



# St. Anne's Church

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The parishes of Jersey City North (Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Saint Aedan, Saint Ann, Saint Anne, Saint John the Baptist, Saint Joseph, Saint Nicholas and Saint Paul of the Cross) are proud to sponsor and support quality Catholic elementary education at the Middle States accredited schools: Saint Anne School, Saint Joseph School (201- 653-0392) and Saint Nicholas School (201-659-5354).

## We Invite You To Join Us In The Celebration Of The Eucharist

**Saturday Evening:** (anticipating Sunday) **5:30 PM (English) 7:00 PM (Misa Dominical)**  
**Sunday: 7:30 AM; 9:00 AM; 10:30 AM; and 12:00 Noon**  
**Monday through Friday 7:00 & 9:00 AM; Saturday 9:00 AM; Wednesdays 7:00 PM; Holy Days as Announced**  
**Sacrament of Penance: by Appointment or Saturdays 1:00-1:30 PM & 5:00-5:30 PM**  
**Parish Membership: Our Parish Family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into the Parish is requested to register at the Rectory. Please notify the Rectory of any address change.**

### Los Sacramentos:

Llame a la oficina para registrarse y pedir

### Sacrament of Baptism

**Infant Baptisms** take place on the **4th Sunday of each month at 1:30 pm**. Prior arrangements are necessary. A **pre-baptismal program** will take place on the **3rd Sunday of each month at 1:30 pm for parents and godparents** in the preparation for the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. **Please make arrangements with the rectory for an appointment.**

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults who have not been Baptized or have been Baptized in another Christian Community and wish to enter into full communion and adults who have not received the Sacraments of Communion and Confirmation, please contact the Rectory for further information.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Couples who are contemplating sharing the Sacrament of Marriage should contact one of the priests one year in advance to insure adequate preparation for this lifelong commitment.

### Religious Education

The education of our youth and the sharing of our heritage is a priority in our parish. We have two Schools to aid our parents in

their mission as primary educators of the faith. We invite all members of our parish to become actively involved with the school of their choice. For information on St. Anne's Parochial School, please contact our principal, Mrs. Gina Iacona. For information on St. Anne's Religious Education Program, please contact Sister Alberta Manzo, our D.R.E. Classes are held on Sundays after the 9:00 A.M. Mass.

### Ministry to the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing is available for anyone seriously ill or of advanced age. In an emergency, call the Rectory at any time. Those who are homebound are still a very important part of our parish and the Eucharist will be brought to the home. **Please contact the Rectory so arrangements can be made.**

### Parish Organizations

**Cub Scouts:** 973-368-7627

**Girl Scouts:** 973-429-7499

**Rosary Society:** Monthly meeting is the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in Centennial Hall. All women of the Parish are invited to join.

**Holy Name Society:** Monthly Mass on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 10:30 AM. Meeting follows in Centennial Hall. All men of the Parish are invited to join.

**Legion of Mary:** Meets every Monday at 3:00 PM in the Rectory. All are invited to join.

**St. Anne's Seniors:** Meets 2nd & 4th Monday of every month at 1 PM in Centennial Hall. All are invited to join.

**Fil-Am Association:** General meeting on the 2nd Sunday of the month in Centennial Hall.

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Society:** General meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7 PM in Centennial Hall.

### Parish Prayer Groups

**Padre Pio Prayer Group:** Meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month for prayer in church at 2 PM. Monthly meeting follows in Centennial Hall.

**Jesus & Mary Prayer Group:** Meets every Friday at 7:30 P.M. in rectory basement - First Friday Healing Mass in Church 7:30 p.m. followed by Holy Hour.

### Novena & Holy Hours

**St. Anne, St. Jude and St. Anthony:** Tuesday after daily Mass

**Sacred Heart:** First Friday of month after daily Mass

**Mass Our Lady of Fatima:** First Saturday of the month after daily Mass

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** Every Wednesday 7:00 PM

**San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila:** Last Wednesday every month 7:00 PM

**Holy Hour for Priests:** Tuesday afternoons 3 PM to 4 PM in Church, **except June, July, August.**

**Our St. Joseph's Morning Prayer Group invites you to join them as they pray the Rosary publicly after Mass.**



**Sanctuary Gifts January 15th-21st, 2012**

<b>Gift</b>	<b>In Memory</b>	<b>Requested By</b>
<b>Altar Wine</b>	(Liv) Tracy M. Lynch	Michaella Cruz
<b>Altar Bread</b>	Pastor Gonzales Jr.	Gonzales Family
<b>Sanctuary Lamp</b>	For The People Of The Parish	
<b>Altar Candles</b>	Special Intention	

