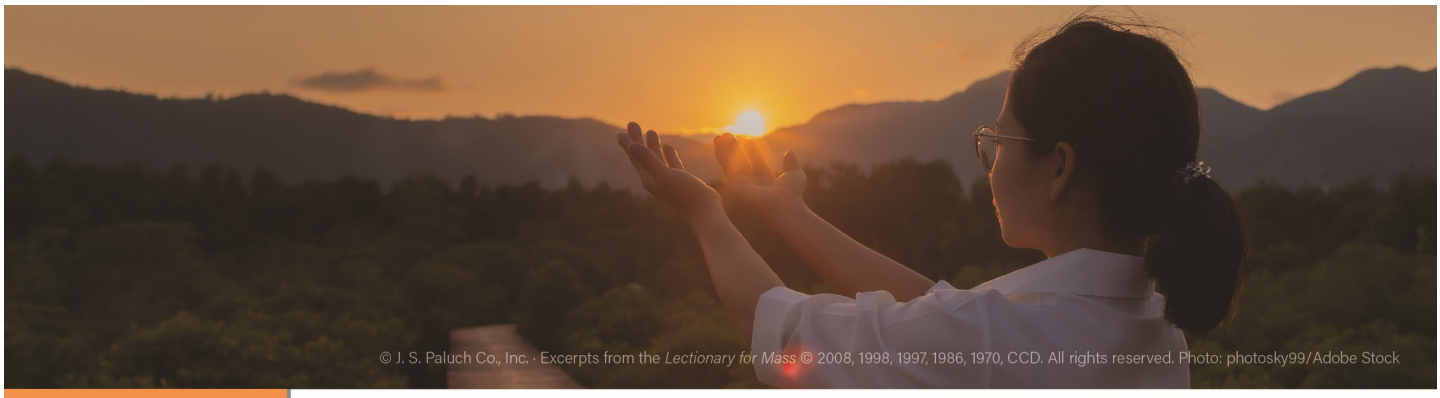
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As high
as the heavens
are above
the earth,
so high
are my ways
above your ways
and my thoughts
above your
thoughts.

ISAIAH 55:9

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 20 2020

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WEEKDAY CHURCH HOURS
MONDAY-FRIDAY
6:30 am - 6:00 pm

Pray with us on Saturdays!
Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 PM
Rosary at 3:20 PM
Mass 4:00 PM

WEEKEND EUCHARIST
Saturday: 7:30 AM Mass
4:00 pm Vigil Mass (**Live-Stream**)
Sunday Masses:
8:00 AM, 9:30 (**Live-Stream**),
11:00 AM & 5:00 PM

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Monday - Friday:
6:30 AM
8:45 AM (**Live-Stream**)

RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 3:00
Tuesday 6:00 PM

Updates on parish activities with regard to coronavirus precautions can be found on our website:
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PARISH CALENDAR

Any meetings on St. Ann Parish campus must be cleared through the parish office and scheduled on the calendar to assure you have ample space to respect social distancing. If your ministry has a meeting, please wear masks out of Christian charity for the good of others around you.

If you have fever or any symptoms at all, please STAY HOME.

20 Catechetical Sunday
"Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ"

6 PM CYO Sports Night - Gym

21 St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

7 PM Men's Club Meeting - Cafeteria & Gym

7 PM RCIA Inquiry Session - St. Raymond

23 St. Pius of Pietreicina (Padre Pio)

8:45 AM School Mass

9:30 AM Rosary Prayer Group - St. Raymond

9:30 AM Sewing Seams of Faith Meeting - JPII

1 PM Sewing Seams of Faith Class - St. Raymond

3 PM Grandparents Club Meeting & Dinner - Virtual

24 9:30 AM Adult Catechism - St. Raymond

6 PM Knights of Columbus (General) - Church & PMC

7 PM School Advisory Council Meeting - Parish Office

25 2 PM School Mass (7th Grade & Parents)
(Shirts & Pins)

26 Sts. Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs

3 PM Confessions - Church

Sept. 20 ~ Sept. 26, 2020

Altar Decorations: Alberta Basha

Sanctuary Light (Church)

Louis M. Duvic, Jr.

