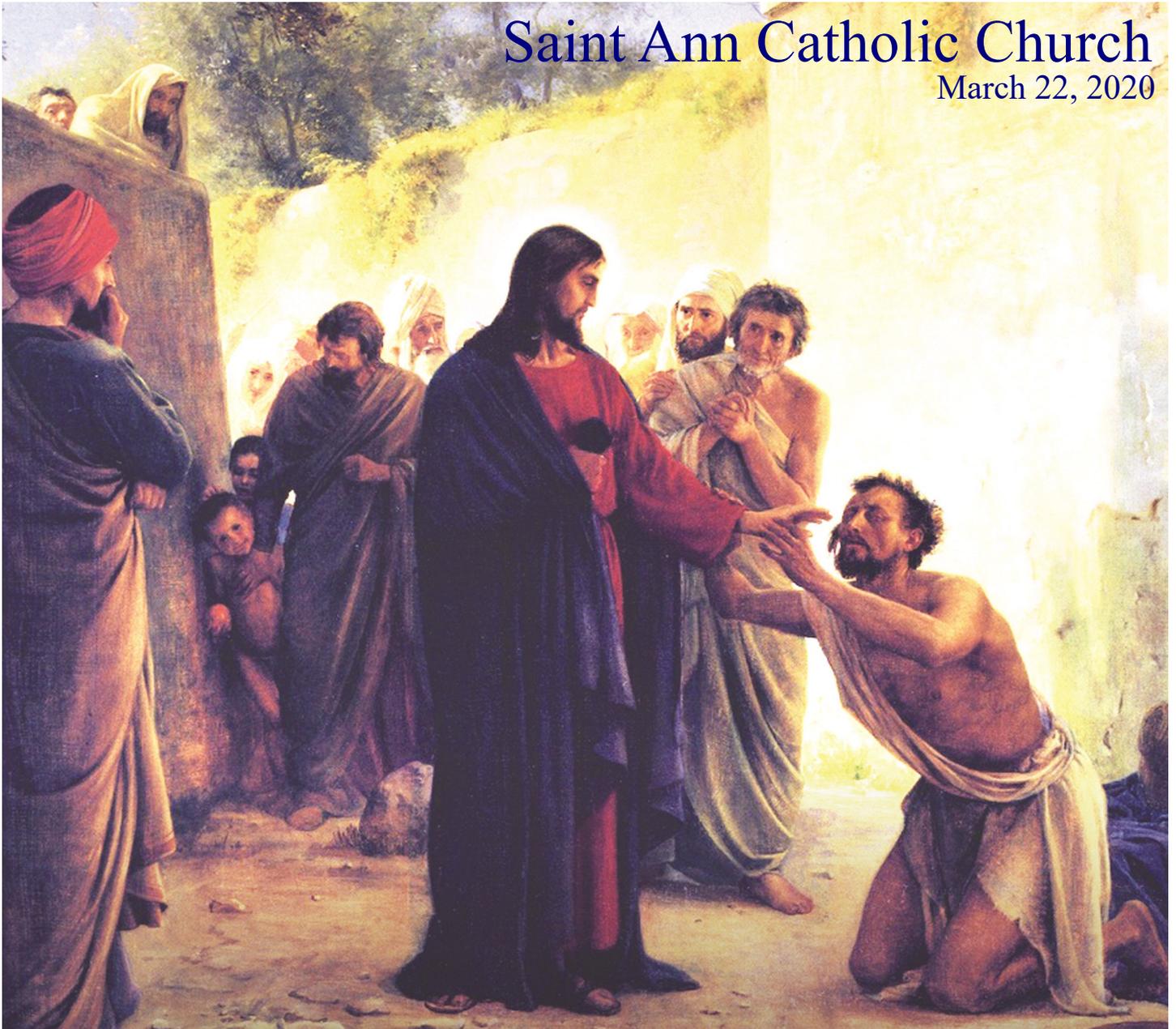


Saint Ann Catholic Church

March 22, 2020



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out,
he found him and said, "Do you believe in the
Son of Man?" - Jn 9:35

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Something to think about: When preparing your estate, please consider St. Ann, your parish family, in your will. Your gift can help the parish continue Faith Community in the future.

