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

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.

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.

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 the Baptism and a Preparation Seminar, call Deacon Phil Doolen at 455-7071, ext. 231.

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. 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).

Pastor
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6th Sunday of Easter, Year B

The Easter Season is very much steeped in baptismal imagery and theology. For example, on Easter Sunday we renew our baptismal promises and are sprinkled with holy water, to remind ourselves of our baptism, so that we will live as disciples with a renewed zeal and vigor.

In our first reading we see St. Peter baptizing an entire household after they manifested their faith in Christ, visibly seen through gifts of the Holy Spirit. After witnessing this, St. Peter baptized them immediately. Most Christians have an understanding of the importance of Baptism, but some do not. Some put more emphasis, not on baptism, but on accepting Jesus as Lord and savior. What we see St. Peter doing is counter to this thinking.

This gives us an opportunity to talk about faith. Those who say we need to accept Jesus as Lord and savior view faith as an act of the will, meaning if one makes an assent of faith, that means you have faith in Jesus Christ, and will be saved. But this is an incorrect understanding of what faith is. Faith is not an act of the will. Faith is a gift received from God. Grace precedes our participation with it. We cannot will faith on our own, which is what accepting Jesus suggests. Faith is received as a gift from God. This partly explains why some people have faith in Christ and others don’t.

Our first reading also helps us to explain why we baptize infants. Faith is a gift received from God. Faith leads to our salvation. Infants receive faith and salvation when they are baptized. There is no reason why we should delay baptism until children are older, like some Christian faiths do. Baptism is the necessary sacrament of salvation according to the Church, so we baptize early and often.

As the Easter Season nears its end let us all thank God for our own baptisms. It was in receiving this sacrament that we received the gift of faith and salvation, not on our own merits, but by the merit of Jesus’ death on the Cross. It is by His wounds that we are healed.

Reflection by Fr. Braud

Mass Intentions

Sunday May 6
4:00 pm Vigil Robert McGinnis, George Sanderson, Jr., Ernest Becnel, Linda Murry (In Thanks to Blessed Mother-health), Jennie DeGenova, Gardner & McClelland Families, Jeffrey Lambert, Ida Hyver, Seltz Couvillion, Eugene Couvillion, Susan Caire, Donna Clement, Thelma Sigur, Angelle Melancon (Health), Anthony Lauto, Mertis Neuburger, Ofelia Granadillo
8:00 am Parishioners
9:30 am Juanita Burgos Haughton
11:00 am Eunice Sonnier, John Gallagher, Luis Toca, Donald J. Trump (S.I), Lelien Leial Kain, Thelma M Guice, Aaron D. Maguire (Health), Sharon Clouatre, M/M Labib & Inez Hamide & Family (S.I), M/M Abdul & Amina Sarhan (S.I), M/M Habib & Rahab Hamide & Family (S.I), Mrs. Nada Anguje (S.I.), Osama A. Alsali (S.I.), Lois Meilleur (Health)
5:00 pm Patrick O’Riordan

Monday May 7
6:30 am Frank Mason
8:45 am Hans Fink

Tuesday May 8
6:30 am Mr. & Mrs. H. C. Alexander
8:45 am Andrew Varuso (S.I)
7:00 pm Bob & Margaret Kinler

Wednesday May 9
6:30 am Kimberly Burroughs
8:45 am Hans Fink

Thursday May 10
6:30 am Carrie Labrazzo
8:45 am Shirley Adams

Friday May 11
6:30 am Louie & Stephanie Schaff (In Thanks)
8:45 am Joseph A. Caminita, Sr.

Saturday May 12
7:30 am Dulce M. Azcuy

May 6 - 12, 2018
“Sanctuary Candle”
In Memory of Shirley Adams
Last Thursday was the night of the Spring Music Concert. We are so proud of our band and choir students! The students will have an ice cream treat provided by the Home and School club on Monday. The school May Crowning is next Wednesday at 2:15 pm.

St. Ann Parish Wedding Anniversary
Couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 years and so on are invited to celebrate the anniversary of their marriage on Saturday, May 26th at the 4:00 pm Vigil Mass followed by a reception in the cafeteria. Please call the parish office to RSVP by Monday, May 21st.

Camp Abbey Summer Camp
Camp Abbey Summer Camp is a one-week, sleep-over camp run by the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Campers at Camp Abbey make life-long friends, great memories and grow in their relationship with Jesus! Activities include: arts & crafts, archery, swimming, hiking, boating, sports, camping, prayer, Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration. Campers must be completing 2nd-8th grades. Boys Camp weeks are June 3-9, June 10-16, June 17-23 and June 24-30. Please log on to our website, www.campabbey.org, to register.

St. Ann School would like to congratulate Gina Musso Lorio, a member of the first graduating class of SAS in 1981, for being awarded the 2018 Distinguished Alumni Award. Gina will be recognized at a special recognition celebration hosted by Archbishop Aymond and Dr. Raynell Houston on May 11, 2018.

In addition to being a graduate of St. Ann School, Gina has served the school as Home & School President, Family Fest Chairperson, Room Mother, and parish wedding coordinator. Gina is the founder and director of the Miracle League of Greater New Orleans, a non-profit with the vision to provide any disabled child, regardless of their level of disability, the opportunity to play league sports and enjoy the emotional and physical benefits of being part of a team. Gina is married to Richard Lorio and has two children, Mallory and Justin, both graduates of St. Ann.

Congratulations to Gina Musso Lorio!
St. Ann School is proud of Gina, and of all of our alumni. Do you know a notable St. Ann graduate who should be considered for this award in the future? Send more information to Sara Cooper, Development Director, at scooperc@stannschool.org, or by calling 504-455-7051 x. 181. All alumni are encouraged to update the school with their information by visiting https://www.stannschool.org/about-us/alumni/ and filling out the Alumni Contact form.

