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To register with Parish, please, come to Office.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday
4:00 p.m. - Bilingual
Sunday
8:00 a.m. - English
9:30 a.m. - English

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m. (**Chapel**)

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 pm or by appointment.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of the month after 8:00 a.m. Mass (**Church**)

32 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - November 8, 2026

The **Gospel** is from St. Matthew… Although commentators and writers have found difficulty in explaining many of the details in this parable, the general lesson is clear enough. Our Lord described an incident that happened or could have happened at a wedding festival in order to bring home to his listeners the need for being ever vigilant and ready in his service if they wish to avoid the calamity of being excluded from the heavenly and eternal nuptials on the last day. In the other parable in which our Lord uses a wedding feast to describe his kingdom, the lesson concerns those who refused the invitation and will not come to the wedding. Here it concerns those who gladly accepted the invitation.

The ten bridesmaids, or maidens, in the parable represent all Christians. On receiving the sacrament of baptism, the Christian starts on the road to heaven; he gets his invitation to the heavenly nuptials but this is only the beginning. From the moment he comes to the use of reason he is expected to prepare himself, by living according to the law of God, for the great moment when the call will go forth: *Behold the bridegroom! Come to meet him.* This moment will be, first, at the hour of death for each individual when each one's eternal fate will be decided, and again at the general judgment of the human race. During their lifetime all are invited to the heavenly wedding, and all have the necessary means to get ready. But, like the foolish bridesmaids, many will fail to make use of these means and will realize their folly when it is too late. Sad, but true.

A certain number of those for whom Christ died on the cross, and to whom he gave the gift of his revelation and offered all the helps they needed, will never reach heaven because they exchanged their heavenly birthright for a mess of earthly pottage. That the foolish bridesmaids in the parable lost a golden opportunity through their negligence is evident and we can all sympathize with them up to a point, but the thoughts of very few will turn to the bride and groom who were so seriously insulted by this act of negligence on the part of chosen friends. So too, every Christian lost is a grievous insult to the God who created and redeemed him. Christians have received the fullness of God's revelation, and have been offered a special place in his marriage festival; they have received a privileged invitation not given to others. Is it not a serious and deliberate insult to God not to comply with the conditions of that generous offer?

Providing themselves with oil was the obligation imposed on the bridesmaids in the parable. It was surely a trivial condition when compared with the reward offered them: a very special place at the marriage feast. The obligations imposed on us Christians are surely trivial too when compared with the reward offered us in return: an eternity of happiness in heaven. It seems incredible that there are many among us this very day who, like the foolish bridesmaids, doze and sleep contentedly holding empty lamps in their hands, while at any moment they may be awakened by: *Behold, the bridegroom comes! Go forth to meet him*. It will be too late then to do anything; even their best friends cannot help them. Each one must stand before the judge just as he is: there can be no borrowing of the oil of merit from others and there will be no time to buy any.

Now is the time for all of us to say "Lord, Lord, open to us." open to us the doors of your mercy and kindness. Open to us the eyes of our understanding that we may see our defects and remedy them while there is yet time.

It is up to us now to decide, aided by God's grace, where we shall be found on the last day—with the wise bridesmaids or with the foolish.



Mass Intentions

Sat. November 07 - **4:00 pm**
- Pat Weart – BDay
- Maura Dixon and Alex Hernandez - Health

Sun. November 08 - **8:00 am**
- Laura Kolts and All Souls in Purgatory (ROS)
- Nancy Bunch and Dr. Gabriel Ugwu - INT

- 9:30 am

Wed. November 11 - **8:00 am**
Thurs. November 12 - **8:00 am**
Fri. November 13 - **8:00 am**





MEETING – Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers… (for - current & new)
November 10th (Tuesday)
@ 5:30 pm in the Church

The month of …. NOVEMBER - is a time to remember,
in a special way, our Deceased Loved Ones.
…. Place their picture on the table, and /or write
their name in the book and make an offering.
We will pray for them, all month in NOVEMBER.

RUMMAGE SALE

For Martha's Pantry - Nov. 12, 13 & 14, 2026
Thursday - Friday…. 8 am - 2 pm
Saturday…. 8 am - 12 noon
Drop offs on - Monday Nov. 9, Tuesday Nov. 10 &
Wednesday Nov. 11… From: 8 am until 12 noon.
Remember… bring your quality items (furniture & misc. goods).
All proceeds from your shopping will help Martha's Pantry
to feed the hungry on - Wednesdays and Thursdays.
Volunteers needed to help set-up on… Nov. 9 (from 8-12 noon).

Religious Education - St. Ann Catholic Church

Program that provides faith development for Children & Adults.



Classes are - Sunday @ 8:15 am
followed by **Mass @ 9:30 am.**
JOYFULLY let us learn about our loving GOD

Ministries in Our Church



Lectors Those who proclaim God's word during our liturgical celebration.



Eucharistic Ministers Those who distribute Holy Communion during liturgical celebration.



Altar Servers Those who assist Priest during our liturgical celebration.



Choir Those who lead us in singing during our liturgical celebration.



Guadalupanas Those who in a special way turn to Mary for her intercession.

MEN'S MINISTRY

Men's Ministry Gather as a group to improve our spirituality.

Sacraments

Please call office to arrange……



Baptism Through this sacrament we become children of God.



Marriage Through this sacrament those who marry invite God into their life.



Anointing of the Sick Through this sacrament God forgives our sins and comforts us in our sickness.

15 **Quinceañera** (**not a sacrament**) Important celebration when one thanks God for blessings.

Helping those in need:

Martha's Pantry

Martha's Pantry St. Ann provides lunches for those in need: Wednesday & Thursday morning @ 9:00 am. At **Hanley Hall**.

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