

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.

Luke 3:21-22

January 11, 2026

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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

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Saturday, January 17

9:00am † Lorenzo Casale

5:00pm (L) Margaret Milizzo

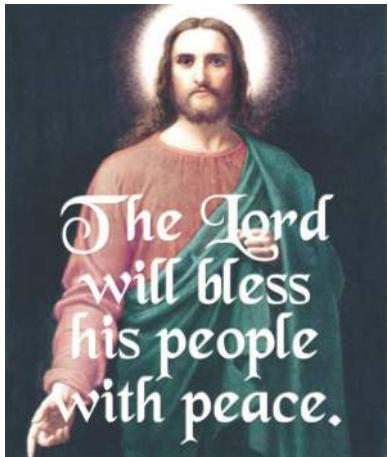
Sunday, January 18

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/saintannccatholicchurchhobokennj>
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.stannhoboken.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

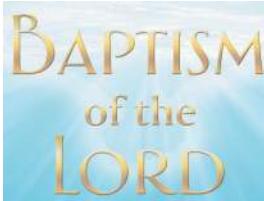
In Memory of Dino Miccoli

Saint Rocco

Special Intention, Carolyn Pasculli

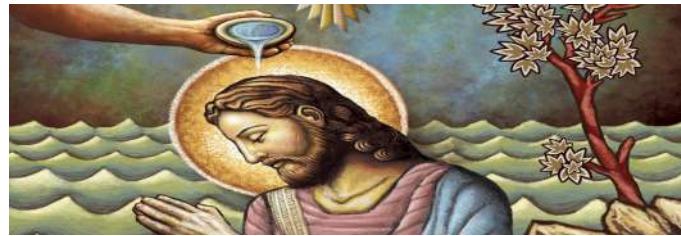
Scripture Reflections

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 baptismal 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 or contact the Parish office at 201-659-1114. For more information, call Cheryl M James at 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.

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.stannhoboken.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.



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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/
@stannhoboken](https://www.youtube.com/@stannhoboken))

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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