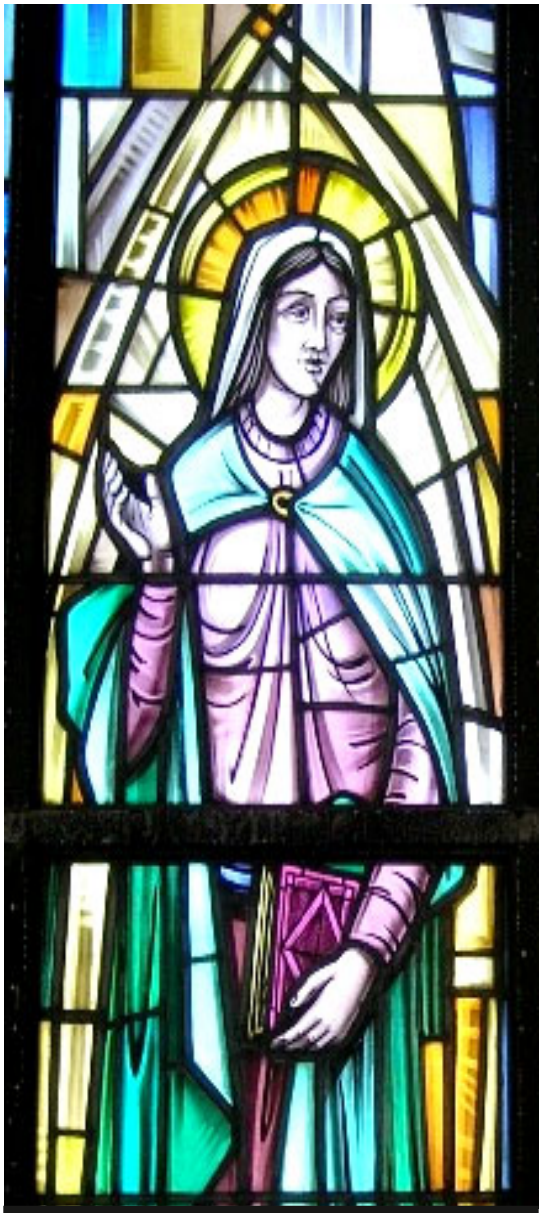

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WEEKEND EUCHARIST
Saturday: 7:30 am Mass
4:00 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday Masses:
8:00, 9:30,11:00 am and 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Monday - Friday: 6:30 am & 8:45 am
Tuesday: 7:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday: 9:30 am to 6:00 pm
ending with Benediction
First Friday: 9:30 - 10:30 am

RECONCILIATION
Tuesday: 6:00 to 6:45 pm
Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 pm
5:00 to 5:30 pm

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Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 6:00 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday 6:00 am to 8:15 pm

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A CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD
This is for students in grades kindergarten, one, two and three and is held during the Sunday 9:30 am Mass.

BAPTISM
Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of each month at 12:30 pm. Please call the Church Office at least three months before the anticipated date of birth. To schedule the Baptism and a Preparation Seminar, call Deacon Phil Doolen at 455-7071, ext. 231.

MATRIMONY
The prospective bride or groom must contact one of the parish priests or deacons at least 6 months in advance.

FUNERALS
Families should contact the Church Office before making any arrangements with the funeral home.

VISITATION OF THE SICK
Please notify the Church Office when someone is in the hospital or sick at home and unable to attend Mass.

ROSARY GROUPS
1st Saturday of each month following the 7:30 am Mass in Church.
Every Saturday 3:20 pm-3:40 pm, before the 4:00 pm Mass in Church.
Rosary & Divine Mercy, every Wednesday 9:30 am to 10:30 am in the St. Ann Room.

NOVENA TO ST. ANN
Every Tuesday after the 8:45 am and 7:00 pm Masses. A solemn nine day novena is held at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm, consisting of Mass, homily and novena prayers. July 18th through 26th (Feast of St. Ann).

MISSION STATEMENT
St. Ann, a Roman Catholic Parish of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, is a faith family serving the needs of the parishioners and the wider community.
Home to the National Shrine of St. Ann, we are committed to providing opportunities to all for worship and service, evangelization and education, stewardship and ministry.
St. Ann Parish welcomes and invites all people to join us in proclaiming and living the Gospel values of Jesus Christ.

