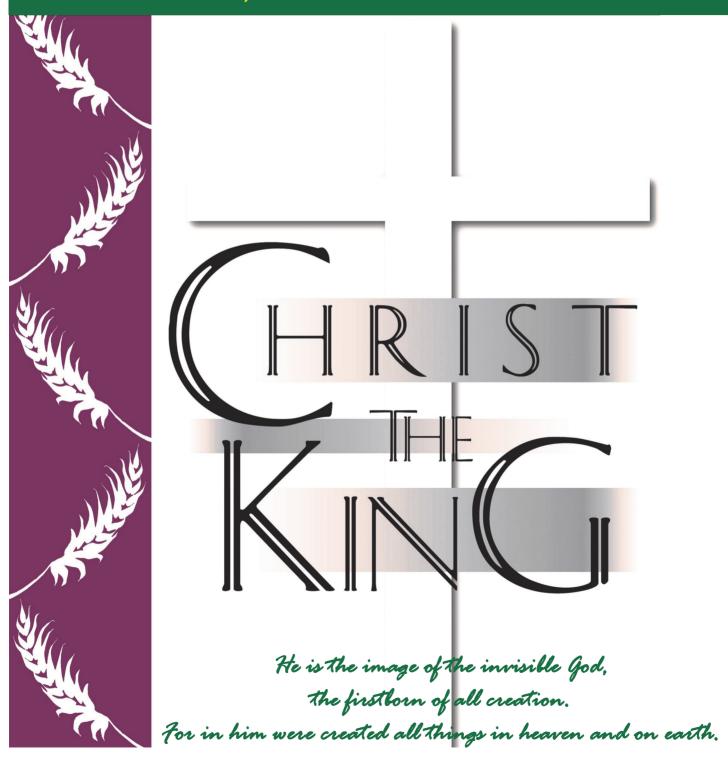
The Sunday Steward

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

NOVEMBER 24, 2019 - FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING



Mass Intentions

DAI	LY	LITI	UR	GY

DAILY LITURGY for the Week of November 24, 2019		
SUN., Nov. 24 7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM 12:30 PM	Frank Immordino by Wife Maria Raffaele DiMeglio by Wife Christina and Children Stanley Subhan by Gabriele and Irene D'Amico Ann and Joseph Bielamowicz by MaryAnn and Bernard Foyuth Elizabeth and John Yaros by Kathryn Yaros People of the Parish Salvatore Immordino by Rosa and Children O. Lee Micai by Ken and Mary Ann Micai	
ST. MICHAEL 8:45 AM	People of the Parish	
MON., Nov. 25 8:00 AM	William Metzger (Anniversary) by Wife Patricia and Family Healing Blessing for Patricia Ago's and Family by Josephine Gagliardi	
TUES., Nov. 26 8:00 AM	John Elenewski by Walter and Pat Wenczel Nelson A. Piedrahita by Mary and Karen Piedrahita	
WED., Nov. 27 8:00 AM	Gina Mucci by Anna Rossi Lubrano David Cole by Carole Calu	
THURS., Nov. 28 9:00 AM	THANKSGIVING DAY Healing Blessing for Patricia Ago's and Family by Josephine Gagliardi William Metzger by Wife Patricia and Family	
FRI., Nov. 29 8:00 AM	Jennie Martillotti (Happy Birthday Mom) by Sons and Family Healing Blessing for Patricia Ago's and Family by Josephine Gagliardi	
SAT., Nov. 30 8:00 AM	Healing Blessing for Patricia Ago's and Family by Josephine Gagliardi Edward T. Gilsenan, Jr. by Jachura Family	
5:00 PM	The Camarata Family by Tracy Camarata Stanislawa Jachura by Dardzinski and Krawczyk Families	
SUN., Dec. 1 7:30 AM	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Bernadette Bac by Husband Greg Souls in Purgatory Devoted to Our Lady of the Rosary by Carol and Jaclyn Hemsey	
9:30 AM 11:00 AM 12:30 PM	Joseph Colavita, Jr. by Wife and Children Michael Simonelli by Wife and Children Carolyn Deodato by Matthew Kiefer Gilda Toto by Niece and Nephew Angie and Franco Mastroianni People of the Parish	
ST. MICHAEL 8:45 AM	John E. Clancy, Jr. and George Krisak by Clancy	

Family

PARISH NEWS

Liturgical Ministers New Schedule

The new schedule for December, January and February will go live on Monday evening, November 25th. Please be sure to update your profile before Monday. This schedule will include all the new ministers who have generously offered to serve for 2020. The computer will not generate a Christmas schedule. Each person will individually sign up for the mass of your choice.

