## **The Sunday Steward**

The weekly parish bulletin for The Church of Saint Ann 1253 Lawrenceville Road, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648 and the Saint Michael Church, Trenton, NJ

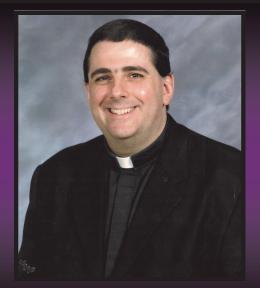
## MARCH 11, 2018 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

# COME TO THE POPS BASSEON

## As Part of Your Lenten Journey March 11 - 14, 2018 at 7 PM in the Church

Profound peace, spiritual consolation, love of God and love of all things in God - this is the sign that you are on this right path.

- Pope Francis -



Father Matthew Bonk, C.Ss.R.

	•	
for tl	DAILY LITURGY ne Week of March 11, 2018	PLEASE TAKE NOTE
SUN., March 11 7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT Frank Zeis by Jo-Ann Ayres Annuziata Luigi Lore by Teresa Anglelino Rev. Garrett J. Fitzgerald by Maria Zangrilli Romeo and Santina Quansi by Theresa Bottoni and Family Gaspare Bossio by Tom and Diane Niebudek	NEW THIS IS WHAT LOOKS LIKE 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal
12:30 PM ST. MICHAEL	Vincenza DeNittis by Carol and Margaret Benedetti People of the Parish Leda G. Russo by Arletta Ricci	ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL IN ACTION!
8:45 AM 10:00 AM MON., March 12		Evangelization - Ministry to Families, Youth and Young Adults Every person belongs to a family. Families are the
8:00 AM	Frank Gargione by Familly Antonio Rossi by Mipote Anna and Cenzina Mucci	foundation of the Catholic parish. In the midst of the family and the parish community, people encounter Christ and learn to be his disciples. Family and Parish
8:00 AM	Frank Stia by Children Antonio Rossi by Franco and Angiolina Mucci	are the primary environments in which evangelization takes place. Together in Mission is a tool to support these evangelization efforts. Your gift promotes individuals and family life. Youth events and service
<u>7:00 PM</u>	Alexander Paulaski (Birthday in Heaven) John Weiser by Ann Weiser	opportunities, young adult gatherings, Marriage prep, Baptismal prep, Ministry to separated and divorced persons are just a few of the services offered.
THURS., March 15 8:00 AM	Margaret Nadler by Nadler Family Valentino and Vincenza Ciccone by Ida Ciccone	<b>Baptism Preparation Class</b> The next class for parent baptizing their first child at St. Ann's
FRI., March 16 8:00 AM	Verne L. Van Duzer by Catherine Kato Alex and Nora Kurkjy by Odette Robinson	will be held on Tuesday, April 10 at 7 PM in the Dorothy Day Room (FDC). To register, please call Sr. Pat (609)882-6491 ext.115.
SAT., March 17 8:00 AM 5:00 PM	Maria and Karl Tom and Family by Gertrud Siber, Sisters, Family Cleonice Nini by Ida Ciccone People of the Parish Palmina and Michael Saia by Daughter, Mary Frances	
SUN., March 18 7:30 AM	John Camillo Dias by The Dias Family Mariano Menezes by The Dias Family	MASS ON MARCH 14
9:30 AM 11:00 AM	Gaspare Bossio by Jean DiMarco Gary Gladwell by Ernie Muro Agnes Leahy by Julia Leahy	Mass will be celebrated
11:00 AM 12:30 PM	Vincena DeNittis by Debra Prettyman Rose K. Springer by Husband For the Repose of the Soul of Glenn Farquharson by Catherine Kato	at the 7:00 PM Parish Mission on Wednesday, March 14, 2018. There will be NO 8:00 AM Daily
ST. MICHAEL 8:45 AM 10:00 AM		Mass on that day.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

