ROMAN CATHOLIC

The Church of Saint Ann

SUNDAY BULLETIN

6 CHURCH STREET, HAMPTON, NEW JERSEY

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend

Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm Sunday at 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am

Daily

Monday - Friday at 8:00 am

Holy Days as published

CONFESSIONS

Friday Mornings after 8:00 am Mass and Saturday at 3:30 pm

EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 8:30 am - 4:00 pm; weather and/ or circumstances permitting. No formal exposition on Holy Days.

ST. ANN'S CEMETERY

Due to the size and limited space available in the Parish Cemetery, Grave Plots are reserved for Catholics who are registered and active members of the parish; this includes a non-Catholic spouse. Gates open from dawn to dusk.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY

Any Parish Elementary Catholic School student is eligible to receive tuition assistance provided the following prerequisites have been met: 1. the family attends Mass weekly; and 2. the family volunteers in one of the many areas of Parish life.

ST. ANN'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Closed Saturday & Sunday.

PARISH OFFICE MAILING ADDRESS

32 Main Street, P.O. Box 405 Hampton, NJ 08827 **Phone:** 908-537-2221

Website: www.saintann1859.org



PARISH STAFF

Rev. Fr. Michael C. Saharic, KCHS *Pastor*

Mrs. Kelly Vacca, Director, School of Religion

Mrs. Beth Flaherty, Parish Secretary

Mr. Lucas Miller, Director of Sacred Music

BAPTISM: Celebrated every Sunday at 12:00 noon. A child being presented to the Church for Baptism needs to have a "saint's first name" and at least one parent actively practicing the Catholic Faith. Arrangements for a baptismal date are made by calling the Parish Office. Godparents must be sixteen years of age, confirmed, practicing Catholics and if married, married by a Catholic Priest. If from another parish, they must obtain a letter from their pastor stating they are practicing Catholics before the Baptism date is set.

MATRIMONY: Specific times are set for the celebration of marriage on Saturday. To allow the couple and priest ample time for preparation, a **one year** reservation of a date is necessary. Catholics contemplating marriage should be practicing the faith. One of the parties MUST be a registered member attending Mass at St. Ann's.

CARE OF THE SICK: Holy Communion & Anointing is available to all sick and shut-ins.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Phone: 908-537-1070 Email: religioused@saintannl859.org

School of Religion Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Saint Ann's School of Religion is dedicated to assisting parents as the primary educators of their children, as they nurture the development of the Faith. The School of Religion is a comprehensive program beginning in Grade One and continuing through Grade Eight.

PLEASE NOTE: Each grade is essential and foundational and builds upon the previous year's curriculum.

The School of Religion follows the educational model of "Flip the Classroom" approach. Students are required to complete the online lesson prior to the in-person class where the material will be developed.

Saint Ann's uses the "Faith & Life Series" in the classroom and "My Catholic Faith Delivered" as the online portion of the curriculum. This series and this online approach to learning is a comprehensive and highly regarded Religious Education Program.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Every family should be properly registered. New parishioners should register at the Parish Office. Children 18 and over must register as adults. Envelopes are the only means we have to verify parishioner attendance at Mass. Please use your envelope regardless of the amount you are able to include. Without verification of Mass attendance, we cannot issue testimonial letters regarding sponsorship for the sacraments, recommendations for positions, schools, character references, and Catholic School Tuition Assistance eligibility. Please notify the office of any change of address.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024

Saturday, March 16

4:00 PM + Ed Butler

r/o Nancy Freiss

Sunday, March 17

8:00 AM + Ed Butler

r/o Patricia Groiss

9:30 AM Missa pro populo

11:00 AM + Luigi and Antoinette Vitti

Bernie and Patricia Vitti

Monday, March 18, Saint Cyril of Jersalem

8:00 AM + Nancy Stacherski

r/o Jeanne and Carol

8:30 AM Novena of the Miraculous Medal

Tuesday, March 19, Saint Joseph

8:00 AM Int. of Hazel Saharic

r/o The Family

8:30 AM Novena in Honor of Saint Ann

Wednesday, March 20

8:00 AM + Hilario Baca

r/o Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Levandoski

8:30 AM Novena in Honor of Saint

Joseph

Thursday, March 21

8:00 AM + Sofia Sbordone

r/o The Lucci Family

8:30 AM Novena in Honor of Saint

Michael the Archangel

Friday, March 22

8:00 AM Int. of Pat Santillo

r/o Rosaria and Lou Baldino

8:30 AM Novena in Honor of Saint

Anthony and a Novena in

Honor of Saint Jude

7:00 PM Devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows

Saturday, March 23

4:00 PM Int. of Carl Mohrin

r/o The Rosary Altar Society

Sunday, March 24

8:00 AM + Kathleen Smolinski

r/o Karen and Rob Holland

9:30 AM + Ed Butler

r/o The Callen Family

11:00 AM Missa pro populo



Please Note: During non-Office hours and Holidays we employ an Answering Service. Please allow the phone to ring an additional amount of time.

