ST. ANN CHURCH & NATIONAL SHRINE
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WEEKEND EUCHARIST
Saturday: 7:30 AM Mass
4:00 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday Masses:
8:00, 9:30,11:00 am & 5:00 PM

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Monday - Friday:
6:30 am & 8:45 am
Tuesday: 7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION
Tuesday: 6:00 to 7:00 pm
Saturday: 3:00 to 4:00 pm
or by appointment

EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSSED SACRAMENT
Tuesday: 9:30 am to 6:00 pm
Ending with Benediction
First Friday: 9:15 - 10:00 am

Pastor: Fr. Billy O’Riordan
Parochial Vicar:
Fr. Vincent Nguyen

WEEKDAY CHURCH HOURS
M-W-Th-Friday
6:00 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday
6:00 am to 8:15 pm

Pray with us on Saturdays!
Chaplet of Divine Mercy
3:00 PM
Rosary 3:20 PM
Mass 4:00 PM

St. Ann School
stannschool.org

4921 Meadowdale St.
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Lindsay Guidry, Principal

Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?
1 Corinthians 3:16
Holy as God: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leviticus 19:1-2 17-18
Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13
1 Corinthians 3:15-23
Matthew 5:38-48

We are called to the holiness of God. That is the extraordinary claim made in both the First Reading and Gospel this Sunday. Yet how is it possible that we can be perfect as our Father in heaven is perfect? Jesus explains that we must be imitators of God as His beloved children (Ephesians 5:1–2).

As God does, we must love without limit—with a love that does not distinguish between friend and foe, overcoming evil with good (see Romans 12:21).

Jesus Himself, in His Passion and death, gave us the perfect example of the love that we are called to.

He offered no resistance to the evil—even though He could have commanded twelve legions of angels to fight alongside Him. He offered His face to be struck and spit upon. He allowed His garments to be stripped from Him. He marched as His enemies compelled Him to the Place of the Skull. On the cross He prayed for those who persecuted Him (see Matthew 26:53–54, 67; 27:28, 32; Luke 23:34).

In all this He showed Himself to be the perfect Son of God. By His grace, and through our imitation of Him, He promises that we too can become children of our heavenly Father.

God does not deal with us as we deserve, as we sing in this week’s Psalm. He loves us with a Father’s love. He saves us from ruin. He forgives our transgressions. He loved us even when we had made ourselves His enemies through our sinfulness. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us (see Romans 5:8).

We have been bought with the price of the blood of God’s only Son (see 1 Corinthians 6:20). We belong to Christ now, as St. Paul says in this week’s Epistle. By our baptism, we have been made temples of His Holy Spirit.

And we have been saved to share in His holiness and perfection. So let us glorify Him by our lives lived in His service, loving as He loves.


Mass Intentions

**Sunday**  February 23

4:00 pm Vigil  George A. Sanderson, Jr., Bob & Jean Segura, Ernie Becnel, Robert Palmer, Sr., Mrs. Karen Will, Luu Phan, Mr. & Mrs. J. Goodyear, Vincent Salamone, Msgr. W. Wendell Sontheimer, Jules Albert, Jr. (SI), Dennis Raymond, Jane Rogers, Janet Abadie Gonzalez, Bill Elliott, Mr & Mrs. H.C. Alexander

8:00 am  Jane Worley

9:30 am  Nettie Hayward

11:00 am  Lee Russell Centanni, George S. Turrpie III, Ron Manley, Rita P. Baker, Gale Oddo, Edward Gerding, Andrew Ravaglia III, Tu Tran, Thien Tran, Robert Armbruster, Sr., Sister Mary Joycelyn Orme, RSM, Lloveras Wegmann, Poor Souls in Purgatory

