



Third Sunday of Easter

"Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." (Jn 21: 17)

St. Ann's Church

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To help us to keep in touch with you please email us at stannsrectory@hotmail.com

Please check out our website for live streamed Masses www.stannschurch.us

Please send prayer requests to StAnnParishPrayerline@hotmail.com

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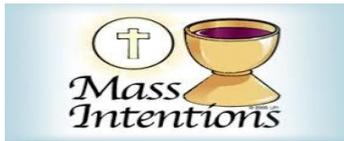
CONFESSIONS Saturday 3:00 pm in the church or by appointment.

Mass schedule: Saturday, Mass 4:00 pm & Sunday, Mass 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekday Masses: Monday through Thursday 8:30am

(The 4:00 pm Mass is live streamed directly to our website www.stannschurch.us)

Join us for Weekly Bible Study lead by Fr. Michael on Wednesdays. Adoration in the church begins at 6:20 pm and the Bible Study is conducted in the church hall at 7 pm. You can attend the Bible Study in person or via Zoom. For details on Bible passages being currently studied or to instructions on how to join by Zoom, please send an email to ZoomGoodSt.Ann@outlook.com or call the Rectory.



Saturday, April 30 4:00 pm Diane Brown
req. by Theresa Topalian

Sunday, May 1 9:00 am Jose Rodriguez
req. by Fr. Michael
11:00 am Suzanne Morin
req. by The Family

Monday, May 2 8:30 am John Morrissey
req. by The Morrissey Family

Tuesday, May 3 8:30 am All Souls Intention
req. by Beverly Marley

Wed, May 4 8:30 am Amy Niepokoyczki
req. by Anna Gemme

Thurs, May 5 8:30 am Lillian Letson
req. by Don Letson

Saturday, May 7 4:00 pm Mary Lajoie
req. by Theresa Topalian

Sunday, May 8 9:00 am Henry Gemme
req. by Fr. Michael
11:00 am Steven Prunier
req. by SVDP

Dear Friends in Christ,

Last Sunday we celebrated the joyful reality of God's great mercy bestowed on us through Jesus Christ. Through His blood shed for our sins we are forgiven and restored to right relationship with God. We do not deserve this new life that Jesus offers us through faith but it is available to us nonetheless. Through Confession and Absolution, God frees us of our sins and gives us the chance to start over.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Simon Peter encounters the Risen Christ whom He does not initially recognize. The last thing that had transpired in their friendship was Peter's denial of Jesus three times. After Peter recognized that He had failed the Lord and broken faith with Him, Scripture tells us that Peter wept bitterly in remorse.

Yet, in this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus initiates a new conversation with Peter. It begins with an all-important question. Christ asks Peter "Do you love me?..." Peter responds in the affirmative three times, repairing the damage of his three denials. When Peter shows bewilderment that Christ continues to pose the same question to him, Christ indicates that it is through the work of pastoral ministry to which Peter has been entrusted that he will show the Lord His love through actions of charity.

During this Easter Season, the Risen Lord poses us to us the same question He once posed to Peter "Do you love me?..." How much do we? Do we show the Lord our love through actions of charity? What does our friendship with Jesus look like today? How can we improve that relationship?

Let us rejoice in the great mercy of God that gives us second chances when we fail.

In Christ, Fr. Michael



Offertory for the weekend April 24, 2022

Offertory	\$ 2,094.00
Maintenance	\$ 170.00
Online Giving	\$ 225.00
Total	\$ 2,489.00

SVDP \$ 95.00

Announcements

Join us for our Rosary Group on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 pm in the church.

Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday Morning

In the midst of our busy lives we need time to pray and be with the Lord. We can come to church, bringing the needs we hold in our hearts to the feet of Jesus, entrusting our cares to His merciful heart. As we come to the Lord in silent prayer, He will renew and heal us, bringing to us, our families and our parish new life.

