

# The Catholic Church of St. Ann

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St. Ann School: 29 Second Ave., Raritan, NJ 08869 Tel. (908) 725-7787 • Fax (908) 541-9335

## Mass Schedule:

Daily: Monday-Friday at 9:00am. Weekend Mass: 9AM  
Saturday Vigil: 4PM  
Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, and 12 Noon

## Confession:

Saturday: 9:30AM to 10AM & 3PM- 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, please call 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:

Parish home bounds 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 let the parish office know.

## Anointing of the Sick:

Please call the rectory to arrange a home visit

## 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 Godparent for baptism. It takes **6 months** of attending Mass to be eligible for both of these privileges.

## Parish Religious Education Program (PREP):

### PREP classes are held:

Monday 6:15PM to 7:30PM. Grades 1-8 or Thursday 6:15PM to 7:30PM for Grades 1-7. For information please call Sr. Phyllis in the Religious Education 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 8AM to 4PM Monday through Friday. *Summer hours* are Monday through Thursday 8AM to 4PM. Also, please notify us if you move out of the parish.

## St. Ann School Registration.

—Pre-K-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 or to register



*“The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.”*

— Mt 13:22-23

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# THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. ANN, RARITAN

## PASTORAL TEAM

**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

www.stannparish.com

Email: info@stannparish.com

Summer Office hours: Monday - Thursday

9:00 am - 4:00 pm



### Monday, July 14, 2014

7am Lawrence Keim, r/o Mr. & Mrs. Duda

7pm Knights of Columbus

### Tuesday, July 15, 2014

7am Barry LaRochelle, r/o Colleen Rodriguez & Family

7pm Agnes Czock, r/o Mary & Ray

### Wednesday, July 16, 2014

7am Anthony DeMaio II & Sons, r/o Sister, Nancy Trippanera

7pm Vincenzo & Domenica Ruffa, r/o Daughter, Maria Rosa Gasparo

### Thursday, July 17, 2014

7am Antonio Greco, r/o Isabella Ruffa

7pm Salvatore Natale, r/o Wife, Lidia

### Friday, July 18, 2014

7am Robert Rodenburgh, r/o Ottilia Catterson

7pm Marie Matteis Fidacaro, r/o Daughter and Family

### Saturday, July 19, 2014

9am Rose Fusca, r/o Mom & Dad

4pm Arlene Young, r/o Mom & Dad

### Sunday, July 20, 2014

7:30am People of the Parish

9am Holy Name Society

10:30am Pasquale & Rosaria Suriano, r/o Immacolata Surriano

12noon Louis Prieto, r/o Wife, Teresa Truppi

## Please Pray for the sick of our parish

Victoria Andrews	Teresa Galaini	Yolanda Polidoro
Luzmanda Anthony	Anthony Gambino	Frank Ratkowski
Bernadette Bavoso	Elizabeth Gecik	Fortunato Riga
Michael Brennan	Eleanor Giraldo	Teresa Riga
Chester Butkiewicz	Roberta Grillo	Cosette Ruh
Jimmy Canavan	Ruth Gulick	Anthony Sacino
Joanmarie Carlone	James Holmes	Marianne San Filippo
Jaden Chambers	Doris Kelco	Nancy Schiavi
Albert Charles	Bernadette Laggini	Mary Shallenberger
Kathy Ciociola	Barbara Langon	Phyllis Serafin
Dominic Comandol	Edward Locasio	David Snedegar
Susan Cunningham	Marie Locasio	Frank & Lucille Sudano
Frances D'Angelo	Rosalie Marrone	Dolores Talamini
Michele D'Angelo	Giovanna Martini	Anthony Tomaro
Angela DeFina	Kathy McCormack	Tommarie Tibaldi
Dominick DeLuca	Patricia McGuire	Carolyn Trepiccio
Mary Ann De Maio	Victoria Melitsky	Marie Vale
Ann Descoteau	Anna Moretti	Allison Valverde
Theresa DiBetta	Nancy Natale	Richard Vetack
Lydia Diguseppantonio	Ava Rose Navarro	Vincent Viscariello
Alyssa Eubanks	Margaret O'Donnell	Carmella Vitale
Mike Faccione	Thomas Orecchio	Joan Wirzman
Mary & Richard Felice	Olga Orlando	Lisa Yoder
JoAnn Felty	Raymond Peters	Carissa Zingariello
Sharon Fisahn	John Petsko	
Maria Fusca	Gary Pieretti	



## BINGO AT ST. ANN'S

Every Sunday & Tuesday Nights  
St. Ann School  
(Air Conditioned) Cafeteria

Sunday's Doors Open at 5:30 pm—Games Start at 7pm  
Tuesday's Doors Open at 6 pm—Games Start at 7:30 pm

