ST. ANN CHURCH
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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.

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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
email: stanneoled@bellsouth.net

Director of Liturgical Music
Trish Foti, 559-8637
e-mail: foti@stannchurchandshrine.org

Office Manager
Mrs. Debbie Sommers, ext. 221

Church Secretaries
Mrs. Linda Ehrhardt, ext. 222
Mrs. Ann Gauthier, 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 Sun-
day 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 ar-
 ranged during the interview process.

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

FUNERALS
Families should contact the Church Of-
 fice 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 Wednes-
day 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. 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).
The Transfiguration of the Lord
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 II Peter 1:16-19 Matthew 17:1-9

Here we are in the month of August and temperatures reach new heights, parents and students are shopping to get ready for another school year, and newly graduated High School students are readying themselves for the heat of College - we wish you well and please be wise and safe! August is national sandwich month, international peace month, national catfish month, national eye exam month, and from the Church’s calendar point of view: The Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Immaculate Heart of Mary is a devotional name used to refer to the interior life of the Blessed Virgin Mary - her joys, her sorrows, her love of God the Father, her love for the Son of God, and her compassionate love for all people. The aim of devotion is to unite us to God through Mary’s heart. Interestingly, in the month of August we celebrate Mary’s Assumption into Heaven [August 15th] and her Coronation as Queen of Heaven [August 22nd]. Here is one short prayer to memorize and pray every day during the month:

O Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, obtain for me from Jesus a pure and humble heart.

A pure and humble heart - the qualities of true discipleship in Jesus Christ! Nothing in life is permanent. Be humble. We need to be transformed into the likeness of the Son of God. Receiving the Eucharist is never simply a passive reception, but it is always to be an active participation in being transformed into what we receive.

We probably think that Peter, James and John were privileged to see Jesus transfigured - a preview of Jesus glorified in heaven. Isn’t the celebration of Mass on Sunday a preview of heaven? “The Eucharist is truly a glimpse of heaven appearing on earth.” These are words of St. John Paul II. The Eucharist anticipates the “pledge of future glory” and so we must strain towards the goal and fullness of joy promised by Jesus Christ. The Eucharist is food for the journey, and thus those who feed on Christ in the Eucharist need not wait until the hereafter to receive eternal life - they already possess it on earth. In John 6:54 we are told by Jesus: “He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and I will raise him up on the last day.” Therefore, having received the Eucharist we should all feel transfigured.

Reflection by Fr. Billy
Parish Calendar

8/6  12:30 PM BAPTISM IN CHURCH
     6 PM CYO
8/7  9:30 AM COME & SEE/ST.RAYMOND
     H & S ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS/ST. TIMOTHY
8/8  9:15 AM ADORATION
     H & S ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS/ST. TIMOTHY
8/9  8:45 AM FACULTY ATTENDING MASS
     9:30 AM PRAYER GROUP/ST. RAYMOND
     1 PM SEWING SEAMS OF FAITH CLASS/ST. RAYMOND
     7 PM YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL/CHURCH
8/10 9:30 AM ADULT CATECHISM/ST. RAYMOND
     6 PM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (BUSINESS)/ST. RAYMOND
8/13 6PM CYO
     CYO ROSARY FOR HEALING & PEACE/CHURCH

The school office is now open.

There is some availability in some grades for next school year. Please call the school office at 455-7051 ext. 113 for the school principal if you need more information. School enrollment information will be on the school email stann@stantonschool.org.

St. Ann’s Food Pantry is running low and in need of several food items: Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter and Jelly, Spaghetti Sauce, small bags of Rice, Green Peas, Soup and Cereal.

Thank you for supporting our St. Anthony Ministry.

To my friends at St. Ann’s:

I want to Thank all of you who attended the novena I preached. It was a joy meeting you all! On behalf of my Passionist Community, thank you for purchasing my resources and for supporting my TV ministry.

