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#### The Lord's Day Mass Schedule

St. Ann Church Sat.:

> St. Joseph Church 4 pm 5 pm Holy Trinity

Sun.: 7:30 am St. Ann Church

St. Joseph Church (Spanish) 8:00 am

8:30 am Holy Trinity 10 am St. Joseph Church

10 am St. Ann Church

> Shrine of Bl. Sacrament (Latin EF) 10am

10:30am Holy Trinity 12 pm St. Ann Church

St. Joseph Church (Spanish) 12 pm

5 pm St. Ann Church

#### **Daily Masses**

12:15 pm Shrine Mon. 8 am St. Joseph 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

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**

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#### Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time — June 18, 2023

## Stewardship Reflection on the Lectionary Readings Ex 19:2-6a; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36-10:8

The readings for the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time provide us with profound insights into the essential aspects of living the stewardship way of life on our Christian journey.

In the first reading from Exodus, we witness the encounter between God and His chosen people at Mount Sinai. The Lord, through Moses, reminds the Israelites of His faithfulness and the covenant He has established with them. This reminds us of our vocation as stewards and disciples. They invite us to embrace the call to stewardship by recognizing our responsibility to care for God's creation and to generously share our gifts with others.

In our second reading from Romans, St. Paul beautifully articulates the depths of God's love for humanity. He reminds us that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us, reconciling us with God and offering us the gift of salvation. As stewards, we are called to gratefully recognize God's abundant love and respond by using our gifts and resources to build His kingdom. In our stewardship and discipleship, we discover the joy of participating in God's redemptive work, bringing hope and healing to a broken world.

The Gospel reading from Matthew recounts how Jesus is moved with compassion as He sees the crowds who are like sheep without a shepherd. He commissions His disciples, empowering them to continue His mission of healing and preaching the Kingdom of God. Like the Good Shepherd, we are called to have hearts filled with empathy and concern for those who are lost, suffering, or in need. Stewardship challenges us to extend a helping hand, offer comfort, and meet the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

By living a life of stewardship and discipleship, we are challenged to move beyond our comfort zones, embracing the call to serve and witness to the transformative power of Christ's love. This requires a willingness to step out in faith, be empowered by the Holy Spirit, and to be instruments of God's grace and healing.

— Catholic Stewardship Consultants

## MONTHLY SOCIAL for SENIORS and RETIREES

Join us for a friendly social with others from our faith community.

Enjoy afternoon tea or coffee and a light snack.

The next gathering will be on **Wednesday**, **June 21st from 1pm to 3pm**, in the church basement Meeting Room.



RSVP to Natasha Zelis at 908-392-3643, call or text, or email at **Tashazelis1@gmail.com** 

Religious Freedom Week 2023: Embracing the Divine Gift of Freedom takes place from June 22 to 29, begins with the Feast of Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More, includes the Feast of the Nativity of



St. John the Baptist, and ends with the Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul.

Religious freedom allows the Church, and all religious communities, to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all. The USCCB invites Catholics to **pray**, **reflect**, and **act** to promote religious freedom.

Fatherhood has its origins in God, who chose to reveal Himself to us as Our Father, sending his only Son for the sake of our salvation. Fathers therefore have a special role "in revealing and in reliving on earth the very fatherhood of God" (Familiaris consortio 25). Father's Day is an appropriate time to recall the essential role of fathers in the life of the family and in building a culture of life. It is also an opportunity to highlight spiritual fatherhood, which all men are called to embrace.

As a Church community, we need to encourage and support men to follow the example of St. Joseph and embrace their role as father. Joseph, himself, was unexpectedly called to fatherhood amid difficult circumstances.



O Faithful St. Joseph, Guardian of the Redeemer, to whom the Child Jesus lovingly called out "Abba", Pray for all our Fathers!

But despite all obstacles, he was faithful. He welcomed life, offering care and protection to Mary and Jesus.

#### **ORATORY ON RETREAT**

Once a year the priests and Br. Steven, of the Congregation of the Oratory of St. Philip Neri, go on a week-long retreat together as a community.

