

## Saint Ann Catholic Church

*A Roman Catholic Community Served by Capuchin Franciscan Friars*

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### Parish Mission

We, the Catholic Community of Saint Ann Church, inspired by the Gospel, strengthened and nourished by the Holy Eucharist, come to know more deeply the love and mercy of Jesus Christ and serve the needs of our neighbors.

# Mass Intentions

## Monday, January 12

7:00am † Frances & Carl Insinga

## Tuesday, January 13

7:00am † Dominick Meo

## Wednesday, January 14

7:00am (L) Vincent Paul Andreula

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## Thursday, January 15

7:00am † Phyllis Capelli

## Friday, January 16

7:00am † Phyllis Capelli

## Saturday, January 17

9:00am † Lorenzo Casale

5:00pm (L) Margaret Milizzo

## Sunday, January 18

8:00am † Phyllis Capelli

\*10:30am People of the Parish

12:00pm † Pietro Romano

7:00pm † Lorenzo Casale



## Livestreaming Sunday Masses

*\*Sundays at 10:30am*

Saint Ann Catholic Church YouTube Chanel – <https://www.youtube.com/saintanncatholicchurchhobokennj> and stay on YouTube channel for future viewing & reflection.

## Mass Prayers

Sunday Mass Prayers can be accessed via mobile phone, tablets and computers via our website: [www.stannahoboken.com](http://www.stannahoboken.com).

## Candle Memorials

*(week of January 11)*

### Altar Host

In Memory of Maryann Murphy

### Altar Wine

In Memory of Maryann Murphy

### Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of Frances & Carl Insinga

### Blessed Mother

In Memory of Phyllis Capelli

### Immaculate Heart of Mary

Special Intention, Ceil Butka

### Mother Cabrini

In Memory of Maryann Murphy

### Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Special Intention, Arlene Ricciardi

### Our Lady of Sorrows

In Memory of Phyllis Capelli

### Sacred Heart of Jesus

In Memory of Mary Pepe

### Saint Anthony

Special Intention, Anthony Nicholas Ricciardi



### Saint Clare

In Memory of Phyllis Capelli

### Saint Francis

Special Intention, Fr. Sam, OFM Cap.

### Saint Gerard

In Memory of Phyllis Capelli

### Saint Giacomo

Special Intention, Kenny Butka

### Saint Jude

Good Health, Ronnie Valenti

### Saint Lucy

Good Health, Rose Hartzell

### Saint Michael

Good Health, Vincent Paul Andreula

### Saint Pio

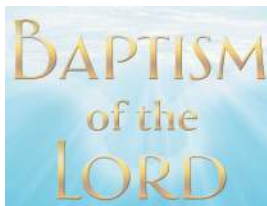
In Memory of Dino Miccoli

### Saint Rocco

Special Intention, Carolyn Pasculli

## Scripture Reflections

*January 11, 2026—Baptism of the Lord*



*“John tried to prevent him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, yet you are coming to me?””*  
MATTHEW 3:14

The Catholic Catechism states that *“Jesus’ immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God’s will.”* In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.





## Advent Clothing Drive

*"KEEPING THE HOMELESS WARM"*

THANK YOU for helping us KEEP the HOMELESS WARM this WINTER!

With your generous support the following items were collected and donated to the Hoboken Shelter:

**245 Pairs of Socks, 98 Hats, 125 Pairs of Gloves,  
96 Scarves, 66 Throw Blankets, 1 Pair of Boots and  
3 Coats**

We are truly blessed with kind and caring parishioners who open their hearts to those in need and less fortunate.

