



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.

Church Calendar

Can be found on our website under *Events & News - Calendar*

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.

Donations by Electronic Giving: WeShare

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!

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.

St. Ann Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

Grades 1-8

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

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

Special Needs PREP

Grades 1-8

Monday: 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.

St. Ann School

Grades K-8



Discover how a Catholic

Classical Education at St. Ann School can inspire your child to be a joyous learner, filled with wonder and awe for all of creation. Our new academic approach allows for students to be formed and immersed in virtue – truth, beauty and goodness – through their everyday curriculum.

To learn more about the school and its new classical education approach, call us at

(908)-725-7787

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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

Eucharistic Ministers

The Eucharist, our source and summit of Christian Life, assures us that to serve the table of the Lord as an Extraordinary Minister is a privilege. The opportunity to serve at Sunday Mass, daily Mass, bring communion to the sick and homebound is afforded to those who have a sincere desire to serve their fellow parishioners. Training is provided to those who are willing to make a commitment and are practicing Catholics who have received all appropriate Sacraments. Extraordinary Ministers must be at least 18 years of age. If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister please call Deacon Rick Stevens at: (908)910-0309.



Extraordinary Ministers
of Holy Communion

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



*Pope Francis
General Audience
September 25, 2019*

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

With the Book of the Acts of the Apostles, we shall continue to follow a journey: the journey of the Gospel in the world. With great realism, Saint Luke illustrates both the fruitfulness of this journey, and the onset of problems within the Christian community. From the very beginning there were always problems. How can we harmonize the differences that coexist within it without the occurrence of conflict and schisms?

The community not only welcomed the Hebrews, but also the Greeks, that is, people from the diaspora, non-Jews, with their own culture and sensitivities and with another religion. Today we call them "gentiles". And they were welcomed. This shared presence brought with it a fragile and precarious balance: and before these difficulties, "weeds" begin to appear, and which is the worst weed that destroys a community? The weed of discontent, the weeds of gossip: the Greeks complain about the community's lack of attention to their widows.

The Apostles begin a process of discernment which consists in recognizing all the difficulties and trying to find solutions together. They find a way out by dividing the various tasks, for the peaceful growth of the entire ecclesial body, and in order to avoid neglecting either the "course" of the Gospel or caring for the poorest members.

The Apostles are ever more aware that their main vocation is to pray and preach the Word of God: to pray and proclaim the Gospel: and they resolve the issue by establishing a nucleus of "seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom (Acts 6:3), who, after receiving the laying on of hands, will "serve tables". It refers to the deacons who were created for this, for service. In the Church a deacon is not a deputy priest, but something else. He is not for the altar but for service. He is the custodian of service in the Church. When a deacon is too fond of going to the altar, he is making a mistake. This is not his path. This harmony between service to the Word and service to charity represents the leaven that makes the ecclesial body grow.

*Pope Francis Prayer Intention for
October 2019
A Missionary "Spring" In the Church*



That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.

*From the desk of...
Bishop James F. Checchio
September 19, 2019*



My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

To continue...As Pope Francis reminds us, "parents themselves enjoy the right to choose freely the kind of education – accessible and of good quality – which they wish to give their children in accordance with their convictions." (Amoris Laetitia, 84).

I invite and challenge you to be attentive to the needs of the poor, especially the economically disadvantaged youth in our diocese. They are our future, but they are our present, too. We must recognize the need to provide them with a quality, values-based education, so that they have the opportunity to develop to their full potential, grow in their love for the Lord and his Church, and take the Gospel message out into the world. Through our commitment and generosity, let us together take this concrete step to reduce the long-term impact of poverty and prepare the way so that all children may have a bright future.

Please pray for the success of Hope through Education and, also for all of our young people, as they begin a new school year and another year of catechetical formation, growing in their own discipleship. Be assured of my love, gratitude and prayers for you, even as I ask for your prayers for me and my ministry here too.

Metuchen Cursillo Weekend Fall 2019

The Metuchen Cursillo Movement will be holding their Women's Weekend November 14-17 at the Blue Army Shrine in Asbury, NJ.

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.metcursillo.org or contact Lorri Casabianca at lorri.casabianca@gmail.com or (732) 738-1796 or Lucille Hess, Lay Director, at lhess@metcursillo.org.

Space is limited so please register as soon as possible.

Come Pray for Those Who Serve and Protect

All are invited to attend the **18th Annual Blue Mass** on Thursday, October 17 at 10:30 am at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, 32 Elm Avenue, Metuchen. Bishop James F. Checchio will be the principal celebrant.

