

# The Catholic Church of St. Ann

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## Mass Schedule:

Daily: Monday-Friday at 7:00am & 7:00pm; Saturday: 9:00am

Weekend Mass: Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, and 12 Noon

## Confession:

Saturday: 9:30am - 10:00am & 3:00pm - 3:45pm

## Baptism:

First Sunday of the month at the Noon Mass, as well as the second, third and fourth Sunday at 1:30pm. Instruction for new parents takes place on the second Saturday of the month at 10am. Arrangements are made with the rectory, 908-725-1008.

## Marriages:

The common policy of marriage requires that arrangements be made at least **One Year** before the date of marriage and before any social plans are made. Bride or Groom must be a parishioner. Please do not make any arrangements until you have met with the pastor, Msgr. Corona, and the wedding date has been approved.

## Ministry to the Sick:

Parishioners who are homebound are visited on the first Friday of each month by our Deacons & Religious. If you know of a parishioner that is seriously ill or hospitalized, please call the parish office.

## Lazarus Ministry:

Lazarus Ministry contacts and helps families of deceased parishioners. Providing greeters at funeral liturgies, preparing meals and house sitting are several ways parishioners assist families. Also, a Mass of Remembrance is held every November for those deceased that year.

**Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Corona, PA, KCHS, Pastor**

**Rev. John J. Werner, Parochial Vicar**

Rev. Msgr. James Cafone, S.T.D., Weekend Clergy

Deacon John R. Pacifico, Permanent Deacon

Deacon Conrad Paulus, Permanent Deacon

Sr. Dolores Toscano, M.P.F., Superior / Pastoral Associate

Sr. Mary Klersey, M.P.F., Principal

Sr. Phyllis Vella, M.P.F., Director of Religious Education

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Email: [info@stannparish.com](mailto:info@stannparish.com)

## Parish Mission Statement

*Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we the Catholic Parish of St. Ann embrace all as family and continue Christ's mission by exemplifying the love of God and neighbor as stewards of God's gifts to us.*

## Sponsors & Godparents:

Must be 18 years old, registered as an adult and be confirmed in the Catholic Church. If you are married, your marriage must be recognized by the church. This is especially important if you wish to be a sponsor for Confirmation or a Godparent for Baptism. It takes **6 months** of attending Mass to be eligible for both of these privileges.

## Parish Religious Education Program (PREP):

Grades 1-8 Monday 6:15pm to 7:30pm

Grades 1-7 Thursday 6:15pm to 7:30pm

Special Needs PREP - Grades 1-8 Tuesday, 6pm-7pm

For more information and Registration packet, please call Sr. Phyllis in the Parish Office at 908-725-1008.

## Parish Registration:

Any new family who has moved into the parish, or adult children 18 and over, are invited to register at our parish after any Sunday Mass or visit the rectory 8 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday. Also, please notify us if you move.

## St. Ann School Registration - **Pre-K to 8th grade:**

Our dedicated and experienced faculty are committed to providing a quality education focused on Faith, Family and Community. Call us at 908-725-7787 for more information, to visit our school or to register your child(ren).

## Like us on Facebook:

We are excited to announce that we now have a Facebook page for the Church, which will include important information concerning activities and special dates. Please LIKE us at "The Catholic Church of St. Ann - Raritan, NJ."

**FEBRUARY 8, 2015 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

# THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. ANN, RARITAN

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

### Monday, February 9, 2015

- 7am Luz Regala by Regala family  
7pm Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus

### Tuesday, February 10, 2015

- 7am Vito Toscano & Frank Toscano by Sr. Dolores Toscano  
7pm Camillo DiRado by Truppi family

### Wednesday, February 11, 2015

- 7am Tina Talamo by Sr. Dolores Toscano  
7pm Riley family by Maria & Frank

### Thursday, February 12, 2015

- 7am Frank Esposito by daughter, Marge Corona  
7pm Albert Walakonis by Mary Shallenberger

### Friday, February 13, 2015

- 7am No Intentions  
7pm Jeffrey Alan Hussey by Kathy Galella

### Saturday, February 14, 2015

- 9am Thomas Duda by Susan Locke  
4pm Maria & Donato Chiarella by Joe & Lena Iannetta

### Sunday, February 15, 2015

- 7:30am Vita M. DeSantis by Mr. & Mrs. T. DeSantis  
9:00am Living & Deceased Member of Holy Name Society  
10:30am People of the Parish  
12Noon Domenico Grande by wife, Angela & family

