ST. ANN CHURCH AND NATIONAL SHRINE  
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CHURCH HOURS  
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 6:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Tuesday 6:00 am to 8:15 pm  

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
Tuesday: 9:30 am to 6:00 pm  
ending with Benediction  
First Friday: 9:30 - 10:30 am  

RECONCILIATION  
Tuesday: 6:00 to 6:45 pm  
Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 pm  
5:00 to 5:30 pm  

WEEKEND EUCHARIST  
Saturday: 7:30 am Mass  
4:00 pm Vigil Mass  
Sunday Masses:  
8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am and 5:00 pm  

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST  
Monday - Friday: 6:30 am & 8:45 am  
Tuesday: 7:00 pm  

WEBSITE POLICY  
The parish bulletin is published on the parish website on the internet. Any person who does not want his or her name or picture in the bulletin or on the internet, please notify the Parish Office immediately in writing.  

A CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD  
This is for students in grades kindergarten, one, two and three and is held during the Sunday 9:30 am Mass.  

BAPTISM  
Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of each month at 12:30 pm. Please call the Church Office at least three months before the anticipated date of birth. To schedule an interview and date for Pre-Baptism Seminar, call Deacon Phil Doolen at 455-7071, ext. 231. The celebration of infant Baptism will be arranged during the interview process.  

MATRIMONY  
The prospective bride or groom must contact one of the parish priests or deacons at least 6 months in advance.  

FUNERALS  
Families should contact the Church Office before making any arrangements with the funeral home.  

VISITATION OF THE SICK  
Please notify the Church Office when someone is in the hospital or sick at home and unable to attend Mass.  

ROSARY GROUPS  
1st Saturday of each month following the 7:30 am Mass in Church.  
Every Saturday 3:20 pm-3:40 pm, before the 4:00 pm Mass in Church.  
Rosary & Divine Mercy, every Wednesday 9:30 am to 10:30 am in the St. Ann Room.  

NOVENA TO ST. ANN  
Every Tuesday after the 8:45 am and 7:00 pm Masses. Twice a year a solemn nine day novena is held at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm, consisting of Mass, homily and novena prayers. July 18th through 26th (Feast of St. Ann) and the Thursday after Ash Wednesday through Friday of the first week of Lent.  

“LITTLE CHURCH”  
“Little Church” is a babysitting service which is available every Sunday during the 9:30 am Mass for children ages 1 to 5 years old. Please bring your children to the Parish Ministry Center, behind the church.  

MISSION STATEMENT  
St. Ann, a Roman Catholic Parish of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, is a faith family serving the needs of the parishioners and the wider community.  
Home to the National Shrine of St. Ann, we are committed to providing opportunities to all for worship and service, evangelization and education, stewardship and ministry.  
St. Ann Parish welcomes and invites all people to join us in proclaiming and living the Gospel values of Jesus Christ.
Sacrifice

When you see the word “sacrifice,” what comes to mind? To get a better understanding of this word, it may help to look at its etymology. Sacrifice is derived from the Latin *sacrum facere*, that is, to make (*facere*) sacred (*sacrum*) or holy. What do I think of when I see the word “sacrifice?” Put simply, the holy Mass.

This weekend, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, more commonly known as *Corpus Christi*. We, as Catholics, receive in the most Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Jesus Christ. Think about that for a moment. The sacrificial lamb who, in the appearance of bread and wine, becomes truly and substantially present in the Eucharist. By receiving His Body and Blood, He becomes part of us and we in turn become part of the universal Body of Christ.

This Monday is Memorial Day in which this country remembers those in our armed forces who have died fighting for our freedom. This freedom which we enjoy so much as Americans has been purchased at a heavy cost. Just as we recall Christ’s sacrifice when we celebrate Mass, let us never forget those that have died unselfishly in the service of others.

The sacrifice of Christ and the sacrifices of those who died in combat are both huge sacrifices. However, all those sacrifices we make every day should build us up to be made holy before God.

Reflection by Dan Darmanin, Seminarian, Archdiocese of New Orleans

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** 2 Pt 1:2-7; Ps 91:1-2, 14-16; Mk 12:1-2  
**Tuesday:** Zep 3:14-16 or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56  
**Wednesday:** 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27  
**Thursday:** 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28b-34  
**Friday:** Ez 34:11-16; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7  
**Saturday:** 2 Tm 4:1-8; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-babcd; Lk 2:41-51  
**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 17:17-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Gal 1:11-19; Lk 7:11-17

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sunday**  
4:00 pm  
Vigil  
Patrick Johns, Dale St. John, Gardner & McClelland Families, Dr. James M. Linn, Dennis Hebert, Mildred Gilberti, Elaine Tusa, John & Thelma Donaway, Danny Kimball, Albert Martini, Raymond Olivier, Mark Smith, Merlyn P. Pays, Norma Gallo (Healing)  
8:00 am  
Jennifer D. Courville  
9:30 am  
Parishioners  
11:00 am  
Roy Kaiser, Catherine Perilloux, Mark Borner, Jennifer Courville, Elmo Spellman, Rose Marie Fox, Russell Howley, Mildred Gilberti, Albert Martini, Case & Gilbert Family (S.I.), Clarence Wolbrette, Dominick S. Lamandre, Sr., Ruth Giroir, Kathy Haydel  
5:00 pm  
Donald Loisel

