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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

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

Deacon Sal Bonfiglio	<i>Business Administrator</i>
Sr. Lorraine Doiron, SJH	<i>Dir. of Adult Sacr. Prep, OCIA</i>
Mrs. Christine Esposito	<i>Social Ministry, Office Support</i>
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Sr. Ella Mae McDonald, MPF	<i>Dir. of Religious Education</i>
Mr. Anthony Nardino	<i>Dir. of Liturgy & Sacred Music</i>
Mr. Ramon Salazar	<i>Multi-Parish Facilities Manager</i>

Permanent Deacons

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Sr. Frances Gervasio, MPF	<i>Homebound Ministry</i>
Sr. Diana Yodris, MPF	<i>In residence</i>

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 6, 2025

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Stewardship Reflection on Lectionary Readings

IS 66:10-14C; PS 66:1-7, 16, 20; GAL 6: 14-18; LK 10:1-12, 17-20

In today's Gospel passage, from Luke, we find our Lord appointing disciples to go out and prepare others to receive His invitation into the Kingdom of God. Every verse has something to say about the way a Christian steward should approach others. Let's consider at least one of the coaching tips Christ gives.

"The Lord appointed seventy-two others whom He sent out ahead of Him in pairs to every town and place He intended to visit." In His wisdom, Christ sent His disciples out not as individuals but in pairs, as teams. This approach to evangelization certainly provided practical advantages. The disciples could lean on each other for mutual support and encouragement, helping each other to stay on task and to put their heads together to pray and problem-solve. This teamwork approach is just as relevant to us modern-day Christian stewards. It takes courage and commitment to go out and invite others into the Christian life. We need to work together to do it well.

But there is also symbolic importance to working in teams. It points to the reality that when we invite others to embrace the Good News of the Gospel, we are not merely inviting them into a belief system, but into a relationship with Christ and through that relationship, into Christ's family — our fellow Christian disciples near and far.

Our parish is our immediate spiritual family in this extended worldwide fold. We are not meant to live as isolated individuals within the parish any more than we are meant to live in isolation within our families. We are meant to be a community. That is why it is so important for us to foster a vibrant, supportive, welcoming parish life. This is why we emphasize hospitality as one of the pillars of stewardship. It is not enough just to point others to Christ; we must invite them to join us in community with Him; we must offer a place and mission for them in the Church and within our parish family — *Catholic Stewardship Consultants, www.CatholicSteward.com*

Summer Choir Camp

The Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen is hosting their 3rd annual Summer Choir Camp for all rising 3rd to 8th grade students. Students will get to spend a week practicing their singing in a choir, learn from amazing music teachers, outdoor activities, play games, and other exciting opportunities (even play the Cathedral's Pipe Organ!). **The camp will take place from August 11th to 15th at the Cathedral with one more opportunity to sing for the 12 Noon Mass on the 17th.** You could register online at <https://www.stfranciscathedral.org/upcoming-cathedral-diocesan-events>

For additional information, please contact Christopher M.C. Deibert, Director of the Cathedral's Sacred Music Ministry at music@stfranciscathedral.org.

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The Pregnancy Aid and Information Center has an integral part in providing options to abortion and encouragement to Moms in need. Let us continue to be that beacon of hope for pregnant women in difficult circumstances.

Donation of baby products welcome: wipes, diapers, etc

In particular, the Pregnancy Aid Center is in need at this time **summer clothes for boys and girls sizes 3, 4, 5 and 6**. Call for drop off hours at 908-526-8121.

SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY, SEPT. 19, 2025



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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2025

DROP-OFF: 7:30 AM - 3:00 PM

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- stuffed animals

Alternative drop-off times?

Call the school or parish office to make arrangements: 908-725-7787.

Please put donated items in TALL KITCHEN GARBAGE BAGS.

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July 2025

Dear St. Ann Parishioners and Friends,

On behalf of St. Ann Classical Academy, I wish to extend a heartfelt thank you to every member of our community who contributed to the tremendous success of this year's St. Ann Italian Festa.

This cherished tradition would not be possible without the extraordinary efforts of dedicated volunteers. From the months of careful planning and preparation to the long hours worked in the days leading up to the event, your tireless service made all the difference. During the Festa itself, volunteers could be found at every tent, table, and station joyfully feeding our guests, welcoming all who arrived, and providing an atmosphere full of fun and entertainment for everyone who attended. And in the days that followed, so many of you returned once again to help clean up, organize, and sell off the remaining food and drinks. Your selfless work has not gone unnoticed. Thank you!

We are also deeply grateful to everyone who attended the Festa. Your presence brought life and joy to our campus and made this event a true celebration of faith, fellowship, and tradition. Whether you came for the food, the music, the games, or simply to be part of our community, *thank you* for sharing in this special event with us.

To the entire St. Ann community – our pastor, Fr. Tom; the Festa Committee; volunteers; parishioners; parish staff; generous donors; sponsors; faculty and staff; students; alumni; families; and friends – thank you for your hard work and dedication in support of our parish and school.

As we reflect on this year's success, we also look ahead with great anticipation to next year's St. Ann Italian Festa. May the sense of unity and joy that filled our hearts and our grounds continue to grow, drawing even more of our community together in love and celebration.

St. Rocco, pray for us! St. Ann, pray for us!