Adoration Society

Kelly Vacca......908-537-1070 **Holy Name Society**

Rosary Altar Society

Arlene Blanchard908-735-4661

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LIVE-STREAM

The 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday is the only Mass that is live streamed.

ROSARY GATHERING

Please join us as we pray for an end to Covid and for peace in the world. The next Rosary gathering will be held on Monday March 18, at 1:30 PM in the Church

Sunday Offering

MARCH 10, 2024 \$6,107.00

ONLINE GIVING March 4, 2024 - March 10, 2024 \$804.50

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a Second Collection next Sunday for the Retirement Fund for Diocesan Clergy.

CONTRIBUTION TOTALS FOR TAX PURPOSES

Anyone who wishes to have confirmation of contributions to the Church for tax purposes should call the Parish Office at 908-537-2221.

The contribution letters will be given by request only.

+++Liturgical Schedule+++

NEXT WEEKEND: March 23 and March 24

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

4:00 PM Diodato, P. 8:00 AM Savage, J. 9:30 AM Godleski, E.

11:00 AM

LECTORS

4:00 PM Buwen, N. 8:00 AM Walton, R. Phoenix, K. 9:30 AM 11:00 AM Lehman, G.

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 PM Apgar, J., McGeough, B. Nagle, A., Kempinski, P. 8:00 AM 9:30 AM Colao, L., Sodtalbers, Z. Scarince, L., Scarince, T. 11:00 AM

SAINT ANN LITURGICAL VOLUNTEERS

The Parish Family is in need of more Lectors. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Altar Servers. If you are interested in serving the Parish



Family, please contact the Parish Office at 908-537-2221. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve the Parish Family.

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Debbie Costa, Pam Nicholson, Steve Bulger, Sean Connell, Michael Montrose, Vicente Silva, Brenda Willan, Zoey Sakos, Laverne Krupinski, Cathy Bush, Kerry Bush, Teresa Ganley, Douglas Cartwright, Frank Schiller, Nancy Freiss, Paul Murray, Kimberly Melchionne, Pat O'Malley, Lee Lazorchak, Michael Grabowy, Adrianna Dietl, Jennie Boysa, Rosalie Turton, Cindy Peisel, Scott Peisel, Joyce Jenks, Cheryl Stransser, Nancy Fleming and Carol Curcio.

Please call and let the Parish office know of any changes to the Prayer List or For Those Among Us Who Serve list.

For Those Among Us Who Serve

Sn. Larry Friend - USS Arleigh Burke LT Christopher Del Vecchio – ONI WO Darren S. Kesty - Ft. Campbell MM Mathew R. Morrell - Guam Airman Andrew Lloyd – Anchorage, AK Airman E3 Nick Reeve - USS Carl Vinson Sqt Michael J. Pierson – Whitemans AFB MO Commander Matthew Milkowski - Oceana, VA LTC Rebecca Milkowski - Fort Gregg, Adam, VA Midshipman Jordan Boyland - Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD Lt. Cmdr. J. David Peterson - USS George H.W. Bush ETN3 Benjamin Butler – USS Ronald Reagan, Yokosuka Japan Private E2 Lucas Fritton – 1Bn 46th Inf - Ft. Moore Georgia

SAINT ANN'S CEMETERY

The Parish Cemetery remains open for quiet prayer and meditation. We kindly ask that you do not park on the main road leading from the parking lot to Crucifixion Group. You may park around the circle or in the little lot in the back on the left.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to cars racing through the cemetery and people parking in the main road, the main gates of the cemetery are closed to vehicular traffic. To access the cemetery in your vehicle, please use the East Grand Street entrance. Also please do not park on the grass.

SUNDAY READINGS March 24, 2024

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First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11 Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47



Registration is now open for the National Eucharistic Congress! (NEC) At the National Eucharistic Congress, the Church will draw into a deeper intimacy with our Eucharistic Lord, allowing our eyes to be opened and our hearts to be set on fire with his love.

This historic five-day gathering (July 17-21, 2024) will be an experience of prayer: a liturgical act offering the Catholic Church—those in attendance in Indianapolis as well as across the country—to the Father, through the Son, and in the Holy Spirit. This reconsecration will result in a massive outpouring of grace and renewed missionary sending as participants are moved to share the Eucharistic love of the Lord "for the life of the world" (John 6:51).

This is a pivotal moment in both American history and the legacy of the Catholic Church. (It is the first National Eucharistic Congress in 83 years!) Tens of thousands of pilgrims are expected to attend—but space is limited. To ensure that the Diocese of Metuchen is well-represented, we are pleased to announce that we have purchased 100 tickets to next summer's Congress. These packages include transportation to and from Indianapolis, as well as hotel accommodations.

