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stannchurchandshrine.org/coronavirus-updates

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

RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 3:00

ST. ANN CHURCH & NATIONAL SHRINE

Watch live
Facebook
@StAnnChurchandShrine
Website
https://stannchurchandshrine.org/videos-mass-and-evening-prayer

Daily Mass
8:45 AM

Weekend Masses
4:00 PM Vigil Saturday
9:30 AM Sunday Mass

Evening Prayer
Monday-Friday & Sunday
6:00 PM

Confessions
Saturday 3:00 PM
Outside on the Transcontinental side of the Church

The church will remain open daily for private prayer
8:30 PM to 6:30 PM
**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 other devotions are being live-streamed on Facebook and our website. [https://stannchurchandshrine.org/videos-mass-and-evening-prayer](https://stannchurchandshrine.org/videos-mass-and-evening-prayer)

Please refer to our website for schedule updates. [https://stannchurchandshrine.org](https://stannchurchandshrine.org)

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

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**May 10~16, 2020**

**Sanctuary Light (Church)**

**Mary Jane Fish**

**Sanctuary Light (Chapel)**

**Our Family Mothers**
Happy Mother's Day to all mothers! Thank you for the gifts of life and love you have given us. Your love for your children is a reflection of God's unconditional love. May the Lord who has called you to be mothers bless you and keep you in the warmth of His Love!

May is the month dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. In this month, we offer to our Blessed Mother more fervent acts of devotion. Traditionally, the students of St. Ann School honor the Virgin Mary with the May Crowning celebration. Although the tradition is disrupted by the coronavirus lockdown, families have brought the tradition to their homes. Many have crowned Mary at home and consecrated their families to our loving Mother.

In a letter to all Catholics, Pope Francis urged us to pray the Holy Rosary. The Holy Father encouraged us to "rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May". As a response to the Pope's invitation, Fr. Billy and I pray the Rosary at 6:00 pm Monday through Friday. It will be live-streamed on our Facebook so that together we ask our dear Mother to turn her merciful eyes toward her children amid this time of trial. Please be assured of my prayers every day at the Holy Mass and the Liturgy of the Hours.

Below is a Marian prayer composed by Pope Francis in this time of the pandemic:

O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

"Protectress of the Roman people", you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For He took upon Himself our suffering and burdened Himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We fly to Your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

Fr. Vincent
Dear, St. Ann Parishioners:

I’m very much looking forward to the near future when I get to serve you as Den. Michael Lamy. I am grateful to Fr. Billy for his gracious support as well as to Archbishop Aymond for this appointment. As a brief introduction to who I am, here’s a short sketch - I’ve lived in Metairie most of my life, went to St. Francis Xavier for grammar school, Archbishop Rummel for high school, a few places for college, and finally earned a bachelor’s degree since being in seminary from the University of Holy Cross. After 9 years of pursuing my own will, not practicing my faith, and basically flat out ignoring the Lord, I had a powerful encounter with Him, His mercy, and His personal love for me about 7 years ago. Since then, I’ve strived to be a faithful disciple and have had to constantly relearn the truth that without Him I can do nothing. Nevertheless, I sincerely hope that my time as a deacon at St. Ann will help each of you grow in relationship with the Lord and our Blessed Mother on your way to becoming the men and women God made you to be.

As we prepare to meet each other in a post-corona reality, please say a prayer for me that I will be a faithful and holy minister in Jesus’ Church, and please know of my prayers for you and your families as you seek to live out your faith and experience God’s loving presence in these challenging times.

-Sincerely in Christ,
Michael Lamy (b. 04-24-86)

World Day of Prayer for Vocations was observed on Sunday, May 3, 2020, also known as “Good Shepherd Sunday.” The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord’s instruction to, “Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest” (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2).

Please pray that the Good Shepherd will raise up men and women in the Church who will lead with courage and serve in love.

We pray especially for Michael Lamy, Ajani Gibson, William Humphrey, Henry Nwaeze, Truong Pham, and Andrew Sanchez who will be ordained deacon on May 16th and for Deacons Luis Duarte, Sylvester Adoga, and John Yike who will be ordained a priest on May 30th.

It might be nice if some of us sent them a note of encouragement. You can mail them to Notre Dame Seminary, 2901 S Carrollton Ave, New Orleans, LA 70118.

Saturday, May 2nd St. Ann Church & Shrine was scheduled to celebrate two First Communion Masses. Parents and teachers have been teaching their children various prayers in preparation for this momentous and memorable occasion. However, as we know the coronavirus pandemic has brought us to a halt, but our spirits and hearts still burn with a desire to receive the Holy Eucharist even more.

