

**St. Ann Catholic Church
Newsletter**

*We are here to serve our parish &
community. Come grow with us.
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Music Ministry

Thanks to all who participated in the Music Ministry for the Christmas Season ... great job especially at the Christmas Day Mass. We had a wonderful turn out (18 choir voices and 2 instrumentalists), and you sang and played well, kudos!! Now let's take a short break.

Looking ahead ..

Ash Wednesday is on February 14th and this starts the beginning of Lent.

Rehearsal for the Easter season will be held on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., beginning Monday February 19th. If you have ever considered joining the adult choir, now is a good time to jump in. It doesn't require an ongoing commitment. Only qualifications are the ability to carry a tune and a willingness to attend 6 rehearsals and 4 Masses. Please join us to exercise your faith through music!

For more information contact Mike McKay at the parish office (317.821.2909) or email mmckay@netpenny.net

**PRAY FOR OUR
MILITARY MEMBERS
THAT GOD IS WITH
THEM AND THEY
RETURN SAFELY TO
THEIR FAMILIES ...
GIVE THANKS FOR
THEIR SERVICE**

Spc. Brayden Thacker, Army (Friend of Gary Cahill & Kelly O'Brien); CW2 Gregory Kilpatrick, Army, (son of Janet Schlienz); Stf Sgt. Jim Henckel, Army, (Grandson-in-law of Lee Wenzlick); Pfc. Rob Wolfla, Marine, (Grandson of Joe Wolfla); Spc. Mary Blankenship, Army, (friend of Anna Brown & G.Granddaughter of Ruth Joyn-er); 2nd Lt. Howard Avery, Army Chaplain, (son-in-law of Nancy Giordano); Rev. Uzoma Uwakwe, Army Chaplain, (sent to Iraq & Afghanistan), 1st Lt. Greg Oliver, Marines, (Friend of Joe Lux); Sgt. Charles Shepherd, Army, (Son of Lesa Shepherd & Grandson of Lillian Spurgeon); Spc. Steven Caldwell, Army, (Son-in-law of Jane & Duke Bilyeu); Spc. Nathan Purdue, Army, (Grandson of Virgil & Lois Purdue); MSgt. Angela C. Cruz & StfSgt. Roger Cruz, Air Force, (Daughter & Son-in-law of Christine Ridener); Sgt. Jimmy Perryman, Pfc. Charles Perryman, Pfc. Danny Perryman, Army, (Friends of Christine Ridener); Afc. Cornelius E. Anderson III, Air Force, (Grandson of Shirley Anderson); Kenneth Stowe, Navy, (Grandson-in-law of Shirley Anderson) L Cpl Justin Michael grandson of Cecily Ramey . LCpl Justin Michael is with the U S Marines Sgt. James Elliott, Army (brother of Tina Waggoner) Lt. Daniel Reid, Air Force, (brother in law of Tina Waggoner)

May those who have gone before us rest in Christ's peace. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

If you would like to add a name, contact Alana or Chad Swain at caswain223@sbcglobal.net

**The Christmas
Giving Tree**

The Giving Tree Committee wishes to thank all of you who participated in St. Ann's Annual Giving Tree project. All of your 120 gifts to our 30 children along with your cash donations of \$1200 gave us the opportunity to give each one of the 12 families a gift card of \$100 which made a special Christmas for every one of them.

Also, a huge thank you to Tom Gerding and all of his St. Vincent DePaul volunteers. Through all of their efforts they were able to give each family a \$40 gift card along with large baskets of groceries.

We were blessed with a large number of volunteers who came on Saturday, December 23rd to deliver all the gifts and groceries to the families.

God Bless All Of You!

**40 Days for Life
Indianapolis**

Indiana's largest abortion facility, the Planned Parenthood at 86th and Georgetown Road is responsible for over one-half of all the abortions performed in the state of Indiana. Are you ready to stand up for life? How can you make a difference? The National 40 Days for Life campaign is peaceful, prayerful, and effective. A peaceful prayer vigil will take place in front of Planned Parenthood each day from February 14 through March 25. St. Ann Parish is responsible for covering Thursdays from 5-6pm throughout the campaign. Please sign-up online at

www.40daysindy.org. For more information, contact Mike at 317-757-9141.