"Master, I want to see"

Fr. Vincent Nguyen

Around the year **1.000 BC**, King David defeated his enemies and became king of the whole kingdom of Israel. But the kingdom did not last long. In **931 BC**, after the death of King Solomon, the kingdom was divided into two: the northern kingdom of Israel and the southern kingdom of Judah.

In 722 BC, the northern kingdom of Israel was defeated by the Assyrians. In 605, the southern kingdom of Judah was conquered by the Babylonians. The entire people of Israel, the chosen people, was exiled. They lost everything: their land, their properties, their freedom, and their dignity. They were no longer free people. They became slaves in foreign lands.

That is the historical background for today's first reading from the book of Jeremiah. Prophet Jeremiah witnessed the darkest period of his people: his kingdom was defeated, his people were exiled. Jeremiah himself was exiled into Egypt. In the midst of these sufferings, he received an optimistic message from the LORD: "*Behold, I will bring them back from the land of the north; I will gather them from the ends of the world...*" And the LORD explained why He would bring them back: "*For I am a father to Israel, Ephraim is my first-born.*" God depicts Himself as a Father who is searching for His wandering children. Time and again, God's children exile themselves by their own sins: the sin of pride, the sin of disobedience, the sin of worshiping false gods. But with his fatherly love and mercy, God never gives up on us. He leaves no stone unturned until he finds us. Indeed the whole Bible can be summarized into one story: the story of the Father looking for his lost children. And the Father's ultimate act is to send His Only-begotten Son into the world to find us, to die for our sins, and to bring us home safe and sound.

In today's Gospel, Saint Mark recounts the miracle of Jesus healing a blind man. The blind man approaches Jesus saying: "*Master, I want to see.*" Indeed, each one of us should come to Jesus with the same request: "Jesus, I want to see." Think of sin as spiritual blindness. When we commit a sin, we choose to walk in darkness. We no longer see clearly because sin blocks our sight. By sinning, we become spiritually blind. Because of this spiritual blindness, we get lost into the land of slavery and death. We need to come to the Lord asking Him to heal us. By returning to the Lord, we choose to walk in His light.

And Jesus told the blind man: "*'Go your way; your faith has saved you.' Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.*" By his faith in Christ, the blind man was saved. His eyes were open. The first person he saw was Christ Himself. And he chose to follow Christ in the way of salvation. He became a disciple, following the One who came to look for him and bring him home.

Let us remember that God our Father is always searching for us, willing to forgive our sins, and waiting for us to return home. Do not let sins turn us away from Him and lead us into exile and slavery. Let us always come to Jesus, who came to bring us home, telling Him: "***Master, I want to see.***"

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday **November 4**

4:00 pm

Vigil Robert McGinnis, George Sanderson, Jr., Ernest Becnel, Ralph Tortorich, Sr., John Hamide (S.I.), Carlos Rafael Lainez (S.I.), Buddy Hyver, Gardner & McCleland Families, Elphage Hebert, Joe Myers, Frank Salamone, Tu Tran, Philomena Keller, Chuck Mele

8:00 am Ollie French, Sr.

9:30 am Mary McHamara

11:00 am Mr. & Mrs. Al Jumonville, Sr., Monica Lickteig, Anna Rickoll, Ralph Tortorich, Sr., Tu Tran, Lelia Duvalle, Charlotte Fritz, Andy Williams, Dee Dee Enright, Josephine Guevara, Azze-Tillon Family, Tu Tran

5:00 pm Parishioners

Monday **November 5**

6:30 am Joan G. Ibos

8:45 am Renee W. Marino

Tuesday **November 6**

6:30 am Frederick A. Doolen

8:45 am Melanie McNulty

7:00 pm Bertrand J. Ibos, Jr.

Wednesday **November 7**

6:30 am Deanie Coman

8:45 am Corinne Vivien

Thursday **November 8**

6:30 am Francisco Nunez

8:45 am Ignazio Orfanello

Friday **November 9**

6:30 am Linda Murry (in Thanks to Blessed Mother Health)

8:45 am Mr. & Mrs. H. C. Alexander

Saturday **November 10**

7:30 am Ralph Tortorich, Sr.

