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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,	11-12noon	Shrine of Bl. Sac.
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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time — July 31, 2022

Stewardship Reflection on Lectionary Readings

ECC 1:2, 2:21-23; PS 90; COL 3: 1-5, 9-11; LK 12:13-21

Today's readings come as a pat on the back from Heaven for all of us striving to live a stewardship way of life. They remind us why we live the way we do, make the choices we make, and leave other things aside. Let's face it, if we truly embrace this way of life, there will be people who find our choices downright foolish. Today we will see what God thinks. Spoiler alert: turns out Christian stewards are not the fools!

Our First Reading from the book of Ecclesiastes contains the famous line, "Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!" The narrator, Qoheleth, points out that we toil and labor all day, worry all night about our work and all we still have to do, and for what? Essentially, he asks what is the point of constantly "stressing out" about things that won't last anyway? That's no way to live! Christian stewards already know this. We live for a higher purpose — we live for our God and for the things that matter to Him. Our time, talents, and treasure have an everlasting focus because we recognize that these things are all gifts from God and we use them in gratitude to give Him glory.

Our Second Reading, from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians, reminds us how to go about making decisions so that we can make the best use of the gifts we have been given. In making decisions about our use of time, talent and treasure, he gives us this advice: "Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." He adds, "Take off the old self with its practices and put on the new self which is being renewed for knowledge in the image of its creator." This is precisely what is taking place within us as we embrace the spirituality of stewardship. We find ourselves living in a continuous process of sloughing off our selfishness (the "old self") and living more and more for God and others.

To many people in our materialistic world, setting priorities that are not focused on earthly goals like wealth, status and power, is foolish and naive. But look at what Jesus has to say about priorities in today's Gospel passage from Luke. He makes it clear that life is not about "stuff." "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

Then Jesus goes on to tell the parable of the wealthy businessman who thought he had everything figured out. The man had such an abundance of "stuff" that he didn't have room to store it all. So, thinking of earthly things and not on what is above, he decided to build a bigger place to store all that stuff. Patting himself on the back, he thought about what good times he would have in the years ahead. But Jesus tells us that day would turn out to be the man's last day on the earth. And he had spent it thinking only of himself. How foolish! What vanity of vanities!

Don't be ashamed of living differently from the people around you. Be confident as you set priorities based on what is above. You are wise in God's eyes, Christian steward. And you will be rich in what matters most.

— Stewardship Reflections by *Catholic Stewardship Consultants*

REMINDER FOR NEXT WEEKEND MONTHLY FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Bring donations for the monthly food bank collection next weekend, August 5/6. Always in need of pasta and tomato products. They are very grateful for your generosity. If you have any questions, please contact Christine at the parish office.

uServe Camp at St. Ann, Holy Trinity, St. Joseph's and the Shrine

WHO: All incoming 6th - 9th graders during summer of 2022 (*Current 5th - 8th graders*)

WHAT: uServe Camp 2022!

WHEN: Monday, August 8th - Friday, August 12th, 9am - 3pm

WHERE: St. Ann, Holy Trinity, St. Joseph's and the Shrine and local service sites

WHY: Grow in faith, service, and fellowship, plus earn service hours!



COST: \$165 per camper, \$100 for each additional sibling

uServe Camp will bring campers to local service sites in the morning, then return to the Church for lunch and a variety of fun and faith-based activities in the afternoon. It is sure to be a great way to spend a week, and will help our community, too!

Questions?: Contact Rachael Flanagan at BridgewaterRaritan@u-Serve.com or call/text 908-280-2893.

Blessed Michael McGivney Founder of the Knights of Columbus Feast Day on August 13

Vigil Holy Hour and Sung Vespers

Friday Aug. 12, 7:00-8:00pm

- Veneration of the Relic of Bl. McGivney
- Prayers for the Canonization of Bl. Michael McGivney
- Chanted Vespers and Beautiful Organ Music!
- Opportunity for Confession!

Missa Canta in the Dominican Rite

Saturday Aug. 13, Mass 9-10am

- Breakfast Reception after Mass, basement parish hall
- Reflection on Bl. McGivney's Life and Founding of the Knights of Columbus



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Family in Raritan seeking an Elder Caregiver:

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The family is close knit with three adult children, who are working full time, but on hand to help with care and take parents to all doctor appointments and shopping.

Private room and board included for live-in. Flexible with a non live-in situation if hours covered are adequate for our needs. Negotiable.

For further requirements and if interested in making contact, please call Christine at the parish office, 908-725-1008 press #1, then #6.



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It makes no sense to accumulate
if one day we will die.
What we must accumulate is love,
and the ability to share,
the ability not to remain indifferent
when faced with the needs of others.

—Pope Francis

St. Ann Classical Academy Hiring Teachers

We are still in the process of interviewing for open teacher positions in the new 2022-2023 academic year, including Pre-K and Science, and also part-time gym instructor.

Applicants or referrals, please contact Mrs. Marisa Day through the school office.

Also, if you are interested in volunteering for during the school lunch hour, inquire at the school. Note that child protection training and background check is required in advance. Thank you for your consideration.

Parishioner (Summer) Financial Support

During the summer months you may be at the shore, traveling or on vacation. We pray that everyone remains safe, healthy and has experiences that are rememberable and renewing.

Please also remember that St. Ann Parish relies on your support to sustain its operation throughout the summer, as always. Our expenses do not go on vacation.

