

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 30, 2019

The St. Ann "APP": Associate Pastor's Perspective - This coming week, countless Americans will take part in 4th of July festivities that mark the day which celebrates the publication of our nation's Declaration of Independence from Great Britain in 1776.

Every year, my father would drag us to the local neighborhood parade filled with marching bands, fire trucks, winning Little League teams and Irish dancers. Occasionally a local TV celebrity would show-up to be the grand marshal, such as the one year in the early '80s in which a much-older "Chief Halftown" and "Sally Starr" came charging-in on the back of a Mustang (4-wheels, of the Ford-variety). My Dad still talks about that day as if it is the best thing that ever happened to our sleepy suburb. (And in truth, it may actually have been.)

The other local notables who often made an appearance was the group of Christian pastors (including the local Catholic priests) who would walk the parade route together, not waving American flags or throwing candy to the crowds but simply there to witness. Although I thought it corny when I was younger, I now understand that their presence was a reminder to all who lined the parade route that the freedom to worship is just as important as any of the other freedoms we cherish as a nation. Those men and women wearing clerical shirts and stoles pointed to the fact that we the Church should have a voice in society and a place at the table, and no government can ever take that freedom to worship away from us.

I haven't been back to my hometown parade in years, but I do hope that the current pastors still march the same route. It's an important witness to a founding ideal that our nation must never forget.

Baptism Preparation Class - If you are planning on baptizing your child at St. Ann's, the next class will be Thursday, July 11th at 7pm in the St. Ann's School. To register, please call the rectory at (302)654-5519 or stannschurch@stannwilmington.com.

Something new for you! Need some uplifting and informative summer beach reading? How about a CD to listen to on that long ride to your vacation destination? Check out the new books and CDs in the kiosk in the back of the Church by the statue of St. Theresa. Moderately priced materials to lift your spirits and fill your soul!



St. Ann Novena Schedule

Mark your calendars for our annual St. Ann Novena. We hope you will plan to spend a little time in prayer before our Lord as we ask for the intercession of St. Ann in our lives. Fr. Jasper will be the speaker and the schedule is as follows:

Wednesday	July 24th	6:30pm Prayer and Talk
Thursday	July 25th	6:30pm Prayer and Talk
Friday	July 26th	8:00am Patronal Feast Mass
Friday	July 26th	6:30pm Prayer and Reflection

AUGUSTINIAN MISSION APPEAL JULY 13-14 - The Augustinian Friars, a Religious Order in the Church, were founded in the year 1256. The American Augustinians have served foreign missions for more than 100 combined years in Japan and Peru. Rev. Robert Hagan, O.S.A. will be present at your parish on the weekend of July 13-14, 2019 to speak at all the Masses to share the story of the friars serving the poor and often forgotten of the world. We ask you to share generously of the blessings which God has bestowed upon you.

Mass Intentions

Saturday June 29 SS. Peter & Paul

8:00 A.M. Alex Scarpone

5:00 P.M. Dr. John & Geraldine Kosak

Sunday June 30

7:30 A.M. Parishioners

9:30 A.M. Jennifer Duncan

11:30 A.M. Charles Dauphin

Monday July 1 St. Junipero Serra

6:30 A.M. Joseph & Elizabeth Farren

8:00 A.M. Pauline Haney

Tuesday July 2

6:30 A.M. Jack DeCarolis

8:00 A.M. Georgina Sheing & Henry Salacki

Wednesday July 3 St. Thomas

6:30 A.M. Alexander Scarpone

8:00 A.M. Intention of Fr. Lance Martin, K of C

Thursday July 4 Independence Day

9:00 A.M. Jennifer Duncan

Friday July 5 St. Anthony Zaccaria

9:00 A.M. Edward Reilly

Saturday July 6 St. Maria Goretti

8:00 A.M. Peter Pollock

5:00 P.M. Henry, John & Jimmy Mauk

Sunday July 7

7:30 A.M. Margaret Ann Gielis

9:30 A.M. Parishioners

11:30 A.M. Timothy Ryan

Pray for the sick, shut-ins and elderly of our Parish.

Offertory for the weekend of June 16th was \$8963. As always – thank you for your kind and generous support to St. Ann's.

Confirmation Registration: St. Ann Parish confirmed 42 youths this past May! Now it is time to welcome a brand new class! Confirmation registration is now open for the upcoming school year of 2019-2020. Students in St. Ann School and PREP have received packets. If your child will be in grade 8 in the fall, attends a private school and you are a registered parishioner of St. Ann, please contact our office by emailing us at mdickinson@thesaintannschoo.org or mhaley@stannwilmington.com for further information. Blessings to you for a great year!

Need to register for St. Ann's? Visit our website www.stannwilmington.com and select the parish registration button. Just fill out the form and return! .



