



Troparion of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

*Save Your people, O Lord,
and bless Your inheritance;
grant victory to Your Church
over her enemies and protect
Your people by Your cross.*

Liturgical Calendar

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Beginning of the New Liturgical Year
- 2-5 Pilgrimage to Uniontown—
- 8 Nativity of the Mother of God
- 14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross

OCTOBER

- 1 Patronage of the Mother of God

NOVEMBER

- 8 Archangel Michael
- 14 Philip's Fast (the Nativity Fast) begins
- 21 Presentation of the Mother of God
- 24 Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER

- 6 Feast of St. Nicholas
- 8 Conception of St. Ann

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Divine Liturgies

at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Holy Day Vigil 7:00 p.m.

THE ENLIGHTENER

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Saint Ann Community Yard Sale

Do you need more space in your house? Would you like to get rid of some things, but you just don't know what to do with them? We have the answer—plan to sell them at the **Saint Ann Community Yard Sale on Saturday, September 17th, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** Spaces will be available inside the parish center and on the parking lot. The cost will be \$10 to \$20, depending on the location. Call Karen Grubb, 540-8886, or Marie Nester, 652-4916, or e-mail yardsale@stannbyz.org to reserve your table now.

If you do not want to rent a table, you can donate those items for the youth to sell at their fund-raising table. See the enclosed flyer for more information.

Please help make this event a success by telling your family and friends about this yard sale. Use the enclosed announcement to publicize the details. Also, volunteer to help at this church community event and work with your Saint Ann Church family.

Saint Ann Slavic American Festival

Congratulations to everyone who helped to make the 2005 Saint Ann Slavic American Festival a success in many ways. This festival is a wonderful opportunity for us to "build community" as parishioners and friends of the parish work together. Throughout the day many people learn about our Eastern Catholic Traditions and our devotion to Saint Ann, our patroness. Also, this festival is one of the most important fundraisers of the year, and this year it was truly a financial success. Watch the bulletin board for more details.



Thank you to all of you!

Father Michael

September 11, 2005, is your day to relax with your Church family and friends at the annual Saint Ann Parish Family Picnic.

The cooks start grilling hot dogs and hamburgers at 11:30, which means the food is ready soon after the 10:30 Diving Liturgy. Please bring a salad, casserole, dessert, chips or other snack food to add to the buffet table. Come early and plan to join the fun.

Entertainment includes games for all ages and possibly pony rides. Anyone who wants to help with the set-up or clean-up, please call Heidi Kushlan, 564-4934, or Marie Nester, 652-4916.

Our Parish Family

Mysteries of Initiation

Andrew Logan Brunner, son of Robert and Laura (Perry) Brunner
 Adrienne Yvonne Bailey, daughter of Harry and Bridget (Sedun) Bailey

Crowned in Marriage

Harry Judy III and Erin Lydic

Welcome to Our New Members

Harry and Brenda Dillman and children
 Silvia Olcakova



May God grant all of you many happy and blessed years.

Basket Raffle Winners

Thank you to the people who donated the baskets and congratulations to the winners.

