

# 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.

“The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.” — Mt 13:41-43a



## 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):

Grades 1-8 Monday 6:15PM to 7:30PM - Grades 1-7 Thursday 6:15PM to 7:30PM. For information 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 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 your child(ren).

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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

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Summer Office hours: Monday - Thursday

9:00 am - 4:00 pm



### Monday, July 21, 2014

7am Rose Fusca, r/o Caterina Fusca

7pm Giuseppe C. Varvaro, r/o The Varvaro Family

### Tuesday, July 22, 2014

7am Norma & Arthur Ferguson, r/o daughter, Pat

7pm Rose & Angelo Loprese, r/o Catherine & Angelo Viscariello

### Wednesday, July 23, 2014

7am Marie & Nicholas Andrade, r/o Sr. Dolores

7pm Special Intention of Mary and Ray

### Thursday, July 24, 2014

7am Camillo DiRado, r/o Joanne Pastore

7pm Steven & Edward Czock, r/o Teresa

### Friday, July 25, 2014

7am Rev. Salvatore Ciullo, r/o Sister Dolores

7pm Frank Bucceri, r/o Roth Family

### Saturday, July 26, 2014

9am Katherine & Nicholas Tozzi, r/o Theresa & Enzo Padovani

4pm Special Intention in honor of St. Anthony, r/o Dominica Natale

### Sunday, July 27, 2014

7:30am People of the Parish

9am Domenica & Vincenzo Ruffa, r/o Caterina & Nicola Grande

10:30am M/M Ben Marshall & Dianne, r/o M/M Mark Marshall

12noon Gabrielle & Sofia Ferraro, r/o Carmine & Felicetta Truppi

## Please Pray for the sick of our parish

Victoria Andrews	Anthony Gambino	Frank Ratkowski
Luzmanda Anthony	Elizabeth Gecik	Fortunato Riga
Bernadette Bavoso	Eleanor Giraldo	Teresa Riga
Michael Brennan	Roberta Grillo	Cosette Ruh
Chester Butkiewicz	Ruth Gulick	Anthony Sacino
Jimmy Canavan	James Holmes	Marianne San Filippo
Joanmarie Carlone	Doris Kelco	Nancy Schiavi
Jaden Chambers	Bernadette Laggini	Mary Shallenberger
Albert Charles	Barbara Langon	Phyllis Serafin
Kathy Ciociola	Edward Locasio	David Snedegar
Dominic Comandol	Marie Locasio	Frank & Lucille Sudano
Susan Cunningham	Rosalie Marrone	Dolores Talamini
Frances D'Angelo	Giovanna Martini	Anthony Tomaro
Michele D'Angelo	Kathy McCormack	Tommarie Tibaldi
Angela DeFina	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 Digiuseppantonio	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	
Teresa Galaini	Yolanda Polidoro	



## BINGO AT ST. ANN'S

Every Sunday & Tuesday Nights

St. Ann School

(Air Conditioned) Cafeteria

Sunday's Doors Open at 5:30pm

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

## OFFICE SUMMER 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



## IN MEMORY OF...

For the week of July 20th, requests in memory have been offered for:



**Tabernacle Lamp**

*Giuseppe C. Varvaro*

Requested by the Varvaro Family

**Blessed Mother Sanctuary Lamp**

*Rosa Fusco*

Requested by Friends

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

During the Cultural Revolution in China in the 1960's, the report was made of a Chinese university professor of English. One morning, on his way into work, he was surrounded by a mob of students who formed themselves into a drumhead court, made the professor kneel down and accused him of treachery to the State. Formerly his friends, suddenly they were his accusers. He was bundled off into a distant "re-education camp" in Manchuria. He became dangerously ill with oedema. People expected him to die.

His wife, a Catholic, loved her husband very much. She discovered what food he needed and what medicine; she made up a parcel and set off - on foot and through all weather - to cover the hundreds of miles to the camp. On her arrival, the guard casually turned her away. No argument; no, you cannot see your husband; no, I will not accept any parcel for him. Again and again she patiently made that journey, near to starving herself, with agonising legs and feet. Occasionally the parcel was accepted; usually it was refused. She did not even know whether her husband was aware of her visits.

The Cultural Revolution ended; the prisoners were released; the professor returned home, and was nursed back to health. Then he emigrated to the United States and told his full story. His wife had, in fact, saved his life. Her heroism and patience were finally recognized. They lived in a comfortable suburb of Washington, a devoted and loving couple, so cheerful that the neighbours never guessed the hell that had endured.