*The Holy Name Society*

## WINTERCHILL 2026

Once again we will be celebrating this winter with some fun activities for some or for the whole family. Dates yet to be determined but keep an eye open for:

**Family Day**

**Mozzarella Making**

**Church/Music Night**

**Bowling**

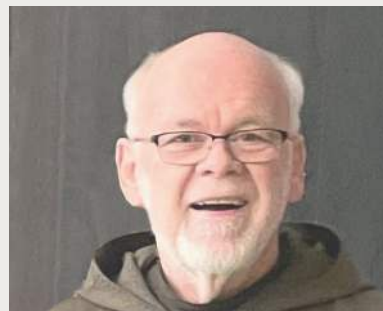
## What is Eucharistic Adoration?

Eucharistic Adoration is a Catholic devotion dating back to the early days of the Church. It involves exposing a consecrated host, the Blessed Sacrament, allowing people to sit and pray in the presence of Jesus Christ. Adoration specifically refers to any prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament whether in front of a closed Tabernacle or in front of the exposed host in a monstrance.



*During Eucharistic Adoration, it is appropriate to do any of the following....*

- Read and reflect on readings from the Bible or other spiritual writings
- Pray the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet or any other favorite devotions
- Converse with God through spontaneous prayer or journaling
- Sit quietly and listen or just enjoy being in the presence of Christ



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Peace and blessings!

Once again, *Happy New Year!* Today as we bring the Christmas season to an end, I would like to take this opportunity to thank every one of you for your many blessings to we Friars during this season. Your many cards, gifts, "goodies", and support mean so much to us. We also want to thank Jeremy, Rebecca and their elves during the liturgies this season. They all have a way of making our Masses so beautiful. Thanks to our ushers, greeters, readers, Eucharistic Ministers, altar servers, videographers as well as to all of you who brought gifts for our St. Nicholas Pouches and the various ministries that held Christmas dinners and invited the friars. Special thanks to Annemarie and her team who so beautifully decorated our church. To all of you who attended, nearly 1,200 of you on Christmas alone...a big **THANK YOU TO ALL!**

Watch the bulletin for our 2026 *WinterChill* schedule. A great way to cure the winter blues and an opportunity to meet new people.

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the river to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

In His Peace,  
*Fr. Martin*



## We Are His Witnesses

God of Mercy, you call the Archdiocese of Newark to witness to our faith in Jesus Christ. As we undertake the journey of pastoral conversion, endow us with your gifts of communion, courage and compassion. Help us to fulfill the mission of Jesus and his Church through convincing outreach, vibrant parishes and effective ministries. Raise up selfless and energetic leaders to serve the Church with fidelity and zeal. May we, the Church of Newark in Bergen, Essex, Hudson, and Union Counties, be sustained and strengthened by your grace.

May we the People of God discern and follow the promptings of your Holy Spirit. May we your holy people dedicate our lives as firm disciples of Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of Mary, wherever we go. We ask this and all our prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Frequently Asked Question:

#### WHAT IS WE ARE HIS WITNESSES?

We Are His Witnesses is a pastoral initiative launched by Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., Archbishop of Newark, on Pentecost in June 2025. It invites all of us to walk together on a journey—a path of pastoral conversion. Inspired by the Word of God and rooted in Pope Francis's *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel), this initiative calls on the entire Church to reimagine parish life, mission, and ministry in response to a changing world.

### The Baptism of the Lord

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Through the centuries, artists and craftspeople have depicted Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River by John. At first in mosaics and frescoes, and later in tapestries, stained glass, and paintings, the scene is familiar. Jesus is standing waist-high in flowing water. Above him, standing on dry land, John the Baptist pours water over Jesus. The first artists to depict this were sketching from memory. This is exactly how most people were baptized in the early days: as adults, standing or kneeling in the water, with water poured over their heads.

This method of baptizing, called immersion, is the favored way today. An adult enters a font, or an infant is lowered a bit into the water supported by a parent's hand, and water is poured or splashed over them. The treasures of baptistry art attest that submersion, or plunging beneath the water's surface, is not really in our tradition, and that "infusion," the mere pouring of a few drops of water, yields too narrow an understanding of what it means to be plunged into Christ's life. Jesus Christ has gone before us into the water, and waits for us there with abundant gifts. No wonder the tradition calls for abundant symbols!



