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St. Ann's Church

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PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor *Fr. John Murray*
Deacons *Deacon Joseph McGinley*
 *Deacon Paul Spearin*
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
 (Memorial Day to Labor Day, Sunday - 8:00, 10:00 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, Ron Pagels* 508-697-2707

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 1, 2019

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intentions

7:00 a.m.	Monday	12/02	Suzanne Milot
7:00 a.m.	Tuesday	12/03	Paul Midura
7:00 a.m.	Wednesday	12/04	Norris and Ann Boyson
7:00 a.m.	Thursday	12/05	Joan Lynn
7:00 a.m.	Friday	12/06	Jason Macedo
8:00 a.m.	Saturday	12/07	John Burke



Kindly remember in your prayers those who have died, especially Robert Bonanno, Corey Dominick, Suzanne Milot, and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Ordinarily The Immaculate Conception of Mary is celebrated on December 8th. Since that is the Second Sunday of Advent the Solemnity is moved to Monday December 9th but there is no obligation to attend Mass that day. Since Our Lady of The Immaculate Conception is the Patroness of The Americas why not consider coming to Mass on Monday morning at 7? Of all the ways you could spend Monday morning doesn't this sound like a great option?

BISHOP DA CUNHA'S NEW BLOG



Did you know that Bishop da Cunha launched a blog called "Building Faith?" That's right! With the intent of sharing regularly with the faithful of the Diocese in an easy and increasingly popular way, Bishop da Cunha hopes to post each week on a variety of topics of interest to our community of faith. Read Bishop da Cunha's blog at www.fallriverdiocese.org/bishops-blog/.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION



A wonderful tradition here at St. Ann's is the First Friday Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament. This Friday, December 6th, following the 7 a.m. Mass the Eucharist is available on the altar so we can spend time with our Lord in prayer. 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.

THE 2019 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 21st**. 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.

NO COFFEE & DONUTS THIS WEEKEND!



There will be no coffee and donuts this weekend, December 1st, due to the Thanksgiving break and the Family Advent Wreath making. Coffee and donuts will return next weekend after the 8 & 9:30 a.m. Masses!

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 1	Paula Pino	1984
	Mildred Agnes Steidinger	1994
	William F. Flanagan	1999
	Cecilia Rodier	2005
	Suzanne Milot	2015
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
	Illona 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

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers, all who are facing illness at this time: *Ted Arend, Rev. Bob Bruso, Paula Burgoyne, Alan Cekanavich, Madeline Coelho, Donald W. Comis, Mildred Ceurvels Drury, Holly Duarte, Michael Fraga, Stephen Kirkland, Fred Lincoln, Chase Miceli, Kim MacDonald, Patricia Parkinson, Patrick Quigley, Sandra Rosa, 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.

LECTORS NEW WORKBOOKS



Lectors are reminded that the new workbooks for the new liturgical year (which begins on December 1st, the first Sunday of Advent) are available in the vesting room.



FAITH FORMATION NEWS!

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT!!

Our annual Christmas pageant will be held on Sunday, December 15th at noon. Students are already hard at work practicing for this great event. We hope you can join us for this great tradition!

Rehearsals are scheduled for:

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

Dec. 14: Dress Rehearsal 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Dec. 15: 10:30 – 11:30 - **Show at noon!**

POSTER CONTEST

The Knights of Columbus, "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest will take place through the month of December. Students in grades K-8 are invited to participate in this event, the winner of each age bracket will receive a \$25 prize! Entry forms and 11" X 17" paper are available outside of the Faith Formation Office. All Submissions must be returned to the Faith Formation by noon on Sunday, December 1st.



Altar Servers

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 the fall, **beginning fourth grade or higher**, please contact the parish office to indicate your interest. (508-823-9833) You will then be notified concerning **mandatory** attendance at two training sessions, to be held in the November-December time period. In those 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 interest in becoming an altar server will be offered in November, when a presentation and a sign-up sheet will be offered to the fourth grade formation classes.



FAMILY ADVENT WREATH MAKING

This Sunday, December 1st, from 12:00 -1:30 p.m. we will hold our Annual Family Advent wreath making session for all those who have signed up. All necessary materials (greens, candles, holder, etc.,) will be provided. We look forward to celebrating the season with you.



TROOP 43 CHRISTMAS WREATHS



St Ann's Boy Scout Troop 43 will again be selling wreaths after Mass beginning this weekend. We will have 12" wreaths for \$9, Kissing Balls for \$18 and Holiday Baskets for \$16.

