ST. ANN CHURCH & 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

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Parochial Vicar
Rev. Fr. Vincent Nguyen,
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Rev. Mr. Philip Doolen,
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www.stannschool.org

BAPTISM
Please call the Church Office at least three months before the anticipated date of birth. To schedule the Baptism and a Preparation Seminar, call the Baptism Coordinator at 455-7071, ext. 2230.

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 3:20pm - 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.

CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD
For students in grades Kindergarten through 3rd during the Sunday 9:30 am Mass.

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).
September is the month dedicated to the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady. The Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15th was officially added to the Church Calendar in 1913 by Pope Pius X. The Seven Sorrows of Our Lady are Scripture based, and they are:
The Prophecy of Simeon at the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple [Luke 2:22-35]
The Flight into Egypt [Matthew 2:13-21]
Mary meets Jesus on his way to the Cross [Luke 23:26-32]
Jesus dies on the Cross [John 19:18,25-27]
Jesus is taken down from the Cross [John 19:31-34]
Jesus is laid in the tomb [Matthew 27:59]

Through her great sufferings, Mary helps to show us the true evil of sin but, as we know, prays for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. She leads us humbly to Jesus for repentance and salvation. Mary understands the severity of our pain and loss, especially when it comes to the death of a child and loved ones.

In short, today’s readings bring us to the subject of humility... conduct your affairs with humility and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts... When you are invited to a banquet do not recline at places of honor. The word humility comes from the Latin word humus which means soil. Hence, to be humble literally means to be a down-to-earth kind of person. A person close to the ground need have no fear of a fall. Recently I came across this line: “Humility does not consist in what we profess with our lips but in what we do afterwards.” Humility is a garment we all need to wear. We can use humility as a challenge to conform ourselves to the ways of Christ, and to change the lives of others. Pope Francis says that there is no humility without humiliation... A worthy comment for reflection!

The door of life is a door of mystery. It becomes slightly shorter than the one who wishes to enter in, and thus only he who bows in humility can cross the threshold. We cannot receive the Gospel if we do not come down from a certain view of ourselves and admit that we are sinners and rebellious, stubborn and contrary. We are called intentionally as disciples to the opposite and lower place... Anyway, there’s always more fun at the back table than the front table. In closing, I share this line: Humility is not some kind of ribbon or medal you wear. The only way you reveal your humility is if you treat others more highly than yourself.

Reflection: Fr. Billy

Sunday September 1
4:00 pm Dominick Martello, Walter Dyer

8:00 am Marjorie Person
9:30 am Parishioners
11:00 am Miriam & Dalton Barranger, Clarence Schultz, Stacieanne Chatelain, Clarence F. Schlamp, Robert Karl, Ena Thibodeaux, Ashley Code, Laurette Erwin, Hector Maldonado, Maurice Lion

Monday September 2
6:30 am Anna Vo
8:45 am Thomas J. Kelly

Tuesday September 3
6:30 am Josephine Welch
8:45 am Mr. & Mrs. H.C. Alexander
7:00 pm Christopher Small (Birthday)

Wednesday September 4
6:30 am Buddy Hyver
8:45 am Blanche Smith

Thursday September 5
6:30 am Helen Petrie
8:45 am Michael & Marian Donahoe

Friday September 6
6:30 am Cliff Williams
8:45 am Ricky Perrodin

Saturday September 7
7:30 am Kenneth Blanke (SI)
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

St. Ann Church
St. Anthony Ministry to the Poor

One of the most amazing muntries at St. Ann Parish is St. Anthony Ministry to the Poor. This ministry is driven by the generosity and kindness of people to the Poor Box in the Shrine as well as bringing food items in times of need. Some of our parishioners have taken this ministry of caring for the poor and people who may have come on hard times. They spend time listening to the needs of people who come to the Church Office frequently and then prayerfully decide how monies should be dispersed. From July 1, 2019 until June 30, 2019 [Church Fiscal Year] our St. Anthony Ministry has paid out $75,662.43 in helping 1,502 people in need. The following shows a breakdown of how people were helped:

- $16,260.00 – Food – 991 people helped
- $913.41 – Medicine – 13 people helped
- $0.00 – No Help – 61 people
- $41,528.44 – Rent – 196 people helped
- $1,451.79 – Travel – 11 people helped
- $14,508.48 – Utilities – 171 people helped
- $1,000.31 – Other – 16 People helped

I think this ministry speaks for itself, maybe even tugs at the heart when it comes to our giving back in helping St. Ann Church help others. It brings to mind of course the Gospel words of Jesus in Matthew 25:31-46.

“No one has ever become poor by giving.”
Anne Frank

St. Ann Church is proud to announce its newest ministry
“Be The Face of Jesus”

The purpose of this ministry is to share with our neighbors and friends, the Golden message of Jesus…..

“Do unto others as you would have them do unto you”

The goal of this ministry is to show the face of Jesus to others, no matter what their religion may be. By doing this simple act, we are ourselves becoming the face of Jesus.

The ministry will provide a thought gift and a nice note to reach out to our neighbors. We have thought bags for a new baby, a new home, a sick loved one, or the death of a loved one. We can provide you with the thought bag to give to your neighbor, or we can get a member of the ministry to deliver it to their home. The only thing that we ask of you is that you give us the information on your neighbors and friends that you would like to share a thought bag with.

To share the news of a new baby, a new home, a sick loved one, or deceased loved one You can send an email to either:

Stephanie Milano Milano8073@bellsouth.net
Cassi Code Codefamily@att.net

If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please email as well. We need help with putting the thought bags together on a periodic basis and possibly delivering them.