HOT FOOD, DESSERTS, COFFEE & TEA AVAILABLE

Proceeds from Bingo Support School Programs  
Must be at least 21 years of age to Play

## IN MEMORY OF...

For the week of July 13, requests in memory have been offered for:



**Altar Candle #1**

**Francesco Rita**

**Requested by Frank & Marie Rita**

**Tabernacle Lamp**

**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel**

**Requested by Maria Inconterera**

**Blessed Mother Sanctuary Lamp**

**Filomena "Mamie" Carri**

**Requested by the McNulty Family**

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

There is an ongoing argument in wine-growing countries about what is called, in French, *terroir*. It is a word that defies translation into English, which is one of the reasons that it causes such a problem. It sounds like the English word “territory” and also carries with it the flavor of “terrestrial”, the earth in which the vines are planted.

The reason why it is such a cause for debate is that wine-making practices have been quite different in the Old World of Europe and the New World of North and South America. In the New World, the custom has been to buy grapes grown in different areas. Winemakers obviously source their grapes carefully, but pick and choose from different growers and then use their skill to create the wine. In Europe, and especially France, the custom is to make a wine only from a closely defined area, a particular vineyard, and then only from the legally permitted grapes for that region. Hence the importance of *terroir*.

Does the quite minutely defined geographic area have such a determining effect on the quality of the wine? Even in Europe there are plenty of wines made in a much more haphazard fashion, but they cannot claim the title that brings them greater value in the market. The critic will note that a bad winemaker can make bad wine from good grapes, wherever they come from, and a good winemaker will make good wine. Is it true that only certain grapes from a particular *terroir* will produce the desired distinctive character?

Time and again Jesus constructs his parables around the daily lives of his listeners. In a mixed economy of the pastoral and agricultural, he moves easily between the two to bring home his teaching. The seed and the sower is a favourite image of his because it allows him to bring out the miraculous growth and transformation that the good news can achieve in and through us. It also builds his message on the very real way in which nature works, a pattern that will become the foundation for our understanding of sacramental life. However, there are various ways in which we block the transmission of his word and prevent it taking root in our hearts and producing its fruit in the way we live. We can be too busy with other things; we can be too shallow and not able to deal with the challenges life throws at us. We can become too distracted by what

We can become too distracted by what the world offers us, its riches as well as its doubts and difficulties. What is asked of us is to have an open heart but then also to have the depth to understand what God is saying to us. We are both the ground that receives the seed and then the seed itself as we go about our lives in a way that is transformed by God’s word living and working through us.

So what would Jesus have thought about *terroir*? It is an example of whether we favour nature or nurture. Jesus does seem to imply that the mixture of the soil and its circumstances matters. We have to be able to receive his word, and to do that we need to rid ourselves of the hindrances that prevent this happening. Many of us will have been formed by the way we were brought up. Such phrases as “the family that prays together stays together” try to evoke a world in which faith can be nurtured and passed on. However, many of us also have experience of this not always happening, and parents often blame themselves and wonder what they should or could have done differently.

How we make a good wine is a long and complex process, involving many different inputs and decisions. Similarly, the growth of faith involves many different stages, and we may find ourselves sidetracked, making wrong assumptions or even losing sight of its pursuit. Jesus tells his disciples that the ordinary soil of humanity is not sufficient. That is why he speaks in parables, hoping to break through the reluctance of his audience to hear and understand. Where direct communication fails, we can still be sensitive to a more imaginative approach. What we hope we will always retain is that underlying desire to understand more deeply the seed that lies within us and the openness to God’s touch that will lead us to produce the fruit of goodness and truth that God asks of us.

In your charity, pray for the sick and the lonely—visit them if you can. Please remember to pray for all who have wandered from the Faith and all who have died. Also, pray for the souls of all the faithful departed of our Parish Family.

May God *always* be pleased with us!

*Monsignor Michael*

*Our Scripture Lessons remind us:*

- ...to ask: is good wine made best from closely defined areas and grapes or does it depend on the choices and skills of the winemaker?**
- ...that Jesus uses parables of nature as a source of understanding and also to break through our prejudices and lack of insight;**
- ...and that even if we are provided with a good grounding in the faith, we may drift away. We can trust that God’s way of touching our hearts will help us discover truth and goodness.**

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

# 13 JULY, 2014—FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## READINGS FOR WEEK OF July 13, 2014

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9  
Monday: Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34--11:1  
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24  
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Mt 11:25-27  
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Mt 11:28-30  
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Mt 12:1-8  
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21  
Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

## TRAVEL WITHOUT LEAVING HOME...

*Looking for something for your family to do while the children are home for summer vacation?*

Take a Virtual Online trip through the Vatican Museums. Explore the Sistine Chapel and more through beautiful photographs and captions. **Google Vatican Museums Website**, click to open page; scroll down to bottom of page and click on **CollectionsOnline**.