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| 1. Tool Time — Cremo | Doris Villegas |
| 2. Tools Also — Cremo | Mike Midock |
| 3. Scrapbooking — Vera Charnomaz & Margaret Whalen | Bailey Lozanoff |
| 4. Taste of Hawaii — George Demshock | Anna Demshock |
| 5. Bingo #1 — St. Ann's Bingo | Diane Runyon |
| 6. Bingo #2 — St. Ann's Bingo | Judy Schmeltzer |
| 7. Barbie #1 — Ray & Mary Ann Kitzer | Julie Harr |
| 8. Barbie #2 — Ray & Mary Ann Kitzer | Peggy Miller |
| 9. Car Care — Bill & Joanne MacCollum | Peggy Miller |
| 10. Health — Steve & Gloria Futchko | Betsy Urbansky |
| 11. Hodge Podge — Joanne & Butch Smith | Joan Homa |
| 12. Gardening — David & Terri Thrower | Linda Lucas-Hunt |
| 13. Picnic Basket — Irene Snyder | Marek Visnovsky |
| 14. St. Ann — Luke & Marie Nester | Jan Chaplick |
| 15. Outdoor — Tom & Cindy Walko | Rich Laychock |
| 16. Fun In The Sun — Peter & Roxanne Ebert | Mary Kay Bartol |
| 17. Christmas in July — Tom & Pat Kuzma | Joe Dyckman |
| 18. Romantic Evening for Two — Tom & Pat Kuzma | Fred Tercek |
| 19. Entertainment — Tom Kovich & Nancy MacVay | Caroline Pitman |
| 20. Fishing — Joe & Joyce Chaposky | Brenda Eppley |
| 21. BBQ — | Gayle McCollum |
| 22. South of the Border — Steph & Mike Taylor | Ann Marie Falatovich |
| 23. Watercolor — Parishioner | Mike Ferenchick |
| 24. Wine Basket — Mike & Carol Middock | Joe Dyckman |
| 25. Bicycle — John & Ann Marie Falatovich | Michele Kost |
| 26. Vintage Books — Parishioner | Sandy Mader |
| 27. Newborn — Stephene Czonka | Belinda Strohecke |
| 28. Taste of Hershey — George & Jackie Kaminsky | Sue Gable |
| 29. Rita's Italian Ice — Joe & Nancy Aponick | Dan Troyan |
| 30. Tastefully Simple — Lisa & Chris Jones | Lisa Jones |
| 31. Movie Basket — Jeff & Jane Weber | Tom Walko |
| 32. Holiday — Bill & Joanne MacCollum | Amelia Lucas |
| 33. Bright Smile — Bruce & Eileen Dietman | Pearl Hutsko |

SUSAN M. TORRES FUND

Susan Torres, 26, collapsed on May 7 from a stroke induced by Stage 4 melanoma, and never regained consciousness. She was 17 weeks pregnant and was subsequently on life support until August 2, when the baby could safely be delivered. Thirteen weeks premature, little Susan Catherine was 1 lb., 13 oz. at birth and 13 1/2" long. She seems to be doing well and has a 90% chance of survival. She will be in neonatal intensive care at Virginia Hospital Center until she reaches the "full term" date. The family belongs to St. Rita's RC Church in Alexandria, VA and includes a 2-year-old son. A Fund was set up by friends to handle contributions and has been lent tax-exempt status.

St. Ann's Respect Life Committee is raising money for the Susan M. Torres Fund. Our bake sale is on Saturday September 17, during the St. Ann's Community Yard Sale, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The RLC will be grateful for any help received, whether in the form of baked goods, cash donations, or help to sell. The family thanks all benefactors and asks "your continued prayers for the newest member of our family."

Also, you may send donations to Susan M Torres Fund c/o Faith & Action, P.O. Box 34105 Washington, D.C. 20043-0105.

Dear Father Michael,

We pray to Our Lord, the physician of our souls and bodies, and to the Blessed Theotokos for your health and strength during this time of your healing process. Just as you have held us up in prayer for all these years, we now hold you up in our prayers for your continued health.

May God grant you many happy and blessed years!

Love,
 Your Church Family

Congratulations to the winners of the Festival Raffle

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| Sheryl Bobar — \$1,000 | Stephen Cremo |
| Elayne L. Viani — \$500 | Michael Dumenko |
| Howard Kostick — \$300 | Betty Wahal |
| The following won \$100: | Barbara J. Casel |
| Francis and Helen Drotar | Wade Kerkendall |
| Pauline Wasilko | F. Polink |
| Gary Malloy | Russ Reneer |
| Virginia Walko | John Trombulak |
| James Brophy | Ray and Mary Francel Zadzilko |
| Steve Plouse | |
| Dave Keim | |
| Nikolai Setlock | |



The Enlightener, our parish newsletter, will be published 4 times throughout the year. Any information for the next December newsletter must be submitted by Monday, November 10. Submissions can be made by placing them in the collection basket or by giving them to Marie Nester or e-mailing MarieNestr@aol.com or newsletter@stannbyz.org



“LIFE IS CHRIST”

St. Ann’s 2005-06 ECF Program gets underway on National Catechetical Sunday, September 18th. The appropriate theme for this year is “LIFE IS CHRIST” (Phil 1:21).

Classes will commence between Liturgies that day at 9:05 a.m., with Induction of Catechists taking place following the 8 a.m. Liturgy. Please take some time to “Thank a Catechist” for the commitment they make in their love of God and their Stewardship to our parish. Our volunteers bring to the program about 120 years of teaching experience!

