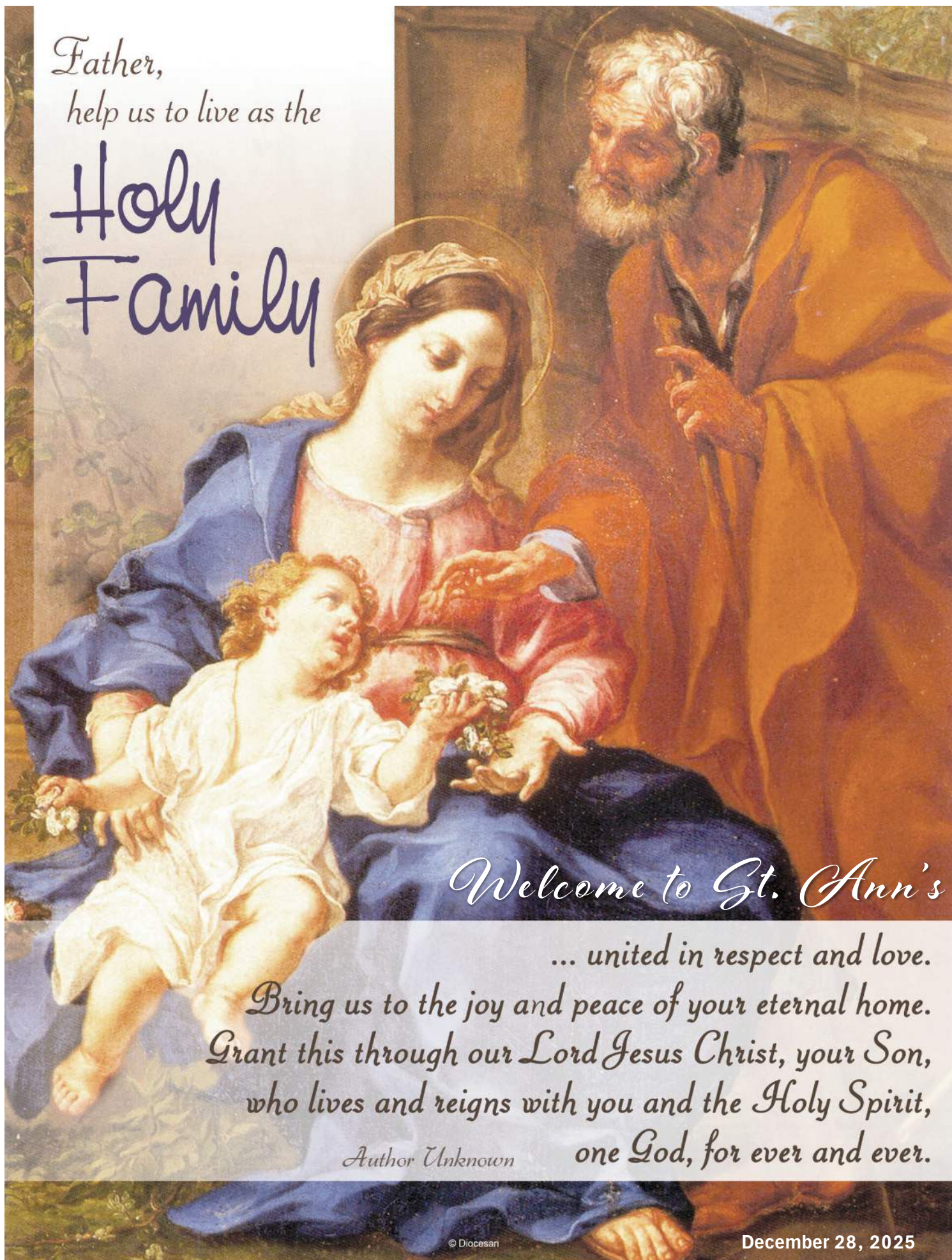


*Father,
help us to live as the*

Holy Family



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... united in respect and love.

