April 5, 2020
At the name of Jesus
every knee should bend . . .
and every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Philippians 2:10, 11

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TEMPORARY WEEKDAY CHURCH HOURS
MONDAY - FRIDAY
8:30 am - 6:00 pm

RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 3:00

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Lindsay Guidry, Principal
### Parish Calendar

All meetings and events have been canceled in accordance with the guidance of the Archbishop with regard to the restrictions set forth by the President and the Governor for no gatherings of more than 10 people.

Masses and Evening Prayer are being live-streamed on Facebook and our website.

https://stannchurchandshrine.org/videos-mass-and-evening-prayer

Please refer to our website for schedule updates.

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### Readings for the Week

**Monday**  
Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday**  
Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday**  
Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday**  
Chirist Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21  
Lord’s Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

**Friday**  
Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

**Saturday**  
a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;  
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16:5, 8-11;  
c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;  
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;  
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;  
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;  
g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;  
h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mt 28:1-10  

**Sunday**  
Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10  
or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

### Mass Intentions

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<td>Marie Russel, Allobello &amp; Burst Families, Blessed Mother for Health (L.M.), President Donald Trump, Wayne Nolan, A.J. Achary, Hans Fink, Gerry S. Blanke, Souls in Purgatory, Steve Arceneux (Health), Paul L. Seghers</td>
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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  

Well, brothers and sisters, ordinarily speaking you would be joining me with Fr. Vincent, our deacons, readers, ministers, servers, and ushers in Church waving palm branches - branches carefully pruned and prepared by the scouts in preparation for the celebration of the Lord’s entrance into Jerusalem. What begins with songs of triumph and waving branches quickly shifts to condemnation and the Lord’s Passion in a matter of days. Hence, the crown of thorns on top of the palm branch in the above picture.

Red vestments are worn by clergy. The priest may wear a red cope, which he leaves aside when the procession is over, and then puts on a red chasuble. Usually crosses and images of the saints are covered since the Fifth Sunday of Lent. The cross remains covered until the unveiling at the Celebration of the Lord’s Passion on Good Friday. Statues and other images of the saints remain covered until the beginning of the Easter Vigil. **The joys and sorrows, the preparation and festive celebration in observance of Holy Week will be very different this year.** These are the plans for our churches in the archdiocese.

- **Palm Sunday:** Mass will be celebrated as usual. Priests will bless palms [assuming we have them] and leave them in church for the faithful should they desire to take them.
- **Holy Thursday:** Priests [and deacons] will celebrate the **Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper in the church** ... The washing of the feet will be omitted. The Eucharistic Procession to the Blessed Sacrament Chapel is to be omitted as well. The Blessed Sacrament will be kept in the church tabernacle.
- **Good Friday:** Priests [and deacons] may celebrate the Passion of the Lord. For the veneration, the priest, while standing before the altar holds the elevated Cross for the faithful to adore in silence.
- **The Easter Vigil:** This will be celebrated with a small number of the faithful. The Easter Candle will be lit and the **Exsultet/Easter Proclamation** follows immediately. Baptism[s], Confirmation [s], and Profession of Faith **may be done** - these rites can be delayed until a later stage.
- **Easter Sunday:** Mass for Easter Sunday will follow the guidelines of previous Sunday celebrations.

These liturgies will be **livestreamed on Facebook and on our webpage.** We are not alone brothers and sisters during this Holy Week. Jesus Christ walks with us, celebrates with us in our desire to receive him through spiritual communion, and bears our pain and sorrow on the Cross. It is comforting to know that Jesus Christ can sit with us and truly empathize when we experience loss. **Prayer and faith can bring about a new and important change for us.**

Continue to pray brothers and sisters in Christ in this time of separation. For some, this is very stressful and depressing. Some are overworked, and some have lost their jobs ... Pray! I’ll close with this line from St. Francis de Sales: “Have patience with all things, but first of all with yourself.”

**Reflection: Fr. Billy**
Did you know, if at any time you cannot go to Mass, in or out of this season of the coronavirus, you can still unite to the Eucharist through making a Spiritual Communion?

By making an Act of Spiritual Communion, we express our faith in Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist and ask him to unite himself with us.

You may also make this Spiritual Communion anytime you need it and as often as you need it.

Note: If you are dispensed from your Sunday obligation (undue risk to one’s health/safety or the health/safety of another is a grave reason right now and a legitimate excuse to stay home) you must still honor the Lord’s Day and keep the Sabbath holy such as praying, watching Mass or spending time worshipping God.

Please remember that for the faithful of the Archdiocese of New Orleans the obligation to attend Mass has been dispensed. Since no public Masses may be celebrated, we are live-streaming daily Mass on our Facebook page and website at 8:45 AM, Weekend Masses at 4 PM Vigil on Saturday and 9:30 AM on Sunday, and you can make an Act of Spiritual Communion.