#### SUNDAY, March 11, 2018 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

• Speaker at all Masses: Fr. Matthew Bonk

NEW

- Coffee and Donuts after all Masses Pope John Paul Community Room
- Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:30 AM Pope John Paul Community Room
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Rite Profession of Faith 9:30 AM - Church
- Adult Choir Rehearsal 10:30 AM Sister Thea Bowman
  Music Room
- Religious Education Classes 10:30 AM Saint Ann School Classrooms
- RCIA Scrutiny 11:00 AM Church
- Generations of Faith 5:00 PM Faith Development Center
- Parish Mission 7:00 PM Church

#### MONDAY, March 12, 2018

- Centering Prayer 10:00 AM Spiritual Direction Room
- Miraculous Medal Novena 1:30 PM Chapel
- Saint Ann School Drama Club 5:30 PM Saint Ann School Gym
- Religious Education Classes 6:00 PM Saint Ann School Classrooms
- Rosary Altar Society Meeting 7:00 PM Pope John Paul Community Room
- Adult Faith Formation, "The Christian Spiritual Journey" 7:00 PM - Pope John Paul Community Room
- Parish Mission 7:00 PM Church

#### TUESDAY, March 13, 2018

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00 Noon to 6:00 PM Chapel
- Divine Mercy Holy Hour 3:00 PM Chapel
- Saint Ann School Drama Club 5:30 PM Saint Ann School Gym
- Baptism Preparation Class 7:00 PM Dorothy Day Room
- Living the Eucharist Lenten Small Group 7:00 PM Pope John XXIII Room
- Parish Mission 7:00 PM Church

#### WEDNESDAY, March 14, 2018

- Cantate Domino Rehearsal 6:30 PM Dorothy Day Room
- PTA Board Meeting 6:30 PM Pope John XXIII Room
- Bible Study 7:00 PM Pope John Paul Community Room
- Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Sister Thea Bowman Music Room
- Parish Mission 7:00 PM Church

#### THURSDAY, March 15, 2018

- Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:30 AM Pope John XXIII Room
- Junior Legion of Mary 2:30 PM Pope John Paul Community Room
- Saint Ann School Drama Club 5:30 PM Saint Ann School Gym
- Saint Ann School Board 7:00 PM Pope John XXIII Room
- Addictions, Church Response, and How We Can Help 7:00 PM - Pope John Paul Community Room
- Weekly Saint Ann Novena (Saint Michael Church) at 7:30 PM
- Weekly Saint Jude Novena (Saint Michael Church) at 8:00 PM

#### FRIDAY, March 16, 2018

- Saint Ann School HALF DAY
- Stations of the Cross 3:00 PM Church
- Youth Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Sister Thea Bowman Music Room
- Saint Ann School Drama Club 5:30 PM Saint Ann School Gym
- Stations of the Cross 7:30 PM Church
- Taizé Prayer 8:00 PM Chapel

#### SATURDAY, March 17, 2018

- Centering Prayer Workshop 9:00 AM Pope John Paul Community Room
- Reconciliation 4:00 PM Church
- Vigil Mass 5:00 PM Church
- Saint Ann School Drama Club Presents "Bye Bye Birdie" 7:00 PM - Saint Ann School Gym

#### SUNDAY, March 18, 2018 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

- Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:30 AM Pope John Paul Community Room
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Rite Profession of Faith 9:30 AM
  Church
- Adult Choir Rehearsal 10:30 AM Sister Thea Bowman
  Music Room
- Religious Education Classes 10:30 AM Saint Ann School Classrooms
- RCIA Scrutiny 12:30 PM Church
- Saint Ann School Drama Club Presents "Bye Bye Birdie" 2:00 PM - Saint Ann School Gym
- Generations of Faith 5:00 PM Faith Development Center
- Centering Prayer 7:00 PM Spiritual Direction Room

## SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

#### Weekend of February 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 WRAP YOUR GIFT . . . USE YOUR ENVELOPES

Weekly Offering for the Church of Saint Ann Number of Registered Households Number Using Envelopes Last Week	3,135 397
Sunday Collection Electronic Funds <b>Total Contributions</b> *Note: electronic contributions are received twice a month.	\$10,352.00 <u>*00,000.00</u> <b>\$10,352.00</b>
Weekly Offering for Saint Michael Church Novena Total	\$1,119.00 _ <u>208.00</u> <b>\$1,327.00</b>

