

Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?"

Matthew 18:32-33

Parable of the Unforgiving Servant by Claude Vignon, 1629

Dear friends of St. Ann

It's official, summer is over. As if on cue, the weather has gone cool and wet. For many of us, it seems too soon. As we get into the au-



tumn months, we are drawn to various mysteries of our redemption. The month of September, for instance, is traditionally a time for meditation on the seven sorrows of Mary and the prayers and devotions related to them. In the meditation on the Seven Sorrows, Catholics consider the ways in which Mary shared the weight of the Passion of her Son Jesus. If you aren't familiar with these, they are: 1. The prophecy of Simeon. (Luke 2:34, 35) 2. The flight into Egypt. (Matthew 2:13, 14) 3. The loss of the Child Jesus in the temple. (St. Luke 2: 43-45) 4. The meeting of Jesus and Mary on the Way of the Cross. 5. The Crucifixion. 6. The taking down of the Body of Jesus from the Cross. 7. The burial of Jesus. Especially in this season of stress and struggle, this devotion is a moving way to consider the works of our redemption and to pray interceding for the suffering and sorrowful of the world.

September, because in 2020 nothing happens in the usual time, is also the

kickoff of our abbreviated Bishop's Annual Appeal. This appeal helps fund the ministries and services of the Diocese of Kalamazoo in the nine counties in southwest Michigan. This includes education of seminarians and deacon candidates, the continuing support and training of priests, support of Catholic schools, ministry to the growing Hispanic and Latino communities in our diocese, ministry to persons with disabilities, and much more. Given the extreme circumstances of this year, the parish goals set last year are the same for this year. Our goal at St. Ann is \$115,818. I am pleased to hear that St. Ann has a strong history of meeting and indeed exceeding our goal year in and year out. I hope you will help make this year another such year. If you have not already received information about the appeal in your mail it should show up soon. If you do not receive this soon, please contact the parish office or see the Bishop's Annual Appeal website: https://diokzoo.org/bishopsannual-appeal

Thank you for your support in this important measure of support for work of the Church in our diocese.

Rev. James Richardson

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

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The Bishop's Annual Appeal

We are called ...

The Bishop's Annual Appeal is our opportunity as Christian stewards to show our gratitude for all God's gifts and to do what He has asked us to do-reinvest a small portion of our blessings

into growing His Kingdom and continuing the work of Jesus Christ.

When you give to the Bishop's Annu-

al Appeal, you make possible the more than 70 spiritual, pastoral, educational, and charitable programs and services provided through the diocese. Your gift does make a difference. Make your commitment as a part of your stewardship responsibility. Jesus sacrificed his life for us. What can you sacrifice for him?

Please prayerfully consider what you can pledge to support the educational, pastoral and religious programs and services offered by our diocese.

Our parish goal is 100% participation and with your gift we can do it!

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday-Friday I 8:30 A.M.

Confession I 7:45-8:15 A.M.

WEEKEND MASS OPTIONS

We would like to offer several weekend options to parishioners to assist them in returning to Mass.

Saturday I 5:00 P.M. I No music, indoors Sunday I 9:00 A.M. I Cantor, indoors Sunday I 11:00 A.M. I No music, outdoors Confession I 4:00-4:45 P.M. Confession I 8:15-8:45 A.M. Confession I 10:15-10:45 A.M.

Indoor Masses are restricted to 25% capacity with overflow in the social hall.

LIGHT OF CHRIST ACADEMY

Montessori and Classical Education 3-years-old through 8th grade

Contact Mary Memmott for a tour.

Phone: 269·203·6808

Email: office@lightofchristacademy.org Website: www.lightofchristacademy.org



Due to ongoing parent interest in Light of Christ Academy from the greater community, we have decided to open an additional space to expand our kindergarten and first grade programs. We also have limited space available in our Montessori program. Please contact Becky Reits if you are interested.

No child will be denied the opportunity for this wonderful Catholic education due to financial need.

LIGHT OF CHRIST ACADEMY ANNUAL GALA-Roaring 20's!

We are going VIRTUAL this year! October 23, 2020

Our 2020 Gala has been moved to the fall and we are going to have our event online. We still have many fun activities planned and we invite you to join us online for a wonderful time.