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We have had several people ask about how to make contributions.

Just as we are unable to have public Masses, we are unable to pass the basket for your generous and kind weekly offering, and obviously, our expenses continue. It is preferred that you use electronic giving for your support at this time, if possible. However, you are welcome to mail your envelopes to the parish office as well.

The link for electronic giving is https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stannchurch
The office address is 4940 Meadowdale St., Metairie, LA 70006.

Let us continue to pray deeply during this time of great difficulty, especially for those who work in the medical field and those in hospitals at this time.

- St. Ann, Mother of the Mother of God ... Pray for us!
- St. Michael ... Pray for us!
- St. Roch ... Pray for us!
- Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos ... Pray for us!
- Our Lady of Prompt Succor ... Pray for us!

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**Prayer to your Guardian Angel when you cannot attend Mass**

O HOLY ANGEL at my side,
Go to Church for me,
Kneel in my place, at Holy Mass,
Where I desire to be.

At Offertory, in my stead,
Take all I am and own,
And place it as a sacrifice
Upon the Altar Throne.

At Holy Consecration’s bell,
Adore with Seraph’s love,
My Jesus hidden in the Host,
Come down from Heaven above.

Then pray for those I dearly love,
And those who cause me grief,
That Jesus’ Blood may cleanse all hearts,
And suffering souls relieve.

And when the priest Communion takes,
Oh, bring my Lord to me,
That His sweet Heart may rest on mine,
And I His temple be.

Pray that this Sacrifice Divine,
May mankind’s sins efface;
Then bring me Jesus’ blessing home,
The pledge of every grace. Amen
Are you home with time on your hands and feeling separated from your faith because of social distancing? Why not take this opportunity to learn more about your faith by using FORMED. You can sign up for free through St. Ann’s subscription at stannchurchandshrine.formed.org.

St. Ann Parish has purchased a subscription to FORMED, which is an online platform that contains “The best Catholic Content, all in one place.” This site is similar to Netflix and is filled with Catholic movies, programs, audio, and e-books. We invite you to sign up using our parish link so that you can enjoy all this content at no charge to you.
Collecting New Socks for Men, Women and Children in Need
Drop off your NEW socks in the collection boxes at any entrance to the church. These will be donated to local homeless shelters.

For Toes In Need!!!
Knights of Columbus Presents

The Persistent Employee
Based upon: Luke 18:1-8

“Then he told them a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary.” Luke 18:1

An owner of a company had an employee who felt she was being treated unfairly by one of the managers. The manager’s main concern however was with his business, and specifically, the percentage of profit that he saw each month. Personal conflicts in the workplace were of no concern of his unless it affected his bottom-line. His employees were seen to him as parts of a machine that allowed him to make money. The welfare of the people who worked for him was of no interest at all to him.

Several times a week, the employee would try to see the owner and explain her situation. The manager was being unresponsive and the mistreatment continued month after month. The wronged employee would constantly hound the owner to do something on her behalf, but the owner repeatedly refused, stating that it wasn’t his business to get involved in the minutia of the everyday operations of the business. “Stop bothering me,” he’d say. “This has nothing to do with me. If you don’t like it, leave.”

But the employee persisted. Week after week, the situation would continue, and the employee would send emails, leave messages and attempt to make appointments with the owner. Eventually, the owner became weary of the repeated contacts and finally succumbed to the pressure and agreed to address the situation. His thought process was, “Even though I personally don’t care about the employee’s situation, I simply wish to quiet her and her complaints.” As he looked into the situation, he agreed that the manager should be fired and a new one installed. His company worked smoother and the employee continued working happily within the company.

“Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? 8I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily.” Luke 18:8

Religious Education Classes CANCELLED Until After Easter!
Due to the Coronavirus Epidemic, all classes for Parish School of Religion will follow the directives put forth by the Governor and Archdiocese and will not meet in class until Tuesday, April 21st. We pray for all those affected, will be affected and victims of this disease. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, Hasten to Help us!

New Video-led Adult Bible Study
At St. Ann Church
At every Sunday Mass, Catholics confess that Jesus came down from heaven “for us men and for our salvation.” But what does “salvation” mean? Find out the answers in this Lectio series on Salvation. Participants have the option of attending either Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. or Tuesday mornings, at 9:45 a.m. in the Parish Ministries Center (located just behind the church). These sessions will begin at a date later to be determined!

In this remarkable 10-part video series, Scripture scholar and theologian Michael Patrick Barber provides a thorough, deeply Catholic, and deeply biblical, answer. There is no cost to attend and refreshments are provided!

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