#### ST. RAPHAEL- HOLY ANGELS PARISH

3500 South Broad Street, Hamilton, NJ, (609) 585-7049 www.straphael-holyangels.com

> An Invitation to Celebrate the LENTEN PARISH MISSION Dates: March 19 to 21, 2018 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Times: 8:15 AM and 7:15 PM (following morning/evening Mass)

Presenter: Fr. Paul Fagan, Passionist Priest and Minister (aka Preacher on the Run)

Topic: The Challenge of Faith: Living with God's Mercy and Love

## Been Away for Awhile?

No matter how long you have been away, and no matter what the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Church.

## ALL ARE WELCOME!

Please call: (609) 882-6491 ext. 116 or email gmacc@churchofsaintann.net

## Pilgrimage to Ireland June 25-July 4, 2018

Trip is under the Spiritual Director Fr. Genaro Daguplo from St. Raphael-Holy Angels Parish. Round trip from Newark, NJ is \$3,150 pp double occupancy. Protection plan during trip included. For more information, please call Deacon Tom at 732 610-5434.



## We Pray for the Sick

Lawrence Arcioni, Marie Emma, Bob Toth, Ann Marie Bernhardt, Zachary Hodges, Carl Brooks, Gabriel Peterson, Brian Sage, Pat McLaren, Margaret Haenni, Lorraine Burns, Beverly Lombardo, Pop-pop Joe Connell, Victoria Verrelli, Sr., Mary Maodeo, Allison Pyskaty, Julie Camastra, Richard Waskiewicz, Pia Ellen-Cattarinich, Holly Steigman, Sharon DeCelle, Charles Johnson, Baby Haley, Sally Lynch, Clara Cowell, Mary Hazen, Calvin Leish, Beth Cottone, Lee Gruska, Migel Trusti, Gertrude Belotti, Margaret Mary Riether, Jonathan Philip Cino, John E. Clancy III

#### and all parishioners who are sick and homebound.

<u>Note</u>: If you would like a family member or friend prayed for, please call Sister Pat.

## Parish Mission Statement

The Church of Saint Ann in Lawrenceville is a Roman Catholic family of faith, built on the inspiration of past generations, to serve the community by loving God and our neighbor.

We strengthen faith, celebrate the sacraments, provide for the spiritual and corporal works of mercy, educate across the lifespan, heal the spiritually broken, and respect the dignity of human life.

We live the Gospel and seek Christ in all people.

## **WEEK OF MARCH 11, 2018**

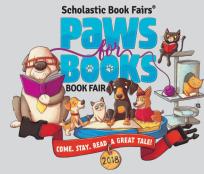
#### Saint Ann Sanctuary Candle Malley Family Requested by Mary Malley and John Sack

## ST. ANN SCHOOL PTA SPRINGBOOK FAIR

NEW

#### Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup> after all masses Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> thru Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 8 AM – 3 PM

Reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover a world of possibilities. The PTA Spring Scholastic Book Fair – **Paws for Books: Come, Stay, Read a Great Tale!**- surrounds students with a great selection of fun, engaging, and affordable books kids want to read. Plus, we have a selection for adult readers too and all our **sales are tax free**! Come visit anytime we're open – **We look forward to seeing you!** 



## PLEASE TAKE NOTE . . .



#### We Encourage You To "Wrap Your Gift"

2018 Offering Envelopes are available for pick up in the Gallery of Light

## Saint Ann School Drama Club Presents



Enjoy Saint Ann's Drama Club's 2018 Spring Musical **Bye Bye Birdie.** Show times are March 17, 23, 24 at 7pm and March 18 at 2pm in the school gym. Ticket prices are \$10 adults \$5 children and under 3 years old free. Tickets available at the door or call Mary Ravenel 215-280-9309.

