

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: 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 7:00 a.m.

Friday: 8:15 a.m. (when school is in session) & 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

First Friday: 8:15 a.m. & 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

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 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
Email: kalbright@stannparish.com

ST. ANN... STOP...
LOOK... LEARN

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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 Roy Rabinowitz

Deacon Rob Sause

Deacon Rick Stevens

Transitional Deacon Br. John Fredy Triana Beltran, CO Ms. Barbara Russell, Administrative Assistant

Office Staff

Mr. Miguel De Jesus, Director of Sacred Music

Mrs. Christine Esposito, Social Ministry

Mr. Lou Falconeri, Plant Manager

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

Boy Scouts

Eagle Scout Project Fundraiser

Encourage and help support Eagle Scout candidate, Damian Barczewski, by giving a contribution to help cover his project expenses. He will be rebuilding the Church storage shed. He plans to conduct his fundraiser next Sunday, September 15. Look for Damian in front of the church before and after Mass.



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



Pope Francis General Audience August 28, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

In our continuing catechesis on the Acts of the Apostles, we now reflect on how the Lord strengthens the early Christian community, enabling it to grow and to serve those most in need. The vitality of the emerging Church, even when threatened by attacks, can be seen in the ministry of Saint Peter. Like Jesus, he is drawn to the suffering, especially the sick and infirm, and – filled with the Spirit of the Lord – he carries out Christ’s own work of healing. Yet such activity induces the hatred of the Sadducees, who imprison the Apostles and seek to put a stop to their teaching. Peter’s response, however, that “we must obey God rather than men” (Acts 5:29), provides us with a key to our Christian life. This means listening to God without delay or reservation, and remaining faithful to him. As we strive to be of service to our brothers and sisters, let us ask the Holy Spirit for the interior strength of knowing that the Lord is always at our side.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for September 2019 The Protection of the Oceans



That politicians, scientists and
economists work together
to protect the world's
seas and oceans

This Weekend is the Peter’s Pence Collection

Pope Francis has shown the world what it means to care for the marginalized. The Peter’s Pence Collection is one way for us to join him in this mission. Your generosity will help support the charitable works of Pope Francis.

Caregiver Retreat

On Saturday, September 28 from 9:00am– 1:00pm the Caregiver Ministry of St. Joseph’s Church, 34 Yorktown Road, Hillsborough, is having a spiritual and informative morning for all Caregivers. The goal is to take time for yourself as well as be infused by spiritual renewal, followed by a free lunch at 12:30pm. Fr. Hank Hilton will begin the morning with Mass at 8:30am. To register or for more information contact: Carol (908) 369-7143 or email CarolJ623@comcast.net.

One-Day, 9 mile Walking Pilgrimage “The Way of St. Juan Diego”

In preparation for the Consecration of the Diocese of Metuchen to Our Lady of Guadalupe, all youth, families and people of faith are invited to participate in a Walking Pilgrimage on Saturday, September 21st, from 10:00am-8:00pm. The walk will begin and end at Immaculate Conception Parish, 316 Old Allerton Road, Annandale. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop James F. Checchio. The cost is \$20 by August 30th or \$25 thereafter. The walk will take place rain or shine. Registration is required. For details or to register, visit www.LightingHeartsOnFire.org/walking-pilgrimage. Registration deadline is September 13th.

Metuchen Cursillo Weekend Fall 2019

The Metuchen Cursillo Movement will be holding their next Cursillo Weekend in the fall at the Blue Army Shrine in Asbury, NJ. A Cursillo Weekend is an “Encounter with Christ”.

THE WOMEN’S WEEKEND is scheduled for November 14-17, 2019. THE MEN’S WEEKEND is to be announced. Weekends start on Thursday evening and end on Sunday afternoon.

Bishop Checchio has called the Metuchen Cursillo Movement “an international Catholic evangelical apostolate”, and has assigned Rev. Fr. John Primich as its Spiritual Advisor.

For details and to download an application, log on to www.metucursillo.org or you may contact Lorri Casabianca at lorri.casabianca@gmail.com or (732) 738-1796 or Lucille Hess, Lay Director, at lhess@metucursillo.org.

