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The Lord's Day Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil:

4:00 pm St. Joseph Church

5:00 pm Holy Trinity

Sunday:

7:30 am St. Ann Church

7:30 am St. Joseph Church (Spanish)

9:00 am St. Joseph Church (English)

10:30 am St. Ann Church

10:30 am Holy Trinity Church

10:30 am Shrine of Blessed Sacrament (Latin)

12:00 pm St. Ann Church

12:00 pm St. Joseph Church (Spanish)

5:00 pm St. Ann Church

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday through Friday

8:00 am St. Ann Church

12:15 pm Shrine of Blessed Sacrament (English)

Fridays

7:00 pm Holy Trinity Church

Saturdays

9:00 am St. Ann Church

First Saturdays

9:00 am Shrine of Blessed Sacrament (Latin)

Holy Day Mass Schedule

7:00 pm Vigil St. Joseph Church (English)

8:00 am St. Ann Church

12:15 pm Shrine of Blessed Sacrament English)

12:15 pm Holy Trinity Church

7:00 pm St. Ann Church

7:00 pm Shrine of Blessed Sacrament (Latin)

7:00 pm St. Joseph Church (Spanish)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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| 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 | | |

Parish Office Staff

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| Deacon Sal Bonfiglio, | <i>Business Administrator</i> |
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*First Sunday of Lent
February 18, 2024*

First Sunday of Lent — February 18, 2024

Stewardship Reflection on Lectionary Readings

GN 9:8-15; PS 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 PT 3:18-22; MK 1:12-15

Today's readings remind us why we partake in this 40-day Lenten journey — to prepare our hearts for the resurrection of Christ on Easter.

St. Peter reminds us in our Second Reading of the blessings we receive from Christ's passion, death, and resurrection — "Christ suffered for sins once... that he might lead you to God." And again, "[Baptism] is... an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ."

To receive the blessings more readily from Christ's passion, death, and resurrection, we too are called to endure 40 days "in the desert." In our Gospel, Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert where He was tempted by Satan. Jesus was called to face trials and to confront evil. During this time, He committed to intense prayer and fasting. It was not necessary for Jesus to go into the desert so that He might be purified, but rather, to endure the temptations of man for our sake. He was fully man, and experienced temptations just like us, yet responded to them perfectly, never falling into sin.

We should strive to fully participate in this Lenten season by mirroring Jesus, the model steward by Whom we are called to imitate. Through our time in the desert, we will confront evil by weeding out the roots of sin in our lives through fasting. And we will be sustained and nourished in the desert by prayer.

Let us strive to purify our hearts so that we might be ready to receive the glorious gift of Christ and partake in the riches that pour forth from this Gift.

— Catholic Stewardship Consultants, www.CatholicSteward.com

ST. ANN MONTHLY SOCIAL for SENIORS and RETIREES

Enjoy afternoon tea or coffee and a light snack.

The next gathering will be on

Wednesday, February 21, 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



St. Ann's Italian Festa
June 20 - June 22, 2024
(Thursday-Saturday)

It is time to step forward and get involved to make the Festa a great success! The recent Restart the Festa dinner raised \$10,000, which was needed to repair critical pieces of kitchen equipment. However, in the last few years, we have lost some volunteers that were integral. Volunteers are needed each morning in the kitchen as well as during the evening hours. The games and food service areas need staffing. No prior experience is necessary, just your enthusiasm. Planning meetings and fundraising are underway, and now is the time to participate to make Festa 2024 happen.

Contact Jim Wilson at jwi3304440@aol.com with your name and email address if you are interested and able. We will add you to the contact list for upcoming meetings.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION

This Sunday, February 18, 2024

at 3:30 pm at St. Ann Church

This hour of Adoration includes readings, song, silent prayer, and concludes with Benediction.



St. Ann Classical Academy is now registering children for the 2024-2025 academic year.

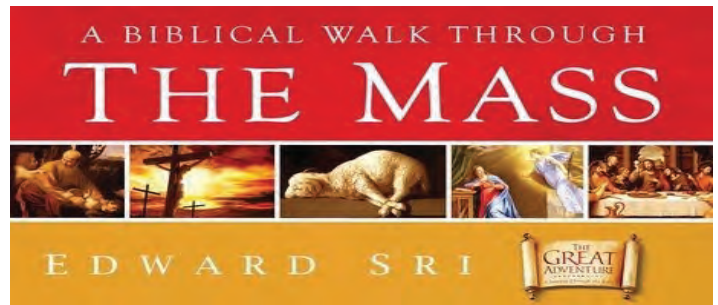
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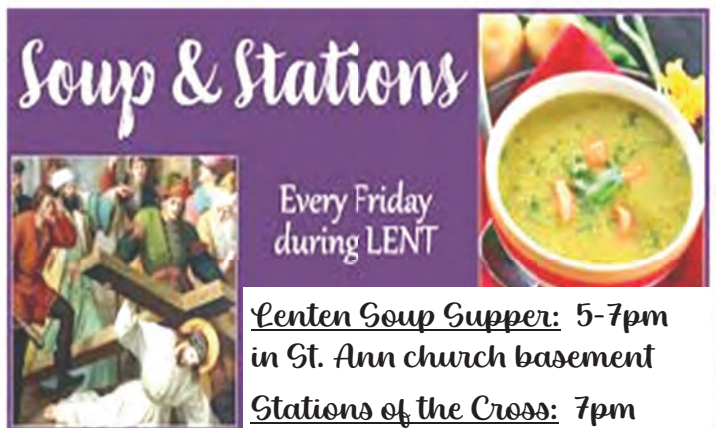


