

St. Ann Catholic Church Newsletter

*We are here to serve our parish & community. Come grow with us.
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Welcome New Parishioners

Please Welcome:

Greg Lenfort. Greg and his wife Brittainy have been married 3 yrs. They live in a near neighborhood. Greg continues his interest in serving through his work. Ask him about feeding the hungry.

Please Welcome:

Miranda Adams and son Carter. She and her husband Wes will welcome a new baby boy in November. She looks forward to continuing worship here at St Ann's.

Please welcome:

Miranda Brown and her preschool children Madalin and Sebastian. Miranda has already pitched in to help with funeral meals. She is originally from Evansville and works teaching nutrition. We are so blessed to have her worship with us.

We have been blessed with the entry of several new families. Don't forget to greet that person you don't know so well. It will enrich your life

BOOK CLUB

IN NOVEMBER, 2011 CARDINAL TIMOTHY DOLAN ADDRESSED THE UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS WITH THESE WORDS, "MAYBE OUR MOST URGENT PASTORAL PRIORITY IS TO LEAD OUR PEOPLE TO SEE, HEAR AND EMBRACE ANEW JESUS IN AND THROUGH HIS CHURCH. BECAUSE, AS THE CHILLING STATISTICS WE CANNOT IGNORE TELL US, FEWER AND FEWER OF OUR BELOVED PEOPLE--TO SAY NOTHING ABOUT THOSE OUTSIDE THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH--ARE CONVINCED THAT JESUS AND HIS CHURCH ARE ONE."

WITH THAT IN MIND, MARGARET NUTTING RALPH WROTE HER BOOK, "WHY THE CATHOLIC CHURCH MUST CHANGE." THE ST. ANN BOOK CLUB WILL BE DISCUSSING HER BOOK, BEGINNING WITH OUR NEXT MEETING, ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20 AT 7:00 PM. BOOKS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM MIKE CESNIK FOR \$4.00. OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20 AT 7:00 PM IN THE JANE SHIREMAN ROOM.

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 Schlien); StfSgt. 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 Joyner); 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). Addison Camp US Air Force. grandson of Fred & Julia Metzger Pfc Justin Michael grandson of Cecily Ramey. LCpl Justin Michael is with the U S Marines

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 Giving Tree

The Giving Tree Committee will have its first meeting of the year on October 11th at 11am in the Jane Shireman Room. All are welcome to attend.

Pro-Life

Birthline - Baby Clothes Needed

Birthline, a program of the Office of the Pro-Life and Family Life, continues to experience an increase of the number of families whom we assist. Birthline needs new or clean and gently used fall and winter clothes sizes 18 months - 2T for both boys and girls. Donations can be dropped off Mondays 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Catholic Center. You may also order donations online and send them to Birthline, 1400 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202. All donations are tax deductible. If you have questions, please contact Keri Carroll at (317) 236-1521 or kcarroll@archindy.org.

40 Days for Life Indianapolis - September 28 to November 6

Join us in the 2016 Spring Campaign of 40 Days for Life! From September 28 to November 6 our community will take part in this international campaign to stand for the gift of life through prayer and fasting. A peaceful prayer vigil will be held on the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood (8590 Georgetown Rd, Indianapolis). For more information on the campaign or to sign up to participate in the prayer vigil, please visit www.40daysindy.org. We pray that, with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city - and beyond. Contact Kelly Leszczewski at (937) 903-3233 or kelly@goangels.org to learn more.

Life Chain

Please join the faithful from central Indiana at the 2016 National Life Chain in a silent witness against abortion, on Sunday, October 22nd from 2:30 -3:30 pm. St Ann's and St. Joe's will gather between 21st and McClean Place on the west side of Meridian.