BE THE CIRCLE

When you see the image of Christ in your mind, what do you see? I see Christ holding a lamb in His arms. I see Christ surrounded by children. I see Christ with arms open wide to hug me.

Why do other images not come to mind so quickly? Images of Christ performing miracles, teaching with His parables, walking on water, or suffering? Perhaps because I see Christ caring for His lambs, His children, and even me. He is smiling.

In trying to follow Christ, I often think of this poem:

OutWitted

He drew a circle that shut me out.

Heretic, rebel, a thing to flout,

But love and I had the wit to win.

We drew a circle that took him in

By Edwin Markham



Be the "We" and draw that second circle.

Mary Jane Jones

ST. ANN'S PRAYER LIST INTENTIONS

January/February 2018

All nursing home residents & the homebound, The sick & their caregivers, All members of the military, Vocations to the priesthood & religious life, Fallen away members of the Catholic Church, All those in mourning, Growth & prosperity of St. Ann Catholic Church, Respect for life, All St. Joseph Catholic Church prayer chain intentions, All St. Thomas More Catholic Church prayer chain intentions, All those suffering from natural disasters, Kay Gambel, Carolyn Kavanaugh, Bryan Williams, Carmen Codarmaz, Bruce & Mary O'Neal, Pauline Pinnick, Shirley Anderson, Shirley Bevers, Irene Stahlhut, Corydon Hacker, Bailey Day, Jim Cesnik, Michael Sekulich, Elsie Vogel, Mary Ann Grzelak, Clea Kavanaugh, Flo DeMartino Chris Haggengos & Brother, John Scheetz, Paul Schlien, Adam Cesnik & Family, St. Ann Parishioner, Tami Wilgus, Linda Staten, Sue Strube, John Cox, Susann Angermeier, Elida Jones, Josephina, Nancy Mindrup, Tony Baar, Don Wilgus, Richard Martin, Katelyn Hilligoss, Jean Patton, Ted Hooker, Nicole Y., Gloria & Jerry Holmes' 18 Month Old Granddaughter, Lisa, Hugo P., Jim Goodge, Erin M., Holly, Scott Sekulich, Adult Woman & Her Family, Rita Greder, Helen Buckallew, Donna Sickles' Great-Grandson, Evelyn Bevers, Izzy Borsa, John Tague, Jordan Linkous, Michael (Travis) Nolin, Norma Haley, Valerie Scott, Jim Peterec, Leighann Cox, Charlotte Dubvak, Mike Grzelak, Nina Wilson, Rose Marie Santos, St. Ann Parishioner's Friend's Mother & Father, Lindy Parish, Joyanna, Casey Palpo, Margaret, Raphael Gonzalez & Family, Sharon Williams, Courtney DeHaven, Lisa Ferguson, Jason Young, Paul Cummings, Oliverio Guzman, Fredericka Graves, Cathy, Linda Cox, Alana Swain, Ed Mong, Conrado & Norma, Steve Groves & Family, Someone having problems after eye surgery, St. Ann Parishioner's Grandson, Suzanne Suter, Mike Angermeier, Mike McCullough, Bryan Coffey, Rose Slocum, Benita Paul, Joe Guagenti and family, Joseph Nichols, Phoenix Sizwmore

ST. ANN'S MARDI GRAS REVERSE RAFFLE February 10, 2018

Tickets are on sale for the Mardi Gras Reverse Raffle to be held on Saturday, February 10th. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; dinner at 7:00 p.m. The ticket price of \$30 each includes a chicken dinner catered by "Jug's" Catering, beer, wine, soft drinks and a chance to win \$1,000. In addition to the reverse raffle, there will be items for bid in a Live Auction and a Silent Auction. Gift bags and pull tabs will also be available for purchase.

To purchase tickets or to reserve a table for 8 or more persons, please contact Bert Rosen at 317-502-0883, Carolyn Gornick 317-821-4711, Don Wilgus 317-856-7442 or Susie Gill 317-821-1762.

Please join us for a great evening of fellowship and Jug's famous chicken dinners.

If you would like to learn more about this event or to volunteer/help, please contact Don Wilgus or Carolyn Gornick.