ST. ANN CHURCH
AND NATIONAL SHRINE
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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

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Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 pm
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455-7071, ext. 223

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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).

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.
October is almost over. We’re gearing up for Halloween, and are starting to prepare for Thanksgiving, which is probably my favorite because it is Christmas without the hassle of presents! Two very important celebrations in the Church will happen this week, and that is All Saints Day on November 1st (which is what our Halloween festivities are intended towards) and All Souls Day on November 2nd, when we stop and pray for all of those who have died. Oftentimes we let these celebrations go by without realizing their importance.

First off, it is important for us to understand the distinction between the two. When we celebrate All Saints Day, we celebrate the lives of those men and women who served God above all things in this life, and are now beginning to enjoy their eternal reward in Heaven. As there are thousands of canonized saints in the Church, who are those that the Church knows to be in Heaven, there are countless of other souls that the Church is unaware that they are in Heaven. So the Church takes time to remember all those in Heaven, canonized or not.

All Souls Day is when we remember those who have died who are not in Heaven. When we die there is a particular judgment, meaning God judges our soul individually, and we either go to Heaven, Purgatory, or Hell. Since we’ve already celebrated those in Heaven the day before, and our prayers cannot help those souls undergoing the torments of eternal death due to their own choices (God does not send anyone to Hell. It is we who send ourselves there by our actions), our prayers on November 2nd assist those in Purgatory. It is always a good and charitable thing to pray for the dead, as it is one of the spiritual works of mercy.

We should not pray for the dead just on All Souls Day, but throughout the year. The Church in her wisdom Has even ensured this to happen at every Mass. Some of you may have noticed, that the Eucharistic Prayer that I say on most Sundays, is a little different, and seems a little bit longer. You may have also noticed that there are two places that I pause during it, both before and after the words of Institution. These pauses are not just for me but for everyone to pray for certain people. The first, invites us to pray for the living. The second, invites us to pray for the dead. We are to remember these people by name and voice them in our hearts. Last Sunday I mentioned being active participants during Mass in my homily. This is another way that we can be active participants, by praying for people, by name, during these intentional pauses in the Eucharistic Prayer.

Let us take advantage of the opportunity that the Church’s Liturgical Calendar gives us, and not let these two great celebrations of All Saints Day and All Souls Day pass us by. At every Mass, let us remember the dead especially by name. May we assist them with our prayers, that they may be received into Heaven.

Reflection by Fr. Braud
All Saints Day-Remembrance for the Deceased

As is tradition in New Orleans, all Catholic Cemeteries will host special blessings of the graves on All Saints Day to encourage prayer and remembrance for the deceased. Archbishop Aymond will celebrate Mass at 10:00 AM at St. Louis Cemetery No 3, 3421 Esplanade Ave. in New Orleans. Music will be provided by St. Michael Special School Bell Choir who will also perform after the Mass. Following Mass, Archbishop Aymond will bless the graves in the cemetery and a new mosaic window created by students at St. Michael Special School in the Resurrection Mausoleum.

Priesthood Sunday October 29, 2017

Please join us on this special day, Priesthood Sunday, in praying for our priests Fr. Billy and Fr. Braud and in praising God for their courage and their generosity. A simple note, a smile or a phone call to assure them of our loving care and gratitude for their presence. We appreciate everything you do for us here at St. Ann Church!

God Bless You!

This Sunday, Oct. 29th is Priesthood Sunday. We appreciate Father Billy and Father Braud for their inspired and generous service to St. Ann Parish and School. The students will have a special “All Saints” assembly performed by the kindergarten students next week. The students will have a holiday on Nov. 1st.

Corporal works of mercy,
Understanding Conscience

Pray -In drawing closer to the Lord, we allow God’s grace to conform our minds and hearts to Christ, so that we might better discern in every moment how we ought to act.
Learn -reading the Catechism of the Catholic Church, or researching what the Church says about a challenging teaching will help us grow in knowledge of the truth.
Reflect -Immersing ourselves in the stories of holy women and men can encourage us and help us develop habits of mind that allow us to grow.
Nurture friendship -devote energy to holy friendships with people who are also trying to know, love, and serve the Lord.
St. Ann CYO presents

Journey through the Catacombs

What: A walk-through of the Roman Catacombs (replica)!!
When: Saturday, October 28th 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
**Sunday, October 29th 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
**Saturday, November 4th 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
**Sunday, November 5th 9:00 - 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Where: St. Ann Parish Ministries Center (located behind church)
Who: * Open to the public of any faith!
Cost: * By donations to the CYO only.
* Each visitor receives a candy (and blessing) upon exit!

Local Knights of Columbus Council Reopens
St. Ann is now host to a totally re-vamped council of the Knights of Columbus. Known as the Monsignor Charles Duke Council of the Knights of Columbus, new members are always welcomed to consider joining. The Knights are open to all Catholic Men who are at least 18 years old and lead a life consistent with Catholic Moral standards. To learn more, call 421-5955 or check out our website at www.kc3465.org. Be a real man! Be a Knight!

Rosary for Healing and Peace!
Our CYO will be hosting a monthly Rosary for Peace and Healing following the 5:00 p.m. Mass each second Sunday of the month. The next date is November 12th. All parishioners and friends are welcomed to participate and pray for healing and peace within our lives, family and our world. We hope you are able to join us!

St. Ann CYO is open to ALL 8th through 12th graders. Our youth group meets each Sunday evening following the 5:00 p.m. Mass in the Youth House located at 4909 Loveland Street. If you are interested in participating in any CYO event, feel free to call the church office at 455-7071, ext. 225 or attend any of CYO events listed below. Our calendar for the coming weeks is as follows.

October 28—Journey Through the Catacombs Exhibit 4:30—6:00 p.m.
Family Drive-in Movie—dusk till 9:00 p.m.
October 29—Journey Through the Catacombs Exhibit 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
CYO sports night in gym with food
November 4—Journey Through the Catacombs Exhibit
CYO Car Wash 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
November 5—Journey Through the Catacombs Exhibit
Topic Sharing Night with snacks
November 12—Rosary for Peace and Healing 6:00 p.m.

St. Ann CYO will be hosting a Car Wash on Saturday November 4th from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
Come help support our Youth!!!

Be an Organ Donor
Give your heart to Jesus!
We have recently completed the new Chapel. It is absolutely beautiful and you should definitely spend some time there in prayer. The chapel is located in the Parish Ministry Center, (the building behind the church), in the welcome center. The new welcome center is now located in the space that used to be the chapel.

Tuesday and First Friday Adoration will take place in the Chapel from here on. If you have any questions or need the code to enter the chapel, please contact the parish office at 455-7071.

I encourage Christians regularly to visit Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament, for we are all called to abide in the presence of God.

Eucharistic Adoration  By Pope John Paul II
Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center
5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie, LA 70006
The Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center invites you to join us for a Young Women's Retreat entitled "In His Image" November 3-5, 2017. For more information or to register, please visit www.retreatsforyoungwomen.com. Jane Hebert, Yvonne Hymel and Charlene Rovira are the spiritual directors for the weekend.

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Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat
The next Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat in the archdiocese will be November 10-12, 2017, at the Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center, 5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie, LA. The price is $170/person with financial assistance available. The priest facilitator is Fr. Joseph Palermo. To register or for more information, please contact the retreat facilitators: Pam Richard at 504-460-9360 or richj504@bellsouth.net or Donna Scheuer-mann at 504-258-9183. You may also visit facebook.com/rvrNOLA or www.rachelsvineyard.org for more information.

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ST. ANN’S—ST. ANTHONY MINISTRY
THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

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 item 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.
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