



# Church of Saint Ann

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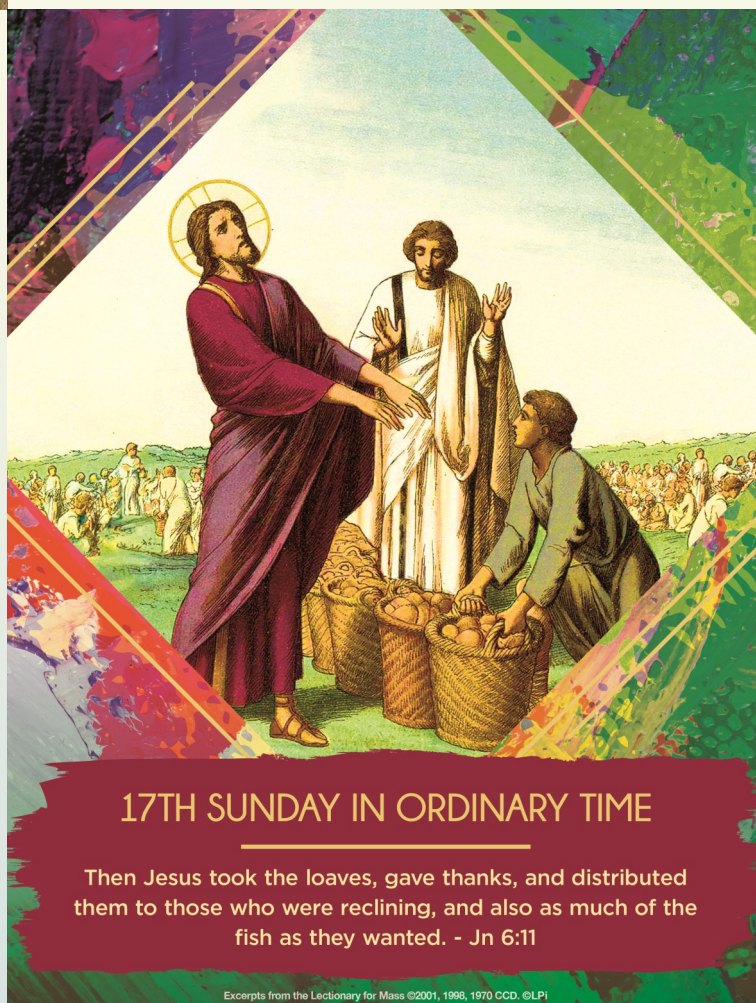
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## 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. - Jn 6:11

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## BAPTISM and MARRIAGES:

Please call the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221.

Wedding dates should be scheduled 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.

## 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

Tuesdays 6 - 7:30pm

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



## WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF SAINT ANN

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](http://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!*



### MASS INTENTIONS

#### 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

##### SATURDAY, July 27

**4:00** Angelo "Bob" Galiette (6th Ann.), requested by his family

##### SUNDAY, July 28, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**7:30** Jozefa and Antony Poprawa, requested the Osiecki Family

**9:30** Matthew Griffin

**11:00** Michael D. Gentile (10th Ann.), requested by Mr. and Mrs. James A. Samia

##### MONDAY, July 29, Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

**9:00** Frank Ahern, requested by the Severni Family

##### TUESDAY, July 30,

*Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

**9:00** David Spino, requested by the Theroux Family

##### WEDNESDAY, July 31, Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

**9:00** For the intentions of Lauren Hennig (Living), requested by the Hennig Family

##### THURSDAY, August 1,

*Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

**9:00** In celebration of the 60th wedding anniversary of Bill and Janet Newman, requested by the family

##### FRIDAY, August 2, Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop;

*Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest*

**9:00** Philomena Leone, requested by the family

##### SATURDAY, August 3,

**4:00** For Vocations and Our Priests, requested by the Bondhus Family

##### SUNDAY, August 4, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**7:30** Brent Rydin, requested by his mom and dad

**9:30** Dorothy LaRosa, requested by her husband, Michael

**11:00** Jane Gordon, requested by St. Ann's Social Outreach Ministry

To schedule a Mass Intention, please call or email Kris in the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221 or [kris.martino@stannavon.com](mailto:kris.martino@stannavon.com)

Suggested Donations: \$30 Weekends, \$25 Weekdays



### Sanctuary Lamp Memorial

The red sanctuary lamp burns all week (day and night) to remind people of the Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. You can memorialize this candle for a deceased loved one or for someone living in need of prayers. The memorial name will be listed in the church bulletin if submitted at least one week prior to the requested week, 2 weeks prior during Advent & Lent. The suggested donation is \$10 for each name/couple.

Stop by the Parish Office to schedule or use the link on our website: [stannavon.org](http://stannavon.org).

