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St. Ann's Church

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PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor *Fr. John Murray*
Deacon..... *Deacon Joseph McGinley*
Faith Formation Coordinator..... *Jenn Murphy*
Music Director *Paul Bowen*
Retired Deacon..... *Deacon John Welch*

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 PM
 Sunday - 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM and 5:00 PM
 Weekdays - Mon - Fri 7:00 AM; Sat 8:00 AM
 Holy Days - 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM
 Vigil Mass - 5:30 PM

First Friday Adoration 7:30 AM to 9:00 PM, closing with Benediction;
 First Saturday Rosary 8:30 AM
 Daily Rosary 7:30 AM; Divine Mercy Chaplet Friday 3:00 PM

CONFESSIONS: Saturday - 3:00 to 3:45. Also available other times by appointment.
BAPTISMS: First three Sundays of the month at 12:30 by appointment.
MARRIAGE: Arranged at least six months in advance at the Rectory.
SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please notify us if anyone is ill in the hospital or at home and if anyone is unable to get to church because of illness, handicap or age.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

St. Vincent De Paul Society *President, Bev Vargas* 508-884-6538
Altar Servers' Schedule..... *Parish Secretary* 508-823-9833
Lectors & Lay Ministers of the Eucharist Schedule *Parish Secretary* 508-823-9833
St. Ann Prayer Group *Alexandrine Fillion* 508-697-2423
St. Ann's Sociable Seniors..... *President, Debbie McClory* 508-822-9166
Knights of Columbus..... *Grand Knight, Brian McClory* 508-822-9166

NEW PARISHIONERS are cordially invited to register as members of our parish family.
 Please see a priest after Mass.

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN COPY - Monday at noon (copy should be written or typewritten).

ST. ANN'S WEBSITE: www.stannsraynham.org **EMAIL:** office@stannsraynham.org

December 2, 2018

Mass Intentions

7:00a.m.	Monday	12/03	Joseph DeFreitas
7:00 a.m.	Tuesday	12/04	José & Filomena Barbosa
7:00 a.m.	Wednesday	12/05	Deceased members of the Campbell family
7:00 a.m.	Thursday	12/06	Jason Macedo
7:00 a.m.	Friday	12/07	Jose & Ana Toste
5:30 p.m.	Friday	12/07	For the Parish
10:00 a.m.	Saturday	12/08	Jose Santos

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Kindly remember in your prayers those who have died, especially John B. MacDonald, Sr., Dulvina Perry, John H. Sullivan, and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION OF MARY**

This Saturday, December 8th, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated on Friday, December 7th, at 5:30 p.m. and on Saturday, December 8th, at 10 a.m. Come and celebrate the beginning of the life of Mary in the womb of her Mother, St. Ann! The collection that is taken at these Masses will assist the Saint Vincent de Paul Society in their important work within the parish.

BIBLE VERSE PAINT NIGHT

Join "Forward in Christ" on December 8th at 5 PM in the Saint Ann's Parish Center for a "paint night." People of all age groups are welcome to join in the fun! Everyone will bring home a canvas with a hand-painted bible verse of their choice. Light refreshments will be provided.

THE 2018 GIVING TREE PROJECT

You are asked to bring the present unwrapped, **with the gift tag from the giving tree attached, by 5 p.m. Saturday, December 15th**. WHITE tags are for infant gifts, RED are for girl gifts, and GREEN are for boy gifts. We want to thank the Knights of Columbus for their dedicated efforts in this worthwhile project.

ANNUAL APPEAL

The returns for the Annual Appeal are coming in quite steadily. Thank you so much for your generosity. Even in these difficult economic times it is edifying to witness the commitment our parishioners have to St. Ann's Parish. If you have not received a mailing regarding the Appeal you may find the letter and the financial report at the doors of the church. Thanks again to those who have already given and thanks to those who will give!

NEW LECTOR WORKBOOKS

Lectors are reminded that the new workbooks for the new liturgical year (which begins on December 2nd, the first Sunday of Advent), are available in the vesting room.

PARISH NECROLOGY

A parish necrology is a listing of the anniversaries of those parish members who have gone before us – so we ask that you keep these folks in your prayers, particularly on the anniversary of their death.