This year we will be departing the afternoon of Sunday, June 25, and returning Saturday evening, July 1. We will return to a Trappist monastery in Berryville, Virginia, Holy Cross Monastery.

You will be remembered in our prayers and ask that you please keep us in yours.

Throughout this week daily Mass will be offered by substitute priests. There will be only one daily Mass at 9am celebrated at St. Ann Church.



An invitation for young men ages 14-17 to attend our Quo Vadis Retreat 2023! This is an opportunity to have fun, grow in your faith, and begin to think/pray about where God may be calling you in life.

Quo Vadis – a Latin phrase which translates to "Where are you going?" – is an opportunity to hear from priests and seminarians about their journey. It is also an opportunity to take seriously our own gifts, talents, and weaknesses and begin prayerfully processing where God is leading us. This will be an action-packed few days with opportunities to play sports, participate in leadership/teambuilding exercises, pray, share meals, and grow in our faith together.

Where: Camp Shiloh, 753 Burnt Meadow Rd, Hewitt, NJ

When: Tuesday, July 11 at 2 pm and concludes after lunch on Friday, July 14 at 1:30pm.

More info and to Register: https://diometuchen.org/quovadis

#### The Catholic Church of St. Ann

#### Knights of Columbus for the Right to Life



The NJ March for Life event in Trenton on the 24th of June. Next weekend the Knights are having the Rose Pin distribution fund raiser at the Blessed Sacrament Shrine &



St Ann's Church. Rose pins will be handed out before Mass and donations for the Raritan Pregnancy Aid Center will be collected afterwards.

#### 2023 Summer Choir Camp

The Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi is pleased to announce its inaugural **SUMMER CHOIR CAMP** for all rising 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Students from all diocesan parishes are welcome to attend! Every day, students will participate in choir rehearsals, music theory classes, work on composer projects, and sing for the Cathedral's daily 12:10 Mass. There will also be fun outdoor activities (weather permitting) and an opportunity for each chorister to play the Cathedral's pipe organ!

#### **General information:**

Dates: August 21-25, 2023

*Times:* Mon-Thurs 9am – 3:30pm; Friday 9am – 1:30pm

Tuition: \$250 per chorister

Food: All chorister are required to bring a bag lunch (including

drink) Monday through Thursday. Friday will conclude with an *Ice Cream Party* after the 12:10 Mass.

Dismissal is at 1:30pm on Friday, Aug 25.

A mid-morning snack will be provided each day by the

Cathedral.

Add'l Info: Contact Christopher Deibert, Director of Sacred Music – Music@StFrancisCathedral.org Registration Deadline: June 30, 2023



# 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal Renewed and Sent on Mission by the Eucharist

Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at https://diometuchen.org/BAA.

Status of St. Ann's BAA	As of June 9
Goal:	\$63,000.00
Total Pledged & Received:	\$61,891.09
Amount Received:	\$59,072.34
Over/(Under) Goal:	(\$1,108.91)
Percent of Goal Pledged:	98.24%
Percent of Goal Received:	93.77%
Average Gift Amount:	\$324.04

#### Bus to Trenton—Rally for Life

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Human Life and Dignity will have a bus trip to the Mass for Life and Rally for Life in Trenton on Saturday, June 24, 2023.

There is no fee for a bus seat, but registration is required. Please register online at:

#### www.diometuchen.org/humanlifeanddignity.

The bus will leave the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center at 146 Metlars Lane in Piscataway between 8:00 - 8:15 AM and will drop off all passengers at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption in Trenton for the Mass for Life at 9:30 AM. After Mass, everyone will walk to the 11:00 AM Rally for Life at the Statehouse Annex at 145 West State Street. A March will immediately follow led by Rev. Clenard Childress.

Afterwards the bus will pick up all passengers at the Statehouse Annex and all passengers will be dropped off at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway.

Passengers may bring a bag lunch on the bus. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Angela at amarshall@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1543.

# Celebrating Life! A Day for Grandparents & Seniors (55+)

"His mercy is from age to age..."