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, February 7, 2015

- 4:00pm **Eucharistic Ministers:** Jim & Maureen Wilson  
**Reader:** Theresa Walakonis  
**Altar Servers:** Mariana Arango, Julia Harvis,  
James & John Toolan

### SUNDAY, February 8, 2015

- 7:30am **Eucharistic Ministers:** Nanette Brown & Rob Sause  
**Reader:** Tom Brown  
**Altar Server:** Angelina Basilone & John Pugh  
9:00am **Eucharistic Ministers:** Michael Florczak & Stephanie Kedziora  
**Reader:** Nancy Giordano  
**Altar Servers:** Grace Giordano, Sal Wieceński,  
Joseph & Tanner Gorky  
10:30am **Eucharistic Ministers:** Jose & Debbie Blanco  
**Reader:** Lucas Pick  
**Altar Servers:** Alyssa Amato, Damian Barczewski,  
Allie Myslinski, & Carmen Stangota  
12:00 **Eucharistic Ministers:** Joseph Mele & Grace Rygiel  
Noon **Reader:** Ness Tirol  
**Altar Servers:** Logan Christ, Morgan Hill, Adam Tionson,  
Amy Wylie

## THIS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8-14, 2015 WE REMEMBER AND HONOR

### ST. JOSEPH LAMP

Alfred Izzo

Requested by  
The Children of  
St. Ann School



### ALTAR FLOWERS

Nicola & Caterina Grande  
50th Anniversary

### BLESSED MOTHER SANCTUARY LAMP

Mary Ann Dely  
Requested by  
husband, John



## OUR MILITARY

**Let Us Remember...In our prayers, the men and women serving in our Nation's Armed Forces.**

Major Michael A. De Cicco, U.S. Army  
Victor Dulay, Jr. U.S. Marine Corps  
LCpl. Matthew John U.S. Marine Corps



PFC Gavin John, U.S. Marine Corps  
CW4 Michael Lopez, Jr.  
Major Michael Morella, U.S. Army  
Sgt. Dan Neville, U.S. Marine Corps  
SPC Keith Ressa, U.S. Army  
PFC Daniel J. Salvo, U.S. Marine Corps  
Corporal Jonathan Schultes, US Marine Corps  
Major Louis P. Simon, U.S. Marine Corps  
PFC Jerome C. Sunga, US Army  
Jack Vara, U.S. Marine Corps

**May God bless them & keep them safe. Pray for the souls of those who have given their lives in service to our country.**

*(Please advise the Parish Office if your family member's military status or rank has changed, or if a name should be included, so we may update our list).*

## PRAAYER LIST



Pat Adamo	Joanne Felty	Yolanda Polidoro
David Alves	Teresa Galaini	Fortunato Riga
Luzmanda Anthony	Anthony Gambino	Teresa Riga
Michael Brennan	Elizabeth Gecik	Frank Ratkowski
Chester Butkiewicz	Eleanor Giraldi	Mary Ribar
Joanmarie Carlone	Leonard Grasso, Sr.	Cosette Ruh
Albert Charles	Roberta Grillo	Anthony Sacino
Bruno Joe Cirianni	Ruth Gulick	Bill Salerno
Frances D'Angelo	James Holmes	Marianne San Filippo
Michele D'Angelo	Doris Kelco	Josephine Sapp
Angela DeFina	Joseph Kowalski	Phyllis Serafin
Mary Ann De Maio	Bernadette Laggini	Raffaella Simonetti
Ann Descoteau	Barbara Langon	Mary Shallenberger
Raymond Descoteau	MaryAnn Mangiaracina	Frank & Lucille Sudano
Maria M. Desiderio	Rosalie Marrone	Dolores Talamini
Theresa DiBetta	Giovanna Martini	Eva Terlizzi
Lydia Digiuoseppantonio	Louis Mattei	Tommarie Tibaldi
Mike Faccione	Victoria Melitsky	Anthony Tomaro
Carmela Fasano	Pauline Mengak	Joseph Torlish
Mary & Richard Felice	Brenda Mracek	Carolyn Trepiccio
Maria Fusca	Nancy Natale	Marie Vale
	Adelino Nunes	Allison Valverde
	Margaret O'Donnell	Maria Varvaro
	Olga Orlando	Richard Vetack
	John Petsko	Barbara Viola
	P.G.	Vincent Viscariello
	Gary Pieretti	Carmella Vitale
		Lisa Yoder

## READINGS FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8, 2015

**Sunday:** Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39  
**Monday:** Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56  
**Tuesday:** Gn 1:20—2:4a; Mk 7:1-13  
**Wednesday:** Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23  
**Thursday:** Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30  
**Friday:** Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37  
**Saturday:** Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10



## TAX LETTER

Anyone who would like an **end of year tax letter**, please call the office at 908-725-1008 or email [dbontempo@stannparish.com](mailto:dbontempo@stannparish.com).