*Bring us to the joy and peace of your eternal home.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.*

Author Unknown



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Parochial Vicar



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Deacon



Don Prendergast
Deacon



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Deacon



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| Monday | 8am |
| Tuesday | 8am |
| Wednesday | NO MASS |
| Thursday | 10am |
| Friday | 8am |
| Saturday Vigil | 4pm |
| Sunday | 8am, 11am and 6pm |

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| Wednesday: | CLOSED |
| Thursday: | CLOSED |
| Friday: | CLOSED |

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 29

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| Monday | 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35 |
| Tuesday | 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a; 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40 |
| Wednesday | 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18 |
| Thursday | Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Num 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21 |
| Friday | Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28 |
| Saturday/ Sunday | The Epiphany of the Lord Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 2:1-12 |

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RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is celebrated daily Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from **7:30am-7:45am**.

On Wednesday from **5:30pm-5:45pm**. Saturday from **3 to 3:45pm** in the Church's Chapel or by a prearranged appointment with the Priest in the Parish Office. *Schedule may vary during Holy Days of Obligation.*

BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is a serious obligation. **Parents must be registered, active members of the parish for three months prior to the Baptism.** Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is celebrated annually for the ninth grade students who have completed a two-year preparation program. Adults who wish to be confirmed should call the Parish Office for more information.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made at least **six months in advance. The Catholic party must be a registered active member of our parish for at least 4 months.** Weddings are usually celebrated on Saturdays at 11am and 1pm. Call the Parish Office before setting any dates.

FUNERAL

Call the Parish Office (386) 668-8270.

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Faith Formation, Grades K-8th - Dr. Navarro at (386) 668-8270 or email lnavarro@stannsdebary.org

OCIA (becoming Catholic) - Contact Parish Office at (386) 668-8270 or email office@stannsdebary.org

St. Ann Life Teen H.S. Youth Ministry - Contact Leann Sorondo at office@stannsdebary.org





My Dear Parishioners,

I hope you had a wonderful, blessed celebration of Jesus Christ Birthday. In our Catholic Tradition on the Sunday after Christmas we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family-Jesus, Mary and Joseph. We seek to follow the example of St. Joseph, the Blessed Mother and the Christ child, as they sought to live the life of a holy family. They offer our families an example of what it means to live in holiness and faith.

The first thing we should note as we hear today's scriptures is that the Holy Family knew its own share of challenge and hardship. They were forced to travel far from home during the risky time of Mary's pregnancy, leading to their son's birth in a rough place and in conditions less than ideal. Shortly after the birth of Jesus, they are told that they must flee for their lives and the life of their newborn Son. They travel to a distant land until they receive the message that it is safe for them to return. Their challenges resemble the challenges we experience in our own family lives.

The second thing we should note about the Holy Family is that in faith they listen for and are open to God's guidance in their lives. Both Mary and Joseph received angelic visitors who share challenging news with them. Their trust in and open totally to God, and this is model for us to follow. Their family is guided by God, and they teach us to do the same.

One final thing we can note about the Holy Family is that they demonstrate the importance of the values held up for us in the second reading. Kindness, humility, gentleness and patience must have been theirs as they adopted to changing circumstances, new surroundings, and unseen challenges.

This Feast of the Holy Family holds up for us the example of simple trust and openness to God, and the faith which they shared. They show us that our families, even in the times of challenge, can also be holy families-settings in which each of us can grow in kindness, humility, gentleness and peace. With faith and trust in God, we too, experience family life in all it's uncertainty and wondrous beauty. May the Holy Family which we honor in a special way today will bless our Family Parish at St. Ann's and each family in our parish.

Brothers and Sisters,

Please continue to celebrate the Christmas Season with joy and love for each other. And as we approach the New Year, 2026 in a few days I wish you with the staff of our parish that you will have God's gifts in the time to come – living daily with peace, patience and love for God and your neighbor.

Happy New Year!

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Andrzej

Thank you St. Ann Parishioners for your generous support of the Volusia Thanksgiving Basket Brigade

142 of 145 boxes were filled and returned! 5,308 boxes were distributed!