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for the Greater honor and glory of God and:

#### In loving memory of:

Anthony J. Centofanti

Valerie J. Magro

Patricia Olsen

#### Requested by:

Michalina Centofanti

Family and friends

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rickard

#### Prayer for the living:

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#### Requested by:

**We pray for the safe return of those currently serving in our Military**



*Contact the Parish Office to have your family members added.*

LCDR Jack Hamel, USCG  
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 1LT Brian J. Heavren Jr., USArmy

Capt. Matthew Mascoli, USMC  
 1LT Andrew Mascoli, USMC  
 ME3 Luke Hobbs, USCG

### Sending Mass

August 18, 2024

11:00am Mass

Join us in Fr. Bennett Hall after Mass for light refreshments and fellowship!



Are you starting a new journey in life this fall? Maybe a new educational, professional, or military pursuit. If you are, please join us on August 18, 2024, at the 11am Mass where we will send you off with a special blessing. May God bless you and watch over you on your next adventure.



## THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

### SATURDAY, July 27

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

### SUNDAY, July 28

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

### MONDAY, July 29

**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 30

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** 6 -7:30pm in the church

### WEDNESDAY, July 31

**The Chosen, Season 1 Watch Party:** 9:30am in Activity Room

### THURSDAY, August 1

**Holy Hour:** 12 noon in the church

### FRIDAY, August 2

**Lectio Divina:** 9:45am via Zoom

### SATURDAY, August 3

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

### SUNDAY, August 4

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



## The Holy Eucharist DID YOU KNOW?

The multiplication of the loaves and fishes (John 6: 1-15) is the miraculous foreshadowing of the Holy Eucharist. In today's Gospel Jesus satisfies the physical hunger of the people. But it is our spiritual hunger, which Our Lord addresses in the gift of the Holy Eucharist. By feeding the crowds with bread and fish, we know their bodies will assimilate the meal to become a part of their bodies. However, Jesus assimilates us into Himself when we receive Him in the Blessed Sacrament. He feeds us with spiritual nourishment which will satisfy us unto eternity.

Reflection: Spend some time after receiving Holy Communion today thinking about the abundance of graces, which Our Lord has just made available to you. Don't forget to ask Him and thank Him for these glorious gifts of grace.



We'd like to share some of our Faith Formation students' offerings of their time, talent and/or treasure.

Name	Gave of their Time-Talent-Treasure
Blair	Treasures her family
Catherine M.	Donated treasure
PJ M.	Donated treasure
Rosie L.	Made a very fancy card
James L.	Helped his sister when she was reading a book
Amiyah	Prayed, sang and loved

## Join us for a Good Summer Read

### THE ROCKING CHAIR PROPHET

by Matthew Kelly

Books will be available for free will offering in the Gathering Space. If none are left it can be purchased on Amazon.com or through a local bookstore.

*Grab a book and a friend and join us!*

### Book Discussion will be on:

THURSDAY,  
AUGUST 29TH  
6:00PM  
ACTIVITY ROOM

RSVP:  
Colleen Waterbury  
via text: 203-913-8764



## WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

### Giving for Sunday, July 21, 2024

Weekly In-person: \$4,542.24

Weekly Online: \$2,421.50

**Weekly TOTAL: \$6,963.74**

Monthly in-person: \$1,786.00

Monthly Online: \$574.50

**Monthly TOTAL: \$2,360.50**

**Votive Candles: \$196.20**

### Other Donations:

Campaign for Human Development: \$100,

Other online donations: \$213

Other in-person donations: \$650

**Next Weekend's 2nd Collection: none**



## Interested in becoming an Altar Server?

Training on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of EVERY month  
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**Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Register no later than:**

**Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>**



To register or for more information contact Brian McDermott:  
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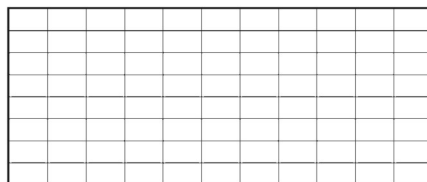
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## For the Kids...



### PUZZLE

Try to draw the same bread by following the grid.



### MISSION

The boy in today's Gospel shared his lunch. You can share food, too. Bring boxed and canned food to a food pantry in your neighborhood, and ask God to bless the people who eat it.



Please be aware that we have seen another increase in scam emails, calls &/or texts that claim to be from our clergy, church staff members, fellow parishioners or volunteers.

These messages usually ask you to get back to them quickly...that they're busy and need a favor. If you accidentally get back to them they will usually ask for gift cards be purchased for something like a relative's birthday or a sick parishioner. These are fake e-mails in an attempt to scam people out of money. Please do not respond to these emails. Our parish does not make unsolicited calls or e-mails to request money, the purchase of gifts, or your personal information. If you are unsure of any correspondence that appears to be from our parish, please call the Parish Office at: 860-673-9858 to verify. Thank you for your vigilance and cooperation.