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## ST. ANN'S FESTA COMMITTEE

### St. Ann 2015 Festa (Wednesday, June 24 through Saturday, June 27)

This year we are trying to expand our that we can create a more profitable event. two chairpersons to volunteer. One chair- and the other in charge of marketing. bility of forming their own committees to



marketing and sponsorship of the Festa so To accomplish this feat we are in need of person will be in charge of sponsorship Each chairperson will have the responsi- help accomplish their specific tasks.

If you are interested please contact Donna at the Rectory Office, 908-725-1008 x113, or email her at [dbontempo@stannparish.com](mailto:dbontempo@stannparish.com).

#### ELECTRONIC GIVING

St. Ann's offers parishioners the opportunity to make Online Church contributions!

- Log onto [www.stannparish.com](http://www.stannparish.com), then scroll down, and click on St. Ann Parish Online Donation System.
- You will be connected to a secure site where you may enter your information.

*Thank you for your continued support!*

#### FISCAL YEAR WEEKLY OFFERING

Week # 30 (Total) .....	\$9,118.50
Envelope Offerings:	\$7,148.00
Net Charge Offerings:	\$1,357.50
Loose Offering:	\$613.00
Poor Box -	\$60.00

*Thank you for your generosity to our parish.*

*"...where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" 12:34*

#### PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

NO MATTER HOW OLD YOU ARE OR HOW LONG YOU HAVE ATTENDED MASS HERE, YOU MAY SHOW UP AS A CHILD ON YOUR PARENT'S REGISTRATION OR NOT SHOW UP AT ALL!!! WE WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH FOR YOU TO REGISTER AS AN INDIVIDUAL SO YOU CAN RECEIVE MAILINGS FROM US. PLEASE STOP BY THE PARISH OFFICE TO FILL OUT A REGISTRATION FORM; THIS IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IF YOU WISH TO BE A SPONSOR FOR CONFIRMATION OR GODPARENT, ARE GETTING MARRIED, OR WISH TO BAPTIZE YOUR BABY.



#### FACEBOOK

We are excited to announce that we now have a Facebook page for the Church, which will include important information concerning activities and special dates. Please **LIKE US** at "The Catholic Church of St. Ann-Raritan, NJ".



#### BINGO

**EVERY SUNDAY at 7 PM & TUESDAY at 7:30 PM**

*Doors open 1-1/2 hours prior to game time.*

**ST. ANN SCHOOL CAFETERIA**



#### 2015 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

*Life-Changing Faith*

The *Office for Catechesis* works to train and nourish parish leaders and catechists who teach and echo the faith, build up the life of the worshipping community, and lead others to commit themselves to living our Christian values in everyday life, according to age and ability.

*Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal strengthens and grows a family of faith.*

**Status as of 01/30/15**

*To date, the Development Department has received pledges totaling \$50,604.48 and payments totaling \$49,457.98 from 239 parishioners. This represents 88.8% of your \$57,000.00 goal.*

*Thank you for your efforts*

#### WILL PLANNING

Please remember "The Catholic Church of St. Ann" when planning your will. We appreciate the thoughtfulness of parishioners who in the past have left bequests to the parish. These gifts help us to build a solid foundation for future generations.



#### SOCIAL MINISTRY

**Calling all drivers.....**

We are in need of a driver to assist a local parishioner. She needs a ride into Flemington on Tuesday and Friday mornings. Please contact Christine at the rectory office at 908-725-1008 or email at [cesposito@stannparish.com](mailto:cesposito@stannparish.com). Thank you in advance for helping those in need.

#### BOX TOPS

**IT'S SUBMISSION TIME!!**

Please cut all your **Box Tops** to help support St. Ann School.

Submit them to the School or Rectory Office by:



**Friday, February 20**



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

There's a story about a man---let's call him Sam---who was walking by a river one day when he spotted a woman in the water in obvious distress. Without a moment's hesitation, he jumped in, swam to the woman and guided her safely to the riverbank, where a small group of people had gathered to watch the dramatic rescue. No sooner had Sam made sure that the woman was going to be okay than the shout went up: "There's another one!" Sam leapt back into the river and swam to rescue a drowning man. Our exhausted hero dragged him to the shore and hadn't even got out of the water this time when the cry went up again: "Someone else is drowning!" This time a child was rescued by valiant Sam.