- ♦ Create a romantic atmosphere at home for a unique date night.
- ♦ Gather as a family and dress up in your Roaring 20's best for a fun party.
- ♦ Create a wonderful dinner or order take-out to celebrate together.
- ♦ Decorate your home in the Roaring 20's theme and show it off on social media.
- ♦ Host a watch party with other family and friends to share in the celebration.
- Enjoy a Cabaret performance.
- ♦ Take a chance on the "Sip and Sparkle" game and you may win real diamonds!
- ♦ Join in our games and silent auction.
- ♦ Our evening will culminate with a live auction!

This evening will be fun and easy to engage in with your family and friends. We will be sharing more details in the next few weeks.

If you would like to be a sponsor of the LCA Gala or if you would like to donate prizes for the silent or live auctions, please contact Michelle Guthrie at mguthrie@lightofchristacademy.org. You can also drop items off in the parish office. Thank you for your continued support of our school!

NEW BIBLE STUDY STARTING The Bible Timeline

The Catholic Men's Fellowship group is inviting all men of the parish to participate in its upcoming study entitled "The Bible Timeline", a study program that takes you on a guided tour through salvation history in the Bible that uses scripture reading, discussion, and video materials. Presenter Jeff Cavins will show you how 14 of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end and give you the keys to understanding the amazing story woven throughout scripture. The study will begin on Saturday, October 10, 2020 and the group meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays each month from 6:30 -8:00 A.M. Cost is \$35.95 for 1 year access. To purchase the study set for the course go to www.comcenter.com/product/ACEN-179846. For further information and to get registered, please contact Tom Zavitz at tzavitz@aol.com or 269-207-3567 or Dale Boone at dboone@hapman.com or 269•283•4273.



PRAY for Life from September 23 to November 1.

Join the Kalamazoo 40 Days for Life DAYS campaign – prayer and fasting for an end R to abortion. Sign up to peacefully pray in front of Planned Parenthood, 4201 W. Michigan Ave., on the public sidewalk.

St. Ann has committed to Thursdays between 8:00 A.M and 7:00 P.M. to peacefully pray in front of Planned Parenthood. The sign up sheet is in the vestibule.

Questions: Contact Lesley Bodary at lkbodary@gmail.com

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY St. Ann Parish Conference Est. 2003

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prayers going to up heaven thanking God for you. And now it begins... We

haven't had eviction requests yet since there is currently a state program for that, but wowsa...the utility moratorium on shut-offs is definitely over. Thank you for your support during our quiet time so we are able jump back to work in service to our neighbors in need.

The food pantry needs:

Soap: Laundry, dish and body Pasta sauce and noodles Mac n Cheese

Have you felt called to serve the poor? This is a really good time to check out what we do. We meet remotely on Wednesdays at 1:15, so you don't even have to leave your comfy chair to go to a meeting! How great is that! Contact our Spiritual Director, Bobby Kinkela at bobbyk@stannaugusta.org and he will send you the link for our next meeting.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

WED | 1:00 P.M. (except 1st WED) THUR | 7:00 P.M. (1st THUR)

HOURS: TUE/WED | 10:00 am-12:00 P.M. CONTACT: PHONE | 269-389-0370 WEBSITE: stannaugusta.org/svdp EMAIL: stannsvdp1@gmail.com



September 2, 2020 Recap:

Whole Family Catechesis- Conscience & Catholic Social Teaching

Thank you for those who joined us for Whole Family Catechesis IN PER-SON on the topic of the liturgy! Father James led the evening with a talk focused on the basics of teaching our faith and praying for all the families in our parish and their catechists in this role. We gathered in the back area of the church with sound and bagged dinner. The guide is available online at stannaugusta.org/family-resources

Join us for our next night October 7th, tentatively planned outside, on the subject of "Church." We will talk more about online supplements for religious education.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION: 2020-2021

Register for Religious Education at St Ann's parish! We will continue to educate the whole family in Christ with whole family catechesis (3rd-8th grade) and Good Shepherd in class (3-7 year olds). There are online opportunities also for this year. Registration is for 2020-2021 year, but those who are currently enrolled do not need to recommit until December (the start of the liturgical year). Register at: bit.ly/3fMokQV Q/A: bobbyk@stannaugusta.org

ST. ANN ATRIUM YOUTUBE CHANNEL

The St. Ann Atrium now has a YouTube channel! Many families with children aged 3 to 7 want to return to the classroom with other children, but we know not everyone wants to. That is why we are making YouTube videos so children can come into the atrium and follow along on their own schedule. Yet anyone can see the videos: either by searching "St. Ann Atrium YouTube" into a search engine or going to stannaugusta.org/youthfaith-formation

THE FORGE (A Men's Small Group)

Iron is sharpened by iron: one person sharpens another.