Thanksgiving

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM on Thanksgiving Day. There is so much for which to be grateful and no better way to begin this holiday than to thank our loving God for the many blessings of life. The traditional distribution of bread/ Thanksgiving prayer will be distributed to all. Meister Echart, German priest and mystic, said and lives in the hearts of many people: If the only prayer you ever say in your entire life is thank you, it will be enough.

Advent Begins December 1st

In preparation for the season of Advent, all Saint Ann parishioners are invited to participate in the lighting of the Advent wreath each week at the beginning of mass. The people of Saint Ann's will carry the lit candles in the entrance procession and place them in the wreath on the altar. Please consider this as part of your Advent prayer. Sign up in the foyer of church or please contact Sister Pat pmcginley@churchofsaintann.net or 609-882-6491 ext. 115.

Solemnity of the **Immaculate Conception**

Sunday, December 8, 2019: Since December 8, 2019. is the Second Sunday of Advent, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is transferred to Monday, December 9, 2019. Obligation to attend Mass, however, does not transfer.

Bambinelli Sunday

Please mark your calendars: December 15, 2019 is Bambinelli Sunday. Be prepared to bring the Christ Child from your household Nativity scene to church for a special Christmas blessing.

Christmas Masses

For each of the Christmas Masses: (4 PM, 6 PM and 10 PM on Christmas Eve and at 8 AM, 10 AM and 12 Noon on Christmas Day), the Liturgy Committee is inviting individuals/families to bring the Infant Jesus statue to the crèche at the beginning of each mass. Sign-up sheets are in the fover of the church or contact Sr. Pat.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, November 24, 2019 CHRIST THE KING

The Church of Saint Ann Sunday Masses:

7:30, 9:30,11:00 AM, and 12:30 PM

- Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:30 AM Church
- RCIA 9:30 AM Mass Church and then Pope John Paul Community Room
- Religious Education 10:30 AM Saint Ann School and FDC
- Saint Ann School's Drama Club Presents "HO HO HO The Santa Claus Chronicles" 2:00 PM - Saint Ann School

Saint Michael Church Sunday Masses:

8:45 AM - English 10:00 AM - Slovak and 12:30 PM - Korean

MONDAY, November 25, 2019

- Miraculous Medal Novena 8:30 AM Chapel
- Miraculous Medal Novena 1:30 PM Chapel
- Religious Education 6:00 PM Saint Ann School and FDC
- Adult Choir Thanksgiving Rehearsal 7:30 PM Sr. Thea Bowman Music Room

TUESDAY, November 26, 2019

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00 Noon to 6:00 PM - Chapel (With Divine Mercy at 3:00 PM)
- CYO Basketball 5:45 PM Saint Ann School Gym
- Thanksgiving Meals on Wheels Preparation 6:00 PM -(Saint Michael Church)

WEDNESDAY, November 27, 2019

- Saint Ann School Dismissal 12:15 PM
- Thanksgiving Meals on Wheels Service Project 6:00 PM -(Saint Michael Church)



Advent Communal Reconciliation Service TUESDAY DAY DECEMBER 10

SDAY DAY DECEMBER 10 at 7:00 PM

On Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 7 PM we will celebrate a Parish Communal

Reconciliation Service. This is a time for all of us to focus on God's mercy, how we forgive among our family, friends, and community, and how we celebrate forgiveness. The service will include confession and sacramental absolution. There will be visiting clergy from the surrounding area that will assist us with this healing celebration.

THURSDAY, November 28, 2019 THANKSGIVING DAY

- Parish Office and Saint Ann School CLOSED
- Thanksgiving Meals on Wheels Service Project 8:00 AM
 (Saint Michael Church)
- Mass 9:00 AM Church

FRIDAY, November 29, 2019

- Morning Prayer/Communion Service 7:00 AM Chapel
- Parish Office and Saint Ann School CLOSED

SATURDAY, November 30, 2019

- Simbang Gabi Practice 10:30 AM Sr. Thea Bowman Music Room
- Reconciliation 4:00 PM Church
- Vigil Mass 5:00 PM Church

SUNDAY, December 1, 2019 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The Church of Saint Ann Sunday Masses:

7:30, 9:30,11:00 AM, and 12:30 PM

 RCIA 9:30 AM Mass - Church and then Pope John Paul Community Room

Saint Michael Church Sunday Masses:

8:45 AM - English

10:00 AM - Slovak and 12:30 PM - Korean

CALLED BY NAME DIOCESE OF TRENTON

LAST CHANCE:

Today, place you CALLED BY NAME response card in the collection basket or return it to the parish office.

Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. Remember in prayer those men of our parish who have been nominated, that they may appreciate their giftedness and respond to Christ's call.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, give to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give to parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their children to God's service and to rejoice whenever one of their children is called to the priesthood or religious life. May Your example and that of Your Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents and let Your grace sustain them. Amen.

Weekly Collection

Weekend of November 16th and 17th, 2019 WRAP YOUR GIFT... USE YOUR ENVELOPES

Weekly Offering for the Church of Saint Ann

Number of Registered Households Number Using Envelopes Last Week Number of People Using Faith Direct

> Sunday Collection Electronic Funds Total Contributions

> > Candles

*Note: electronic contributions are received twice a month.

Weekly Offering for Saint Michael Church Novena 3,150 331 203 \$ 12,636.50 *00,000.00 **\$12,636.50**

> \$ 723.00 149.00 72.00

\$ 944.00



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.



Saint Ann's Parish Prayer List

Beginning with the new church year, Advent 2019, the Saint Ann's Parish Prayer List in the bulletin will begin to surface names monthly. We **continue** to pray for all the sick but will publish names at the beginning of every month. In many cases, the names of people remain on the list long after the issues have been resolved. The purpose, of course, is to continue to pray for all but keep the published list more current and up to date. Please continue to send us names and know the person will be on the list for a month unless you tell us otherwise.

Baptism Congratulations

This weekend we welcome into our church through Baptism:
Henry Emanuel Pineda Lopez



Gary Fecak, Jane DeHart, Lynn Marlin, Rose Marie Crofts, Teresa Grilli, Michael Budd, Kim Mac Henry, John Bartolino, Gina Lieggi, Ennio D. Lieggi, Sr. Robert Veres, Paul Zarodnansky, Barbara Costello, Michael Varone, Janine Molinaro, Benjamin Vianzon Sr., Norma C. Rabara, Sam B. Mil, Edward Robert Wells, Jr., Ruth English, Joan O' Rahilly, Clara Cowell, Vincent D'Alessio, JoAnn Crea, Josie Clark, Maria Libra, Paul Rush, Jr., Joanne Bucci, Michael Mascarello, Baby Tiana Kato McDonald, Steven Skoloda, Stephen Baldwin, Rose Marie Hemsey, Jennifer E. Burns, Patricia Leoniec, Barbara Holko, Dolores Zuczek, Regina Ledger, Gloria Teti, Patricia Metzger, Paul Russo, Patricia Huber, Barbara Czepiga, Audrey Grimaldi, Frances Gentile, Bette Bartolino, Lawrence Arcioni, Marie Emma, Carl Brooks, Brian Sage, Pat McLaren, Margaret Haenni, Beverly Lombardo, Victoria Verrelli, Sr., Mary Maodeo, Pia Ellen-Cattarinich, Holly Steigman, Sharon DeCelle, Charles Johnson, Sally Lynch, Calvin Leish, Beth Cottone, Migel Trusti, Gertrude Belotti, John E. Clancy III

and all parishioners who are sick and homebound.

Note: 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.

CANDLES WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24, 2019

St. Ann Sanctuary Candle

William Metzger

Requested by

Patricia Metzger and Family

St. Ann Icon Candle

Francia Francisco

Requested by

The Francisco Family



Accepting registrations for grades PreK-8th Personal tours available - Contact Alessandra Fallon (609) 882-8077 EXT. 220 - afallon@st-ann-school.org



Congratulations to all young men & women who committed to serve the Church of Saint Ann's community as altar servers during the Altar Server Commissioning ceremony last week. Among them a few Saint Ann School students from grades 4-8. We are very proud of them and thank them for their service and dedication.



On Monday, 11/11, Veterans Day, Saint Ann School gathered in the gym to pray and remember all the veterans of our Armed Forces. Students and staff celebrated Veterans Day with a prayer service that included the Pledge of Allegiance, the National Anthem & a special prayer for all men & women who served our country. Thank you for your service & God bless America!