By now the crowd had grown to quite a size, so when the eagle-eyed spectators shouted out that there were more people floating down the river, all eyes turned expectantly to Sam. But instead of diving back in, Sam calmly stood up, turned his back to the river and started walking away. Angrily, the crowd challenged him: "Aren't you going to rescue those people?" "*You* rescue them," Sam said. "*I'm* going to find out who's throwing people into this river."

Today's Gospel Lesson shows Jesus doing a good deed, as he heals Simon's mother-in-law. Quickly a crowd gathers as word spreads of Jesus' healing powers. It's almost as if Jesus is presented with the suffering of the whole town. He dives in, curing those who are sick and freeing those caught up by evil spirits. But Jesus faces a dilemma. Is this why he came---to cure sick people, to establish a base here in Capernaum so that those who are burdened can come to him? In the silence of the night, away from the crowds, he is able to look beyond the immediate need and hear his Father's voice speak to him of his true purpose, his real mission. Yes, Jesus is a healer---but his mission is not simply to cure sickness, and he has not been sent just to this one town.

Like Sam in my story, Jesus sees that there is a bigger issue at stake, a more urgent and important task he has to accomplish. So although "everybody is looking for" Jesus-

--doubtless there were more people in need of healing---Jesus does not return to the town but instead heads off for other places. His intention is not simply to heal, since healing is only one aspect of his mission. He has come to "preach"---to proclaim the good news of the nearness of God's kingdom, of which the healings and the exorcisms are but a sign.

It's easy for us to be so wrapped up in our lives---the daily routine, the demands that simple existence makes upon us---that we lose sight of our true purpose and calling. Like Job in our Old Testament Lesson, we can be left struggling with our existence, failing to find a meaning in our lives. Sickness, mental illness, stress and anxiety in particular can so consume us that our life feels like no more than "pressed service" and "hired drudgery". But that highly charged, symbolic good deed of Jesus points a way forward for us: Simon's mother-in-law, totally incapacitated by her illness, is restored by Jesus' touch not simply to health but to service. She is "helped up" by Jesus---and she begins to "wait on them" (the original Greek word means she "ministers" or "deacons" to them). In other words, her encounter with Jesus transforms her suffering into the freedom to serve. This Gospel truth is a lesson the disciples struggle to learn: that true greatness lies in service, for Jesus himself came not to be served but to serve.

Jesus' mission was indeed to heal---but this healing was accomplished on the cross, and was a healing of the whole of humanity, indeed the whole of creation. Those of us who, like Simon's mother-in-law, are touched by Jesus are raised to serve like him, to continue his mission of bringing healing and wholeness into our world. So many people are weighed down by burdens of suffering, trapped by external forces of oppression and poverty, or enslaved by internal compulsions and addictions. The response of Christ---of the Christian---is to do more than simply ask "Why?" We are called to engage actively, by proclaiming the nearness of God's kingdom through lives of loving service.

May God *always* be pleased with us!  
*Monsignor Michael*



*Our Scripture Lessons remind us:*

- ...*that* we are called in many different ways, and sometimes the good is the enemy of the best;
- ...*that* in prayer, Jesus discerns what the Father has sent him to do;
- ...*and that* Christ empowers us to continue his work of salvation through lives of service.

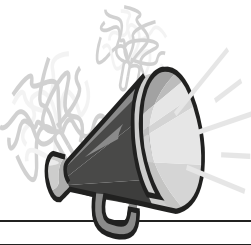
*May God always be pleased with us. Amen!*

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**ST. ANN SCHOOL ALUMNI**

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Ann School  
Let's celebrate together!**

If you are a graduate or know of any alumni to St. Ann School in the past fifty years, please contact the Parish Office at 908-725-1008 or email Donna at [dbontempo@stannparish.com](mailto:dbontempo@stannparish.com) to ensure that at least one graduate from each year is represented to form this committee to coordinate and organize the various events for the year celebration.



**MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF STEWARDSHIP**

*"Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.'" – Mark 1:35, 38*

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. Yet, Jesus also makes time to be alone in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what God wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

**BISHOP BOOTKOSKI TO BE HONORED**

**at 2015 Catholic School Education Dinner**  
April 14  
Hyatt Regency in New Brunswick

The Most Reverend Paul G. Bootkoski, Bishop of the Diocese of Metuchen, will be presented the *St. John Neumann Award*. The award, which is named for the "Father of the Parochial School System," is given to an individual who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership, commitment and dedication to promoting Catholic school education in the Diocese of Metuchen.