We look forward to being the face of Jesus in our parish and spreading some peace and kindness.
A wedding band was found in the church. Please come to the parish office to identify and claim it if you lost yours.

The students will have Labor Day holidays on August 30th and September 2nd.

The first fair and T-shirt day of this school year will be Friday, September 6th.

St. Ann Parish will host a Safe Environment Workshop in the school cafeteria October 17, 2019 7 pm

If you attend, please be sure to sign in, as this is our only means of verifying your attendance.

Ashley Code Pay it Forward Memorial Golf Tournament At Bayou Oaks Golf Course • Friday, September 13, 2019

Join with the St. Ann Men’s Club as they host their 3rd Annual Ashley Code Pay It Forward Memorial Golf Tournament at Bayou Oaks Golf Course in Park on Ashley Code Day, Friday, September 13, 2019. This event is a signature fundraiser for the Ashley Code Fund, dedicated to assisting families and children facing debilitating illnesses within our St. Ann community.

There are multiple ways to support this event including support through sponsorship, donation of goods or services which can help us offset certain costs.

Our goal for the proceeds from this tournament to help pay forward the generosity and care for others which was so integral in Ashley’s life. A portion of the proceeds will also go to pediatric brain cancer research.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
Friday, September 13, 2019
Four Person Handicap Scramble
SHOTGUN START
12:30 PM North • 1:00 PM South
Enjoy a catered lunch & tournament reception
All participants receive tournament t-shirt
Mulligans $10 each; two per player maximum
Putt Contest Tickets $10 (Adults) $5 (Child)
Raffle Drawing Tickets $1
Prizes offered for hole-in-one

ST. ANN PARISH

Thank you to these ladies for the fine job they do for our St. Ann community. God bless you and your ministry!

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To: Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Archdiocese of New Orleans

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

It is our archdiocesan tradition to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation, better known as confession, on a weekday evening near the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. I am pleased to inform you that many people in the Archdiocese of New Orleans have taken advantage of this opportunity.

This year confessions will be available in all Catholic churches in the Archdiocese of New Orleans on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 from 5:00PM – 6:30PM. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity to invite the healing Christ into your heart with his promise of mercy.

Pope Francis has reminded us that God never tires of forgiving us. Perhaps we grow tired of asking for forgiveness. Pope Francis said, “Confession is the passage from misery to mercy... This is the heart of Confession: not the sins we declare, but the divine love we receive, of which we are ever in need. The confessional is a place of mercy.”

Please consider having your family come to church together for Confession on Wednesday, September 11.

Wishing you God’s blessings,

I am Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond
Archbishop of New Orleans
GMA/mk
Parish School of Religion Begins
Tuesday, September 3rd at 6:45 p.m.

Our students in grades Kindergarten through twelfth grade begin classes for the 2019-20 school year on Tuesday, September 3 at 6:45 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Any student who does not attend a Catholic school should attend our Parish School of Religion. You may still register this Tuesday, but don’t delay! We hope to see you there!

Confirmation Registration

All incoming 11th grade students wishing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation at St. Ann Church should register for preparation classes that will begin in the Fall using the link below. The sacrament of Confirmation is received in the eleventh grade year for all students in a formal religious education program (including Catholic high schools). Contact the church office at 455-7071, ext. 2225 if you have any questions or concerns. To register, go to this link: shorturl.at/glty2

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Do you want to know more about the Catholic Church? The parish faith community of St. Ann Church invites you or someone you may know to a series of inquiry sessions that will invite inquirers to the Faith an opportunity to explore the church in a non-committal way. Invite someone you know who may be interested in the Catholic Church. Your invitation may be the one that they are waiting for! Call the church office at 455-7071, ext. 2225 for more information.

Local KC Council Hosts Dance for Special Needs Folks!

Our local Knights of Columbus council is hosting a dinner and dance for special needs people of all ages on Saturday, September 14th. Our council will cook food and provide music for an evening of food and fun. The event, called “Who Let The Dogs Out” will feature a special guest mascot! There is no cost for special needs folks but reservations are required. If you know of someone who may be interested in attending, contact us by email at kc3465@gmail.com.

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Religious Education

Adult Evening Bible Study
Letter of James—Pearls of Wise Living

Looking for an anchor to hold you steady through the storms of life? Want the secret to find joy in the midst of trials? Interested in learning to recognize the source of discord and the way to peace? James, one of the most practical books of the Bible, is a collection of teachings on issues faced by ordinary Christians in everyday life. In James: Pearls for Wise Living, presenter Jeff Cavins shows how the teachings of James speak to those of us who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and our Faith. Meant to help a fledgling Church live out its Faith in the face of persecution and a worldview opposed to the gospel, in James you’ll discover wisdom you can apply to the present day. This ten-week video-led course will begin on Tuesday, September 17th at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria, and continue for until November 19th. The cost will be $25 for the course material and refreshments. All adults are welcomed to attend!

Want to be a Knight?

The Knights of Columbus is a charity and fraternal organization open to all Catholic Men who are at least 18 years old and lead a life consistent with Catholic teachings. “Whether at home or abroad, charity is our Order’s first principle and the basis for all we do as brother Knights. It is the tangible way that we live out that spirit of fraternity and “missionary discipleship” to which Pope Francis has called us.” - Supreme Knight Carl Anderson.
To learn more, call 455-7071, ext 2225 or check out our website at www.kc3465.org.
Be Bold! Be a Real Man! Be a Knight!
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