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

March 10, 2019

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intentions

7:00 a.m.	Monday	03/11	Frances R. Kourtz
7:00 a.m.	Tuesday	03/12	Harry Minassian
7:00 a.m.	Wednesday	03/13	Keith McClory
7:00 a.m.	Thursday	03/14	Brian Varley
7:00 a.m.	Friday	03/15	Helen Howlett
8:00 a.m.	Saturday	03/16	Selina Oehman

Kindly remember in your prayers those who have died, especially Jesse Patricio, Diamantina Machado, all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

As we are in the beginning of our Lenten Journey, here is a reflection from Matthew Kelly, to assist us in our endeavor to grow in holiness:

Who Will You Be This Easter?
by Matthew Kelly

What can you do with forty days?
That's 57,600 minutes.

With that kind of time, you could binge watch 2,618 sitcom episodes (without commercials). Or you could read 192 books (assuming three hundred pages per book at one page per minute).

You could write a book. Or drive across America, coast-to-coast (2,700 miles at an average speed of sixty miles per hour) . . . twenty-one times.

Obviously, these figures are inflated because they assume you aren't sleeping, but you get the point. You can accomplish a lot when you've got forty days and a dream.

This Lent, I encourage you to ask yourself two important questions:

What can I do with forty days?

Who can I become in forty days with God's help?

When you wake up on Easter Sunday, will you be a different person than you are right now? Will you be closer to or further away from the-best-version-of-yourself—or about the same?

**LENTEN MISSION
FOR THE TAUNTON DEANERY**

What Will Bring Me More Fully to Life This Lent?

The very word "Lent" comes from the Anglo-Saxon lengthen, referring to the lengthening of the light. From this original meaning, confirmed in the movement from winter's darkness to spring's vitality, we are invited to move out of our own personal lethargy to vitality, from ashes to the Paschal Feast. Lent, in short, is about coming to life in new ways. It's about growth. What will bring me and others more fully to life this Lent? The Mission is from Sunday March 17 to Wednesday March 20. The evening begins at 7. Sunday (at St. Ann's) is a Holy Hour, Monday (St. Ann's) and Tuesday (St. Andrew's Taunton) there will be Mass and Wednesday (St. Andrew's) will conclude with a Penance Service. Please join us! All are welcome!

THE SEASON OF LENT

Lent is a time for us to grow in holiness and grace. There are many ways for us to do this; prime among them is prayer, Mass and Confession. Please utilize the resources being made available for Lenten Devotions. Come to the additional times of prayer -- Confession on Monday evenings, and Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings. As God offers us His mercy we must then offer love and mercy to others through the Spiritual and Corporal works Of Mercy. Through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, may we grow in holiness this Lent so that when Easter arrives we will be able to celebrate fully the mystery of Christ's Resurrection.

LENTEN SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

To assist us on our Lenten journey, we will be having the usual daily Mass at 7a.m. Monday-Friday, and Mass at 8a.m. Saturdays. Beginning March 11th, except next week March 18th due to Lenten Mission, Fr. John will be hearing Confessions every Monday evening of Lent from 7:15pm to 8:15pm. On Fridays at 7p.m. we will be having the Stations of the Cross.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

There are two days when the law of fast and abstinence apply: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The **law of fast** applies to those individuals of the ages 18 to 59, and it means that an individual may have one meal and may take nourishment (other than meat) twice during the day sufficient to maintain strength. Taken together, these two other opportunities for nourishment should not equal another meal. The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. The **law of abstinence** applies to those who are 14 years of age and older, and an individual is to abstain from meat on those days.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

One of the ways that we can sacrifice during Lent is to participate in the Rice Bowl project. This allows us to identify with the hungry by cutting back on some of our meals and donating the money to Operation Rice Bowl. The proceeds are given to Catholic Relief Services to assist the hungry throughout the world. Rice Bowls are available in the pews this weekend.

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.

