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The Lord's Day Mass Schedule

Sat.: 4 pm St. Ann Church
4 pm St. Joseph Church
5 pm Holy Trinity

Sun.: 7:30 am St. Ann Church
8:00 am St. Joseph Church (Spanish)
8:30 am Holy Trinity
10 am St. Joseph Church

10 am St. Ann Church
10am Shrine of Bl. Sacrament (Latin EF)
10:30am Holy Trinity

12 pm St. Ann Church
12 pm St. Joseph Church (Spanish)

5 pm St. Ann Church

Daily Masses

Mon. 8 am St. Joseph	12:15 pm Shrine	7 pm St. Ann
Tue. 7 am St. Ann	12:15 pm Shrine	7 pm Holy Trinity
Wed. 7 am St. Ann	12:15 pm Shrine	
Thu. 7 am St. Ann	12:15 pm Shrine	
Fri. 8 am St. Joseph	12:15 pm Shrine	7 pm Holy Trinity
First Fridays		7pm St. Ann
Sat. 9 am St. Ann		

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday,	after the 9am Mass,	St. Ann
Saturday,	3-3:30pm,	St. Joseph
Wednesday,	11-12noon,	Holy Trinity
Friday,	11 am	Shrine of Bl. Sac.
	—or by appointment—	

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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 27, 2022

Stewardship Reflection on Lectionary Readings

SIR 27: 4-7; PS 92: 2-3, 13-16; 1 COR 15: 54-58; LK 6: 39-45

Today's readings exhort us Christian disciples to form ourselves — mind and heart — in imitation of Christ so we can better reflect His goodness in our daily lives.

The first reading from Sirach offers timeless counsel: "the fruit of a tree shows the care it has had: so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he speaks." Jesus uses the very same analogy in today's Gospel reading from Luke. "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit." Jesus explains, "A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good... for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."

Everything we have is a gift from God to be used for His honor and glory. This includes the gift of speech and, even more broadly, all forms of modern-day communication — email, text, Twitter, Facebook, and the rest. What comes forth from our mouths, or keyboard, or phone, reflects what is in our minds and hearts. Our ability to communicate with each other is itself a gift that we must steward well.

In the same Gospel passage, Jesus reminds us, "No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher." We must therefore be trained by Jesus our teacher so that our minds and hearts will be aligned with His mind and heart, and our speech (and actions for that matter) will reflect His goodness.

How do we obtain this training? Thankfully, we have an abundance of supernatural "training materials" at our disposal.

First and foremost, we can spend time with the Teacher, our Lord: we can study His life through reading the Scriptures, and we can listen and speak with Him in quiet, regular times of prayer. We can expand our faith knowledge through study of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We can find healing and strength in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Amazingly, we can partake of His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

The more intentionally and frequently we make use of these means, the more we will become like our Teacher and Lord. Then, all that we do and say (and tweet and post) will bring others closer to Him. This is the life's work of the Christian steward. It is privileged work indeed.

— *Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants*

St. Ann Classical Academy

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Open House

This Sunday, February 27, 2022

10:00 am	Mass at St. Ann Church
11:00 am	Pancake breakfast in the SACA Cafeteria
11:30 am	Presentation on our classical education plan & parent-school partnership in the SACA Cafeteria
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Self-guided tours of the school; Meet with our faculty members & parent ambassadors

As always, private visits and tours are welcome! No cost to join us for our Open House & Breakfast. Registration not required, but appreciated:

StAnnClassical.org/Open-House

Sanctify, our group for young families, couples, and adult singles will be meeting on **Sunday, March 6** at 1:15 p.m. following the noon Mass at St. Ann. Join us as we continue a series of reflections on the 7 Sacraments.

SANCTIFY
SAINTS IN THE WORLD

One of our Oratorian fathers will be offering a reflection on Confession, the Sacrament of Mercy, after which we will have time for discussion, examination of conscience, and, for anyone who wants, Confessions during Eucharistic Adoration.

For more information & to RSVP, find us on Facebook by searching for 'Sanctify Catholics'.

We hope to see you March 6, as well as our future events on the first Sunday of each month moving forward :)

**Choices Matter -
A Critical Life Issues Conference**

St. Peter the Apostle University & Community Parish in New Brunswick on **Saturday, March 26, 2022!** Opening Mass will be at 8:30 AM and the conference will begin at 10:00 AM. The day will include exhibits, lunch and handouts.

***Online registration and conference speaker info:

<https://www.dioemetuchen.org/choicesmatter>

Please contact NJ Senators—Oppose H.R. 3755

On Monday, February 28, the Senate will vote on the Women's Health Protection Act, **H.R. 3755**. This deceptively-named, extreme bill would impose abortion on demand nationwide at any stage of pregnancy through federal statute.

Even worse, it would eliminate modest and widely supported pro-life laws at every level of government, including parental notification for minor girls, informed consent, and health or safety protections specific to abortion facilities. It would force all Americans to support abortions here and abroad with their tax dollars.

We need to send an unmistakable message to the Senate that this horrible bill must never be enacted.

