

Saint Ann Church

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21ST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

"You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:68-69

ST. ANN MISSION STATEMENT: Through celebration of the seven sacraments, centered in the Holy Eucharist, St. Ann Church strives to be a beacon of faith, hope, love, and a harbor of peace as we serve one another, united in our goal of leading souls to heaven.

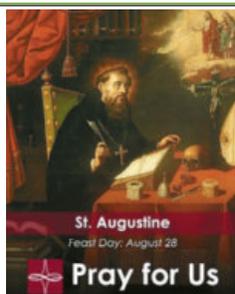
MISIÓN DE ST. ANN: A través de la celebración de los siete sacramentos, centrada en la Sagrada Eucaristía, la Iglesia St. Ann se esfuerza por ser un faro de fe, esperanza, amor y un puerto de paz mientras nos servimos unos a otros, unidos en nuestro objetivo de llevar almas al cielo.

MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MISAS:

Saturday Vigil / Vigilia del Sábado
4:00 PM (English)

Sunday / Domingo
8:30 AM (English)
9:45 AM (English)
12:00 PM (Español)

Monday-Friday / Lunes-Viernes
8:00 AM - English



Eucharistic Adoration / Adoración Eucarística
Monday—Friday /Lunes—Viernes
8:30am—9:00am

Reconciliation / Sacramento de la Reconciliación
Monday—Friday /Lunes—Viernes 8:30am—9:00am
Saturday / Sábado, 3:15PM-3:50 PM
Or Call for an appointment 203-368-1607



PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday 9:00AM - 1:00 PM
Tuesday 9:30AM - 1:30 PM
Wednesday 9:30AM - 1:30 PM
Thursday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday CLOSED
Saturday CLOSED
Sunday CLOSED

(For evening hours please call office schedule an appointment)



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From the desk of Fr. Ian Jeremiah

Passion of St. John the Baptist (Feast Day: Thursday, August 29)

Precursor of Christ in birth and death (From a homily by Saint Bede the Venerable, priest)

As forerunner of our Lord's birth, preaching and death, the blessed John showed in his struggle a goodness worthy of the sight of heaven. In the words of Scripture: *Though in the sight of men he suffered torments, his hope is full of immortality.*

We justly commemorate the day of his birth with a joyful celebration, a day which he himself made festive for us through his suffering and which he adorned with the crimson splendor of his own blood. We do rightly revere his memory with joyful hearts, for he stamped with the seal of martyrdom the testimony which he delivered on behalf of our Lord.

There is no doubt that blessed John suffered imprisonment and chains as a witness to our Redeemer, whose forerunner he was, and gave his life for him. His persecutor had demanded not that he should deny Christ, but only that he should keep silent about the truth. Nevertheless, he died for Christ. Does Christ not say: *I am the truth?* Therefore, because John shed his blood for the truth, he surely died for Christ.

Through his birth, preaching and baptizing, he bore witness to the coming birth, preaching and baptism of Christ, and by his own suffering he showed that Christ also would suffer.

Such was the quality and strength of the man who accepted the end of this present life by shedding his blood after the long imprisonment. He preached the freedom of heavenly peace, yet was thrown into irons by ungodly men; he was locked away in the darkness of prison, though he came bearing witness to the Light of life and deserved to be called a bright and shining lamp by that Light itself, which is Christ.

John was baptized in his own blood, though he had been privileged to baptize the Redeemer of the world, to hear the voice of the Father above him, and to see the grace of the Holy Spirit descending upon him. But to endure temporal agonies for the sake of the truth was not a heavy burden for such men as John; rather it was easily borne and even desirable, for he knew eternal joy would be his reward.

Since death was ever near at hand through the inescapable necessity of nature, such men considered it a blessing to embrace it and thus gain the reward of eternal life by acknowledging Christ's name.

Hence the apostle Paul rightly says: *You have been granted the privilege not only to believe in Christ but also to suffer for his sake.* He tells us why it is Christ's gift that his chosen ones should suffer for him: *The sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed in us.*

Let us live our baptismal commitment for the rest of our lives because we have been reborn as children of God and heirs of heaven. Let us also imitate the courage of St. John the Baptist by standing firm in our faith and resisting the temptation to compromise the gospel teaching.