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# Worship & Meditation: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

"For thus says the LORD,  
'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'"  
(2 Kgs 4:43)

### Psalm:

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.  
(Ps 145)

### Second Reading:

One body and one Spirit,  
as you were also called to the one hope of your call;  
one Lord, one faith, one baptism;  
one God and Father of all. (Eph 4:4-6)

### Gospel:

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks,  
and distributed them to those who were reclining,  
and also as much of the fish as they wanted. (Jn 6:11)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?"  
Jesus asks Philip, testing him. And so, too, he asks  
us: "Where do you go when you are hungry? Afraid?  
Dejected? Confused?" Let us always answer: "Jesus.  
Jesus is where we can find what we need." ©LPi

## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

The world is filled with people whose basic needs aren't met, whether for clean water, nutrition, safety, education, meaningful work, stable family life, basic medical resources, religious freedom, and the right to life. So how can we possibly believe what Psalm 145 says to us this week, "**The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs**"? Does he? What about the countless poor? Can't we identify at least a few unmet needs in our own lives right now? Is the Bible promoting wishful thinking and laziness in helping others?

No. The psalm flows from Israel's experience of God's relentless fidelity again and again — especially in the Passover from Egypt. This divine providence is recalled when Jesus feeds the needy multitudes in the Gospel of John. Passover arrives once again, and the people are hungry like the ancient Israelites on the wilderness journey. What is new is that in Jesus God not only provides for their needs, but He learns what it's like to have those human needs. He shares them too. He feeds them bread and fish; and even more, He hungers to provide them, and us, much more than just that kind of perishable food.

Our deepest need is for God. Like the multiplied bread, all earthly provisions ultimately fail, for we all finally die. Of course, our obligation to meet the needs of the poor is basic. But Christ promises to feed us with the one bread that never fails: God Himself. He is humanity's eternal food. If we eat this bread, we taste the faithfulness of God who answers all our needs, even when every earthly thing fails.

— Father John Muir

## Questions of the Week

### Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading:

Trusting in the Lord, Elisha was able to feed a hundred people with just twenty barley loaves and fresh grain. Can you think of a time when you had to trust in the Lord?

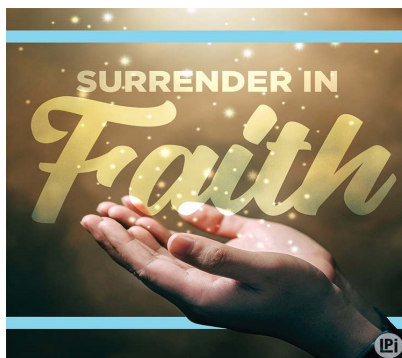
#### Second Reading:

Paul urges the church in Ephesus to live in unity and holiness. What are some signs that a community is holy and united?

#### Gospel:

After Jesus fed the crowds with the multiplication of loaves and fish, he withdrew to the mountain alone. When do you find the need to be alone?

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## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### Take More

It doesn't matter what time of day we visit my mother-in-law — she always has food to offer. If we take two helpings, she will encourage us to take three. If we take three helpings, she will say, "*Coraggio* — take more." (She's Italian, in case you couldn't tell from the food-pushing and the language.)

When Jesus feeds the five thousand with the miracle of the loaves and fish, he does not produce *just* enough food to feed everyone who is there. He certainly could — that would be within his power. And he shows concern about waste, so it would make sense for him to do that. But instead, he deliberately overproduces. He creates more food than is necessary. He makes an abundance of it. Why?

I think it's for the same reason my mother-

## Readings for the Week of July 28, 2024

### Sunday:

2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18  
(see 16)/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

### Monday:

Jer 13:1-11/Ps 32:18-19, 20, 21/Jn 11:19-27  
or Lk 10:38-42

### Tuesday:

Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43

### Wednesday:

Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/  
Mt 13:44-46

### Thursday:

Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a/Mt 13:47-53

### Friday:

Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58

### Saturday:

Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/  
Mt 14:1-12

### Next Sunday:

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54  
(24b)/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

in-law keeps urging us to eat when we come to her house. Feeding people is not just a functional action. It's a gesture. It shows love. It shows concern. It shows welcome. Having an abundance of food — so much that there is some left over — is a sign that you don't care how much someone wants — you are ready to give whatever they are ready to take. You are ready to give recklessly. You are ready to give them not just all they need but also all they could want.

I think of this when I approach the sacrament of Confession. Time and time again I walk up to the door of that little room, a list of oft-repeated sins in my hand and a sense of shame on my heart.

*Here I am again, Jesus. Back for more mercy. Hope you haven't run out.*

He hasn't yet. He never will. "*Coraggio*," he whispers deep in my heart, "take more."

*"When the people saw the sign he had done, they said, 'This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world.'"*  
— John 6:14



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