"Bishop Bootkoski has made Catholic schools a priority in the diocese and continues to be a strong proponent," said Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Corona, PA, KCHS, executive director of the diocesan Department of Education. "Our bishop is deserving of this honor which is also an expression of our gratitude for his ongoing support for the teachers, administrators, and most importantly the children attending our Catholic schools."

The proceeds from the Catholic School Education Dinner benefits the Foundation for Catholic Education Scholarship Fund which provides tuition assistance for low-income families whose children attend our diocesan Catholic schools. For dinner tickets, sponsorship opportunities and information about the basket auction and raffle, go to:

website at <http://tinyurl.com/2015EdDinner>,  
email [educationdinner15@diometuchen.org](mailto:educationdinner15@diometuchen.org) or  
call 732.562.2452.

**THIRD ANNUAL YOUTH ACTIVITY DAY**

**Free  
Breakfast  
& lunch**

**Footsteps of American Saints**  
Grades 1-12

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**  
Saturday, March 7 from 9 AM-3 PM  
45 Henderson Rd; Kendall Park, NJ

**Online registration required:** [SetonPatch.Eventbrite.com](http://SetonPatch.Eventbrite.com)  
Learn about St. Elizabeth's Life & Accomplishments, View Relic & Stained Glass Window, Earn a patch, **FREE** Activities, Mass & Prayer.

**MONTE CARLO NIGHT**



*Craps ~~~ Roulette ~~~ Blackjack*

**Saturday, February 21, 2015 at 6:30 PM**  
*St. Ann's School Cafeteria*

\$35/pp includes:

Buffet Dinner, Venetian Table, Soda and \$25 in Gaming Chips.  
*Cash Bar for Beer & Wine*

\*\*\*Purchase your tickets before January 12 to receive an extra \$25 in gaming chips\*\*\*

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.....and proudly presents:

**Grand Prize ~~~ "Fire on Ice" Raffle**  
**\$25 Raffle Donation**

**2 Seats in the DELTA SKY BOX**  
**NY Rangers vs. Washington Capitals**  
March 29, 2015 at 3 PM



Raffle ticket proceeds benefit St. Ann School

For more information or to purchase tickets contact  
Frank DeStefano at 908-635-0095 or email at [frank\\_destefano@hotmail.com](mailto:frank_destefano@hotmail.com)

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT**

**A JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF** *"Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted."* If you are suffering over the death of someone you loved, perhaps the 8 week **Bereavement Support Group Sessions** may help you during this difficult time. The Group will be meeting **WEDNESDAYS** in the **Parish Teen Center** for 8 weeks.

**Mary, Mother of God; Hillsborough**  
January 21-March 11, 2015 from 7-8:30 PM  
**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

**There is no fee.**

Contact **Trudy Madden** at 908-874-6288 or  
**Philomena Cellilli** at 908-285-6053.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...**

*Do you: Have a minimum of 3 hours a week to offer to a child?  
Like having fun?  
Want to make a difference in a child's life?  
Enjoy being a positive role model?*

Volunteers are needed for the **Connections Program**. To participate in one-to-one activities and become a mentor to the youth of Middlesex County & Franklin Township. This program provides positive adult role models for children who have suffered loss or who have special needs. Many children are in need of this service.

Call: Jeanette Cullen - 732-738-1323 or

Email: [jcullen@ccdom.org](mailto:jcullen@ccdom.org)

**Catholic Charities ~ Diocese of Metuchen**

**40 HOURS OF DEVOTION-Eucharistic adoration**

**St. Bernard of Clairvaux**

Open with an evening prayer on Sunday, **March 8 at 7:30 PM**  
Will close with solemn procession at **7:30PM** on Tues, **March 10**.  
All are welcome to attend our Lenten Mission to adore the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration for 40 continuous hours.

To sign-up for a particular hour:

email at [stbchaff@gmail.com](mailto:stbchaff@gmail.com) or just show up.

For more information on hours of special prayer intention, recitation of the rosary, or evening prayer services, visit the website at [www.stbernardbridgewater.org](http://www.stbernardbridgewater.org).

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## ST. ANN SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Friends of St. Ann School,



A few weeks ago you heard our students talk about their favorite school, St. Ann School. Each was a delight and shared his/her unique version of the school. What you did not get to see or hear is the process of preparing for each presentation.