Del escritorio del P. Ian Jeremiah

Pasión de San Juan Bautista (Fiesta: Jueves 29 de agosto)

Precursor de Cristo en el nacimiento y en la muerte (De una homilía de San Beda el Venerable, presbítero)

Como precursor del nacimiento, de la predicación y de la muerte de nuestro Señor, el bienaventurado Juan mostró en su lucha una bondad digna de la vista del cielo. En las palabras de la Escritura: Aunque a la vista de los hombres sufrió tormentos, su esperanza está llena de inmortalidad.

Con justicia conmemoramos con una celebración gozosa el día de su nacimiento, un día que él mismo hizo festivo para nosotros con su sufrimiento y que adornó con el esplendor carmesí de su propia sangre. Con razón veneramos su memoria con corazones alegres, porque selló con el sello del martirio el testimonio que dio en nombre de nuestro Señor.

No hay duda de que el bienaventurado Juan sufrió prisión y cadenas como testigo de nuestro Redentor, de quien fue precursor, y dio su vida por él. Su perseguidor no le había pedido que negara a Cristo, sino sólo que guardara silencio acerca de la verdad. Sin embargo, murió por Cristo. ¿No dice Cristo: Yo soy la verdad? Por lo tanto, porque Juan derramó su sangre por la verdad, ciertamente murió por Cristo.

Con su nacimiento, predicación y bautismo, dio testimonio del venidero nacimiento, predicación y bautismo de Cristo, y con su propio sufrimiento mostró que Cristo también sufriría.

Tal era la calidad y la fuerza del hombre que aceptó el fin de esta vida presente derramando su sangre después de un largo encarcelamiento. Predicó la libertad de la paz celestial, pero fue arrojado a los grilletes por hombres impíos; fue encerrado en la oscuridad de la prisión, aunque vino dando testimonio de la Luz de la vida y mereció ser llamado una lámpara brillante y resplandeciente por esa misma Luz, que es Cristo.

Juan fue bautizado en su propia sangre, aunque había tenido el privilegio de bautizar al Redentor del mundo, de oír la voz del Padre sobre él y de ver la gracia del Espíritu Santo descender sobre él. Pero soportar agonías temporales por causa de la verdad no era una carga pesada para hombres como Juan; más bien, era fácil de soportar e incluso deseable, porque sabía que el gozo eterno sería su recompensa.

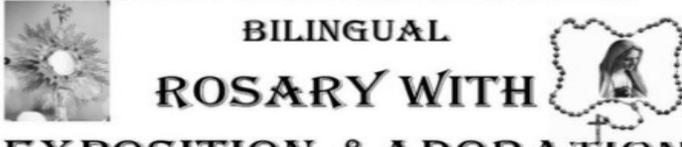
Puesto que la muerte siempre estaba cerca por la ineludible necesidad de la naturaleza, estos hombres consideraban una bendición abrazarla y así obtener la recompensa de la vida eterna al reconocer el nombre de Cristo.

Por eso el apóstol Pablo dice con razón: Se os ha concedido no sólo el privilegio de creer en Cristo, sino también de sufrir por él. Nos dice por qué es un don de Cristo que sus elegidos sufran por él: Los sufrimientos de este tiempo presente no son dignos de ser comparados con la gloria que se ha de revelar en nosotros.

Vivamos el compromiso bautismal durante toda nuestra vida porque hemos renacido como hijos de Dios y herederos del cielo. Imitemos también el coraje de San Juan Bautista manteniéndonos firmes en nuestra fe y resistiendo a la tentación de transigir con la enseñanza evangélica.

EVENTS & MINISTRIES AT ST. ANN'S

EVERY FRIDAY 7:00pm IN
 ST. ANN CHURCH
 ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND
 BILINGUAL
 ROSARY WITH
 EXPOSITION & ADORATION



Understand that, each time we contemplate with desire and devotion the Host in which is hidden Christ's Eucharistic Body, we increase our merits in heaven and secure special joys to be ours later in the beatific vision of God. - ST. BERTHELE

SUMMERTIME AT ST. ANN FIELD
Black Rock Concert Series.

Thank you all who volunteered, assisted and participated in our Concert Series. May God bless you and your family. See you next Summer!




Black Rock Farmers Market on St. Ann Field
 Black Rock Farmers Market is taking place every Saturday (weather permitting) from 9:00AM to 1:00PM.