ST. ANN'S PRAYER LIST INTENTIONS September/October

Pauline Shaw, Kay Gambel, Carolyn Kavanaugh, Bryan Williams, Carmen Codarmaz, Bruce & Mary O'Neal, Pauline Pinnick, Shirley Anderson, Greg Volkert, Patsy Walker, Elva Adams, Polly Auberry, Shirley Bevers, Robert & Irene Stahlhut, Corydon Hacker, Bailey Day, Jim Cesnick, Michael Sekulich, Elsie Vogel, Joann Pearson, Mary Ann Grzelak, Clea Kavanaugh, Paulette Schmutte, Corey Arthur, Shirley Lanham, Lois Purdue, Erin T., Flo DeMartino, Scott Sekulich, Adam G., Elida Jones, Glen Young, Barbara Pinnick, Donna Sickle, Chris Haggengjos, Chad & Penny Holland Family, Jeremy, John Scheetz, Abby C., Claudia Games, Hugo P., James Patten, Rick Shingleton, Robert McKay, Margracer Nichols, Matt Mindrup, Tristen Mindrup, Rosalie Hinton, Mason Clouse, Mike Shade, Teresa Gomaz & Family, Jeanie Shipka Brielmaier, Judy Fockler & Family, Mother of Tim Nawrocki, Adam Cesnik, Homero Zillapores, Liliano Family, Patty Arthur, Donna Kavanaugh, Guzman Family, Edwin Perez, Rafael Among, Rasalia & Her Family, Don Mattes, Jim Payton, Carter Whirl, Carisa Murphy, Karen Cunningham, Paul Schlien, Frank & Joanna Donaho, Fredericka Graves & Family, Krier Byer, Paul & Janet Schneck Family, Econine, Charles Bevington, Wilma Bracken, Carla Nordholt, Marilyn Campfield, David Lopez, St. Ann Parishioner, Tami Wilgus, Eric Hickman, Gary G. & Family, Marvetta, Morgan Martin, Jim Thompson

TURN, TURN, TURN

Leaves turn to their true colors as they stop producing chlorophyll.

Hummingbirds turn south. Spiders turn their captured prey into food sources. Furnaces are turned on. Flowers turn to seeds.

And this time of turning is an opportunity to turn ourselves. Turn off the petty complaints and turn to acceptance. Turn off the past hurts and turn to understanding. Turn off getting our own way and turn to others doing things their way. Turn off sitting at the end of "your" pew and turn on moving to the middle so others can easily find a seat and someone to sit with. Turn off judging and turn on inclusion. Turn off anything that makes anyone feel unwelcome at St. Ann's and turn on what makes this a great Church community – our smiles and friendliness and faith.

A Church to call home – Come grow with us!

Mary Jane Jones

Note to self: Put this on the mirror to remind myself to turn to these things.

THEME REVEAL FOR OUR CENTENNIAL

A CHURCH TO CALL HOME -COME GROW WITH US!

Ladies Guild–

The Ladies Guild is open to any ladies of the parish over the age of 18 years of age. There are no dues and we are a self-supporting organization. When we organized in 1985, the first Easter Bazaar was financed by then President, Linda Staten and Vice President Thelma Mattingly and we evolved from there. We have never had to ask the Church for money.

We sponsor the cleaning of the Church—dusting everything—pews, altar, windows of the doors, holy water fonts, etc. with the help of our parishioner volunteers. Lee Wenzlick and Dolores Schubert coordinated this effort for many years. Now Charlotte Hudson chairs this group.

One of our members, Nicki Silcox, send Christmas, Valentines, Easter, get well, sympathy, etc. cards, especially to our shut-ins. Another individual, Deborah Fox, is head of our Parish Prayer chain, offering loving support from caring members of our Church.

We also sponsor Funeral Dinners with the help of our parishioners preparing and donating food. The Ladies Guild furnishes the main course, the meat. If you ever experienced a death in your family, you know how wonderful it is to come back here to St. Ann's Social Hall with your relatives and friends without a worry. Shirley Bevers and Marie Dallasandro did the calling for food for years. This spiritual work of mercy is now headed by Kay Gootee and Jane Gilliam. We have four teams who take turns serving these dinners.

The Ladies Guild also sponsors the Birth-Line Baby Shower in the Narthex every October in connection with Right To Life Sunday. No, you don't have to come to a party and play silly games. Just bring unwrapped baby things and Bernie and Ginny will make sure they are delivered to the Catholic Crisis Center downtown. They help mothers and babies in crisis.

