

Parish Email Update – September 5, 2024

Dear St. Ann Parishioners,

Activities and programs are getting started again! Look below for old favorites and new opportunities, and – if you have a school-age child or teenager – get those CF registration forms in!

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT MASSES

Parish Bulletin – Click the link to read this weekend’s bulletin: <https://www.stanncc.com/sunday-bulletin>

MASS TIME CHANGE – A reminder that starting THIS Sunday, September 8, the 10:30am Mass moves to 11:15am through Memorial Day in May 2025.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION – Join us in the Worship Space tomorrow, Friday, September 6, beginning at 10:00am. Adoration will conclude with Benediction after the noon Mass.

WORD AMONG US is a monthly publication that contains the daily Mass readings together with daily meditations to aid your prayer. Several parishioners already subscribe, and a sample copy will be on display on the table in the Commons this weekend. We have a bulk order that gets sent to the parish and then subscribers pick up their copy each month. If you would like to subscribe, the cost is \$20.84 for the year, starting in November. [An individual (not bulk) subscription costs \$39.95, so this is a considerable discount.] Please contact Katie Johnson **by THIS Sunday, September 8** if you would like to subscribe, and she will fill you in on payment details. (kjohnson@stanncc.com; 804-526-2548)

FOOD PANTRY NEWS – The Pantry is in great need of volunteers. There are many opportunities, and it won’t take much of your time! If you are interested in sharing your time and talent with others in the community, please contact Evelyn Keesler (804-241-7189; elkeesler1@gmail.com). We have a particular need for the following items this week: instant/canned potatoes, canned pasta, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, and crackers. Thank you!

ALTAR & ARTS MEETING – Altar & Arts is getting started again after our summer break! Join us on the second Thursday of each month at 9:30am in Rm 6 of the school. Our next meeting is on September 12, and all are welcome! If you have an interest in helping make our worship space beautiful and prayerful for the various seasons and special liturgies, we want YOU! If you have questions, contact Katie Johnson. (kjohnson@stanncc.com; 804-526-2548)

CENTENNIAL PLANNING – St. Ann’s 100th Anniversary Year starts in a few short months! The committee will meet on Sunday, September 15 at 9:45am (after the 8:30 Mass) in Condon Hall. We are well on the way to a FANTASTIC year-long celebration, but we welcome new members, so join us! Contact Katie Johnson if you have questions. (kjohnson@stanncc.com; 804-526-2548)

YOUTH MINISTRY & CHRISTIAN FORMATION

CELEBRATING OUR GIFTS St. Ann’s 2nd Annual Talent Show will take place on Sunday, September 22, from 1:00-3:00pm. Concessions will be available for sale beginning at 12:30pm, and all proceeds will go toward Christian Formation scholarships. If you would like to share your talent during the show, please contact Chris Lothamer to sign up! (clothamer@stanncc.com; 804-526-2548; or at the piano after Mass 😊)

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY BLESSING – All catechists will be recognized with a special blessing at Masses THIS WEEKEND, September 7 & 8! “Thank you for accepting a God’s call of being transmitters of the faith!”

CATECHIST ORIENTATION PICNIC will be held THIS Sunday, September 8 from 1:00-4:00pm. Let’s begin the year with food, prayer, and fellowship! Bring lunch and a seat, and we’ll provide chips and dessert. 😊 See what is new for 2024-2025, learn more about Part 2 of the Empowering God’s Children class, and get to know each other better – we’ve got some new folks! Please RSVP to Elise if you can attend! (echapman@stanncc.com; 804-526-2548)

CHRISTIAN FORMATION REGISTRATION FORMS are **S-L-O-W-L-Y** coming in. Please take a few minutes to fill yours out. It really helps with classroom set up and planning. 😊 New email? New to the parish? Please contact the office to ensure that we have proper contact information for you.

- Hard copy forms can be found in the Commons by the Christian Formation bulletin board.
- Please be aware that there are separate registration forms for regular formation and sacraments. Both need to be completed.
- Online payment is available at <https://www.wesharegiving.org/app/giving/WeShare-1207?tab=home>

VIRTUS – New VIRTUS guidelines have been put in place effective July 1, 2024. Please take the time to log into your VIRTUS account and update your account.