Saint Ann School students officially kicked off the Prayer Buddies program last week. As SAS tradition, students in grades 4-8 are paired with students in grades PreK-3rd to be their role models and help them during the school year. They meet on a regular basis during events like the monthly school liturgy, PTA assemblies, days of service and other special activities. It brings all students together, creates a sense of

family, and it's the first step for all our students toward active citizenship that contributes to the local community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Religious Goods Store

The Religious Goods Store will be open on both the first and second weekends of December. The store will be open on December 7/8 and 14/15 after all Masses. Please stop by and take a look around.

Clover Meadows

Mass will be celebrated at the Clover Meadow Health Care of Lawrenceville (formerly Atrium Post Acute Care) at 2:00 PM on the <u>first</u> FRIDAY of the month. The next Mass will be held on Friday, December 8, 2019.

Diapers Appreciated

Thanks to all who donate diapers for mothers at Choice One. Please consider buying a pack of disposable diapers or wipes and bringing them to Church on the first weekend of the month (next weekend). Please help us help mothers in need!

Our Promise to Protect

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the Diocesan Abuse Hotline by calling: 1-888-296-2965 or via e-mail at: abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org. The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

Rosary Altar Society



The Rosary Altar Society will be holding its annual Giving Tree (see dates listed below). The Giving Tree supports several organizations in Mercer County--families in our community in need. Before the holidays, lets get together and help each other!

Thank you so much, as always for your support! Gifts should be **NEW and UNWRAPPED.** Questions to Nicky C. at 609-540-1103.

December 7 and 8, 2019 take tags from tree in Saint Ann's vestibule

December 14 and 15, 2019 return gifts to provided tables

December 16, 2019

Rosarians will sort gifts and groups will collect them.



Welcome to our RCIA Candidates!

On November 17th at the 11:00 AM Mass, we celebrated the Rite of Acceptance with Patrick Adams and the Rite of Welcome with Nick Almey. They made public their desire to be supported as they discern the call to the Sacraments of Initiation in the Roman Catholic Church. During the Rite, their church sponsors signed them with the Sign of the Cross, marking them for Christ. We as a parish community are called to surround Pat and Nick with special care as they continue on their faith journeys.

About RCIA Dismissal...

On Sundays after the Rite of Acceptance, you will see Pat and Nick being called forward for a blessing as they are dismissed after the Liturgy of the Word. Those preparing for the Easter sacraments are sent away from the assembly so that they may focus more intently on the Word of God that they have just heard, listening deeply to God's call to them. This is an essential part of their training in the Christian life. We look forward to the day when we can welcome them to the Eucharistic table.

Many Thanks

We thank the Family of Wilma Francis, who at the time of her death, requested family and friends make memorial donations in Wilma's name to the Church of Saint Ann. We are most grateful.

New Parishioners

Please welcome the following new members to our Church family:

Peter and Erika Klepanec Salvatore, Eva, Alex, Mia Scaelata

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Today we will take up the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. With this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. As is our custom, we will take up only one collection.

Little Blue Books for Advent

Little Blue Books for Advent are available at the doors of the Church and also at the Welcome Desk in the Faith Development Center for a cost of \$1.00 each.

New Year's Eve/Day Masses

Tuesday, December 31, 2019 at 5:00 PM Wednesday, January 1, 2020 at 9:00 AM

GOSPEL

CHRIST THE KING November 24, 2019

Luke 23:35-43

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out, "If you are King of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews."

Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

REFLECTION

Christmas is still a month away, but you wouldn't know it if you turned on the television or walked into a department store. But here and now we celebrate a very different holy day and listen to a passage from the other end of Luke's Gospel. "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom," the criminal executed with Jesus asks. Let us resolve today, no matter the distractions, to set our eyes on the kingdom of heaven.

Miraculous Medal Feast Day and Weekly Novena

Wednesday, November 27, 2019, is the Feast of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. This devotion began with the apparition of Our Lady to Saint Catherine Laboure in Paris in 1830. Each Monday the Novena is recited after the 8:00 AM Daily Mass and also at 1:30 PM in the Chapel. The prayers are provided in the Novena Booklet which is available to all. Please join us in this perpetual devotion to our Blessed Mother.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Advent Day of Giving

Confirmation Service Project Saturday, December 7th, 2019

Saint Ann School will be hosting a Christmas Party for Homefront kids on **Saturday, December 7**th in the Saint Ann School gym, our Advent Day of Giving. At the party, children from HomeFront will have an opportunity to "shop" for gifts for their family and friends. We are hoping the Saint Ann parish community will help us stock our store shelves! We are asking you to please donate the items listed below.