#### 

St. Ann Youth Choir is in the process of recruiting new members in grades 5<sup>th</sup> through college. We are in need of all voices to Praise the Lord. This is one way for Confirmation Candidates and High School Students to earn their service hours. Miss Jean DiMarco is the Youth Choir Director. The Choir is here to engage the assembly in "full, active, conscious" liturgical participation. The Choir is a vital component of our sung prayer. Music is a language that communicates the joy and hope of Christian life! Excellence in performance is blended with spiritual commitment to make music a powerful experience in worship at St. Ann's Parish. May our entire ministry lead us to greater understanding of the parish community we serve. It is in the hearts and minds of those around us that we see the face of God.

**HOW TO JOIN** – St. Ann's Youth Choir is open to youth in grades 5th through college. Rehearsals are held on Fridays from 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM. Starting in October, rehearsals are from 5:00 PM 7:00 PM in order to be well prepared for their Christmas Concert and Christmas Eve Mass.

Those interested in joining are asked to call Miss Jean DiMarco, and leave a message at (609) 882-6491 ext. 117 or email her at jdimarco@churchofsaintann.net. The Dress Code is as follows: Girls wear Long Black Dresses and Black Shoes. The dresses are purchased though me. However, I do have a surplus of dresses which I am happy to lend out to any new choir member, they would return the dress to me when they leave the Youth Choir. Boys wear Black Pants, White Shirt, Black Tie and Black Shoes. For concerts and special events, the Boys wear a White Tuxedo Shirt and Black Bow Tie.

## 

#562 St. Ann - P.5

7

7

Л

5

7



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Religious Goods Store**

The Religious Goods Store is open **TODAY** after all Masses. *Please stop by and take a look around.* 

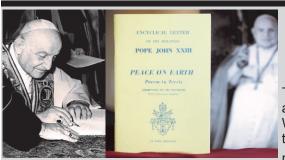
## **Rice Bowls**

We encounter Andrise, a teacher in Haiti who knows the importance of forming young people who will give back to the community—and their country. Reflect on the role teachers have played in bringing you closer to God and your community. How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit **crsricebowl.org** for more.

## The Catholic Relief Services <u>Collection (CRSC)</u>

This week, we are taking up the Catholic Relief Services Collection to respond to **Jesus in disguise**. Funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people here at home and abroad. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more on the website: **www.usccb.org/catholic-relief**.

As is our custom, we will take up only one collection. Envelopes are available at the doors of the church.



## **Altar Rosary Society Meeting**

The next meeting of the Altar Rosary Society will be held on Monday, March 12, 2018 and will begin at 7:00 PM in the Pope John Paul Community Room. We will start with the rosary and a short business meeting. Then at 7:45 PM Gabriella Furmato from Radio Station WFJS will be speaking to us, so all are welcome at that time. We hope you will join us!

## **Station Church Mass**

At the Church of Saint Ann, Monday, March 19 at 7:00 PM

## Laudato Si -- Hear & Act.

"We must regain the conviction that we need one another, that we have a shared responsibility..." *Set aside* electronic devices for one hour of family time every week.

## End of the Year Contribution Statements

If you would like to receive a copy of your End of the Year Contribution Statement, please email the receptionist at receptionist@churchofsaintann.net or call (609) 882-6491 ext. 101.

## **Peace on Earth (Pacem in Terris)**

Encyclical by Pope John XXIII (April 11, 1963)

The early 1960's saw the world facing the grim reality of the Cold War and the nuclear arms race, the threat of nuclear holocaust. The Berlin Wall constructed in 1961, had become a chilling symbol of the polarization of relations between the Soviet Union and the Western capitalist

nations. The Cuban missile crisis in 1962 had brought the world to the

very brink of war, and Pope John XXIII had been personally involved as a correspondent between President John F. Kennedy and the Soviet Leader Nikita Khrushchev. Peace on Earth (Pacem in Terris) encyclical was addressed to not only the Catholic community, or even just the Christian community, but also to "all men of good will". It acknowledged peace as a goal and a necessity that transcended all denominational and national boundaries, and it appealed to all on the level of common humanity.

Two months after the encyclical was published, Pope John XXIII died of cancer.



At the core of this encyclical are the bases for Catholic Social teaching.

