

**What's Coming: December 2017**

**Advent:** Advent is a season of preparing for the coming of the Lord during the Christmas season. During Advent the church guides us to prepare our hearts by way of prayer, fasting, and alms giving. Along with the festivities of December, we are encouraged to also participate in visiting the sick, feeding the hungry, erecting a manger, and arranging an Advent wreath.

**Why We Confess:** Looking for more this Advent: *Why We Confess* is a three-part video series on the sacrament of reconciliation. It includes a theological explanation of the sacrament and ways to better prepare for it. We have three ways to participate in this series: an advent day of prayer on Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 9 AM in the parish center, in between the 8 AM and 10 AM masses on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup>, or online on the diocesan website

**Christmas Social:** On December 2<sup>nd</sup>, St. Ann will host a parish Christmas Social in the family center beginning at 5 PM. All are invited to participate. A main course will be provided by our social committee. Please bring your favorite side dish or desert. Santa will make an appearance.

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** The Immaculate Conception is both a holy day of obligation and the patronal feast of the United States. We will celebrate the solemnity on Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6PM and on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 8AM.

**Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe:** Our Lady of Guadalupe is the patronal feast of the Americas. Our lady appeared in Guadalupe, Mexico to bolster the failing attempts of Spanish missionaries to evangelize the native peoples. We will celebrate her feast on December 12<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM.

**Pancakes for Santa:** On Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> the Knights of Columbus and St. Ann Youth Ministry will host a Pancake breakfast with Santa beginning at 7 AM.

**Advent Mission:** Do you ever feel aimless? *Restless* is an Advent Mission where we will explore the search for meaning with the help of God. If you are looking for a way to get more this Christmas come spend December 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> with us. The mission talks will be held in St. Ann Church during CCD. Monday will be from 7-8:30 PM, and Tuesday will be from 6-7 PM.

**The Light is on for You:** On Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux will leave the light on for you. Confession will be available in every church from 6-8 PM.

**Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas:** Because Christmas falls on Monday this year, our Mass schedule for the Forth Sunday of Advent and Christmas will be a little strange. On December 23<sup>rd</sup> and on the morning of December 24<sup>th</sup> will be for the Forth Sunday of Advent. That evening the celebration of the Solemnity of Christmas begins with 4 PM and 6 PM Mass for Christmas. These Masses count for your obligation for Christmas but not for the Forth Sunday of Advent. We will celebrate the Midnight Mass starting at 11 PM. The Mass during the Night is the highest Mass of the Christmas season. We will also have Christmas Day Mass at 9 AM.

**New Year's:** Because New Year's falls on Monday, the Feast of Mary, the Mother of God is nonobligatory, but we will still celebrate Mary, the Mother of God at 8 AM on New Year's Day.

**Learn More:** The Advent Wreath: This ancient custom is used to help us prepare for the coming of the Lord during the Christmas season. The wreath is often light at times of communal prayer and during meals in the home. On the first Sunday of Advent following prayer is offered.

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/sacramentals-blessings/objects/blessing-of-an-advent-wreath.cfm>

## MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of November 27, 2017 – December 3, 2017

### Tuesday, November 28 -

**8:00A.M. - All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:** Parishioners of St. Ann, Rai & Thaddeus Pellegrin, Carley Walker (B).

### Wednesday, November 29-

**8:00A.M. - All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:** Parishioners of St. Ann, Wilma Picou (B).

### Thursday, November 30 -

**8:00A.M.- All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:** Parishioners of St. Ann, Walter P. Authement.

### Friday, December 1-

**8:00A.M. - All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:** Parishioners of St. Ann, Living & Deceased Members of the St. Ann Ladies Altar Society.

### Saturday, December 2-

**8:00A.M. - First Saturday Mass - All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:** Parishioners of St. Ann, For devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mother, For more vocations to the Religious Life and the Priesthood.

**4:00P.M. - All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:** Parishioners of St. Ann, Horace & Camille Boquet & Fly., Wilbert, Elsie & Linda Hebert, Salome & Matthew Matherne, Wilbert Dupre Sr., Walter & Anna Belle Duplantis, Herman & Ellen Walker, Leslie & Carley Walker, Herman Walker Jr., Lawrence Dugas, Dolly Callahan, Eric, Joel & Frank Rogers, Jerry & Mathew Arceneaux, Jacob LeCompte Sr., Kenneth, Paul & Josie Domangue, Ramona & Alton Malcom, Larry & Troy Foret, Carla Lyons, Nikie Hebert, Nicole Staffley, Johnny Adam Switch, Celeste, May, Rosevelt LeCompte, Jr. & Sr., Paul Chauvin, Mercedeze & Lloyd Duplantis, Miriam & Lanny Naquin, Russell Portier Sr., Raymond McKee, Holy Souls, Special Intentions, Dennis & Beatrice Eschete, Laurelle Wolf, Eldred & MayBelle Ellender, Kevin Ward (B), Bill Sheffield, Wilma Picou, Mable Falgout.