Diocesan Information



On February 17, 2020 Bishop Barry C. Knestout announced an Independent Reconciliation Program. This program is a continuation of his commitment to “respond in charity and in justice” to assist victim survivors who, as minors, were sexually abused by Catholic clergy of our Diocese. This program is intended to be a resource for them on their paths of healing.

Other information about the Independent Reconciliation Program, including a message from Bishop Knestout, Program Protocol, and Program & Diocesan FAQ can be found at assistance.richmonddioocese.org.

The deadline for initiating a claim is April 3, 2020.

Safe Environment—Bishop Knestout encourages anyone who is aware of misconduct or abuse on the part of clergy or staff of our diocese to notify civil authorities. Call the Attorney General’s Clergy Abuse Hotline (833-454-9064) and reach out to the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Jennifer Sloan at 877-887-9603 or VAC@richmonddioocese.org. More information about the bishop’s commitment to transparency, a timeline of actions, and other resources can be found on the diocesan website: www.richmonddioocese.org/dioocese-response.



2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal: Building Our Family of Faith

Welcome to the 2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal – Building Our Family of Faith. The 2020 Appeal will provide critical funding to three key areas of our Diocesan Church: Advancing Social Ministries, Cultivating Catholic Leadership and Empowering Parish Communities.

In addition, our parish receives back a portion of the funds collected. This year, the funds returned will be used to repair and repaint the sanctuary ceiling, as well as cleaning and repainting the air vents.

Our parish also sees the benefits of the 2020 Appeal through several ministries and programs. We just received our annual grant from the Fuel and Hunger Fund, to assist our neighbors in need. The Appeal also supports our retired priests, as well as our seminarians.

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER: *Rodrigo Malpaya, Stephen Jessup, Missy Muncy, Yolanda and Buddy Martinez, mother of Marty Martinez, Robert Maiden, Jackie Hotz, Ray & Patti Andrade, Mallory Flores, granddaughter of Elaine and Robert Flores, Lucas, Miles, and Christine Hilsher, great-grandchildren of Peggy Lee, Pat Eaton, Robert Crenshaw, Norma Brown, John Hadden, for the Granddaughter of Shawne and Jim Kaeser, Edwin Mayberry & Christine Harris (husband & daughter of Cynthia Mayberry), William J. Kelly (Nephew of Julie Miller), Moses Graham, Diane Flanagan, Elizabeth Kerekes, Sean Higgins, Rita Newby, Barbara Whelan, Lawrence Coleman, Jeanne Wilson, Craig Henry the son of Tammy Martin, Jim Wallen, Diane Ouellette, Mary Ann Estep, Christine Alcaraz, Robin Zivadinovic, Diane Errico, Bud Mervine (grandfather of Amy Mervine), Nancy Snyder (mother of Berny Snyder), Karen Covington, Carlos Rivera, Antonia Quinones, Chad Glass (Husband of Jennifer Glass), Judith Ashley & Jeanne White (mother and aunt of Judith Dialessi), Mark Chisholm, Keith Nestor (brother-in-law of Robin and Heath Driver), Pat Nalepka, Virginia Birdsong, Jay Damodor, Barbara Meloy, Gregory Nelson, Joe Lamontagne, Ludwig Hoge, Claire Richards, Jennifer Amirault, Terry Kaeser (Brother of Jim Kaeser), Jim Navary, John Metzinger, Holly Clement, Johnny & Alice McDaniel, Annette Zimmerman, Michael Blaszak (son of Pat Blaszak), Drew Coker, Jay Allen, Salette Valter, Izzy Pakurar, Sabrina Wells and Cassie Ogle.*

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Tim Malone, *Chair*; Dixie Favale, Cathy Laskowski, George Minson, Angel Martinez, Mahalia (Mally) Mason, Rachel Watson

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Joe Hearington, *Chair*; Craig Follo, Andrew Short, Frank Nause, Chris Burns

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday –Thursday 8:30am-4:00pm
Friday’s by Appointment

