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

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Monday - Friday:
6:30 AM
8:45 AM (Live-Stream)

RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 3:00

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

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

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

Updates on parish activities with regard to coronavirus precautions can be found on our website:
stannchurchandshrine.org/coronavirus-updates

St. Ann School
stannschool.org

4921 Meadowdale St.
504-455-8383

Lindsay Guidry, Principal
Sunday August 2

4:00 pm George A. Sanderson, Jr., Bob & Jean Segura, Mr. & Mrs. H.C. Alexander, Louise Montz, Enola Hoppe, Stephen M. Waguespack, Ernie Becnel, Nowel Koll, Joe Santopadre, Terry P. Quinn, Cynthia Doskey, Alice C. Figallo, Linda & Dawn Boteler & Family (SI), Owen J. LaCour, Sr., Tu Tran, Thien Tran, Bruce Chavannes, Petrona Vasquez, Vida Bourgeois, Frank “Rusty” Cato

Vigil

8:00 am Emily & George Raynal & Family

9:30 am Parishioners

11:00 am June Stockfleth, Sally B. Dupre, Evelyn Gaudin Comeaux, Wayne Nolan, Paul F. Wegener, Mrs. Sarah Giepert, Joyce Elizabeth Hurtel Spains, Ray Bollinger, Arthur E. Brewster, Tiffany Nicole Collet,

5:00 pm Colin Fontcuberta

Monday August 3

6:30 am Kathy Wink

8:45 am Gertrude Melancon

Tuesday August 4

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

8:45 am Evelyn Dormoy

Wednesday August 5

6:30 am Donald Trump (SI)

8:45 am Ruth & Barrett Hughson

Thursday August 6

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

8:45 am Dorothy Gannon

Friday August 7

6:30 am Frank Mason

8:45 am Edith & Sam Maggio

Saturday August 8

7:30 am Adelaide P. Watermeier

PARISH CALENDAR

Any meetings on St. Ann Parish campus must be cleared through the parish office and scheduled on the calendar to assure you have ample space to respect social distancing. If your ministry has a meeting, please wear masks out of Christian charity for the good of others around you.

If you have fever or any symptoms at all, please STAY HOME.

2 6 PM CYO Teen/Parent Open House “The Upper Room” 2nd floor of the Ministry Center

3 6:30 PM St. Anthony Ministry - St. Raymond Room

4 St. John Vianney, Priest

5 8:45 AM Faculty Mass

9:30 AM Rosary Prayer Group - St. Raymond Room

1 PM Sewing Seams of Faith - St. Raymond

6 The Transfiguration of the Lord

First Day of School

7 Sts. Sixtus II, Pope & his companions, Martyrs

St. Cajetan, Priest

8 St. Dominic, Priest

3 PM Confessions

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23;

Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13;

Mt 15:21-28

Thursday Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;

2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Friday Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14;

Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

ANNOUNCEMENT

Please note that the school children will be returning to Mass on Wednesdays beginning August 12th, and they will sit on the Meadowdale and Loveland sides of the church. We are asking parishioners who attend Daily Mass to please sit on the Transcontinental side of the church. Thank you for your cooperation. Remember, we still need to wear masks and practice social distancing.

Mass Intențions

August 2 ~ August 8, 2020
Sanctuary Light (Church) Ernest Becnel
Sanctuary Light (Chapel) Conrad Frey, III
Come to Me that You May Have Life

“Dinner’s ready. Come and eat.” I don’t know how many times I heard these beautiful words from my mom when I was still at home. Calling my mom a great cook would be an understatement. She knew exactly what kinds of food my dad and all of her nine children liked. Now as I have traveled to many places and tried many different dishes, I have to say that nothing can compare to my mom’s food.

In the first reading from the book of Isaiah, the Lord invites His children to the covenant banquet:

All you who are thirsty, come to the water!
You who have no money, come, buy grain and eat;
Come, buy grain without money, wine and milk without cost!”

Our heavenly Father has given us the gift of life and He continues to sustain it. When his children listen to Him, they shall “eat well and delight in rich fare.” He promises that if we come to Him heedfully, we will have life.