November 4 - 10, 2018

"Sanctuary Candle"

In Memory of Francisco Nunez

Parish Calendar

11/4 8:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRE-MASS REHEARSAL/ ST. CECELIA
12:30 PM BAPTISM IN CHURCH
11/5 9:30 AM COME AND SEE
6:30 PM ST. ANTHONY MINISTRY MTG./ST. RAYMOND
11/6 9:15 AM ADORATION IN CHAPEL
9:30 AM BIBLE STUDY/PMC/ST. RAYMOND
2:30 PM GRANDPARENT'S DAY PRACTICE/CHURCH
3:15 PM CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSAL/CHURCH
6:15 PM PSR CLASSES IN CAFETERIA AND CLASSROOMS
6:30 PM BIBLE STUDY WITH DEACON DAVID/CAFETERIA
11/7 9:30 AM ROSARY PRAYER GROUP/ST. RAYMOND
1 PM SEWING SEAMS OF FAITH CLASS/ST. RAYMOND
2:40 PM SCHOOL ROSARY FOR VOCATION/CHURCH
6 PM NOTRE DAME HOSPICE GRIEF GROUP/JPII
7 PM EMHC RE-DELEGATION/CHURCH
7 PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL/ST. CECILIA
7 PM YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL/CHURCH
11/8 9:30 AM ADULT CATECHISM/ST. RAYMOND
2:30 PM GRANDPARENT'S DAY PRACTICE/CHURCH
6 PM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (BUSINESS)/ST. RAYMOND
6:30-9PM HOME & SCHOOL HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE IN THE GYM AND CAFETERIA
11/9 1 PM GRANDPARENTS DAY GRADES 3 & 4/CHURCH
1:15 PM GRANDPARENTS DAY GRADES 1 & 2/GYM
6:30 PM GRANDPARENTS & GRANDCHILDRENS SOCK HOP/CAF.
11/10 10 AM—3 PM VETERANS PARADE AT ST. ANN IN THE GYM & SCHOOL YARD
11/11 8:30 AM CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRE-MASS REHEARSAL/ ST. CECELIA
10:30-2 PM MENS CLUB PARISH THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON/CAF.

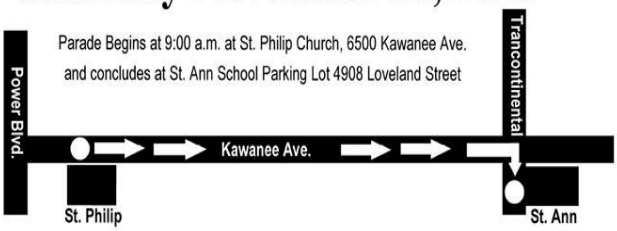
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday:	Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-30ab, 30e, 31-32; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday:	Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday:	Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Saturday:	Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

This week is School Food Service Employees Appreciation Week. We are thankful that St. Ann School has a fully staffed kitchen and serves fresh hot lunches daily. Friday, Nov. 9th will be Grandparent's Day for students in grades 1-4. The students will have a holiday on Nov. 5th so the teachers can attend an Archdiocesan wide in-service.

Veteran's Parade and Concert Celebration

Saturday November 10, 2018



Concert begins at 12:00 noon in St. Ann School Gymnasium

Hot Dogs Soft Drinks Jambalaya

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Bring the Whole Family!

ST. ANN'S—ST. ANTHONY MINISTRY THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The St. Anthony Ministry is asking for your help. The following items are requested to fill the Thanksgiving boxes which we will be handing out to needy families: Cranberry Sauce, Turkey gravy or gravy mix, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Stove Top Stuffing Mix, Canned Yams, Macaroni & Cheese, Rice, Peas or Carrots, Green Beans, Oil, Marshmallows, Oatmeal or Grits, Cereal or Cereal Bars, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Chicken Noodle Soup, Crackers, Cake Mix & Icing, Sugar and Canned Meats.

We are starting to collect these items for Thanksgiving.
Please place them in the food bins marked Thanksgiving Food Drive in the shrine.

We appreciate your contributions and wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving. St. Anthony Ministry

Registration for GO! The 2019 Gulf Coast Faith Formation Conference

Get ready to "GO FORTH: That All May Be One" by signing up for the 2019 Gulf Coast Faith Formation Conference (Thursday, January 10 - Saturday, January 12) at the Pontchartrain Center in Kenner! Starting Saturday, September 1st, you will be able to sign up for 1-Day or 3-Day Conference Passes as well as pay by check ,credit card or PayPal. This year's conference will include keynote addresses by Jason Angelette and Dr. JoAnn Paradise and new offerings on Thursday, January 10th including: WLP Music and Liturgy Pre-Conference Event McGrath Institute Day: Teaching at the Interface of Faith and Science A Leadership Thursday that has time designated for effective conversation between pastors and their parish catechetical teams. Visit www.go4th.faith for more information.