Mar 10	Clara Howland	1969
	Leo F. McCarron	1986
	Mary L. (Gill) Majcher	1996
	Richard Copp	2009
Mar 11	Mary Perry	1973
	Anthony Silvia	1976
	Grace Tetlow	1995
Mar 12	Isabelle V. Coe	1971
	Herbert Currio	2006
	Richard E. Bourget	2012
Mar 13	Charles A. Dean Jr.	1990
	Maria C. Sousa	2003
	Stella Ward	2012
Mar 14	Michael Browne-Grube	1992
	Kathleen A. Dooley	1994
	Doris Quill	2011
Mar 15	John K Robinson	1963
	Lynn A. Kraihanzel	1973
	William E. Geisler	1980
	Carl N. Forrest	2003
	Doris C. Morrissey	2003
	Karen Fenton	2005
Mar 16	Josephine Parker	2006
	Robert McCabe	2011

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

With the Easter season approaching, our food pantry is in need of some restocking. We can use some Easter candy (jelly beans, peeps, etc.), mustard, as well as \$10 food vouchers to Market Basket or a local supermarket. St. Vincent de Paul thanks you for your continued generosity and support!

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Coffee and donuts are available after the 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Masses. We would like to thank Michael Flaherty, Daniel Flaherty, Margarita Arcand, Angela McGrath, and Mary Susi 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. If you are interested please call Bev Morgan at 508-823-9183.

SAVE THE DATES!

HOP TO IT! - The Office of Faith Formation is planning an Easter Egg Hunt for Saturday, April 13th from 11-1:00 PM. We are planning on an afternoon of hunts, crafts, face painting and a variety of furry friends to visit. Please contact Jenn Murphy at religiously@stannsrainham.org or 508-824-9021 if you are interested in helping with this event.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - This year’s Vacation Bible School, Roar! Life is Wild - God is good!, will be held Monday, July 22nd to Friday, July 26th from 9a.m. to Noon. More info to come!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

There will be a meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society on Monday, March 11th, 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, March 13th, 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall. All members are urged to attend.

ST. ANN’S SOCIABLE SENIORS

The next meeting of the Sociable Seniors will be Tuesday, March 19th at 10:30 a.m. Following the meeting, members will carpool to B-P for lunch, choices of Lemon-Pepper Baked Haddock or Chicken and Broccoli Alfredo. The cost is \$10 per person. Checks need to be sent to Joe Bettencourt, 300 Church St. Apt. 189, Raynham by March 12th. Food of the Month - kids cereal/kids snacks.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM

Walking with Purpose was founded by Lisa Brenninkmeyer. Walking with Purpose offers spiritual, scripture based studies that are fresh and relevant to today's women. There is no experience needed to attend these studies. Our goal is to have these ongoing studies offered here at St. Ann's beginning Wednesday, March 13 from 7:00-8:15pm and continuing every second and fourth Wednesday of the month. If you are interested in attending a catholic bible study to deepen your faith and experience peace in your heart, we would love for you to join this spiritual opportunity. Please email your interest to Rhonda and Lorraine at stannwalkingwithpurpose@gmail.com. The cost is \$20.00 for materials. Thank you and God bless.

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.

CARING FOR THE COMMUNITY

There will be a Healing Mass for those Affected by Addiction on Thursday, March 21st at 6:30pm at St Mary's Cathedral 327 Second Street, Fall River. Celebrant will be Fr Edward A Murphy. At 5:45-6:25pm, there will be a Social Gathering, Sacrament of Reconciliation and Rosary. From 6:30-8:00pm Healing Mass, Healing prayers and Benediction. All are invited.

29th ANNUAL K of C ROAD RACE

The 29th Annual St. Ann's Knights of Columbus Council 10289 Charity 5 Mile Road Race and 2.5 Mile Family Fun Run/Walk will be held on Saturday, April 13th, at 8:30 a.m. Back by popular demand is the 2.5 mile Fun Run/Walk. This shorter distance is suitable for both runners that might not want to try the longer distance as well as those that like a nice long walk for a great cause. The race starts and finishes at the Raynham American Legion on Mill Street. Runners and walkers of all ages are welcome to join in the fun. Free race t-shirt for all runners registered by 3/15. Full pancake breakfast after race! This race is the main fundraising vehicle for the St. Ann's Knights Council. All proceeds are used to support local families and charities in need as well as to fund scholarships for college bound Raynham students. Volunteers interested in helping with the race and those interested in sponsorship opportunities can contact Race Director, John Donahue by email at john.donahue64@gmail.com or call 508-822-6015. For runners information and to register for the event go to:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/MA/Raynham/RaynhamKnightsOfColumbusCharity5MileandFamilyFunRun5k>.