Sanctuary Light (Chapel)

Alberta Basha

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	**Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13**
Tuesday	**Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21**
Wednesday	**Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lk 9:1-6**
Thursday	**Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:7-9**
Friday	**Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22**
Saturday	**Eccl 11:9 — 12:8; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Lk 9:43b-45**
Sunday	**Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	**September 20**
4:00 pm Vigil	George A. Sanderson, Jr., Bob & Jean Segura, Mr. & Mrs. H.C. Alexander, Lloyd Tabor, Lona Tabor Currie, Jose A. & Maria J. Martinez, Owen J. LaCour, Sr., Shane Bonnvillion Family, Sal Buras Family, Gladys Danahay, Carroll Philip Hebert, Sr., Irwin Michael Laborde, Donald A. Muller, Tony Witter, Elizabeth Gutierrez, Peace, Agustin "Gus" Guitart, Marion Joseph Loisel, Audrey Desselles, Lloyd Hoffmann, Ernie Becnel, Arthur Brewster
8:00 am	Nicholas French
9:30 am	Stephanie Stromer
11:00 am	Luis Toca, Norma Mulligan, Harold J. & Kathleen O'Donnell, Jack Saux, Alma Weilbaecher, Owen LaCour Sr., Dolores Kepner, RB & SD, Audry Desselles, Brenda Sapp, Thereza deJesus Moreira, Helio Moreira, Rion Loisel, Adriano R. Liriano, Dennis Maggio & Family (SI), Agustin Guitart, Rosemae Orgeron, Irwin LaBorde, Margaret LaBorde
5:00 pm	Parishioners
Monday	**September 21**
6:30 am	Gergrude McDermott
8:45 am	Victor Trapani Family
Tuesday	**September 22**
6:30 am	Mr. & Mrs. H.C. Alexander
8:45 am	Harris Burke
7:00 pm	Blessed Mother for Health (L.M.)
Wednesday	**September 23**
6:30 am	Rose Deckleman
8:45 am	Mr. & Mrs. Moore Gauthier
Thursday	**September 24**
6:30 am	Jack E. Worley
8:45 am	Beverly Musso (SI)
Friday	**September 25**
6:30 am	Anthony Schmidt
8:45 am	Harold Burke
Saturday	**September 26**

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September 20, 2020

To: Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Archdiocese of New Orleans

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Today, throughout the Catholic Church, we celebrate Catechetical Sunday with the theme of "I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you."

This is a special observance in each parish as we pray for and ask God's blessings upon all those who share in the important work of catechesis and Christian formation. Those who share in this ministry are our catechists in the Parish School of Religion, the administrators and teachers in our Catholic Schools, youth ministers and those who are involved in the ministry of RCIA. Please join me in thanking them for not only giving of themselves in a generous way to provide religious education and formation for our youth and adults, but also pray that God will continue to bless them and inspire them in their ministry. They give of themselves in a generous way to help others open their hearts to Christ. Furthermore, their example of faith is one that can be a source of inspiration to us.

Join me in praying for students, parents and families on this Catechetical Sunday. We are reminded that parents are the primary teachers of their children in faith and we pray for them that they will joyfully fulfill this vocation. I invite parents involved to continue this involvement in the education and Christian formation of their children. Parents, they need you, your support, and they need your example of living out your faith. You are a powerful witness to your child.

Please know of my deep appreciation and prayer of thanksgiving to all of you who share in this important ministry of catechesis and Christian formation.

Wishing you God's blessings, and with the assurance of my prayers, I am

Gratefully in Christ,

+ Gregory

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond
Archbishop of New Orleans

Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time (Year A)

For me, today's Gospel represents one of those "double-edged sword" teachings from Jesus. And, it brings to mind a few questions:

How do I view the generosity of God's mercy and love?