**Schedule of Masses January 16th-22nd, 2012**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Requested for</b>	<b>Requested by</b>
<b>Mon. 1/16</b>	7 AM	George Wallentine	Joy Krieger
	9 AM	Living/Deceased Priests of St. Anne	St. Joseph Prayer Group
<b>Tues. 1/17</b>	7 AM	(Liv) Mass of Thanksgiving for Alice Daly	Alice Daly
	9 AM	Santa & Albino Spazian	Frances & Bruno
<b>Wed. 1/18</b>	7 AM	(Liv) Felix Otera	Mildred Bombich
	9 AM	Antonina Grillo	Frances & Angela
	7 PM	Nina Kidney	Eileen & Mark Petrucelli
<b>Thurs. 1/19</b>	7 AM	(Liv) Alice Daly	Mildred Bombich
	9 AM	Vincenzo Nicastro	Caterina Russo
<b>Fri. 1/20</b>	7 AM	Anna Fischer	Jim Fischer
	9 AM	Lawrence Shin	Mary Shin
<b>Sat. 1/21</b>	9 AM	Living/Deceased Nuns of St. Anne	St. Joseph Prayer Group
	5:30 PM Fr. John	St. Anne Class of 1971	Reunion Committee
	7 PM	Eloisa Villalba	Ursulina Velazquez
<b>Sun. 1/22</b>	7:30 AM Fr. Ed	Thanksgiving Mass	Phillips Family
	9 AM Fr. Ed	Thomas Connors	Loretta Dempsey
	10:30 AM Fr. Nigel	Darios Guevara	Aniway Olaya
	12 noon Fr. Nigel	For The People Of The Parish	

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK**

People will remain on sick list for 2 weeks unless otherwise notified:



*Bill Waddleton Sr., Ernest Wicklund, Kathleen Wekwert, Dennis Columbo, Regina Deiros, Nick Daccile, Shirley Kraatz, Karen Haughney, Warren Lewis, Joe Miranda, Rose Mary Young, Karen Scichilone, Anne Marie Williams, Dianne O'Sullivan, Carl Carlson, Catherine Carlson, Ashley Jacodus, Presley Hall, Michael Smith, Kenneth & Sadie Krieger, Vincent Vacca*

**Scriptural Reflections on Stewardship**



Through baptism we have been joined to the Lord who calls us to be his disciples. How well do we listen to his voice? How willing are we to do his will?



Every Tuesday, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the church from 3 to 4 p.m. It is an hour of prayer for the priests, religious men and women and an increase of vocations to the priesthood and the religious life of the Church. We invite you to come and spend time with the Lord for these intentions and for your personal requests. Holy Hour closes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**MONDAY:** 1Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9,16-17,21,23;  
Mk 2:18-22

**TUESDAY:** 1Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22,27-28;  
Mk 2:23-28

**WEDNESDAY:** 1Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51; Ps 144:1-2,9-10; Mk 3:1-6

**THURSDAY:** 1Sm 18:6-9;19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3,9-14;  
Mk 3:7-12

**FRIDAY:** 1Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4,6,11; Mk 3:13-19

**SATURDAY:** 2Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27; Ps 80:2-3,5-7;  
Mk 3:20-21

**NEXT SUNDAY: 3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**

**TIME** Jon 3:1-5,10; Ps 25:4-9; 1Cor 7:29-31;  
Mk 1:14-20

### **Religious Education News** from Sister Alberta



CCD Office Hours: Sunday after 9 a.m. Mass; Monday thru Wednesday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; CLOSED THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY. Please call before coming: Office 201-360-0838/Convent 201-963-0998.

- \* **Jan. 15th** - Martin Luther King-NO CLASS.  
New Confirmation Candidates Parent Meeting in Chapel Hall 12 noon.
- \* **Jan. 22nd** - Extra classes 11:30-12:30 for new confirmation candidates; please have students bring snacks.
- \* **Jan. 29th** - Open House; all parents/guardians are to attend. Report cards are given out; re-registration for next year with \$50.00 fee.

### *Visitation of the Sick*

Due to the "Privacy Act" to protect patients while being hospitalized, a priest is prohibited from seeing a patient unless requested directly from the patient or an immediate family member. While it is of grave concern for our parishioners to be visited by our parish priests, please keep the "Privacy Act" in mind. If you wish a visit from a parish priest, be sure you or an immediate family member contact the rectory or email [webmaster@stannesjc.com](mailto:webmaster@stannesjc.com).

