

# THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. ANN

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## Parish Mission Statement

*Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we, the Catholic Church of St. Ann, embrace all as family and continue Christ's mission by exemplifying the love of God and neighbor as stewards of God's gifts to us.*

### Church

The Catholic Church of St. Ann is open daily from 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. for prayer and meditation.

### Daily Mass

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 7:00 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

First Friday: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (only when school is in session) & 7:00 p.m.

### Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m.

### Holy Day Mass

Vigil: 7:00 p.m.

Holy Day: 7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. (weekdays)

### Penance/Reconciliation

Saturday: 9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.-3:45 p.m.

### St. Ann School

**Pre-K - 8th Grade**

Our dedicated and experienced faculty are committed to providing a quality education focused on Faith, Family and Community.

Call Sr. Margaret Mary Hanlon in the School Office or email her at [mhanlon@stannparish.com](mailto:mhanlon@stannparish.com) to register your child(ren). Contact our school at 908-725-7787 to make an appointment to tour the school.

### Church Calendar

Can be found on our website under *NEW! Parish Calendar of Events*

### St. Ann PREP

**1 - 8th Grade**

Monday: 6:15 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Thursday: 6:15 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Call Sr. Phyllis Vella in the Parish Office or email her at [pvella@stannparish.com](mailto:pvella@stannparish.com) to register your child(ren).

### Special Needs PREP

**1 - 8th Grade**

Thursday: 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Call Sr. Phyllis Vella in the Parish Office or email her at [pvella@stannparish.com](mailto:pvella@stannparish.com) to register your child(ren).

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) and Adult Confirmation

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming members of the Catholic Church? Are you a Catholic who was baptized but never received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion or Confirmation? If so, please contact Deacon John Pacifico in the Parish Office or Deacon Rick Stevens at 908-910-0309 or email him at [rstevens@stannparish.com](mailto:rstevens@stannparish.com).

### Donations by Electronic Giving

The Catholic Church of St. Ann offers parishioners the opportunity to make Online church and school contributions! Log onto [www.stannparish.com](http://www.stannparish.com), scroll down, click on *give Online with WeShare*. You will be connected to a secure site to enter your information. Thank you for your continued support!

### Registration

Any new family or adult 18 and over, who has moved into the parish, are invited to stop by the Parish Office to complete a new parishioner form. Please notify us of any change of address.

### Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.



**ST. ANN SCHOOL**  
PREK - 8<sup>TH</sup>  
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*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 24, 2019*

# Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 24, 2019

## The Catholic Church of St. Ann

Under the Pastoral Care of the Priests and Brothers  
of the Congregation of the Oratory of St. Philip Neri

V. Rev. Peter R. Cebulka, C.O., Provost

**Rev. Thomas Odorizzi, C.O., Pastor**

todorizzi@stannparish.com



### Permanent Deacons

Deacon John Pacifico

Deacon Roy Rabinowitz

Deacon Rob Sause

Deacon Rick Stevens

Transitional Deacon Br. John Fredy Triana Beltran, CO

### Office Staff

Mr. Miguel De Jesus, *Director of Sacred Music*

Mrs. Christine Esposito, *Social Ministry*

Mr. Lou Falconeri, *Plant Manager*

Ms. Barbara Russell, *Administrative Assistant*

### Community of Religious Teachers of St. Lucy Filippini

Sister Margaret Mary Hanlon, MPF, *School Principal/Superior*

Sister Dolores Toscano, MPF, *Pastoral Associate*

Sister Phyllis Vella, MPF, *Director of Religious Education*

## Sacramental Information

### Baptism

Sundays at 1:30 p.m. (must be scheduled with the Parish Office) Instructions for new parents take place on the first Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Please call Mrs. Christine Esposito at the Parish Office or email her at cesposito@stannparish.com to make arrangements.

### Baptism Godparents

Must be 16 years old, registered as an adult and be confirmed in the Catholic Church. If you are married, your marriage must be recognized by the church. This is especially important if you wish to be a Godparent for Baptism. It takes six months of attending Mass to be eligible for this privilege.

### Penance/Reconciliation

We invite you to participate in the Penance & Reconciliation at the times specified in the front of this bulletin.

### Holy Eucharist

We invite you to participate in the Holy Eucharist daily at the times specified on the front of this bulletin. If you have not had the opportunity to make your Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office.

### Confirmation Sponsors

Must be 16 years old, registered as an adult and be confirmed in the Catholic Church. If you are married, your marriage must be recognized by the church. This is especially important if you wish to be a Sponsor for Confirmation. It takes six months of attending Mass to be eligible for this privilege.

