



St. Anne's R.C. Church

"Our Love shines through" Est. 1895

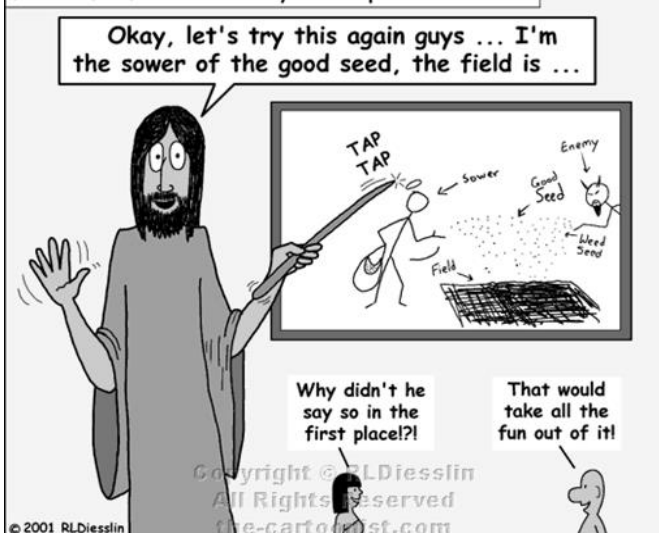
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Jesus sometimes wondered why he told parables at all ...



"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field; but while men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. And the servants of the householder came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then has it weeds?' He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he said, 'No; lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" (Matthew 13:24-30 RSV)

THE PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Stanislaw Wadowski, Pastor

Rev. Eden Jean-Baptiste, Associate Pastor

Rev. Victor Evangelista Vases, Associate Pastor

Deacon Thomas R. Samson

Deacon Jay Alvarado

Deacon John E. Walters

Deacon Andres Colpa

Mrs. Marge Baum, Pastoral Associate

Mrs. Sue Lindsay, Director of Music

Mrs. Bertha Keenan, Director of Family Faith Formation

Mrs. Janet Lambert, Outreach Coordinator

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 12:00 Noon and 5:30 PM (English)

Wednesday: 7:30 PM (French Creole)

Thursday: 7:00 PM (Spanish)

Saturday: 9:00 AM (English)

WEEKENDS:

Saturday: 5:00 PM (English), 7:00 PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 7:30 AM (English), 9:00 AM (Spanish),

11:00 AM (English), 12:30 PM (French Creole),

5:00 pm—(English)

HOLY DAYS:

Will be announced as each Holyday is celebrated.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 PM in English & Spanish

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: We welcome all new families! To register as a part of the family of Saint Anne's Parish, please stop by the Rectory Office to fill out a simple registration form.

You have joined a wonderful community!

Office hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00a.m.-12:00 noon, 1:00p.m. - 5:00p.m. & 7:00p.m. - 9:00p.m.

Friday & Saturday 9:00a.m. - 1:00p.m. CLOSED SUNDAYS.

Welcome • Bienvenidos • Bienvenue

To keep the faith alive for future generations, please consider remembering St. Anne's in your Will.

July 23, 2017— 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

*Antonia Crispino, Helen Phelan, Robert Newell Sr. Carmela Inguanti,
Marie Inguanti, Anne Cisco, Dolores Torres, Barbara Payen,
Tommy Mazur, James Costa, Maurice Lalonde,
Jenny Jamsy Rodriguez, Taylor Chanoine*

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

<i>Steven Reyes</i>	<i>Luis Vieta</i>
<i>Thomas Shelton</i>	<i>Trinifer Garcia</i>
<i>Richard Laureano</i>	<i>Robert Gilman</i>
<i>William Suhr</i>	<i>Shawn G. Muller</i>
<i>Daniel Mejia Sr.</i>	<i>Mariana Rodriguez</i>
<i>John Lampkin</i>	<i>Colin McNulty</i>
<i>Alexandria Talleriso</i>	<i>Joseph A. Rodriguez</i>
<i>William Krausch Jr.</i>	<i>Stacey Delano</i>
<i>Matthew James Murphy</i>	<i>Omer Cadet</i>
<i>Jon Jay Uebel</i>	<i>Angel Gonzalez</i>
<i>Peter Daniel Rivera</i>	<i>Kevin Shaw</i>
<i>Tyler Rodriguez</i>	<i>Stephen Gregory</i>
<i>Angel Gonzalez</i>	<i>Keith Jermyn</i>
<i>Christopher A. Cary</i>	<i>Ryan Gregory</i>
<i>Americo Otero</i>	<i>Matthew Ghiringhelli</i>