A special thank you to Emmaus Lutheran for donating 75, \$10 gift cards to place in boxes to purchase turkeys.

Fr. Andrzej blessing and praying over the boxes of food.



MARY



MOTHER OF GOD

*Solemnity of
Mary Mother
of God*

Thursday, January 1,
(Day of obligation)

10am Mass, only

Knights of Columbus

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council 13571

Join the Knights as they pray the Rosary on

Saturday, December 27 at 3:30pm

Sunday December 28 at 7:30am

**Knights of Columbus
New Year's Eve Celebration**

Wednesday, December 31

from 5pm-9pm

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No matter the day or hour,
I am waiting for you.

Join us for **First Friday Adoration on Friday, January 2** immediately after the 8am Mass until 12pm Benediction.

All are invited for **Holy Hour Sunday, January 4 at 3pm.**

We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration, Chaplet to the Divine Mercy and Benediction.

Coming Soon!



"Catholics Returning Home", An Invitation for Non-Practicing Catholics will be offered once again beginning **February, 2026.**

If you are a Catholic who has been away from the Church for a while, this invitation is for you. Our faith community misses you and is incomplete without you. No matter how long you have been away, and for whatever reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church. Watch the bulletin and website for upcoming details. For details call the Parish office at (386) 668-8270.

Holy Land Gifts

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December 16, 2025

Rev. Andrzej Jurkiewics

Saint Ann's Catholic Church
P.O. Box 530218
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Dear Fr. Andrzej,

On behalf of all the Catholic and Christian families in the Holy Land, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for allowing us to use the church facilities to present and sell our carved Holy Land gifts.

It was a blessing to celebrate the Liturgy with you, Fr. James, and your parishioners. We appreciate your support for our Catholic community in the Holy Land and we are so grateful for the kindness that you have shown us. Please extend our great gratitude to Ms. Zee and Ms. Lena, who were so helpful and welcoming.

We hope the parishioners enjoyed our olive wood handmade crafts and we would love to come back and visit St. Ann's Parish again around the same time next year. We will be calling the office later for arrangements.

Thank you for your help and support for our families in the Holy Land. May Lord Jesus bless you for your faithful ministry. Be assured of our grateful prayers.

In Christ,

Saida & George Rashmawi



Join us for *Coffee & Donuts*
Sunday, January 4, 2026 after the 8am and 11am Mass times in the Parish Hall



Fab 50+ Social Group will gather in the Parish Hall on **Friday, January 9** at 5:30pm come on out for fun & fellowship!



Prayer Shawls Available

Prayer shawls provide a warm hug along with a feeling of comfort. These shawls have been prayed over while being lovingly hand-made, blessed by the priests, and have a rosary in the pocket.

Available in the parish office, shawls are free, **but donations are accepted to purchase more yarn.**

Don't forget to register!

Often people attend Mass at a parish for months or sometimes years, but never officially register.

Registering at St. Ann's Catholic Church is the expression of your commitment to be a part of our parish community.

Being a registered parishioner also makes the process much simpler when it's time to receive sacraments, register for religious education, sponsor an individual for sacraments, and even plan funerals.

Registration Forms can be found at the Welcome Desk or visit us online at www.stannsdebary.org



Please Pray for the repose of the souls of the deceased Clergy in the Diocese of Orlando.

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| Msgr. Vidal Arborleda | December 2, 2015 |
| Rev. Con Shine | December 4, 1996 |
| Rev. Stephen Phillips | December 4, 2008 |
| Msgr. William Mullally | December 13, 1971 |
| Rev. William O'Farrell | December 21, 1997 |
| Rev. Vincent Smith | December 22, 1981 |
| Rev. Gerry Granahan | December 22, 2010 |