SUGGESTED ITEMS:

Items for Mom:

(candles, body spray, lotions, stationary, coffee mugs, slippers)

Items for Dad:

(wallets, mugs, screwdrivers, tools, cologne, belts, hats)

Gifts for Teen Girls:

(lotions, lip-gloss, nail polish, purses, jewelry, hair accessories)

Gifts for Teen Boys:

(sports balls, cologne, wallets, hats)

Arts and Craft Kits:

(beads, paint sets, coloring books, markers)

For Younger Children:

(board games/small toys)

You can also send in Gift Cards:

(Dunkin Donuts, Wendy's, McDonald's, etc.)

We recommend the amount of \$5.00 - \$10.00 for gifts. All items listed above are mere suggestions. Please feel free to use your own judgment within each category. If you have any item you are willing to part with, feel free to send them in!

Please send in your donations by December 5th.

Collection Bins are located at the main entrance to both the Church and the Faith Development Center.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Charina Go 201 674-2328 at charina.go@gmail.com or Cecilia Solidum at ericecille@yahoo.com

Faith Direct

With Thanksgiving and the Season of Advent coming up, enrolling in Faith Direct is a great way to ensure your gifts to Saint Ann are received even while you are traveling for the holidays. Already using Faith Direct? Don't forget to add your Christmas or End-of-Year contributions to your account. 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!

Saint Vincent de Paul Society Thanksgiving Turkey Drive

It's that time of year already, and once we are calling upon the generosity of the parishioners of Saint Ann and Saint Michael to come to the aid of our neighbors. On **Monday** evening, **November 25, 2019** from **6:00 PM to 8:00 PM**, members of the **Saint Vincent de Paul Society** will be at the **FRONT** of the **Church of Saint Ann** collecting **FROZEN turkeys**.

Saint Michael's should also bring their donated turkeys to Saint Ann's.

These will then be distributed to the Lawrenceville Community Center, Project Freedom, and Mercer County High School. *There is a great need for turkeys this year.*

SVDP hopes all members of our parish community have an enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday. If your family would like a turkey, please place your name, address and phone number in an envelope labeled Saint Vincent de Paul and place it in the collection basket at Mass or leave it with the Faith Development Center receptionist. We'll contact you as to where and when to pick up your turkey.



22nd Annual Interfaith Community Thanksgiving Celebration Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 7:30 pm

Islamic Circle of Mercer County, 336 Lawrence Station Road, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648



"One Earth, One People. Stewards of the Earth."
All are Welcome!

Please join us for refreshments after the service.

Please be generous in bringing non-perishable food donations for the Lawrence Community Food Pantry

Artwork produced by our local children will be on display at our gathering, interpreting the theme of "One Earth, One People. Stewards of the Earth."

Hosted by COLT | The Clergy Organization of Lawrence Township

Annual Thanksgiving Meals on Wheels Service Project

Over 161 home-bound Mercer County residents have asked to receive turkey dinners from this year's Meals on Wheels Thanksgiving Dinner Project. Once again, we will be delivering the dinners on Thanksgiving morning. We need your help for this project to be a success. Specific food donations are needed, such as frozen vegetables, dessert pies (baked or bought), individual servings of apple sauce or fruit cup type items, sticks of butter and gallons of oil (for cooking) and your fresh herbs and spices! Please call or email Maryann Raccosta at 609-538-8756 or maryannraccosta@hotmail.com to make a donation.

Volunteers are needed to help prepare and cook the food on Tuesday, November 26th beginning at 6:00 PM and to set-up the packages and stations on Wednesday, November 27th, also at 6:00 PM. Drivers are needed to deliver the dinners on Thanksgiving morning. To volunteer, or for more information, please call Mike McCormick at (609) 208-9991 or email at dwinknj@aol.com. Everyone is welcome!



"Keep Christ in Christmas" Magnets & Signs

The Knights of Columbus, Lawrence Council 7000, will once again be selling the following: "Keep Christ in Christmas" Magnets & Lawn Signs (Double Sided) after all Masses during Advent in the Gallery of Light. The Christmas Magnets (\$5.00 each) and Lawn Signs (\$10.00 each) will be sold beginning the weekend of December 1, 2019.