"The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man." So Jesus is the main player in today's Gospel parable. He spent the three years of his public life teaching the crowds about the kingdom of God. "Kingdom" in this sense doesn't mean something political; it means a state of affairs where men and women will accept God as their Father, love him with all their hearts, and love their neighbours too, as God's children. Charity, peace and forgiveness will be in the air, and decency and honesty. What a world that will be! How different from the Palestine that was the back drop to Jesus' teaching, where the religious authorities were scheming and callous, where people of different religions were at one another's throats, where the Roman

Yet Jesus never gave up preaching the kingdom. He was immensely patient, even when the twelve apostles misunderstood him, when the crowd deserted him after his teaching on the Eucharist, when his fellow townspeople tried to kill him. From the moment he first stood up in the synagogue in Nazareth, he never relented: the world must know about his Father. How patient he was with the woman at the well, who started off as a suspicious materialist, and ended up a convert. That immense patience of Jesus is there in today's Gospel. Let the weeds continue to grow among the wheat - there's time enough to worry about that. What matters is that the Gospel should be preached right up to the moment of the harvest, in other words, the Last Judgment.

We are called to share the Gospel with our neighbors. We know that Jesus: brought hope and love to this tortured world; that people need desperately to believe in him; and to accept him as their Savior. Through the Holy Spirit, he is alive among us now. Through the Eucharist, and the other sacraments, he empowers us to believe and to hope; and to look forward to heaven as our true home. Well, evangelizing our world is uphill work. People don't respond. So we are tempted to draw back in on ourselves, to stop sharing, to stop trying; but this is a sad mistake.

Like Jesus (and like the Chinese professor's wife) we are to be patient. We are to be persistent in sharing the Gospel by our example, and to be patient even when the results seem thin - when our world seems to have grown out of God. Yet God is infinitely patient with us. "You are mild in judgment," says our Old Testament Lesson, "you govern us with lenience." Even at this moment, God is patient with us, and with our world. We can't see how it will happen, but the prize is there at the end of the line - it's in today's psalm: "All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord."

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:*

*...that around us, there are superhuman examples of patience;*

*...that God is the author of patience. Jesus shows this through the parable of the weeds among the wheat;*

*...and that when we find it hard to evangelize our world, and easily give up, God will teach us patience.*

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

## 20 JULY, 2014—SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### READINGS FOR WEEK OF July 20, 2014

Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

### SOCIAL MINISTRY REQUEST

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

### JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT ATLANTIC CITY CASINOS BUS TRIP... AND BRING A FRIEND!



THURSDAY - AUGUST 14TH

Bus leaves from in front of the Church at 9 am  
Please call Marge Corona for more information at 908-725-1198

### 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.

Please advise Dianne in the Parish office if your family member's military status or rank has changed.

### WEEKLY OFFERTORY NEW FISCAL YEAR

Week #2 (First week of Fiscal Year 2015)	\$10,187.70
Budget need per Week	\$16,000.00
Weekly Deficit	(\$5,812.30)
Deficit since 7/1/14	(\$12,610.04)

Poor Box \$89.00

### 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

**LAUNCH OF St. Ann ReNEWS Team**

Have you been looking for a new or different way to serve our Parish that allows for your own busy schedule, and yet can make a huge positive impact on the Parish and surrounding community? Then this may be right for you....we are launching the **St. Ann ReNEWS Team** and are seeking volunteers to create a dynamic, up-to-date media program that uses various modes of communication to get the message out on the many activities, liturgical events, and other Church news of interest.

- All are welcome, no experience needed, from teenagers to young at heart adults
- Have the desire to advance messages from our Church in ways that work to build faith, fellowship and fun.
- Take a step to have fun, make new friends, gain new skills and express your imagination and creativity while serving in a worthwhile ministry!

If interested, contact Cathy Stevens 908-910-0208 or [gus1210@aol.com](mailto:gus1210@aol.com) for more details.

**Christ the Redeemer Parish  
SACRED HEART SUMMER FESTIVAL  
46TH ANNUAL**

July 29 - August 2

TUES-FRI: 6-10 PM SAT: 5-10 PM

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**Natural Family Planning Awareness Week  
July 20-26, 2014  
Natural Family Planning "It's Worth It"**

**Married Couples:**

**You** can enhance your marital romance and build a better marriage! It is never too late to experience the joy natural family planning methods can bring to your relationship. **Both** spouses are taught to understand the nature of fertility and work with it, either to plan a pregnancy or to avoid a pregnancy...NFP becomes a shared commitment!