BOULEVARD FLOWERS FUNDRAISER – **The Youth Group Fall Fundraiser with Boulevard Flowers will take place the week of September 14-22, 2024.** For all purchases made during that time – either in person or online and checked out using “St. Ann Catholic Church Youth Group” – Boulevard Flowers will donate 20% of pre-tax purchase total to the Youth Group. Please consider the youth group as you plan your fall planting! We thank you for your support.

WASH ALTAR SERVER ROBES – We are looking for a few volunteers to launder our altar server robes. They are completely machine wash and dry and need to be cleaned just once a month. If you are interested in helping, please contact Katie Johnson (kjohnson@stanncc.com; 804-526-2548). Thank you!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Regina Coeli 2032 cordially invites you to the installation of their new officers on Wednesday, September 25 at 6:00pm in the Worship Space. All are invited to attend the installation and learn more about this vibrant, active organization. Dinner will follow at the cost of \$25 per person. Reservations are required no later than next Wednesday, September 11, and may be made by signing up online: <https://tinyurl.com/CDA-Installation> or emailing carol.crittendon@gmail.com. CDA Members: we are also accounting for those who will be at the installation but not the dinner, and those who will not be attending, so please visit the form and complete it today.

PRO-LIFE INFO SESSIONS – All are invited to a meal and presentation on the state of pro-life ministry in the Commonwealth of Virginia, September 10, at the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Richmond. This event is for anyone interested in pro-life ministries, churches, or organizations across the Commonwealth. For more information and to register, click here: <https://ofe.regfox.com/prayer-vision-action-pro-life-virginia>.

A prayer for the end of summer:

Praise to You, God, for long warm days,
for buzzing bees and chirping crickets,
for shade trees and gentle breezes.
Praise to You for the earth's rotation,
for our cycle around the sun,
for "sun, moon, and stars in their courses above."
Praise to You for the order of the universe,
the variety of the seasons,
and the gift of another summer.
Amen.

St. Ann Calendar – Thursday, September 5 through Sunday, September 15

THURSDAY – September 5

9:00 am	Happy Feet Dancers Beginners Class	Condon Hall
10:30 am	Mass at Colonial Heights Rehab & Nursing (CANCELLED)	Off-site
11:00 am	Daily Mass (back on, due to nursing center cancellation)	Chapel
5:30 pm	CDA Thankful Thursday	Chapel

8:00 pm Compline Zoom

FRIDAY – September 6

10:00 am First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Worship Space

12:00 pm Daily Mass Chapel

8:00 pm Compline Zoom

SATURDAY – September 7 (23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

3:45 pm Reconciliation/Confession Chapel

5:00 pm Mass (Catechetical Blessing during Mass) Worship Space

8:00 pm Compline Zoom

SUNDAY – September 8 (23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 am Mass (Catechetical Blessing during Mass) Worship Space

9:30 am Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast Condon Hall

11:15 am Mass (Catechetical Blessing during Mass) Worship Space

12:30 pm Catechist Orientation & Picnic Grounds & School Building

8:00 pm Compline Zoom

MONDAY – September 9

9:00 am Morning Pause Chapel

8:00 pm Compline Zoom

TUESDAY – September 10

8:30 am Happy Feet Dancers Condon Hall

12:15 pm Game Day Condon Hall

6:30 pm Daily Mass Chapel

8:00 pm Compline Zoom

WEDNESDAY – September 11

7:00 am Bible Study Worship Space

9:00 am Daily Mass Chapel

9:30 am Bible Study Rm 6

6:30 pm Cantor Practice Worship Space

7:00 pm Finance Council Meeting Admin Building

8:00 pm Compline Zoom

THURSDAY – September 12

9:00 am Happy Feet Dancers Beginners Class Condon Hall

9:30 am Altar & Arts Meeting Rm 6

11:00 am Daily Mass Chapel

8:00 pm Compline Zoom

FRIDAY – September 13

10:00 am	Women's Cursillo Group	Chapel
12:00 pm	Daily Mass	Chapel
8:00 pm	Compline	Zoom

SATURDAY – September 14 (24th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

3:45 pm	Reconciliation/Confession	Chapel
5:00 pm	Mass	Worship Space
8:00 pm	Compline	Zoom

SUNDAY – September 15 (24th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 am	Mass	Worship Space
9:45 am	Centennial Planning Committee Meeting	Condon Hall
11:15 am	Mass	Worship Space
8:00 pm	Compline	Zoom

For information about how to join Compline on Zoom, please go to the St. Ann website and click on the “St. Ann Prays” tab. All are welcome!