### Marriage

The common policy of marriage requires that arrangements with the church be made at least one year before the date of marriage and before any social plans are made. Either the Bride or Groom must be a registered parishioner. If you would like to get more information about getting married, please contact the Parish Office.

## Ministry Information

### Ministry to the Poor

We help those who are experiencing financial difficulties with food, clothing, shelter, rent, PSE&G, and water bills. Please call Mrs. Christine Esposito at the Parish Office or email her at cesposito@stannparish.com.

### Ministry to the Sick/Homebound

Parishioners who are homebound are visited by our Deacons, Religious & Extraordinary Ministers. If you know of someone that is seriously ill or hospitalized, please contact the Parish Office.

### Ministry to those that are pregnant and/or thinking of an abortion

We are building a culture of Life through prayer and action serving our community, state and country. We pray and serve along with the Pregnancy Aid and Information Center, Please call at 908-256-8121 (24-hour hotline).

## Parish Ministries

### Social Ministry -Hospital Visitors

Due to HIPPA laws, we no longer have access to the names of hospital patients who are parishioners of St. Ann's. If you or a loved one are hospitalized at RWJ@Somerset, please contact St. Ann's Parish Office (908) 725-1008, press 1 then press 6, to arrange for a visitor to come and visit. You can also contact Pastoral Care or the Eucharistic Minister at the hospital who will reach out to St. Ann's to arrange a hospital visitor.

### Knights of Columbus News and Events

Get Tickets for:

**UNCLE FLOYD COMEDY NIGHT on March 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Dinner at 5 pm -Show at 6 pm -BYOB-Adults only  
St. Ann School Cafeteria - Tickets: \$25 each  
Tickets will be sold after Masses. Contact Jim Janci  
for any questions at: [jimj4law@gmail.com](mailto:jimj4law@gmail.com)

# The Catholic Church of St. Ann, Raritan, New Jersey



*Pope Francis*  
*General Audience*  
*February 13, 2019*

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Let us continue our journey to learn ever better to pray as Jesus taught us. We must pray as he taught us to pray.

He said: when you pray, go quietly into your room, withdraw from the world, and turn to God by calling him 'Father!'. Jesus does not want his disciples to be like the hypocrites who pray while standing in the squares to be admired by the people (cf. Mt 6:5). Jesus does not want hypocrisy. True prayer is that done in the secret of the conscience, of the heart: inscrutable, visible only to God. God and I. It shuns falsehood: with God it is impossible to pretend. It is impossible; there are no tricks that have any power before God. God knows us like this, naked in one's conscience, and there can be no pretense. At the root of the dialogue with God, there is a silent dialogue. Like the glance between two people in love: man's gaze meets God's, and this is prayer. Looking at God and allowing yourself to be looked upon by God: this is prayer. "But, Father, I do not say any words...". Look at God and let yourself be looked upon by him: it is a prayer, a beautiful prayer!

## *Pope Francis Prayer Intention for February 2019* *Human Trafficking*



For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

## *This Week's Daily Bible Readings*

### **Sunday**

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23;  
1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

### **Monday**

Sir 1:1-10; Mk 9:14-29

### **Tuesday**

Sir 2:1-11; Mk 9:30-37

### **Wednesday**

Sir 4:11-19; Mk 9:38-40

### **Thursday**

Sir 5:1-8; Mk 9:41-50

### **First Friday**

Sir 6:5-17; Mk 10:1-12

### **First Saturday**

Sir 17:1-15; Mk 10:13-16

*From the desk of...*

*Bishop James F. Checchio*

*February 7, 2019*



My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

To continue...the only other time chrism is used is when a church is consecrated and an altar. The church and altar are permanently set aside for divine worship. The altar is marked permanently as a symbol of Christ, hence during Mass, when we pass by the altar we bow towards it in reverence. It is also marked as the sacred place which makes Christ present in our world through the eucharistic sacrifice which occurs on it each day.

Jesus becomes truly present to us, body, blood, soul and divinity on the altar. It is on the altar where we witness a truly blessed event, where heaven and earth come together, where Divine meets human, and as we receive Jesus' Body and Blood, we pray that we become more like Jesus, taking on His eyes, His way of hearing and loving others. The Eucharist does this for us.