In addition to the obvious educational component of our program, there are other facets that benefit the parish. Our ECF Sponsors Organization supports our efforts with the fund-raising aspects of the program. They fund all educational materials as well as the various social events and trips taking place throughout the year. Roxanne Ebert has volunteered to be this year’s activities coordinator, and she wants your help in planning fun activities. The ECF meets monthly on the 3rd Sunday, during class time. Check the bulletin for other scheduled meetings. Please get involved. It is the future of YOUR church.

Our schedule for 2005-06 consists of 2 Sessions. There are 13 classes in Session I which are completed by the Christmas Holidays. Session II has 17 classes which will be completed on May 2, 2006. The Mystery of Repentance will be received by all students, grades 3 through 12, during Philip’s Fast (the Nativity Fast) and the Great Fast.

ALL parish families with school-age children are expected to enroll them into St. Ann’s ECF program. There is also a PreK/ Kindergarten class. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to call me, Joan Trautlein, ECF Coordinator, at 564-8257.

ECF Sponsored Activity

Come Join Little Flowers Girls Club!

Ages: 5 years and up

Start Date: September 2005 – May 2006

Wednesday 2nd and 4th of the month — Time: 1:30pm-3:00pm

Meeting Place: St. Ann Byzantine Catholic Church

If you are interested please call Carol Smith at 599-7887

or Michelle Laychock at 583-4884

or email LittleFlowers@stannbyz.org

Description of Club: The Little Flowers is an organization whose goal is to provide young Catholic girls, from age five years and up, with an opportunity to gather and learn about their Catholic heritage, faith and traditions as well as other “womanly” traditions that may have faded from view.

Within the meetings of the Little Flowers the girls would hear, read, share and learn about our role model—the Blessed Virgin Mary, our patroness—St. Therese of Lisieux, saints of the Church, women in the religious life, and their own mothers. The girls would gain a strong self-esteem in being a young Catholic girl as well as gain friendships that would support their own beliefs.

— Taken from the Little Flowers Girls’ Club Leader’s Guide by Rachel Watkins

St. Ann’s Faculty 2005-06

Rev. Michael Shear, Pastor — Joan Trautlein, Coordinator

<u>Pre-school/ Kindergarten</u> Vera Miller Anita Lilliock	<u>Grade Four</u> Maribeth Peters Al Peters <u>Grade Five/Six</u> Grace Rentovich Marie Sirkot <u>Junior High</u> Marya Tipton Eric MacCollum	<u>Senior High</u> Marie Nester Phillip Zulli <u>Substitutes</u> Fr. Michael Joan Trautlein Tracy Ort Kathy Szarko Roxanne Ebert
<u>Grade One</u> Karen Grubb		
<u>Grade Two</u> Marie Gruber Gina Mistishen		
<u>Grade Three</u> Eileen Dietman		

— E.C.F. REGISTRATION —

Please use one form for each child that is being registered for the 2005-2006 school year.

Child’s Information:

Name: First _____ Middle _____ Surname _____ Age _____

School and Grade _____ Birthdate ____/____/____

Parent’s Information: Father _____ Mother _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Please include a copy of the child’s Baptism certificate if he or she was not baptized in this parish.

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PLAN AHEAD – MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Parish Family Picnic: Sunday, September 11
Saint Ann Yard Sale: Saturday, September 17
St. Nicholas Dinner Dance: Saturday, Dec. 3
Music by Polka Quads

New Classes

Check the Sunday bulletin for more information about the following:

- Adult ECF Class will held from 9:15-10:15 on Sundays and will begin in late September. For more information email: adultecf@stannbyz.org.
- Want to learn the “language of the people” — “Po-nachemu”? Classes are being planned for the fall. More details will be in the bulletin soon.

Baking Schedule

The Baking Ladies will begin baking for their Holiday Bake Sale on October 3 and 4 and continue every Monday and Tuesday thereafter up to and including November 8.

The bake sale will be on Saturday, December 10, from 9 a.m. until noon at the parish center. No orders can be taken — first come, first served.

Saint Ann Slavic American Festival Sunday, July 16, 2006

Parishioners: Our festival is the third Sunday in July. Please keep that in mind when you are planning your vacation schedules. Monday, February 20, 2006, will be the first meeting to plan next year’s festival.



ByzanTEEN Youth Rally 2006 — Plan ahead and save! The 2006 Rally sponsored by the Intereparchial Youth Commission will take place in June, 2006 at Mount Saint Mary’s, Emmittsburg. It is open to Byzantine Catholics ages 13-19.