FORMED PICK

FORMED is St. Ann's gift to you! Sign up at stannchurchandshrine.formed.org

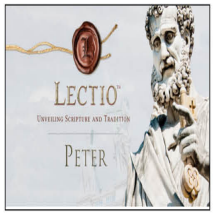
Lectio: Peter

Episode 9: Peter Bar Jonah

To What Kind of Love Are You Called?

Few people know nor remember a man named Cornelius, though he plays a significant role in the life of Peter and of Church history. In this session, Dr. Tim Gray shows us how the life of Cornelius intersects with Peter's and redirects the New Covenant in a remarkable way. Crossing traditional lines that separate people and cultures, Peter points the Church to an all-encompassing love.

Watch on formed.org



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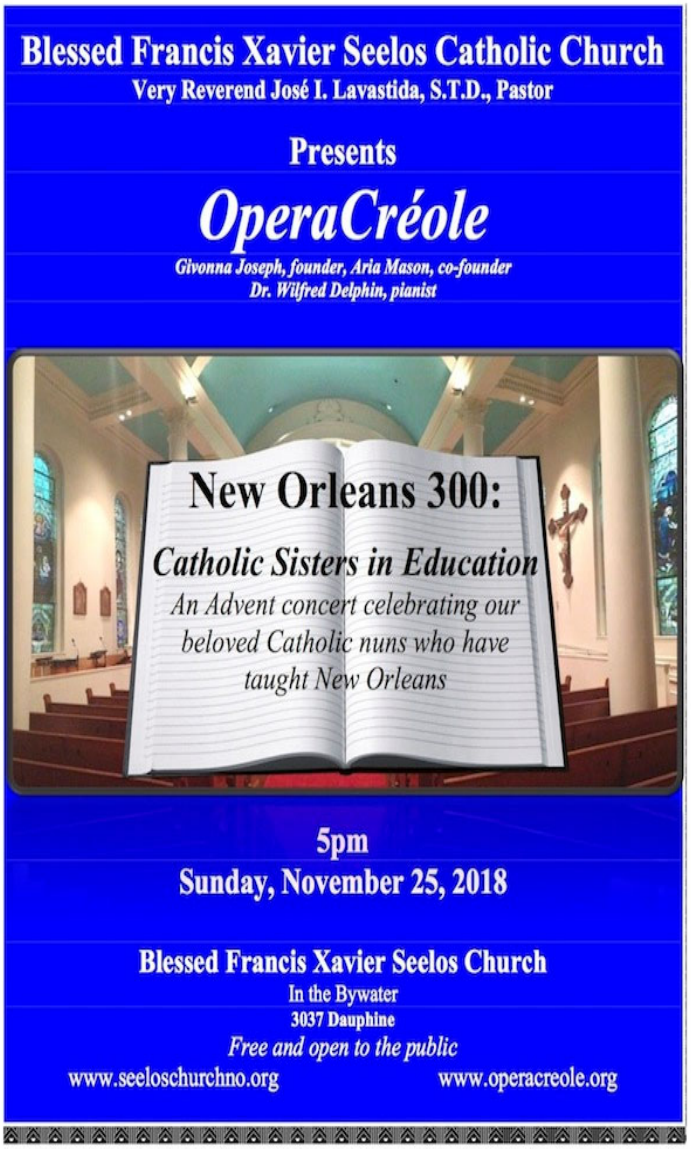
"It deepened my understanding and appreciation for God's word."

—Monica F., Sidney, NE

National Vocation Awareness Week

National Vocation Awareness Week is November 4-10, 2018. The focus of this observance is the vocational call of all Christians. It challenges us to reflect on God's call in our lives. This is particularly a time to pray for vocations to priesthood, religious life, and diaconate.

St. Ann's Vocations Committee will share Archdiocesan videos on our website and social media; please be on the lookout for these.