Am I the good thief on the cross who plans to ask for forgiveness at the last possible moment? Or, do I plan to ask for forgiveness from God as often as I am convicted of my sins? As often as my conscience reminds me of my shortcomings and failings.

The invitation from today's readings is to live in friendship with God now and throughout our lives!

Why wait till the last possible moment (when none of us knows!)? The Divine Landowner has invited all of us to labor in His vineyard here and now, to know of His mercy and love on this side of eternity, so that our capacity to receive Him and all He wishes to give us will *increase throughout our lives.*

Our Lord will not be outdone in generosity, and today, He invites us to once again put aside all those things which distract us and harm our relationship with Him and one another, so that we can invite others into the vineyard - to an encounter with the Divine Landowner - with the hope of enjoying the fruits of our labor with Him and each other forever.

-Sincerely In Christ,
Dcn. Michael Lamy

Altar Server of the Year

The recipient of this year's Altar Server of the Year Award represented St. Ann Parish at the diocesan-wide Serra Club of New Orleans Altar Servers Awards Mass on September 8th. This Mass was celebrated by Archbishop Gregory Aymond who personally distributed the awards to each recipient. The recipient shows outstanding technical standards at serving the Altar, leadership as a team captain, a will to mentor younger servers, and has actually recruited several high school students to serve. This year's recipient is also a high school Extra-Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Student Ambassador, recruiter, member of school leadership, is recognized by several national honor societies, has worked with St. Michael's Special School children, and has organized and/or assisted with several community service projects here at St. Ann Parish and the wider community. When asked, "Why do you like being an Altar Server?" he responded by saying that it brings him a feeling of closeness to God, and that serving at religious events in addition to Sunday Mass - such as Rosaries, Vigils, Christmas, Triduum, and Easter services, and having the honor to serve for Archbishop Aymond - has opened the door to his faith life, and he is able to use his Altar Serving experiences as an evangelization tool to help other young people in their faith lives.

This year's St. Ann Altar Server of the Year Is Johnny DiMaggio.

Opening of the 2021 Mass Book

The Mass Book for 2021 will be opened on
Tuesday, October 6 at 10:00 AM

Due to the current situation, the process will be different due to the need for social distancing:

In person requests will be accepted as follows:

~10:00 AM – Noon Transcontinental entrance to the church
~ After 1:PM Parish Office

~The offerings (stipends) requested are as follows: Mass intention - $5; Sanctuary Light - $10; Altar Decorations - $35; Altar Flowers - $90 (Two sprays at $45 each)

~As in past years, requests will not be posted upon receipt, but will be posted in the order in which they are received.

~In fairness to everyone, we will accept **SIX** Mass requests per family at this time. After all requests are entered, the book will remain open for additional requests.

~If your requested date/time is not available, we will contact you by phone to select an alternate date/time.

~In the event that a priest is away and a Communion Service is held in place of the scheduled Mass, those Mass intentions will be moved to another date/time as close to requested date/time as possible.

PLEASE PRINT so that information can be published in the bulletin correctly.

Thank you for your cooperation.
Remember that masks are required in both the church and parish office!

Request for Mass Intentions,
Sanctuary Light and/or Altar Decorations
Please Print

Requested by:_____

Phone :_____

Alternate phone (if applicable):
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Mass Intentions
Name of deceased Date/Time Requested

1)_____
2)_____
3)_____
4)_____
5)_____
6)_____

Sanctuary Lights **(Begins on Sunday for one week)**

Name of deceased Week Requested
Church
_____
Blessed Sacrament Chapel
_____

Altar Decorations **Begins on Sunday and lasts for one week)**
Name of deceased Week Requested
_____

If requested times/dates for any of the above are not available, you will be contacted to select alternate times/dates.

Family Sunday: "Finding a Way"

Sunday, September 27th,
after the **9:30 a.m.** Mass,
we invite all our families to
drive through the school blacktop
to help us "Find a Way"
to celebrate Family Sunday
with a special treat and
a car photo booth picture.

St. Ann loves our families!