### *St. Anne's Adult Choir* *English & Spanish Rehearsals*



All Choir rehearsals take place in the Church of St. Anne.

Choir rehearsal (English Liturgies) is held on **Thursdays at 6:30 PM.**

Choir rehearsal (Spanish Liturgies) is held on **Wednesdays at 7:30 pm.**

If you'd like to join either Choir, please attend choir rehearsal or feel free to contact Nancy McGrath at 973-473-6443.



**Marist High School** - located at 1241 Kennedy Blvd., Bayonne - will host an Open House on January 18th at 7:00 PM SHARP!

For further information, you can contact Ms. Erin Sisk, Admissions Officer at 201-437-4545 ext. 225.

### **Make a Gift** **Through an IRA Charitable Rollover**

The IRA Charitable Rollover has been extended through 2012. This extension allows individuals 70½ or older to make a direct distribution from their IRA to a qualified charity such as Saint Anne, the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, the Archdiocese of Newark, or another Archdiocesan institution. This will not increase your gross income and no charitable deduction is needed to obtain the tax benefit. By using a standard deduction, you will receive a tax break from making a charitable deduction. For more information on how you and the Church can benefit from an IRA charitable rollover, please contact Theresa Lynch at the Planned Giving Office of the Archdiocese of Newark. She can be reached at (973) 497-4042 or at [lynchthe@rcan.org](mailto:lynchthe@rcan.org).

# Growing in FAITH™

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## One Minute Meditations

### Try something new

Do you find that your prayer life feels stale or dull occasionally? Try learning a new prayer. Look in the missal at church or the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' website ([www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)) under "Prayer and Worship." Sometimes learning something new to say to God can refresh your time with him.

### Hope

Hope is what leads us to desire and expect eternal life with God in Heaven. Hope gives us the strength to keep going when we are troubled, tired, overwhelmed or burdened. Hope is what makes us strong. Followers of Christ always have hope.

### God's ways

How do we become disappointed when it seemed as if God didn't answer a prayer? It is so easy to despair when God's ways don't look like our ways. Instead, we need learn more about God by learning the teachings of his Church and reading his Word. Only then will we come to understand his ways.

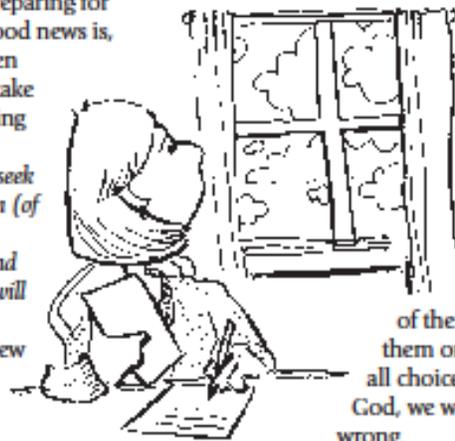


## Choose Heaven over Earth

Our lives on Earth last but a moment compared to our time after death, yet we often let earthly matters take priority over preparing for Heaven. The good news is, if we put Heaven first, God will take care of everything else. Jesus promised, "... seek first the kingdom (of God) and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides" (Matthew 6:33).

**What is important to you?** Although you may have God-inspired values – family, service, work – that may not be what claims your time. Write down a list of what you do each day, from morning to bedtime. Whatever absorbs most of your time and

attention are your real priorities. If they aren't related to God, your activities need to be changed.



**How do you make decisions?** Do you look to friends or coworkers for advice? Or do you turn to prayer and Scripture for guidance? This year, resolve to take your eyes off

of the world and place them on Christ. If we base all choices and decisions on God, we will never choose wrong.

**Do you trust God to make you happy?** "For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope" (Jeremiah 29:11).

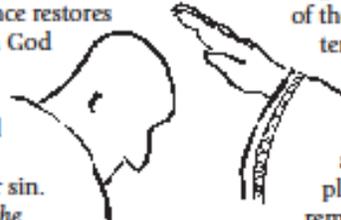
## Why Do Catholics Do That?

