:30 P.M. Tony Gungui

Thursday November 2 All Souls' Day

**6:30 A.M. Joseph H. Ryan, USMC, K of C

8:00 A.M. Georgina Sheing

Henry A. & Janet Salacki Marjorie Mahl

Friday November 3, St. Martin de Porres

**6:30 A.M. Kelly and Azar Families

8:00 A.M. Vivian D'Amario

George Spera

Saturday November 4 St. Charles Borromeo

**8:00A.M. Joe Cofrancisco

4:00P.M. Kenny & Shirley Ackerman Richard Piekarski, Sr.

Sunday November 5

7:30 A.M. Braun & Mooney Families Intention of Bill & Millie Mentzer

***9:00 A.M. Intentions for St. Ann's PREP families

PREP Mass - not a public mass

10:30 A.M. Donald & Ellyn LaPointe Roberta "Bobbie" Smith

Pray for the sick and elderly of our Parish

Offertory for the weekend of October 15th was \$9106. As always, thank you for your support!

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.

Need to register for St. Ann's? Visit our website www.stannwilmington.com, print the form and drop it off at the rectory or email it back to us.



Pray for the repose of the soul of our recently departed:

MARY ANN D'AMICO

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 PRAYER LINE – to place a name on the prayer line contact Susana Saldivar at susanasaldivar1@aol.com or 302-824-0161.

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 schedule two baptisms on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of each month. For info, call 654-5519 or email stannschurch@stannwilmington.com.

Holiday Hope - As a service to the community, Doherty Funeral Homes is pleased to host a complimentary bereavement event designed to support and guide those coping with grief this holiday season. "Holiday Hope" will take place on *Sunday, November 12th, 2022 from 1:00-3:30 pm* at the Christiana Hilton (100 Continental Drive, Newark, DE 19713). Refreshments will be provided. For more information and to register please visit www.dohertyfh.com or call 302-999-8277 by Thursday, November 9th.



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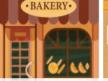




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