St. Ann's Parish PICNIC

Sunday SEPTEMBER 22
 01:00PM — 04:00PM,
 ON St. Ann Field

Donations Needed:
Aug 24,25: 2 LITER SODA, Bottled Water
Sept. 07,08 & 14, 15: PAPER PLATES, Cold Cups, NAPKINS



LEAVE IN BASKETS IN CHURCH VESTIBULE

JOIN THE PARISH COUNCIL & Liturgy Committee

Meets in the rectory basement entrance through the back.
Thursday September 5th
 Liturgy Committee Meeting AT 6:00 PM
 PARISH COUNCIL AT 7:00 PM

Please we are in need of more people to join the group and volunteer .



17th Annual Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference

Saturday, September 21, 2024
 8:30am - 4pm
 (Vigil Mass)
 Northwest Catholic High School in West Hartford

Guest speakers, Free Lunch, Adoration, Mass and more.
 Visit www.ctcatholicmen.org to register.




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 Questions contact the Office
 203-368-1607




DIOCESAN CHOIR:
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The DIOCESAN CHOIR sings regularly for special liturgical events of the Diocese of Bridgeport. Rehearsals are held on Monday evenings from 7-8:30pm at St. Augustine Cathedral in Bridgeport. Join 1st rehearsal Monday, October 7, 2024 – 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Diocesan Choir Registration Form (google.com)
 For further information, contact the Diocesan Director of Music Ministry: Dr. Bill Atwood |
 Email: William.atwood@diobpt.org |
 Phone: 203.368.6777 X 22




Those requesting a Sponsor Certificate for Baptism or Confirmation must meet the following requirements before they can obtain a Sponsor Certificate:

1. Be at least 16 years of age or older
2. Be mature enough to undertake this responsibility;
3. Have received all three sacraments of initiation, (Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation);
4. If married, married according to Catholic teaching;
5. Regularly attend Mass Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation using your envelopes.

Any parishioner of St. Ann Church who wishes to act as a godparent for the Sacrament of Baptism or as a sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation, must contact the Parish Office to arrange a in person appointment. One must be a registered and active parishioner with St. Ann Church for at least 3 months. Thank you.

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- Ven a aprender a orar/*Come learn to pray*
- Paso a paso desarrolla una relación cercana con Dios
Step by step develop a close relationship with God

ST ANN CHURCH

(PARISH CENTER)

481 Brewster Street Bridgeport, CT 06605

• Inicia/Starts: **August 19, 2024** Hora/Time: **6:00PM – 8:30PM**

ABIERTO PARA LOS 13 AÑOS Y ARRIBA/ OPEN TO AGES 13 AND ABOVE

Ven! no te lo puedes perder

Come, You can't miss it!

Para más información/For information: **Rosalba Rusinque 203 979-2617**

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EN

La iglesia de Santa Ana

Exposición y Adoracion al Santísimo Sacramento

Con el rezo del Rosario *Viernes a las 7:00pm*



ÚNETE AL CONSEJO PARROQUIAL Y AL COMITÉ DE LITURGIA

Se reúne en el sótano de la rectoría, entrada por la puerta de atrás, una vez cada primer jueves del mes.

Jueves 5 de Septiembre

6:00pm Reunión del Comité de Liturgia

7:00pm CONSEJO PARROQUIAL

Por favor, necesitamos que más personas se unan al grupo y se ofrezcan como voluntaries y den nuevas ideas.

FORMACIÓN DE FE ~ reled@stannblackrock.com



2024-2025

REGISTRACION en LINEA



O

En persona todos los

Jueves de 9:30am. a 5 p.m.

Clases empiezan Septiembre 15



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Parish Center

481 Brewster Street, Bridgeport, CT 06605

Día: **Martes 20 de Agosto del 2024**

(Taller dura Quince Sesiones)

Hora: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

INFO: **Laura Marañón 203-223-6546**

¿Te han pedido que seas padrino?