Annulment Writing Workshop

The Archdiocese of New Orleans will offer a writing workshop for persons seeking an annulment in the Catholic Church or for persons responding to an annulment. The workshop will be held in St. Rita of Cascia's Msgr. Champagne Complex in Harahan. The series will be for three (3) Saturdays, November 24, December 1 and December 8, 2018. Hours are 8:30 AM – noon. The materials for the series cost $25.00. To register go to our website https://nolacatholicfla.regfox.com/annulment-writing-workshopnovemberdecember-2018.
For more information, please call Cathy,

Holy Name of Jesus Parish needs Adorers

The Perpetual Adoration Chapel of Holy Name of Jesus Parish is seeking volunteers for our 24 hour chapel. If you are interested and can commit to one hour of adoration, please contact Edwa at 504-865-7430. We are especially in need of the late night/early morning hours.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, scheduled for November 9-11, 2018, is a retreat to help those women and men who are hurting from an abortion or miscarriage. The retreat is confidential and non-judgmental. All faiths are welcome. The cost is $190/person, but financial assistance is available. Priest Facilitator is Fr. David Seid, O.P. For more information, please contact the retreat facilitators: Pam Richard –(504) 460-9360/ richj504@bellsouth.net or Donna Scheuermann-(504) 258-9183/donnas@1791.com

Rwandan Genocide Survivor to Bring Message of Forgiveness, Hope

In 1994, members of the Hutu tribe in Rwanda took up arms against the Tutsi tribe. In only 100 days, they slaughtered over 800,000 Tutsis using only spears, clubs and machetes. It was genocide, and few Tutsis survived. Immaculee Ilibagiza was one of the few.

In the years since the genocide, Ilibagiza has come to grips with what happened, and what she can do about it. She has written a book, Left to Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Genocide, and has been telling her story in venues around the world. She will bring her message of faith and forgiveness to the greater New Orleans area on occasions this fall:

Visitation of Our Lady Church, 3500 Ames Blvd., Marrero, for a one-day retreat on Saturday, November 10, 2018, from 8:00am - 4:00pm.

Online registration for both is open at:
https://www.immaculee.com/collections/retreats

Archdiocesan Natural Family Planning Classes

Come join the class series that the Office of Marriage and Family Life is offering in the Sympto-Thermal Method of Natural Family Planning conducted by Mrs. Gayle Rizzo of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. The dates of the class series are November 3, November 17, December 1, and December 29, 2018. The classes will be held at St. Dominic Parish in New Orleans. Preregistration is required and the cost is $100.00. For more information and registration please call the Office

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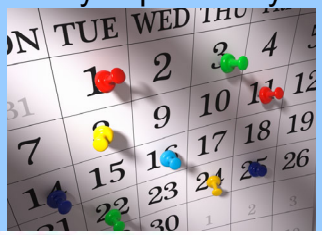

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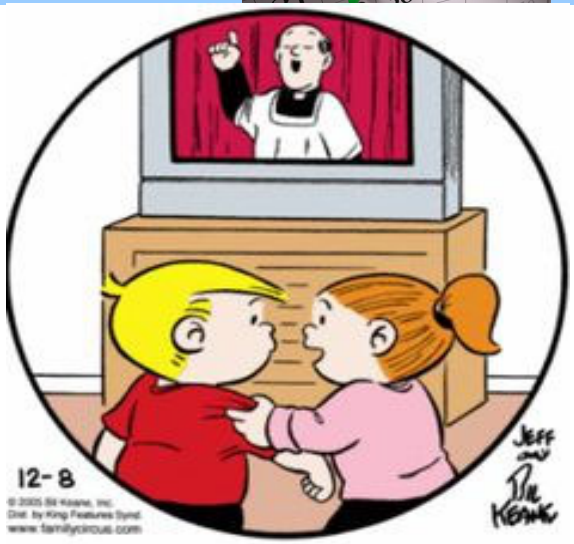

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Part-time Christians Cannot Defeat Full-time Evil

Ministry Spotlight

Liturgy Committee

Liturgy is the worship and prayer life of the people of God. First and foremost, *liturgy* means "the Eucharistic Celebration"; but it includes, also, the celebrations of the other sacraments, the Liturgy of the Hours and other rites of the church. The goal of the Liturgy Committee is …"the full, conscious and active participation of the entire people" in the liturgical celebrations of the Parish.

Members of the committee include the parish priests and deacons, the Director of Religious Education, the Director of Liturgical Music and coordinators of the following ministries: Altar Society, Extra-ordinary Ministers of Communion, Family Life, Lectors, Sacristans and Greeter/ Ushers.

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