

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 15, 2018

Sunday, July 15

7:30 am † Danny Jenkins

9:00 am † Ann Marie Parenteau

11:00 am † *Pro Populo*

Monday, July 16

12:00 pm † In Honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Tuesday, July 17

12:00 pm † Kalesnik Family

Wednesday, July 18

12:00 pm † Frederick & Elizabeth Cox

Thursday, July 19

12:00 pm † Edgardo Landas

Friday, July 20

12:00 pm † Pajita Puris

Saturday, July 21

5:00 pm † Ann Marie Parenteau

Saint Ann's Parish Faith Direct Online Giving Electronic Giving has become easier.

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Thank you very much for your generosity to the weekly Collections at Mass: **The Offertory Collection** last weekend was \$5,962. **The Second Collection Faith Direct Online Collection** for the first half of June was \$1,153. (We report to you the online giving amount twice a month). Your online gift to our parish helps to sustain our ministry and outreach efforts, as well as ongoing repairs and maintenance to our beautiful church building. Thank you so much for your generosity and kindness; please tell your friends about St. Ann's! Go to our website: stanndc.org and use our **St. Ann's Church CODE: DC811**

Thank you for your continued support!

New Parishioners: If you are new in the area, you are encouraged to register with the parish. Registration forms are available at the main entrance of the Church or from the Rectory Office. Completed forms may be returned by dropping them in the Sunday collection basket, mailed, or brought to the Rectory. Please let us know if you are relocating or moving away by dropping a note at stann@stanndc.org.

Sick Calls: Please email us at stann@stanndc.org, to notify the Pastor of any sick, homebound or those hospitalized, so that we may arrange to bring them the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Saint of the week: Julie Mary-Magdalen Postel.

1756-1846 (*Feast July 16*). In 1774 this Frenchwoman



opened a school for girls in her hometown, Barfleur. During the Revolution, Barfleur was a center of underground religious activities, and Julie was given charge of the reserved Eucharist and allowed to bring Communion to the sick. She continued her teaching and good works. At age 51 she founded the

Sisters of the Christian Schools of Mercy. Despite many obstacles, as Sister Mary-Magdalen she shepherded the congregation until her death, finding a headquarters and achieving formal recognition.

The Catholic Faith Is Exciting... Want to learn more about the Catholic Faith? Whether baptized or not, you might want to consider entering a program of faith formation, known as the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)** Sessions are for unbaptized adults and baptized non-Catholics who wish to inquire about certain aspects of the faith, learn more about the Catholic Church, her practices and history and/or seek full membership. Active Catholics who wish to renew, to deepen, or to share their faith are cordially invited as well. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is open for your questions, reflection, and searching! **Meetings take place in the library starting Tuesday, September 18 at 6:30pm.** Please contact the Pastor for an initial interview: Monsignor James Watkins at watkinsjas@aol.com.

Called to Love: Theology of the Body Summer Intensive Course, **July 16, 2018 to July 20, 2018.** A unique opportunity to immerse yourself in John Paul II's Theology of the Body! This short, one-week intensive course studies his "Wednesday catechesis", through an in-depth examination of the text and a discussion of his scriptural, theological, and philosophical methodology. It shows how the dual unity of man and woman and their interpersonal communion, even in the body, image divine trinitarian life. Please purchase a copy of the book before the course begins: *Man and Woman He Created Them: A Theology of the Body* by John Paul II (Boston: Pauline Press, 2006. ISBN: 0819874213). Reading assignments will be distributed at the time of registration to allow students to prepare in advance. For more information, email: information@johnpaulii.edu or call 202.526.3799.

Metro Red Line: Metro is reminding everyone to plan for two upcoming summer capital improvement projects to keep Metro on its current path of improved safety and reliability. The work will impact customers who use the Red, Orange, Blue and Silver lines. Metro will close two stations on the Red Line - **Rhode Island Avenue and Brookland** - to complete structural repairs at Rhode Island Avenue, Metro's oldest outdoor station. The work will begin Saturday, July 21, and continue through Labor Day, Monday, September 3. The structural work cannot be completed while trains are running on either track and will resolve platform conditions that affect the alignment between the platform and trains, presenting challenges for customers with disabilities.

Domestic Church Day with the Visit of Saint Elizabeth

Ann Seton: Join fellow Catholic couples and families for a Domestic Church Day on **July 21 from 1:30pm to 6:30pm** at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. This half-day family retreat will include engaging catechesis for parents, teens, and children, an ice cream sundae bar, and the opportunity to pray together as a family. The keynote speaker for married and engaged couples is Fr. Larry Swink who will be giving a talk titled, "God's Plan for Marriage – Not Your Plan." The day will also include a special visit by Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton as part of our Visit of the Saints children's series that brings the saints to life in a fun, dramatic, and interactive way. The cost of attendance is \$20 per family and \$10 per couple. The visit of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton is Free but parents not attending Domestic Church Day must remain with their children.