Dec 2	Claude G. Guay	1996
	James F. MacDonald, Sr.	2002
Dec 3	Andrew J. Kelley	1981
	Marcia L. Lowe	1993
Dec 4	Joan C. Prado	1990
	Merrall W. Viles	1992
	Rose M. Sposini	1996
	Ilona D. O'Connell	2001
	Loretta Wood	2010
Dec 5	Manuel Butler, Jr	2003
	Evelyn Mackenzie	2006
	Donald Coelho	2009
	Joan Lynn	2015
Dec 6	Donald F. McCaffrey	1980
	Anastasia Connors	1984
	Jason Macedo	1989
	Guy A. Tomase, Sr.	2017
Dec 7	Robert M. Shelling	1995
	Helen Barstad	2002
	Richard Norbert Cote	2003
Dec 8	Harvey W. Wilson	1966

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

A wonderful tradition here at St. Ann's is the First Friday Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament. This Friday, December 7th, following the 7am Mass, the Eucharist is available on the altar so we can spend time with our Lord in prayer. **Adoration will be suspended from 5:00-6:30 for the Holy Day Mass.** Thank you to all those who coordinate the schedule and many thanks to those who spend time in prayer with our Lord. Please take advantage of the opportunity for prayer. Volunteers NEEDED! Please call John Maher at(508) 880-7280.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

A word of welcome to our new parishioners! Please introduce yourselves to Fr. John or Deacon Joe so that we can better serve you. We hope that you will become involved with our parish, and we look forward to your presence and participation each week.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you would like to help decorate the Church for Christmas, feel free to send your donations in the "Christmas Flowers" envelope you received with your weekly budget envelope. If you would like to do this in memory of a loved one, you may write their name(s) on the envelope. If you did not receive a "Christmas Flowers" envelope, you may use an ordinary envelope but be sure to write on it *Christmas Flowers*.

FAMILY ADVENT WREATH MAKING

The project was another great success! Thirty-six families participated in making their own Advent Wreaths this past Sunday. Many thanks to everyone who helped to make this happen, and to the Confirmation students who volunteered their time. This has become a wonderful parish tradition!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We extend prayerful congratulations to:

Kenna Jaymes White

daughter of Brian and Kaitlin White

Vincent Hugh O'Reilly

son of Christopher and Emily O'Reilly

who were baptized and welcomed into our faith community during the month of November.

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Coffee and donuts are available after the 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Masses. We would like to thank Nina Triolo, Fred Sylvia, Nancy Cabral, and Barbara Owens for assisting this weekend. We are grateful to Bev Morgan for overseeing this activity, and Tim Holick, George Pike, and Mark Maimaron our "bakers." We are always looking for helpers and it's a nice way to make friends and meet new people. Please call Bev Morgan at 508-823-9183 if interested.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Every other week the names of those for whom we are praying will be listed in the bulletin, with the permission of the person who is sick or their family. Please forward your prayer requests to Roberta Santos (jachan499@comcast.net). When making the request please leave your name and phone number. Should you wish to keep the name private, that will be honored.

WHAT ARE REQUIREMENTS TO BE A GODPARENT OR SPONSOR?

You must be a confirmed Catholic, at least 16 years old, registered in a parish and practicing your faith by weekly participation at Mass. If you are married, your marriage must be recognized as valid by the Church. **Please see Fr. John after Mass to have a sponsor form signed.**

5TH ANNUAL COOKIE SALE

The 5th Annual Cookie Sale will be held on Sunday, December 9th, in the Parish Center after all the morning Masses. Cookie boxes will be sold after all Masses starting the weekend of Nov. 24th & 25th. This event is sponsored by the 10th grade Confirmation Candidates. We hope to see you all there.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT!!

Our annual Christmas pageant will be held on Sunday, December 16th at noon. Students can sign up outside of the Faith Formation Office if they'd like to participate. We have a variety of roles to be covered for those who would like speaking, non-speaking, or singing parts. Please consider getting involved with this year's event as we gather to bring the true meaning of Christmas to our parish community.

Rehearsals are scheduled for:

Dec. 5th: 5:30-7:00 PM

Dec. 12th: 5:30-7:00 PM

Dec. 15th: Dress Rehearsal 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Dec. 16th: 10:30 – 11:30 AM

Christmas Pageant: Dec. 16th at noon!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

There will be a meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society on Monday, December 10th, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. All members are urged to attend.

ST. ANN'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

There will be a regular business meeting of the Council on Wednesday, Dec. 12th, 7:30 p.m. **in the church basement.** All members are urged to attend.

ST. ANN'S SOCIABLE SENIORS

St. Ann's Sociable Seniors will have their annual Christmas party at the Chateau Restaurant at 11:30a.m. Tuesday December 18th. The cost is \$25 per person. Please send your check to Brian McClory by December 8th. Don't forget your Yankee Swap gift.

