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Please call the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221
Please schedule marriage dates at least 6 months ahead. Weddings cannot be scheduled after the Saturday evening Mass or on Sundays.

BULLETIN DEADLINE & INSERTS

Please submit any bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 2pm on the Monday prior to the weekend you would like it published.

Also, please contact the office to obtain permission to insert fliers into the weekly bulletin.



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28-30

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday:

9:00 am

Sunday Vigil (Saturday):

4:00 pm

Sunday:

7:30, 9:30 and 11:00am

First Friday:

9:00 am

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: after 4pm Mass

First Friday: Before 9:00 AM Mass

Other times by appointment

DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration:

Mondays 9:30-10:30am

Rosary: 8:30 am, daily

MMP Cenacle: Mondays at 7:15pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tues.- Fri.

9:30-9:40am in the Sanctuary

Holy Hour: Thursdays at 12noon

MASS INTENTIONS



**14th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

MONDAY, July 10

9:00 Shaun Smith, *requested by the family*

TUESDAY, July 11

9:00 Clare H. Archer, *requested by Gail Beale*

WEDNESDAY, July 12

9:00 Juliet Sielski, *requested by Ann Matthes*

THURSDAY, July 13

9:00 John Klish, *requested by
Barbara and Gino Calderone*

FRIDAY, July 14

9:00 Mass of Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

SATURDAY, July 15

4:00 Manuel Henares, *requested by
John and Jean Henares*

SUNDAY, July 16

7:30 Mary Frieri Rizzardi, *requested by
the St. Jean Family*

9:30 Hugh Linnane, *requested by Ann Matthes
and family*

11:00 Norm Dube, *requested by
Lou and Eileen Del Prete*

WELCOME!



If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with our parish. You can do so by stopping by or calling the Parish Office (860-673-9858, ext. 221).

You can also register online at:

www.stannavon.org/register-at-st-ann

If you are a visitor, we thank you for participating in worshiping with us and we hope to see you again!

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

MONDAY, July 10

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 9:30-10:30am in the church

MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: 7:15pm in the church (all welcome)

TUESDAY, July 11

WEDNESDAY, July 12

Book Discussion for Deacon Tim's book: 9:30 am in Fr. Bennett Hall

THURSDAY, July 13

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

FRIDAY, July 14

SATURDAY, July 15

Men's Breakfast Group: 8:00 am in Room 3

SUNDAY, July 16

Lectio Divina: 10:30am in Room 3, and via ZOOM

JUST FOR KIDS!



**Has your child, or a child you know, missed celebrating the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation or First Eucharist?
Rest assured: it is never too late!**

This summer, St Ann's is offering a sacramental preparation program for children grade 3 – 8. This program is specially designed to teach children what they've missed, celebrate the sacrament(s) and prepare them to participate in our faith formation program, with their peers, September 2023.

*For more information and to register, contact Valerie St. Jean, Director of K-8 Faith Formation
valerie.stjean@stannavon.com 860-673-9858*



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TIME: 9:30 AM TO 11:30 AM

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IRA Charitable Rollover

Do you have an IRA? Are you 70 ½ or older?

Did you know you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution to the parish from your IRA? Church of St. Ann is a 501(c)(3) organization that is eligible to receive tax deductible contributions.

Benefits:

- Satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year.
- Reduce your taxable income, even if you do not itemize deductions.
- Avoid taxes on transfers up to \$100,000 from your IRA to the parish.
- Know you are contributing to a worthy cause.



How does it work?

- Contact your IRA plan administrator to make a gift from your IRA to the parish (we have a sample letter).
- Your IRA funds will be mailed directly to the parish.
- Let us know if the funds are for a specific purpose (i.e. Parish Annual Appeal, Weekly, Monthly, etc.)

*** Please consult your own tax advisor before engaging in any transaction. ***



God Has a Personal Message For You!

Join us for the popular *Lectio Divina* way of praying scripture, where you listen for what God is saying to you in the Gospel for the coming Sunday. It's also a great way to connect with others, and engage more fully in Mass.

Friendly groups meet via Zoom & in person.

Newcomers welcome!

Sundays at 10:30am both in Room 3 & via Zoom

For registration details and inspiring testimonials, visit:
<https://www.stannavon.org/lectio-divina-live>



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We are once again taking orders for engraved pavers at our beautiful Veterans Memorial Way at St. Ann Cemetery! Each paver purchased will be engraved with a veteran's name and information regarding their service. Pavers may honor veterans who are living or deceased. If you are purchasing a brick in honor of a deceased veteran, it is not required that they are buried at St. Ann's Cemetery. Order forms can be obtained in the Parish Office. You can also download a form from our website; look for the Veteran's Memorial under the "Resources" tab.



The Holy Eucharist DID YOU KNOW?

In today's gospel (Matthew 11: 25-30), Jesus addresses His Heavenly Father. He shares with us that God reveals to the childlike what is hidden from the wise and the intelligent. In order to believe in the true Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, we too must be like infants in humility and in simplicity. We must trust that what God says IS. God reveals Himself to those with childlike Faith. He blesses them with a firm belief in the true Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

Reflection: St. Thomas Moore wrote, "Finally it's not a matter of reason. Finally it's a matter of love."

