



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 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 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 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.

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, 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 - 8TH
29 Second Ave, Raritan, NJ 08869
www.stannparish.com/schoolsite
Phone: 908.725.7787
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Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - June 23, 2019

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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

PREP (Religious Education)

Volunteer Catechists and Aides in our PREP program are fulfilling an important ministry in the church by participating in **spreading the Good News** and handing on the treasures of the Catholic Faith.

Volunteer Catechists and Aides work in small class groups, ideally about 15 children. **Please prayerfully consider becoming a volunteer in faith formation for children** by completing the Volunteer Form found on the Parish website www.stannparish.com under Faith Formation/Religious Education and also checking out the information about Protecting God's Children. Contact Sr. Phyllis at 908-725-1008 to arrange a time to meet and be prepared to be a part of St. Ann Church Faith Formation Program.

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



Pope Francis *General Audience* *June 5, 2019*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Last weekend, I made an Apostolic Journey to Romania, at the invitation of the President and the Prime Minister. I renew my appreciation to them and I extend it to the civil and ecclesiastical authorities and to all those who cooperated to bring about this visit. Above all I give thanks to God who allowed the Successor of Peter to return to that country, 20 years after the visit of Saint John Paul II.

In sum, as the motto of my journey announced, I encouraged “journeying together”. It was my joy to be able to do so not from afar or from above, but by walking, myself, among the Romanian people, as a pilgrim in their land.

The various events demonstrated the value and need of journeying together, both among Christians, at the level of faith and charity, and among citizens, at the level of civil commitment.

As Christians, we have the grace of living a season of fraternal relationships among the different Churches. In Romania the majority of the faithful belong to the Orthodox Church, currently led by Patriarch Daniel, to whom go my fraternal and appreciative thoughts. The Catholic community, both ‘Greek’ and ‘Latin’, is alive and active. The union among all Christians, while incomplete, is based on the one Baptism and is sealed by blood and by the suffering endured together in the dark times of the persecution, particularly in the last century under the atheist regime. There is also another Lutheran community that likewise professes faith in Jesus Christ, and has good relationships with Orthodox and Catholics.

With the Patriarch and the Holy Synod of the Romanian Orthodox Church, we had a very cordial meeting in which I emphasized the willingness of the Catholic Church to journey together in reconciled remembrance and toward fuller unity, which the Romanian people themselves prophetically invoked during the visit of Saint John Paul II. This important ecumenical dimension of the journey culminated in the solemn prayer of the ‘Our Father’, in the new, imposing Orthodox Cathedral of Bucharest.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for *June 2019* *The Mode of Life of Priests*



That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

From the desk of... *Bishop James F. Checchio* *June 13 2019*



My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are in the midst of a very special time in the life of our Church. As we progress in our year of spiritual awakening in preparation for the consecration of our diocese to Jesus through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pentecost provides us with the graces and charisms we need as a diocese.

On the eve of Pentecost, we had a first for our diocese: an all-night prayer vigil with Eucharistic Adoration at our Cathedral to pray that these graces and charisms would flood our diocese. This of course, was in addition to the scores of confirmations that have been taking place over these past months with thousands of our youth and adults receiving the Holy Spirit through the sacrament of confirmation. These days are beautiful reminders of God’s love for us.

As you know, all the apostles were with Jesus during his three years of public ministry, and they watched and heard all the wondrous miracles He performed. They had such high hopes as they were inspired by listening to Jesus teach, day in and out about the Kingdom of God and what it would be like. After three years of their listening to His every word and watching His loving and compassionate deeds, they believed that Jesus was the Way, the Truth and the Life. He was their Savior who would take them all to be with the Father in Heaven. They were ready to follow Him anywhere. They were all in!

But then it seemed everything fell apart, and so quickly: they had to watch Jesus be put on trial; they watched Jesus be mocked, spat upon, scourged at the pillar and even crowned with thorns. They watched as Jesus carried His own cross and finally was nailed to it and left to die. They must have been so discouraged, dejected, depressed and even fearful for their lives. Then the Resurrection changed everything, and the Apostles were comforted as they saw Jesus again, no longer a lifeless body, but risen in glory. They were with Jesus as He appeared in His resurrected body to thousands of different people. They shared meals with Him, and watched Him perform miracles again. For the Apostles it was like old times. But then, Jesus told them that He would be going away again, ascending back to heaven. For us the Ascension is a happy feast, but for the apostles and early disciples, it was not.

2019 Bishop’s Annual Appeal Parish Progress

St. Ann Parish goal is \$65,500. As of June 14, 2019:
253 donors have pledged a total of \$77,963
Total amount of payments is \$72,657,
This represents 120% of our goal.
Thank you to all those who have participated.



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

The Real Presence

Since the Middle Ages, the change of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ has been called "transubstantiation." This means that the substance of the bread and wine is changed into the substance of the Body and Blood of Christ. The appearances of bread and wine remain (color, shape, weight, chemical composition), but the underlying reality—that is, the substance—is now the Body and Blood of Christ.