TROOP 43 CHRISTMAS WREATHS

St. Ann's Boy Scout Troop 43 will be selling 12" Christmas Wreaths after Masses beginning the Sunday after Thanksgiving. The price is the same at \$9.00. The baskets are \$16.00 and the kissing balls are \$18.00. If you would like a bigger wreath, please contact Frank Toste at tostelectric@comcast.net. All orders for larger wreaths should be in by November 30th. If you have ordered larger wreaths in the past, please confirm your order via email this year to make sure we get what you would like. Larger wreaths prices:

24 inch - \$30

30 inch - \$45

36 inch - \$55

48 inch - \$75

We thank you for your support of Troop 43.

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HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE/ PLACEMENT EXAMINATION

The Catholic high schools in the Diocese of Fall River will accept applications and administer an entrance/placement examination for new students on Saturday, December 1st with the make-up exam on Saturday, December 8th. Students wishing to enter any of these schools next September should report to the school of their choice by 7:45 am as testing begins at 8:00 am. High schools include:

Bishop Connolly High, Fall River
Bishop Feehan High, Attleboro
St. John Paul II High, Hyannis
Bishop Stang High, No. Dartmouth
Coyle and Cassidy High, Taunton

The application and examination procedure will last until approximately 11:30 a.m. There will be a \$20.00 fee, payable at the time of application. The students need bring no records with them, nor do the parents have to accompany them. Information regarding courses, athletics and financial aid, etc. will be given at the time of the examination, or can be obtained by contacting the school at any time.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER?

The duties of those girls and boys and young women and men who serve at the altar are integral to the celebration of the Mass. They must be mature enough to understand their responsibilities and to carry them out with appropriate reverence. They must have received First Holy Communion and they must attend Mass on a regular basis. If you are interested in becoming an altar server and are in fourth grade or higher, please contact the Parish Office to indicate your interest. (508-823-9833) You will then be notified concerning two mandatory training sessions, to be held in December. In these sessions, we will review the duties one performs as an altar server and address any questions you may have about your responsibilities. A second opportunity to express an interest in becoming an altar server will be offered in late November, when Deacon Joe will visit fourth grade faith formation classes.

ST. ANN'S: Website: www.stannsraynham.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/stannsraynham

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Very soon the Process of RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will begin. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church please contact Fr. John or Deacon Joe. This is for those who have never been Baptized, or have been Baptized in another Christian Church or were Baptized in the Catholic Church but never received First Communion.

ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS!

The Young Adult Program "Forward In Christ" provides an outlet for the young adults at Saint Ann's with an opportunity to interact with individuals in their same age group that encounter similar issues in their daily lives. We plan to have Bible Studies as well as regular social gatherings at the Parish center. For those of you who feel that you have not been able to find a niche for yourself in the Parish community since high school, this is your opportunity to get connected and dive more deeply into your faith as a Catholic adult. If you are between the ages of 20 and 30ish and you are interested in the Forward Young Adult Program at Saint Ann's, please reach out to SaintAnnYoungAdultProgram@gmail.com. Thank you for your interest!

ST. ANN'S C.Y.O. BASKETBALL

Registration will take place Sunday, December 2nd, from 3:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the old Taunton Catholic Middle School, 61 Summer St., Taunton. All grades - thru 21 years old. For more information please contact Butch Morrison at 774-222-1834.

DECEMBER BULLETIN DEADLINES

Our Deadline for Bulletin copy is Monday at noon for the upcoming Sunday bulletin. All announcements can be neatly written and delivered to the parish office, or can be emailed to office@stannsraynham.org. **Due to the December holiday schedules, our bulletin company has changed the following weekly deadlines:**

Bulletin Date:	Due in Parish Office by:
Sunday, Dec. 16th	Friday, Dec. 7th @noon
Sunday, Dec. 23rd	Thursday, Dec. 13th @ noon
Sunday, Dec. 30th	Thursday, Dec. 20th @ noon

WEEKLY COLLECTION ENVELOPES

A reminder to the Parishioners who use the weekly collection envelopes. Please clearly mark the front of your envelope with your donation amount. This will ensure you receive credit for your donation on the year-end statements you receive in January. The company we use for processing sends back numerous envelopes monthly that have no amounts written or checked on the front of the envelopes, therefore, the year-end statement will not reflect this donation.