Wednesday, **July 26, 2023 - 9:30 am to 12:30 pm** *Feast Day of Saints Joachim & Anne*St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway



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**Stress In Your Marriage?** Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse?

RETROUVAILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ.

RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is **August 18-20**, **2023**. All inquiries are confidential.

For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno 732-672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org.

## Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time — June 18, 2023

#### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, June 19

7:00 pm Michael Pompa by Sr. Dolores Toscano; Maria Barbieri by Pat Barbieri and family; Giovanni and Anna Falzarano by Francesca Viscariello:

Jozef Tarnowski by the Wiszowaty Family

#### Tuesday, June 20

7:00 am Charles DePrimo by his mom and dad

#### Wednesday, June 21

7:00 am Giovanna and Michele Napolitano by Francesco Viscariello

#### Thursday, June 22

7:00 am Jennifer Fraser by Colleen Rodriguez

#### Friday, June 23

#### Saturday, June 24

9:00 am Maria Rosa and Antonio Greco by Saverio and Caterina Todarello

4:00 pm Mark and Peter Padovani by their parents

#### Sunday, June 25

7:30 am People of the Parish

10:00 am Living and Deceased Member of the Holy Name

Society

12:00 pm Rosario and Giovanna Russo by Teresa and

Angelo Russo

5:00 pm Ernestine Parisi by Rosa Parisi

## This Week's Daily Bible Readings

#### Sunday

**Thursday** Ex 19:2-6a; Rom 5:6-11; 2 Cor 11:1-11; Mt 6:7-15

Mt 9:36-10:8

Friday Monday 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; 2 Cor 6:1-10; Mt 5:38-42 Mt 6:19-23

**Tuesday** 

Saturday

2 Cor 8:1-9; Mt 5:43-48

Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26;

Wednesday

2 Cor 9:6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Lk 1:57-66, 80

#### **School Employment Opportunities**

St. Ann Classical Academy Pre-K to Grade 8 school anticipates the possibility of having teaching positions available for the 2023-2024 academic year, both full-time, part-time and substitute teachers. If you would like to be considered, please submit your resume to Marisa Day, Head of School, mday@stannparish.com, or call at 908-725-7787.



#### HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION Sunday, June 18, 2023

at 3:30 pm at St. Ann Church This hour of Adoration includes readings, song, silent prayer, and concludes with Benediction.



#### 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.

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#### Contributions info from the weekend of June 11:

**Offertory Contributions** \$ 5,616 **WeShare Offertory Contributions** \$ 2,520 **Total for Parish Operation** \$8,136

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

#### Weekly Candle, Lamp and Flower Intentions



#### Altar Candle #1 for Antonio Natale and Robert Graham

by Filomena and Ken Graham

#### **Tabernacle Lamp for Charles DePrimo**

by his mom and dad



Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect. (Romans 12:1)

#### Pray for those in the Military

Victor Dulay, Jr; U.S. Marine Corps Pvt. Brennan Gasway; U.S. Army AIC Olivia F. Geary, U.S. Air Force PFC Brendan Hughs; U.S. Marine Corps PFC Gavin John: U.S. Marine Corps LCpl Matthew John; U.S. Marine Corps CW4 Michael Lopez, Jr. LCpl Sean Maj; U.S. Marine Corps Maj Michael Morella; U.S. Army

Pvt Tayla Rasmusson; U.S. Marine Corps PFC Daniel J. Salvo: U.S. Marine Coros Col Jonathan Schultes: U.S. Marine Coros SPC4 Joshua Sena U.S. Army LtCol Louis P. Simon; U.S. Marine Corps **PFC Jerome C. Sunga**; U.S. Army Jack Vara: U.S. Marine Coros Cpl Daniel Viscariello; U.S. Marine Corps Sgt Janet Wyka; U.S. Army

Zack Orecchio; U.S. Navy

Sgt Dan Neville; U.S. Marine Corps TSgt Anthony John O'Connor; U.S. Air Force Capt Kaitlyn Zimmitti; U.S. Air Force

#### Pray for those who are Sick in our Community

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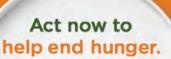
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