For more information, see flyer in the bell tower or online at: https://diometuchen.org/nec2024

SAINT ANN"S YOUTH GROUP

Saint Ann's Youth Group would like to say Thank you for the generous gift given anonymously this past week.



Are you interested in being an Altar Server?

Saint Ann's Parish is currently seeking new Altar Servers to assist at Weekend Mass and other Liturgies throughout the year. All children in 3rd Grade and above are invited to be Altar Servers. Please pick up a form in the Bell Tower and return it to the Parish Office.



Lenten Instructions - 2024

So that the Church of Metuchen may be spiritually one in a common observance of Lent, the following days of fast and abstinence are to be observed by all Catholics of the Diocese who enjoy the blessings of **good health**:

- 1. The days of <u>fast and abstinence</u> are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- 2. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.
- 3. From the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday until the celebration of the Easter Vigil on the evening of Holy Saturday, the Easter fast should be observed so that, with uplifted and welcoming hearts, we may be ready to celebrate the joys of the Resurrection. This ancient tradition, intimately connected with the Rites of Holy Week and the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, is encouraged, especially in those places baptizing catechumens at the Easter Vigil.

The obligation to <u>fast</u> applies only to Catholics <u>between the ages of 18 and 59</u>. To fast in the Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal during the day so as to experience hunger.

The obligation of <u>abstinence</u> affects all Catholics who have <u>reached the age of 14</u>. Abstinence in the Catholic tradition means to abstain from meat.

The obligation of fast and abstinence, as a whole, is a serious obligation. While failure to observe any penitential day in itself may not be considered serious, the failure to observe any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of them without good cause, would be considered a grave matter. Those unable to abstain for a valid reason on any given Friday of Lent are asked to perform some other penitential act, or to abstain on another day.

Save the Date

The Rosary Altar Society will be hosting the Communion Breakfast April 28th, 2024. It will be at the Mountain View Chalet. Tickets will be available after all the Masses beginning this weekend and are \$30.00 a person. Any questions please call Arlene Blanchard at 908-735-466

Schedule of Lenten & Easter Services

DEVOTION TO OUR LADY OF SORROWS

March 22 - 7:00 PM

Holy Week Mass Schedule

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 24 Saturday Vigil Mass – 4:00 PM

Please Note: No confession prior to Saturday Vigil Mass of Palm Sunday

SUNDAY 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28
7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration
11:00 PM Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29
3:00 PM The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30 10:00 AM – Blessing of Food 8:00 PM – Great Easter Vigil**

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM

**By Liturgical guidelines, Mass cannot begin before 8:00 PM on Holy Saturday Evening.

Diocese of Metuchen Chrism Mass

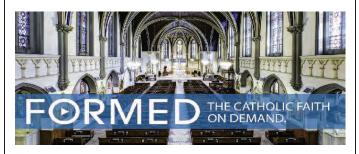
On Tuesday, March 26, 2024, Bishop James Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At this Mass, all priests will make a Renewal of Commitment to the Priestly Service to the Bishop and the people of God. The Bishop will also bless and consecrate the Holy Oils, which each parish receives for the rites of anointing. The Oil of Catechumens is used to anoint infants and adults before their Baptism; the oil of the Sick is used on their forehead and hands of the infirm in the Sacrament of anointing the Sick and Sacred Chrism is used to anoint the head of the newly baptized, the foreheads of the confirmandi, the hands of a priest at his ordination, the head of a bishop at his ordination and the altar and walls of new churches. All are encouraged to join in-person or via Livestream in the ancient, grace filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4:00 PM



Religious Education

<u>PARENTS:</u> The end to the 2023/24 Religious Education year is rapidly approaching. In order for your children to advance to the next grade level, their coursework must be completed with a minimum grade of 70 (C), by April 9, 2024. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Parents with children entering first grade this September must register their child with the School of Religion. Registration forms are available online or you may call the School of Religion.



FORMED

Families are required to register with **FORMED.org** as this will supplement our My Catholic Faith Delivered online program.

Please reference our online bulletin posted weekly on our website for any updates for the School of Religion.

Directions for accessing -

FORMED- THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND

Step 1- go to Formed.org

Step 2- Click the white Sign-Up button

Step 3- Sign up as a Parishioner

Step 4- Enter zip code 08827, St. Ann's Hampton pops up, Click

Step 5- Enter Name & Email and Click – Sign up.

SOCIAL CONCERNS EASTER BASKETS

We are in need of Juices, Coffee, Tea and Mac and Cheese. Please leave all non-perishable donations in the Bell Tower before March 20th. A donation of a ham would be greatly appreciated. Hams can



be dropped off on the back porch of the Parish Office between 9:00 AM and 11:00 on Monday, March 25. Baskets can be picked up between 12:00 and 2:00 PM also on March 25. If anyone knows of someone in need, please call the Parish Office.

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