

ST. ANN'S CHURCH
THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD 2-2-2025

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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.

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 online parent Baptismal program and compliance with Godparent eligibility policy is required before setting a baptism date. Call the rectory for more info.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – Open/closings call 302-655-1639, email: adorationchapel.stann@gmail.com, website: www.stannwilmington.com/parishinformation.

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.

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 wedding date.

PARISH ADVISORY GROUP – Charles Klous, Finance Council Executive Officer

EMMANUEL DINING ROOM - 8th of each month to volunteer or give donations contact Clair at 302-893-7182 or clair2413@gmail.com.

ST. ANN SCHOOL age 3 – grade 8
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Ms. Rachael Casey – Principal,

rcasey@thesaintannschoool.org

Mrs. Bonnie Tsaldaris – info & admissions

btsaldaris@thesaintannschoool.org

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Student PREP, First Reconciliation/First Eucharist, contact Grace Donahue at gdonahue@stannwilmington.com or 302-654-8504.

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 more info, contact Patrick Cullen at 302-654-5519 or email pcullen@stannwilmington.com

**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
FEBRUARY 2, 2025**

From Fr. Eric: They returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. (Luke 2:39)

Mary and Joseph must have replayed this scene in their minds many times. When they presented their newborn son to the Lord in the Temple, they hadn't expected a man named Simeon to prophesy that Jesus would be "a light for revelation to the Gentiles" and "a sign that will be contradicted" (2:32, 34). But how and when would these things happen? And how would a sword pierce Mary's heart (2:35)?

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple. The Presentation, which is celebrated 40 days after Christmas, is not mentioned in the other Gospels. Only Luke tells the story, most likely because he writes for Gentile Christians who are not familiar with the Jewish rite of presentation and purification. In addition, the intent of Luke's Gospel is to show that God's promise to Israel, fulfilled in Jesus, extends to Gentiles.

The couple left the Temple "amazed," but then returned to Nazareth and resumed their ordinary day-to-day lives (Luke 2:33, 39). Just like their neighbors, they worked, enjoyed Shabbat dinners, and attended synagogue each week. And while the question of what would ultimately happen to Jesus must have hung over them, they knew that God had given them a mission: to raise his Son. They couldn't let their concerns about his future deter them from doing what was required in the present, even when it involved the most mundane chores and duties.

Do you often wonder—and even worry—about the future? You might ask yourself, "How will my life and those of my loved ones unfold over time? Will I be able to accomplish what I think God is calling me to do? Will my loved ones be safe and happy? Will I live a long and healthy life?"

Whatever your concerns, however, like Mary and Joseph, don't let them prevent you from doing what God is calling you to do right now—today. That work might look pretty routine from your point of view, but it's nevertheless important in God's eyes.

Today, on this feast of the Presentation, take some time to surrender any worries you might have about the future to the Lord. Ask for the grace to focus on the responsibilities right in front of you, and trust that God will be with you, no matter what the future holds.

"Jesus, as I go about my day, I will place my trust in you."

Just a reminder that the "The Feast of St. Blaise" will be celebrated this weekend, February 1st and 2nd with the Blessing of Throats after every mass.

Second Sunday Social – February 9th! Please join us next Sunday, February 9th after the 10:30am Mass for our 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!

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 302-654-5519 or email stannschurch@stannwilmington.com.



NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK: FEBRUARY 3rd– 7th

Across the nation, school counselors are being celebrated this week for their care and concern for the students they serve. This year's theme: *Helping Students Thrive*, is indicative of the hard work school counselors do each day to support their students promoting healthy self-esteem, teaching coping skills and resilience, and promoting healthy relationships with their peers. St.

Ann School celebrates and thanks our dedicated school counselors: Sister Mary Smith, OSF of the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia and Ms. Kristen Blakely for their dedication and caring for our students and their families. - Father Mink

SOUPER BOWL INVITATION – SOUPER BOWL weekend is February 8th and 9th. This is where we ask your help to deposit cans of SOUP in the Knights of Columbus containers in the vestibule of our church to provide a nourishing meal for the residents of Marydale Retirement Village in Newark and those who receive bags of food from the Food Closet in New Castle. They count on us. They need us. Won't you help? Your reward will be in Heaven. God bless you and thank you from the Knights of Columbus!

Listen to Catholic Forum each week. This week, hear an interview with popular speaker, podcaster and writer, Sister Josephine Garrett, CSFN, about her new book, "Wilderness Within: A Guided Lent Journal for Prayer and Meditation." The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and <https://www.youtube.com/DiocesefofWilm> debuts every Wednesday at 12:00pm; and on Relevant Radio 640 every Saturday afternoon at 1:30pm. More information is available at cdow.org/CatholicForum and FaceBook.com/CatholicForum.



SCHOOL NEWS – Congratulations, Classroom Spelling Bee Champions! The following students were the classroom spelling bee champions for their grade:

- 3rd Grade - Abby N.
- 4th Grade - Lincoln B.
- 5th Grade - Neil T.
- 6th Grade - Ben H.
- 7th Grade - Hillary H.
- 8th Grade - Phoebe K.

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 will be held February 14th – 16th 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.

Mass Intentions

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

Saturday February 1

**8:00 a.m. Bridget Gallagher

4:00 p.m. William Farino

Theresa Ann Faulkner & David Kearns

Sunday February 2

7:30 a.m. Danny Cunningham & the Deceased
Members of the Cunningham Family
Jim Yourinson

10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Ann's
Ann Carney

Monday February 3 St. Blaise & St. Ansgar

**6:30 a.m. Patrick J. DeLuca

8:00 a.m. Charles & Elizabeth McKinney
Jennie Gallagher

Tuesday February 4

**6:30 a.m. Carl Gregorio

8:00 a.m. Stephen & Anna Smith

Wednesday February 5 St. Agatha

**6:30 a.m. Bryan Brownlowe

8:00 a.m. Ryan Johnson

Thursday February 6 St. Paul Miki and Companions

**6:30 a.m. Rev. Eugene J. Kraemer (1950)

8:00 a.m. Charles Trzuskowski
Henry Deptula

Friday February 7

**6:30 a.m. Deacon William J. Maloney (2012)

8:00 a.m. Catherine R. Winner

Saturday February 8 St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine Bakhita

**8:00 a.m. Deacon Richard L. Reece (2017)

4:00 p.m. Rita Gasz
Paul and Jane Mahoney

Sunday February 9

7:30 a.m. Braun and Mooney Families

10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Ann's

Pray for the sick and elderly of our Parish

Offertory for the weekend of January 19th was \$13,376. As always, thank you very much for your support!!

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

Our Monthly Budget is \$63,750 and through the month of January our offertory collections total \$48,340.

Hospital Visitations – Make sure to email the Rectory at stannschurch@stannwilmington.com or call 302-654-5519 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.

ST. ANN'S PRAYER LINE – to place a name on the prayer line contact Susana Saldivar at susana.saldivar1@gmail.com or 302-824-0161.

Give to St. Ann Church by scanning a QR Code:



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@StAnnParishWilmington



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"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.

Second collections – Next weekend, February 8th and 9th, the second collection is for Black and Native Americans. The weekend of February 15th and 16th will be for Saint Vincent de Paul society. Thank you for your generosity.



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