With the passage of time, reverent reflection led the Church to enrich its Eucharistic devotion. Faith that Jesus is truly present in the Sacrament led believers to worship Christ dwelling with us permanently in the Sacrament. Wherever the Sacrament is, there is Christ, who is our Lord and our God. Such worship is expressed in many ways: in genuflection, in adoration of the Eucharist, and in the many forms of Eucharistic devotion that faith has nourished.

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New Jersey Independent Victim Compensation Program to open June 15

As announced in February, the Diocese of Metuchen – along with the four other Roman Catholic Dioceses in New Jersey (Newark, Trenton, Camden and Paterson) – established an Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) to compensate those who, as children or young adults, were sexually abused by a priest or deacon of the Diocese. The IVCP will be open to claims beginning June 15 and will conclude on December 31, 2019. All individual claims must be submitted during this period.

The statewide IVCP will be independently administered by Kenneth R. Feinberg and Camille S. Biros, two noted victims' compensation experts who have nationwide experience in administering varying compensation programs such as the Penn State sexual abuse claims, the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund, and the Boston Marathon bombing compensation fund.

The IVCP will handle the submission, evaluation and resolution of individual claims, and will operate independently of the Diocese or any church-affiliated institution. The administrators of the IVCP will have complete autonomy to determine the eligibility of a claim with the guidelines of the established protocol. The amount of compensation for those who make a claim will be

ARE YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW, A SURVIVOR OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE BY A PRIEST OR DEACON IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY?

If so, please contact the **Independent Victim Compensation Program**, created to offer financial settlements to abuse survivors.

The IVCP will remain open from June 15 through December 31, 2019.

Apply directly online at: www.njdiocesivcp.com

Newark Camden Metuchen Paterson Trenton

independently determined by the IVCP administrators. All victims – no matter when the abuse occurred – are eligible to participate, and all matters will be handled confidentially.

Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the process of utilizing the program by going to www.njdiocesivcp.com and reviewing the protocol for submitting a claim. The implementation of the IVCP is an important step in aiding victims in seeking justice and healing, and as we journey together as a Church toward a new day.

Transparency, justice and truth, remain a top priority for Bishop Checchio, who in a February letter to the Church of Metuchen, said, "As sad as this day is for the Church, I remember daily that God has called me to this diocese, to be here with you and to walk down this road back to Him with transparency, justice and truth to promote healing, confidence and renewal. The challenges the Church faces now may seem daunting, but we must not fear the days ahead; Christ walks with us. Together, we will journey toward a new day. Even though our Church today inherited these problems from the past, we are to be part of the solution to ensure these horrific crimes are never repeated in the future."

Anyone who has been the victim of sexual abuse by a priest of the Diocese is encouraged to participate in the IVCP.

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, June 24

7:00 a.m. Giovanni and Anna Falzarano by Antoinette and Alberto Falco

Tuesday, June 25

7:00 p.m. Francesco DiBetta by Tina Klucsik
Carol Paxson by Hoofatt Family
Filomena Vernacchio by Otto Vernacchio
Patricia Anne Dunleavy by Steve Tsikentzoglou

Wednesday, June 26

7:00 a.m. Elizabeth Gecik by Chris and Leo Becci

Thursday, June 27

7:00 p.m. Alexander Wiczenski by Mom, Dad and brothers
Frank L. Carlone by Carlone Family
Carmela Sessa by Bill, Paul and Mark Sessa
Maria Barbieri by Pat Barbieri

Friday, June 28

7:00 a.m. Immacolata Suriano by her children

Saturday, June 29

9:00 a.m. Mary Grasso by Marie Harwanko
4:00 p.m. Natale Family by daughter Filomena and family

Sunday, June 30

7:30 a.m. John White, Vincent Danna and Carmine Esposito by the Esposito Family
10:00 a.m. Vincenza and Dominica Ruffa by Caterina and Nicola Grande
12:00 p.m. Armando and Maria Casola by Giuseppi and Genoveffa Mirra
5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Altar Candles & Sanctuary Lamps are burning this week for:

Tabernacle Lamp for Charles DePrimo
by Mom, Dad and sisters

St. Joseph Lamp for Rose Wyka
by Ron and Cathy

Blessed Mother Lamp for Immacolata Suriano
by her children

Pray for those who are Sick in our Community

Wayne Basilone	Sara Gendlek	Don Palumbo
Anna Carra	Michael Giancaspro	Marie Richardson
Charles Churchill	Bernadette Healy	Mary Soriano
Bruno Cirianni	Victor Laggini	Cathy Stinziano
Frank Cirianni	Gloria A. Lamaestra	Danny Tibaldi
Mary Contino	Brianna Rose	Joseph Tomaio
Maria Anastasia	Larson	Ron Wyka
D'Amore	MaryAnn	Alex Zachok
Michael D'Angelo	Mangiaracina	Betty Zimmitti
JoAnn Dellaperute	Mark Marshall	
Ann DiBetta	Austin McNamara	
Mary Felice	Lidia Natale	
Frank Forte	Ann Navatto	
Cindy Galvacky	Deacon John	
Gambino Family	Pacifico	