Congratulations to Mrs. Ann Bordelon and Mrs. Betty Davis as they are the recipients of the Order of St. Louis IX Medallion on Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 3 PM at St. Louis Cathedral from Archbishop Aymond. Thank you for your dedicated service to St. Ann Parish.
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, 2018.

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.

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, 2018.

FAIR BUCKS SPONSORSHIP - $750
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. Deadline is JULY 15, 2018.

T-SHIRT SPONSORSHIP - $350
Includes your name or logo displayed on the back of the Family Fest T-shirt. Digital logo must be provided. Deadline is JULY 15, 2018.

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 September 30th through October 13th. 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.

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. 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.

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Address: ____________________________________________________ Zip: ________________
Contact Person: ____________________________ E-Mail: __________________________ Phone: __________________________
Donation Category: ____________________________ Amount Enclosed: __________________________
This Week at Home

Monday, May 7
St. Lydia
The First Reading tells of the conversion of Lydia. She was a dealer of purple cloth, which was expensive. She encounters Paul and Timothy outside the city gates and by God’s grace, her heart was opened to receive the Good News. This encounter with the Word moved her to receive Baptism along with her household. The hospitality she provides is the same care we are called to offer our neighbors. Spend fifteen minutes listening to the Lord in silence today. Today’s Readings: Acts 16:11–15; Psalm 149:1b – 2, 3 – 4, 5 – 6a and 9b; John 15:26 — 16:4a.

Tuesday, May 8
The Jailer
The reading from Acts provides another account of conversion. After an earthquake opened the door of the cell, the jailer was amazed that the prisoners remained. What moved the jailer to seek the Lord? When the Word of God resonates in our hearts, it shakes with joy and yearns to be in communion with the living God. Paul and Silas teach that belief in God saves. Do you experience daily conversion? Today, pray for those imprisoned in any way. Today’s Readings: Acts 16:22 – 34; Psalm 138:1–2ab, 2cde – 3, 7c – 8; John 16:5 – 11.

Wednesday, May 9
Mighty and Strong
Is your heart alive with the joy of the Resurrection? Today’s Psalm places upon our lips words of praise. Recall the Easter Vigil and the signs and symbols. Christ has truly conquered sin and death, and by his Resurrection, restored all life. We have much to be grateful for and much to share. Join with all of creation and sing your praise to God, who is mighty and strong. How can you spend time expressing praise? Can you do this through drawing, baking, gardening, poetry, or writing in your journal? Today’s Readings: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Psalm 148:1 – 2, 11–12, 13, 14; John 16:12 – 15.

Thursday, May 10
The Ascension of the Lord

Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter
The First Reading introduces us to a married missionary couple: Aquila and Priscilla, who lived and worked with Paul. The little we know about the couple tells us they were strong pillars in their community and great teachers of the faith. Today, pray for all catechists. Today’s Readings: Acts 18:1– 8; Psalm 98:1, 2 – 3ab, 3cd – 4; John 16:16 – 20.

Friday, May 11
Shake with Joy
A line in the Exsultet, the proclamation the deacon sings at the Easter Vigil, states, “let his holy building shake with joy, filled with the mighty voices of the peoples.” These words are so vivid they nearly bring about a tangible vision. The joy of Christ’s triumph over death fills the whole Church and should “shake” our hearts with joy. Allow the love of Christ to capture your being. Today’s Readings: Acts 18:9 –18; Psalm 47:2 – 3, 4 – 5, 6 –7; John 16:20 – 23.

Saturday, May 12
Sing
Knowing that God loves you and fills you with joy, lift your voice in song as you sing (even make up a melody) Psalm 47 for your prayer. Today’s Readings: Acts 18:23 – 28; Psalm 47:2 – 3, 8 – 9, 10; John 16:23b – 28.
St. Ann Church will be offering a video-led series with a focus on the Mass and Eucharist. This video is narrated by Dr. Brant Pitre and will be offered on Tuesday evenings beginning May 22 in the Parish Ministries Center. There is NO COST to participate and all materials and refreshments will be provided. Acclaimed author and teacher Dr. Brant Pitre rigorously digs down to the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Apostolic teaching. We’ll discover firsthand how Christ's Body and Blood are an integral and wondrous part of God's plan for our salvation. The sessions will held from 6:30—8:00 p.m. in the Parish Ministries Center.

Join us May 22nd to Make Mass More Meaningful!

Men’s Club Family Cabbageball Registration Open

This year’s Summer Cabbageball league will offer TWO separate rounds for our students and families to participate in. The first round will be each Monday and Wednesday from June 4—27. The second round will be Mondays and Wednesdays from July 9—August 1. Each session is a stand alone round and students entering grades Kindergarten up to 7th grade can participate in one or both rounds. Prices begin at $35 for one session but will be adjusted to number of sessions played and number of children in a family. Each round will receive team photos, trophies, weekly treats and activities and a closing party. For more info, contact Andrew Silva at 504-858-7103 or asilva06@cox.net. Parents can also volunteer as on field coaches! Register at: https://www.signupforms.com/registrations/14124

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Ministry Spotlight

Altar Society

The Altar Society prepares the worship environment for the Sunday Eucharist and the major feasts and seasons. The Society is comprised of volunteers dedicated to serving the Lord and St. Ann Parish through involvement in one or more of the following committees: Linens, Plants, Decor and Housekeeping. As you can imagine, volunteers are always welcomed to assist. Contact the church office at 455-7071 if you’d like to help!
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