Join us for 20 minutes of Eucharistic Adoration before morning Mass on Tuesdays. Jesus says, in Matthew 11:28-30 *“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”* **Allow Jesus to give you the rest that only He can give through this blessed time of adoration.**

Immaculate Conception Church, Worcester, is hosting a Fox Tours bus trip on Thursday, July 21, to NH's Hart Turkey Farm Restaurant & Lakes Region Summer Music Theatre's musical "The King and I." Cost is \$121 pp, includes all tips. All passengers must be Covid-vaccinated & masked on the bus. Contact Michelle Deignan at (508) 596-4778 or mmdeignan@charter.net. Deadline to register: 6/21/22.

The Massachusetts Catholic Conference is calling on parishioners across the state to voice their opposition to proposed legislation which would legalize assisted suicide. We are hoping to generate hundreds of telephone calls and/or emails to members of the legislature.

The online bulletin will have a letter with important information if you would like to communicate to your State Senator and Representative regarding this issue. A copy of the letter is also posted on the bulletin board in the church. *Thank you for your assistance.*

MY BROTHER'S KEEPER parish food collection for The Oxford Ecumenical Food Shelf will take place next weekend, May 7 and 8. Please bring in non-perishable food items for our brothers and sisters in need in our local community. Thank you for your generosity.

MAY CROWNING OF THE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES in our outdoor shrine will take place on Sunday, May 15 immediately following the 9 AM Mass, weather permitting. The rain date of the May Crowning will be on Sunday, May 22 immediately following the 9 AM Mass. Join us as we honor Our Lady during her special month and officially open the Shrine for the year.

Mother's Day Prayer

Mary, Mother of God & our Mother, pray for all mothers, so that they will be able to fulfill their maternal responsibilities.

Help them to be lovers and nurturers of all human life from the moment of conception until natural death, all the while being examples for their own children.

Pray for their children, so that they, too, will be faithful followers of your Son.

We pray for our mothers, who have given us life and love, that we may show them reverence and love.

We pray for mothers, who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope and their family and friend, support and console them.

*We pray for mothers who have died, that God may bring them into the joy of His kingdom We offer these prayers through Christ, our Lord and your Son, in the union with the Holy Spirit, one God forever & ever.
Amen.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

FAMILY MASSES (2022)

Children's Masses will be held on the **first Sunday of every month**. They will have a homily geared towards young children and will be followed by a gathering in the church hall. We invite all the families with young children to join us! Please mark your calendars:

- **Sunday, June 5th**
- **Our parish celebration of First Communion will be held at the 9:00 am Mass on Sunday, May 1st.**
- **Our Confirmation students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at Sacred Heart Church, Webster on Thursday, May 5th.**

Please keep our First Communion and Confirmation students and their families in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacraments.

SUNSHINE MINISTRY: The Sunshine Ministry is here to brighten up the day for any parishioners who are unable to attend weekly Mass and would like to receive cards for birthdays, anniversaries, get well, or just a nice monthly "Hello". **Please contact Gay Thomas @ 508-340-5608**

Drop the following into the weekly collection basket:

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

Birthday: _____

Couple Anniversary Date: _____



Are you or a loved one sick or homebound? Has a loved one moved to a nursing home? Has a loved one been hospitalized? Please speak to Fr. Michael after Mass or call Fr. Michael at the Rectory (508) 987-8892 to let us know. We would like to bring Communion and the Sacrament of The Sick to them and include their names in the Prayers for The Sick remembered weekly at Mass.

WE REMEMBER AT MASS AND IN OUR DAILY PRAYER...

May 2022

Carole Denning	David J. Morin	Adam Yankauskas
Judy Leone	Robert Lajoie	Joel Balash
Donald Morin	Chuck Walsh	Lorna Hennessey
Richard Buron	Linda J. Harris	Mary Ann Richard
Aline Krasinskas	Roland B	Leona Shaw
Chloe Jones	Paula Kapurch	Edward Jackman
Leonard Marcotte		

The Blessed Sacrament Adoration Chapel - Come spend one hour a week with JESUS!
At the Blessed Sacrament Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel, 17 E. Main St.,
Webster, MA

All hours are available, but the following hours are in need of dedicated adorers

Sunday - 2-3 am, 8-9 am, 3-4 pm, Tuesday 3-4 pm, 10-11 pm, Wednesday - 4-5 am,

Friday - 11 pm -12 am, Saturday -12-1 am, 1-2 am, 4-5 am, 10-11am, 11am-12pm, 3-4 pm.

