

ST. ANN CHURCH AND NATIONAL SHRINE

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CHURCH HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 6:00 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday 6:00 am to 8:15 pm

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WEBSITE POLICY

The parish bulletin is published on the parish website on the internet. Any person who does not want his or her name or picture in the bulletin or on the internet, please notify the Parish Office immediately in writing.

A CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

This is for students in grades kindergarten, one, two and three and is held during the Sunday 9:30 am Mass.

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of each month at 12:30 pm. Please call the Church Office at least three months before the anticipated date of birth. To schedule an interview and date for Pre-Baptism Seminar, call Deacon Ray Bertin at 455-7071, ext. 226. The celebration of infant Baptism will be arranged during the interview process.

MATRIMONY

The prospective bride or groom must contact one of the parish priests or deacons at least 6 months in advance.

FUNERALS

Families should contact the Church Office before making any arrangements with the funeral home.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please notify the Church Office when someone is in the hospital or sick at home and unable to attend Mass.

ROSARY GROUPS

1st Saturday of each month following the 7:30 am Mass in Church.
Every Saturday 3:20 pm-3:40 pm, before the 4:00 pm Mass in Church.
Rosary & Divine Mercy, every Wednesday 9:30 am to 10:30 am in the St. Ann Room.

NOVENA TO ST. ANN

Every Tuesday after the 8:45 am and 7:00 pm Masses. Twice a year a solemn nine day novena is held at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm, consisting of Mass, homily and novena prayers. July 18th through 26th (Feast of St. Ann) and the Thursday after Ash Wednesday through Friday of the first week of Lent.

"LITTLE CHURCH"

"Little Church" is a babysitting service which is available every Sunday during the 9:30 am Mass for children ages 1 to 5 years old. Please bring your children to the Parish Ministry Center, behind the church.

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Ann, a Roman Catholic Parish of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, is a faith family serving the needs of the parishioners and the wider community.

Home to the National Shrine of St. Ann, we are committed to providing opportunities to all for worship and service, evangelization and education, stewardship and ministry.

St. Ann Parish welcomes and invites all people to join us in proclaiming and living the Gospel values of Jesus Christ.



**Issue 2
January 8, 2017**

WEEKEND EUCHARIST

Saturday: 7:30 am Mass
4:00 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday Masses:
8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am and 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Monday - Friday: 6:30 am & 8:45 am
Tuesday: 7:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 9:30 am to 6:00 pm
ending with Benediction
First Friday: 9:30 - 10:30 am

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday: 6:00 to 6:45 pm
Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 pm
5:00 to 5:30 pm

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord
Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6 Matthew 12:1-12

The word *Epiphany* means manifestation - the manifestation of Jesus Christ, the Word made Flesh to the Gentiles as represented by the Magi.

As Magi, they followed the faint stars, distant points of light, but as the Wise Men from the East they follow Jesus who is Light from Light, true God from true God ... So too our call as pilgrims in faith - to move from being ordinary people to realizing the wisdom of



God being unveiled in our lives as we "process" through life searching and longing with often restless hearts only to find the words of St. Augustine to be very true: "Our hearts are restless until they rest in you, my God."

It's King's Day in New Orleans and we will partake in the tradition of eating some king cake. There is an old European tradition and custom on the eve of the Epiphany of writing in chalk above the front door of houses the letters C, M, B enclosed by the numerals of the New Year. Thus, the inscription would look like 20+C+M+B+17. The letters themselves have a double meaning. They stand for the names of the Magi - Caspar, Melchior, Balthasar, but they also function as the initials of a blessing for the home: Christus Mansionem Benedicat - May Christ Bless this House. As part of **this going and announcing the Gospel of the Lord**, take a few minutes and chalk the door frame of your house and let it be an invitation for others to seek and pilgrim like the Magi so as to find the Way, the Truth, and the Life in Jesus Christ ...

The Magi brought gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh to Jesus. **Gold** is a symbol of all our possessions. In laying our gifts at the feet of Jesus we are saying: "I acknowledge that everything I have is yours. I put all my resources and wealth under your authority and will use them only according to your will." **Frankincense** is the gift of worship. Incense is a symbol of prayer rising up and worship ... laying down time for worship and prayer by being in God's holy house every Sunday rendering thanks and praise. **Myrrh** is usually understood as a burial ointment, and prefigures the death of Jesus, but also symbolizes our own death - a death that means dying to ourselves and our "wants" and laying down the gift of every day at the feet of Jesus Christ. Remember the words of Mary: "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord."