Magnets (Style A) - Magnets (Style B)









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Knights of Columbus – Supports the Annual 2019 U.S. Marine Corps "Toys for Tots" Program

Your local **Knights of Columbus, Lawrence Council, No. 7000**, is pleased and honored to once again work with Captain Paul's Firehouse Dogs in collecting new and unwrapped toys for the annual U.S. Marine Corps' "Toys for Tots" program. This annual program provides toys that will be distributed to needy children so that they too can have a Merry Christmas. **"Toys for Tots" boxes are available at both of the Church of St. Ann's rear and front main entrances.** Toys may also be dropped off at Captain Paul's Firehouse Dogs during its operating hours from now until December 14, 2019. They are located at 2230 Princeton Pike, and may be reached at 609-323-7253 with any questions.

On Saturday, December 14, 2014 members of the U.S. Marine Corp, the Knights of Columbus, and Santa Claus will be at Captain Paul's from 12:00 to 4:00 P.M. All are welcome and please bring your cameras! Captain Paul's and the Knights of Columbus would like to thank you in advance for your donations and support of this wonderful program.

YOUTH CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019

The Youth Choir will present their annual "Christmas Concert" on Sunday, December 15th beginning at 3:00 PM in the Church. Please mark your calendar for a "GREAT" way to celebrate the coming of the Birth of Baby Jesus, and have an enjoyable afternoon with our WONDERFUL Youth Choir. The Concert is free and open to the public. A reception will immediately follow the concert in the Pope John Paul Community Room.

You are in for a "GREAT TREAT"!



Knights of Columbus Lawrence #7000 sponsors Saint Ann's Red Cross Blood Drive on January 29, 2020 from 1:30-6:30 PM

SAVE THE DATE please

Every 1 unit of blood donated saves 3 lives!





Knights of Columbus Sponsor MERCER HIGH SCHOOL Christmas Pasta Dinner Food Drive

The Knights of Columbus Council 7000 is sponsoring a Christmas Pasta Dinner Food Drive for the Mercer High School. The Knights are collecting non-perishable food items that will be distributed to needy families from the school during the Christmas Holiday. (Last school year, the Knights of Columbus and The Church of Saint Ann helped approximately 55 families during their Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter breaks.) Please drop off all food donations by December 12, 2019 (place them on the shelves in the Church foyer) and mark Mercer High School on the donations. If you have any questions, call John Sikorski at (609) 883-2509 or e-mail him at jwsikorski@yahoo.com.

Some suggested items include: pasta, pasta sauce (plastic containers), oatmeal, breakfast cereals, rice or rice mixes, cans of vegetables, cans of fruit, cake or brownie mixes, cookies, juice, coffee or tea.

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.



LAWRENCE COUNCIL #7000 THANK YOU

The Knights of Columbus Council # 7000 extend our heartfelt thanks to Reverend Fr. Dela Cruz and the people of the parish for their generous support of our Send a Hero Home for the Holidays fundraiser. The Send a Hero Home is an annual program with the Diocese of Trenton Federation, of Knights of Columbus.

This is our seventh year involved with this program having sent over 350 military personnel home over the years. We have already received over one hundred applications for this year. We could not continue without the support of our parish. Lawrence Council is very active and is always making a difference in our parish and community.

God Bless, Lawrence Council #7000, Lou Peoples, Program Chair

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Leandro Dela Cruz, Pastor (609) 882-6491, ext. 112 Rev. Msgr. Casimir Ladzinski, Weekly Assistant Rev. Peter Bujdos, Weekend Assistant - Saint Michael Church Deacon James Scott
Deacon Frank Golazeski
Sr. Pat McGinley, SSJ, Pastoral Associate (609) 882-6491, ext. 115
Mr. Gary Maccaroni, Pastoral Associate and Acting DRE
(609) 882-6491, ext. 116

Parish Office: 609-882-6491 Saint Ann School: 609-882-8077 Religious Education Office: 609-882-8077, ext. 234

Fax: 609-882-4366 School Fax: 609-882-0327

Parish Website: www.churchofsaintann.net School Website: www.saintannschool.org

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 - 11:45 AM or Mondays 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM. Family Generations of Faith meets once a month. Sacrament Preparation for First Holy Communion is 2nd Grade and for Confirmation it is 7th and 8th Grades.

Email: religiouseducation@churchofsaintann.net

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 through Friday 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM; VOLUNTEERS ON Tuesday 4:30 PM until 6:30 PM; and Sunday 9:30 AM until 12:30 PM will take messages; 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!*