Consecrating an altar or new church is truly a special event and one to rejoice in. I was honored to be in Flemington for the consecration where our God will come to Flemington to nourish the faithful, support them and love them, as He does in your parish each day, too. We are blessed with a God who is always seeking us out, trying to break more fully into our lives, even with His own presence. I try to emulate and share that love of our God with you as your bishop, so know of my love for you, too, and my gratitude for you. I ask your continued prayers for me, that I may be the bishop you so much deserve. God bless you!

The Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA  
Bishop of Metuchen

## *Adoration on First Fridays*

Every First Friday at the Catholic Church of St. Ann we observe Adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Come and join us in prayer for one hour or just a half hour, once a month. You decide what time during Adoration you can attend. A sign up sheet will be posted in the back of the Church or contact Lou Troisi at (908) 704-8959.

Follow up information to last week's disclosure:  
**Questions and Answers Concerning the Release of Names of Credibly Accused  
Roman Catholic Clergy in New Jersey, February 13, 2019**

**What are the Roman Catholic Dioceses of New Jersey releasing?**

The Roman Catholic Dioceses of New Jersey are releasing the names of priests and deacons against whom a credible allegation of sexual abuse of a minor has been made and reported to one of the five Dioceses. The lists were compiled from the records maintained by the five Dioceses. All of the names released already have been reported to appropriate law enforcement agencies, including the county prosecutors.

**What is the definition of a credible allegation?**

A credible allegation is one that after a review of available and relevant information, there is reason to believe the allegation is true.

**What is the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People?**

The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People is a comprehensive set of procedures for addressing allegations of sexual abuse of minors by Catholic clergy. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops established the Charter in 2002, and revised the Charter in 2005, 2011, and 2018. The Bishops' annual meeting at which the Charter was first approved took place in Dallas, and so the Charter is sometimes referred to as the "Dallas Charter."

**What is the definition of a minor for the purposes of this list?**

A minor is anyone under the age of 18 at the time the alleged abuse occurred.

**Have the clergy included on this list been reported to law enforcement?**

Yes, for over twenty years, the New Jersey Catholic Dioceses have endeavored to report all child sexual abuse to county prosecutors or local police agencies. The Dioceses have memorialized that commitment in a Memorandum of Understanding between the Dioceses and the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice. On December 2, 2002, the Division of Criminal Justice described its agreement with the Dioceses as "the most comprehensive and precise agreement of its kind in the nation."

The Division of Criminal Justice said that the Memorandum of Understanding between the Dioceses and the 21 county prosecutors "accomplished the overriding goal of protecting victims of sexual offenses and other vulnerable members of society, while ensuring that prosecutors be provided with all relevant information regarding allegations of sexual assault - whether past, present or future."

**Why are the Dioceses releasing the names at this time?**

The list is being published as part of the five Dioceses' ongoing commitment to transparency and to encourage persons sexually abused by clergy to come forward. Additionally, the disclosure of the names is part of the Dioceses' ongoing efforts to promote healing for all victims of child sexual abuse.

**What does the Church do to protect Children?**

All New Jersey Dioceses have fully implemented comprehensive safe environment programs and together have trained more than 2.3 million adults, children, employees, clergy and volunteers. The Dioceses have conducted over 380,000 background checks on all Diocesan and parish personnel who have regular contact with children. The Dioceses remain vigilant to ensure a safe environment for every child we serve.

**Do the Dioceses listen to victims?**

Yes, no victim is ignored. The Dioceses listen to all victims and attempt to help them on the road to healing whenever and however possible. The Dioceses strive to settle all claims of victims involving priests, deacons, or others where abuse has been established. Together the Dioceses have paid more than \$50 million in settlements - \$38 million of which were to victims whose claims were beyond the time limits allowed by the current statute of limitations.

**What should I do if I suspect a priest or church employee has engaged in sexual abuse of a child?**

Anyone who has reasonable cause to believe that a child is being or has been abused should notify law enforcement immediately.

# The Catholic Church of St. Ann, Raritan, New Jersey

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, February 25

7:00 a.m. Mary Grasso by Helen Shulski

### Tuesday, February 26

7:00 p.m. Maria Barbieri by Pat Barbieri  
Frank Rita by Dryl Family  
Isabel A. Ortega by Aurora Santos

### Wednesday, February 27

7:00 a.m. Alberto Falco by Nina Massa and family

### Thursday, February 28

7:00 p.m. Daniel Rita by Marie Rita  
Frank L. Carlone by Carlone Family

### Friday, March 1

7:00 a.m. Carmela Ruffa by Anna Morella  
9:00 a.m. Frank DeStefano by Eleanor Maccia and Kelly Albright  
7:00 p.m. Alfonso Russo by Pearce Family