## Liturgical Ministry

The Liturgical Ministry is looking for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. If you are called to these ministries, please register online at [www.stannhoboken.com/liturgical-ministries](http://www.stannhoboken.com/liturgical-ministries) or contact the Parish office at 201-659-1114. For more information, call Cheryl M James at [cherylmjames@stannhoboken.com](mailto:cherylmjames@stannhoboken.com)/201-659-1114.



## Saint Ann Volunteer Ministry

Volunteering, albeit within the parish or with groups associated with us, is a way to 'love our neighbor' and also a way to donate our time.



Please explore the Liturgical Ministries, Outreach and Societies on our website: <https://stannhoboken.com/ministries>. BE IN THE KNOW...join our Volunteer mailing list: [volunteer@stannhoboken.com](mailto:volunteer@stannhoboken.com).



## Deaths

During the month of **December 2025**, we celebrated another funeral Mass for the following soul:

*Rosina Cardillo*

May she rest in peace.

# EGiving

EGiving, is the most effective and efficient way for you to help sustain our parish ministries. Recurring donations are greatly appreciated because they help us continually develop our ministries and outreach to have a greater impact and allow us to keep up with increases in our maintenance costs and overhead.

If you haven't already, I would like to ask you to consider joining many of your fellow parishioners at St. Ann in making your generous donations through ParishSOFT Giving, our convenient and secure EGiving. Go to: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/stannhoboken>

# 2026

## NEW YEAR, NEW START

Register with Saint Ann Catholic Church or  
Update Current Information

### WHY REGISTER?

- ◇ You have moved into town and are regularly attending Saint Ann Church
- ◇ You are planning your wedding
- ◇ You are Baptizing your child(ren)
- ◇ You are looking for a Sponsor letter for Baptism or Confirmation
- ◇ Your child(ren) are attending Hoboken Catholic Academy (HCA)
- ◇ To update contact/family information
- ◇ TO STAY CONNECTED with the Parish

To complete/update parish registration, please go to:  
[www.stannahoboken.com/parish-registration](http://www.stannahoboken.com/parish-registration) or  
SCAN the QR code in the vestibule of the church.

For more information or any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 201-659-1114 or visit; office hours are Monday thru Friday, 9am-5pm; and Saturdays 10am-2pm. We are happy to help!

## Prayer Shawl Ministry of St. Ann Church

Do you knit or crochet? Do your family members and friends tell you that they have enough handmade scarves, hats, mittens, blankets, etc.? Do you have a large stash of yarn?



For the past fourteen years, the Prayer Shawl Ministry has crocheted and knitted prayer shawls and lap blankets to bring comfort to those who are ill or need support as they are healing. The shawls and blankets are physical signs of the prayers and blessings that the ministry members hope will comfort and warm recipients.

Members of the ministry crochet and knit the shawls and blankets at home and meet regularly to plan their activities. The blessed shawls and blankets are distributed at St. Ann's annual healing mass in February. At other times requests for shawls and blankets can be made by calling the parish office at 201-659-1114.

In addition, during the Christmas season, the ministry makes hats and scarves that are distributed to various organizations through the St. Nicholas Pouch project.


If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact Pat Sorensen at [pasorensen@aol.com](mailto:pasorensen@aol.com).