Browse and follow recent news of the Vatican Observatory at [www.vaticanobservatory.org](http://www.vaticanobservatory.org) and discover exciting photos of our universe.

Check out Pope Francis on Twitter and catch up on the latest news from his official Twitter page, **@Pontifex**.



## ATLANTIC CITY CASINOS BUS TRIP—

CANCELLED

No trips during July

## 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  
LCpl William A. De Santis, U.S. Marine Corps  
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  
LT. Robert Wilson, U.S. Navy



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

## WEEKLY OFFERTORY

### NEW FISCAL YEAR

<b>Week #1</b> <i>(First week of Fiscal Year 2015)</i>	<b>\$9,202.26</b>
<b>Budget need per Week</b>	<b>\$16,000.00</b>
<b>Weekly Deficit</b>	<b>(\$6,797.74)</b>
<b>Deficit since 7/1/14</b>	<b>(\$6,797.74)</b>

## ELECTRONIC GIVING

St. Ann's offers parishioners the opportunity to make Online Church contributions! Log onto [www.stannparish.com](http://www.stannparish.com), 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!

### SUMMER ENVELOPES

We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail or deliver your weekly envelopes to the parish office while you are out of town on vacation this summer. As many of you understand, our parish expenses and obligations do not take a vacation when you do, so it is very helpful to be able to rely on your continued support even when you cannot personally attend Mass here.

*If God calls you, call us!*

### Religious Teachers Filippini

[www.filippiniusa.org](http://www.filippiniusa.org)  
[www.filippinivocations.com](http://www.filippinivocations.com)

### Continuing the ministry of Jesus the Teacher

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*Are you being called to share your life in love and service as a consecrated woman in religious life as a Sister?  
Are you willing to allow the Lord to consecrate your gifts, talents, and enthusiasm for life to Him, the Beloved?  
Are you passionately in love with Jesus Christ?  
If you have questions or are curious about the prayer, ministry and community life of the  
Religious Teachers Filippini*

Contact Sister Shirlee [stbernadetteconvent@gmail.com](mailto:stbernadetteconvent@gmail.com)  
917-349-7935 Facebook = Filippini Vocations



As I have loved you

**Marriage Encounter**

*Why not take the opportunity to enrich your marriage?*

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held **July 18-20, 2014**

Early Registration is advisable as space is limited. Phone 1-888-827-NJME for registration and information Visit us at : [www.wwmecentralnj.org](http://www.wwmecentralnj.org)

**PRAYER WHEN GOING ON VACATION**

Lord Jesus Christ, I am grateful for a vacation. I am tired of the routine of daily life. I know that it will be good for me to follow your example and go "to the other side" for a while, seeking rest and change. but I will not go without You. I need Your presence every hour of my vacation. Keep me close to You while I am away from home. Make me strong to resist all temptations to sin and shame. May your spirit help me to conduct myself as a Christian. Help me to use my vacation wisely that I may be refreshed in body, mind, and spirit. Send your Holy Angels to protect me in my travels. Keep me safe from harm and danger, and at the end of my vacation, bring me safely back home again. In Your Holy Name, I both pray and go. Amen.

**SOCIAL MINISTRY**

Thank you for the great response for the lady's bike. We have a **second request for a man's bike**. If you have a man's bike to donate, please contact Christine at the rectory office at 908-725-1008

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**



**Please know.....**

**Starting the first week in July, the Rectory Office will be closed for business every Friday during the Summer months.**

**Our Office hours are as follows: Monday thru Thursday 9am to 4pm**

**OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP....**

Golf...For the Mothers & Babies at the Center for Great Expectations



Two ways to help -

First, Great Expectations has registered as an official nonprofit of the PGA's TICKETSforeCHARITY and the Barclays Tournament, taking place at Ridgewood Country Club from August 19-24th. Purchase your tickets using the Center's code of 'RATING14' and Great Expectations will receive 75% of the ticket price, whether its an "any day" ticket or a weekly ticket. Come watch the 100 players compete at this beautiful NJ course. We can assist your company or group in purchasing blocks of tickets, too! To purchase individual tickets visit [www.BuyTFC.com](http://www.BuyTFC.com) & click on the Barclays, and remember to use our code, "RATING14"!

Prefer playing instead? Then **join us at our annual Ken Daneyko Gold Classic on Thursday, July 10th at Suburban Golf Club in Union, NJ**. Meet Ken Daneyko, NJ Devils Great, and the NJ Devil himself. Enjoy a day that includes brunch, 18 holes of golf, dinner reception and auction, contests, and 2 hole-in-one cars! All in support of the Center's programs, and the young mothers and babies we serve.

For more information on both, check our website <http://www.cge-nj.org/golf.classic.aspx>, email [carolb@cge-nj.org](mailto:carolb@cge-nj.org), or call 732-247-7003, extension 32.