Space is limited so please register as soon as possible.

Silver and Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 27, 2019 at 4:00 PM. Registration is required.

Register online at: diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold or contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org.

Registration will close on October 11, 2019. There is no fee required. Donations of Gratitude may be made online or calling 732-562-1543.

BACK TO SCHOOL **BREAKFAST**

Join us on Sunday Sep 15th

**All Students K thru 8 are FREE at our
September Breakfast**
when accompanied by 1 paying adult

8 AM – 11:00 AM



St. Ann's School Cafeteria
45 Anderson Street Raritan

\$8 Adults - \$5 Kids (5-14)
Kids under 5 years old are free

September Breakfast Menu

**Scrambled Eggs & made to order Omelets, Pancakes,
French Toast, Home Fries, Sausage, Bacon, Fruit, Toast,
Cold Cereals, Coffee, Tea & Juice**

Upcoming Breakfasts:

Veterans Breakfast 11-10-19

Breakfast with Santa 12-15-19

Valentines Breakfast 2-9-20

Mothers Day Breakfast 5-10-20

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization
with over 1.8 million members in 15,000 local councils.

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 9

7:00 p.m. Helen and Clifford Compton by Harold and Jacqueline D'Alessio
William Bloise by Diane
Living and Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus

Tuesday, September 10

7:00 a.m. Victoriano and Adeline Bautista by Rosalinda

Wednesday, September 11

7:00 a.m. Mary and George Hanis by Fr. Tom Odorizzi

Thursday, September 12

7:00 a.m. Deacon John Pacifico by Mary Pierson

Friday, September 13

8:15 a.m. Deceased Members of the Faculty, Student Families and Alumni of St. Ann's School
7:00 p.m. Fortunato Figliano by Paul Fusca and family

Saturday, September 14

9:00 a.m. Donato and Maria Chiarella by Lena and Joe Iannetta
4:00 p.m. Joseph and Angela Laggini by Cindy and Chuck Galvacky

Sunday, September 15

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish
10:00 a.m. Joseph and Rose Orlando by daughter Janet
12:00 p.m. Liberato and Catherine DeCastro by Matty, Trina and Bill
5:00 p.m. Mary Indyk by Bob and Pat Ronca

Altar Candles & Sanctuary Lamps are burning this week for:

Blessed Mother Lamp for Fortunato Figliano by Paul Fusca and family

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. This month Holy Hour will be held on Sunday, **September 15, 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.

Date Nights for a Joyful Marriage Invitation

St. Ann Regional Catholic Marriage Ministry presents Date Nights for a Joyful Marriage. Saturday, September 28, 2019 from 6:30 pm-9:00 pm. An invitation to engaged newlywed, dating couples or couples married several years. Appetizers, dinner and dessert included. BYOB. \$35 per couple, \$40 at the door. Location: Catholic Church of St. Ann, 45 Anderson Street, Raritan, Church Meeting Room. For more information or to RSVP contact Ken and Madeline Swartz: (908) 872-0282

Pray for those who are Sick in our Community

Wayne Basilone

Anna Carra

Katie Cassling-Fishman

Bruno Cirianni

Frank Cirianni

Mary Contino

Maria Anastasia D'Amore

Michael D'Angelo

Dominick DeLuca

Ann DiBetta

January Drevnak

Mary Felice

Frank Forte

Cindy Galvacky

Gambino Family

Maria Rosa

Gasparro

Michael Giancaspro

Gloria Guide

Bernadette Healy

Victor Laggini

Gloria A. Lamaestra

Brianna Rose

Larson

MaryAnn

Mangiaracina

Mark Marshall

Giovanna Martini

Austin McNamara

Lidia Natale

Ann Navatto

Don Palumbo

Victor Rangel

Marie Richardson

Ann Forte Saxbe

Deborah Scarpone

Mary Soriano

Cathy Stinziano

Danny Tibaldi

Joseph Tomaio

Emanuel Valentin

Ron Wyka

Alex Zachok



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

LCpl Daniel Viscariello; U.S. Marine Corps

Sgt Janet Wyka; U.S. Army

Capt Kaitlyn Zimmiti; U.S. Air Force

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Sunday

Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Monday

Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday

Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38

Friday

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Traveling Home Kit for Our Lady of Guadalupe