MASS TIMES

WEEKEND EUCHARIST
Temporarily suspended

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Temporarily suspended

RECONCILIATION/ PENANCE/CONFESSION

Every Saturday from 4:00-4:45pm.
Or by Appointment

SUPERVISED WEEKEND NURSERY

Temporarily suspended

PASTORAL CARE

If you or a loved one becomes seriously ill or are facing surgery and would like a visit, please contact Fr. Danny or Katie Johnson in the office. Please inform us whether you would like to receive the Eucharist and/or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Also, please contact us if you would like to place your name or a loved one’s name on the St. Ann prayer list for the sick.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Please contact Fr. Danny or Katie Johnson as soon as possible when a loved one has passed away. We will be happy to work with you and the funeral home regarding funeral arrangements, as well as offering prayer and support during this difficult time.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

St. Ann’s offers support for anyone who is hurting because of life’s ups and downs. Stephen Ministry is one-to-one, confidential, Christian caring for those who are grieving, struggling with job or relationship difficulties, living with an illness, caring for someone who is ill, or many other issues. Stephen Ministry is Christ caring for people through people. To get help for yourself or someone else, contact Katie Johnson (kjohnson@stanncc.com; 804-526-2548) or Laurel Rothenberger (ldrothenberger@comcast.net; 804-898-1684).

17 March 2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Unprecedented times call for unprecedented measures. **All of the information here is subject to change. Please continue to check your email and the St. Ann website (www.stanncc.com) and Facebook page (linked from our website) for updates, as well as the diocesan status page at www.richmonddiocese.org/coronavirus.**

On Monday, March 16, 2020, Bishop Knestout announced that **all public Masses (weekend and weekday) in the Diocese of Richmond will be suspended until further notice. He has granted a dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days for all the faithful in the Diocese.** Funerals, weddings, and baptisms may continue with just immediate family members present. This decision was made in cooperation with efforts for the common good throughout Virginia to slow down the spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus), as well as guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Bishop Knestout's letter to the faithful is available at www.richmonddiocese.org/bishop-knestout-writes-letter-to-the-faithful-in-regard-to-covid-19/ (and attached to the blast email).

Unless otherwise noted or informed, please assume that all activities and events at St. Ann are cancelled until further notice. **The parish office will remain open for our normal hours, 8:30am to 4pm, Mondays through Thursdays. That said, please conduct any “business” via phone call or email if possible.** And please be patient, as some of our staff may be working remotely, from home.

Prayer and Sacraments

In order to promote individual prayer and devotion to our Lord during this trying time, **the church will be open during the following times:**

Mondays through Thursdays: 8:30am to 7pm

Fridays: 10am to 7pm

Saturdays: 3:30pm to 7pm

Sundays: 9am to 12:30pm

In order to maintain social distancing (space between people), **the tabernacle with the Blessed Sacrament will be moved from the chapel to the main worship space.** Thus I ask if people come to the church to pray, that they go to the worship space, not the chapel, with the exception of those coming for confession, which will still be available (see below).

At most 10 people can be in the church at the same time. If you are a night manager or are willing to be a “porter” to help with this, please contact Melissa Pakurar at mpakurar@stanncc.com.

Our public celebration of the Stations of the Cross, Lauds, Vespers, and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament are cancelled until further notice. **Prayer resources, including Stations of the Cross booklets, will be available for individual use.** Adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is still very much encouraged; Jesus is just as much present in the reserved tabernacle as he is during exposition in a monstrance.

I will celebrate Mass privately each day for the duration of this crisis. Thus I will fulfill any Mass intentions we have already received and will continue to receive. In a special way, I will pray for you all, as well as for our peace and health in mind, body, and spirit. This will be a time of “spiritual communion”, in which we are invited to unite ourselves to the one eternal sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross, presented and celebrated at every Mass, despite distances of space or time. **Recordings of Mass in our chapel will be posted online each morning on our website and on our Facebook page.** We will also post the texts of my weekend homilies.