### Sunday, December 3-

**8:00A.M. - All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:** Parishioners of St. Ann, Lawrence & Eula Mazerac, Mary Eve & Vayne Bascle, Lionel Bascle Fly., Arthe' Breaux Family, Arthur Fabre, Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Fabre, Mr. & Mrs. Irby Petit, Aubrey Lee Boquet, Mrs. Rhea P. Voisin & Mr. Eddie Voisin Jr., Cindy R. Broussard, Marla Mazerac, Brandon Pellegrin, Erous & Eric Eschete, Theresa Authement, Leroy Authement Sr., Catherine Authement, Patrick Authement, Jerome Authement, Gilbert & Rita Bergeron Fly., Joyce & Vin LeBlanc & Fly., Ella Mae Guidry, Jesse Fanguy Sr., Veronica Trahan, Ann Hebert, Terry Lirette, Wilma, Eugene & John Dusenbery, Herbert Danos, Napoleon Lopez.

**10:00A.M. - All Donors and Benefactors of St. Ann Church & in Memory of:** Parishioners of St. Ann, Joyce, Debbie, Celina & Herbert Belanger, Rosie & Richard Lafont, Rev. Carl J. Schutten (DA), Ronnie Ard, Mary, Sterling Sr. & Sterling Authement Jr., Geraldine Dupre, Roberta Landry, Don Babin.

### **Memorials for the Week of November 26th**

**Sanctuary Light-** Eldred & MayBelle Ellender by Family;

**Altar Bread -** Oneal & Valerie Bascle by Leward & Peggy Boquet;

**Altar Wine -** Clinton & Wilma Picou (B) by Dot Rogers;

**CLEANING LIST:** November 26th- Irma Authement

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

**November 18 & 19, 2017 Collection:** Envelopes: \$2,759.00 + Loose: \$460.00 = \$3,219.00

**Maintenance Collection:** \$1,344.00 + \$19.00 (This week) = \$1,363.00 (November Total)

**Catholic Campaign for Human Development:** \$744.90

The Second Collection on the weekend of December 2nd & 3rd will be for Maintenance.

Thank you for your generosity!

**CCD NEWS:** CCD Classes are as scheduled on Monday & Tuesday, November 27th & 28th.

\*\*\*Saturday, December 2nd @ 9am - First Reconciliation for St. Ann's second graders;

\*\*\*Saturday, December 2nd - The 6th Grade is in charge of the 4pm Mass

**IMPORTANT DATES:** Friday, January 5, 2018 - Confirmation Practice (6:30pm)

Saturday, January 6, 2018 - Confirmation (11:00am)

**YOUTH NEWS:**

\*\*\* **PARENTING CLASSES** offered at St. Ann during Tuesday night CCD Classes November 28th, December 5th, December 19th, January 9th, and January 23rd from 6-7:15pm. All are welcome!

Babysitting will be provided.

\*\*\***GIRLS' NIGHTS RETURN!!!** St. Ann will be hosting High School Girls Nights on all non-CCD Mondays from 7-8:15 in the youth room!! We will be sharing, talking, eating, coloring, and starting our book study on the book "How to Find Your Soulmate without Losing Your Soul:)) Spread the word!! All high school girls are invited!! Mondays: Dec. 11th

\*\*\***ST. ANN'S KIDS NIGHT EXPANDED!!** 6:00 - 7:15pm; We will have sessions for all kiddos K-5th grade... Also for ALL JR. HIGH kiddos grades 6-8th.... And FOR ALL PARENTS we will watch the "Why We Believe" videos and have discussion time. BABYSITTING IS PROVIDED:)) Come join us!! Spread the word!!! Tuesday: Dec. 12th

\*\*\***WE NEED BABYSITTERS!!!** Can you help?? We are offering babysitting for many of our youth activities. High school teens and adults are needed. If you can help, call or text Lisa Lapeyrouse at 985-852-2007, and we will put you on a team.