(Note: this Encyclical was written at a time when inclusive language was not taken into consideration so we took the liberty to change it. Excerpts of this Encyclical will be posted in the bulletin according to the availability of space during the next few months)

Mercer Pax Christi at The Church of Saint Ann For more information contact, Martha Andrade-Dousdebes, shungointi@gmail.com

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**, continued



## **STREAM CAMP**

Sign-Up is now open for the 2018 Summer STREAM Camp this year. For Campers in grades 2 through 8 in the Fall of 2018.

#### What is STREAM?

Stream stands for Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts, and Math.

#### Why STREAM CAMP?

STREAM Camp teaches a variety of specialized courses including Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics. Every learning activity is tailored to the children's grade and age. These activities will include programming, robotics, 3D design and Team challenges. In conjunction with <u>Pope Francis' Laudato Si letter</u>, students will relate activities to helping the environment and service to humanity to a achieve a greater appreciation for "<u>our common home</u>".

#### There are TWO CAMP LOCATIONS:

Saint Ann School - Week of June 18 and June 25, 2018 Saint Raphael - Week of July 9 and July 16, 2018

Spaces are limited. Please sign-up soon!

#### Deposit Payment required.

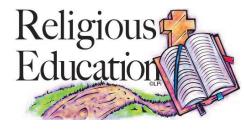
Additional information and Brochures for Deposit payment are available at the FDC Welcome Desk.

Or, for more information and a link to sign up and the deposit brochure, please go to the following address: **st-ann-school.org/2018-summer-stream-camp** 

## St. Joseph's Day Mass/ Solennita di San Giuseppe

Please join us for Mass in Italian with celebrant, Monsignor Thomas Gervasio, in honor of the Feast of St. Joseph. Mass will be celebrated on Monday, March 19, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the church.

Light refreshments to follow in the Pope John Paul Community Room. Contributions of refreshments are always welcomed and appreciated. Please see Rachel Lavery with any questions.



## **Religious Education**

New phone number for the Religious Education office 609-882-8077 ext. 234

#### **The Lenten Service Project**

The Religious Education Program is joining efforts with the Knights of Columbus to collect non-perishable breakfast and lunch items that will be distributed to families from the Mercer High School who need a helping hand this Easter. We will continue to collect on March 11/12, & 18/19 during the Religious Education classes.

#### **Confirmation News**

Rite of Commitment for 7<sup>th</sup> grade candidates is March 11<sup>th</sup> or March 18<sup>th</sup> at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. All candidates have been given the rite to sign and submit during the Mass. Before signing the form, candidates should spend time in prayer and contemplation considering what they are communicating to God and the congregation by signing the rite. This would also be a good time for candidates to seek guidance from their sponsors.

We still have a few families who have not returned the Confirmation registration forms for 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Please return as soon as possible.

#### **First Eucharist News**

The First Eucharist registration forms are past due. Please return as soon as possible.

#### **Generations of Faith**

March dates for Generations are the 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, or 18<sup>th</sup>. Invitations were sent out during the last week of February. If you did not receive an invitation by email, please call the office.

#### **Children's Liturgy**

There will be no Children's Liturgy on March 25<sup>th</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **Religious Education Classes**

There are no classes on March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in observance of the beginning of Holy Week and the joyous celebration of Easter.

## LENTEN SPIRITUALITY FOR THE CARE OF THE EARTH

"Technology based on the use of highly polluting fossil fuels . . . needs to be progressively replaced without delay." Pope Francis, Laudato Si

#### Week Four -- ENERGY: FASTING FROM CARBON

Our Lenten practice this week is to use energy more consciously and efficiently.

Energy is necessary to support life. But coal, gas and oil are limited resources. Most of the energy used to keep our homes comfortable and our cars and appliances running comes from fossil fuels such as coal, oil and gas. Flip on the lights, turn on the TV, power up the computer, brew the coffee - the average American consumes the equivalent of 20 pounds of coal each day in the form of electricity.



