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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](http://www.stannsraynham.org) **EMAIL:** [office@stannsraynham.org](mailto:office@stannsraynham.org)

**December 8, 2019**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Mass Intentions**

7:00 a.m.	Monday	12/09	Kathleen R. Roberts
7:00 a.m.	Tuesday	12/10	Frances R. Kourtz
7:00 a.m.	Wednesday	12/11	Robert Burke
7:00 a.m.	Thursday	12/12	Florence McClory
7:00 a.m.	Friday	12/13	Raymond Vargas
8:00 a.m.	Saturday	12/14	José Santos



Kindly remember in your prayers those who have died, especially David Bryant, Moira A. O'Brien, 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?


**FIRST RECONCILIATION**

On Saturday, November 23rd, our grade 2 students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. We ask that you keep these youngsters in your prayers as they continue to prepare for their First Holy Communion.


**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 21<sup>st</sup>.** 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 CHRISTMAS PAGEANT!!**

 Our annual Christmas pageant will be held next 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!


**FAMILY ADVENT WREATH MAKING**  
**The project was another great success!**

 Fifty-five 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 continues to be a wonderful parish tradition!

**SNOW CANCELLATION REMINDER**


 Cancellation of Faith Formation classes due to snow will be posted on WHDH Channel 7, and on our website at [www.stannsrainham.org](http://www.stannsrainham.org). **If school is cancelled or delayed, Daily Mass will also be cancelled.**

**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 8	Harvey W. Wilson	1966
Dec 9	Gertrude Virginis	2005
	Thomas G. Campbell, Jr.	2013
Dec 10	Francis Noonan	1994
Dec 11	James W. Fitzgerald	1982
	M. Louise Heinig	1983
	Kevin M. McKenney	1987
	Charles H. Ennes, Jr.	1998
	Anne O'Brien	2005
	Sally McCabe	2007
Dec 12	Anna Nagy	1961
Dec 13	Doris Mae Sweeney	1999
Dec 14	Wilfred Cloutier	1973
	Agnes McGrath	1979
	Louis Sylvia	1985
	Joseph McCusker	1990
	Alvaro Oliveira	1993
	Lester L. McKenney	1996
	Mary Zubel	2012

**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](mailto: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.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

We extend prayerful congratulations to:

**Sofia Kathleen McSweeney**  
daughter of Kevin & Lisa McSweeney

**Alana Marie Murphy**  
**Sean Brian Murphy**  
daughter & son of Sean & Nicole Murphy

**Remington Sky Zeller**  
daughter of Paul & Ashley Zellet



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



## FAITH FORMATION NEWS!

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#### Rehearsals are scheduled for:

Dec. 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!**



### COFFEE AND DONUTS!

Coffee & donuts are available after the 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Masses. We would like to thank Jim & Christina Strom, Toni Baptiste, Nancy Chase, and Naomi LeNane 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 in helping please call Bev at 508-823-9183.



### 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*.



### 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.

### 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.

### WELCOME HOME COLLEGIANS

We want to welcome our “collegians” who are home on break. We hope that their time home will be restful and fun. We look forward to their presence among us.



### 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 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. 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. Because of your donations we provided 36 families with Thanksgiving food baskets and will be distributing 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 participated in the Thanksgiving Food basket distribution with St. Vincent de Paul Society on November 23, 2019.

Thank you to the Knights that volunteered for the Coat Drive at Coyle & Cassidy High School on November 30, 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](mailto:rnpnekv114@gmail.com). For additional information about the Knights of Columbus, visit our website [www.kofc.org](http://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.

## 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](mailto:office@stannsraynham.org).

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

<b>Bulletin Date:</b>	<b>Due in Parish Office by:</b>
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.

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## 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.

## 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/](http://www.fallriverdiocese.org/bishops-blog/).



## 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](http://www.Masstimes.org)

## VOLUNTEER TUTORS WANTED

Literacy Place, a literacy center for adults in Bridgewater, is looking for tutors for one-on-one tutoring in basic education and tutoring for English language learners. Tutors will help teach conversation, reading and writing skills. Literacy Place holds training classes to help volunteers become tutors. For more info: 508-944-7232.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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.stannsraynham.org](http://www.stannsraynham.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.stannsraynham.org](http://www.stannsraynham.org)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/stannsraynham](https://www.facebook.com/stannsraynham)