ST. ANN CHURCH
AND NATIONAL SHRINE
4940 Meadowdale St., Metairie, LA  70006
504-455-7071 - Fax 504-455-7076
Website: stannchurchandshrine.org - Email: stannmet@bellsouth.net

CHURCH HOURS
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 6:00 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday 6:00 am to 8:15 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

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

**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.

**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.
OUR FATHER IN FAITH

The Letter to the Hebrews today sings a hymn of praise to Abraham and to his faith, upon which are founded the religions of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Abraham is called "father" in faith by more people on earth than anybody else, numerous as the sands of the seashore or the stars of the heavens. Hebrews tells us it was this foundational faith that led Abraham to obey God's call when he heard it, though he was called to journey to a land he did not know and told he would father a mighty race through a marriage he thought was barren. But Abraham's faith, the author of Hebrews tells us, was his realization of what he hoped for, and the evidence of what he could not see. How often are we, in simple daily events of our own Christian vocation, called to an unfamiliar place or told we are to do something we do not believe we can? How fortunate we are to have Father Abraham as our guide and example!

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading -- Your ancestors waited in faith and courage for God’s promised summons (Wisdom 18:6-9). Psalm -- Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (Psalm 33).

Second Reading -- Because of his faithful obedience to God's call, Abraham's descendants number as the stars (Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]).

Gospel -- Keep watch and be prepared, for you do not know the day or the hour when the Son of Man will appear (Luke 12:32-48 [35-40]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Ez 2:8 -- 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 -- 19:1
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 19:13-15
Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday  August 7

4:00 pm Vigil Gagliano & Foto Families, Rose Marie Fox, Dale St. John, Mary LaBruzzo, Raymond Olivier, Dominic DiGiovanni, Gardner & McCleland Families, Wallace Vega, Jr., Nora O’Riordan, Paul Laudumiey, Msgr. Charles Duke, Agnes & Fred Deckbar

8:00 am Jennifer Courville

9:30 am Sylvester Lopiccolo

11:00 am Frank Buffone, Ray Kaiser, Maureen Giordano, Patrice Lawson, Jennifer Courville, Elmo Spellman, Russell Howley, Dominick S. Lamandre, Sr., Raymond Olivier, Nora O’Riordan, Pearl Huete, Laura Boudreaux, Donald Loisel, Antoinette Ancona

5:00 pm Parishioners

Monday  August 8

6:30 am Mr. & Mrs. H. C. Alexander

8:45 am Jennifer Courville

Tuesday  August 9

6:30 am Edward & Peggy Asaro (In Thanksgiving)

8:45 am Linda Murry (Health in Thanks to the Blessed Mother)

7:00 pm Mary Quaid (Health)

Wednesday  August 10

6:30 am Rose Marie Fox

8:45 am Adelaide P. Watermeier

Thursday  August 11

6:30 am Robert McNulty

8:45 am Jose C. Azcuy

Friday  August 12

6:30 am Chris Alessi

8:45 am Edward & Margaret Kelly Family

Opening School Mass

2:00 pm Mark Borner

Saturday  August 13

7:30 am Elizabeth Truglio

August 7 - 13, 2016
“Sanctuary Candle ”
In Memory of Carol Ross
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA program for St. Ann Church is cancelled for this year so as to revamp the program. Clergy, David Wilson, DRE and Team Members will engage in meetings so as to make the program more engaging and informative for all those inquiring about the Catholic Church and its teachings. Those with questions about the program may contact David Wilson, DRE at the Church Office 455-7071 X 225.

Parish School of Religion

Registration for the fall session of our Parish School of Religion is currently completed on-line by going to https://www.signupforms.com/registrations/7696 or the church website and clicking on the Parish School of Religion link. Our Registration Day will be Tuesday, August 30 from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. You may complete registration, pick up textbooks, pay fees, and meet the teachers for the upcoming year at this registration night. Any student in grades Kindergarten thru High School who is not attending a Catholic school will need to be registered through the Parish School of Religion. The fee structure is a flat $35.00 per student. Our classes are held on Tuesday evenings beginning September 6 from 6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Contact David Wilson at 455-7071, ext. 225 for more info.