HOLY MOMENTS



Pray for the repose of the soul for our recently departed:

**BARBARA "BABS" RUF GORDON
GERTRUDE "TRUDY" MURPHY**

Is this your child? Do you have an older child (or children) who has never had any formal faith formation classes? If you and your child are interested in beginning to learn more about God and the Church you can start this summer with weekly at home lessons you can do together. When your child is ready they can mainstream into our Sunday morning PREP classes. For more information call or email Pat Walker at 654-8504 or pwalker@stannwilmington.com

Food for thought this summer: The Sunday morning PREP program is in need of volunteer Catechists for the 2019-20 school year. Looking for teachers for 5th and 6th grades and pre-school. We begin in September and end in April. If the idea of working with young children to pass on our faith to the next generation appeals to you, call Pat Walker at 654-8504 or email at pwalker@stannwilmington.com for more info.

More Volunteers Needed: Looking for high school students who need service hours next year! If you are available on Sunday mornings or an occasional Sunday afternoon the Religious Ed Office may be able to use your gifts and talents as teacher aides, office helpers, or Sacrament workshop helpers. Call/email Pat Walker at 654-8504 or pwalker@stannwilmington.com.

PREP and Sacrament registrations for Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation are now being taken. Info for Reconciliation and First Communion will be mailed out toward the end of June. Don't be left out! Go onto the parish website at www.stannwilmington.com to download the registration forms and be added to our mailing.

Religious Vocations – "Serve one another through love." Does a life of prayer and service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life attract you? Call Fr. Norm Carroll at 302-573-3113 or email vocations@cdow.org.

The Chapel of Divine Mercy is open with the Blessed Sacrament exposed the following hours: **6am to 10pm Monday through Friday & Sunday, 6am to 9pm Saturday.** Email www.adorationchapel.org or call Chris at 584-1422 or Nan at 656-8438 to offer an hour of time.

ST. ANN'S PRAYER LINE – to place a name or special request on the prayer line call Joe or Shirley Ackerman at 384-7513 or email joeshirl7@comcast.net.

Men's Morning Group - Please join us for Scripture discussion and prayer after the 8 a.m. mass each Wednesday. For more info, please email the rectory or richcsisca@comcast.net.

Bishop to Consecrate Diocese of Wilmington - Monday, August 19th, from 12 noon-1pm, the same date and time of the 4th Apparition of Fatima, a public Prayer Vigil will be held for our Bishop, ourselves, and Holy Mother Church. Following the Prayer Vigil, Bishop Malooly will Consecrate our Diocese to Mary's Immaculate Heart. This special event will take place near Our Lady of Peace Statue outside of Holy Spirit parish in New Castle. Everyone is invited.

Hospital Visitations – Catholic priest chaplains are assigned by the diocese to provide daily pastoral care in the 3 local hospitals: St. Francis, Wilmington and Christiana. This includes anointing of the sick and Holy Communion. Assisting them is a team of lay ministers to bring Holy Communion. On admission you will be asked your religion & parish. In addition to this care, if your stay will be extended and wish a visit from your parish priest, please call us and we will be happy to comply.

Two history books to celebrate the diocesan 150th anniversary are still available through St. Ann's - "Rejoicing in the Lord," for \$40 and "Family of Faith" for \$18. For info, email jmatyger@stannwilmington.com or call 654-5519.

BULLETIN ADVERTISERS – *Have you taken a look at the patrons listed on the back on the bulletin? It's because of their support that we can provide this bulletin at no cost to our parish. Please visit these businesses and don't forget to tell them where you saw their ad!*

St. Thomas More Membership – To join visit the website <http://stms-wilmington.org>.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH CARNIVAL (MIDDLETOWN) – JULY 16TH THROUGH JULY 20TH FOR EXCITING RIDES, GAMES AND NIGHTLY ENTERTAINMENT UNDER THE BIG TOP. SPECIAL CHILDREN'S GAME AREA! FOR MORE INFO, CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 378-5800 OR EMAIL WWW.STJOSEPHMIDDLETOWN.COM.

FAITH ENVIRONMENT-SAFE ENVIRONMENT – Did you know that in 2003 in response to the United States Conference of Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children, the Diocese developed a safe environment program entitled *For the Sake of God's Children?* The Bishop, all priests, deacons, seminarians, religious brothers and sisters and all lay employees and volunteers participate in the program to assure that a comprehensive safe environment exists in our parishes, schools and institutions. For more info, go to www.cdow.org and click on For The Sake of God's Children.

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, July 6th, tune in to hear an interview with Trent Horn, the author of the new book, "Counterfeit Christs: Finding the Real Jesus Among the Imposters". After it airs, listen online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts.

Before you head to the beach, check out the Diocese of Wilmington's Vacation Mass Guide for Mass times for Delaware and Maryland beach resort area, and the Chesapeake Bay region. Go to cdow.org/VMG or check out the 2019 Summer Weekend Mass Guide in the The Dialog and TheDialog.org.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7/4-5	9am	DAILY MASS ONLY
7/4-5		Rectory closed – 4 th of July
7/8-7/12		Camp Madrid
7/9	7pm	Knights of Columbus Mtg.
7/11	8:30am	33 Days to Glory
7/11	6:30pm	33 Days to Glory
7/11	7pm	Baptism PREP Mtg.
7/15-7/19		Camp Madrid
7/15-7/19		Graphic Design Camp
7/18	8:30am	33 Days to Glory
7/18	6:30pm	33 Days to Glory
7/19	10am	Kentmere Mass