



St. Ann Catholic Church

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St. Ann Catholic Church, Channahon strives to be a welcoming, caring and faith-filled parish family who desires to bring one another closer to Jesus through Prayer, Involvement and Generosity on our way to the Heavenly Father.

Message from 1/16/22:

FROM FATHER JOHN: *"Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all you lands. Sing to the LORD; bless his name. Announce his salvation, day after day. Tell his glory among the nations; among all peoples, his wondrous deeds. Give to the LORD, you families of nations, give to the LORD glory and praise; give to the LORD the glory due his name! Worship the LORD in holy attire. Tremble before him, all the earth; Say among the nations: The LORD is king. He governs the peoples with equity." ~ Psalm 96*

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations!!!

Christian Anthropology is the study of our human nature in the light of Christ and the fact that we are created in the Image and Likeness of God. One of the things we learn about ourselves as human persons, created and loved by God, is that the ability to love is within each of us; it is something that is part of our human nature. It is a capacity that we innately have within us.

Love of God is not something that can be taught. We did not learn the desire to want to live. The desire to want to live is within us from the moment of our creation. We were not taught, nor did we learn, to love our parents, grandparents, brothers or sisters. It is something that came naturally to us rather than from someone teaching us to love our family.

The ability and capacity to love is planted within us at the moment of our creation and then continues to grow throughout our lives. The ability and the need to love are inherent within us because we are made by God, for God, in His Image and Likeness.

The two greatest commandments we receive from God are to love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our mind, with all our soul and with strength. The second great commandment is to love one another as our Lord Jesus has loved us. God would not have given us these commandments without giving us the capacity to fulfill them. Therefore, the capacity to love is inherent within us and is part of our nature as human persons.

When we use this ability in a right and fitting way, we lead a life of virtue and holiness. But if we misuse it, we fall into sin. The definition of sin can be seen simply as the misuse of the capacity and abilities that God has given us. God gives these gifts so that we can do good in the world but when we misuse them by doing the opposite of the good, we fall into sin. Essentially sin is the misuse of God's gifts to do something that is contrary to God's law and commands.

On the other hand, virtue lies in using these same capacities, abilities and gifts to good purpose in accord with God's laws and commands. The thing to always remember is that believing in God is not merely an exercise of our intellect. It is also an exercise of our will. To believe in God means to do his will, to live a virtuous life, to use the gifts, talents, abilities and capacities that God gave us at the moment of our creation to do good in the world; to do those good things that are in accord with God's law and commands.

May God bless you and all those who love the Lord.

Weekly Mass Schedule

Mon. 8:00 am—
Lit. of the Word
(Tues. - Fri.) 8:00 am Mass
Enter through Door #5,
West Entrance;

*Saturday confession:
8:30 a.m.*

In confessional/church

Saturday Mass: 4 pm
Sunday Mass: 8 & 10 am

**EUCCHARISTIC
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AT OUR PARISH**

Eucharistic Adoration /
Wednesdays
8:30 – 10:30 AM
Come and spend time with the
Lord. Enter through
Entrance #5



"If you take part frequently in the Eucharistic celebration, if you dedicate some of your time to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the source of love which is the Eucharist, you will acquire that joyful determination to dedicate your lives to following the gospel."

Pope Benedict XVI

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Help Socially Isolated Seniors During the Pandemic and Beyond!

Catholic Charities' Senior Companion Program (SCP) is looking for people 55 years and older who are interested in visiting with another senior who is homebound and living in Grundy County. This is strictly a friendly visit, no homecare duties are involved. Volunteers who meet income eligibility guidelines will receive a tax-free hourly stipend and a mileage reimbursement for time spent with clients.

Senior Companion volunteers provide assistance and friendship to older adults who have difficulty with daily living tasks. All volunteers and clients socially distance and wear masks to stay healthy during the COVID-19 pandemic. This program helps seniors stay independent longer and provides respite to family caregivers. Senior Companion volunteers report better health and longevity having served the community. Are you ready to forge new relationships and make a significant difference in the lives of others?

In Grundy County, call Bry Williams at 815-933-7791 ext. 9928 or email bwilliams@cc-doj.org. For more information about the programs and services provided by Catholic Charities, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms:

Catholic parents have the responsibility to have their infant children baptized within the first few weeks of life when possible. Baptism prep will be the 3rd Saturday of the month @ 2 PM in the Fireside room, call the parish office to schedule. Baptisms will be the 1st Sunday of the month at 11:15 AM (Exceptions for holiday weekends.) Please call the parish office to schedule and for information. parishoffice@stannchannahon.org or 815-467-6962, Ext. 0.

Eucharist, Reconciliation, Confirmation for Children:

Formation is held during religious education sessions. Registration/questions contact Tom x5.

Reception of Baptism, Reconciliation, R.C.I.A., Eucharist & Confirmation for Adults:

Inquiries about reception of Sacraments, contact Tom, Ext. 5.