Celebrate!

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Sunday, September 27, 2020

Do not wait until a priest retires or is transferred to celebrate their service.

Like Father's Day, let Priesthood Sunday be the one day a year when we make it a point to make priests feel truly appreciated and special.

NEW St. Ann Family Faith Formation Series Available!

Due to the current situation with the Corona-virus Pandemic St. Ann Church is now hosting an At-Home Family Faith Formation Series! This began as a way to start our PSR Program since the in-class instruction had been forced to be DELAYED. This video-led family catechesis program, is open to any family in the parish. Please go to: https://stannchurchandshrine.org/parish-school-of-religion and click on the link to get an explanation and begin the series. Any student in grades Kindergarten thru High School who is not attending a Catholic school should still register through the Parish School of Religion, on this same web page. Contact David Wilson at 455-7071, ext. 2225 for more info.

Catholic Inquiry Sessions Have Begun!

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Do you want to know more about the Catholic Church? The parish faith community of St. Ann Church invites you or someone you may know to a series of inquiry sessions that will invite inquirers to explore the church in a non-committal way. Invite someone you know who may be interested in the Catholic Church. ***Your invitation may be the one that they are waiting for!*** Call us at 455-7071, ext. 2225 for more info.

You know you're Catholic when someone asks you your favorite Madonna song, and you say, "Hail Holy Queen!"

Feeding the New Orleans Seminarians

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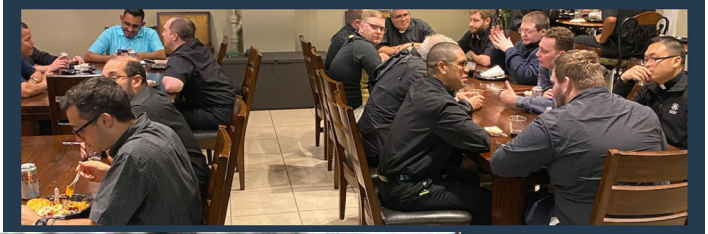
Note Dame Seminary ~ September 10, 2020

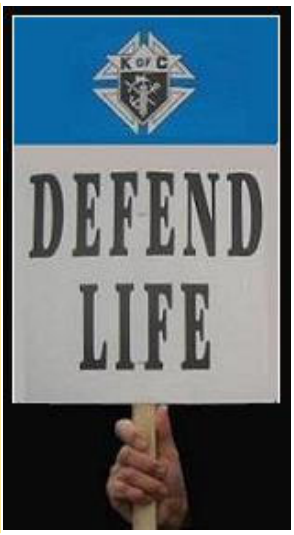


Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner nets $6,000 for St. Michael's School!!!

Our local council of the Knights of Columbus was able to present a check to St. Michael's School for $6,000. With the $10 spaghetti dinners, and 50/50 raffle, your generosity was a great benefit to the school for those with disabilities! On behalf of the Knights of Columbus, we thank everyone who had a part in supporting St. Michael Special School. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Respect Life March—Sept. 26th

Members of St. Ann parish and our local council of the Knights of Columbus will be marching and praying for a greater respect for life at the Planned Parenthood facility on Claiborne Ave. on Saturday, September 26th. We will meet in the church parking lot for 9:30 a.m. and carpool to the PP facility for 10:00 a.m. where we will pray the rosary for all unborn babies, their mothers and fathers and all of those who work in the abortion industry. This project will not only ask for God's blessings, but also give witness to the value of all life, especially the unborn. Following the march, we will be given a tour of the Woman's New Life Center, the pro-life crisis pregnancy clinic next door to the PP facility. ALL parishioners, family members and friends are invited to participate. Please join us as we speak up and defend the unborn.



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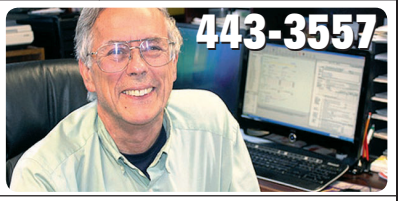

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