

December 5, 2010

# St. Ann's Church

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John the Baptist appeared...saying,  
"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of  
him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said:  
A voice of one crying out in the desert,  
Prepare the way of the Lord.

— Mt 3:1a, 2-3b

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## ST. ANN'S MISSION STATEMENT

St. Ann's Parish is dedicated to creating and maintaining an environment that enriches the spiritual life of its diverse members and that becomes, by example, a role model for Christian action in the Manlius community and the greater Syracuse area. It does so by providing liturgy, education, and a range of activities that encourage Christian community and love of neighbor.



CHRISTIAN SERVICE CHRISTMAS  
PARTY  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 6TH  
5:30 P.M.  
LYNCH HALL

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION  
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH  
VIGIL  
5:15 P.M.  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH  
7:00 P.M.

*Holy Days  
of  
Obligation*



YOUTH GROUP BABYSITTING  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11TH  
9:00 A.M.  
LYNCH HALL

CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11TH  
3:00 P.M.  
CHURCH



Children's Choir



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH  
3:30 P.M.  
CHURCH

- Fr. Cliff Auth, *Pastor* 682-5181 (ext. 13)  
E-mail [cauth@syracusediocese.org](mailto:cauth@syracusediocese.org)  
Nancy Mack, *Business Administrator, Parish Secretary/Office Manager*  
(ext. 10)  
Sr. Jane Bourne, O.S.F., *Coordinator 1st Communion and 1st Reconciliation* 682-9443 (ext. 19)  
Cathy Weaver, *Rel. Ed. Grades 1-6* 682-9443 (ext. 21)  
Karen McMahon, *Rel. Ed. Grades Pre K & Kindergarten*  
682-9443 (ext. 20)  
Kristy Vossler, *Rel. Ed. Grades 7-10, Confirmation Director*  
682-1042 (ext. 22)  
Kim Perrotti, *Youth Minister, Teen Choir Coordinator* 682-1042 (ext. 23)  
Alyssa Brown, *Christian Service Director & Mission Coordinator*  
682-5184 (ext. 26)  
Stanley Cadwell, *Property Manager* 682-8645 (ext. 18)  
Francis Donahue, *Director of Music* 682-8645 (ext. 17)  
Kathy Schlote, *Children's Choir* 682-8645 (ext. 24)  
Sue Landas, *Parish Outreach* 682-5184 (ext. 16)  
Olga LaTessa, *Pastoral Care Ministry*

### WEEKEND MASSES: (ext. 4)

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Vigil  
Sunday: 8:00, 10:15 and 12:00 Noon

### DAILY MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday—9:00 a.m.  
Wednesday, Thursday—7:00 a.m.

### COMMUNION SERVICES:

Monday, Tuesday, Friday—7:00 a.m.  
Thursday, Friday—9:00 a.m.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**BAPTISMS:** Call the office for appointment.

**RECONCILIATION:** 3:45-4:15 Saturday

**MARRIAGE:** Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

**WELCOME TO ALL THOSE WHO ARE VISITING ST. ANN'S** We are happy you're here and can join us for our weekend liturgy. Welcome to all those who have moved into the area and may want to join our parish family. Please take the time to fill out a parish registration form. Forms are located at each of the five doors of the church. Also, please introduce yourself to the priest or deacon at the end of mass.

**Monday, December 6, Weekday**

*(Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26)*

7:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

9:00 a.m. Margaret Bloodgood by Jennifer & Gabe Agnello



**Tuesday, December 7, Saint Ambrose, (Memorial)**

*(Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 18:12-14)*

7:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

9:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Nolan Family

5:15 p.m. Paul Jernigan by Alice & Bill Duncan

**Wednesday, December 8, Immaculate Conception**

*(Genesis 3:9-15; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12; Luke 1:26-38)*

7:00 a.m. **NO SERVICE**

9:00 a.m. **NO SERVICE**

7:00 p.m. Daniel & Catherine McDonald by The McDonald Family

**Thursday, December 9, Weekday**

*(Isaiah 41:13-20; Matthew 11:11-15)*

7:00 a.m. Ann Morris by 7:00 a.m. Mass Group

9:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

**Friday, December 10, Weekday**

*(Isaiah 48:17-19; Matthew 11:16-19)*

7:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

9:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

**Saturday, December 11, Vigil**

*(Isaiah 35:1-6a; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11)*

4:30 p.m. Robert & Terry Pieterek by Ethel Pieterek

**Sunday, December 12, Third Sunday of Advent**

8:00 a.m. Ellen & Robert Bernier by Peggy Hobbs

10:15 a.m. Bryan Place by Ann Blau & Katherine Iva Purdy

12:00 p.m. Michael Murphy Family by Ann Branigan

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| REGULAR COLLECTION—Envelopes           | \$ 6,483.00        |
| REGULAR COLLECTION—Loose Checks & Cash | \$ 1,179.00        |
| <b>TOTAL REGULAR COLLECTION</b>        | <b>\$ 7,662.00</b> |
| PARISH OUTREACH 10%                    | \$ 766.00          |
| IMPROVEMENTS & REPAIRS                 | \$ 133.00          |
| NOVEMBER CREDIT CARDS                  | \$ 16,312.00       |
| <b>THANK YOU!!!</b>                    |                    |