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

Weekly Collection for 7/2/23: will be reported next weekend

Votive Candles: will be reported next weekend

Online Giving (June 28-July 3, 2023)

Weekly: \$3,096.00

Next Weekend's 2nd Collection: *monthly*



*Guardian Angel,
Be with me today,
Help me in what I do and say,
Help me be the person God
wants me to be,
Full of Faith, Hope and
Charity.*

Submitted by a St. Ann parishioner

Good Summer Read

We live in a day and age characterized by an extraordinary amount of agitation and lack of peace. What must we do to overcome the moments of fear and distress which assail us all too often in our lives? How can we learn to place all our confidence in God and abandon ourselves into His loving care?

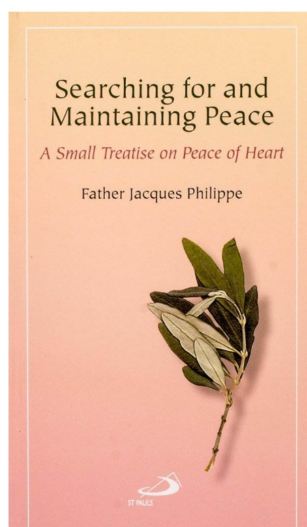
This is what is taught in this simple, yet profound little treatise on peace of heart.

Join Us To Discuss!

Wednesday, August 30th

7pm

**in the Activity Room
(under the church wing)**



RSVP

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**Books will be available for \$8.00
in the Parish Office.
(Please note the office will not have change.)
You can also pay online at:
www.stannavon.org/book-discussions-1**

Why Do We Do That Catholic Life Explained

Coming Back to Church

Question:

I have been away from the Church for a few years and really want to get active again, not so much for me, but for my children. Is this a bad reason to come back to Church?

Answer:

If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you are back. This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be.

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Worship & Meditation: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

See, your king shall come to you;
a just savior is he,
meek, and riding on an ass,
on a colt, the foal of an ass. (Zec 9:9)

Psalm:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.
(Ps 145)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

For if you live according to the flesh, you will die,
but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the
body,
you will live. (Rom 8:13)

Gospel:

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,
for I am meek and humble of heart;
and you will find rest for yourselves. (Mt 11:29)

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Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

The prophet Zechariah saw the future king of Israel restoring both the land and the people, bringing peace and justice to all the nations. How might you help build toward this promised future?

Second Reading:

Paul speaks of the power of the Spirit living in those who believe in Jesus. When have you felt or experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life?

Gospel:

Jesus invites all who are burdened and laboring to find "rest" in him. What burdens do you or your family need lifted from your life?

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Readings for the Week of July 8, 2023

Sunday:

Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Monday:

Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday:

Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, and 15/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday:

Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/ Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday:

Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/ Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/ Mt 10:7-15

Friday:

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday:

Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33

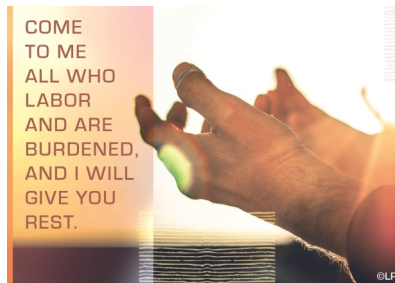
Next Sunday:

Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Christian life does not require wisdom, charisma, or strength — no, quite the opposite. To be Christian, we must embrace our faults, our littleness, our shortcomings — gather them up, and lay them all at the feet of Jesus. There, they will be transformed.

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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Do you ever feel restless? I certainly do. Daily tasks and challenges, but also the more basic demand of simply existing — sooner or later, this can all feel crushing and tire us out.

Which is why Jesus' words are such stunningly good news: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). How vastly weird that this man speaks as though he is capable of giving us the deep repose we desire. Is his claim the height of absurd grandiosity? No, because next he immediately proclaims that he is "meek and humble of heart." We here touch a mystery: Jesus is capable of giving us rest because he is the one who forever reposes in the heart of God the Father. He is "yoked" to the Father in his divinity. But he is humbly "yoked" to us, sharing in our humanity.

The good news, my fellow tired-out friends: we don't have to despair in our burdens and exhaustion, no matter how heavy they feel. This week, join me in opening our hearts to hear him say to us, "Come! I will give you rest." We come to him in the Church, Eucharist, the Scriptures, prayer, in the poor. There he will give us rest.

- Father John Muir

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(PRACTICING)

CATHOLIC

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

A Ballad of Flesh and Spirit

"My yoke is easy and my burden is light," says the man hanging from a cross. And if we only went on what we see with our eyes — flesh driven through by nails and sword, swollen from beating and inches from expiration — it would seem like a joke.

I'll tell you something we all know: this life on earth is hard. It's either too long or it's too short. It's frequently painful. It's riddled with problems that seem to make no sense. It is, as Dickens wrote, "made of ever so many partings welded together."

But it's also shockingly, senselessly beautiful. It is full of physical experi-

ences of love, joy, and peace that are so powerful they leave you breathless.

It is both these things — good and bad, hard and wonderful, just as we are both body and soul, spirit and flesh.

No one knows the Father except the Son, who entered into our bodily existence to free us from enslavement to it. No one knows the Son except the Father, and the means by which they know one another — the love passing between them, the Third Person himself — has been shared with us, has made its dwelling within us through baptism.

"Brothers and sisters, we are not debtors to the flesh, to live according to the flesh."

— Romans 8:12

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