How do you have a Mass said for someone? The Church considers the Mass the greatest possible prayer of intercession because it is the perfect offering of Christ to the Father by making present the Paschal Mystery of His death and resurrection. What does it mean to have a Mass "offered" for someone? Mass intentions refer to the particular purpose for which a specific Mass is offered. Most commonly, a Mass is requested for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. One should never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul, both for the living and the deceased. Although the origins of the practice of offering Mass intentions date to the early Church, we still recognize its importance today. To have a Mass offered on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special need is appropriate, beneficial and appreciated. Really, there is no greater gift that we can give. Daily and Sunday Mass intentions to be offered here at St. Ann's are available, and there are many weekday intentions open for this year. Mass intentions can be arranged by visiting the Rectory Office. Cards are available, if you would like to remember a loved one in this way, please stop by or call the Rectory for more information.

What is a Mass Card? Also known as a Mass offering card, memorial card or a remembrance card, is a greeting card given to someone to let them know that they, or a deceased loved-one, will be remembered and prayed for in the intentions at a Mass. The card-giver will obtain a Mass offering card, either from their local parish or by purchasing one from a store. Some religious orders also support their monasteries by offering Mass cards. If the card-giver goes directly to the parish office, give his or her offering (a customary donation of \$10), and the Mass will be offered for his or her intention. He or she will then give the card to the recipient, which lets the recipient know that he or she or a deceased family member, or some other intention, will be prayed for at the Mass. On the other hand, the card-giver may instead purchase a card from a store, contact a parish to give the offering and make arrangements for the Mass to be offered for his or her intentions, and then give the card to the recipient.

Help for Marriages in Trouble: Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Call 443-400-7017.

Respect Life News: In the January 28 bulletin, we reported that California had enacted the "Reproductive Facts Act." (RPFA) The state legislature passed the act in October 2015. Signed into law that month by Governor Jerry Brown (D), it would force pro-life pregnancy centers in the state to post information on the availability of free or low-cost abortions, essentially and ridiculously, advertising them the law was very quickly challenged and late in 2017, The U.S. Supreme Court agreed to hear the challenge. The case, known as the National Institute of Family and Life Advocates v. [Cal. Attorney General Xavier] Becerra was argued before the Court on March 20, 2018. A 5-4 decision in favor of the plaintiffs was handed down on June 26 which blocks the RPFA. The decision also sends the case back to a lower court to be reconsidered, in light of the Supreme Court's finding that "We hold that petitioners are likely to succeed on the merits of their claim that the FACT Act violates the First Amendment." Penny Nance, CEO of Concerned Women for America, said in a statement, "To be clear, this case was not about abortion. Malicious abortion politics definitely were the motivation behind it, but the case centered on the inappropriate mandate of the state compelling pro-life clinics to promote abortion in violation of their consciences. The case was about forced speech." Speaking for the court, Justice Clarence Thomas said the California law unfairly targeted pregnancy centers that oppose abortion. "Here, for example, licensed clinics must provide a government-drafted script about the availability of state-services. One of those services is abortion, the very practice the [centers] are devoted to opposing," (www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/supreme-court-sides-with-pro-life-pregnancy-ce; www.npr.org/2018/06/26/606427673/supreme-court-sidew; <http://www.latimes.com/politics/la-na-pol-court-pregnancy-abortion-20180626-story.html>).

Summer Food Drive: St. Ann Parish is pleased to support the John S. Mulholland Family Foundation, the primary provider of food for the food pantries in the city's poorest parishes: St. Thomas More, St. Luke, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Francis Xavier and Holy Name. The 5th Annual Summer in the City food drive will be collected at our parish the weekend of **July 28 to 29**. Please pick up a shopping bag as you leave Mass this weekend (July 14/15) and please follow the suggested food items listed. If you forget to bring your bag to Mass, monetary donations, which purchase fresh produce, milk and eggs, meat and poultry are accepted. Please make a check payable to John S. Mulholland Family Foundation and drop in the collection basket. Thank you for your generous faith in action.

In Search of Basement Apartment: Kevin and Lisa Kernan are looking to rent a basement apartment in the Tenleytown or AU Park neighborhood commencing August 2018. They have a dog. If you know of any availability, please contact Kevin Kernan at 202-686-9685.

Coffee and Donut Social after the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses on Sundays in the Collins Room, located on the lower level of the church. Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus who organize this weekly fellowship.