### Why do Catholics ask for indulgences?

Every sin has consequences. Obtaining forgiveness through the Sacrament of Penance restores our friendship with God so that we can eventually go to Heaven, but we still must first suffer punishment for our sin.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC,

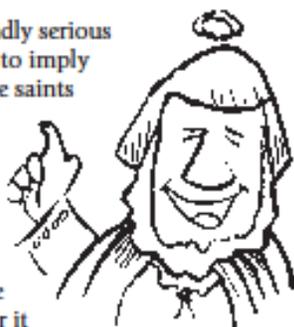
1471) says that through an indulgence, God grants the prayer of the Church that the temporal penalty for sin is reduced or even eliminated. For example, after certain actions and prayers, a plenary indulgence can remove the temporal punishment for sin.



## Lighten up with the Good News

If we spread the Gospel and are always deadly serious and anxious, wouldn't our appearance seem to imply that the Good News isn't very good? Even the saints had a laugh now and then.

Humor can give us a new perspective. St. Phillip Neri was a holy priest with a knack for bringing people to God in unusual ways. When a penitent asked permission to wear a hairshirt – an irritating garment worn next to the skin – as a penance St. Philip agreed but ordered the man to wear it



over his clothes. The penance was to bear the jokes and ridicule that resulted.

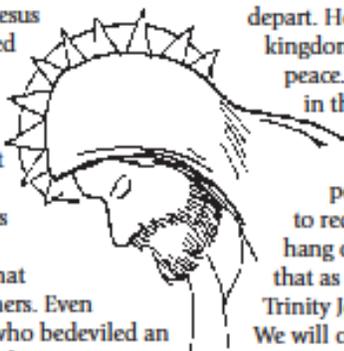
Humor heals. St. Teresa of Avila is said to have complained to God of the rough road he had chosen for her. She was said to have scolded him by saying that if he asked his friends to endure so much suffering, "No wonder you have so few." Joking with God didn't make St. Teresa's road any smoother, but it may have made her feel a little better.

### from Scripture

#### Mark 1:21-28, My buddy or my God?

This Gospel describes Jesus and his apostles entering the synagogue at Capernaum where Jesus taught those gathered at the Sabbath. A human teacher would say, "Thus says the Lord..." But Jesus said, "I say to you ..." He taught as one who had the authority of God. That astonished his listeners. Even the unclean spirits who bedeviled an unfortunate man at the synagogue recognized who Jesus was.

Jesus showed his authority by performing an exorcism on the man.



The unclean spirits had to obey him when he commanded them to depart. He came to announce God's kingdom of justice, love, and peace. There is no room for evil in the Kingdom.

In recent years there has been an attempt to portray Jesus as our buddy, to reduce him to a guy we can hang out with. We can't forget that as the second person of the Trinity Jesus has supreme majesty. We will one day appear before him on bended knee to be judged. He is our divine savior and mediator. He may be our dearest friend, but he is not our buddy.

### Q & A Is there a right way to ask someone for forgiveness?

Jesus thought asking for and granting forgiveness was so important, he included it in the Our Father, a prayer we say regularly. There is no one right

way to ask for forgiveness. What is important is to make a start.

Take responsibility for what happened between you. Tell your friend that you are sorry and you want to be back on good terms.

Detail steps you can take together to be sure that a breach won't happen again. Key to real contrition is amending your life.

Give some sign that you are sorry. Shake hands or hug. Such an action will start the healing of your relationship.

In order to be in friendship with God, we have to be at peace with each other. Jesus said, "Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift" (Matthew 5:23-24).

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### Feasts & Celebrations

January 2 – St. Basil the Great (379). St. Basil founded the first monastery in Asia Minor. He fought passionately against the Arian threatening the Church and worked to protect the faith and religious freedom. He is best known for his skill as an orator and for being tireless in his pastoral care.

January 21 – St. Agnes (258). At a young age, St. Agnes pledged chastity for Jesus. Reportedly she was turned in for being a Christian by a suitor whom she refused to marry. She maintained her chastity and her faith and was

executed as a result.

January 31 – St. John Bosco (1888). St. John Bosco combined catechetical training and fatherly guidance to teach young men and women how to unite their spiritual life with their work and play. He opened the Oratory of St. Francis de Sales and provided workshops for boys in shoemaking and tailoring. In 1859, he founded the Salesians who were committed to education and mission work.



# INFORMACION EN ESPAÑOL



## Esconder los talentos

Meditación. Los talentos que Dios concede



Los talentos, es decir, los dones de la vida, aquello que somos, los podemos considerar como una fortuna. Del uso que hagamos de ellos dependerá nuestra salvación.

Así lo manifiesta el Evangelio. (MT 25, 14-30). Al siervo negligente lo condena no por lo que hizo, sino por lo que dejó de hacer.