† Mass Intentions for the Week ~ SI - Special Intention

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| 8am - Monday, December 29 <i>The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord</i> | <i>Special Intention</i> for LaSota Family <i>Special Intention</i> for Ryan Barker Family |
| 8am -Tuesday, December 30 <i>The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord</i> | † Carol Soulliere <i>Special Intention</i> for Shanon Barker |
| No 6pm Mass Wednesday, December 31 <i>The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord</i> | No Mass |
| 10am -Thursday, January 1, 2026 <i>Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God</i> | † David Lesizza <i>Special Intention</i> for Micaela Parojino 30 th Birthday |
| 8am -Friday, January 2, 2026 <i>The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord</i> | † Maurice Fortier † Maria Brebar |
| 4pm -Saturday, January 3, 2026 <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i> | † Creighton Grim † John Boyer |
| 8am -Sunday, January 4, 2026 <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i> | † Carol Soulliere † George and Ann Ott |
| 11am -Sunday, January 4, 2026 <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i> | † Catalina Crespo † Richard and Gloria Terino |
| 6pm -Sunday, January 4, 2026 <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i> | † Kathleen Gomez † Fr. John Bitta |

Upcoming Parish Event Calendar: December 29 - January 4, 2026

C=
Church/
Chapel

EB=
Ed
Building

GS=
Gath.
Space

O=
Office

PG=
Prayer
Garden

PH=
Parish
Hall

YR=
Youth
Room

8am Mass - Monday, December 29
Confession 7:30am - 7:45am
Office Closed
No Food pantry

8am Mass - Tuesday, December 30
Confession 7:30am - 7:45am
No Rosary Prayer Group

No Mass - Wednesday, December 31
Office Closed
5pm-9pm Knights New Year's Eve Celebration (PH)

10am Mass - Thursday, January 1, 2026
No Confession
Office Closed

8am Mass - Friday, January 2, 2026
Confession 7:30am - 7:45am
Adoration 8:30am - Noon
Office Closed
No Food Pantry

4pm Mass - Saturday, January 3, 2026
Confession 3pm - 3:45pm

8am, 11am and 6pm Masses - Sunday, Jan. 4
9am Faith Formation (EB)
9am Coffee & Donuts (PH)
9am Family Ministry (YR)
12pm Coffee & Donuts (PH)
1pm OCIA (EB)
3pm Holy Hour (C)
7:15pm Life Teen - HS Youth Group (YR)



Struggling with Grief? Re-Membering Bereavement Support Group will begin the six week session on **Monday, January 12, 2026 at 6:30pm** in the Parish Office. Please contact the Parish Office at (386) 668-8270 for more information.



Holiday Office Hours

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|---------------------------|---------------|
| Monday, December 29 | CLOSED |
| Tuesday, December 30 | 8:30am - Noon |
| Wednesday, December 31 | CLOSED |
| Thursday, January 1, 2026 | CLOSED |
| Friday, January 2, 2026 | CLOSED |

Happy New Year!

Weekly Offertory

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|-------------------------------|-------------|
| December 13 & 14 | \$13,400.47 |
| Renew, Restore and Rebuild | \$ 754.00 |
| Retirement fund for Religious | \$ 3,287.00 |

Easy Options for Your Offertory Giving

Online Banking is offered by your bank, and you can add St. Ann's as a payee just like you do for any other bills. Schedule your giving, and let your bank send the check for you. Contact your bank for more details.

The Parish App can be downloaded on your phone and with one click takes you directly to St. Ann's online giving portal, so you know that your gift is secure.

Use of a Personal Check can be placed directly into the Offertory basket and will be posted to your giving account.

Offertory Envelopes can be mailed to your home bimonthly. Contact the Parish Office for more details.

Online Giving Option is a web-based application that allows you to start, stop, and change your Offertory at any time. It's safe and easy to use and requires no special knowledge other than how to access the Internet. You can do this through a mobile app or on the website at stannsdebary.org



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The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

Thank you for your faithful response, we have reached our 2025 Our Catholic Appeal Parish Goal!

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| Goal | \$137,141.43 |
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Diocese of Orlando - Special Collections

December Retirement fund for Religious



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