Let us welcome the following babies and their families who were Baptized this past weekend:

***Abriella N. Khan, Louis A. Cruz,
Brianna N. Garcia, Justin Garcia,
Santiago A. Contreras, Alan M Portillo***



First Wedding Banns

*Helen D. Avelar & Nesis R. Amaya
Wedding July 18, 2017*

*Inesa Puzaite & Michael Mott
Wedding August 5, 2017*

*Melisa Nieves & Lamonti Monroe
Wedding August 5, 2017*

*Oscar Ramos & Nuvia Cruz
Wedding August 12, 2017*

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Parish Offices: 273-8113
Parish Fax: 436-7914
Office of Family Faith Formation: 231-7344
Fr. Thomas Conerty Outreach: 273-8113 ex 229
Haitian/American Apostolate: 951- 0129
Hospitality Too/Soup Kitchen: 516-983-5378
Our Lady of Providence Regional School: 234-6324
St. Anne's Gardens (Senior Housing): 952-5411
Eucharist to the Homebound: 631-273-8113
Pronto: 231-8290
Catholic Charities Immigrant Service: 631-789-5235

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 22, 2017

9:00 - **Available**
5:00 - In thanksgiving for St. Joseph
Vergio Cowens †
7:00 - (Spanish) Rosemary Bernvy 5th Annv.

Sunday, July 23, 2017

7:30 - Edgard David Soto †
Salvator Monahan †
9:00 - (Spanish) Maria Santos Rivera †
11:00 - Dec. Members Of the Haig-Byrne Families †
Harry Nelson †
12:30 - (Haitian) In thanksgiving to St. Anne
Brunel Carriot †
5:00 - Maria Angelica Liranzo † 2nd Annv.
St. Anne's Parishioners Living and Deceased

Monday, July 24, 2017

Noon - In thanksgiving to St. Anne's
The Rego & Symss Families (Liv.)
5:30 - Ivona Bartosik (Healing)
Bea Zas (Healing)

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Noon- In thanksgiving to St. Anne's
In thanksgiving to St. Santiago
5:30- **Available**

Wednesday, July 26, 2017

NOON -In thanksgiving to St. Anne's
5:30 - **Available**
7:00 - (Haitian) **Available**

Thursday, July 27, 2017

Noon -Margaret Calandra †
5:30 - **Available**
7:00 - (Spanish) **Available**

Friday, July 28, 2017

Noon - Margaret Calandra †
5:30 - Available

Saturday, July 29, 2017

9:00 - **Available**
5:00 - Frank Joseph Angilehi †
The Maggio Family †
7:00 - (Spanish) Ana Rogelia Fuentes (2nd Aniv.) †
Almas del Purgatorio

Sunday, July 30, 2017

7:30 - Salvatore Monahan †
Souls in Purgatory
9:00 - (Spanish) Fernando Francisco †
Manuel Munoz †
Francisco Trejo (19th Annv.) †
11:00 - Charles Selva †
Melissa Fusco †
12:30 - (Haitian) Brunel Carriot †
5:00 - **Available**
St. Anne's Parishioners Living and Deceased

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

This weekend we will have Deacon Manuel J. Ramos talking to us at all the Masses about the missionary efforts of our Diocese, as to motivate all of us to take part in the mission of the Church: of proclaiming the Good News to the end of the earth.



We all want to share in the work of Jesus, because we all want to share in his glory. We share in it by actively reaching out to people by word and witness of life, or by supporting the mission efforts by material financial participation. So let's be part of the work, so we can be part of the festivities in heaven for eternal life after our death. Let the Word of God take good roots in our lives, and bear good fruits of good deeds for eternal life. Missions are fun, it's always fun to participate in other people's lives, it's fun to bring others to Christ. The purpose of our lives is to get to heaven, so let's be on our way toward it.

In the Gospel of today, Jesus explains to us the important thing about the existence of evil in the world. Isn't it part of our questions in life why things do happen ??? With today's parable, Jesus answers that question.