-Proverbs 27:17

THE FORGE MEN'S GROUP

Join the men in this new book study Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist by Brant Pitre. All are welcome!

SAT I 8:00-9:00 am (2nd and 4th Saturdays) In person and virtually as needed

Contact Mike Marino at 269•589•9186

NEW KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS E-MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

Men of St. Ann Parish, if you ever wanted to make a difference in the world by joining the Knights of Co-



lumbus, now is the time. The new E-Memberships program is now available which provides the same benefits offered to Knights around the world and for a limited time we will waive the membership dues of \$35 for the first year.

Join other men from our Parish by taking advantage of this great program. Just go to kofc.org/joinus and enter the code MCGIVNEY2020.

Our founder (Father McGivney) was faced with a pandemic in the 1880s, as we are today. In the face of that pandemic, in 1882, he founded the Knights of Columbus to help provide security and spiritual growth for Catholic families, & we continue to grow today.

Please take this opportunity to join us! Contact Mark Gentilia with questions at mark.gentilia@gmail.com or 269-760-3131.

MASS/SERVICE TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS

SAT SEPT 12 **VIGIL MASS**

5:00 P.M. Special intention of Amy Bernard

SUN SEPT 13 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 A.M. †Marilyn Jones

11:00 A.M. The Parishioners of St. Ann Church

> THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY **CROSSS**

8:30 A.M. †Dominic and Cindy Felbinger

MON SEPT 14

8:30 A.M.

TUE SEPT 15 OUR LADY OF SORROWS

†Ted and Victoria Miller Anniversary WED SEPT 16

ST. CORNELIUS AND CYPRIAN Special intention of the teachers and 8:30 A.M. staff of Light of Christ Academy

THU SEPT 17 WEEKDAY 8:30 A.M. †Ben Zarda

FRI SEPT 18 WEEKDAY 8:30 A.M. †June Filipowicz

SAT SEPT 19 **VIGIL MASS** 5:00 P.M. †Joe Fridenmaker

SUN SEPT 20 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00 A.M. The Parishioners of St. Ann Church 11:00 A.M. **†Sister Alma**

CONFESSION

MON-FRI | 7:45-8:15 A.M. **SAT I 4:00-4:45** P.M. **SUN** I 8:15-8:45 A.M. and 10:15-10:45 A.M.

Mass intentions are a way to pray for the deceased or for a special intention. Contact the office to add a Mass intention. The suggested (not mandatory) offering is \$10.

The LORD is KIND and MERCIFUL, SLOW to ANGER, and RICH in COMPASSION.

MAGNIFICAT

You can find a

readings, information

about saints and

other interesting

insights about

faith.

DAILY READINGS

MON 14 | Nm 21:4b-9 | Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17

TUE 15 | 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a Jn 19:25-27

Magnificat in the WED 16 | 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 | Lk 7:31-35 church vestibule. It contains daily

THU 17 | 1 Cor 15:1-11 | Lk 7:36-50

FRI 18 | 1 Cor 15:12-20 | Lk 8:1-3

SAT 19 | 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49 Lk 8:4-15

SUN 20 | Is 55:6-9 | Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Mt 20:1-16a

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration is available all day, every day with the exceptions of:

- Masses
- Cleaning hours: Fridays 9:30 A.M.-
- Saturdays 8 A.M. -5 P.M. (more adorers needed to add these hours)

You can sign up for needed adorer or substitute spots by going to bit.ly/stannadoration

If you would like to volunteer to fill one of the spots you can also contact Brenda at 269•491•0377 adoration@stannaugusta.org.

Prayer Requests

If you would like to request that someone be put in the bulletin or on the prayer chain, please go to stannaugusta.org/prayer-chain and complete the form.

~Jeannie Albough ~Doree Boyle ~Jenni Carl ~deVere Family ~Tom English ~Matt FifeIski ~Hans Geisler

~Deb Helton ~I isa and Dave Iselli

~Robert Jensen ~Rosemary Kelly ~Kalisz Family ~Jerry Kalkowski ~John, Mary, Mark 30 days.

~William Kudrick ~Kenny Levingston request a prayer ~Fr. Marotti ~Tom Millard ~Zion Miller

~John Mursch

~Benni Nazarians

~Scott Oomen ~Robert Pennock ~Shane and Abigail Peterson ~Dan Reid

~Myles Parker ~Tom & Jan Godde Scharfenberger ~William Seppala ~John Spagnolo

~Ally Szwmanski ~Deanna Lunardini and Tom Theisen

Note: Names will be kept on the list for

If you would like to intention, please go to the parish website at stannaugusta.org and fill out the form.