...is available for Sign-up at the back of the Church. The kit contains a print of the Image of our Lady, a blessed crucifix, candle, holy water, prayer cards and rosary pouch with rosary beads. Choose a week from now through December 2019 to have this kit in your home. The kit is picked up at the Sacristy door before Mass and returned the following week. Contact: MaryBeth Tarantino, 908-334-8973 or scienmbs@optonline.net



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 8, 2019

Parish Events

Sunday, September 8

Food Drive (C)

Monday, September 9

7:45 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting (CMR)

Tuesday, September 10

7:30 pm Social Ministry Meeting (PMR)

Wednesday, September 11

Thursday, September 12

6:15 pm PREP (SC) (S)

6:30 pm Bell Choir Practice (C)

7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice (C)

Friday, September 13

6:30 pm Cub Scout Meeting (SC)

Saturday, September 14

10:00 am Pastor's Forum (CMR)

Sunday, September 15

8:00 am Knights of Columbus Back to School Breakfast (SC)

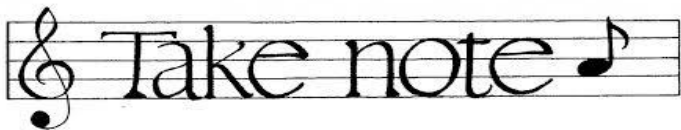
10:00 am Catechetical Sunday (C)

1:30 pm Baptisms (C)

3:30 pm Eucharistic Holy Hour (C)

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

Music Ministry



As the summer winds down and the students are back in school, things will go back to the normal routine. This is the perfect time to consider what we are giving back to our parish. Some join the different parish groups, some continuously serve the school and others give their time to the liturgical ministries. Jesus in the Gospel this weekend states that you must calculate your sacrifices in order to properly serve Him. Have you considered sacrificing your time for Him and the parish in one of our many liturgical ministries? If you have a servant's heart and love the liturgy, please consider joining one of our 3 choirs. Feel free to speak with the Director of Sacred Music, Miguel DeJesus, after any of the Masses to learn more.

Approach to Infertility

On Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 5:30pm, learn more about NaPro Technology, An Infertility Approach presented by Dr. Kyle Beiter who specializes in fertility, gynecology and gynecologic surgery. The location is: St. Peter's University Hospital, 254 Easton Ave., New Brunswick, Sister Marie de Pazzi Conference Center Room 1. Light refreshments and free parking. For more information contact Aiyana Cook at 732-565-5490.

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

For the St. Ann's Religious Education Program for 2019-2020: Thursday sessions begin on September 12 and Monday Sessions begin on September 16. Parents and children are to report to the St. Ann school cafeteria between 6:00pm and 6:15pm.

Parent Meeting for the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday, September 24 at 7:00 pm in the School Cafeteria.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sr. Phyllis at 908-725-1008, press 1 then press 5, or email Sr. Phyllis at pvella@stannparish.com

Weekly Offering...September 1, 2019

	Total: \$ 8,309.50	
First Collection:		\$ 6,413.00
Online Offering:		\$ 1,866.50
Other:		\$ 30.00

Thank you for your generosity to our parish.

Choices Matter – A Critical Life Conference

Save the Date: November 2, 2019! This year's conference (formerly The Critical Life Issues Conference) will be held at College Avenue at Rutgers University. Pro-Life speakers include: Leah Darrow - From Top Model to Role Model; Patricia Sandoval -Addiction, Escape from Homelessness and the Back Door of Planned Parenthood; Dr. Anthony and Ceil Levatino -From Abortionist and his wife—the Ripple Effect of Choice.

September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

Let us pray for the victims of suicide, may God grant them mercy and salvation.

Let us pray for those contemplating suicide, may God show them a better way.

Let us pray for those left behind, may God ease their suffering.

Let us pray for those who treat people in danger, may God guide their work.

Let us pray for all, that we may come to know God and His love for us. Knowing how much God loves us, and that God never abandons us, may we embrace His plan for our lives and live fully in His grace.

AMEN

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