

# TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 23, 2018

## Sunday, September 23

7:30 am † Larry Baner

9:00 am † Nora Mary Zimmweman

11:00 am † *Pro Populo*

## Monday, September 24

12:00 pm † Kalesnik Family

## Tuesday, September 25

12:00 pm † Michael Palmer

## Wednesday, September 26

12:00 pm † Lina DeSilva

## Thursday, September 27

12:00 pm † Don Gen Kinger

## Friday, September 28

12:00 pm † Kalesnik Family

## Saturday, September 29

5:00 pm † Hotka Family

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Thank you very much for your generosity to the weekly Collections at Mass: **The Offertory Collection** last weekend was \$6,013. **The Online Faith Direct** Total Deposit (includes Offertory, 2nd Collections, and Donations) for the second half of August was \$15,225. (We report to you the online giving amount twice a month). Your online gift to our parish helps to sustain our ministry and outreach efforts, as well as ongoing repairs and maintenance to our beautiful church building. Thank you so much for your generosity and kindness; please tell your friends about St. Ann's! Go to our website: stanndc.org and use our St. Ann's Church CODE: DC811

**Thank you for your continued support!**

Join us after the **11:00am Mass this weekend in the Undercroft** on the lower level of the church for some discussion with Family Care Givers, hosted by LyfLynks which specializes in family care issues. For many of our parishioners, who have the responsibility for caring for their loved ones who have significant health issues and the emotional stress under those circumstances, this meeting may prove helpful. All are welcome.

**Sick Calls:** Please email us at [stann@stanndc.org](mailto:stann@stanndc.org), to notify the Pastor of any sick, homebound or those hospitalized, so that we may arrange to bring them the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick.

**Welcome to the St. John Society:** Now living at the old convent at 4133 Yuma Street, Fr. Ivan Pertine and nine seminarians of the St. John Society will offer their ministerial support to our parish. Fr. Ivan will be joined by Fr. Lukas, who arrives in November to join their community. We welcome Brothers Juan Maria, John, Aaron, Keefe, Andres, Hermogenes, Andrew, Ben, and Connor. These men are studying philosophy and theology at the Dominican House of Studies. The priests have been assigned as Chaplains to the American University. Please welcome them as they worship with us and become more involved in the life of our parish.

**The Catholic Faith Is Exciting...** Want to learn more about the Catholic Faith? Whether baptized or not, you might want to consider entering a program of faith formation, known as the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)** Sessions are for unbaptized adults and baptized non-Catholics who wish to inquire about certain aspects of the faith, learn more about the Catholic Church, her practices and history and/or seek full membership. Active Catholics who wish to renew, to deepen, or to share their faith are cordially invited as well. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is open for your questions, reflection, and searching! **Meetings take place in the library, starting Tuesday, September 18 at 7:00pm.** Please contact the Pastor for an initial interview: Monsignor James Watkins at [watkinsjas@aol.com](mailto:watkinsjas@aol.com).

**St. Ann's Boy Scouts:** We will be hosting an open house for any boys interested in scouts and their families on **Wednesday, September 26 at 7:30pm in the Collins Room** (enter through the iron gates to the left of the church entrance and proceed to the door at the end of the walkway). **Our Scouts range in age from 11 to 18** and have come from private, public, charter, and home schools. Please come check us out. If you have any questions or would like to visit on a different night, please contact the Saint Ann's Charter Organization Rep, Elizabeth Snee, at [elizabethsnee@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethsnee@gmail.com).

**St. Ann's Blessing of the Animals:** Bring all your pets on Saturday, September 29, at 12:00noon in front of the church for the blessing of animals, honoring October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the Patron Saint of animals. Please separate dogs from cats!!!

**St. Ann School Class '68:** The 50 Year Reunion for the Class of '68 and their families will be on Saturday, October 13th in the St. Ann's School Gym. In order to send everyone an invitation we need your email addresses. Please call 562-485-4908 to leave a message stating your name and your email address. You will then receive an e-vite with all the details. We are also inviting the Class of '67 and their families to join us.

**Bible Study Course:** A Bible study course will be offered in the school auditorium of the The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Washington, DC The course will run for 8 Wednesday evenings, from 7:00pm to 8:30pm, from October 3 until December 12. If interested contact Ceil Malphrus at [ceilmalphrus@verizon.net](mailto:ceilmalphrus@verizon.net) or Mary Donovan at [mamadonovan4@gmail.com](mailto:mamadonovan4@gmail.com).