Engagement Preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage:

Couples need to be registered and active in parish life and attend weekly Mass. Preparation begins eight months before proposed date. Contact Parish Office 815-467-6962.

Validation of a Civil Marriage:

If you were married civilly by the State and wish to validate your marriage as a Sacrament, contact Dcn. Bob, Ext. 7 or the parish office, Ext. 0.

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Jill Walsh 815-467-6962, Ext. 0

Thursday Bible Study:
Tom Uraski

Saturdays Fishers of Men:
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For more information, contact Parish
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2021 Year End Contribution Statements will be emailed by February 1, 2022. If you would like your statement mailed to your home, please call Kim at the parish office: 815-467-6962, Ext. 6 or email at finance@stannchannahon.org

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022

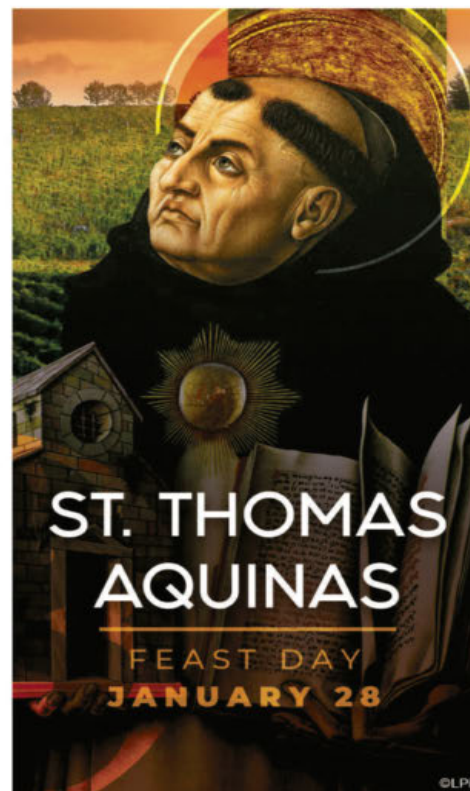
- Sunday:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
- Monday:** 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30
- Tuesday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18
- Wednesday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday:** 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25
- Friday:** 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41
- Next Sunday:** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022

- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin
- Monday:** St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday:** The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
- Wednesday:** Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
- Thursday:** St. Angela Merici, Virgin
- Friday:** St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing. Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that he is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us. It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit. We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, "The Summa Theologiae." Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The Summa Theologiae, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today.



Saturday, Jan. 22, 2022

4:00 pm +Alberta Durkee/Dorothy Jenkins

Sunday, January 23, 2021

8:00 am The People of St. Ann Parish

10:00 am The People of St. Ann Parish

Monday, January 24, 2021

8:00 am Liturgy of the Word w/Holy Communion

Tuesday, January 25, 2021

8:00 am Presider's Intentions

Wednesday, January 26, 2021

8:00 am +Mary Joan/Family

Thursday, January 27, 2021

8:00 am Special Intention

Friday, January 28, 2021

8:00 am Presider's Intentions

Saturday, Jan. 29, 2022

4:00 pm +Alberta Durkee/John & JoAnne Sternisha

Sunday, January 30, 2021

8:00 am +Becky Weisenberger/Jim & Anita Schemensky

+Dick & Helen Clark/Curt Clark

10:00 am +Ronald & SI Loretta Stuart/Stuart Family

† = denotes deceased person / SI = special intention

February 13, 2022

GAME DAY

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY

TIME FOR SQUARES

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PAYOUTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:


1st Quarter: \$500	3rd Quarter: \$500
Reverse: \$250	Reverse: \$250
2nd Quarter: \$500	Final Score: 2,000
Reverse: \$250	Reverse: \$500

DISCLAIMER: If for some reason the board does not fill-up, we would have to slightly adjust the prize payouts to make that adjustment. We do not anticipate this happening.





Stewardship of Treasure

	
<u>January 10th, 2022</u>	
Our Weekly Offertory →	\$ 9,465
Budgeted	8,169
Difference	+ 1,296

January 23, 2022
3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..."
(NEHEMIAH 8:10)

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part - to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

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Use the Free Will to create a Will, write your testimony, and make sure your religious activities are passed on to those you love.

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Catholic Ministries Appeal 2021	
<i>January 10, 2022</i>	
<u>Goal \$ 37,200</u>	
<i>Amount Pledged</i>	\$ 54,833
<i>Amount Paid</i>	\$ 54,833
<i>Balance Due</i>	\$ 0
<i>Donor Count</i>	173
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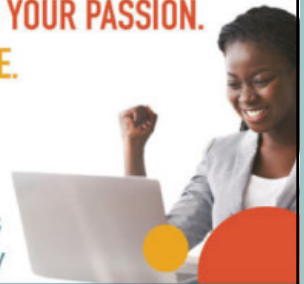
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