The second and third graders needed a little help. Two of them stood next to me and told me what to type for them. They first spoke naturally and casually. As they realized that each word was typed separately, they started to give me one word at a time. This was a real challenge because it required them to construct the sentence in their head and then repeat the parts of the sentence in order so I could type it. I enjoyed them checking on my spelling and speed. They were helping me the way others had helped them.

When practicing with a microphone for the first time, confidence oozed from these little ones. They had poise, good diction, and were just charming. The older children came next. They had already written their speeches and just needed to practice speaking clearly into a device. With all of their knowledge and skill in reading, they were shy and humble. They read with a small smile of pride and kept checking to see if I am pleased.

I share this with you because it is a sign that students grow and progress year by year. They do not remain the same and we really would not want them to. That reminded me of a comment I once heard. "We hear the same readings all the time at Mass." It is true that the readings to follow a repeating cycle. But we are the ones who are not the same each time we encounter the Word of God. Sometimes we are learning about Him for the first time. Sometimes, we recognize each words spoken but have not made it our own yet and so we stumble as we try to repeat the message in our daily lives. Many times we are humble with a small hint of confidence. We know those Words and the speaker. We know the message given is good and true and we shyly look to the Lord knowing He just has to be pleased with us.

Know that no matter what your age, your presence at Church on Sunday means a great deal to the school. It shows the little observer in the pew next to you that God is for all of us, no matter our age. It shows those pair of eyes that this is important and meaning each and every Sunday. Like the little ones telling me what to write, they are jumping for joy and coming closer and closer to you. They want to get it right the way you do and they want you to get it right because you are their hero in faith.

Thank you for your faithful witness. Thank you for being the super hero of your neighborhood Church. Thank you for showing up and giving that silent example of devotion. The difference you make is real.

God bless you,  
Sr. Mary Klersey, MPP  
Principal

## OUR PARISH WEEK AHEAD

### Sunday, February 8, 2015

### **WORLD MARRIAGE DAY**

Mass: 7:30am / 9am / 10:30am / 12N

Food Drive *after all Masses*

8-11:30a - KOC Parish Breakfast (*special Valentine's Day menu*)

9a Mass - 50th Anniversary for Nicola & Caterina Grande

10:30a Mass - 1st Communion families attend Mass (C)

12n Mass - Confirmation Candidates attend Mass (C)

1-2p - Confirmation - group session (SC)

7p - BINGO (SC)

### Monday, February 9, 2015

Daily Mass: 7am and 7pm

6:15-7:30p - PREP with Mass

7p - Knights of Columbus meeting

### Tuesday, February 10, 2015

Daily Mass: 7am and 7pm

6-7p - Special Needs Prep (S)

7:30p - Liturgical Committee meeting (RCR)

7:30p - BINGO (SC)

### Wednesday, February 11, 2015

Daily Mass: 7am and 7pm

2:30-3:45p - Little Flower Club (SL)

5-8:30p - Choir Practice (CL)

7-8p - OPEN HOUSE (S)

### Thursday, February 12, 2015

Daily Mass: 7am and 7pm

6:15-7:30p - PREP with Mass (S)

### Friday, February 13, 2015

Daily Mass: 7am and 7pm

8a-2:30p - Buddy Day (S)

7-10p - 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Dance

### Saturday, February 14, 2015

Daily Mass: 9am Vigil Mass: 4pm

10a-12n - Baptismal PREP Class

### Sunday, February 15, 2015

Mass: 7:30am / 9am / 10:30am / 12N

7p - BINGO (SC)

7:15p - KOC 1st Degree practice (CMR)

## SCRIP - GIFT CARDS



Help St. Ann School to help you by buying **Scrip Gift Cards** to make your purchases at stores and shopping on the internet. Our school will receive a percentage of total sales in return.

**Scrip Gift Cards** are always available for purchase at St. Ann School or the Rectory.

**Scrip Weekly Form:** [www.stannparish.com/churchsite/](http://www.stannparish.com/churchsite/)

## AMAZON SMILE

Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible **AmazonSmile** purchases to the Catholic Church of St. Ann and St. Ann School whenever you shop on AmazonSmile.

**Website:** <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-1610843>



## WISH LIST



St. Ann School is looking for donations to fix or buy an **INDUSTRIAL FREEZER** for our school kitchen. If you are able to donate, please contact the rectory at 908-725-1008.



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