St. Francis, prayforus

Because energy seems so readily available, we may not be aware how our energy use affects God's creation. We do not often see the direct damage caused by the burning of fossil fuels, but our power plants are among the country's largest source of pollution. Carbon dioxide (CO2) is one of the main greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere by burning coal oil or gas. These gases affect the air we breathe and the stability of our climate. It is difficult to avoid using these forms of energy. Yet we must take steps to reduce our carbon emissions.

This week try fasting from carbon. Try to identify the patterns of use that waste energy or are unnecessary.

**ACTION SUGGESTIONS: WATCH YOUR THERMOSTAT.** Keep your home at 68 degrees or cooler in the winter and 78 degrees or warmer in the summer.

**HEATED WATER:** Wash clothes in cold water. Abstain from the clothes dryer.

#### ADDICTIONS, CHURCH RESPONSE, AND HOW YOU CAN HELP - NEW MINISTRY

As you may already know, America is experiencing an ever-increasing rate of drug overdoses resulting in death, and other forms of addiction are on the rise, an epidemic which has become a national health crisis. We all read about it, see TV ads, talk and think about it (maybe?). **Churches are responding with help and hope, providing confidential assistance in a safe environment!** 

Here at St. Ann, we have begun plans for a new ministry devoted to keep us informed, and provide resources and assistance to those who are affected by addictions. No one can or need fight this battle alone! It is a "WE" effort! **Please join us for an informational meeting on Thursday evening, March 15, 2018, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Pope John Paul Community Room (FDC).** Deacon Moore Hank and Theresa Hank from St. James Church in Pennington will provide an overview of **Hope**, a ministry at St. James developed to assist those whose lives are--directly or indirectly--affected by concerns involving alcohol, drug abuse, and other addictions.

All are welcome to attend this opportunity to learn, ask questions, receive support in a non-judgmental manner and explore how you can help. For questions, please contact Sharon Flynn (609) 799-2927, or at <a href="mailto:sharon-shar



## **MERCER COUNTY GREEN FEST**

A LIVING LOCAL EXPO

at the RIDER UNIVERSITY STUDENT RECREATION CENTER

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 11 AM to 4 PM

#### **FREE FOR ALL AGES - RAIN OR SHINE**

Information and displays by local businesses on organic food and sustainable living products and services.

Entertainment and demonstrations for all ages: Miss Amy's Band - Grammy Nominated Musician and Educator, Solar Man, Wild Life Show, Art Display, Electric Vehicle Display



The Church of Saint Ann invites you to

## An Introduction to Centering Prayer March 17, 2018, 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Centering Prayer is a method of silent prayer that prepares us to receive the gift of contemplative prayer, prayer in which we experience God's presence within us, closer than breathing, closer than breathing, closer than breathing the factor.

thinking, closer than consciousness itself. This method of prayer is both a relationship with God and a discipline to foster that relationship. This workshop is an opportunity to be introduced to or to renew your prayer practice - to be with God beyond concepts, words and images, listening with "the ear of the heart".

#### Presented by: Therese Saulnier and Patty Creech of Contemplative Outreach of New Jersey

Therese has been praying Centering Prayer for over 30 years. Patty has been praying Centering Prayer for 20 years. Contemplative Outreach is part of a world-wide network, Roman Catholic in origin, ecumenical in scope.

#### When: Saturday, March 17, 2018 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

We'll begin with registration, light refreshments and visiting at 8:30 AM; program begins at 9AM.

Pre-registration helps us to plan, but walk-ins are welcome. Pre-register with Patricia Creech at (pattyos1210@gmail.com, or 908-500-7089) or contact Mary Malley at (mary.malley@gmail.com, or 609-896-8193).

Who: Those who wish to learn about Centering Prayer or renew their experience of Centering Prayer

Where: The Church of St. Ann 1253 Lawrenceville Road, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

**Continuing support:** There will be six sessions after March 17, 2018 to do Centering Prayer as a group and to offer further information on the conceptual background of Centering Prayer.