In today’s Gospel, the Lord Jesus miraculously feeds the vast crowds of His followers with only five loaves and two fish. His heart was moved with pity for them because He saw their hunger. Jesus took the fish and the loaves, looked up to heaven, said the blessings, and broke the loaves and gave them to His disciples who in turn distributed to the hungry crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. The promise has been fulfilled. Those who come to the Lord heedfully will have life and have it more abundantly.

All of us are struggling in this troubled time of the coronavirus pandemic. We are suffering physically, mentally, and spiritually. But there is another pandemic that is less noticeable: the pandemic of hunger. Many people around the world are facing hunger due to food supply disruptions and the increase of unemployment. In our great nation, we are fortunate that the shelves in the grocery are filled with food. Our people get stimulus checks and those who lose their jobs get the unemployment benefit. It is not the case in developing countries. There is neither economy impact payment nor unemployment in the poorer parts of the world. Because of the lack of nutritious foods, many children may not hear this from their parents: “Dinner’s ready. Come and eat.”

Jesus’ heart was moved with pity when He saw the hungry crowd coming to Him. He opened His hands and fed them. May our hearts be moved when we see our brothers and sisters who are struggling to put food on the table. Together as God’s children, let us come to Him heedfully that we may have life.

Reflection by Fr. Vincent
THE TRANSFIGURATION

The Catholic Church celebrates the feast of the Transfiguration each year on August 6.

The feast commemorates one of the pinnacles of Jesus’ earthly life, when he revealed his divinity to three of his closest disciples by means of a miraculous and supernatural light.

Before his triumphal entry into Jerusalem, Christ climbed to a high point on Mount Tabor with his disciples Peter, James, and John. While Jesus prayed upon the mountain, his appearance was changed by a brilliant white light which shone from him and from his clothing.

During this event, the Old Testament figures of Moses and the prophet Elijah also appeared, and spoke of how Christ would suffer and die after entering Jerusalem, before his resurrection.

Matthew, Mark, and Luke all record that the voice of God was heard, confirming Jesus as his son (Matthew 17:5, Mark 9:6, Luke 9:35). Peter and John make specific reference to the event in their writings as confirming Jesus’ divinity and his status as the Messiah (2 Peter 1:17, John 1:14).

In his address before the Angelus on August 6, 2006, Pope Benedict XVI described how the events of the transfiguration display Christ as the “full manifestation of God’s light.”

This light, which shines forth from Christ, both at the transfiguration and after his resurrection, is ultimately triumphant over “the power of the darkness of evil.”

The Pope stressed that the feast of the Transfiguration is an important opportunity for believers to look to Christ as “the light of the world,” and to experience the kind of conversion which the Bible frequently describes as an emergence from darkness to light.

In our time too, Pope Benedict said, “We urgently need to emerge from the darkness of evil, to experience the joy of the children of light!”
Thank you to all of our 2019 Sponsors ~ Parishioners ~ Supporters who helped us raise over $11,000 for St. Michael Special School last year!

**Spaghetti Dinner!**

August 15, 2020
4pm - 7 pm
Drive-Through Only
(Meadowdale St. behind Cafeteria)
$10 Ticket - Spaghetti & Meatballs, Vegetable, Salad, Bread
50/50 $5/ticket, 5 tickets $20

St. Ann Church & National Shrine
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, visit the church website at https://stannchurchandshrine.org/confirmation

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 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 us at 455-7071, ext. 2225 for more info.

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 or Tuesday mornings in the Parish Ministries Center (located just behind the church).
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!

SPECIAL LIMITED TIME MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION:
For a 2-week period commencing Wednesday, July 22 and continuing through 11:59 p.m. ET on August 5th, new members are being offered FREE ONLINE MEMBERSHIP for their first year. The Supreme Council will pay the first-year dues for every man who joins online between now and August 5. Prospects simply need to visit kofc.org/joinus and enter the code MCGIVNEY2020 to take advantage of this special offer.

Remember!
It’s Six Feet Apart
So you’re not Six Feet Under!