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| Offertory—November 27/28  | \$ 11,740.00        |
| Weekly Budgeted Offertory | <u>\$ 12,421.00</u> |
| Difference                | \$ - 681.00         |



The Sanctuary Lamp  
Is burning  
December 5th-11th  
In loving memory of  
Anthony Rybinski  
Requested by  
Keassa Family



*We wish to remember in prayer all who are sick. Please call the office so that we can update our list. Unless we hear from you, we will remove names from this list every six weeks. Your co-operation would be appreciated.*

Michelle Kurgan, Betty Kyle, Tom Branigan, Mary Braun, Jim Fero, Bertha Reed, Solonge Burke, Patricia Sullivan, Catherine McDermott, Rachel Ambrose, Muriel Shannon, Gail Silvaggio, Kristin Cary, Mary Jane Kalil, Nancy Wilet, Angelo LoCastro, Donald Stewart, Ronald Dolata, Jim Mawn, Jane Anderson, Frank Sullivan, Aurelia Langdon, Ellen McDowell, Cortland Hannah, Lee Stemmer, Ray Mann, Jerry Edsell, Bill Ballard, Janice Kinsley, Amy Pole, Joan Hand, Carrie Parish, Tony Maring, Ceil Barnell, Phyllis Vincent, Rose Marlow, Theresa Ares, Arnold Ferguson, Michael Brown

*Parishioners who may be entering the hospital...please call the Rectory to register for visits and to add your name to the prayer list.*

**FOR NEXT WEEKEND  
DECEMBER 11TH & 12TH**

**Altar Servers:**

4:30 p.m. Jonathan Lamb, Andrew Testani  
8:00 a.m. Stanley Taylor, Sam Rubacka  
10:15 a.m. Kevin & Liam Weaver, Patrick Wilson  
12:00 a.m. Gina, Ryan and Jason Rhee

**Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers (Please note: the names in ITALIC are Eucharistic Ministers)**

4:30 p.m. J. Clinton, K. Rutkowski, *G. Law, R. Clinton, R. Elliot*  
8:00 a.m. W. McRae, T. Sarenski, *S. Napierala, N. Chase, J. Will, C. Lawrence, K. Mercer*  
10:15 a.m. M. Kingsley, D. Butterfield, *B. Dolan, J. Dolan, K. Perrotti, T. Aprill, A. Bannar*  
12:00 p.m. Youth, Youth, *Youth, Youth, Youth*

**Eucharistic Ministers of the Cup**

4:30 p.m. M. Mayberry, K. Smith  
8:00 a.m. A. Diana, A. Miller  
10:15 a.m. M. Wilson, J. Brady, S. Harlander, J. Assenza  
12:00 p.m. Youth, Youth

**COUNTERS:**  
**Mary Ellen Crolick, Richard Crolick,  
John McCann**

**NO COFFEE & DONUTS...  
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**



**IN OUR PARISH...**

**THIS WEEKS CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 6TH,** Christian Service  
Christmas Party, 5:30 p.m., Lynch Hall

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, Holy Day Vigil,**  
**5:15 p.m., Church**  
Adult Choir Practice, 6:30 p.m. Church

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH, Holy Day Mass,**  
**7:00 p.m., Church**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11TH,** Youth Group  
Babysitting and Decorate Church Grounds,  
9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Lynch Hall  
Children's Choir Practice, 3:00 p.m., Church

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH,** Pageant Practice,  
1:30 p.m., Church  
Inner- City Teen Christmas Party  
(Confirmation Service ), 1:00 p.m., Lynch Hall  
**Penance service, 3:30 p.m., Church**  
Youth Group Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Lynch Hall