**Monday**  
6:30 am  
Khai Nguyen  
8:45 am  
Jennifer Courville

**Tuesday**  
6:30 am  
Mr. & Mrs. H. C. Alexander  
8:45 am  
Merle Kirchem  
7:00 pm  
Raymond St. John, Sr.

**Wednesday**  
6:30 am  
Mario DeLuca (S.I.)  
8:45 am  
Josephine Rotolo

**Thursday**  
6:30 am  
Mr. & Mrs. H. C. Alexander  
8:45 am  
Merle Kirchem

**Friday**  
6:30 am  
Melba Engelkeimier  
8:45 am  
Mike Albena

**Saturday**  
7:30 am  
Kay Bertrand

**Second Harvest Food Bank's Rubber Duck Derby at City Park's Big Lake**

Second Harvest Food Bank will host the 7th Annual Rubber Duck Derby, presented by One Bank, on Sunday, June 5, 2016, at 4:00 PM at Big Lake in City Park.

Lucky ducks are available for adoption for $5 each, $25 for a “Quack Pack” (6), $50 for a “Quacker’s Dozen” (12), or $100 for a “Flock of Ducks” (25) for a chance to win one of 10 exciting prizes. Each adopted duck is assigned a unique race number and entered into the Rubber Duck Derby. Adopt and name your duck(s) on the Second Harvest Food Bank website, [www.no-hunger.org/events](http://www.no-hunger.org/events). With every duck adopted, Second Harvest can provide up to 15 meals for a child or family in need in South Louisiana.

The first 10 ducks to cross the finish line will be identified by the ducks’ unique race numbers and announced at the conclusion of the race (winners need not be present to win). Ten exciting prizes will be awarded.

For more information about Second Harvest Food Bank or to adopt your duck online, visit [www.no-hunger.org](http://www.no-hunger.org).

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Mike Albena

**Saturday**  
7:30 am  
Kay Bertrand

**May 29 - June 4, 2016**

“Sanctuary Candle”  
*In Memory of Kelly, Maggio & Roppolo Families*

**RCIA** Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic?  
You are invited to a series of inquiry sessions that will explore the Catholic Church from a non-Catholic’s perspective. These sessions will continue on Sunday, June 26 at 6:15 PM in the Welcome Center. If interested call Fr. Travis at the parish office 455-7071 ext. 224.
Have a Generous Heart
As you make your way through the Bible, you discover a God both gracious and compassionate. As we choose to follow Him, He beckons us to follow His example and be kind and openhearted ourselves. We continue to look at Bible verses that give us a glimpse into the generosity that God wants us to emulate.

Jesus looked up and saw the rich putting their gifts into the offering box, and he saw a poor widow put in two small copper coins. And he said, “Truly, I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on.”

True generosity doesn’t come from our excess; it comes from sacrificial hearts. The beauty of this passage is in Jesus’ enthusiasm to point out this woman’s magnanimity even in the midst of hardship. To think that God gets this excited when we’re openhanded is pretty inspiring.

Bearing Wrongs Patiently

The fifth Spiritual Work of Mercy is to bear wrongs patiently. One of life’s clichés is “Life’s not fair.” That’s supposed to mean that whatever injustice that is happening needs to be accepted just because bad things happen. This work of mercy digs deeper than that. It challenges the children of God to be patient with the neighbors who wrong them, not because bad things happen, but because they love their neighbor and his or her journey toward God.

If Christians were to act out negatively when wronged, they wouldn’t be acting as Jesus’ disciples. Jesus instructs his disciples by saying: “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil” (Matthew 5:38-39). No one has suffered a more grievous wrong with more patience than Jesus Christ. When they led him out to be crucified, “Like a lamb led to slaughter or a sheep silent before shearsers, he did not open his mouth” (Isaiah 53:7).

Jesus offered no resistance to those who killed him. He was defining patience.

Patience is a virtue. Like any virtue, it comes in the middle of two vices. For instance, the virtue of fortitude, or courage, is the middle ground between the fear of acting in the midst of hardship and acting without caution in the face of danger. The virtue of patience comes between the vices of anger or impatience and letting people take advantage of others. The art of life comes from striking the balance on every virtue.

Because Jesus is the ultimate example of bearing wrongs patiently, it has become one of the defining characteristics of a life lived in him. This can be seen from the example of the martyrs. As the early theologian Tertullian noted, “The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church.” Those who witness the death of the martyrs are often stunned at the grace and dignity with which they die. This is because most die with prayers for their executioners or the name of Jesus on their lips. They were bearing wrongs patiently for love of their neighbor and of God.

