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Welcome and Registration

Welcome to St. Ann's! 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.

Prayer Network — 905-648-3341

Lynn Vallentin — jamantval@hotmail.com

Legion of Mary — phone/text Julia 289-489-9487

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight, Jim Galvin — jgalvinkoc26@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

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The Lord's Day Masses

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

First Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions

First Sunday of Advent
November 30, 2025

Tuesday, December 2nd

7:00 p.m. † Shirley Toth
† Peter Doucet
† Julie Hertel
Intentions of Francesco & Allegrina
Bozza

Wednesday, December 3rd

8:00 a.m. † Peter Doucet

Thursday, December 4th

8:00 a.m. † Luigi Giurdanella
Intentions of Zenobius Kim
& Genovefa Park

Friday, December 5th

8:00 a.m. † Peter Doucet
† Jacqueline Bottega

Saturday, December 6th

5:00 p.m. Intentions of Mary Rosa Hong
† Gabriele Runco
† Lina Genaccaro-Tilegi
† Peter Doucet
† Kyle Sturrock

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Week of November 30, 2025

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger
Tuesday	Very Rev. Msgr. Cornelius O'Mahony
Wednesday	Order of Preachers, (Dominican), O.P.
Thursday	Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz
Friday	Rev. Bill Foote
Saturday	Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger

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 married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.

St. Ann, Pray for Us!



From the desk of:

FR. PETER NGUYEN

MEN'S GROUP — ST. ANN

One of the real joys of our parish family at St. Ann is watching how our faith grows through small communities of prayer, reflection, and friendship. We have many different faith groups in the parish which I've been highlighting in recent bulletins. Last week I mentioned our Women's Faith Group; this week, I'd like to shine the spotlight—and my heartfelt thanks—on our Men's Group.

The St. Ann Men's Group has been a lively and faithful part of our parish for more than ten years. Under the leadership of Myles D'Arcey, Paul Sullivan, Steve Dunn, and Kevin Dunn, a strong foundation of brotherhood and faith was built (along with a real appreciation for hot coffee at an early hour!). Every Saturday morning, bright and early at 7:00 a.m., more than 50 men gather to share a cup of coffee—sometimes even bacon and eggs!—and to pray, reflect, and support one another on their journey of faith. Now, Thomas Alexander and Steve Burgess have generously stepped forward to carry this mission of leadership forward.

Congratulations, Men's Group! I like to call these men "a few good men" of St. Ann's faith family—men of prayer, courage, and commitment (with a healthy sense of humor, too).

Every man in our parish is warmly invited to come and see what the Men's Group is all about. It's a wonderful way to grow in faith, build friendships, and start your weekend in the best possible way—with God and good company. Keep an eye on the bulletin for details about a new session beginning in the new year.

Now, a lighthearted observation from your pastor: Every Tuesday evening, the ladies meet. Someone always arrives early to lay out colorful tablecloths, arrange a lovely centerpiece, and make the room look beautiful. The space feels warm, cozy, and maybe even a little bit romantic.

The men meet every Saturday morning. They come in as they are. No tablecloths, no centerpieces, no decorations—just coffee, a few muffins, some sleepy smiles, and a whole lot of laughter and prayer.

And you know what? It's perfect. God created men and women in His image, each with their own style, gifts, and way of expressing love. Thanks be to God for the difference—and for the way they complement one another so beautifully in our parish family.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2025 @ 9:00 AM

The Immaculate Conception is about the moment when Mary was conceived in her mother's womb. At that moment, God protected Mary from original sin. The Church officially taught this in 1854 when Pope Pius IX explained it in a document called *Ineffabilis Deus* ("Ineffable God").

Four years later, in 1858, something very special happened. Mary appeared to a young girl named St. Bernadette Soubirous in Lourdes, France. During one of the apparitions, Mary said, "I am the Immaculate Conception." This was a beautiful sign that confirmed the Church's teaching about Mary's sinlessness.

After many years of prayer and reflection, the Church confidently teaches that Mary was free from sin from the very first moment of her life. Every year on December 8, we celebrate this great truth on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.

This year, we will celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Monday, December 8, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome!

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

- **Every Tuesday:** 6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.
- **Every Saturday:** 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.
- **Special Evening of Reconciliation:**
Wednesday, December 17th, starting at 6:30 p.m. and continuing until all are heard.
Guest confessors will be available

This is a wonderful opportunity to prepare our hearts during Advent as we await and celebrate the birth of Christ at Christmas.



From the desk of:

DAVID DAYLER

ADVENT RETREAT: "ENTERING THE MYSTERY OF THE NATIVITY"

Join our RCIA Candidates for this Evening of Reflection

You are warmly invited to a **one-hour Advent Retreat**, guided by the beauty and prayerfulness of the **Nativity icon**. Through **quiet prayer, reflective music, and sacred art**, we will enter more deeply into the grace of the Advent season and prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ.

Come and rest, reflect, and be renewed as we gaze upon the mystery of the Incarnation and allow God to speak to us through symbol, silence, and song.

Date: Tuesday December 2, 2025

Time: 7:30 p.m. (following Mass)

Location: Parish Centre

All are welcome.

Let us begin this holy season together in peace and expectation.

CALLING ALL BAKERS

The Knitters and VBS staff will be sponsoring a coffee *Sunday and Christmas Bake Sale the weekend of December 13 & 14th following each Mass*. We will conclude with a reception following the Choir Christmas Concert at 2:30 p.m. – We are looking for volunteers to help us provide baking for our sale. This is a perfect time to come out and pick up some Holiday Treats. Baking can be dropped off on Friday, December 12th in the parish office until noon. Or, anytime Saturday afternoon in the parish centre.

At the event we are planning on a wine draw and some festive surprises so come join us after Mass or for the Fabulous Christmas Choral Concert Sunday, December 14th, 2:30 p.m.

ST. ANNS CHRISTMAS CONCERT!

Sunday December 14th 2:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to join the St. Anns Adult choir and Children's choir during an afternoon of music, fellowship and community. After the concert, there will be light refreshments and a raffle in the parish centre. Bring your family and friends. A free will cash offering will be accepted with all proceeds going to St. Ann's parish. Thank you!

ST. ANN'S CHILDRENS' CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

It is that time of year to start planning for our annual *Christmas Pageant which will take place prior to the 5 p.m. Mass Christmas Eve*. We are hoping to have a large turnout this year for this lovely presentation of the Christmas Story. Children, grades SK (please no younger) to Grade 6 are invited to participate. We will gather for 1 hour after the 11a.m. Sunday mass on November 30th, December 7, 14, 21st and then, at 3p.m. on December 24th to prepare for our presentation. To express your interest please email David at dgdayler@gmail.com

2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES

2026 Offering envelopes will be available for distribution the weekend of December 6/7th.