Whether you are away or not, WeShare Online Giving is a convenient, safe and effective way to support the parish—no need for envelopes, writing checks, remembering to bring or send in your support. It happens automatically, in accordance with your instructions. It is an easy process to sign up for WeShare. Simply go to the parish website and click on the **WeShare Donate Online** button and follow instructions to set up your personal account.

If you rather not use WeShare, we greatly appreciate your consistent and generous stewardship, contributing any way possible. Thank you!

BEWARE OF SCAMMERS

It has come to our attention that there is a resurgence of scam attempts that pose as Fr. Tom requesting hundreds of dollars in gift cards, presumably to be used to assist others in emergency situations. These messages are not from Fr. Tom or the church.

- Be suspicious of any messages that request money or gift cards over the phone, text or by email.
- Examine the originating email address and verify if it is the correct address of the person from whom the message claims.
- Sometimes the syntax is awkward or incorrect within the message of a scammer (use of tenses, grammar, punctuation...)
- There is a story that sets up a false, unusual need.

These are clues that you ought not to respond. Hit delete!

Please be careful when responding to emails.

Report scams via:

<https://www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov/#crnt> and,

if involving a gmail account, via:

<https://support.google.com/mail/contact/abuse>

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Mass Intentions

Monday, August 1

7:00 pm Angela Grande and Domenico Grande by sister Maria Rosa and family;
Regina Mahoney by Karen Maltese;
Ernest Parisi by Angelo and Teresa Russo

Tuesday, August 2

7:00 am Becky Lineberger by David and Dana Bala

Wednesday, August 3

7:00 am Mary Sartori by Friends at St. Ann's

Thursday, August 4

7:00 am Teresa Grande by Maria Rosa Gasparro

Friday, August 5 - First Friday

7:00 pm Rosalinda Virruso Giles by friends;
Theresa Walakonis by the Somerville Columbiettes;
Joseph Carra by Lina and Ralph Cirianni

Saturday, August 6

9:00 am Gloria Falconery by Antoinette Falco
4:00 pm Gavin Russell by Pina Mattei

Sunday, August 7

7:30 am Anthony Lettieri by Connie Nilsen
10:00 am Living and Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar Society
12:00 pm Gregorio and Immacolata Ruffa by Caterina Grande
5:00 pm People of the Parish

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Sunday Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21	Wednesday Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28
Monday Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:13-21	Thursday Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23
Tuesday Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2,10-14	First Friday Na 2:1, 3, 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28
	First Saturday Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Job Opening—Part-Time Custodian

St. Ann's Parish is looking for a part-time Custodian to work Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:00 am—3:00 pm. Call the Parish Office to inquire further.

Weekly Candle, Lamp and Flower Intentions



**Blessed Mother Lamp
in Thanksgiving for the protection
of the Blessed Mother**

Parishioner Financial Support

THANK YOU to all who help support the operation and ministry of St. Ann parish. Whether by envelope, by mail or by online giving, your contributions are essential & appreciated. WeShare online giving is encouraged because of its ease of use, consistency in support and flexibility. It is easy to sign up. Simply go to the parish website and click on this icon and set up your personal account. Call the parish office if you need assistance.

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Contributions information from the weekend of July 24

Offertory Contributions	\$ 7,158
WeShare Contributions	<u>\$ 2,175</u>
Total for Parish Operation	\$ 9,333
DOM other	\$ 538

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

Car Needed for the Filippini Sisters

Buying a new car? Is your old one still safe and functional? Consider donating it to the church! It's tax deductible.

The 2000 Chevy Impala that the Sisters have been using is no longer a safe and reliable vehicle and needs to be replaced. If you have a used car in good working order that you are no longer using, we would be very grateful for a donation. Please contact the parish office.

Pray for those in the Military

2LT Ryan Baumbusch ; U.S. Army National Guard	TSgt Anthony John O'Connor ; U.S. Air Force
LtCol Michael A. De Cicco ; U.S. Army	Zack Drecchio ; U.S. Navy
Victor Dulay, Jr. ; U.S. Marine Corps	Pvt Tayla Rasmusson ; U.S. Marine Corps
AIC Olivia F. Geary ; U.S. Air Force	PFC Daniel J. Salvo ; U.S. Marine Corps
PFC Brendan Hughs ; U.S. Marine Corps	Cpl Jonathan Schultes ; U.S. Marine Corps
PFC Gavin John ; U.S. Marine Corps	SPC4 Joshua Sena ; U.S. Army
LCpl Matthew John ; U.S. Marine Corps	LtCol Louis P. Simon ; U.S. Marine Corps
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
	Capt Kaitlyn Zimmitti ; U.S. Air Force

Pray for those who are Sick in our Community

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Joanmarie Carlone	Maria Rosa Gasparro	Andrea Michaels
Anna Carra	Susan H.	Lidia Natale
Bruno Cirianni	Bernadette Healy	Ann Navatto
Frank Cirianni	Anthony Hughes	Victor Rangel
Mary Contino	Brianna Rose Larson	Luigi and Carmela
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Maria Anastasia	Michael Lynch	Deborah Scarpone
D'Amore	Antonio, Alice &	Cathy Stinziano
Michael D'Angelo	Lisa Magdamit	Patricia Tibaldi
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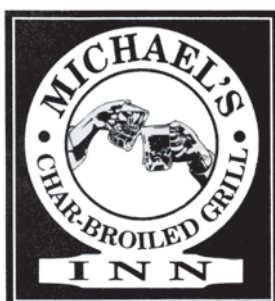
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