**Engaged Couples:** If you are interested in beginning your life together as husband and wife by loving one another naturally, it is never too early to learn about natural family planning!

**Where can I learn how to use NFP?** Call the Family Life Office/Diocese of Metuchen (732)526-1900 Ext. 1624 or email [familylife@diometuchen.org](mailto:familylife@diometuchen.org) for more information or to register for classes at a location nearest your home.

**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, or make one** 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.citizencorps.com](http://www.citizencorps.com).

## 20 JULY, 2014—SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Friends of St. Ann School,

If you missed seeing me last week, it was because I was camping in Maryland. You know that I am not the camping type. I despise bugs, especially those who love bussing around me; the sun and I have become quick enemies, and I do not swim.

Before you laugh too hard visualizing my predicament, know that it was all for a good cause - religious and priestly vocations. I spent five days and five nights in the wilderness with over a hundred of teenagers and young adults. They came from all over to draw closer to God.

Camp Veritas is held annually in key places throughout the United States. It is well organized and marvelously chaperoned. But it really is in the words. The campground had one redeeming quality - the cabin where the nuns stayed was air conditioned!

The young people who attended came from different backgrounds. Some were truly discerning a vocation to God and His Church. Some were seeking God and His desires for them. Some, it was difficult to ascertain why they had come. A distinction could be made between the campers. Clearly you knew who was a churchgoer and who was not. Participation in Mass, in singing, in confession and in the rosary, all depended on regular participation in the activities of the local home parish Churches.

Comfort levels and knowing the protocols of worship had been handed down to this generation by participation with people just like you. You really do make a difference. Thank you for the example you set. Your warm and welcoming acceptance of growing families and young adults encourages them to want to come back each week.

And yes, I have my usual motive for sharing. It is from these families that we gain enrollment and growth for our school. Have you given your elevator speech yet?

God bless you,

Sr. Mary Klersey, MPF  
Principal



### PRAYER TO SAINT ANNE FEAST DAY JULY 26TH

O God, You bestowed on St. Anne such grace that she was found worthy to become the mother of Mary, who brought forth Your only begotten Son. Grant that we may be helped by her intercession. Amen.

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### PRAYER TO SAINT JOACHIM

Saint Joachim, father of the Mother of God and spouse of Saint Anne, I recommend to you all my needs, both spiritual and temporal, those of my family, my country, the Church and all mankind.

You are a model of all husbands and fathers. May they imitate your examples! Pray that all families on earth may enjoy Christ's charity. Amen.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Sunday, July 20, 2014—16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Mass at 7:30am / 9am / 10:30am / 12N  
1:30 pm– Baptism

7pm: BINGO (School Cafeteria)

#### Monday, July 21, 2014-Saint Lawrence of Brindis, Priest and Doctor of the Church

- Daily Mass at 7am and 7pm - *REMINDER: Finance Committee Mtg. rescheduled for 7:30 pm on 7/30/14*

#### • Tuesday, July 22, 2014—St. Mary Magdalene

- Daily Mass at 7am and 7pm  
7:30 pm: BINGO (School cafeteria)

#### Wednesday, July 23, 2014—Saint Bridget, Religious

- Daily Mass at 7am and 7pm

#### Thursday, July 24, 2014-Saint Sharbel Makhluk, Priest

- Daily Mass at 7am and 7pm  
7:30pm: Social Ministry Meeting—(RMR)

#### Friday, July 25, 2014-Saint James, Apostle

- Daily Mass at 7am

#### Saturday, July 26, 2014– Saint Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- Daily Mass 9am / Vigil Mass: 4pm

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

Families are welcome to visit the Parish Office to obtain a PREP Registration Packet for the 2014-15 Program 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 copy of the Registration Packet. Contact Sr. Phyllis at [pvella@stannparish.com](mailto:pvella@stannparish.com) or please call 908-725-1008 for further information.

### LOOKING FOR FAITH-FILLED PARISHIONERS.....

...THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS. Come and see!  
There is no experience necessary and no pay, but the benefits are out of this world. Consider becoming a catechist for our PREP program, and don't be afraid to take the first step in making a difference in the faith lives of the young people of the parish. Training will be provided as well as guidance throughout the program.

PREP classes for the children are held either on Monday or Thursday evenings from 6:15pm to 7:30 pm. Contact Sr. Phyllis at [pvella@stannparish.com](mailto:pvella@stannparish.com) or at 908-725-1008

\*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.