5:00 pm  Parishioners

**Monday**  February 24

6:30 am  Gale Oddo

8:45 am  Albert M. Johns

**Tuesday**  February 25

6:30 am  Mr. & Mrs. H.C. Alexander

8:45 am  Luis Toca

**Wednesday**  February 26

6:30 am  Conchetta Dubret

8:45 am  Michael Bonura

6:00 pm  Marie Russell

**Thursday**  February 27

6:30 am  Gale Oddo

8:45 am  Laura McGinnis

**Friday**  February 28

6:30 am  Gale Oddo

8:45 am  Patricia Vezina

**Saturday**  February 29

7:30 am  Gale Oddo

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**February 23 - 29, 2020**

**Sanctuary Light (Church)**
Patricia Vezina

**Sanctuary Light (Chapel)**
Sister Mary Joycelyn Orme, RSM
PARISH CALENDAR

23 6 PM CYO - Youth House
24 Lundi Gras - Parish Office Closed
   School Mardi Gras Holidays 2/21 - 2/28
   No Holiday Care
25 Mardi Gras Day
   Office Closed
   No Adoration
   No PSR
   No 7 PM Mass
26 Ash Wednesday
   6:30 AM Mass
   8:45 AM Mass
   Noon Liturgy of the Word with Ashes
   3 PM Liturgy of the Word with Ashes
   6 PM Mass
27 Holiday Care Provided
   9:30 AM Adult Catechism Study - St. Raymond
   6 PM Knights of Columbus (General) - St. Raymond
28 Holiday Care Provided
   6 PM Knights of Columbus Lenten Dinner
29 Deadline for Confirmation Interviews Session 2

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]; Mt 4:1-11

St. Ann School News
Please check with the school office at 455-8383 if you missed Registration, but wish to check for any grade level openings. Our school will be closed through next week. Happy Mardi Gras!

Think, Reach, Shine!

"Share the Light of Christ by Showing God’s Love to Others!"

Wednesday, March 18
Altar Viewing - Gym, 12:00PM-8:00PM
Altar Blessing - Gym
12:00PM
Rosary-Gym, 7:00PM

Thursday, March 19
Altar Viewing - Gym, 9:00AM-4:00PM
Tupa Tupa - Gym, 12:00PM
Lunch - Cafeteria, Following Tupa Tupa

St. Ann Family Feast
Hosted by St. Ann Men’s Club
stannmensclub.org
Saturday, March 14, 2020
12:00 - 6:00 PM

St. Ann Parking Lot
Kid Zone $10 entire event
Cook-Off samples $2
additional food
and snacks available
$5 Raffle on a Big Green Egg cooker
FORMED Lectio: Salvation

In Lectio: Salvation, Dr. Michael Barber will use the prayer tradition of lectio divina to help us understand the biblical basis for the Catholic teaching on salvation.

Sign up for free at stannchurchandshrine.formed.org

FORMED LENTEN REFLECTIONS

Join us for a 40-day journey of allowing His tender love to entirely transform our lives. Receive short, daily videos from Scripture scholar Dr. Tim Gray straight to your inbox every morning.

Apply our suggested challenges throughout the rest of your day to fully invite Christ into each and every moment.

Sign up now at formed.org/lent

LENTEN REMINDERS

Ash Wednesday
February 26, 2020
Please remember the importance of fasting and abstinence on this day and a strong spirit of prayer, fasting, and charity throughout Lent.

Liturgy Schedule
Masses
6:30 AM, 8:45 AM, 6 PM
Liturgy of the Word
with Distribution of Ashes
12:00 PM and 3:00 PM

The guidelines for Catholics on fasting and abstinence are as follows: Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one’s needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years or older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and on all Fridays of Lent. The determination of certain days as obligatory days of penance should not be understood as limiting the occasions for Christian penance.

Lenten Mission
March 9, 10 & 11
Masses at 10 AM & 7 PM
See flyer for details

Confessions in Every Parish
March 18, March 25, and April 1
5:00 PM to 6:30 PM
The Archdiocese of New Orleans will offer Confessions in every parish on three consecutive Wednesdays:

Lenten Friendly Meals
Every Friday of Lent ~ 6 PM
See menu for details

Stations of the Cross
Every Friday of Lent
St. Ann Church ~ 7:00 PM
SAFE ENVIRONMENT

The Archdiocese of New Orleans is changing from Austin Computing to Catholic Mutual for Safe Environment training and recordkeeping. If you have already done training and were registered with Austin Computing, your record has been migrated to Catholic Mutual.

