ST. ANN CHURCH
AND NATIONAL SHRINE
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Twitter: https://twitter.com/stannmetairie
Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/stannchurch

CHURCH HOURS
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & 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

Pastor
Rev. Billy O’Riordan
455-7071, ext. 223

Parochial Vicar
Rev. Colin Braud, ext. 224

Deacons
Mr. Philip Doolen, ext. 231
Mr. Raymond Bertin,
Facilities Manager, ext. 226
Mr. Tom Fox, ext. 257

Director of Religious Education
and Youth Ministry
Mr. David Wilson, ext. 225
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Director of Liturgical Music
Trish Foti Genco, 559-8637
e-mail: fotigenco.com

Office Manager
Mrs. Debbie Sommers, ext. 221

Church Secretaries
Mrs. Linda Ehrhardt, ext. 222
Mrs. Beverly Musso, ext. 222

St. Ann School - 455-8383
Mrs. Susan Kropog, Principal
www.stannschool.org

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 Ray Bertin at 455-7071, ext.
226. The celebration of infant Baptism will
be arranged during the interview process.

MATRIMONY
The prospective bride or groom must con-
tact 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 some-
one 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 Wednes-
day 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.
This past week we celebrated both All Saints Day and All Souls Day. It is appropriate that the readings focus on the final resurrection. All of us are curious about what happens after death. Whether we believe in God or Christ, or are a professed atheist, we all find ourselves fascinated about the after life. So we might find ourselves asking some questions. “What will Heaven be like? Does Heaven even exist? What if this life is all there is?” Its natural to ask ourselves these questions. Luckily the Christian faith provides us with an answer to these questions.

The four last things in life are: 1) Death, 2) Judgement, 3) Heaven, and 4) Hell. All of us will die. This is a given. None of us are immortal. At our death we will be judged individually by God. The state of our soul at the time of death will be judged. And that judgement will decide whether we go to Heaven and experience eternal bliss, or Hell and experience eternal damnation. And Purgatory is that temporary state where we become finally cleansed and purified so that we are worthy to stand before the presence of God in Heaven. Most of us who get to Heaven go through Purgatory first.

It is good to think about our own mortality because it can help us to do better now in the present. Wanting and desiring to go to Heaven after we die should be fostered in all of us. But how do we do our best to ensure that we will reach Heaven? We get to Heaven by listening to Christ as He speaks to us in the Church. The Church is our mother, and being in her arms everyday is how we do our part to get to Heaven. And the way we know that we are living fully in the Church is if we are receiving the sacraments or not. That is a huge indictor for us. If we are going to Mass and holy days of obligation and making regular confessions, that is a good sign we are in the Church. If we are a Catholic and not doing these things, then we are outside the normal means of salvation, and consequently are in unchartered territory. The road to Heaven is in and through the sacraments, and of course doing works of charity, obeying the commandments, etc.

May we be committed to the Lord and His bride the Church, so that one day we will numbered among the saints in Heaven.

Reflection by: Fr. Braud

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday**

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**November 6 - 12, 2016 “Sanctuary Candle” In Memory of Robert & Melanie McNulty**

Rosary Rally for Election Day at St. Ann Church

Fr. Billy O’Riordan, Pastor of St. Ann Church and National Shrine invites us to a ROSARY RALLY on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8. We will pray the Rosary each hour from 6 AM until 8 PM (poll hours). Please gather to pray that God’s will to be done on Election Day.

Tuesday is our day of Adoration in church after the 8:45 AM Mass, therefore, some of the hourly Rosary will be in the Church and some will be in the Eucharistic Chapel.

Please, join us in prayer for as many hours as possible, and plan to spend some time in adoration from 9:15 am until 6:00 pm in Church.

*God Bless the United States of America*
School News
This week is School Food Service Employees Appreciation Week. We are thankful that St. Ann School has a fully staffed kitchen and serves fresh hot lunches daily. Friday, Nov. 11th will be Grandperson’s Day for students in grades 1-4. Our school walk through tours will begin on Monday, Nov. 7th. Every Monday from November through February, we will offer “Walk Through” tours at 9:30 am. No need to make an appointment, just meet in the school office and you will be taken on a tour to learn more about our school. These tours are specifically geared to PK2-First Grade classrooms. Please check our website at www.stannschool.org to learn more about our school. Monday night is the Home and School Meeting. Next week is a special week for the 7th grade students, they receive their high school application cards. St. Ann School is proud that 99% of our students are accepted into the high school of their choice.