Be informed: Fact sheet—<https://www.usccb.org/resources/Fact%20Sheet%20WHPA%202021%20revised.pdf>.

Take action: Send message to Senators—<https://www.votervoice.net/BroadcastLinks/8oQLvQ1Znm0tKRJMIXr78g>

The Catholic Church of St. Ann



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

**Ash Wednesday is March 2.
St. Ann's will have two Masses
with the distribution of ashes:
7:00am and the 7:00pm.**

Ashes are distributed in the context of the proclamation
of the Word of God and of the prayer of the Church

Please Note: NO 4pm Service;
NO Confessions Ash Wednesday evening

Schedule for Other Local Ash Wednesday Masses:

<u>Holy Trinity Church</u>	<u>St. Joseph Church (auditorium)</u>
7 am	8 am
7 pm	7:30 pm (Spanish)
<u>Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament</u>	
12:15 pm	
7 pm (Latin)	



LENTEN DEVOTIONS, FAITH FORMATION AND PENANCE SERVICE

Lenten Soup Supper

Wednesdays
5-6:30pm in school cafeteria

Stations of the Cross

Fridays:

St. Ann's at 7:30 PM
Holy Trinity following the 7:00 PM Mass

Wednesdays:

Shrine Chapel following 12:15 PM Mass

NEW SCHEDULE Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

St. Ann's
Saturday, 9:30-10:30 am
(following the 9am Mass)

Holy Trinity
Wednesday, 11am-12 noon

St. Joseph's
Saturday, 3 pm
(prior to the 4 pm Mass),

Shrine Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday, 11am-12 noon
(prior to 12:15 pm Mass)

Please Note:

- **St. Ann's will no longer have confession on Wednesday evenings.**
- Friday confession at the Shrine has been added.

These changes go into effect
as of Ash Wednesday



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MARCH 9 - SACRIFICE: EUCHARISTIC ROOTS
MARCH 16 - THE REAL PRESENCE: EUCHARISTIC BELIEF
MARCH 23 - SOURCE & SUMMIT: EUCHARISTIC WORSHIP
MARCH 30 - FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY: EUCHARISTIC CHARITY
APRIL 6 - PENANCE SERVICE (W/INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION)

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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 27, 2022

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 28

7:00 pm Col. Frank L. Carlone by his wife and family

Tuesday, March 1

7:00 am Salvatore Cammarata and Family by Lena Cammarata

Wednesday, March 2 –Ash Wednesday

7:00 am Jason Przybylski by his parents and siblings

4:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service

7:00 pm Marianne Tracey by Nancy Divito and Peter Vitelli

Thursday, March 3

7:00 am John Caserta by Sr. Ella Mae McDonald

Friday, March 4 –First Friday

7:00 pm Gene Yuliano by Randy Fisher;
Rev. John Rozenbaigier, Cynthia Hill and
Hannah Hill by Cynthia and Hannah Hill

Saturday, March 5

9:00 am Bruno Rossi by the Confuorto Family

4:00 pm Saverio and Immacolata Roglieri by the
Roglieri Family

Sunday, March 6

7:30 am Domenico and Maria Grazia Todarello by
Caterina and Saverio Todarello

10:00 am Living and Deceased Members of the Rosary
Altar Society

12:00 pm Pasquale and Immacolata Suriano by their
children and grandchildren

5:00 pm People of the Parish

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Sunday

Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Monday

1 Pt 1:3-9; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday

1 Pt 1:10-16; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2;
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

First Friday

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

First Saturday

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32



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Contributions from the Weekend of February 20

Offertory Contributions	\$ 5,434
WeShare Contributions	\$ 3,193
Total for Parish Operation	\$ 8,627
DOM other	\$ 105

Thank you and God bless you for supporting the mission of the church and the ministry of St. Ann parish.

Pro-Life Candle for Francesco Rita

by Marie Rita



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 5pm to 7pm
The evening First Friday Mass will start at 7pm.

Pray for those who are Sick in our Community

Joseph Arena	Gambino Family	Jim McGuinness
Joanmarie Carlone	Maria Rosa	Edward J.
Anna Carra	Gasparro	McNamara
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Frank Forte	Giovanna Martini	Emanuel Valentin
Cindy Galvacky	Susan Maurice	Ron Wyka

Pray for those in the Military

2LT Ryan Baumbusch, U.S. Army National Guard	Zack Drecchio, U.S. Navy
LtCol Michael A. De Cicco, U.S. Army	Pvt Tayla Rasmusson, U.S. Marine Corps
Victor Dulay, Jr., U.S. Marine Corps	PFC Daniel J. Salvo, U.S. Marine Corps
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CW4 Michael Lopez, Jr.	PFC Jerome C. Sunga, U.S. Army
LCpl Sean Maj, U.S. Marine Corps	Jack Vara, U.S. Marine Corps
Maj Michael Morella, U.S. Army	Cpl Daniel Viscariello, U.S. Marine Corps
Sgt Dan Neville, U.S. Marine Corps	Sgt Janet Wyka, U.S. Army
TSgt Anthony John O'Connor, U.S. Air Force	Capt Kaitlyn Zimmitti, U.S. Air Force



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