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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..... *Lisa Donahue*
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
Children's Choir *Lynne Curnyn*508-697-8487
Teen Choir..... *Lynne Curnyn*508-697-8487
St. Ann's Sociable Seniors..... *President, Debbie McClory*508-822-9166
Knights of Columbus..... *Grand Knight, Tom Ialeggio* ...508-386-2057

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 31, 2017

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Mass Intentions

10:00 a.m.	Monday	01/01	For Peace
7:00 a.m.	Tuesday	01/02	Phil Lavigne
7:00 a.m.	Wednesday	01/03	William R. Morgan
7:00 a.m.	Thursday	01/04	Kathleen Roberts
7:00 a.m.	Friday	01/05	Annmarie Donovan
8:00 a.m.	Saturday	01/06	Annamae Schondek

Kindly remember in your prayers those who have died, especially Joshua Cathcart, James Stringer, and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

MASS ON MONDAY

In recognition of New Year's Day, Monday morning Mass will be held at 10:00 a.m.

SPECIAL THANKS!

Thank you to all who made Christmas Mass Celebrations so beautiful. From those who spent time decorating the Church, to those who served at liturgies and certainly to our wonderful musical talent -- we thank you! May God bless you all for sharing your gifts and talents with our parish.

A CHRISTMAS THANK YOU!

Many thanks to all of you for your gifts and cards at Christmas. You are so thoughtful to remember our clergy and staff here at St. Ann's. While you are all gifts all year 'round, your generosity reminds us all of the generosity of God who sent us His Son. Merry Christmas and Blessings in the New Year!

From our Parish Staff and Clergy

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

A wonderful tradition here at St. Ann's is the First Friday Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament. This Friday, January 5th, following the 7am Mass, the Eucharist is available on the altar so we can spend time with our Lord in prayer. First Friday Adoration will now conclude at 9:00 p.m. 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.

FR. GEORGE ON SABBATICAL

Fr. George will be on Sabbatical until early April. During this time he will be taking a break from teaching. A sabbatical is a time of renewal and a time to work on some personal projects. We are grateful for all Fr. George does for us here at St. Ann's. We will miss his presence among us during these months but we also look forward to his return in April. Best wishes Fr. George!

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.

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.

Jan 1	Josephine Martin	1963
	Arleine F. Carnes	1983
	Edward Gallagher	2003
	John Tracy	2009
	Jane M. Paquette	2014
Jan 2	Evelyn M. Squires	1984
	William F. Phillipe	2014
Jan 3	Lucille B. Macabello	1978
	Louise Smith	1987
	George Phillips	2008
	Marie Plentus	2008
	Catherine Peterson	2015
Jan 4	Jessie A. Souza	1985
Jan 5	Elwood Clark	1973
	Charles W. Babson	1981
Jan 6	Arthur Latulippe	1972
	M. Kathleen Tormey	1981
	Robert L. Smith	1994
	Frances Leonard	2004

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers, all who are facing illness at this time: Phyllis Anacone, Paula Burgoyne, Madeline Coelho, Donald W. Comis, Ellie DaRosa, Holly Duarte, Cathie Hatch, Richard Hatch, Peter Horsley, Stephen Kirkland, Chase Miceli, Kim MacDonald, John Mileikis, Xavier Ross, Brian Roster, Irene Ryan, Doreen Schroth, Paige Silvestro, Ed Smith, Helen Smith, Josie Spearin, Jennifer K. Strachan, Amayah Verrette, and those whose names are listed in the book of prayers for the sick.

NO COFFEE AND DONUTS

Due to the New Year's holiday, there will be no coffee and donuts after the 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Masses this weekend. Coffee and Donuts will return next weekend. Happy Holidays!

CHRISTMAS BREAK

We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas! Classes will resume on Sunday, January 7th. Many thanks to Lisa Donahue, our Catechists, and the volunteers who have helped the first part of the year run so smoothly!

7TH ANNUAL SOUP & CHILI COOK-OFF

The 7th Annual Soup & Chili Cook-off will be held at 5 p.m. on Saturday, February 3rd, at the parish center. Grade 9 students will be selling tickets in January and we are always looking for "chefs" to participate. We hope to see you all there!

ANNUAL APPEAL

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. As of last Wednesday, we have received a total of \$38,277.00 from our parishioners. 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!

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Many thanks to all those involved in this year's Christmas Pageant. Special thanks to Jennifer Murphy, all the assistants, Anne Merritt, all the musicians and the youth choir, for all their hard work. Thanks, too, to all those who helped with props, costumes and decorations. The Pageant was a wonderful experience for everyone.

THANK YOU FOR "GIVING TREE"!

Due to your generosity, 600 individual requests were filled by the 2017 Giving Tree Project, which is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. This is certainly a vivid reminder of the real spirit of Christmas and of the generosity of our parishioners. We would like to thank Dave and Laura Caron and their committee for their tireless efforts on this worthwhile project. We would also like to thank all who donated to the Giving Tree project!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We extend prayerful congratulations to:

MacKenzie Ann Cronin

daughter of Timothy and Diana Cronin

Grace Devin Moynihan

daughter of Kevin and Julie Moynihan

Julian Alexander Suarez

son of Alexander and Lauren Suarez

Caroline Rae Wietecha

daughter of Christopher and Kelly Wietecha who were baptized and welcomed into our faith community during the month of December.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION - The Diocese of Fall River is standing on the threshold of a life-changing chapter in its 113-year history, and is currently seeking to fill its newly created full-time position of Executive Director for The Catholic Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts. This fundraising leader will broaden, deepen and expand the relationships with current and future donors, and will work closely with Bishop da Cunha and the Board of Directors to ensure the appropriate strategies are developed and implemented. This once in a lifetime opportunity will be both challenging and rewarding. For a full description of the position, please go to www.fallriverdiocese.org and click on "Employment Opportunities", or contact Peter Powers, Executive Director of Human Resources and Administration, at (508)985-6507, or e-mail at ppowers@dioc-fr.org.

EUCHARIST MINISTERS, LECTORS, AND ALTAR SERVERS - Your new schedules for January, February, and March have been completed. Due to the busy holiday season, we have mailed and emailed them to you. Thank you for all your help!

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.

SNOW CANCELLATION REMINDER

Cancellation of Faith Formation classes due to snow will be posted on WCVB channel 5, WBZ channel 4, and on our website at www.stannsrainham.org. **If school is cancelled or delayed, Daily Mass will also be cancelled.**

WELCOME!!!

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