THE POPE'S SEPT INTENTION: Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

A GENTLE REMINDER

We are now able to take online donations using debit and credit cards. All of the day-to-day functions of our parish still continue including maintaining the facility, paying the utilities and covering the general daily expenses. Please consider sending your tithe through the mail or online.

Address: 12648 East D Ave. Augusta, MI 49012

Online Giving:

stannaugusta.org/donate-online

Giving App:

If you have an iPhone or Android, you can download Give+ Church for free from the App Store. Simply search for "give plus church" to quickly find and start using the app. It's easy to make one-time or recurring donations to multiple funds with your credit or debit card.

Thank you!

SACRAMENTAL **EMERGENCIES**

If you have a true sacramental emergency, please call Deacon Mike Carl at 269•207•7365 or email him at deaconmike@stannaugusta.org

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Budget per week: \$11,320.00		
8/2	\$	7,471.50
8/9	\$	8,359.00
8/16	\$	7,051.00
8/23	\$	7,133.75
8/30	\$	6,357.60
Electronic Gifts	\$	13,060.00
Total August	\$	49,432.85
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Year to Date Actual	\$	96,722.56

Parish Finance Council Members: Jeanne Blondia, Bill English, Todd Maddox, Martha Reid, Tom Zavitz

REPORTING SEXUAL MISCONDUCT The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number set-up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: 844.324.3374 The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR) has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential. Safe Envir. Coordinator | Bobby Kinkela | bobbyk@stannaugusta.org

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS

If you are interested in finding out more about Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Holy Matrimony, becoming Catholic (RCIA), religious education for children, or Adult Faith formation, contact Pat Vanderpool at 269•731•0295 or patv@stannaugusta.org.



The Marian Missionaries of St. Ann Parish invite families to sign up to take the Our Lady of Fatima statue to place within their homes for a week and pray as a family. Families will receive a statue in a carrying case along with many resources about Our Lady of Fatima and additional material on prayer. Sign up in the vestibule and pick up Our Lady in the office on Saturday or Sunday of the week you reserve.

OPPORTUNITIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY

Richland

Each **THURSDAY**, a group of parishioners will gather in the Richland Square to say the rosary. They invite you to join them there at **5:30** P.M. to pray for peace.

St. Augustine Cathedral, Kalamazoo

A rosary is being prayed **TUESDAYS** at 7:00 P.M. on the front steps of St. Augustine Cathedral. Several St. Ann parishioners attend and they welcome everyone. It's a powerful message in our challenging times. For questions please call Mari Anne Waite at 269*547*0023.

Lansing Capitol Rosary Crusade

September 13th and October 13th at 3:00 P.M.

PRAYING FOR: Life, Marriage and Family Conversion of Souls Reparation for Sin State and National Leaders. Visit www.stannaugusta.org/marian-missionaries



SPEND ONE HOUR WITH HIM

In these uncertain times, one thing remains true, the love Jesus has for you. A blessing we have at St. Ann is the ability to spend time in Adoration of the **Blessed Sacrament**. Peace, hope, and love can be found while spending time in His presence. At St. Ann we have created a welcoming atmosphere where one can spend time in Adoration of Him. It's not crowded, it is a quiet place for prayer, and He is there waiting for you. Please consider spending **1 hour with Jesus**.

Things to Know:

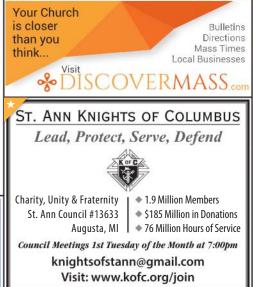
- Adoration continues in the church, rather than the chapel.
- Entry for Adoration is through the main doors 8 A.M.-5 P.M. and through the chapel door at all other hours.
- Adoration is available all day, every day except
 - † Masses
 - † Cleaning hours: Fridays 9:30 A.M.-Noon
 - † Saturdays 8 A.M.-5 P.M. (more adorers needed to add these hours)

There are still several hours in the next month that are in need of an adorer. You can sign up for needed adorer or substitute spots by going to bit.ly/stannadoration. You are always welcome to stop in anytime and spend an hour with Jesus just be mindful of the above schedule.

















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