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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.
	—or by appointment—	

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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time — November 13, 2022

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Stewardship Reflection on Lectionary Readings

MAL 3:19-20A; PS 98:5-9; 2 THES 3:7-12; LK 21:5-19

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, our readings offer a sober reminder that this life is not our aim and that God's justice will triumph in the end. Now is the time to get our priorities in order, putting God above all else as his faithful stewards.

This theme of right priorities is rolled out in no uncertain terms from the first verse of our first reading from Malachi. "Lo, the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble and the day that is coming will set them on fire."

But there is good news for those who are faithful. "For you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays." All the trials, any sufferings, or injustices we endure for the sake of the Gospel, will be healed and we will be rewarded in the end by our loving God who cannot be outdone in generosity.

Our second reading, from St. Paul's letter to the Thessalonians, reinforces the message that we must order our lives so that they direct the attainment of holiness and nothing else. We see in this passage that conducting ourselves as good stewards involves not only action in certain areas (intentional prioritizing of our time, talents, and treasure); it also means refraining from certain actions and areas that are none of our concern.

St. Paul puts it this way: "some are conducting themselves among you in a disorderly way, by not keeping busy but minding the business of others." It can be tempting in family life, work life, and parish life, especially for those go-getters among us, to want to insert ourselves (to help of course!) into others' way of doing things. But a good steward must have the humility to recognize that God has given gifts to everyone and that the way others use their gifts is between them and God. Besides, with a strong stewardship plan of life, we should have plenty to focus on without worrying about how those around us are operating.

Finally, our Lord brings home the urgency of right priorities in our Gospel passage from Luke, reminding the people around him who were looking at the temple nearby, "All that you see here—the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down." All in this world is passing, our Lord reminds us. We must keep our focus on eternity.

Yet before the eternal bliss of heaven, we should expect to be tried and tested. "Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name." Sounds scary. But if you are living a stewardship way of life, there is nothing to fear. You have a plan in place. All you need to do is stick with it. Put our Lord first in your time, with your talents, and through your use of treasure. This way of life is not meant to be easy. But Jesus promises it will lead to eternal salvation and the joy of union with Him. "You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance, you will secure your lives."

Onward Christian stewards, the struggle is worth the joy that awaits!

— Stewardship Reflections by *Catholic Stewardship Consultants*

MONTHLY SOCIAL for PARISH SENIORS and RETIREES

Come out to a friendly social time with others from our faith community? The next gathering will be on **Wednesday, November 16th from 1pm to 3pm**, in the church basement Meeting Room.

Enjoy some afternoon tea or coffee and a light snack.
No charge.



RSVP to Natasha Zelis at
908-392-3643, call or text, or
email at
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SOCIAL CONCERNS

Please use the special envelope for Social Concerns with donations for our annual Thanksgiving Baskets that will be donated to needy families. Thank you in advance for your generosity to a very special cause.

If you are not in need of your free turkey or ham from the ShopRite program, please donate your turkey or ham for the families in need. We will need drivers to help deliver the annual Thanksgiving baskets.

Please contact Christine Esposito at the parish office.

REMEMBER TO PICK UP YOUR PIES!

If you ordered Griggstown Farm pies through the St. Ann Classical Academy fundraiser, please pick up your order on Monday, November 14, from 2-6pm

Born to Set Thy People Free celebrates Christmas and benefits African Mission

Caritas Chamber Chorale, directed by Barbara Sanderman, will present two concerts of sacred *a cappella* Christmas music, entitled *Born to Set Thy People Free*, for the benefit of Adorno Fathers' African Mission. The program, which includes choral classics and familiar carols, recounts the birth of Christ, and presents celebratory perspectives of Christmas from around the world.

The concert will be presented on:

- Friday, December 9, at 7:30 pm at Our Lady of Mount Virgin Church, 600 Harris Avenue, Middlesex
- Saturday, December 10, at 7:30 pm at Blessed Sacrament Church, 1890 Washington Valley Road, Martinsville

The concerts are free and open to the public. The entirety of a freewill offering will benefit the Adorno Fathers' African Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Africa.

Caritas Chamber Chorale is dedicated to serving the poorest of the poor through the art of sacred music. For more information, please visit www.caritaschamberchorale.org or call 732.718.0775.

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2022 CHRISTMAS TREE RESERVATION

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_____ Christmas Message

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_____ My check for \$200 payable to St. Ann's Church is enclosed.

*The dedication and tree lighting ceremony will be on
Saturday, December 10 after the 4:00pm Mass.*



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Mass Intentions

Monday, November 14

7:00 pm Living & Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus;
Deceased Sister-in-Laws of the Cesta Family by M. Cesta;
Fundador Soriano by Pearl Solon and Family

Tuesday, November 15

7:00 am Margaret Grasso by Marie Harwanko

Wednesday, November 16

7:00 am Vincent Mattei by Maria Barry

Thursday, November 17

7:00 am Sal and Jean Calabro by loving daughters

Friday, November 18

Saturday, November 19

9:00 am Carmela, Angelo & Angela Casola and Genaro & Raffealla Massa from the Massa Family
4:00 pm Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Salemi by Rosemary and Pina

Sunday, November 20

7:30 am People of the Parish
10:00 am Teresa Grande by Nicola and Caterina Grande
12:00 pm Alberto Falco by Francesca Viscariello
5:00 pm Annette and Michael LaMastro by Adela and Richard DePrimo

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Sunday	Thursday
Mal 3:19-20a; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19	Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44
Monday	Friday
Rv 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43	Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48 or, for the Optional Memorial of the Dedication, Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Mt 14:22-33
Tuesday	Saturday
Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10	Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40
Wednesday	
Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28	

Weekly Candle, Lamp and Flower Intentions



Altar Candle #1 for
Carmela, Angelo and Angela Casola
by the Massa Family

Altar Candle #2 for Peter Scavo and
Petro and Angela Ruggeri
by the Sal and Angela Scavo



St Joseph Lamp for Fedele Riga
by the Massa Family



Pro-Life Candle for Francis Robert Rita
by Marie Rita

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 info from the weekend of November 6:

Offertory Contributions	\$ 6,624
WeShare Contributions	\$ 3,330
Total for Parish Operation	\$ 9,954
All Saints Day	\$ 927
Organ donations	\$ 2,163
Archdiocese of Military Services	\$ 1,072

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

Prayer for the Dead

In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.

In this life you embraced them with your tender love;

deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest.

The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise,

where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain,

but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy

Spirit forever and ever. Amen.

Pray for those in the Military

2LT Ryan Baumbusch, U.S. Army National Guard

Victor Dulay, Jr.; U.S. Marine Corps

AIC Olivia F. Geary, U.S. Air Force

PFC Brendan Hughs; U.S. Marine Corps

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Cpl Jonathan Schultes; U.S. Marine Corps

SPC4 Joshua Sena U.S. Army

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Jack Vara; U.S. Marine Corps

Cpl Daniel Viscariello; 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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Frank Cirianni

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D'Amore

Michael D'Angelo

Roseann Danna

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