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| <b>PATRICK ESSENBERG</b>     | <b>TIMOTHY PRIOR</b>     |
| <b>FRANCIS G. O'CONNOR</b>   | <b>BENJAMIN HALSEY</b>   |
| <b>STEPHANIE POWELL</b>      | <b>TIM SKINNER</b>       |
| <b>CHRISTOPHER PAVLIDES</b>  | <b>BRETT DeORIO</b>      |
| <b>JAMES MARASIA</b>         | <b>MIKE MONTES</b>       |
| <b>DAN KEARNEY</b>           | <b>PAUL EMERSON, JR.</b> |
| <b>KRYSTAL PRATT</b>         | <b>CHAD JENSEN</b>       |
| <b>VINCENT J. PERRY, JR.</b> | <b>STEPHEN BENSON</b>    |
| <b>MICHAEL CHAPPELL</b>      | <b>KEVIN CASEY</b>       |
| <b>ALEXANDRA McDONOUGH</b>   | <b>ANDY JACOBS</b>       |

**MATTHEW McDONOUGH (Deceased)**



**ST. ANN'S LITTLE LAMB'S LOFT**  
Child care during the 10:15 Mass  
Upstairs of the Rectory

**December 12th**—Ted Boyle  
Carley Andrade

**December 19th**—Jessica Fine  
Alicia Fine

**December 26th**—Holiday—NO Nursery

For more info or to volunteer contact Patty Palladino at:  
downeypalladino@yahoo.com

**ST. ANN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
GRADES 1-6**



**December Calendar of Classes:**

December 12th: Class  
December 19th: Class  
December 26th: NO Class (Christmas Vacation)

**January Calendar of Classes:**

January 2nd NO Class (Christmas Vacation)  
January 9th: Class  
January 16th: NO Class (Martin Luther King)  
January 23rd: Class  
January 30th: Class

**Children's Liturgy Schedule:**

December 12th: Puppet Liturgy  
December 24th: Christmas Eve Children's Pageant Liturgy  
at **4:00 p.m.**

**Christmas Pageant Liturgy:**

Children in Grades 4, 5 and 6 who are enrolled in the Religious Education program and are interested in participating in the Christmas Pageant Liturgy on Christmas Eve at 4:00 p.m., please fill out the Pageant Form and return it to St. Ann's as soon as possible.

**Practices for the Pageant are:**

**Sunday, December 12th from 1:30 to 2:30**

And

**Sunday, December 19th from 1:30 to 2:30**

**Breakfast with Santa:**

Sunday, December 19th 9:00 to 12:00 Lynch Hall



**YOUTH GROUP EVENTS:**

**Christmas Babysitting: December Fundraiser,** Saturday, December 11th, 9:00-1:00 Babysitting & Decorating Outside of Church—

Saturday, December 11th. Youth Group please wear Youth Group Shirt. Teens come from 8:30-1:30, day will be split into 2 shifts.

**Next Youth Group Meeting:** Sunday, December 12th, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in Lynch Hall.

**Bishop Foery Adopt-A-Teen for Christmas: Service**—please bring your donation to our next Youth Group Meeting or before!

**Decorating for Breakfast with Santa:** Saturday, December 18th, 1:00-2:30 p.m. or before in Lynch Hall

**Caroling & Gift Exchange Party: Service**—Saturday, December 18th—Meet in Lynch Hall promptly at 4:15 p.m. and we will all go to 4:30 Mass and sit together. Then we will go caroling at the Pleasant Street Nursing Home right after Mass. We will come back to St. Ann's and have a treat and have a Gift Exchange! We should be done around 8:00 p.m.

**Bring a \$10 wrapped gift. Dress warm b/c we will be walking to the Pleasant Street Home.**



**ST. ANN'S PARISH MISSION**

"An Ongoing Mission of Service"

Adults-Teens-Families-Groups/Teams

By staying right here in the Syracuse area, an ongoing, real connection can be made with organizations that really need our help.

Please consider giving of your time and talents to help support St. Ann's mission organizations.

Thank you to the many teens & adults who participated in St. Ann's Mission Day. Many thanks came from Brady Faith Center, St. Lucy's, Oxford Street Inn, Northside CYO, Franciscan Northside Ministries & Christ the King. They were so grateful to you for taking the time to serve with such generous hearts. Painting, raking, making sandwiches/cookies, cleaning & much more...It was a great day!

**Upcoming Service Opportunities:**

**\*Bishop Foery Community Dinners: 2nd & 4th Mondays of each month. Prepare a meal to share 'family-style' with the teens at Bishop Foery. Call for more details or to reserve your spot on the calendar. 682-5184 ext. 26**

**\*Northside CYO Christmas Picture Day, December 11th from 11-3. This is the 2nd time CYO is doing this...many of the refugee families have never had a family picture. Share a bit of the holiday season with the families at CYO. Help with kids' crafts, organizing families for pictures, etc.**

**\*Northside CYO Christmas Party December 18th from 11-3. Celebrate the holidays with families—hand out pictures. Contact Alyssa Brown at 682-5184 ext. 26 or email stannsmissions@gmail.com.**

**Christian Service Committee**

Christmas Dinner Meeting

Monday, December 6th

5:30p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m.