### Saturday, March 2

9:00 a.m. All Souls by Clementine Guadagno  
4:00 p.m. Anna and Philip DiBetta by Angelo and Catherine Viscariello

### Sunday, March 3

7:30 a.m. Antonio and Maria Rosa Greco by Caterina and Saverino Todarello  
10:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar Society  
12:00 p.m. Fortunato Figliano by Paul Fusca and family  
5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

*Altar Candles & Sanctuary Lamps  
are burning this week for:*

**Altar Candle #1 for Anthony Carra**  
by Ann Carra and family

## Lenten Soup Supper

St. Ann's Annual Lenten Soup Supper begins Wednesday, March 13 at 5:00pm in the St. Ann School Cafeteria. It will continue each Wednesday through Lent. There is no charge.

## Pray for those who are Sick in our Community

We ask God's blessing for the strengthening and healing of our sick and homebound:

Wayne Basilone, Anna Carra, Bruno Cirianni,  
Frank Cirianni, Mary Contino, Maria Anastasia D'Amore,  
Michael D'Angelo, JoAnn Dellaperute, Dominic DeLuca,  
Frank DiBetta, Mary Felice, Frank Forte, Cindy Galvacky,  
Anthony Gambino, Arlene Gambino, Paul Gambino,  
Sara Gendlek, Victor Laggini, Gloria A. Lamaestra,  
Brianna Rose Larson, MaryAnn Mangiaracina,  
Mark Marshall, Austin McNamara,  
Lori Monaghan, Ann Navatto,  
Don Palumbo, Joe Pastore, Marie Richardson,  
Cathy Stinziano, Danny Tibaldi,  
Joseph Tomaio, Ron Wyka, Alex Zachok, Betty Zimmitti

*All names will remain on the list for 4 weeks,  
unless otherwise requested.*

## Pregnancy Aid Center Donations Needed

The Pregnancy Aid Center is in need of:

Diapers Size 5, Baby Shampoo, Baby Wipes,  
Diaper Rash Medication, Non-Talc Powder

Thank you for your generosity.

## Caregiver Retreat

On Saturday March 9, 9:00am St. Joseph's Church, 34 Yorktown Rd, Hillsborough is have a retreat for caregivers which includes Fr. Hank's sharing his caregiving journey, hospice nurses present how to care for yourself while managing the demands of caregiving and free buffet lunch at 11:30am.

To register or for more info call: Carol Jorgensen (908) 369-7143 or carolj623@comcast.net

## St. Ann Parish Music Corner

Panis Angelicus is a hymn most people know. Most do not know that this hymn is only the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> verse of a longer Eucharistic hymn (Sacris Solemnis) by St. Thomas Aquinas originally sung on Corpus Christi Vespers (Evening Prayer).

Panis angélicus fit panis  
hóminum  
Dat panis cáelicus figúris  
términum;  
O res mirábilis mandúcat  
Dóminum  
Pauper, servus et húmilis.

The bread of angels becomes  
the bread of men;  
The heavenly bread puts an  
end to prophetic signs.  
O wonder of it all! Those  
who eat their Lord are  
The poor, the slave, and the  
lowly.

Te trina Déitas, únaque  
póscimus,  
Sic nos tu visita, sicut te  
cólimus;  
Per tuas sémitas duc nos quo  
téndimus,  
Ad lucem quam inhábitas.

O Triune Deity, one thing we  
ask of you:  
May you visit us as we  
worship you.  
Lead us in your footsteps as  
we strive  
Toward the light wherein  
you dwell.

## Pray for those in the Military

**May God protect the men & women serving  
in our Nation's Armed Forces.**

LtCol Michael A. De Cicco; *U.S. Army*  
Victor Dulay, Jr.; *U.S. Marine Corps*  
PFC Gavin John; *U.S. Marine Corps*  
LCpl Matthew John; *U.S. Marine Corps*  
CW4 Michael Lopez, Jr.  
PFC Vincenzo Mattei; *U.S. Army*  
Maj Michael Morella; *U.S. Army*  
Sgt Dan Neville; *U.S. Marine Corps*  
Zack Drecchio; *U.S. Navy*

Pvt Tayla Rasmusson; *U.S. Marine Corps*  
PFC Daniel J. Salvo; *U.S. Marine Corps*  
Cpl Jonathan Schultes; *U.S. Marine Corps*  
LtCol Louis P. Simon; *U.S. Marine Corps*  
PFC Jerome C. Sunga; *U.S. Army*  
Jack Vara; *U.S. Marine Corps*  
PFC Daniel Viscariello; *U.S. Marine Corps*  
Sgt Janet Wyka; *U.S. Army*  
Capt Kaitlyn Zimmitti; *U.S. Air Force*