Thank you for your support,
Troop 43.



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**.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

NEXT MEETING!

There will be a meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society on Monday, December 9th, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. All members are urged to attend.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY FOOD BASKETS

The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank our parishioners for their generous outpouring of support. We now have enough food to assemble the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets as well. Thank you so much for taking the time to help us with our requests.



ST. ANN'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL # 10289

Thank you to the Knights that volunteered during the November Clothing Drive. Thanks to all of the parishioners that made clothing donations!

Thank you to the Knights that participated in the Memorial Mass for our departed Brothers.

Congratulations to Sir Knight Christopher Buckley and Sir Knight George Pike for their advancement to the Fourth degree on November 17, 2019!

Over the next few months the Council will be conducting a campaign to recruit new members.

Monthly K of C Council #10289 Meeting

There will be a regular business meeting of the Council on Wednesday, December 11th, 2019 at 7:30pm in the parish hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

The St. Ann's Knights of Columbus meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the St. Ann's parish center at 7:30 PM. Any practicing catholic man 18 years of age or older wishing to join the Knights should contact Grand Knight Ron Pagels at 774-281-2429 or email rnpnekv114@gmail.com. For additional information about the Knights of Columbus, visit our website www.kofc.org.



ST. ANN'S SOCIABLE SENIORS

The Sociable Seniors next meeting will be Tuesday, December 17th at Segregansett Country Club. Entrée choices include Stuffed Chicken Breast, NY Sirloin or Traditional Baked Haddock. Send your check for \$20 per person with entrée choice to Joe Bettencourt by December 10th. The doors will open at 10:30am, following a brief meeting we will have entertainment followed by lunch and a Yankee Swap (\$10). If anyone needs a ride, contact Marianne Miller at 508-823-1765.



**COYLE AND CASSIDY
PLACEMENT EXAMINATION**

The Placement Test for Coyle and Cassidy High School will be administered to interested 8th grade students on Saturday, December 7th and Saturday, December 14th at 8 a.m. at Coyle and Cassidy, located at 2 Hamilton St., Taunton, MA. No fee or pre-registration required! If you have any questions, please call the Admissions Office at (508) 823-6164 x 618.

ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT

St. Mary's in Taunton will host its Fourth Annual Christmas Concert featuring the Southeastern Massachusetts Festival Chorus on Sunday, December 8th, at 4:00 p.m. at the church, located at 14 St. Mary's Square, Taunton. The 100-member ensemble will be accompanied this year by flute, pennywhistle, guitar, piano, and percussion, and the SMFC Bells will perform exclusive selections. Tickets are \$15 each or a set of two for \$25, and they will be available at the door the day of the concert. For reserve tickets or for further information, please call 508-824-0291.



You are cordially invited to our
Advent Taize' service

Sunday, December 1st, 2019 - 7 p.m.
St. John Neumann Parish
157 Middleboro Road
East Freetown, MA 02717

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

Registration will take place Sunday, December 1st, from 1:00 - 3:00 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.

HEALING MASS

St. Andrew the Apostle, Taunton

There will be a Healing Mass at St. Andrew the Apostle on Thursday, December 19th. The Holy Rosary begins at 6:00pm and will include the Sacrament of Confession. Holy Mass will begin at 6:30pm. It will include praying over people individually and conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome.



**BIRTHRIGHT OF
GREATER TAUNTON**

Birthright of Greater Taunton, located at the Dolan Center, 78 Broadway, is in need of Fall and Winter clothes, new or gently used, in sizes newborn to 3T. Diapers are always appreciated, sizes 1-5. Items may be dropped off between 10-2 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Thank you for any donations you can provide.



MASS SCHEDULE NATIONWIDE

www.Masstimes.org

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@stannsrainham.org.

Due to the December/January holiday schedules, our bulletin company has changed the following weekly deadlines:

Bulletin Date:	Due in Parish Office by:
Sunday, Dec 15th	Friday, Dec. 6th at 10 a.m.
Sunday, Dec. 22nd	Thursday, Dec. 12th at noon
Sunday, Dec. 29th	Wednesday, Dec. 18th at noon
Sunday, Jan. 5th	Tuesday, Dec. 24th at 10 a.m.

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.

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.

BAPTISMS

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

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

A word of welcome to our new parishioners! Please introduce yourselves to Fr. John, Deacon Joe, or Deacon Paul 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.

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.

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