

Welcome Home!

St. Ann Parish Newsletter

Praying. Loving God. Serving Neighbors.

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MASS SCHEDULES

WEEKENDS

5:00 PM SATURDAY
8:30 AM SUNDAY
10:00 AM SUNDAY
12:00 PM SUNDAY
(FILIPINO/TAGALOG)
4TH SUNDAY / MONTH

WEEKDAYS

12:00 PM TUES.–FRI.

From the Pastor's Desk

Repent, and Believe in the Gospel

“We are again in the Season of Lent. This period of forty days prepares us for the celebration of the Holy Week, in which we commemorate the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ- His Pascal Mystery.

Last year, it was sad for us because we were locked down due to Covid-19 so we were unable to have our celebration in our church but rather we celebrated virtually. We are hoping and praying that this year we will be able to celebrate the Pascal Mystery of Jesus in the church by following the approved protocol.

Lent and Holy Week is the time of year when we exert special efforts to become more like Christ, to think as He thinks, to love as He loves. During Lent and Holy Week we try to share more in the Pascal Mystery of our Lord, to die to sin and to rise to a new life in Him.”

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Where to Find St. Ann Parish Online...

St. Ann Parish Website

www.stanncatholicparish.com/

St. Ann Facebook Page

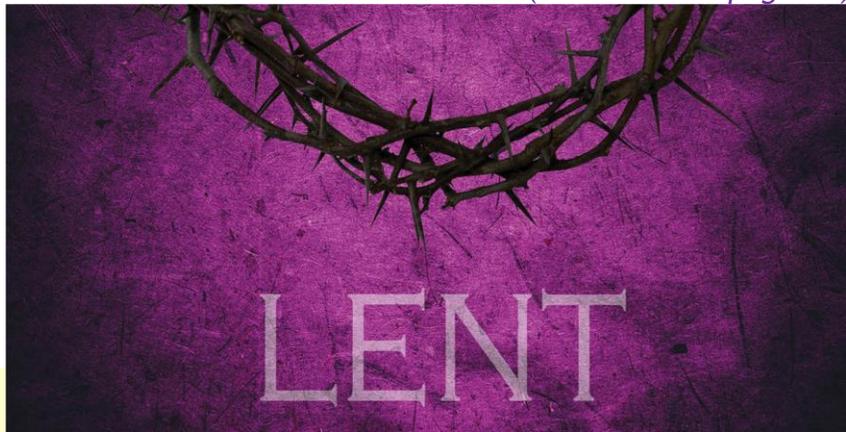
www.facebook.com/StAnnFlorence

To Watch Sunday Mass Livestream

www.facebook.com/StAnnFlorence/live

To Watch Sunday Mass on YouTube

www.youtube.com/channel/UCyrMK-sE9ApU6kOGvHwgPOg



From the Pastor's Desk

Repent, and Believe in the Gospel (continued from page 1)

“In this time of pandemic, we are asked to confront ourselves with the cross of Jesus Christ. We still need to carry His cross of love. Suffering love is Jesus' shining virtue on the cross. He gave everything, even His very own life.

We do not simply stand beneath the cross and behold it. We too are called to take up the cross and follow our Lord and Master. I think, this is the time that we need to reflect the essence of life, our relationship with Him, our mission as we promise during our own baptism.

This season of Lent, we are invited to learn and live out the message of the cross. Jesus shares with us His suffering love- a love that endures during rebuke and hatred, a love that never grows timid and weak in the face of severe opposition, a love that always proclaims justice and righteousness. Yes, we will be wounded, especially in this pandemic. Many of us experiencing stress and anxiety. Our loved ones died because of Covid. Some have feelings of giving up....yet, we should always remember that we will also rise in GLORY. Fidelity to Jesus will bring us a crown of imperishable glory. He is risen and we too will rise with HIM.

Let us put our love into whatever we do in this celebration of the Pascal Mystery of Jesus. It is my prayer for you my dear parishioners that the Holy Spirit will always guide us as we continue to walk to our own cavalry finding the meaning of the Lenten and Easter celebrations.

Let us always bear in mind, that in each of us there remains to be an empty space that only God can fill.

Fr. Noel

Legion of Mary to Begin Annual Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes

by Sue Cox

Prayers for Healing begin February 2-10, 2021 as St. Ann's marks our Fourteenth Annual Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes.

We remember that at Lourdes, France, our Blessed Mother appeared to Bernadette 18 times and many miracles followed. May our Lord Jesus Christ receive our petitions for healing through the intercession of our Mother Mary as we pray the Rosary and recite the Novena prayers at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 2 - Saturday, February 6 and Monday, February 8 - Wednesday, February 10. On Sunday, February 7th, we pray the Rosary and Novena Prayers at 8 a.m. Live streaming will be available.

Please place your prayer requests in the Novena Prayer Request Box located next to the votive candles at the back of the church. Special intentions for healing from the coronavirus, healing for vision, healing of grieving hearts, healing for all stress and for the diaconate ordination of David Kahn and Michael Cavin. Please call Diana Gibson at 843.678.9893 or Sue Cox at 843.621.0740 for special intentions to be included with the Novena prayers.