GRIEF SUPPORT

St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Basil Chapel in Bridgewater are pleased to announce the next series of Bereavement meetings to begin on Wednesday, March 6th at 6:30 pm. They are expected to run for approx. 9 weeks. All who are grieving the loss of a loved one are invited to join this Bereavement Support Group. Meetings will be held at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Center, 103 Center St., Bridgewater. To register, please contact Carol at (508)697-2281 or Ginnny at (508)697-7649. Advance registration ensures we have sufficient materials for attendees.

TAUNTON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Educating area students for over 100 years.

Coyle and Cassidy High School and Middle School enrolls students grades 6-12! Follow us on Facebook and at www.coylecassidy.com.

Our Lady of Lourdes School in Taunton, MA enrolls students grades Pre-K-5. Follow us on Facebook or at www.ololtaunton.com.

ONE DAY ONLY BARN SALE

St. John Neumann Parish Barn, located next to Camp Cathedral, E. Freetown. Saturday, March 30th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. rain or shine - It's a Bargain Hunters Paradi\$e!

HOSPICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Hospice Services of Massachusetts is in strong need of volunteers to provide supportive care to hospice patients and their caregivers who are facing a life-limiting illness. Volunteers are invited to participate in a comprehensive training program, after which they will be assigned to care for hospice patients in their area. Volunteers will also be offered on-going training, support and educational programs for specialized volunteer roles. **MAKE A DIFFERENCE!** For more information please contact Kate Mahoney, Volunteer Coordinator, at 508-291-0049.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - Car Donations

Do you have a used car, truck, or boat? It doesn't matter if it's running or not. Please consider donating it to the SVDP Car Donation Program. Proceeds from your donation will directly benefit SVDP of Raynham helping to serve those in need. You'll receive the maximum allowed tax deduction, in accordance with IRS guidelines. It's simple to do. Call 1-800-322-8284 and schedule a pickup within 1-2 business days or go to the website www.svdpusacars.com for instructions.

MASS SCHEDULE NATIONWIDE

www.Masstimes.org

BAPTISMS

Anyone who would like to make arrangements for a baptism is asked to see Fr. John or Deacon Joe after Mass. Baptisms are held the first three Sundays of the month.

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.**

SNOW CANCELLATION REMINDER

For your safety, Daily Mass will be cancelled if Bridgewater-Raynham has a school delay or cancellation. **If the schools are closed there will be no Faith Formation classes or activities.** Cancellations will be posted on our website at www.stansraynham.org, and on WHDH channel 7.

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.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers, all who are facing illness at this time: Ted Arend, Rev. Bob Bruso, Paula Burgoyne, Madeline Coelho, Donald W. Comis, Mildred Ceurvels Drury, Holly Duarte, Stephen Kirkland, Fred Lincoln, Chase Miceli, Kim MacDonald, Sandra Rosa, Xavier Ross, Doreen Schroth, Ed Smith, Helen Smith, Josie Spearin, Jennifer K. Strachan, and those whose names are listed in the book of prayers for the sick.

SCHEDULES ON OUR WEBSITE

Go to: www.stannsrainham.org

For Server Schedules click on: Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers/Altar Servers Schedules.

For Faith Formation Calendar: click on Faith Formation News.

VISIT US AT ST. ANN'S:

Website: www.stannsrainham.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/stannsrainham

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GRADE 9 RETREAT!

Grade 9 students will be attending their Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, March 2nd and on Saturday, March 9th from 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM. The retreats will be held at our Parish Center and end with the 4:00 Mass. Please keep the Candidates in your prayers.

GRADE 9 RETREAT RESCHEDULED

As the March 2nd retreat was cancelled due to inclement weather, we have been working to find the best time to reschedule. After much discussion we have determined that there is not enough time to reschedule this spring with many calendars booked solid with parish events, sports and activities. For this reason, we have rescheduled the retreat for the Fall date of September 28, 2019. This will take place at the Parish center at 11:00 and end with the 4:00 PM Mass.