~\*~ **ST. ANN'S CHRISTMAS SOCIAL** ~\*~

**You are invited to the Christmas Gathering at St. Ann Catholic Church** in The St. Ann Parish Center on Saturday, December 2, 2017 after the 4:00pm Vigil Mass. Please bring your friends and family to join in a meal with your parish family. The Social Committee at St. Ann will provide the meat dish for the evening. Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share with everyone. Call Mrs. Johnnie @ 594-7718. She is coordinating the side dishes and desserts.

The Ladies Altar Society has invited Santa Claus for the evening and he will have gifts for the children.

\*\*\* There will be a box for Christmas gifts (under \$10) the at the entrance of the Church until Wednesday, November 29th to be given to children attending the Christmas Gathering.

~\*~ **THIS CHRISTMAS IN ST. ANN PARISH** ~\*~

We are organizing an "ST. ANN CHRISTMAS ADOPT A FAMILY" program instead of the "Jesse Tree". If you know a family who lives in St. Ann Parish and they have needs this Christmas Season, contact the Administration Office at 594-3548. If your family or group would like to participate in helping a family during this Christmas Season, contact the Office to let us know you would like to help.

**EXODUS BIBLE STUDY MAKE-UP DAY**

**The last Exodus Bible Study will be repeated on Sunday, December 3rd from 6:30 - 8:00PM in the St. Ann Parish Center because so many of our study partners were out of town that weekend.**

~\*~ *ST. ANN LADIES' ALTAR SOCIETY CHRISTMAS SOCIAL* ~\*~  
*Saturday, December 16th after the 4pm Mass*

**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT**

St. Ann Catholic Church in Bourg is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant for the church office to: The position will require a work schedule of 21hours per week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. For consideration, please submit a cover letter and a resume to [stannchurch@hdiocese.org](mailto:stannchurch@hdiocese.org). Applications are now being accepted until November 30, 2017 or until the position is filled. **The complete posting for this position is on the bulletin board at the entrance of the church.**

**From KC Council 8932:** Dear Parishioners of St. Ann, Thanks for your generous support, our sales of Right To Life calendars provided \$530.00 to help support Terrebonne Lafourche Right To Life in their efforts to assist moms to choose life for their babies. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

**"WHY WE BELIEVE" at St. Ann Parish in Bourg**

7:00pm on Monday with Confirmation Class: Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 18 **or**  
 6:00pm on Tuesday on Kid's Night: Dec. 12, Jan. 16, 30, Feb. 13  
 Learn more and sign up on our diocesan website at [hdiocese.org/WhyWeBelieve](http://hdiocese.org/WhyWeBelieve).

**MEAL ON WHEELS NEED VOLUNTEERS IN THE BOURG AREA!!!**  
**Call Kayla at 868-8411 or Kenneth at 688-1851**  
**We really need help!!!**

**From the desk of Jennifer Gaudet Associate Director ...Catholic Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux:**  
 " Please help me gather used school bags to hand out to the homeless to help them keep their belongings in one place and blankets so they could use to keep warm."  
**\*\*\*There will be a bin at the entrance of St. Ann Church and a box in the entrance of the St. Ann Parish Center for this collection of school bags and blankets. Thank you for your help.**

~\*~ *Marriages* ~\*~  
*Tyler Joseph Neil & Carolyn Ann Dufresne*  
*at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Jefferson, Louisiana*

MASSES	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	COMMENTATOR/LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS
<b><u>November 25 &amp; 26</u></b>				
<b>SATURDAY</b>	June, Randolph,			
<b>4:00P.M.</b>	Brian, Marianne	Hayes, Cheryl	Tyler, Donte'	Steve B, Dave, Ollie
<b>SUNDAY</b>	Cecil, Irma,			
<b>8:00A.M.</b>	Carol, Monique	Ken C, Nick	Lucas, Caleb	Butch, Leroy, Walton
<b>10:00A.M.</b>	David, Melissa, Debra L, Mindy	Lisa, Nathan	Henry, David, Luke	Carol, Volunteer
<b><u>December 2 &amp; 3</u></b>				
<b>SATURDAY</b>	Steve, Sue,			
<b>4:00P.M.</b>	Adrian, Yvonne	6th Grade CCD	Grace A, Trenton	Steve H, Jan, Lane
<b>SUNDAY</b>	Ken C, Doug,			
<b>8:00A.M.</b>	Dana, Bert	Christine, Claude	Lee, Volunteer	Dickie, Bob
<b>10:00A.M.</b>	Gerald, Melody, Lisa, Leroy	Courtney, Alaina	Donte'. Anna, Hailey, Kailey	6th Grade CCD