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 Rasmussen; *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*
LCpl Daniel Viscariello; *U.S. Marine Corps*
Sgt Janet Wyka; *U.S. Army*
Capt Kaitlyn Zimmitti; *U.S. Air Force*

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Sunday Gn 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17	Thursday Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16; Mt 7:21-29
Monday Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17 Day: Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80	Friday Ez 34:11-16; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7
Tuesday Gn 13:2, 5-18; Mt 7:6, 12-14	Saturday Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
Wednesday Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Mt 7:15-20	

Eucharistic Holy Hour

The Oratorian community invites everyone to take part in a Eucharistic Holy Hour. This is usually offered on the third Sunday of each month, however, this month Holy Hour will be held on Sunday, June 23, 2019 at 3:30pm at the Catholic Church of St. Ann, Raritan This hour of Adoration includes readings, song, silent prayer, and concludes with Benediction.

Stewardship Reflection

"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." (Luke 9:17)

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when we share what we have, even if it doesn't seem like that much, miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! God blesses all the gifts we offer and makes them wondrous.

Weekly Offering...June 16, 2019

Total: \$ 11,624.50

First Collection:	\$ 7,678.00
Second Collection (Father's Day):	\$ 1,784.00
Online Offering:	\$ 1,999.50
Other:	\$ 163.00

Thank you for your generosity to our parish.

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Parish Events

Sunday, June 23 -Corpus Christi

Missions Appeal

11:00 am Holy Name Society Meeting (CMR)

3:30 pm Eucharistic Holy Hour (C)

Monday, June 24

Tuesday, June 25

Wednesday, June 26

Thursday, June 27

Friday, June 28

7:30 pm Devotion to Mary: Mind and Spirit (PMR)

Saturday, June 29

Sunday, June 30

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

Thank You to All Who Helped with Festa



Thank you to all those who helped to make our Festa a huge success!!

We are truly blessed to have so many kind and generous individuals who donated their time, their energy and their resources.

There are so many people who contributed in so many ways. The behind the scenes folks always knock it out of the park by arriving early and staying late. The setup, servers, cooks, kitchen, take down, electricians, volunteer coordinators, money room, dough stretchers, decorators, cake bakers, cleaners, ticket sellers, trash removal folks and many others are all integral parts of the operation.

Please know how grateful we are to each and every one of you.

Festa has been an annual tradition here for **114** years. Thank you for being a part of it. Hope you had fun and enjoyed the delicious food.

We will see you next year for our 115th Festa!!

Are You Being Called to the Diaconate?

The Diocese is looking for men who are interested in becoming Permanent Deacons. A new diaconate formation class will begin in spring 2020. A General Information Meeting is being conducted at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 7:30pm. If you are between the ages of 35 and 60, and you believe you are being called to this ministry, you, your wife and your pastor are cordially invited to attend this meeting. If you have any questions, or wish to advise that you will attend, please contact the Diocesan Diaconate Office (732) 567-2423.

Retrouvaille Program

Retrouvaille is a lifeline to help couples heal and renew their marriage. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The next Retrouvaille program will be held the weekend of August 23-25. For more information call the Family Life Office: 732-243-4573. To register call: Rich & Annette Colasuonno: 732-236-0671 or email: 3024@retrouvaille.org

Marriage Encounter Weekend

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held July 26 - 28.

Early registration is advisable as space is limited.

Phone **1-732-904-9636** for registration and information.

Visit us at: www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org

Parish Religious Education Program - PREP (a.k.a CCD)

2019 - 2020 Re-REGISTRATION for PREP - registration forms were sent home with the children for the 2019 -2020 Program. Please be sure to complete and return the necessary paperwork for your child(ren)'s registration to St. Ann Parish Office as soon as possible to ensure the class day and time that you are requesting. Registrations forms are available on the Parish website. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sr. Phyllis at 908-725-1008 or at pvella@stannparish.com

Faith Formation - Sacrament Program

Sacrament Faith Formation classes are not just about receiving Sacraments but a way of making connections between life and faith and to lead the children and their family to a closer personal relationship with Christ. St. Ann PREP Program is open to all registered parishioners for children in grades one through eight. Families wishing to register for Children's Faith Formation classes must be registered parishioners of St. Ann Church. If you need assistance with parish registration, you may contact the Parish Office at 908-725-1008.

Children entering the first grade in public school this coming September should enroll in the first level of Children's Faith Formation classes. The Diocese of Metuchen requires that children wishing to receive First Holy Communion must prepare for a period of two years. Young people entering preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, families must be registered parishioners of St. Ann Church. The Sacrament process includes a two-year program preparation and beneficial if the young person has either previously attended a Catholic School or Faith Formation Program.

For more information go to the Parish website: www.stannparish.com to obtain a copy of the necessary paperwork for PREP Registration. A copy of your child's Baptismal certificate is required for registration. For further details, please contact Sr. Phyllis at the Parish Office at 908-725-1008.