Our Lenten Journey 2021

By Deacon Bob Cox

Let me give some instruction for your Lenten journey, concerning fasting and abstinence. The regulations are as follows:

- **FASTING...**On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, those who are 18 years of age and those who are under 60 years of age are allowed only one full meal. (Or, two smaller meals are allowed as needed instead of just one large meal, with no snacking in between meals.)
- **ABSTIENENCE FROM MEAT...**Those who are 14 years of age and older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and ALL Fridays of Lent.

These regulations only highlight our Lenten duties. We should make Lent a penitential season. We should forgive those who have hurt us, ask forgiveness from those we have hurt and of course, ask forgiveness from God for our sins.

Lent is known for people to 'give up' something that would be of consequence to our daily life. I challenge you to **PRAY MORE...PRAY THE ROSARY EVERYDAY!** Come out on the Fridays of Lent and **PRAY 'Mary's Way of the Cross'** with your fellow parishioners at 11:30am, just before Mass! Call your parents every Sunday during Lent and just thank them for loving you. And perhaps you can fast for Lent as Pope Francis suggests:

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

May God bless you with a genuine, holy, spiritual 40 days of Lent!

Viva Cristo Rey!

Deacon Bob

Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday: Weekend of February 6 & 7

What has a bigger impact than a trio of 300-pound linebackers bearing down on a quarterback? **You!** Your impact changes lives when you huddle up your congregation or parish group to participate in this year's **Souper Bowl of Caring** and lead them to victory! Now, more than ever, your community needs your help. The number of families struggling to put good food on their tables continues to grow!

The **Souper Bowl of Caring** is a national movement across the nation working together to fight hunger and poverty in their communities around the time of the Super Bowl football game. With the Souper Bowl of Caring, you send all the funds you raise directly to the **St. Martin dePorres Food Pantry**. Every single dollar you raise for the **St. Martin de Porres Food Pantry** puts fresh, healthy fruits and vegetables on the plates of children, women, and men in this community, who need it most!

Volunteers will be outside after every Mass (Sun. Feb. 7th) with their 'soup pots' to accept your donations!

Permanent Diaconate: Pray for the Class of 2021

Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone, Bishop, Diocese of Charleston, will ordain the Class of 2021 to the Permanent Diaconate on Saturday, February 6th, 2021, at 11:00 AM at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, in Charleston, S.C.

Among the candidates for ordination are Dr. David A. Kahn, Sr. of St. Ann's Parish, and Mr. Michael Cavin, of Prince of Peace Parish, son-in-law of Jim and Barbara Lewis of St. Ann Parish.

Due to the Covid pandemic there will be limited seating for this Mass. Fr. Noel P. Tria, and Deacon Robert L. Cox, III will participate in the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass & the Rite of Diaconate Ordination. The Ordination can be viewed live from the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, on February 6th, at 11:00 AM, on their social media platforms.

Please remember that we will not have a 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass on Saturday, February 6th.

What's Happening?

Jan. 30 & 31 2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal "Kick Off" Weekend! See Newsletter Inserts Attached & Included.

Feb. 2-10 Legion of Mary to Hold Annual Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes at St. Ann's Parish, Florence, SC; Novena Prayers & Holy Rosary 11:30 AM daily (also livestream)

Feb. 3 St. Ann Ladies Guild January 2021 meeting **re-scheduled on Feb. 3rd, 7:00 PM**, St. Ann Parish Life Center.

Feb. 6 11:30 AM Mass of Ordination of Dr. David A. Kahn, Sr., to Permanent Diaconate.

Feb. 6 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass **NOT SCHEDULED.**

Feb. 17 Lent Begins. Today is Ash Wednesday. Masses at 12:00 PM and 6:00 PM.

Feb. 17 St. Ann Parish Office closed today in observance of Ash Wednesday; will re-open on Feb. 18 at 8:00 AM.

Feb. 19 Stations of the Cross begin. Fridays @ 11:30 AM.

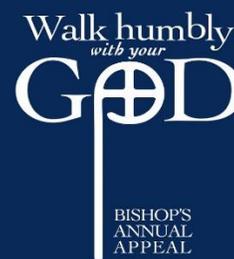
Mar. 30 Chrism Mass in Charleston. No Daily Mass.

Mar. 31 Holy Thursday. The Lord's Last Supper, 6:00 PM

Apr. 1 Good Friday. The Lord's Passion, 3:00 PM

Apr. 2 Holy Saturday. Easter Vigil, 8:00 PM

Apr. 3 Easter Sunday: Resurrection of Our LORD. TBA



From the Office of the Bishop

The 2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal will begin with the "Kick-Off" Campaign on the weekend of January 30 & 31st at St. Ann's Parish.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal is a primary source of funding to help sustain and expand ministries in the 94 parishes, 20 missions, and 34 Catholic schools and agencies throughout the diocese.

As stewards of God's gifts, you are asked to support the needs of our diocese through your PRAYERS. You are also asked to share your gifts and talents by PARTICIPATING in parish or diocesan ministries. Finally, all members of our diocese are invited to grow in GENEROSITY by making a sacrificial gift through a pledge or a one-time donation. More information can be found inside the BAA Newsletter flyer inserts.