**Pray for the souls of those who have given their  
lives in service to our country.**

## Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 24, 2019

### Parish Events

#### Sunday, February 24

11:00am Holy Name Society Meeting (CMR)

#### Monday, February 25

6:15pm PREP (S)

7:00 pm Finance Council Meeting (PMR)

#### Tuesday, February 26

No Bingo

#### Wednesday, February 27

2:30 pm School Choir (C)

6:45 pm Choir Practice (C)

#### Thursday, February 28

6:15pm PREP (S)

#### Friday, March 1

9:30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (C)

6:30 pm Cub Scouts Meeting (SC)

8:00 pm Santo Nino Novena and Fellowship (C/CMR)

#### Saturday, March 2

9:00 am St. Ann School Garage Sale Collection (SC)

10:00am Confirmation Retreat (Holy Trinity Parish)

4:00 pm Monthly Food Drive (C)

#### Sunday, March 3

Monthly Food Drive (C)

9:00 am St. Ann School Garage Sale Collection (SC)

*[C= Church, CMR = Church Meeting Room, CL= Church Loft, PMR= Parish Meeting Room, S= School, SC = School Cafeteria, SL=School Library]*

### St. Ann's School Annual Garage Sale

#### Donations Accepted:

**Saturday, March 2 and Sunday March 3**

**9:00am - 5:00pm**

**Pull up to school or drop off in the school cafeteria.**

#### Donations (clean, gently used or new items):

Small electronics	Small furniture
Décor items, seasonal items	Sporting goods
Clothing, shoes, accessories	Bikes
Household goods, kitchenware	

#### JOIN US:

#### ST. ANN'S SCHOOL GARAGE SALE

**Saturday, March 9 from 7:00 am - 4:00 pm and**

**Sunday, March 10, from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm**

in the School Cafeteria.

Get here early - everything is priced to sell!!

### Weekly Offering...February 17, 2019

Total: \$ 10,737.64

First Collection:	\$ 7,261.00
Second Collection (Catholic Spirit):	\$ 1,409.00
Online Offering:	\$ 1,973.64
Other:	\$ 94.00

**Thank you for your generosity to our parish.**

### St. Ann School Tricky Tray - Saturday April 6

#### St. Ann School is hosting its 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Tricky Tray Saturday, April 6, 2019.

The success of our event depends greatly upon generous donations from individuals and businesses, we ask that you supply any donations on or before March 15, 2019.

#### Tickets are now on sale!!

\$25 Admission Ticket includes: Coffee, tea & dessert, and 1 sheet of regular tier basket tickets. Outside food and drink are welcome. Water and soda will be available for purchase. Must be 21 years old or over.

Non-refundable.

If you are interested in making a donation to or attending our event please call the school office at: (908) 725-7787 or e-mail [stanntrickytray@gmail.com](mailto:stanntrickytray@gmail.com).

Thank you in advance for your support!

### St. Ann's PREP Program Reminders

- March 10, 2019:  
10:00 am Mass (parents and children preparing for the **Sacrament of Communion**)
- March 10, 2019:  
12pm Mass (parents and candidates preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation**)
- March 10, 2019:  
1:00pm Group Session in the school cafeteria (candidates preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation**)

Confirmation Retreat: Saturday, March 2, 10:45am (Holy Trinity Church)

Confirmation Practice: Wednesday, April 10, 5:00pm (St. Ann's Church)

Sacrament of Confirmation: Friday, April 12 (St. Ann's Church)

### Catechist/Volunteers for PREP

Looking for a way to share your faith? Our young people need you to journey with them. Volunteers are needed for classes, catechists, aides, sacramental preparation, substitutes, office/resources and other areas. You don't have to have children in the program to volunteer. Guidance and support will be provided. To find out more contact: Sr. Phyllis at [pvella@stannparish.com](mailto:pvella@stannparish.com) or (908) 725-1008, press 1 then press 5.

### Immaculata High School to host "Immaculata Difference"

Inviting all 6th, 7th and 8th grade. Thursday, February 28 from 6:30pm-8:30pm at Immaculata High School, 240 Mountain Avenue, Somerville. For more information or to RSVP please visit: [www.ImmaculataHighSchool.org/Difference](http://www.ImmaculataHighSchool.org/Difference) or call the Director of Admissions at (908) 722-0200, xt 218