Come pray for all our local, county, state and federal law enforcement officials and to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. For more info call (732) 765-6438 or visit: <https://diometuchen.org/2019-blue-mass>

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 13, 2019

Canonization of John Henry Cardinal Newman

October 13, 2019

The Oratorian family around the world rejoices that, on this Sunday, October 13, its most well-known member, the English convert, theologian, writer, and Oratorian priest, John Henry Cardinal Newman (1801-1890), is being canonized a Saint.

The canonization Mass will be televised live from St. Peter's in Rome on EWTN beginning at 3:30 am Eastern Time, with an encore presentation at 8:00 pm. For more information about EWTN's coverage of Newman's canonization, visit: <https://www.ewtn.com>

Learn more about Cardinal Newman's canonization at: <https://www.newmancanonisation.com>.

You can also visit our website at www.raritanoratory.org to learn more about Cardinal Newman as well as the other Oratorians whose holiness has been formally recognized by the Church.

St. Philip Neri and the Congregation of the Oratory:

4 Part Series, Consecutive Wednesdays

October 16, 23, 30 and November 6

7:30pm at Holy Trinity

Come learn about the amazing founder of the Oratory, St. Philip Neri, and the community that carries on his legacy. This Fall formation series will take place on four consecutive Wednesday nights, beginning this Wednesday, October 16 at 7:30 pm, in the basement of Holy Trinity Church, Bridgewater. Each evening will include a presentation, an opportunity to ask questions, and informal fellowship. Everyone is welcome and refreshments will be served.

Oratory Tricky Tray

We are excited to announce that tickets for our **Tricky Tray and 50/50 Raffle** to be held on **Sunday, November 3rd at Pierre's Restaurant in South Brunswick** are now available for purchase. Flyers and order forms are also available in the back of church or by downloading from our website: www.raritanoratory.org/fundraiser. You can use this form to mail in your ticket orders.

This is a fundraiser specifically for the Oratory. The Congregation of the Oratory is an autonomous community and we are responsible for the formation of our own members. Funds raised at this event help to defray the tuition costs for our seminarians. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Anne-Marie Calderone, S.O. at amchef61@yahoo.com. There are hundreds of prizes just waiting for someone to win them; we hope it might be you so join us!

World Mission Sunday, October 20

Next Weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, The Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's special second collection for the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith**.

Your Financial Support for the Parish

Change in Practice: Additional Explanation

Beginning in November, second special collections will be only for causes authorized and mandated by the Diocese. There are about 13 of these throughout the year. You will continue to receive special envelopes for those collections.

As I previously mentioned, the purpose of the regular weekly collection at Mass is to support the ordinary operation of your parish. The ordinary operational expenses include the maintenance of all buildings and grounds, cost of utilities, the salaries and benefits for clergy, religious and lay employee, supplies, services, repairs, insurance and assessments. In our case, subsidy for the parish school is also an ordinary operational expense.

In the past, your envelope packets included many second collection envelopes that were identified for specific needs that, in reality, are all part of the ordinary operation of the parish. They were titled "Church & Grounds Maintenance" or "Church Improvement", "Winter Fuel", "Air Conditioning", "Summer (or) Fall Collection", "Spring Clean Up", "School Support". In addition, you received envelopes for "Debt Reduction"; that is not an authorized second collection per Diocesan Policy.

Those contributions that you gave in the past were very much appreciated. Going forward, please consider the ordinary operation needs as a whole and include the contribution that was the second collection with the regular weekly church offering. We will no longer have second collections for those ordinary operational items. Any envelopes that you get in addition to the weekly offering envelope, ought to be included with the one collection for that week.

Your parish needs your support. Please think about these changes in practice and realize that having less second collections means that you will need to increase your regular weekly church offering. Perhaps this is a good time to prayerfully and to intentionally assess your sacrificial giving habits. More to come...

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

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 14

7:00 p.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus

Tuesday, October 15

7:00 a.m. Victoria Capacillo by Oying, Mila, Alphonse and Claire

Wednesday, October 16

7:00 a.m. Robert J. Burgo by the Berry Family

Thursday, October 17

7:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Secular Oratory of St. Philip Neri

Friday, October 18

8:15 a.m. For the St. Ann School community

7:00 p.m. Froilan Dizon by the Dizon Family
Peter and Rose Wyka and Dominick and Evelyn Stanziano by Ron and Cathy

Saturday, October 19

9:00 a.m. Margaret Surriya Bullen by the Calo Family

4:00 p.m. Teresa and Giuseppe Soriano by Marsha Harlan

Sunday, October 20

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

10:00 a.m. John Schaub, Sr. by wife and children

12:00 p.m. Theresa DeMuro and Margaret DeMuro by James DeMuro and children

5:00 p.m. Carmela and Rocco Carra by Rose and Michael D'Angelo

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 Zimmitti; *U.S. Air Force*

Mass Intentions

There are still Mass Intentions open in the **2019 Mass Intention Book**, weekday mornings at 7:00am and Mondays and Fridays at 7:00pm (more than one intention may be offered at those Masses) If you would like to schedule a Mass for 2019, call the Parish Office.

