



St. Ann's Parish

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Welcome and Registration

Welcome to all who worship with us today! May the Lord bless you! If you would like to register with our parish, please fill out a registration form. These can be found at the main entrances. We ask you to inform our office if you are moving out of the parish.

Memorial Donations: Please keep our love for the parish alive: When recommending expressions of sympathy, please remember St. Ann Parish.

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight – Michael Moss

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St. Vincent de Paul

Please call the parish office for more information.

Parish Schools

St. Ann's	905.523.2340
St. Joachim's	905.523.2341
Holy Name of Mary	905.523.2342
Immaculate Conception	905.523.2463
Bishop Tonnos Secondary	902.523.2331

The Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 5:00p.m.; Sunday 9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Weekday Mass

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday—Friday 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:15 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 8:30 a.m.—9:15 a.m.

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Baptism

Please call the parish office. Six weeks notice is usually requested.

Marriage

You are asked to call the parish office to make wedding arrangements at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick

Upon request. Please call the parish office.

Catholic Funeral Rites

When a death occurs in your family, please call the parish office and we will assist you in making the necessary liturgical arrangements.

Third Sunday of Lent

Mass Intentions Third Sunday of Lent (March 12, 2023)

Tuesday, March 14

7:00p.m. † Annette Spencer
† Amelia Agnes
† Philly Marranca
† Deceased members of the Cao &
Nguyen Families
Intentions of Joseph Choi
Intentions of Des & Dorothy Brennan

Wednesday, March 15

8:00a.m. † Mark Heffernan

Thursday, March 16

8:00a.m. † Josh Macri

Friday, March 17

St. Patrick

8:00a.m. † Frances Longo
Intentions of Mary Ann & Gary Eckert

Saturday, March 18

5:00p.m. † Sheila Wickens
† Patricia Murphy
† Ramon Monzon
† Jean-Paul Bousquet
† Melanie Catherine Ofilan Young

Diocesan Prayer Calendar Week of the March 12, 2023

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Rev. Mark Sullivan
Tuesday	Rev. David Wilhelm
Wednesday	Lay Parish Ministers
Thursday	Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen
Friday	Rev. Stephen Gilbert
Saturday	Rev. George Stortz

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve You through the life which is your gift. May Your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Please find below the Confession and Mass schedule for Holy Week.
Please note, registration will not be required for any of the Masses.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday evening of Lent there will be Stations of the Cross at 7pm.

CONFESSIONS

Every Tuesday	6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.
Every Saturday	4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.
Thursday March 30	6:30 p.m. until finished

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD : APRIL 2ND

Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

HOLY THURSDAY – MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER: APRIL 6TH

7:00 p.m.
Adoration until 10:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre

GOOD FRIDAY – THE PASSION OF OUR LORD: APRIL 7TH

Solemn Liturgy	11:00 a.m.
Solemn Liturgy	3:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY – RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD: APRIL 8TH

Easter Vigil 8:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY - RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD: APRIL 9TH

9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

ST. ANN'S MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING PROGRAMS

We very are very pleased to running a men's program this winter after a couple year hiatus. The program we have chosen for our winter session is from Father Dave Pivonka's Wild Goose Ministry called "Metanoia."

Metanoia means conversion, but it is much more than that. It means to change, to repent, to turn, to think differently. Metanoia is an ongoing process. As Christians we are to live a life of metanoia. This program will run every Saturday morning up to and including April 1st. The sessions are held here at St. Ann's in the Parish Hall. The doors open at 7AM with coffee and a light breakfast. The session starts a promptly at 7:15AM and ends at 8:30AM

The program is free for anyone who wants to attend. Come this weekend and bring a friend! For more information on the program follow the link below. Info:

<https://wildgoose.tv/programs/collection-dyy7fbd6cie>

Men's Program: Metanoia

Contact: Myles D'Arcey

Email myles.darcey@sympatico.ca

THE LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is a worldwide Catholic association of volunteers that has been in Canada since 1932. Legionaries strive to bring people "To Jesus, Through Mary" by meeting regularly to pray as well as through apostolic work assigned by our Parish Priest.

If you are interested or for more information, please call Julia Mastrangelo at 289 489 9487.

ST. ANN PARISH CHILDREN'S CHOIR

"To sing is to pray twice". – St. Augustine

Children are welcome to join the children's choir! What a beautiful way to pray the mass and foster a love for music. The children's choir will practice at 10:00 AM and sing at the 11:00 AM service once a month. If you are interested in having your child participate, please fill out the online registration form at <https://forms.gle/6bTf7ExjQw1N7C568>

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

"As the deer longs for running stream, so my soul longs for you, my God" (Ps 42:1). Today, the holy Mother Church encourages us to come to Christ the Eternal Living Water. She calls us to break all cultural barriers and prejudices in order to let the eternal living water flow into all hearts.

Water is one of the most important requirements for the sustenance of all lives. In fact, according to scientific studies, water makes up to 60-75 percent of the total body fluid. Hence, total withdrawal or extraction of water from any person will result to death. In the Old Testament, water is a common metaphor for spiritual satisfaction (Is 12:3)

The first reading of today tells us of the ordeal of the Israelites in the wilderness. After four hundred and thirty years of slavery in Egypt, God came to deliver them (Ex 12:40). Yet, they grumbled against Moses, and consequently, against God because they were thirsty. God instructed Moses to strike the rock. From it, water came forth. The Israelites drank, and were satisfied.

Both the rock Moses struck, and the water that gushed out from it allegorically and metaphorically prefigure Christ. He is both the rock of our salvation, and our eternal living water. On this third Sunday of Lent, we also need a spiritual drink from the living water that flows from Christ, the Rock of Ages. Hence, we must: "*Draw water from the well of salvation*" (Is 12:3) in order to quench our spiritual thirst this Lenten season.

In the second reading, Paul described how the love of Christ, "*is poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit.*" Here, Paul implicitly mentions water by the use of the verb: "*to pour.*" He reminds us also of how helpless our life was and could still be without Christ, the Living Water. In other words, through his death, Christ made himself the source of our own life.

In today's gospel, Jesus presents himself to the Samaritan woman as the Eternal Living Water. This underscores the importance of Christ in our life. The lesson from this, is we must not discriminate against people on the basis of their race or culture. Jesus knew quite well who the woman was (a Samaritan) and her life history. Yet, he approached her for a drink. Jesus' aim was actually, to draw her closer to himself, the Eternal Living Water.

Hence, by breaking the silence and going against the social customs, and prejudices between Jews and Samaritans, Jesus becomes the gift of God to this woman and her people. Like Jesus therefore, we must be ready to take risks. This is by challenging the unjust rules of social structures and norms. It is by breaking down walls that excludes people, and by opening up possibilities to others. This is, so that they can experience Christ.

Finally, the argument that ensued between Jesus and the woman represents the obstacles that we must overcome in order to draw people to Christ, the Eternal Living Water. In other words, they represent the "*rational*" *stubbornness*" that the society will present to us before they finally yield to the gospel. However, if we ourselves are connected to the Eternal Living Water, we shall have a better and more convincing witness without getting weary." <https://frcanicenjoku.com/2017/03/13/3353/>