



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 – Dan Marranta dannymarranta@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul

Collection held first Sunday of the month.

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 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday 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.

Second Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions

Second Sunday of Advent - (December 10, 2023)

Tuesday, December 12th

7:00 p.m. † Joan Cauley
† Paul Vasilak
† John Vasilak
† Eva Horvath
† Jean Soltyka

Wednesday, December 13th

8:00 a.m. † Patricia Bradshaw
† Patrick Keogh
† Diana Mary Andrusiek
† Ada Sclisizzi
Intentions of Rose & Jerry Vrataric

Thursday, December 14th

8:00 a.m. † Gary Andrusiek
† Dorothy Brennan
† Elsa Baldassaro

Friday, December 15th

8:00 a.m. Intentions of Francisco Um
† Terry Rohland
† Dorothy Brennan

Saturday, December 16th

5:00 p.m. † Michele, Maria & Joe Mastrangelo
† John Mallia
† Bruno Iacoviello
Intentions of Paul Hong & Agnes Choi
Intentions of the Sisters Poor of Jesus Christ

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Week of December 10, 2023

Second Sunday in Advent

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk
Tuesday	Married Couples
Wednesday	Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (C.Ss.R.)
Thursday	Rev. Wallace Metcalf
Friday	Rev. Charles Galea
Saturday	Rev. Robert Kiffman

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

ST. ANN, PRAY FOR US



From the desk of:

**FR. PETER TUYEN
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Dear friends and parishioners of St. Ann's: The season of Advent consists of four Sundays before Christmas and concludes with the vigil Mass of Christmas. Advent is a season of waiting as we anticipate Christmas.

The village of Ancaster is already lit up with lights and decorations. The shopping malls are filled with Christmas gifts and carols. People hurry about to find gifts, put up decorations or plan parties. Others are preparing to travel, sometimes through difficult weather and across great distances at one of the busiest times of the year. Amid such activity, it is easy to lose sight of the true significance of the season.

Advent has a two-fold character. During these four weeks before Christmas, we look forward to the celebration of our Savior's birth over 2,000 years ago. As we commemorate the First Coming of the Son of God we are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming, his return in glory at the end of time.

So, Advent is a time of joy and hope, of preparation, and of waiting patiently for the coming of the Lord. It is not only about the past, but also very much about the present and the future. God's people spent centuries longing and waiting for the day of salvation of the Messiah. For us, this is a season of waiting and preparation for the greatest Gift of all: Jesus Himself.

During these weeks, we are invited to look at our lives, at our relationship with God and with each other. It is a time of prayer and renewal, of letting Jesus enter our hearts and changing our lives. Advent is the time for us to prepare in humility, contrition and penance for the commemoration of the first coming of our Savior on earth at Christmas. The Sacrament of Confession is our opportunity to clean the house of our souls so that we will be spotless and ready to receive Him.

Please mark your calendar for the parish Advent Confessions, Wednesday, December 20th, beginning at 6:30 p.m. until finished. Guest confessors are available.

December 10, 2023

In the midst of frenzied shopping and end-of-year weariness, let us learn to recognize him among us and welcome him with joy. Come Lord Jesus!

Blessed Advent!

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Every Tuesday 6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

Every Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Wednesday, December 20th 6:30 p.m. until finished

THANK YOU TO THE HEALING VIGIL TEAM

A big thank you to Mary Dunn and Margaret D'Arcey and their team for organizing the Healing Vigil held on December 5th. Such a special evening service which was well attended. Thank you to Father Bill Trusz and the St. Therese's healing ministry team, assisted by Father Ambrose and Father Greg.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY MASS CELEBRATIONS

Sunday, December 10th, we welcome St. Ann's and St. Joachim's school community as they gather to celebrate with us at the 11:00 am Mass. A small reception will follow in the Parish Centre.

Sunday, December 17th, we welcome Holy Name of Mary and Immaculate Conception as they gather with us at the 9:00 am Mass. A small reception will follow in the Parish Centre.

We thank the schools in advance for providing the music and readers for these celebrations.

ST ANN'S CHILDREN CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Family Mass: Saturday, December 24, 5:00 pm

We invite all families with young children to join us for a special family Mass on December 24th at 5:00 pm. Children from Senior Kindergarten to Grade 6 are invited to participate in the telling of the Christmas Story. We will rehearse three times leading up to Christmas. Rehearsals will be held on Wednesday, December 13th, 6-7 pm in the Parish Centre; Sunday, December 17th in the church following the 11:00 am Mass from 12-1 pm and Wednesday, December 20th, 6-7 pm. David Dayler is looking for parents to volunteer to assist with the

pageant. Please contact David at dgdayler@gmail.com if you can assist.

SUNDAY MISSALS

Sunday Missals are now available! Pick up your copy for 2023-2024 at the back of the church, Parish Centre entrance. Cost is \$5.00.

RELIGIOUS ARTICLE SALES

Please be advised that religious articles will be available for sale each Sunday throughout Advent in the Parish Center entrance. Following Advent, we will discontinue the sale of religious articles in the parish. Come out and stock up while supplies last. We thank Lynn & James Vallentin for looking after these sales for the past few years.

OUTDOOR NATIVITY SET-UP



📷Credit: Dan Marranca

“Thank you so much to the Saturday morning Men's Group and the Knights for setting up the outdoor nativity scene”.

*“An apostle is humble
and gives the credit
to God for
everything.”*

The Road of Hope – Francis Xavier, Nguyen Van Thuan



CONFESSION & CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

PARISH ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Every Tuesday 6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.
Every Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.
Wednesday, December 20th 6:30 p.m. until finished

CHRISTMAS EVE:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

Children's Christmas Pageant 4:30 pm
Children's Christmas Mass 5:00 pm
Christmas Eve Mass 7:00 pm
Christmas Eve Mass 10:00 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

Christmas Mass 9:00 am
Christmas Mass 11:00 am

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30ST

5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

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

SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD - NEW YEAR'S EVE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

5:00 p.m.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

MONDAY JANUARY 1ST

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