In Christ,

Mrs. Courtney Ceponis
Head of School
St. Ann Classical Academy

Our Mission: *to build a foundation for our students in the knowledge of the goodness, beauty, and truth of God's creation, both visible and invisible; to cultivate an understanding of the true nature of the human person intellectually, physically, socially and spiritually; and to nurture them as Christian disciples leading them into a personal relationship with Jesus, the Source of all knowledge and wisdom.*

A Catholic Primer on *In Vitro* Fertilization

"Today, for a wide range of possible reasons, more and more couples are experiencing the pain of infertility. Many ...deeply desire to have biological children and turn to biomedical technologies like *in vitro* fertilization (IVF) to try to fulfill their dreams. As Catholics, however, our faith teaches that these popular procedures are not the answer. In fact, they are harmful and wrong, and even tragically result in the deaths of many innocent children while they are young embryos. ...[However,] there are ethical fertility treatments of which the Catholic Church approves. These can take many forms but are collectively referred to as 'restorative reproductive medicine.' Restorative reproductive medicine investigates and seeks to heal the root causes of the couple's infertility... In fact, restorative reproductive medicine is often more successful than IVF. ...A number of national Natural Family Planning (NFP) education organizations can assist married couples with a list of medical professionals who provide Restorative Reproductive Medicine (RRM); please see <https://bit.ly/nfp-providers>."

USCCB, "A Catholic Primer on *In Vitro* Fertilization"

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons.

Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call.

May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.
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Mass Intentions

Monday, July 7

8:00 am Maureen Kelly by Robert & Jane Romain

Tuesday, July 8

8:00 am Jerry Zappa by Pam Zappa

Wednesday, July 9

8:00 am Thomas Reeder by John, Kathy & Nicole Galella

Thursday, July 10

8:00 am Dora- for healing by Sr. Frances Gervasio

Friday, July 11

8:00 am Kenneth Olivo by Margaret Esposito

Saturday, July 12

9:00 am Bob Gada by Rose Gada & Family

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 13

7:30 am Lenny LaVerghetta by The Esposito Family

10:30 am Camillo DiRado by wife, Elena DiRado

12:00 pm Edwin Forton by Zakrzewski;
Gregorio & Domenica Grande, 50th Anniv.

5:00 pm People of the Parish

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Sunday

Is 66:10-14c; Gal 6:14-18;
Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

Monday

Gn 28:10-22a; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday

Gn 32:23-33; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday

Gn 41:55-57, 42:5-7a,
17-24a; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday

Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29,
45:1-5; Mt 10:7-15

Friday

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30;
Mt 10:16-23

Saturday

Gn 49:29-32, 50:15-26a;
Mt 10:24-33

Weekly Candle, Lamp and Flower Intentions



**Blessed Mother Lamp in thanksgiving to
the Blessed Mother for her continued protection**
by Joan Przybylski



Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions are now available for the second half of the year, July through December 2025. You may schedule a requested Mass intention by contacting Christine Esposito at the Parish Office.

The practice of offering Mass for particular intentions is an ancient one, dating back to the early Church. Mass intentions refer to the particular purpose for which a specific Mass is offered. An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. A typical donation for a specific Mass intention is \$10.

Parishioner Financial Support

The principal means of support for the Catholic Church of St. Ann is your weekly generosity. What is normally donated online and your sacrificial offering at Mass makes up the “**ordinary income**” that is supposed to balance the expense of **ordinary parish operation**, made up of salaries and benefits for the employees of the parish who serve you; all utilities and supplies; ministries and formation programs; resources needed for quality liturgies; snowplowing and landscaping, maintenance and custodial services to the buildings and properties—church, convent, rectory/office and school building. Please keep this in mind when assessing your regular level of financial support to the parish.

Whether by envelope, by mail or by online giving, your contributions are essential and appreciated. THANK YOU to all who help support the operation and ministry of St. Ann parish.

Contributions for the weekend of June 29, 2025:

Mass Offertory	\$ 4,726
WeShare	\$ 1,985
Total for parish operation	\$ 6,711
Peter's Pence (second collection)	\$ 982



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Pray for those who are Sick in our Community

Katelyn Anderson	Gladys Gonzalez	Andrea Michaels
Joseph Arena	Susan H.	Lidia Natale
Yolanda Bontempo	Bernadette Healy	Salvatore Navatto
Joanmarie Carlone	Anthony Hughes	Joseph Pellegrino
Bruno Cirianni	Laura Karg	Edith Pena
Mary Contino	Ronald Kozak	Dave Pietrowicz
Jerry Costanzo	Brianna Rose Larson	Victor Rangel
Ralph Cusati	Mary Grace	John Roglieri
Harold D'Alessio	LaVerghetta	Danilo & Sanbeda Santos
Maria Anastasia D'Amore	Michael Lynch	Deborah Scarpone
John D'Angelo	Stanley M. Magda	Cathy Stinziano
Rose D'Angelo	Antonio, Alice & Lisa Magdamit	Patricia Tibaldi
Josephine DiPiazza	Mark Marshall	Saverio Todarello
John Falco	Lella Mathews	Luisito Tolentino
Frank Forte	Jim McGuinness	Jenny & Lou Troisi
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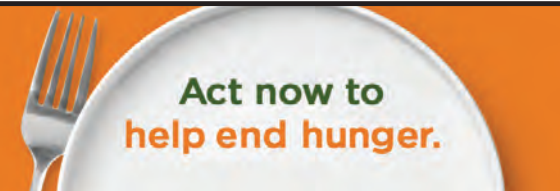


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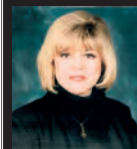
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