**PARISH NURSES CORNER**

The St. Ann Parish Nurses recently had a presentation from Sumantha Banerjee from the Somerset County Health Department. The topic was "Preparing makes sense, get ready now!" We need to have plans in place when disaster strikes whether it is the result of fire, flood, snowstorm or an attack. Be prepared with at least 3 days worth of emergency supplies. Get a kit of emergency supplies. This should include H2O, food, medicine, clothes, flashlight. Make a plan for what you will do in an emergency. Where will you meet up with family members? Do you have contact information for family & friends? Where will you shelter? Be informed about what will happen. Go to [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) to learn more about emergencies or potential threats. Get involved in preparing your community. You may want to get involved with the Citizen Corps in your town or county—visit their website: [www.citizen corps.com](http://www.citizen corps.com). They will help prepare & train volunteers in the community .

# 13 JULY, 2014—FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Friends of St. Ann School,

During these hot and humid days, God continues to favor our school. Our enrollment continues to increase. Inquiries into our programs are a daily occurrence.



Many families come to us with a sincere desire to surround their children in the knowledge and love our Lord as the children learn and become what is needed to be successful Catholic adults, More often than not, there are other reasons why St. Ann School is the school of choice.

In helping our school to attract families, you may want to practice an elevator speech. Elevator speeches are 30 to 60 second commercials. It is the time it would take to go from one floor to another on an elevator. In our fast paced information, it is the amount of time one American pays heed to another about anything.

Your speech could include knowledge of our intimate family atmosphere, our outstanding standardized test results which show students in 4th grade and above performing four or more grade levels their grade placement level, our rich Catholic culture, the superior experience level of our teachers, or on a hot day, the fact that the school is air conditioned.

No matter what your speech contains, your face will tell the whole story. It should shine with pride, hope, and enthusiasm for our school.

If you manage to be able to arouse interest in the time allotted, jot down and share our school contact information. Our phone number is 908-727-7787. We have an informative webpage at [www.stannparish.com](http://www.stannparish.com) or you can have them e-mail me at [mklersey@stannparish.com](mailto:mklersey@stannparish.com)

Thank you for your continued support. The school is here for you and for the growth of the Kingdom of God..

God bless you,

Sr. Mary Klersey, MPF  
Principal

## A SUMMER BLESSING

Go now and know that the Spirit of Jesus  
will be watching over you;

Go now and enjoy God's Summer gifts of warm sun,  
cooling waters, and long, light days;

Go now with the gifts of hope, that you may know  
God's guidance, which is keeping you safe.

Go now with the gift of knowledge, remembering all that you have learned.

With God's help, try to live it.

Go now with these words of Jesus in your hearts and minds:

"I will not leave you: I am with you always."

Amen.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Sunday, July 13, 2014—15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

*Comboni Misson Appeal*

7pm BINGO (School Cafeteria)

### Monday, July 14, 2014

- Daily Mass at 7am and 7pm  
8pm—Knights of Columbus (CMR)

### Tuesday, July 15, 2014

- Daily Mass at 7am and 7pm  
7:30 pm: BINGO (School cafeteria)  
7:45 pm: Pastoral Council (CMR)

### Wednesday, July 16, 2014

- Daily Mass at 7am and 7pm

### Thursday, July 17, 2014

- Daily Mass at 7am and 7pm

### Friday, July 18, 2014

- Daily Mass at 7am

### Saturday, July 19, 2014

- Daily Mass 9am / Vigil Mass: 4pm

## Faith Formation—Religious Education PREP (Parish Religious Education Program)—Gr. 1-8

\*Registration for children in Grades 1-8 has begun. Families are welcome to visit the Parish Office to obtain a **PREP** (Parish Religious Education Program) Registration Packet for the 2014-15 Program year or visit our church website: [www.stannparish.com](http://www.stannparish.com) under the Faith Formation/Religious Education Tab for program details as well as a Registration Packet. Contact Sr. Phyllis at [pvella@stannparish.com](mailto:pvella@stannparish.com) or please call 908-725-1008 for further information.

# WANTED!

## CATECHISTS/ VOLUNTEERS

Are you looking for a way to share your faith, time, talent? Our Parish Religious Education Program, needs you!

Volunteers are needed for classes, catechists, aides, sacramental preparation, substitutes, office/resources and other areas. You don't have to have children in the program to volunteer...We encourage all adults to prayerfully consider whether this ministry is right for you. \*All volunteers must be cleared through the workshop Protecting God's Children—[www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org)—and will be provided guidance and support along the way.

If interested or wish to know more about volunteering, contact Sr. Phyllis at [pvella@stannparish.com](mailto:pvella@stannparish.com) or call (908) 725-1008 ext. 114.