Above, you will find a picture. Ordinarily, the altar is well crafted of solid material, fixed to the floor, decorated with a cloth, a corporal, and a cross with lighted candles nearby so as to call to mind the saving Passion of the Lord. Moderation should be observed in the decoration of the altar. Only that which is required for the celebration of the Mass may be placed on the altar table - the Book of the Gospels, the chalice and paten, corporal, pall, purificator, and the Roman Missal. That said, and aware of the present circumstances, Fr. Vincent and I placed pictures of Second Graders, made available to us, on the front of the altar so that you know you are with us in a special way as we celebrate Masses this weekend. Generally, I will not allow such decorating but this year is an exception, however. You are with us in our prayers, and we look forward to celebrating First Communion Masses with you.

~ Fr. Billy

As Fr. Vincent said, The month of May is the month of the Blessed Mother, Mary. St. Ann students usually have the May Crowning celebration, but again, we can not celebrate May Crowning with the school this year. So, I would like to ask St. Ann students and parishioners to make some flower art and a flower Crown to Crown Mary at home.

Share your pictures with us in the comments on the Facebook post with this picture.

Special thanks to Claire and Anne Marie Knoth for helping us to crown Mary at the 11:00 Mass.
Universal Charitable Deduction

The signing of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act has created a Universal Charitable Deduction of $300 for taxpayers. This is an "above-the-line" deduction, which means it will be available to all taxpayers, not just those who itemize.

Example: A taxpayer who takes the standard deduction and makes a $300 cash gift (not stock) to a qualified charitable organization, like their parish, may claim the $300 deduction in computing his or her adjusted gross income. The gift may be made at any time during the remainder of 2020. This deduction is in addition to the taxpayer's standard deduction.

If you would like to make a donation to St. Ann Church & National Shrine, you can do so electronically here: giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stannchurch or you can mail it to 4940 Meadowdale St., Metairie, LA 70006. Your generosity of stewardship is always appreciated.

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!
Treasure the Present

Author Unknown

To realize the value of ONE YEAR, ask a student who failed a Grade.
To realize the value of ONE MONTH, ask a mother who gave birth to a premature baby.
To realize the value of ONE WEEK, ask the editor of a weekly newspaper.
To realize the value of ONE DAY, ask a child on Christmas Eve.
To realize the value of ONE HOUR, ask the lovers who are waiting to meet.
To realize the value of ONE SECOND, ask a person who just avoided an accident.
To realize the value of ONE MILLISECOND, ask the person who won a silver medal in the Olympics.

Treasure every moment that you have!
And treasure it more because you shared it with someone special, special enough to spend your time.
And remember that time waits for no one.

Matthew 6:25, 27, 34

First Communion UPDATE!!!
Last week, our First Communion students were hoping to receive the Eucharist for the first time. Instead, Fr. Billy and Fr. Vincent offered each First Communion candidate a special blessing, as each child passed through the carport of St. Ann Church. About 60 students received a gift from St. Ann and were greeted by DRE David Wilson and CRE Michelle Alley, along with Fr. Billy and Fr. Vincent, as they all prayed for a quick ending to the coronavirus stay-at-home order to be lifted, so that we can celebrate with our parish family again.

5 Reasons to Join the Knights of Columbus

1. Put your faith into action—joining the Knights of Columbus is an excellent way to practice your faith outside of church.
2. Become friends with your fellow Catholic men—The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal group. By joining, you’ll meet men who hold the same Catholic values that you do. Making good friends will strengthen your faith and your parish.
3. Protect your family—Our order was created to care for the families of members who lose their primary wage-earner. Members of the Knights of Columbus have access to excellent life insurance. Men who join can rest assured that their families will be provided for when they pass away.
4. Strengthen your parish—Parishes with less active men shrink. Parishes with more active men thrive. By joining the Knights of Columbus, you can help unite the men of our parish in fully living their faith.
5. Evangelize the community—Through charitable work and spiritual activity, Knights unleash the Gospel. Join us, and help spread the Catholic faith to the New Orleans community.

To learn more, call 338-5229 or check out our website at www.kc3465.org . Be a real man! Be a Knight!

Be Brave!
God gives his hardest battles To his toughest soldiers!

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And treasure it more because you shared it with someone special, special enough to spend your time.
And remember that time waits for no one.
Yesterday is history.
Tomorrow is mystery.
Today is a gift.
That’s why it’s called the present!!

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat [or drink], or about your body, what you will wear . . . Can any of you by worrying add a single moment to your lifespan? Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself.” Matthew 6:25, 27, 34