Cualquier feligrés de St. Ann que desee actuar como padrino del Sacramento del Bautismo o como patrocinador del Sacramento de la Confirmación, debe comunicarse con la

Oficina Parroquial 203-368-1607. *Uno debe ser un feligrés registrado y activo con St. Ann durante al menos 3 meses (usando sobres).*



PICNIC de La Iglesia de St. Ann

DOMINGO SEPTIEMBRE 22
01:00PM — 04:00PM,
EN EL CAMPO DE SANTA ANA



TRAER LAS SIGUIENTES DONACIONES ENTRE SEMANA O LOS DOMINGOS:

Aug 24,25: SODA DE 2 LITROS, *agua embotellada*

Sept. 07,08 &14,15: PLATOS DE PAPEL, Servilletas vasos para refrescos fríos,

DEJAR EN LA ENTRADA DE LA IGLESIA EN LAS CANASTAS

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT. AUG. 24 VIGIL, TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 PM +Albert Meehan from Meehan Family

SUN. AUG. 25 TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM +Deborah Broccoli by JoAnn Manzo
 9:45 AM +Kerry Starrett Stinnette by Alanna & Will Kabel
 12:00 PM ST. ANN Parishioners

MON. AUG. 26 WEEKDAY

8:00 AM Health & Intentions of Tom Roach by Bill and Nora Verespie

TUE. AUG. 27 SAINT MONICA

8:00 AM Joseph & Gail Berardino, and Rev. Victor Martin (living) by Fr. Ian

WED. AUG. 28 SAINT AUGUSTINE

8:00 AM +Luis Maria Sahores Birthday by Minina

THU. AUG. 29 PASSION OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

8:00 AM Larry and Marie Merly by Fr. Ian

FRI. AUG. 30 WEEKDAY

8:00 AM +Joseph and +Mary Cincotta
 7:00 PM *Rosary with Exposition and Adoration*

SAT. AUG. 31 VIGIL, TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 PM + Ann Wysocki by Frank Wysoki

SUN. SEPT. 1 TWENTY FIRST SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM Health & intentions of Pam Barnum by Bill and Nora Verespie
 9:45 AM + Brendan McCaffery by Mc Alinden Family
 12:00 PM Cumpleaños de René Duran y Eterno Descanso de Fermina Carrera de Samayoa y las benditas animas del purgatorio by Family



 **St. Ann Parish Prayer Line**
 The prayer representative is Valerie 203-449-9846
 Calls with your intentions and prayer requests are preferred between 5:00 & 6:00 PM.

 ***The Sanctuary Lamp at ST. ANN CHURCH burns this week In loving memory of George Ross Sr.***

OFFERTORY

Total offertory Assumption Mass 8/15/24	\$396.00
Weekly Regular Offertory (08/18/24)	
4:00pm Vigil Mass	\$456.00
8:30am Sunday Mass	\$327.00
9:45am Sunday Mass	\$494.00
12:00pm Spanish Mass	\$498.00
Total	\$ 1,775.00
2nd Collection TOTAL Balance the Budget	\$734.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$1,025.00
Candles	\$283.00
St. Ann Store	\$425.00
Summer Concert 8/13/2024	\$1,109.00

Our heartfelt thanks to those who have remembered Saint Ann Church in their will with a bequest.

The Parish of St. Ann receives no outside financial support. We rely entirely on your generosity to meet our many expenses. Every contribution furthers our parish's mission of faith, worship and service. Thank you for your support.

We invite all children to participate in our new Children's Collection (envelopes located in the Vestibule). Even giving the smallest amount teaches our children the value of stewardship for the Lord.

 **ONLINE GIVING** 

If you have missed Mass here at St. Ann due to travel, we have missed your offertory! If possible, please "catch up" with your tax deductible contributions. And, consider signing up for Online Giving. Visit the parish website to register www.osvonlinegiving.com/849 it is secure and private.

St. Ann Academy in Session 

Please drive carefully on campus.
 Pray for the students and staff.

Prayer to begin a school year 

Heavenly Father, Thank you for the gift of my child/children You have entrusted to my care. Please watch over them as they begin a new school year. Bless their teachers, school administrators, bus drivers, school support staff, friends and classmates. Keep them safe every day. I pray they may feel Your presence and know that You are always with them. Help them recall my loving words of support for them. Give them wisdom to make good choices, and an openness to learn new things. Fill them with knowledge and positive thinking. Help them overcome obstacles and shield them from negativity. Surround my child/children with good friends who also know and love You. Help them treat each other with kindness, fairness, and respect. May they treat each person they encounter as another child of God. Grant them the Grace to place their trust in You so they may know Your peace. Amen.

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