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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.

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2. Click on Saint Ann, Needles
3. Choose online giving and **Give now**
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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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - April 28, 2024

The words of consolation and encouragement which our Lord spoke to his Apostles on Holy Thursday night were intended to console and encourage all his followers for all time. They encourage and console us today, and we need encouragement to persevere on the road to heaven. Living a truly Christian life is never easy. We have always the attraction of the world, and the temptations by the agents of evil, to make that life less easy still. But in our own day these difficulties have increased a hundredfold. The attractions of this world have been multiplied by the increased comforts, pleasures and means of self-indulgence which science and technology have put within our reach. Human nature, always inclined to choose the easiest way out, has been given so many means of escape from the strain of self-control that even for a fervent Christian it is frequently very difficult to avoid these worldly allurements.

Having the ordinary comforts of life and the possession of some of this world's goods is not wrong or anti-Christian, but the natural temptation is to get more and more of these comforts and riches, and the point is soon reached where this becomes the only purpose in life. When this sad stage is arrived at, God and our future life are forgotten; this world becomes our idol and our prison. Permissiveness, rejection of authority, glorification of unlawful sexual indulgence, drug addiction, and other such crimes are placed before the minds and the eyes of the youth of today, and are unfortunately copied by far too many.

It is indeed hard to swim against the current; it is so much more pleasant to allow oneself to be carried along without effort by the rushing tide. But when there are rocks and shoals ahead, the thoughtless and ease-seeking swimmer will end in grief. Our Lord has warned us today, as he warned his first followers, to abide in him, to remain closely united with him, as is the branch to the vine, if we hope to bear fruit worthy of heaven. He promises us that if we remain closely united to him, that is, if we strive daily to keep his commandments, he will be ever ready to answer our requests, and to heed all our prayers. The sincere prayer today of every man who is trying to lead a Christian life is for the grace to overcome the allurements of the world, the flesh and the devil. Let us take courage, then. Christ has promised to remain beside us during life if only we stay close to him. While we remain healthy branches of the vine, Christ, we will be on the road to heaven. Our daily tasks, our work as well as our prayer, our recreation as well as our rest, our joys as well as our sorrows, will give glory to God and prove that we are worthy to be called disciples of Christ.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. April 27 - 4:00 pm

- Ivan Montijo - INT

Sun. April 28 - 8:00 am

- God's blessings through the intercessions of
St. Anthony & St. Rita
- 9:30 am

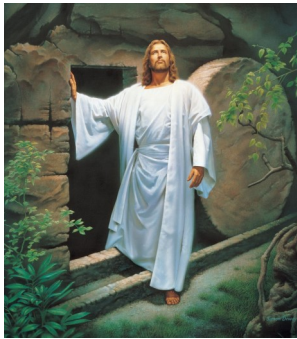
Wed. May 01 - 8:00 am

Thurs. May 02 - 8:00 am

Fri. May 03 - 8:00 am FIRST FRIDAY

Easter is not only one day. For Catholics it is
so important we celebrate **Easter Season for 50 days.**
Jesus' resurrected life becomes our life as well.

Christ is Risen, Alleluia!



May the Joy of Resurrection
fill our hearts and remain
with us throughout the year.
God bless each of us.....

Fr. Henry

Religious Education - St. Ann Catholic Church



Program in our parish that provides faith
development to all who are looking to build a
foundation in Catholic teaching & tradition.

Classes are - Sunday @ 8:30 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 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.

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

Helping those in need:



Martha's Pantry St. Ann provides lunches
for those in need: Wednesday & Thursday
morning @ 8 am - 8:30 am. At **Hanley Hall.**



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