Please go to [https://neworleans.cmgconnect.org](https://neworleans.cmgconnect.org), log in with the same information you used to log in with Austin Computing, and verify and/or update your record. Please pay particular attention to your contact information – especially email address - and date of birth, as this information is vital to keeping your background check up to date. If you have any problems logging in, please feel free to call me.

Need to attend a workshop so you can volunteer?
If you are new to Safe Environment training, please go to [https://neworleans.cmgconnect.org](https://neworleans.cmgconnect.org) and set up an account. You will be asked to complete all required boxes and then you will be able to sign up for a workshop. St. Ann is having a workshop in our cafeteria on March 12, 2020 at 7PM. Please be sure to sign in when you attend a workshop so that we have a record of your attendance.

Training and background checks are good for three years. Once you have attended a workshop in person, you will be able to renew your training online at CMG Connect.

If you are no longer volunteering with children in St. Ann Parish, please let me know so I can archive your record. We have to pay for each person recorded, so archiving inactive volunteers saves the parish money.

Thank you for your patience as we make this change. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration

The Archdiocesan Golden Anniversary celebration will take place on Sunday, June 7, 2020, at 3:00 PM in St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie. This event is for couples married 50 years or more. Each couple will receive a certificate and picture with Archbishop Aymond. Please register by Friday, March 20, 2020, by contacting the parish or going to nolacatholic.org/wedding-anniversary.

Please Note: This celebration will not be a Mass, but a prayer service. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one’s respective parish.
**Meatless Meals EVERY Friday in Lent!**

**February 28**—Fried Fish, Boiled potatoes, Corn, bread, cookie $10 *(Dine in or Carry out)* sponsored by the **Knights of Columbus**

**March 6**—Fried Fish ($10), Shrimp ($10), Combo ($12), Seafood Gumbo ($5), Smashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread; Pizza by the Slice ($2), Fries ($1) sponsored by the **St. Ann Men’s Club**

**March 13**—Fried Fish, Boiled Potatoes, Corn, Bread, Cookie $10, *(Take and Go only)* sponsored by the **Knights of Columbus**

**March 20**—Fried Fish, Boiled Potatoes, Corn, Bread, Cookie $10 *(Dine in or Carry out)* sponsored by the **Knights of Columbus**

**March 27**—Fried Fish ($10), Shrimp ($10), Combo ($12), Seafood Gumbo ($5), Smashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Pizza by the Slice ($2), Fries ($1), sponsored by the **St. Ann Men’s Club**

**April 3**—Shrimp Etouffee— $10 *(Take and Go only)* sponsored by the **Knights of Columbus**

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**How well do you know your Catholic Faith?**

1. There are only two days of Fast and Abstinence during the year. One is Ash Wednesday, which is the second?
   A. Holy Thursday   B. Pentecost  
   C. Good Friday    D. Ascension Thursday

2. Which of the following is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation?
   A. Ash Wednesday   B. Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God  
   C. All Saint’s Day    D. Assumption of Mary

3. Besides Sundays, how many Holy Days of Obligation are celebrated in the United States?
   A. 5   B. 4   C. 6   D. 7

4. Counting Peter and Pope Francis, how many popes has the Catholic Church had in its 2,000 year history?
   A. 164   B. 211   C. 266   D. 417

5. How many sacraments can be received only once?
   A. 2   B. 3   C. 4   D. 0

6. To what does the term “Doctor of the Church” refer?
   A. Those who have the gift of healing  
   B. All priests since they heal the faithful through the Sacraments of Anointing and Confession  
   C. All bishops since they have the charism of healing  
   D. A saint whose writings have provided great learning to the Church

See answers at bottom of this page.