RSVP to Alyssa

682-5184 ext. 26 or stannsmission@gmail.com



Please bring men's winter hats, gloves & socks & any hotel-size toiletries for our Oxford Street Inn Christmas collection.



**ST. ANTIQUES**

Our next meeting has been changed to **December 17th**, Guess Who Is Coming To Lunch.

Mr. Charles Dickens will be our guest, with many stories of the

Victorian Christmas and The Christmas Carol. LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED.

Please RSVP by Monday, December 13th.

Call Diane Drake at 682-5648 or Elaine Dalton at 682-4648.

**TEEN CHOIR**

**December Teen Mass:** Sunday, December 12th at Noon. I will need 5 Eucharistic Ministers, 2 Lectors and 1 petition Reader.

**Teen Mass for Christmas: Christmas Eve @ 10:00**, teen practice on Thursday, December 22nd from 6:30-8:00 p.m.



**PRAYER CHAIN...**Prayer requests are given to each person on the chain via phone. The prayer chain is open to anyone in the parish who is in need of prayers. We want to extend an invitation to any parishioner who would like to be included in the prayer chain. Please call Terri Stewart at 682-1059.



**THE GIVING TREE**



The Giving Trees are up in Church and the gift tags are gift wishes from our local Food Pantry families. Please help make someone's wish come true. Gifts must be new items, unwrapped and returned by Sunday, **December 11th**.

Thank you for your caring and generosity.

RCIA

Right of Christian Initiation of Adults



**R.C.I.A. CLASSES SUNDAYS 9:00-10:00 A.M. RECTORY**

**December 12th**

**January 9th  
January 23rd  
February 6th  
February 13th  
March 6th  
March 20th**

**April 20th—Practice**

**COUNSELING AT ST. ANN'S**

If you wish to use the services of the counseling program provided by our parish, please call the following number...362-7573. You must state you are from St. Ann's Parish, Manlius

*Life is hard...  
Counseling can help*



## The "W" in Christmas

Last December, I vowed to make Christmas a calm and peaceful experience. I had cut back on non-essential obligations—extensive card writing, endless baking, decorating, and even overspending. Yet still, I found myself exhausted, unable to appreciate the precious family moments, and of course, the true meaning of Christmas.

My son, Nicholas, was in kindergarten that year. It was an exciting season for a six year old. For weeks, he'd been memorizing songs for his school's "Winter Pageant." I didn't have the heart to tell him I'd be working the night of the production. Unwilling to miss his shining moment, I spoke with his teacher. She assured me there'd be a dress rehearsal the morning of the presentation. All parents unable to attend that evening were welcome to come then. Fortunately, Nicholas seemed happy with the compromise.

So, the morning of the dress rehearsal, I filed in ten minutes early, found a spot on the cafeteria floor and sat down. Around the room, I saw several other parents quietly scampering to their seats. As I waited, students were led into the room. Each class, accompanied by their teacher, sat cross-legged on the floor. Then, each group, one by one, rose to perform their song. Because the public school system had long stopped referring to the holiday as "Christmas," I didn't expect anything other than fun, commercial entertainment—songs of reindeer, Santa Claus, snowflakes and good cheer.

So, when my son's class rose to sing, "Christmas Love," I was slightly taken aback by its bold title. Nicholas was aglow, as were all of his classmates, adorned in fuzzy mittens, red sweaters, and bright snowcaps upon their heads. Those in the front row-center stage-held up large letters, one by one, to spell out the title of the song. As the class would sing "C is for Christmas," a child would hold up the letter C. Then, "H is for Happy," and on and on, until each child holding up his portion had presented the complete message, "Christmas Love."

The performance was going smoothly, until suddenly, we noticed her; a small, quiet, girl in the front row holding the letter "M" upside down—totally unaware her letter "M" appeared as "W". The audience of 1st through 6th graders snickered at this little one's mistake. But she had no idea they were laughing at her, so she stood tall, proudly holding her "W". Although many teachers tried to shush the children, the laughter continued until the last letter was raised, and we understood the reason we were there, why we celebrated the holiday in the first place, why even in the chaos, there was a purpose for our festivities. For when the last letter was held high, the message read loud and clear:

"CHRIST WAS LOVE"

And, I believe, He still is.

*Author Unknown*



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