Every few years we sponsor a retreat for the ladies of our parish, as well from St. Joseph, St. Thomas More and St. Susannah.

We also sponsor World day of Prayer, when it is our turn with St. Joseph, Mt Olive United Methodist Church, Faith Lutheran and Lynhurst Baptist Church.

The Ladies Guild holds a raffle either Mother's Day or at the Parish Christmas Party. This year we will be raffling off an I-Pad with cover and a quilt at the Christmas party. This enables us to have a Mass said for each parish lady who passes away. Once in a while we move some raffle money into Funeral dinners or some other project such as the Pro-Life Breakfast.

There are many organizations that benefit from the Ladies Guild. We gave \$200 to the Building Fund. As you enter our Church, the Blessed Mother statue that greets you we donated \$154. 20. You notice the Bookrack on the left which now sports pictures of our new parishioners, we donated \$84.54. When you enter the main part of the church, notice the Stations of the Cross. They were enhanced in size from our Church on Holt Road to the right size in this Church by Dan Roy who donated his labor. As you move up the side aisles you notice the flag which we donated. We help the liturgy Committee by donating \$280 to have two small candle holders and large ones replaced as well as \$225 for the restoration of the crucifix and

vestments, altar clothes and banners for the lectern (\$1,008.94) were made by Barbara Pacuch. Also we donated \$251.75 for the chairs for the choir. Each year we buy presents for the Priest and Deacon. The Ordination gift for Fr. Harold Rightor, whose first Mass was said at St. Ann's, was donated by the Ladies Guild. Two new card tables and chairs, one set used in the Narthex for Script card sales, was donated by us. One of our members donated \$800 for a washer and dryer for the Church. Another donated \$100 for things for our new kitchen. Another member donated the salt and pepper shakers for use on the tables in the Social hall. A couple more ladies donated silver serving pieces. The Ladies Guild also donates supplies in the Church kitchen pantry and keeps it stocked.

Every year we sponsor a booth at the Festival. We provide lunch for the volunteers for the Annual Major Church Clean Up Day. We provide homemade desserts for the Reverse Raffle in the Spring as well as Acts and Snacks.

We donated sizable amounts a couple of times to the Parish General Fund, St. Ann School Fund, Shrubs and Flowers for beautification of parish grounds, and St. Ann Religious Ed program.

We just recently purchased five new albs for our servers and Nicki Silcox repaired the ones that needed it.

This is just to let you know that we are a worthwhile organization and we would love to have you join us. We won't give you a job right away. We have speakers and other fun things at our meetings. In our September meeting we assembled kits for Barb Winningham's Mission trip to the Dominican Republic.

Last fall we took a bus trip to the Shrine of Christ's Passion. We enjoyed it so much! That was the second time we had gone.

Over the years we have published a couple of St. Ann cookbooks. Want one from the last publication? See Ginny Angermier for the special price of \$7.

Won't you join us? We'll make you feel welcome. We meet the second Tuesday of each month in the Social Hall at 7pm.

BIBLE STUDY

THE BIBLE STUDY GROUP IS MEETING ON SUNDAYS AFTER THE 9:30 MASS IN THE ROOM NEXT TO COFFEE AND DONUTS. IF YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN IN A BIBLE STUDY GROUP, THIS MAY BE A GOOD TIME TO TRY IT. WE ARE READING AND DISCUSSING THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK. MARK'S GOSPEL IS BELIEVED TO BE THE OLDEST OF THE FOUR GOSPELS. IT IS ALSO THE SHORTEST (ONLY 18 CHAPTERS) AND THE MOST ACTION PACKED OF ALL THE GOSPELS. IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN IN RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES AFTER MASS, FEEL FREE TO PICK UP YOUR COFFEE AND DONUT AND JOIN US. WE HAVE JUST STARTED ON THE STUDY OF MARK. YOU CAN PICK UP YOUR BOOKS AT BIBLE STUDY (PRICED AT \$10).