"It's not what you look at that matters, it's what you see." [Henry D. Thoreau]

Reflection by: Fr. Billy

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17
- Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
- Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
- Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
- Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12
- Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
- Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sunday January 8**
4:00 pm Vigil
Alberta Basha, Iris Fitzpatrick, McClelland & Gardner Families, Joe Bischone, Pat Doneion, Aldoph J. Froeba, Anna Dyer, Jennie Spitale
8:00 am Joseph Bischone
9:30 am Parishioners
11:00 am Gerard Virgadamo, Joseph Bischone, Sr., Aline Richards
5:00 pm Mary Quaid
- Monday January 9**
6:30 am Annette Provst
8:45 am Duncan Quaid (S.I.)
- Tuesday January 10**
6:30 am John & Elaine Gallagher
8:45 am Verita Bachemin
7:00 pm Theresa Cusachs
- Wednesday January 11**
6:30 am Mrs. Gloria G. Liuzza
8:45 am Sidney Xavier Poursine
- Thursday January 12**
6:30 am Anton Tangell
8:45 am Alice Songy Poursine
- Friday January 13**
6:30 am Poor Souls
8:45 am Gerard Virgadamo
- Saturday January 14**
7:30 am Nora O'Riordan

January 8 - 14, 2017
"Sanctuary Candle" & "Altar Flowers"
In Memory of Alice & Sidney Poursine



Pray for the Intentions of the Holy Father
JANUARY 2017
Christian Unity

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.



**Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center
Upcoming Retreats**

Our mission is to provide a welcoming place for people of all Christian traditions, and an environment where all can explore their relationships with God and draw closer to Him as well as to offer retreat opportunities for women and their families, and a venue where everyone who comes, can "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

Forgotten Among the Lilies: Learning to Live Beyond Our Fears by

Rev. Donald Blanchard Friday, January 13, 2017 -

Sunday, January 15, 2017

Discipleship of Women: A Call to Relationship. Holiness and Witness by Rev. Joe Krafft

Parish Calendar

1/9	7:30 PM HOME & SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON MTG./CAF
1/10	9:15 AM ADORATION 6:20 PM PSR CLASSES/CAFETERIA 7:30 PM BOY SCOUTS/CAFETERIA
1/11	8:45 AM SCHOOL MASS (3-7 GRADES) 9:30 AM PRAYER GROUP/ST. RAYMOND 7 PM ADULT CHOIR/ST. CECILIA 7 PM YOUTH CHOIR REH./CHURCH
1/12	9:30 AM ADULT CATECHISM/ST. RAYMOND 6 PM EVENING OF PRAYER FOR SEMINARIANS IN CHURCH 7 PM CONFIRMATION SESSION 2 CLASS 1/CAFETERIA
1/13	8:45 AM SCHOOL MASS 2ND GRADE
1/15	6 PM CYO SPORTS NIGHT/GYM

ST. ANN SCHOOL REGISTRATION - 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR

Walk Through Tours

Every Monday and Thursday - 9:30am - School Office

Open House

January 23, 2017 - 7:30pm - Cafeteria

ONLINE Registration for Returning Students - January 23-27, 2017

Registration, Non-Support and iPad Fees due by Friday, Jan. 27, 2017

Tuition due by May 1, 2017

New Student Registration - February 6, 2017

Registration and Non-Support Fees collected

We are currently accepting early applications for our

PK2, PK3, and PK4 Programs

PK2 - PK3 - PK4 PROGRAMS

Children must be potty-trained for the PK3 and PK4 year old programs. Child must reach age 2, 3 or 4 years old by September 30, 2017. Uniforms are required for all grade levels - PK2-7th Grade.