Confirmation

All 11th grade students wishing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation are invited to register for the classes that will begin this school year. This can be done on-line at https://www.signupforms.com/registrations/7103 or by going to the church website and clicking on the Confirmation link. The sacrament of Confirmation is received in the eleventh grade year for all students in a formal religious education program (including Catholic high schools). Any student in tenth grade or above who desires to receive the sacrament of Confirmation should contact the church office to register for the sacrament. Catholic school students who receive religious education in their schools will receive the sacrament of Confirmation in the parish in which they are registered. Students who do not receive formal religious instruction must attend a parish school of religion in the parish in which they are registered leading up to any reception of sacraments. Contact the church office at 455-7071, ext. 225 if you have any questions or concerns about the reception of any sacraments.

Catechists Needed! We are anticipating needing teachers for the coming school year for our religious education classes. If you feel God is calling you to be an evangelist to our parish youths, give us a call at 455-7071, ext. 225 or stop by the church office for information. We will have an informational meeting for anyone wishing to become a catechist on Tuesday, August 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Welcome Center located behind the church. Be a star in a child’s life; be an example of Christ. be a catechist!

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Have a Generous Heart

Lord, help me to be grateful for what I have,
To remember that I don’t need most of what
I want,
And that joy is found in simplicity and generosity.

AMEN

"24 Vigil of PRAYER and FASTING for HEALING and PEACE!" IN ST. ANN CHURCH

Join us for our 24 Hour Prayer Vigil, from 8:00 am Friday, August 12th till 8:00 am Saturday, August 13th for HEALING for all those who are seriously ill and for much needed PEACE.

Come, unite in prayer, for as many hours as you can. Bring your written prayer requests or write them during the Vigil. These prayer requests will be included in our closing ceremony, Saturday morning after the 7:30 am Mass. Each hour of the Vigil will begin with a prayer, teaching or devotion which will set the theme for that hour of prayer. There will be a special Prayer Service Friday evening from 7:00 pm till 9:00 pm and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 pm with Benediction at 11:00 pm. "Could you not keep watch with me for one hour." –Matthew 26:40 Like last year, members of our Jefferson Parish Sheriff’s Department will be present with us through the night.

St. Joseph Abbey and Seminary College Organist and Professor of Sacred Music Watson Copeland will present an organ recital of the works of J.S. Bach, Louis Vierne, Sigfrid Karg-Elert, and Charles Ives at St. Catherine of Siena on Tuesday, August 16 at 7:00 PM. In addition, favorite hymns of the St. Joseph Seminary College seminarians will be sung during the recital. The recital will end with an improvisation. A free-will offering will be taken up to benefit the ongoing flood-relief efforts at St. Joseph Abbey and Seminary College.

School News The faculty and staff members have returned from summer vacation and are busy preparing for the students. Back to School Night for parents is Monday, Aug. 8th. The first day of school is Thursday, August 11th. We are ready to greet our students for the 2016-17 school year and encourage all to “THINK, REACH, SHINE”.

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**2016 St. Ann Family Fest, September 30th & October 1st**

**“St. Ann Goes to the Movies”**

**SPONSORSHIP CATEGORIES**

Sponsors in all categories will be listed in the Church Bulletin

**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 sponsor-ship is available so please contact us prior to submitting your form to ensure availability.

**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.

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**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:** ___________________________ Zip: ____________

**Contact Person:** ____________________________

**E-Mail Address:** ___________________________ Phone: ____________

**Donation Category:** ________ Amount Enclosed: _______________

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**2016 St. Ann Family Fest Sponsors**

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- Cabrini High School
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**PRIZE SPONSOR**

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- Jesuit High School
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- Laura: A Creole Plantation
- Longue Vue House and Gardens
- Louisiana Children’s Museum
- Massage Envy Spa
- The National WWII Museum
- New Orleans Ballet Association
- New Orleans Paddlewheels
- New Orleans School of Cooking
- The Ogden Museum of Southern Art
- Palm Tree Playground
- Pelican Pointe Car Wash
- Ponsetti’s Shoes
- Schumacher’s Shoes & Uniforms
- Short Stop Poboys
- Trey Yuen Cuisine of China
- VCA Causeway Animal Hospital
- Villeire’s Florist
St. Ann Church and Shrine

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Date: August 7, 2016

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