

# SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 29, 2018

## Sunday, July 29

7:30 am † Frank Handler (*Living*)

9:00 am † Anna Huebschman

11:00 am † *Pro Populo*

## Monday, July 30

12:00 pm † Jajita Puris

## Tuesday, July 31

12:00 pm † Donald Mohr

## Wednesday, August 1

12:00 pm † Ann Marie Parenteau

## Thursday, August 2

12:00 pm † Debrah Mills

## Friday, August 3

12:00 pm † Hotka Family

## Saturday, August 4

5:00 pm † Frank Handler (*Living*)

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Thank you very much for your generosity to the weekly Collections at Mass: **The Offertory Collection** last weekend was \$4,948. **The Online Faith Direct Total Deposit** (includes Offertory, 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections, and Donations) for the first half of July was \$1,672. (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](http://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](mailto:stann@stanndc.org).

**Sick Calls:** Please email us at [stann@stanndc.org](mailto: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:** Martha. First Century (*Feast July 29*). Martha and her siblings, Mary and Lazarus, are Jesus' friends in Bethany. In Luke 10:38-42, while Mary sits at Jesus' feet, Martha is busy serving. When she complains to Jesus, he says: "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. ... Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." Just before Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead (John 11:1-44), Martha confesses: "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God." She is the patron of cooks and servers.



**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](mailto:watkinsjas@aol.com).

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Join us this Wednesday, **August 1st and every First Wednesday of the month at 6:00pm.** During your busy schedule, take a moment to visit Saint Ann's for Adoration of the Holy Eucharist. If you have been looking for something to enhance your prayer life, spend some quiet time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Church doors open at 5:30pm. Mark your calendar to join us on **Wednesday, August 1 at 6:00pm.**

**First Friday of the month:** Join us this Friday, **August 3rd and every first Friday of the month at 12:00noon for Mass** and the blessing for the sick with the Relic of St. Ann. St. Ann, pray for us. Join us also after every 12:00noon Mass for the Rosary.

**Volunteering at the National Shrine:** Are you looking for an opportunity to grow in your faith and extend that gift to others through your personal witness and service to the Church? The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception invites you to become a Tour Guide or Tour Desk Receptionist. Call Dee Steel at 202-526-8300, x111 or email at [dsteel@bsnic.org](mailto:dsteel@bsnic.org).

**Bulletin:** We welcome any information you may wish to share with others in our bulletin each week for the good of all. Please submit your news items or articles of interest in writing to the Parish Office at least two weeks in advance, feel free to contact us via email [stann@stanndc.org](mailto:stann@stanndc.org). If anyone would like to advertise on the back page on the bulletin, contact Bon Venture services at (800) 883-4343.

**Respect Life News:** On 14 June, the lower House of the Argentine Congress, the Chamber of Deputies, after a legislative session lasting more than 22 hours, voted 129-125 in favor of a bill that would permit abortions during the first 14 weeks of pregnancy. The bill, called Voluntary Interruption of Pregnancy (Interrupcion Voluntaria Del Embarazo) must now go to the Senate where a similarly heated debate is expected but where the bill's proponents are expected to face greater opposition. If the bill passes, the President, Mauricio Macri, "has said that while he opposes abortion, he wouldn't veto the legislation" and has, according to the New York Times, "freed lawmakers 'to vote their conscience'" We note however, that the doubtless often sincere, but specious distinction between personal opposition to abortion and permitting, even facilitating it, has been made repeatedly with great loss of unborn human life. Argentinean proponents of the bill say their main motivation is to save lives since a considerable number of Argentinean women have died because of unsafe illegal abortions. While even one such death is devastating, the number pales in the light of the millions of unborn lives that have been taken worldwide when abortion has been legalized. Moreover, pro-choice proponents in Argentina like members of the Americas branch of "Human Rights Watch" see the expansion of abortion "rights" as part of a "global trend." And unsurprisingly, the "International Planned Parenthood Federation of the Western Hemisphere has backed the legalization bill. It should also be noted that there have been a number of women in the U.S. alone, who have died from legal abortion and many have experienced post abortion psychological pain and guilt as groups like Project Rachel can readily attest. As Bishop Oscar Ojea, president of the Argentine bishops' conference, said in his homily during a 7 July Mass celebrated in front of the Shrine of Our Lady of Lujan, patroness of Argentina: "Abortion is not a right but a tragedy" (Wall Street Journal, 15 June 2018, p. A 8.)

**Volunteering at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land:** The Franciscan Monastery Garden Guild is seeking one or more persons who can commit to a few hours each week to provide administrative support for this important community outreach program that feeds hundreds of those in need each year. Hours are flexible. Persons with organizational and clerical skills who are interested in helping the friars grow this program are encouraged to call 202-526-6800, x852.

**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.

**Learn English at Saint Ann's:** Get a better Job! Help children with homework! Speaking English is fun! Aprende ingles en Saint Ann's: Consigue un mejor trabajo! Ajuda a los ninos con la tarea! Hablar ingles es divertido! Llamar a/call Paula Ackerman at (202) 363-2303

**Monthly Telephone Rosary:** On the 4th and 13th of each month at 8:00pm, join the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women for a Rosary by telephone. On the 4th, call 605-468-8016 and insert code 357090#. On the 13th, call 515-739-1261 and insert code 703993#. Participants pray for an increase in faith, hope, and love, and any personal intentions that callers would like to add. Call 301-651-8190 or Email: archdioceseCCW@gmail.com.

**Help for Marriages in Trouble:** Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue? Have you stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information about or to register for the upcoming program, beginning with a weekend on September 14 to 16. Call 443-400-7017, or email 3015@retrouvaille.org.

**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.

**Crab Feast (ALL YOU CAN EAT) and Bake Sale:** The Palisades Georgetown (Friendship) Lions Club announces its annual Crab Feast and Bake Sale. The Crab Feast and Bake Sale will be held **Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> in St. Ann's Gym** (4404 Wisconsin Avenue, NW-enter from Yuma Street NW) from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. The Crab Feast is \$35.00/pp at the door (BYO Beer/Wine). There is a picnic dinner available for non-crab lovers (\$10.00/pp). All proceeds go to support Lions Charities for the prevention of blindness, restoration of sight, support for the hearing impaired and diabetes research. For more information please email John Sucato at [sgtjohns919@gmail.com](mailto:sgtjohns919@gmail.com). Visit our Facebook page at (<https://www.facebook.com/DCPalisadesGeorgetownLionsClub>).

**Mother of Africa Pilgrimage:** The archdiocesan Office of Cultural Diversity and Outreach invites you join a special Mother of Africa Pilgrimage on Sunday, September 16 from 2:00 to 4:00pm in the Upper Church at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (400 Michigan Ave., NE). For further information contact Sandra Coles Bell at 301-853-4469 or [culturaldiversity@adw.org](mailto:culturaldiversity@adw.org).

**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. If you are interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus, please speak with Mr. Drew Gorman whom you can meet during Coffee and Donuts.