Please explore: www.frcedric.org
Also, remember my TV program “Live with Passion!” airs on TBN Sundays at 7 am; Also WLAE Sundays at 10:30 am and Mondays at 9 pm and WHNO Sundays at 10 pm. More information at: www.frcedric.org

I can’t tell you how touched I was by your faith, reverence for God and your encouragement to me personally. Love to you all and I hope to see you at St. Catherine’s the first week of Lent 2019 for my parish mission. Sincerely,

Fr. Cedric Piegna, C.P.

Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention for August

ARTISTS
THAT ARTISTS OF OUR TIME, THROUGH THEIR INGENUITY, MAY HELP EVERYONE DISCOVER THE BEAUTY OF CREATION.
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. 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. Contact the church office at 455-7071, ext. 225 if you have any questions or concerns about the reception of any sacraments.

Parish School of Religion

Registration for the fall session of our Parish School of Religion is currently completed on-line by going to the church website and clicking on the Parish School of Religion link. Our Registration Day will be Tuesday, August 29 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 should register 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 5 from 6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Contact David Wilson at 455-7071, ext. 225 for more info.

Adult Volunteers 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 an adult volunteer on Monday, August 7 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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Catholic Adult Faith Formation

All adults are invited to attend a presentation on Catholic Church History. Classes started on Tuesday August 2 and will run for four consecutive Tuesday evenings from 6:30—9:00 p.m. This course will engage individuals in the story of our Catholic faith and explore the successes and struggles of God's people - the Church - over time to know God and to live as disciples of Jesus Christ in the midst of a constantly changing world. The life of the Church comes alive in this course as we discuss the emergence of Christian belief, the growth of the Church, and its remarkable impact on human history. The cost for this course which includes all material is just $10. Registration can be done at: http://www.nolaore.org/introduction-to-church-history-registration-1

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2017 St. Ann Family Fest, October 6th and 7th

“Blast off into Space with St. Ann”

Sponsors in all categories will be listed in the St. Ann Church Bulletin

STAGE SPONSORSHIPS - 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). Deadline is JULY 15, 2017.

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. Only ONE sponsorship is available so please contact us prior to submitting your form to ensure availability.

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.

T-SHIRT SPONSORSHIP - $350
Includes your name or logo displayed on the back of the Family Fest T-shirt. Digital logo must be provided.

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 October 1st through October 14th. 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. It can be the name of a business, family, student, club, etc.

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

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. 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 & acknowledgements. Your donation can remain anonymous & appear as “Friend of St. Ann”.

Address: ________________________________________________________________ Zip: ____________

Contact Person: _________________________ E-Mail Address: _________________________ Phone: ____________

Donation Category: _________________________ Amount Enclosed: ______________
Third Annual 24 Hour Vigil of Prayer and Fasting

St. Ann Church and National Shrine
Friday, August 18, 2017
Beginning at 7:30 am
(following the 6:30 am Mass)
Continuing until
Saturday morning, August 19, 2017
Ending with the 7:30 am Mass

(The written prayers collected throughout the vigil will be offered and burned outside of the front of Church after the 7:30 am Mass on Saturday.

Fr. Billy O’Riordan, Pastor of St. Ann Church invites everyone to the Prayer Vigil

The focus of our 24 Hour Prayer Vigil this year is to gather in prayer for,

HEALING ● PEACE ● RETURN TO THE CHURCH

Please join us for ALL or SOME of the Prayer Vigil. Fast as much as you can throughout to the extent that you are able.

Each hour will begin with a prayer devotion or, a reflection on the lives of Saints, Stations of the Cross or a teaching and reflection on a Scripture passage. The remaining part of the hour will be spent in quiet prayer for the intentions of the vigil.

On Friday evening from 7:00 pm till 9:00 pm we will have a Special Prayer Service with witnessing by four individuals who will share their stories of their Return to The Church or embracing their faith to new heights. We will also have music and song. Join us during this special time to pray for those 72% of U.S. Catholics who do not practice their Catholic faith.
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Contact: Linda Ehrhardt (504)455-7071 ext. 222

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