Just as God is patient with sinners, Christians ought to be patient with all who do them ill. Every sin is ultimately an offense against God, and yet God desires nothing more than the
2016 St. Ann Family Fest, September 30th & October 1st
“St. Ann Goes to the Movies”

SPONSORSHIP CATEGORIES

STAGE SPONSORSHIP - Your business name and logo displayed on the stage banner all weekend at the St. Ann Family Fest! Additionally, your business name and logo displayed on the back of the Family Fest T-shirts (size and position of logo based on level of sponsorship). Digital logo must be provided. Deadline is JULY 15, 2016.

Titanium Stage Sponsor $2,000
Extra large-sized business name and logo in a priority spot on the stage banner + on the back of the Family Fest T-shirt + your name and logo displayed on the Family Fest Raffle Tickets, which are distributed to all school children and parishioners to sell. Position of logo will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Platinum Stage Sponsor $1,500
Large-sized business name and logo on the stage banner + on the back of the Family Fest T-shirt

Gold Stage Sponsor $1,000
Medium-sized business name and logo on the stage banner + on the back of the Family Fest T-shirt

Maroon Stage Sponsor $500
Small-sized business name and logo on the stage banner + on the back of the Family Fest T-shirt

FAIR BUCKS SPONSORSHIP: · · · · · · · · $1,500
Includes your logo displayed on the Family Fest Fair Bucks. Fair Bucks are used for all food, drinks & games purchases throughout the fair. Digital logo must be provided. Only ONE sponsorship is available so please contact us prior to submitting your form to ensure availability. Deadline is JULY 15, 2016.

T-SHIRT SLEEVE SPONSORSHIP $1,000
Includes your name and logo displayed on the SLEEVE of the Family Fest T-shirt. Only TWO sponsorships are available so please contact us prior to submitting your form to ensure availability. Digital logo must be provided. Deadline is JULY 15, 2016.

T-SHIRT SPONSORSHIP $350
Includes your name and logo displayed on the back of the Family Fest T-shirt. Digital logo must be provided. Deadline is JULY 15, 2016.

FUN RUN SPONSORSHIP $250
Display your company’s banner on the fence at the start/end of the St. Ann Fun Run on Loveland St. from Sept 23rd through October 7th. Banner not to exceed 3’ by 9’. A limited amount of sponsorships are available, so please contact us prior to submitting your form to ensure availability.

TISKET-A-TASKET TENT SPONSORSHIP $200
Includes an individual banner with name on the Tisket-a-Tasket Tent at the Family Fest. Can be a name of a business, family, student, club, etc. Only four sponsorships are available so please contact us prior to submitting your form to ensure availability.

BOOTH SPONSORSHIP $150
Includes an individual sign on your sponsored booth at the Family Fest. Can be a name of a business, family, student, club, etc.

PRIZE CASH SPONSOR $25 to $100
Donated cash is used to offset the cost of prizes.

PRIZE DONATION
Includes inventory items or promotional items such as pens, pencils, T-shirts, key chains, baseball caps, gadgets, etc.

RAFFLE PRIZES
Includes donations of large items, gift certificates for restaurants, hotels, entertainment, artwork, jewelry, sports memorabilia, etc.

Please complete the form below, attach your check and return to:
St. Ann Family Fest Committee • ATTN: Jennifer LaMonte • 4921 Meadowdale Street • Metairie, LA 70006

Questions? Contact Jennifer @ 250-8764 or Amber @ 250-7244 or email: stannfair@gmail.com. Please make checks payable to “St. Ann Family Fest”. Donations of items can be delivered to the St. Ann School Office or to the Church Office, or you can call or email to arrange for a pick up.

Name and/or Business: ____________________________________________________________

This is how it will appear on signs and acknowledgements. Your donation can remain anonymous and appear as “Friend of St. Ann”.

Address: ____________________________________________________________

Contact Person: ____________________________________________________________

E-Mail Address: ____________________________________________ Phone: _______________________

Donation Category: ____________________________ Amount Enclosed: ______________________

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat-Healing After Abortion

The next Rachel’s Vineyard retreat in the archdiocese will be held October 14-16, 2016, and the Rachel’s Vineyard team is already working behind the scenes preparing to minister & serve those who will come for Jesus’ healing. The Respect Life Office is collecting gift bags to give to those on the retreat. We are asking for donations of tissues, votive candles, journals, tablets, pens, prayer cards, gift bags & an anonymous notes of love & encouragement. Also include any prayer offering you will make for them that we can include in our Spiritual Bouquet. Let us consider in this Year of Mercy how important our outreach & support is to those who seek Christ’s healing & forgiveness. An additional suggestion is to sponsor one who will make the Rachel’s Vineyard retreat. This could be done as a group or parish. To arrange pick up of your items or to learn more about how to sponsor a Rachel’s Vineyard retreatant, please contact the Respect Life Office at respectlife@arch-no.org.
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