Early Application Fee: PK2 / PK3 / PK4 - \$25.00 (*non-refundable but applied to Registration Fee*)

Registration Fee: PK2 / PK3 / PK4 Programs - \$175.00 per child (*non-refundable*)

Tuition: 2, 3 or 4 year old - Full Day (5) - M-T-W-T-F - \$5190. per child
2, 3 or 4 year old - Full Day (3) - M-W-F - \$3760. per child
2 or 3 year old - Half Day (3) - M-W-F - \$2520. per child

*PK2, PK3 and PK4 programs are separate from Kindergarten-7th grade.
Families with children in both will not be offered the family tuition rate.*

KINDERGARTEN - 7TH GRADE

Kindergarten - child must be 5 years old by September 30, 2017. *Readiness skills are expected.*

Registration Fee: \$165.00 - 1 child / \$150.00 - each additional child (*non-refundable*)

Non-Support Fee: \$350.00 per child (*non-refundable*)

iPad Fee: \$170.00 annually for 5th-7th grades

Tuition: 1 child - \$ 4990.
2 children - \$ 9380. = \$4990. (1st) + \$4390. (2nd)
3 children - \$12,470. = \$4990. (1st) + \$4390. (2nd) + \$3090. (3rd)

Non-Catholic families do not receive the family tuition discount.

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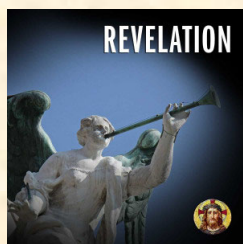
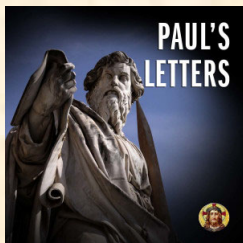
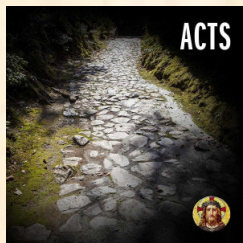
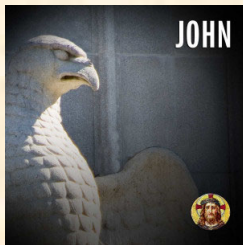
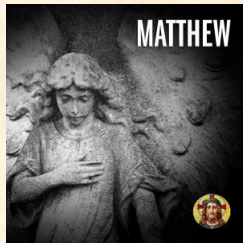
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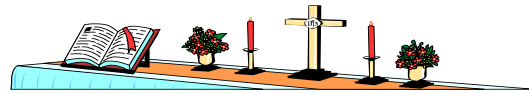
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St. Ann School Liturgies and Activities to Promote Catholic Identity

- St. Joseph's Altar and blessing
- Program for Lent which includes a theme, faith building activities and daily prayers
- Blessing of the Pets (stuffed animals) on the Feast Day of St. Francis (Kindergarten)
- Participate in the Archdioceses Holy Childhood Association and other mission activities and fundraisers
- Promote vocations through guest speakers, Vocation Week activities, Mass and prayers.
- Promotion of Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) for students in sixth- and seventh-grade
- Mary's Club for girls in third- through fifth- grade promotes devotion to Mary.
- Joseph's Club for boys in third- through fifth- grade promotes devotion to St. Joseph through service to the community.
- Junior Service Club to promote volunteer service to the school community.
- Service hours requirements for Middle School students to promote service to others.
- Builder's Club, for students in sixth- and seventh-grade, is a community service organization that has established a fellowship with an Orleans Parish Catholic school. Club members perform a monthly service activity for the students and several members then visit the school to distribute the donations. Also, there is an Annual Middle School Christmas Collection for the school.
- National Junior Beta Club, for students in the sixth- through seventh-grade, is a scholarship, leadership and service organization that performs community service including a Thanksgiving Food Drive for the needy.
- The Middle School Student Council serves the school community by decorating the St. Ann tree for Celebration in the Oaks in New Orleans City Park, assisting at Grandperson's Day, attending the Archdiocese Catholic School Week Mass and performing other service related duties.
- Faculty includes a Religion Coordinator who is dedicated to preparing and implementing the school liturgies, fostering the spiritual growth of the students and faculty and coordinating all the religious activities of the school.
- School wide response to the needs of our community which have included food drives for Second Harvest and St. Ann Church food banks, coat drives for the homeless and book and sporting equipment drives for needy schools.
- Middle School Grandperson's Mass
- Participation in the Keep Christ in Christmas and Respect Life programs sponsored by the Archdiocese

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