

# ST. ANN CATHOLIC PARISH

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December 8 & 9, 2018

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### Mass Schedule:

Sunday Masses: Saturday: 5:00pm  
 Sunday: 8:00am  
 10:00am  
 Weekday Masses: Tues, Thurs & Fri 6:00pm  
 Wednesday 6:30pm  
 First Friday Masses of each month are at 6:00pm in the Chapel

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 4:00pm to 4:30pm  
 Before and after any weekday service and by appointment



**Rosary and Prayer Group meets every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Church**

### Baptism

*Please contact the Pastor to schedule a baptism. Instruction sessions are required with your first child.*

### Marriages:

**Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to the proposed date of marriage.**



## Minister's Schedule December 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 THIS WEEKS LITURGICAL COLORS ARE VIOLET

	5:00pm	8:00am	10:00am
<b>Server:</b>	Frank DeMarco	Dave DeCosta	John David Dumas & Andrew Dumas
<b>Lector:</b>	Nancy Hall	Mary Sims	Mary Ann Spadafore
<b>Cup Ministers:</b>	Jimmy Gemondo Mary Ann Ferris	Mickey Arco	Jim Spadafore Robbie Spadafore
<b>Host Ministers:</b>	Frank DeMarco		Steven Bee
<b>Ushers:</b>	Erik Ferris & Ron Gonzalez	John Marchio	Vinnie & John DeMarco

### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:

	Saturday:	Dec 08	8:30am	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin- For the People
	Saturday:	Dec 08	5:00pm	Bobby Hamrick, Sr. by Matt & Mary Fleece *RM
	Sunday:	Dec 09	8:00am	For the People of the Parish
			10:00am	Jim Fortney by Mary Ann Spadafore *RM
	Monday:	Dec 10	No Mass	
	Tuesday:	Dec 11	6:00pm	Fr. Wolan (Deceased Priest of St. Ann's) *RM
	Wednesday:	Dec 12	6:30pm	Frank & Angie Marra by Donnie & Pam Sabatelli *RM
	Thursday:	Dec 13	6:00pm	Joe Spadafore by Mary Ann Spadafore *RM
	Friday:	Dec 14	8:30am	The Koreski Families by Sandy McDonnell *RM
		Dec 14	7:00pm	Advent Reconciliation Service (Individual Confessions)
	Saturday	Dec 15	5:00pm	Rotunda & Salentro Families by Freddie Salentro *RM
	Sunday:	Dec 16	8:00am	For the People of the Parish
			10:00am	In Memory of David Costelac by Patty, Bob, Tonya & Bobby *RM

RM stands for "Requiem mass" Requiem Masses are masses that are offered for the dead. RM Masses are distinguished from Masses that can be offered for different intentions, and are different from Requiem Masses



This Sunday is the Second Sunday of Advent. Advent is a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas as well as the return of Jesus at the second coming. For Christians, the season of Advent anticipates the coming of Christ from three different perspectives. The three comings of Christ – (1) In the flesh in Bethlehem, (2) In our hearts daily, (3) in glory at the end of time. We are alert and waiting.

Liturgical Colors for this season of Advent are violet, and the Advent wreath will be present. The Advent wreath or “crown” symbolizes victory, in addition to its round form evoking the sun and its return each year. The number four represents the four weeks of Advent, and the green color is a sign of life and hope. The fir branch and holly represent strength and victory over sin and suffering. They do not lose their leaves, and thus represent the eternity of God. The flames of candles are the representation of the Christmas light approaching and bringing hope and peace, as well as the symbol of the struggle against darkness. This crown is also the symbol of Christ the King, the holly recalling the crown of thorns resting on the head of Christ.



### Confession

Friday, December 14, 2018 at 7:00pm, we will be celebrating our Advent Reconciliation Service and Individual Confessions. Several priests from the surrounding area will be in attendance to hear confessions. At 6:00pm, prior to the Reconciliation Service, a Soup supper will be served in the Social Hall. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend



### Christmas and New Year’s Mass Schedule:

<b>Christmas Eve:</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 24, 2018</b>	<b>Family Mass at 5:00pm</b> <b>Midnight Mass at Midnight</b>
<b>Christmas Day:</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 25, 2018</b>	<b>Mass at 10:30am Holy Day of Obligation</b>
<b>New Year’s Eve:</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>	<b>Mass at 5:00pm</b>
<b>New Year’s Day:</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 1, 2019</b>	<b>Mass at 10:00am Holy Day of Obligation</b>

The Ministry Schedule includes all of the Christmas Masses as well as the New Year’s Day Masses. All Ministers, please pick up a copy of the schedule from the table at the front of the church. The schedule is also available on our website at [www.stannshinnston.com](http://www.stannshinnston.com).

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard and participated in the presentation of the Live Nativity this Saturday evening. Everything was very beautiful.

St. Ann’s Christmas Bake Sale and Craft Sale is next Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 8:30 through 3:30. Lunch will be served during the sale. Come get your pita pietas for Christmas as well as many, many other wonderful baked goods and Christmas Crafts for gifts. Thank you for your support.



St. Ann’s Annual Christmas Party is Sunday, December 16, 2018 immediately following the 10:00am Mass. There will be plenty of delicious food, music, lots of enjoyment of friends and family, and Santa is coming for the kids. The entrees are Turkey and Ham, mashed potatoes and gravy and drinks. Our parishioners are asked to bring covered dishes based on the following: If your last name ends in the following initial, please the corresponding covered dish: A – F please bring vegetables or casserole; G – R please bring a dessert; S – Z please bring Salads – any kind, cranberry, potato, pasta.

### Exploring Liturgical Signs & Symbols within our Catholic Church: Cremation:

The Church has a great regard for the human body. “The body of a deceased Catholic Christian is also the body once washed in baptism, anointed with the oil of salvation, and fed with the Bread of Life. Thus, the Church’s reverence for the sacredness of the human body grows out of a reverence and concern both natural and supernatural for the human person”

Cremation is permitted for Catholics as long as it is not chosen for reasons that are contrary to Church teaching, for example, a rejection of the resurrection of the body or hatred for the Catholic religion. When a decision for cremation has been made, it is recommended that the cremation of the body take place after the funeral liturgy. Although the Church prefers and urges the presence of the body, it does allow for a funeral liturgy in the presence of the cremated remains.

The cremated remains are to be treated with the same respect as the human body. The cremated remains are to be placed in a worthy vessel, be buried respectfully in a grave or in a tomb of some type prepared for the burial. The cremains are not to be scattered on land or sea, nor are the cremains to be kept in the home of a relative or friend of the deceased.



**OPEN HOURS IN THE CHAPEL:** Sat 1:00pm to 2:00pm; Sat 4:00pm to 5pm; Sat 5pm to 6:00pm