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## Community



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## Office Hours

**Monday – Friday** ..... 9:00am to 5:00pm  
**Saturday** ..... 10:00am to 2:00pm  
**Sunday** ..... Closed

## Parish Staff

**Pastor**..... Fr Martin Schratz OFM Cap  
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## Pastoral Parish Council

President..... Vince Crysler  
Vice President..... Theresa Henry  
Secretary.....Albin Joseph  
Tara Gamble, Kathy Ferman, Dan DeCongelio,  
Michella Tiscornia, and Robert Cronheim  
parishcouncil@stannahoboken.com

**Trustees** ..... Felix Gonzalez  
.....Anne Shearn

## Mass Schedule

**Saturday** ..... 5:00pm Vigil

**Sunday** ..... 8:00am, 10:30am\*,  
12:00pm, 7:00pm

**Monday–Friday** ..... 7:00am

## Wednesday

Exposition of the Blessed  
Sacrament ..... 5:00pm  
Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet  
..... 6:00pm  
Benediction.....6:40pm  
Novenas Miraculous Medal &  
Saint Anthony.....6:45pm  
Mass followed by Novena to  
Saint Ann.....7:00pm

## Mass Followed by Rosary

**Saturday** ..... 9:00am

**Note: Holy Hour, Holy Days, and  
Holidays As Announced**

(\*10:30am Mass is Streamed  
Live via Saint Ann YouTube  
Channel: [youtube.com/  
@stannahoboken](https://www.youtube.com/@stannahoboken))

## Sacraments

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation  
is available in Church each  
Saturday from 4:00pm-4:45pm  
or call the Parish Office to make  
appointment.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Upon the birth of your child,  
parents please contact the  
Parish Office for orientation and  
to register for the required  
Parents and Godparents’  
Baptismal Preparation Session.  
The sessions are currently  
available online. Baptisms are  
celebrated the first and third  
Sundays of the month following  
the 12:00pm Mass, at 1:00pm.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Couples are to be registered,  
active members of the parish  
and are asked to begin  
preparation at least one year

prior to the planned wedding  
date. It is advisable for couples  
to contact the Parish Office  
before other arrangements are  
made for the Wedding Day.

### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick/Visitation of the Sick

The Anointing of the Sick is  
available to seriously ill members  
of our Parish either at home or  
in the hospital. For legal reasons,  
many hospitals no longer inform  
parishes when a hospitalized  
parishioner would like a parish  
visit. Please call the Parish Office  
to make arrangements.

### Holy Communion for the Homebound

For homebound persons who  
would like to receive Holy  
Communion regularly, please  
contact the Parish Office.

### Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

The Order of Christian Initiation  
of Adults is a rite for adults to  
prepare to receive the  
Sacraments of Baptism,  
Confirmation and the Holy  
Eucharist. If you or someone you  
know would like to become a  
Catholic, please contact the  
Director of RCIA in the Parish  
Office.

### Parish Registration

Welcome to the Saint Ann Parish  
Family! Please register with the  
Parish by completing the online  
Parish Registration Form. Parish  
Registration is required for  
Baptisms, Weddings, Religious  
Education Programs and to  
attend Hoboken Catholic  
Academy. We urge all  
parishioners to make regular use  
of the envelopes or Online  
Giving. If you are moving from  
the Parish, please notify the  
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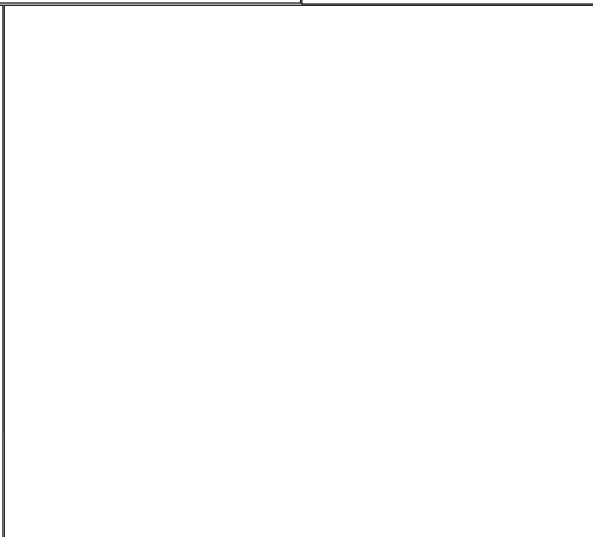
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