We are also in need of substitutes. Please consider being placed on our Substitute Call List.
Please contact: Jeanne Guerin (508) 208-9064, Barbara Avery (508) 943-1489 and Nancy Kudzal
(508) 864-6147. Thank you!



If you are a parishioner and are in need of assistance, please call 508-987-8892 and leave a message on the SVDP private line and someone from the SVDP will return your call. Maybe you lost your job and are behind on your utilities or can't afford to have oil delivered. We can help. We also can point you in the direction of other resources that are available.

ST. ANN'S PARISH PARISHIONER CONTACT INFORMATION:

Please take a few minutes to respond to this contact information update even if your information has not changed. If you need additional space, please write on the back of this contact info request. Thank you.

Drop the following into the weekly collection basket or mail to the Rectory:

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

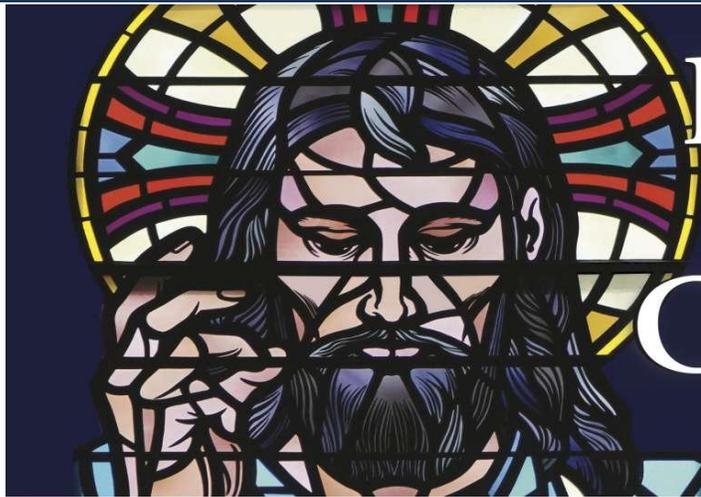
Town: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone (home): _____ Phone (cell phone): _____ (member)

Phone (cell phone): _____ (member)

Email (for each household member): _____

We would like to express appreciation to all parishioners who have made pledges or donations to The Legacy of Hope. We have collected \$100,370.00 towards our goal of \$222,947.00. Thank you !!



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Partners In Charity Appeal

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2022 *Partners in Charity Appeal*. St. Ann's Parish is **36%** towards our goal of **\$40,000**. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge **envelope located in the pews**.

Visit partners-charity.net to do it online. Partners in Charity is the Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Worcester, serving charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries. Through your generous support we are able to serve thousands of families and individuals in Worcester County through outreach, formation, evangelization, and worship.

The Partners in Charity collection to date is: \$11,185.00 *Thank you! We couldn't do it without you!*

Partners in Charity 2022 supports the following:

- Catholic Charities
- McAuley Nazareth Home for Boys
- Pernet Family Health Service
- Priests' Retirement
- Retired Priests Health Ministry
- St. John Diocesan Cemetery System
- Advanced Studies for Clergy and Laity
- Catholic Schools Office
- Communications Ministry
- Grant-in-Aid for Schools
- Office of Religious Education
- Ongoing Priestly Formation
- Seminarian Education
- Youth and Young Adult Ministries
- Stewardship Office
- African Ministry
- Catholic Campus Ministry
- Hispanic Apostolate
- Minister to Priests
- Office for Divine Worship
- Office of Hispanic/Latino Ministry
- Office of Marriage and Family
- Office of the Diaconate
- Respect Life Office
- St. Paul Cathedral
- Vocations Office
- House of Studies