The week of October 21, 2019, we will start accepting Mass Intentions for January-June 2020. **Call or stop by the parish office and speak to Barbara on Mondays, Wednesday, Thursdays or Fridays. No Mass Intentions will be taken on Tuesdays. You may schedule three Mass Intentions at that time.** Mass stipends are \$10 each. Please bring exact change or a check.

Altar Candles & Sanctuary Lamps are burning this week for:

Altar Candle #1 for Rose and Pete Wyka
by Ron and Cathy

St. Joseph Lamp for Peter Wyka
by Ron and Cathy

Blessed Mother Lamp for Margaret Surriya Bullen
by the Calo Family

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

Victor Rangel

Marie Richardson

Deborah Scarpone

Mary Soriano

Cathy Stinziano

Joseph Tomaio

Emanuel Valentin

Ron Wyka

Alex Zachok



Weekly Offering...October 6, 2019

Total: \$ 10,441.50

First Collection:

\$ 7,158.00

Online Offering:

\$ 2,921.50

Other:

\$ 362.00

Thank you for your generosity to our parish.

Have You Considered Giving On-Line

When you choose to give your gifts online, it has a huge impact on the stability of our ministries and outreach programs, as it allows us to better plan for the year. If you have not already, please consider signing up:

- 1) Visit our Parish Website and click Give Online with WeShare.
- 2) Select the collection or event of your choice.
- 3) Set up your donation or payment.

Give Online
with WeShare

Big or small, all donations make a difference.

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Sunday

2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13;
Lk 17:11-19

Monday

Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday

Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday

Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday

Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

Friday

2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9

Saturday

Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12

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Parish Events

Sunday, October 13

Monday, October 14 -Columbus Day

No School, No PREP

Parish Office Closed

7:00 pm Mass as usual

7:45 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting (CMR)

Tuesday, October 15

7:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting (CMR)

Wednesday, October 16

7:30 pm St. Philip Neri and the Congregation of the Oratory
Series [Part 1 of 4] (at Holy Trinity)

Thursday, October 17

6:15 pm PREP (SC) (S)

6:00 pm Children's Choir (CL)

6:45 pm Bell Choir Practice (CL)

7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice (CL)

Friday, October 18

Saturday, October 19

Sunday, October 20

10:00 am Reconciliation and Communion Families to attend
Mass (C)

12:00 pm Confirmation Families to attend Mass (C)

1:00 pm Confirmation Session (SC)

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]

St. Ann's Music Ministry

Today's Gospel tells us the encounter of the ten lepers and the only one who returns to give thanks. While most might focus on the one that gave thanks, let us think about the desperation of the ten lepers that relied on Jesus without question. Are we so poor in spirit that we would rely on Jesus in that capacity without question? Let us meditate on our devout faith in the Lord and how we can improve it. The choir sings in response with the following text:

"Thy will, not mine, O Lord, be done: Thy truth forever be my guide; my steps direct, my path search out, though rough it be no harm shall e'er betide; My God I trust in Thee. In Thee alone O God, I trust, in Thee I trust."

Poor Box Donations Thank You

Thank you for all of your generous donations to the Poor Box (located at the back of the Church). Social Ministry has been able to use this money to help families pay rent, keep utilities on and have enough food.

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, **October 20, 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.

Parish Religious Education Program - PREP (a.k.a CCD) 2019-2020

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Sunday, October 20: 12:00 pm Mass **and** 1:00 pm
Candidates Group Session (School Cafeteria)

Sacrament of First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion:

Sunday, October 20: 10:00 am Mass

Questions: Contact Sr. Phyllis at the Parish Office

50th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to Anna and Joseph Ferrera on their
50th Wedding Anniversary!!

Anna and Joseph will renew their marriage vows with Bishop James Checchio at the Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis in Metuchen on October 27.



St. Ann's Baby Shower Thank You

Thank you to all of our generous donors who bought or made items for this past weekend's baby collection. Many items will be spread throughout the community because of St. Ann. God bless you all for thinking of new parents in need. Our baby shower was a huge success and we look forward to having another shower next October.



Prayer Service for Those Touched by the Pain of Addiction or Loss

Any person or family whose life has been touched by the pain of addiction or loss, or who seeks the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the struggle to recovery is welcome. Refreshments and fellowship will follow. Thursday, October 24 at 7:00pm at Mary Mother of God Parish, 157 South Triangle Road, Hillsborough, NJ. Rev. John M. Rozembajgier will celebrate.

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 or 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