A Biblical Walk Through the Mass

This Lent, come for a Biblical Walk Through the Mass as we learn about the liturgy and the Scriptures by exploring the rich Biblical roots of the prayers we say at Mass, with video presentations by Dr. Edward Sri of the Augustine Institute.

Wednesdays: February 21 & 28, March 6 & 13
at 7 pm in Holy Trinity Church Basement

Offered by the Oratorian community as part of the
National Eucharistic Revival



Lenten Soup Supper: 5-7pm
in St. Ann church basement
Stations of the Cross: 7pm
in St. Ann church

The Catholic Church of St. Ann



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April 20, 2024
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Bring your own lunch. Beverages will be available throughout the day. Villa Walsh is handicapped accessible. There is also a Religious Gift Shop.

First Sunday of Lent — February 18, 2024

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 19 —President's Day

9:00 am Mass at St. Joseph Church

Tuesday, February 20

8:00 am Domenico Natale by Anna and Freddy Ritorto

Wednesday, February 21

8:00 am Michael D'Angelo by Pina Mattei

Thursday, February 22

8:00 am William Coulson by Bob and Lori Monaghan

Friday, February 23

8:00 am Maria Confalone by the Rosary Altar Society

Saturday, February 24

9:00 am Nicola DiBetta by Ralph and Lena Cirianni

Sunday, February 25

7:30 am Michael Gallagher by his nieces and nephews

10:30 am Living and Deceased Member of the Holy Name Society

12:00 pm Alphonse Basilone by Kathy, Linda and Bill Basilone

5:00 pm People of the Parish

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Sunday

Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22;
Mk 1:12-15

Wednesday

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Monday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Thursday

1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

Friday

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Tuesday

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Saturday

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal

STAY WITH US, LORD:

Renew our Hearts and Send Us on Mission

"Were not our hearts burning within us while He spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?" (Lk 24:32)

Just as the two disciples on the Road to Emmaus "set out at once" to share their experience of the Risen Lord with others, we too are inspired to go out into the world and tell everyone we meet of His love and grace. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the work of the **Vicariate for Evangelization and Communication**. Responsible for our website, social media platforms, videos, podcasts and written content about our Catholic faith, the Evangelization & Communication ministry is essential to how we expand our effort to share the Gospel message and make His love known to all. More and more, we have come to understand that these tools are necessary for reaching people where they live and work. A gift of any amount is important and greatly appreciated.

St. Ann's parish goal is \$68,000.

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 and appreciated.

WeShare online giving is encouraged because of its ease of use, consistency in support and flexibility. Sign-up is easy. 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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with WeShare

Contribution information for weekend of **February 11:**

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Offertory Contributions | \$ 4,950 |
| WeShare Offertory Contributions | \$ 2,287 |
| Total for Parish Operation | \$ 7,237 |
| DOM other | \$ 815 |

To request a **2023 Contribution Statement from St. Ann's Church** please call Barbara at the parish office: 908-725-1008, press 1 then 4; or email Barbara at: brussell@stannparish.com.

Weekly Candle, Lamp and Flower Intentions



**Blessed Mother Lamp in Thanksgiving to
the Blessed Mother for Her Protection**

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

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LCpl Sean Maj, U.S. Marine Corps

Maj Michael Morella, U.S. Army

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Cpl Jonathan Schultes, U.S. Marine Corps

LtCol Louis P. Simon, U.S. Marine Corps

PFC Jerome C. Sunga, U.S. Army

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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Vitangelo Bavaro
Joanmarie Carlone
Bruno Cirianni
Mary Contino
Jerry Costanzo
Ralph Cusati
Maria Anastasia
D'Amore
Roseann Danna
Josephine DiPiazza
John Falco
Frank Forte
Cindy Galvacky
Gambino Family
Gladys Gonzalez

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Bernadette Healy
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Brianna Rose Larson
Michael Lynch
Antonio, Alice &
Lisa Magdamit
Mark Marshall
Lella Mathews
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Jim McGuinness
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Wilfredo Medina III
Joyce Melitsky
Andrea Michaels

Lidia Natale
A.J. Papavero
Edith Pena
Victor Rangel
Danilo & Sanbeda
Santos
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Cathy Stinziano
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