Cuando Dios concede a alguien un talento, está pensando en todos aquellos a quienes beneficiará cuando ese talento produzca.

Valoremos nuestros talentos. Seamos conscientes de las inmensas oportunidades que Dios nos da durante el día para colaborar con Él en la extensión de su Reino.

Gracias, Señor, por los talentos que me has dado y la confianza que me muestras. Lucharé con celo por hacerlos fructificar.

La Sociedad Nuestra Sra. de Guadalupe pasa por la pena de informarles la sensible pérdida de nuestro muy querido hermano y fiel colaborador, el Sr. Raúl López, acaecida el día 3 de enero del 2012. Nos unimos en oración por el descanso de su alma. Q.E.P.D.



## CORO HISPANO

La Sra. Nancy McGrath está formando un coro en Español para cantar los sábados en la Misa de 7:00P.M. y en Misas bilingües. Los ensayos son los Miércoles a las 7:30pm en la Iglesia. Si reconoces este talento en ti, por favor acércate a una de nuestras prácticas y pregunta por la Sra. Danna.

Te esperamos!

## Niños Servidores del Altar

Por favor, nuestra misa los necesita!... Para más información acércate a la Sra. Maria. El único requisito es haber hecho la primera comunión.

## St. Anne's CYO Basketball Schedule



For all who wish to "cheer on" and support our Youth Sports, below is schedule for boys' basketball.

**All Basketball Games are held at:**

**Youth Retreat Center**

**499 Belgrove Drive, Kearny**

**Boys Schedule:**

**Sunday, January 15th at 3:00 pm  
St. Anne vs. St. Augustine**

**Saturday, January 21st at 1:00 pm  
St. Leo EP vs. St. Anne**

**Sunday, January 22nd at 3:00 pm  
St. Augustine vs. St. Anne**

**Sunday, January 29th at 2:00 pm  
St. Anne vs. ASCA**

# Weekly Planner

## **SUNDAY 1/15**

### **2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

11:00 AM TD Waterhouse Bank-Cent Hall  
12:00 PM Confirmation Parent Mtg-Chapel Hall  
1:30 Baptism Classes-Rect Mtgrm  
6:00 PM Fil-Am Apprec Day-Cent Hall

## **MONDAY 1/16**

### **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

## **TUESDAY 1/17**

12:15 PM Bingo-Cent Hall  
3:00 PM Legion of Mary-  
3:00 PM-4:00 PM Holy Hour for Priests-Church  
7:00 PM-9:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group-Church  
7:00 PM Festival Meeting-Cent Hall

## **WEDNESDAY 1/18**

6:00 PM-8:00 PM Daisy/Brow/Jr Mtg-Cent Hall

## **THURSDAY 1/19**

6:30-8:30 PM Cub Scouts-Cent Hall

## **FRIDAY 1/20**

12:15 PM Bingo-Cent Hall  
7:30 PM J&M Prayer Mtg-

## **SUNDAY 1/22**

### **3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

1:30 PM Baptism-Church  
2:00 PM Sunday Bingo (*doors open 12 noon*)-Cent Hall

## **MONDAY 1/23**

1:00-4:00 PM St. Anne Seniors-Cent Hall  
3:00 PM Legion of Mary-  
6:00 PM-8:00 PM Jr/Cadette Mtg-Cent Hall

## **TUESDAY 1/24**

12:15 PM Bingo-Cent Hall  
3:00 PM-4:00 PM Holy Hour for Priests-Church  
4:00-8:00 PM (setup) SchlWinterWnrdld-CentHall  
7:00 PM-9:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group-Church

## **WEDNESDAY 1/25**

8:00 AM-2:30 PM SchlWinterWondrld-CentHall  
7:30 PM Nelson Ave.Blck Assn-Cent Hall

## **FRIDAY 1/27**

12:15 PM Bingo-Cent Hall  
7:30 PM J&M Prayer Mtg-

## **SAVE THE DATE**

YOU ARE INVITED!!!

ON **MARCH 4, 2012** SAINT ANNE'S WILL HOLD IT'S 20TH ANNUAL  
"PARISH AUCTION"

AS IN THE PAST, WE ARE ASKING OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS,  
FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND OUR FAVORITE BUSINESSES TO DONATE  
TO THIS MAJOR PARISH FUNDRAISER. WHETHER IT BE YOUR TIME,  
GIFTS OR A MONETARY DONATION, ANYTHING WILL BE GREATLY AP-  
PRECIATED- THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

*Judy Waddleton*

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