Per guidance from the Diocese, **Communion will only be given to those in danger of death. I will continue to attend to these requests, along with any requests for Anointing of the Sick.**

Our communal Reconciliation service scheduled for Thursday, March 26 is cancelled. However, **confessions will still be available at the usual time, 4:00 to 4:45pm on Saturdays in the chapel, as well as by appointment with me.**

Please continue to practice common sense and good health and hygiene practices. If you feel ill at all, please stay at home and contact your health care provider.

Christian Formation

All Christian Formation in-person activities and events are cancelled until further notice. However, at-home/virtual Christian Formation will continue in these ways:

Elementary Christian Formation: A packet with each child’s name on it will be placed in Condon Hall. The packet will contain weekly lesson plans, student leaflets and catechism booklet. They can be picked up in Condon Hall daily during our scheduled business hours beginning Thursday, March 19.

Middle School Christian Formation: A packet with each child’s name on it will be placed in Condon Hall. The packet will contain weekly lesson plans, student leaflets and catechism booklet. They can be picked up in Condon Hall daily during our scheduled business hours beginning Thursday, March 19. In addition, catechists have been asked to contact their students weekly to check in and give additional instructions. Please make sure that a current email address is available to the office.

High School/Confirmation: Beginning this Sunday, March 22, during regular class hours (beginning at 6:30pm), High school/Confirmation formation will be available through ZOOM Web Conferencing and other online resources. These will require a computer or phone, an email

address, and accessibility to the internet and/or WIFI. Check your email for further instructions and information from Elise Chapman.

Adult Formation: Planning is in process. Stay tuned for more information.

Social Outreach Ministries

Our social outreach ministries will continue, with necessary precautions. **There is an urgent need for volunteers for our food pantry**, especially for drivers to pick up food, and to substitute for those who may be vulnerable to illness and wish to stay home. **Please contact Bernadette Gilmore at bgilmore653@gmail.com.**

Also, we are putting together a list of people who are available to help parishioners who need to stay home. **If you are willing to help, please contact Katie Johnson at kjohnson@stanncc.com.**

Pass It On has been postponed indefinitely, but we need volunteers to help call agencies to let them know. Please contact Katie Johnson at kjohnson@stanncc.com.

Finances

During this time, I humbly ask you all to continue your financial support of our parish as we continue to minister to our community, in some new and challenging ways. **If you have not already considered online giving, please do so: stanncc.weshareonline.org.**

Some History and a Prayer

I am reminded of an episode from our diocese's history. This is not to make light of our current situation, but to give us some historical perspective.

In the summer of 1855, yellow fever claimed the lives of over two thousand people in Norfolk and Portsmouth, in the Hampton Roads area. Two Catholic priests, Fr. Matthew O'Keefe in Norfolk, and Fr. Francis Devlin in Portsmouth, chose to stay in their respective areas to minister to the afflicted, Catholics and Protestants alike. Also, in Norfolk, Ann Behan Plume Herron turned her home into a makeshift hospital, into which the Daughters of Charity eventually moved in to help. Fr. Devlin and Ms. Herron died from the disease, but the Herron home developed, thanks to the Daughters of Charity, into what we know now as St. Vincent de Paul Hospital. Their brave actions helped stem the tide of anti-Catholic sentiment from the Know Nothing movement.

In this time of trial, may we keep calm and carry on, as best we can. These unprecedented times also call for faith, hope, and love to be put into action. Let us turn to our Lord the Divine Physician in prayer, especially for those who have died and those who are suffering the most from this disease, either directly or indirectly through isolation and deprivation. May we pray in solidarity with all those around the world who do not have regular access to the sacraments, and

ask for our mother Mary's intercession. This prayer was written by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops for this crisis, and cards of it will be available in the church.

*Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.*

*Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.*

*For those already afflicted,
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.*

*In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.*

*We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.*

*Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

Let us pray for each other,
Fr. Danny

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WEEKLY COLLECTION

(Fiscal Year: July 2019– June 2020)

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| Week Beginning: | 3/8/2020 | \$10,159.55 |
| In Church Collection | | \$7,918.59 |
| WeShare | | \$2,240.96 |
| EFT Collection | | \$0.00 |
| Last Year Week Beginning | 3/10/2019 | \$10,517.93 |
| Weekly Budget | | \$13,557.69 |
| YTD Collections Thru | 3/8/2020 | \$525,594.83 |
| YTD Budget | | \$501,634.53 |
| YTD Difference | | \$23,960.30 |

2020 National & Diocesan Second Collections

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| Respect Life | January 19, 2020 |
| Catholic Relief Services | March 22, 2020 |
| Diocesan Home Missions | May 24, 2020 |
| Peter’s Pence | June 14, 2020 |
| Retired Religious | September 27, 2020 |
| World Mission Collection | October 18, 2020 |
| Archdiocese of Military Services | November 8, 2020 |
| Catholic Charities | December 25, 2020 |

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

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| TUES. | March 24 | Parish |
| WED. | March 25 | ✠ Michael Capani By The Barnes Family <i>No Scheduled Eucharist</i> |
| THURS | March 26 | Parish |
| FRI. | March 27 | Parish |
| SAT. | March 28 | ✠ Heather Scott By Ken Scott |
| SUN. | March 28 | Parish Mary Breheny By Katherine Singer |

Supporting our Mission



A big “thank you” to all of those participating in online giving with WeShare! Online giving has been a big help to our parish. WeShare saves our parish money and valuable time with

its ability to accept credit and debit cards and to make automatic withdrawals from checking and savings accounts. This means more time to serve you and our mission as parish.

No matter how you give, your gifts are always appreciated! If you have not yet made the switch to online giving, we invite you to consider doing so. Online giving offers our parish a stable, sustainable future. We know that you share in this vision and we’re excited about giving our parishioners many ways to participate in our growth as a parish family.

Thank you for your support!

THIS WEEK AT SAINT ANN CHURCH

MONDAY–March 23 Night Manager—Craig Mingloski

TUESDAY–March 24 Night Manager - Ray Spalek

WEDNESDAY–March 25 Night Manager—Eric Evans

8:30 pm N.A. Group Rm 7

THURSDAY–26 Night Manager—Rick Boch

8:00 pm Women’s A.A. Group Dbl Rm

FRIDAY– March 27 Night Manager—Bill Berkel

8:00 pm AA Group Dbl Rm
8:00 pm N.A. Group Rm 7

SATURDAY– March 28

4:00 pm Reconciliation/Confession Chapel

Hours the Worship Space is Open

Mondays—Thursdays: 8:30am– 7pm
Fridays: 10am-7pm
Saturdays: 3:30pm-7pm
Sundays: 9am –12:30 pm



Food Pantry – We are in need of both volunteers and donations! If you have a few hours to give each month, we have a job for you! We are particularly looking for volunteers to pick up the fresh food we receive every day from two grocery stores. And we are in need of the following non-perishables: toiletries & soap, toothpaste & brushes, syrup, coffee, tea, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, canned mixed vegetables, beans, and carrots. Bring donations to the church when you come to Mass and put them in the grocery carts by the chapel. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, contact **Bernadette Gilmore (804-914-0293; bgilmore653@gmail.com)**. Thank you for generously supporting our hungry neighbors!

Prayer Lists – One of the ways we care for one another is through our prayers for those who are sick or suffering. At St. Ann, we have two prayer lists. The prayers for those who are ill that we hear on Sunday are for those who are in a health crisis: hospitalized, anticipating or recovering from major surgery, or facing death. In the bulletin, we list those who are in long-term situations of illness or recovery. For the Sunday prayers, we are instituting a limit of 4 weeks for a person’s name to be listed; in the bulletin, the limit will be 3 months. In either case, the time can be lengthened if arranged. Please contact Katie Johnson (804-526-2548; kjohnson@stanncc.com) if you or a loved one would like to be on our prayer list(s) or if you have any questions.

During the month of March– The members of Churches participating in Metro Richmond at prayer, pray for the coming of God’s Kingdom in Metropolitan Richmond: For a national health care system which promotes and encourages health, wellness, and well being for all people

The Pope’s Prayer Intention for March-We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.