#### All are welcome!

## Knights of Columbus Sponsor MERCER HIGH SCHOOL Spring/Easter Food Drive

The **Knights of Columbus Council 7000** is sponsoring a **Spring Easter Food Drive** for the **Mercer High School.** They are collecting **non-perishable breakfast and lunch food items** that will be distributed to needy families from the school during the Spring/Easter break. (*This past school year, the Knights of Columbus and The Church of Saint Ann's helped approximately 55 families during their Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks.*)

Please drop off all food donations by March 22, 2018 (place them on the shelves in the Church foyer) and <u>mark</u> <u>Mercer High School on the donations</u>. If you have any questions, please call John Sikorski at (609) 883-2509 or e-mail him at jwsikorski@yahoo.com.

**Some suggested items include:** pancake mix & syrup, cereals, oatmeal, instant milk, macaroni & cheese, soup, tuna fish, canned vegetables, canned fruit, instant potatoes, chili with bean in cans, cake mixes, juice boxes, and hamburger helper.

Donations will also be acceptable. Please make checks payable to the Knights of Columbus Council 7000 and put Mercer High School on the memo line. Mail checks to: John Sikorski, 40 Lawrence Avenue, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648.

Mercer High School serves autistic, behaviorally disabled, cognitive severe and multiply disabled students between the ages of fourteen and twenty-one. The school provides a structured environment with a comprehensive curriculum and behavior management system to offer the maximum support to the students. Physical, occupational, speech and language therapies, and individual counseling are available to the students based upon their Individualized Educational Plans.



## FAITH DIRECT

I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sundav of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, Faith Direct. Faith Direct will automatically process any offertory or second collections donations of your choosing. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NJ709, or by mailing a paper enrollment form available at the welcome desk in the parish office. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family! God Bless You, Fr. Gerard F. Lynch, O.SS.T.

## **Remembrance in Your Will**

A remembrance for your parish in your will is a wonderful way to provide for the future well-being of your parish community. Thank you for considering this very special way of sharing with your parish family.

#### PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Gerard F. Lynch, O.SS.T., Pastor (609) 882-6491, ext. 112 Rev. Msgr. Casimir Ladzinski, Weekend Assistant Rev. Peter Bujdos, Weekend Assistant

Mr. Gary Maccaroni, Pastoral Associate (609) 882-6491, ext. 116 Sr. Pat McGinley, SSJ, Pastoral Associate (609) 882-6491, ext. 115 Mr. James Scott. Deacon

Parish Office: 609-882-6491 Saint Ann School 609-882-8077 Fax: 609-882-4366 School Fax: 609-882-0327 Parish Website: www.churchofsaintann.net School Website: www.st-ann-school.org

Religious Education Office: 609-882-8077, ext. 234

#### MASS TIMES

#### **Sunday Eucharist:**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM; Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, and 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM, Saint Michael Church: 8:45 AM (English); 10:00 AM (Slovak); 12:30 PM (Korean)

#### **Daily Mass:**

Monday through Saturday at 8:00 AM; Morning Prayer/Communion Service: Friday at 7:00 AM

#### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

RCIA is the process by which adults become full, active, participating members of the Catholic Church. This includes receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Please call the parish office for information.

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Parish Religious Education Program meets during the school year for Children K-8: Sundays 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM or Mondays 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Family Generations of Faith meets once a month. Sacrament Preparation for First Holy Communion is 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade and for Confirmation it is 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grades. Phone: (609) 882-8077, ext. 234 - Office located in the Faith Development Center.

#### **SAINT ANN SCHOOL** 34 Rossa Avenue, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

Saint Ann School has provided quality elementary school education for over forty years. It also sponsors extended day and afterschool programs. The preschool program serves children aged three to four years. Phone (609) 882-8077 Fax (609) 882-0327

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Located in the Faith Development Center. (Entrance behind Church/opposite Saint Ann School.) Parish Office Hours: Monday, Thursday and Friday 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM; Tuesday and Wednesday 8:30 AM until 8:00 PM; Sunday 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM; and by appointment. Call anytime in the case of an emergency.

#### PARISH BULLETIN

Information for the bulletin needs to be received at the Parish Office by 3:00 PM on Friday of the preceding week. E-mailing items for consideration to maryann@churchofsaintann.net is preferred. Thank you!