Evil came to the world not by making of the owner, but by the negligence of the servants. Evil can not have its origin in God. Its reason and origin is as well beyond man. " Death came into the world by the envy of the Devil, and is experienced by those who belong to him" Wisdom 2,24. Sowing of evil came with the fault of the people, because they were not vigilant. This lack of vigilance is used by the enemy who sabotages the work of the farmer. The enemy sows a lie in the heart of the man, that produces distrust, despair, egoism Genesis 3,1.... Evil comes in darkness and enters unnoticed. The seeds of good and evil grow parallel in the heart of the man, the truth and lie exist next to each other. Human efforts to eliminate external evil ends in hurting human person who is identified with the evil, and that is mistake because no man is totally evil, there is always some good in every human being. We cannot condemn the good of the person because of our hatred for evil.

Even in the Church we can't totally eliminate the evil by making it the church of the pure because it would be another distortion of truth, as the church of perfect people does not exist. The Church it is not a Sect of the pure and perfect, but it is association of sinners in need of God.

God invites us to patiently wait for the time of harvest, when his Angels will separate the good from the evil, and until then He allows the good and evil to coexist until the judgment day. By the design of God, the evil will serve to become the place of revelation of god's greatest good, that is God's Mercy. So what is needed and expected of us is faith and acting upon it. As Scripture says : Love covers multitude of sins 1Peter 4:8. We are called to act with prudence choosing good and avoiding evil. On the end of times we will be judged by Divine Mercy and not by any human sense of justice. Only God knows what is in the heart of the man.

Have a great weekend !!!

God bless everyone !!! God bless America !!!!

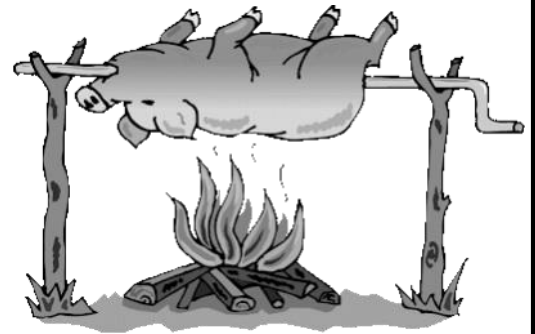
Fr. Stan

We welcome Deacon Manuel Ramos who will speak at all our Masses **THIS WEEKEND..**

He will be asking for your financial support of the Diocese of Rockville Centre's Mission in the Dominican Republic. He will share information that will help you to understand why he is hoping to enlist your financial support for the good works being done in this Mission.

Please be prepared to help in any way you can by contributing to our Second Collection ***next weekend*** which will help to continue the good works of the Lord in that mission project.

**St. Anne's Feast
2nd Annual Pig Roast
Sunday, July 30, 2017
—Time: 3:00p.m.**



**Feast will be on the grounds of St. Anne's Knights
of Columbus just next door.**

**You may park in St. Anne's Church Parking Lot
Roast Pig /Hot Dogs/Hamburgers,
Chicken/ Salads/Corn on the Cob
Watermelon/ Soda/ Water along with
Hispanic Foods & Haitian Foods**



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What's happening around the neighborhood!

Catechetical Congress 2017- Living as Missionary Disciples

Keynote Speaker

The Most Reverend John O. Barres, S.T.D., J.C.L., D.D.

Bishop of Rockville Centre

All are welcome to come sharpen their skills and receive tools and resources for the upcoming year!

The Congress will be held on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at St. John the Baptist High School in West Islip, NY, from 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

To register for the congress online visit

www.drvc-faith.org

COPING SUPPORT GROUP

St. Mary's Parish in East Islip is offering a free 8 Week support group for adults who are coping with the death of a loved one. Registration is required for this group which begins on Wednesday, September 6, 2017 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

In order to participate in this group the death must have occurred prior to June 6, 2017. For information and or registration please contact the rectory at 631-581-4266 ext. 100.

SUPPORT FOR DIVORCED & SEPARATED CATHOLICS

Prayer services will be held for all Catholics in the Diocese of Rockville Centre who are experiencing separation, or are in the process of, or are divorced. The prayer services and refreshments are scheduled for :

July 24—Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, 7:00 p.m.

August 14—Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, 7:00 p.m.

August 16—Christ the King, Commack 7:30 p.m.

The evenings session will be hosted by Deacon Louis Anetrella, MPS. MA. And the Office of Faith Formation DRVC. All are welcome to attend. If you would like more information feel free to contact Jason Velazquez at 516-678-5800 ext. 236 or jvelazquez@drvc.org

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION—RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

To secure a spot, have sufficient materials and catechists,

Register NOW.