Parish Calendar
11/6  12:30 PM BAPTISMS IN CHURCH
11/7  2:30 PM 5TH GRADE GRANDPARENTS EVENT/CHURCH
     6:30 PM ST. ANTHONY MTG./ST. RAY
11/8  9:15 AM ADORATION
     6:20 PM PSR CLASS IN CAFETERIA
     7:30 PM BOY SCOUTS/CAFETERIA
11/9  PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TILL 1 PM ARCHDIOCESE WORKSHOP
     8:45 AM SCHOOL MASS (GRADES 3-7)
     9:30 AM PRAYER GROUP/ST. RAYMOND
     9:30 AM HOLY HOUR OF MERCY IN CHURCH
     1 PM SEWING SEAMS OF FAITH CLASS/ST. RAY
     7 PM ADULT CHOIR/ST. CECILIA
     7 PM YOUTH CHOIR REH./CHURCH
11/10  9:30 AM ADULT CATECHISM/ST. RAYMOND
       2:30 PM 4TH GRADE GRANDPARENTS EVENT/CHURCH
       6:30 PM NEW ALTAR SERVER MEETING/CHURCH
11/11  8:45 AM SCHOOL MASS GRADES K & 1/CHURCH
       1:15 PM GRANDPERSONS DAY (1 & 2 GYM)
       1:45 PM GRANDPERSONS DAY (3 & 4 CHURCH)
       6:30 PM GRANDPARENTS CLUB MTG IN GYM
11/12  9 AM ALTAR SERVER TRAINING IN CHURCH
11/13  6 PM CYO SPORTS NIGHT/GYM

Apostleship of Prayer Resources
The Apostleship of Prayer, the Pope’s worldwide prayer network, publishes his monthly prayer intentions, as well as additional books, leaflets, and media focused on prayer. To enroll as a member of the apostleship or to purchase resources, visit www.apostleshipofprayer.org.

Starting in 2017 the Pope will present only one prepared prayer intention per month, rather than the two (universal and evangelization) presented before this year. A second prayer intention each month will be related to current events or urgent needs.

The prepared monthly intentions for 2017 are as follows:

JANUARY: Christian Unity
That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord’s teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

FEBRUARY: Comfort for the Afflicted
That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.

MARCH: Support for Persecuted Christians
That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

APRIL: Young People
That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

MAY: Christians in Africa
That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

JUNE: National Leaders
That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.

JULY: Lapsed Christians
That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

AUGUST: Artists
That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

SEPTEMBER: Parishes
That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

OCTOBER: Workers and the Unemployed
That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

NOVEMBER: Christians in Asia
That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

DECEMBER: The Elderly
That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.
Important Notice:
Opening of the 2017 Mass Book
The Mass Book for 2017 will be open on Thursday, November 10, 2016
Please submit your Mass Intentions, Sanctuary Light and Altar Flower requests in person on Thursday, November 10 at 10 AM in the Parish Office. No early requests will be accepted. If your first date and time is not available, we will select an alternative date and time at our discretion. We will follow up with a phone call. Also, if one of the priests is away and we have to schedule a Communion Service, the Mass Intention will be moved to another Mass time on the same date. Requests for Mass Intentions, Sanctuary Lights and Altar Flowers will not be posted upon receipt. The requests will be posted in the order in which they are received on Wednesday. We will accept no more than SIX Mass Intentions and ONE Sanctuary Light request per family. The offering (stipend) for each Mass Intention is $5, $10 for each Sanctuary Light, and $35 for each Altar Flowers.

Thank you for your cooperation.

St. Ann Blood Drive
Our St. Ann CYO will be sponsoring a Fund-raising Blood Drive on Sunday, November 13 from 8:00 AM – 12 noon in the school parking lot. For each pint of blood donated, our youth group will earn $10 to help fund our youth activities. There will be sign-up sheets in the entrance to the church to help schedule your donation. Give the gift of life and support our CYO!

Request for Mass Intentions, Sanctuary Light and/or Altar Flowers

Requested by: ____________________________
Street Address: __________________________
City/State/Zip: ____________________________
Telephone (day): _________________________
Telephone (night): _________________________

Mass Intentions
Name of deceased    Date/Time Requested
1) ____________________________
2) ____________________________
3) ____________________________
4) ____________________________
5) ____________________________
6) ____________________________

Sanctuary Light
Week Date (One week per family)
(Begins on a Sunday and burns for one week.)

Altar Flowers
Week Date (Begins on Sunday - lasts for one week.)

If the requested mass time and/or date is not available, we will select an alternative mass time and date at our discretion. The same policy will apply to Sanctuary Light and Altar Flower requests. You will be notified by phone if necessary. Also, if one of the priests is away and a mass intention needs to be rescheduled, the church office will move your mass intention to another mass within the same week. Thank you for your cooperation.

Notations: ____________________________

The St. Anthony Ministry is asking for your help. The following items are requested to fill the Thanksgiving boxes which we will be handing out to needy families: Cranberry Sauce, Turkey gravy or gravy mix, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Stove Top Stuffing Mix, Canned Yams, Macaroni & Cheese, Rice, Peas or Carrots, Green Beans, Oil, Marshmallows, Oatmeal or Grits, Cereal or Cereal Bars, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Chicken Noodle Soup, Crackers, Cake Mix & Icing, Sugar and Canned Meats.

We are starting to collect these items for Thanksgiving. Please place them in the food bins marked Thanksgiving Food Drive in the shrine.

We appreciate your contributions and wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving. St. Anthony Ministry

Have a Generous Heart
You do not have to be rich to be generous. If you can’t feed 100 people, then feed just one. –Mother Teresa