**Respect Life News:** Guatemala only allows abortion when the mother's life is at risk, and has strongly opposed any moves to impose widespread abortion. On February 24, 2017, its military, saying it would defend "human life and the laws of our country," blocked a Dutch ship distributing illegal abortion pills." The ship described as "the boat of death" by a Guatemalan law maker was a project of an abortion advocacy group known as "Women on Waves." And on Sunday September 2, 2018, twenty thousand pro-life demonstrators, backed by the Catholic and Evangelical churches, also defended human life and took to the streets of the capital, Guatemala City, to oppose a bill sponsored by the leftist Convergencia opposition party. As a result, on September 4, a controversial clause in the bill was dropped that would allow underage girls (14 or under) that have been the victims of sexual abuse to abort in the first 12 weeks. Without the abortion clause, the bill, which aims to provide social and educational support for girls who become pregnant, is likely to be adopted by Parliament. Also, due to be debated is a bill which as well as toughening abortion laws, prohibits same-sex marriage and defines family as being limited to a father, mother and children. The struggle around the right to life for the unborn is continuing across Latin America. Abortion is totally banned in El Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua, but in Chile and Brazil there are ongoing proposals for liberalizing abortion. In Argentina, however, on August 8, its Senate voted against a measure 38-31 (with two abstentions) that would legalize abortions on unborn babies up to 14 weeks of age and older in some circumstances and even in some cases up to birth. The lower house of the Argentine Congress, the Chamber of Deputies, on June 14, had voted 129-125 in favor of the bill. The bill also would have forced religious hospitals to perform abortions. Argentina currently prohibits unborn babies from being aborted except in cases of rape, severe disabilities or threats to the mother's life. The encouraging implication of these pro-life victories, in Guatemala and in Argentina, is that a united pro-life effort can be enough to uphold the rights of the unborn (life news.com, 5 Sept. 2018; SPUC, 24 Feb. 2017, 5 Sept. 2018; St Ann bulletin, 29 July 2018).

**Calling on St. Ann Youth:** Meet & Greet New Director on **Sunday October 14 at 6:00pm.** St. Ann's teens in grades 7-12 and their parents are invited to meet our new Director of Youth Ministry, **Natalie Plumb**, on Sunday, October 14 at 6:00pm **in the Collins Room** (enter through the iron gates to the left of the main church entrance and proceed to the door at the end of the walkway). Natalie grew up going to youth group at our parish; she wants to plan events you want to attend. So, come hungry with your ideas and questions! Pizza, snacks and drinks will be served. See you there!

**150th Parish Anniversary Organ Concert Recitals in 2019 at St. Ann Church:** Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 7:30pm with Vincent Dubois, Organist titular of Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris France. Sunday, April 28, 2019 at 3:00pm with Nathan Laube, Organist. Sunday, November 17, 2019 at 3:00pm with Oliver Latry, Organist of Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris, France.

**Something Greater Ministries Event:** St. Ann is pleased to host a NOT-TO BE-MISSED. English Language Gregorian Chant Workshop & Mass. Elevate your Mind, Heart and Soul to the Sacred Realm! Come learn the When, Why and How of Gregorian CHANT lead by leading CHANT scholar, Professor Adam Bartlett and stay and participate in the exquisite CHANT Mass! **Sunday, October 28 from 3:30pm to 5:45pm Workshop in the Undercroft** (enter through left sidewalk door at Tenley Circle) 6:00pm English Language Gregorian CHANT Mass in Sanctuary.

**The 26th International Week of Prayer and Fasting:** A coalition in collaboration with the Marians Fathers, Legion of Mary and Priests for Life, are asking for individuals, families, prayer groups and parishes to unite for nine days (Sept 29 – Oct 7, 2018) of prayer and fasting for the following goals: Conversion of all Peoples and Nations, to Build a Culture of Life, to Defend the Sanctity of Marriage and Family Life, to Pray for Peace and to Implore God's Mercy. Parishes are encouraged to host holy hours, recitation of the Rosary, Masses and some kind of sacrifice or penance during these nine days. For the opening day, on Saturday, September 29th, please join us at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. from 9:00am to 4:30pm for the International Day of Prayer. Registration is FREE, but please register online at [www.iwopf.org](http://www.iwopf.org) to receive a free prayer card at the Basilica event. The Celebrant and Homilist for the noon mass is Bishop Roy Edward Campbell, Jr., Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. Speakers to date include Father Francis J. Peffley, parochial vicar at St. Mary of Sorrows in Fairfax, Virginia and Colleen Willard, a prolific speaker on life and healing and Ted Flynn author, speaker, and film producer on Catholic issues. We are waiting to confirm other speakers. For more information visit [www.iwopf.org](http://www.iwopf.org) or call 888-478-PRAY (7729).

**St. John's/HoopEd Fall Skills classes are starting soon!** There is still room in each class to join in the work! The 3rd to 4th grade and 5th to 6th grade girl's classes are on Wednesday evenings and the 7th-8th grade girls are on Tuesday nights. These classes are taught by famous HoopEd Director and St. John's Varsity Assistant Coach Brian Brennan. Boy's classes are held at St. Ann's Academy in Tenleytown and will be coached Julian King, former TC Williams Head Coach and professional coach in the Canadian Basketball League! The 3-4 grade boys will be on Mondays and 5-6 and 7-8 grade boy's classes will be on Wednesdays. All classes run 8 weeks throughout the fall. Skills Classes will include focused drill work on all the fundamentals of the game. Classes will also include controlled scrimmaging to work the skills into a real playing environment. All skill levels and abilities are welcome to join. For more information or to register online, go to [www.hoopeducation.com](http://www.hoopeducation.com).

**Walk with Mary:** The Archdiocese of Washington's annual Walk with Mary procession and Mass to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, will take place on Saturday, December 1, for more information, visit [adw.org/wwm](http://adw.org/wwm)