Times: 4:00 PM to 8:00PM Mondays, Tuesdays,

Wednesdays (\$100 for 1 child; \$120 for 2 siblings; \$140 for 3 siblings)

Cash Only

New Registration Information

To register the following is needed:

✓ Birth Certificate

If received:

✓ Baptism Certificate

✓ First Communion Certificate

✓ Reconciliation Certificate

Pre-Registration Information: Letters were sent in the mail to prior students.



*"Let the
little children
come to me"*

MATTHEW 19:14

MINISTERIOS Y SERVICIOS

Fr. Victor Evangelista, Coordinador

TEL: (631) 273-8113 Fax: (631) 436-7914

Santa Misas: jueves, 7:00 PM; sábado, 7:00 PM; domingo, 9:00AM Confesiones: Los sábados, 4:00 - 4:45 PM Todos los días 5:00 - 5:30 PM

Bautismos:

Primer, segundo y tercer sábado de cada mes a las 12:15 P.M. Clases pre-bautismales, segundo sábado de cada mes a las 9:00A.M. Favor de traer el acta de nacimiento del niño dos meses antes del bautismo.

Requisitos: 1. *Copia de Fe o Certificado de nacimiento del niño o de la niña.* 2. *Certificado de inscripción de su Parroquia (padres y padrinos).* 3. *Los padres deben traer estos documentos a la oficina de Santa Ana para fijar las fechas de charla pre-bautismal (OBLIGATORIA para padres y padrinos) y la fecha del Bautismo.*

Matrimonios

Parejas que planean su matrimonio, deben hacer una cita con uno de los sacerdotes o diáconos ocho (8) meses antes de su boda. De este modo tendrán suficiente tiempo para recibir las instrucciones prematrimoniales y obtener los documentos necesarios. Para mas información llame al 273-8113.

Exposición del Santísimo

El Primer jueves de cada mes a las 8:15 P.M.

Cursillo de Cristiandad - Gonzalo Marroquin 897-6906

Or Manuel Molina 988-0130 or Ultrella - jueves después de la Misa de las 7:30 PM.

Renovación Carismática

Miércoles 7:30 PM. Coordinador, Martin Martínez 631-404-6084 Celeste Payano Sub-Coordinadora 631-231-6968

Grupo Juvenil Renacer viernes, 7:30 PM. En los bajos de la Iglesia. Coordinador: Patricia Iglesias 631-708-6958. Sub Coordinador: Victor Farfan 631-708-9120

Grupo Divina Misericordia

Cenáculos: 2do y 4to domingo de mes, desde las 2:00 PM. en adelante. Coronilla a la

Divina Misericordia los jueves después de la Misa de 7:30pm: José y Carmen Núñez, 813-1490 y (646)221-6089. Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Alberto y Margarita Roman 631-682-4986

Hermanidad de Emmaus: Todos los martes a las 7:00 en la capilla del convento Coordinadores: Romilio Lorenzo 631-404-5205 y Iris Emiliano: 631-813-1852. "Buscando la Vía del Señor.

Legión de María Hilda S. Gonzales (516) 818-3294 Domingo después de la misa 9a.m.

R.I.C.A. Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos

Fr. Victor 273-8113 lunes 7:30 - 9:00p.m.

Reunión de Coordinadores de Grupos Miguel Angel Alfaro— Presidente. 631-220- 7830

Reunión de la Comunidad y Café de Amistad Cuarto domingo a las 10:30 AM.

Coro del Sábado y Coro del Domingo Moisés Telenta 745-2164 Práctica: Domingos 6:00 PM

UNA INVITACIÓN DE LOS MIEMBROS DEL ...

GIUSEPPE A. NIGRO LODGE # 2234

ORDER SONS & DAUGHTERS OF ITALY IN AMERICA

P O BOX 205

BRENTWOOD, NY 11717

PARA AYUDARNOS A DARLES AYUDA A LOS MIEMBROS DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD!

Queridos amigos,

Cada año, por más de 45 años, nuestros miembros han organizado la Fiesta de La Madre Cabrini en Brentwood, dando miles y miles de dólares a las caridades locales, a las Iglesias y a las escuelas.

La Madre Cabrini es la santa patrón de los inmigrantes y somos muy orgullosos de ser parte de esta comunidad tan diversa. Les rogamos a Ustedes: favor de anunciarles a todos la siguiente información, invitándoles a venir a esta fiesta:

LA FIESTA DE LA MADRE CABRINI DEL 2017

SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
WICKS ROAD & LONG ISLAND EXPRESSWAY
BRENTWOOD

VIERNES, EL 25 DE AGOSTO (desde las 6 hasta las 11 de la noche)
SABADO, EL 26 DE AGOSTO (desde las 4 hasta las 11 de la noche)
DOMINGO, EL 27 DE AGOSTO (desde las 4 hasta las 11 de la noche)
MIÉRCOLES, EL 30 DE AGOSTO (desde las 6 hasta las 11 de la noche)
JUEVES, EL 31 DE AGOSTO (desde las 6 hasta las 11 de la noche)
VIERNES, EL 1 DE SEPTIEMBRE (desde las 6 hasta las 11 de la noche)
SABADO, EL 2 DE SEPTIEMBRE (desde las 4 hasta las 11 de la noche)
DOMINGO, EL 3 DE SEPTIEMBRE (desde las 4 hasta las 11 de la noche)
LUNES, EL 4 DE SEPTIEMBRE (desde las 4 hasta las 11 de la noche)

Hay comida, música en vivo, más de 25 atracciones, fuegos artificiales y mucho más.

Vengan a compartir con nosotros esta fiesta muy tradicional y especial.

Les esperamos y gracias por su apoyo.

Su segura servidora,

Eleanor DeNovellis, Presidenta - (631) 277-0199



**Trip to Six Flags New England
Saturday, August 12th, 2017**

Departure:

**St. Anne's R.C. Church
88 Second Ave, Brentwood, NY**

6:00AM Depart

**Destination: Six Flags New England
(Amusement Park and Water Park)
Agawam, MA.**

**Price: \$80.00 per adult
\$65.00 per child (12 years and under)
Minors (under 18 years of age) need to be
accompanied by an adult.**

Space is limited, full payment due at time of reservation.

No refunds.

**For more information or to purchase your ticket, please call
Patricia Iglesias (631) 708-6958 or Regine Guerrier (631) 328-1721.**



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P O BOX 205
BRENTWOOD, NY 11717



TO HELP US HELP THOSE IN NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY!

Dear Sisters & Brothers,

Every year, for more than 45 years now, the members of our lodge have organized and run the "Mother Cabrini Feast" in Brentwood – giving thousands and thousands of dollars to local charities, non-profits and those in need in our community.

Mother Cabrini is the patron saint of immigrants and we are extremely proud to be part of this very diverse community. We ask that you please spread the word to all of your members, neighbors, family and friends asking them to come to this year's Feast, have lots of fun and help us continue our tradition of helping those in need within our community.

THE 2017 MOTHER CABRINI FEAST

SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
WICKS ROAD & LONG ISLAND EXPRESSWAY
BRENTWOOD



FRIDAY AUGUST 25 (6 – 11 pm)
SATURDAY AUGUST 26 (4 – 11 pm)
SUNDAY AUGUST 27 (4 – 11 pm)
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 30 (6 – 11 pm)
THURSDAY AUGUST 31 (6 – 11 pm)
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 1 (6 – 11 pm)
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 2 (4 – 11 pm)
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 3 (4 – 11 pm)
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 4 (4 – 11 pm)



Eat your way through the ¼ mile lit food promenade!

Enjoy festive live music!

Take a ride on one of the 25+ thrill rides!

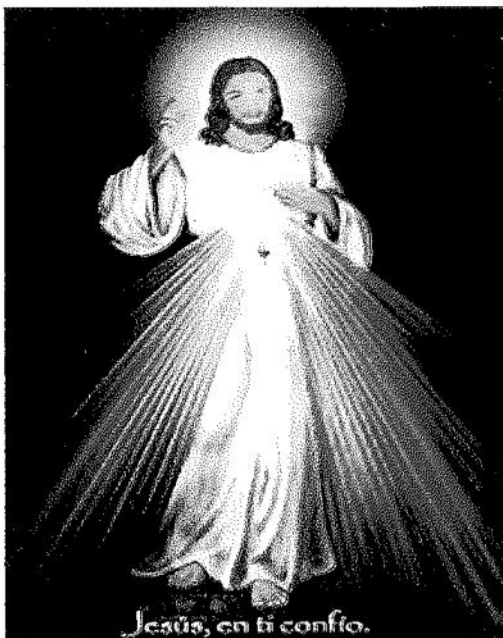
Test your skills in the midway!

Watch the fireworks!

Cheer the participants in the Zeppole Eating Contest!

Lodge President Eleanor DeNovellis - (631) 277-0199

PEREGRINACION AL SANTUARIO DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA



Iglesia Santa Ana

88 Second Ave.
Brentwood, N. Y.

Día: AGOSTO 5, 2017

Hora: 5:00 a.m.

Stockbridge, MA

CELEBRACIÓN DEL DÍA LATINO

Te invitamos a compartir un día lleno de alabanza y oración, honrando a nuestro Señor Misericordioso y a Su Santísima Madre María. Tendremos diferentes actividades, música, procesión, presentaciones espirituales, rezo del Rosario y de la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia, celebración de la Santa Misa seguida de la bendición con el Santísimo Sacramento.

Para información llamar: Yolanda Melgar: 631-336-3428
Carmen Nuñez: 646-345-8591
Esperanza Justiniano: 631-747-5062



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MINISTERES ET SERVICES

Père Eden Jean-Baptiste

Tel: # (631) 951-0129 - Fax: (631) 436-7914

Lé biwo: Lendi: 9AM - 12PM, Mèkredi, Jedi: 9:00 AM - 12PM, epi 1PM - 5PM

Sévis: Mèkredi 7:30 PM ak Dimanch 12:30 PM

[[Sévis Pastoral]]

-Gwoup Lapriyè Karismatik ak Devosyon a Manman Mari:

Chak Lendi, 7PM (andedan legliz la)

-Ekspozisyon Sen Sakreman: Chak premye Vandredi nan mwa a

- Swen Pastoral moun ki malad: Vizit malad lakay oubyen lopital, espesyalman malad ki bezwen konfesyon, sou randevou Mekredi ak Vandredi.

-Aktivite jèn yo (HAYMSA): Chak Samedi, 2PM - 4PM, amba legliz la.

(Reskonsab jèn yo: Regine Guerrier, Clodine Neree & Cindy Neree)

-Konfesyon: sou randevou epi avan lames Mekredi yo

- Maryaj: Pran randevou avek pe ya pou fe anket maryaj la. Sonje Dyosez la mande pou koup yo enregistre ui (8) mwa anvan dat Maryaj la. Sa ap ede yo prepare davans san ke sote. Kou Pre-Cana obligatwa.

- Repetisyon koral: pou adilt chak Vandredi 8PM (anba legliz, nan chanm jòn la)

- Selebrasyon Kiltirèl: Premye Dimanch nan chak mwa apre lames la.

- Reyinyon Komite: wè avek Père Eden.

- Komite Liturjik: Dezyèm Vandredi nan mwa a, 8PM (nan biwo ayisyen anba legliz la)



En préparation de la fête de la pentecôte

Le groupe Charismatique Confrérie St Michel

Tiendra des sessions de "la vie dans l'esprit",

dans le but d'obtenir un renouveau d'Esprit Saint

Sur notre communauté qui en a tant besoin

Tous les Samedis de 7hrs a 9hrs dans la Chapelle St Joseph de l'église St Ann a Brentwood.

ANNONCE

TRIDUUM DE
PRIERES A SAINTE ANNE
AVEC
PERE JULES CAMPION

LUNDI 24, MARDI 25
ET MERCREDI 26
JUILLET 2017
EGLISE SAINTE ANNE,
BRENTWOOD
A 7:00 HRES PM
STE ANNE, PRIEZ
POUR NOUS.

Celui qui a des oreilles, qu'il entende!

Faire usage de sa puissance, agir avec violence est le propre des hommes ou des gouvernements contestes qui craignent que leur pouvoir leur soit ôté. Ce n'est pas le cas de Dieu. Sa puissance est infinie, donc faite de patience, d'humanité, de management pour le pêcheur qui elle offre continuellement de se convertir. La parabole du bon grain et de l'ivraie met en relief la sagesse et la patience du propriétaire. Non, il ne veut pas que ses serviteurs aillent arracher des maintenant la mauvaise herbe!

C'est aussi à la clémence et à la longanimité de Dieu que conclut le sage qui s'exprime dans notre première lecture. Le Seigneur maîtrise sa force et juge avec une sereine équité. Par là, il apprend à son peuple à être humain. En exaltant la patience de Dieu, les auteurs inspirent dénoncent simultanément nos excès de zèle et notre incorruptible propension à exclure et à condamner. Nos particularismes ne doivent pas devenir des barrières discriminatoires. Non sans humour, Jésus nous invite à assumer avec réalisme notre condition historique: tous ensemble, nous formons un champ extraordinairement mêlé.

La patience de Dieu envers les pêcheurs que nous sommes n'est pas signe de faiblesse, mais de l'espérance qu'il met en nous.