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January 11, 2026

The Baptism of the Lord

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¡Gracias por acompañarnos!



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MASS SCHEDULE



Parishioners are invited to come celebrate with us the real presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.



Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - Eng.
Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday 4:00 PM - Eng.
Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday 6:00 PM - Sp.
Sunday 8:00 AM - Eng. 10:00 AM - Eng.
 12:00 PM - Sp. 6:00 PM - Sp.

Confessions:

Saturdays 2:00-3:30 PM, English & Spanish, or by appointment.

Call the Parish Office at (863) 422-4370. Thank you!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 10, 2026
 4:00 PM † Guadalupe I. Aleman
 6:00 PM (Sp.) † Hilnolio Moreno
Sunday, January 11, 2026
 8:00 AM † Pacita Lizaso
 10:00 AM † Lucy Segarra
 12:00 PM (Sp.) † Gilbert F. Contreras Ramirez
 6:00 PM (Sp.) † Birthday of Mathias Daza
Monday, January 12, 2026
 9:00 AM † Andre Sejour
Tuesday, January 13, 2026
 9:00 AM Pro Populo (For the People of St. Ann)
Wednesday, January 14, 2026
 9:00 AM † Memorial Mass Association
Thursday, January 15, 2026
 9:00 AM † Christopher Bertrand
Friday, January 16, 2026
 9:00 AM † Francoise Saintuma
Saturday, January 17, 2026
 4:00 PM † León J. Veith
 6:00 PM (Sp.) † José Rafael Figueroa de Jesús
Sunday, January 18, 2026
 8:00 AM † Oscar & Xiomara Peñalver
 10:00 AM † Roberto Ayure
 12:00 PM (Sp.) † Fam. Rodriguez Calderon & Msgr. Baudilio Merino
 6:00 PM (Sp.) † José Augusto Castro & Hermelinda Pazmino

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PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE & UNDERSTANDING

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we paused the publication of our weekly Sacrificial Giving updates during the holiday season. A complete summary of these updates can be found on **page 5**.

Blessings,
 The Parish Office



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place all day on **Fridays** in the church from 9:30 AM-6:30 PM.
 *Every first Friday of the month, the reposition will be at 5:30 PM, followed by Mass in Spanish.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



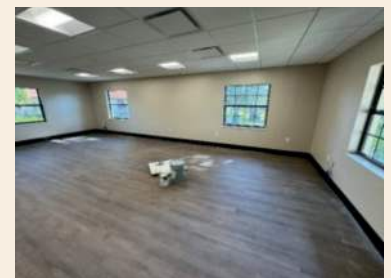
To receive offertory envelopes, you must be a registered member of St. Ann Church. You may register by filling out a registration card at the desk in the Narthex. You can then drop it in the offertory basket or take it to the church office. Please be patient as you wait for your envelopes to arrive in the mail. They are sent out every 1-2 months, depending on the time of year.

OUR LEGACY CONTINUES

Parish Construction Project – Week 21 Update

Our renovation project is continuing to move forward!
 In the old Parish Office, bathroom finishes and millwork have been installed. Exterior sidewalks, stairs, and walkway into the building have been poured (pending final grading adjacent to the walkway and steps), and windowsills have been installed and approved by the Owner.
 In the Anderson Building, windows have been installed and waterproofed on both the interior and exterior. Electrical rough-in is in progress, and mechanical ducting has been installed. Interior wall framing is ongoing.
 We are grateful for your prayers, patience, and generosity as we advance with this very important work for our parish community.

“Built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone” (Ephesians 2:20).



THE LIGHT HAS COME



My brothers and sisters in Christ, today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which brings the Christmas season to a beautiful close. We hear in the Gospel how Jesus, though without sin, came to John at the Jordan River to be baptized.

Why would the sinless Son of God need baptism?

Jesus didn't need baptism for *forgiveness*, but He embraced it for solidarity. He stood in line with humanity, showing us the path. In that moment, something extraordinary happened: the heavens opened, the Holy Spirit descended upon Him like a dove, and the voice of the Father boomed, saying: "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." This is a manifestation of who Jesus is: a true man and a true God.

This event is not just a story about Jesus; it is a profound reminder of who we are.

In our own baptism—whether as infants or adults—that same mystery was enacted for us. The water cleansed, the Holy Spirit was poured out, and we, too, were named and claimed by God. Each one of us, through the grace of that sacrament, is a beloved son, a beloved daughter of God.

This feast challenges us to carry that identity with us every day. To live not as people who are lost or aimless, but as people who are found, forgiven, and favored.

- When you face a challenge, remember the Father's voice: "You are my beloved."
- When you are tempted to falter, remember the Spirit that descended: "The Holy Spirit is with you."
- When you seek direction, remember Jesus walking into the waters: "Follow me."

The Baptism of the Lord is not just a historical event; it is a mandate. It is an invitation to begin this new year living out our baptismal call: to die to sin, to rise to new life, and to witness to the truth that, because of Christ, we are God's beloved.

Fr. Alfonso Cely
Pastor

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE UPDATE

Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Thursday
(when classes are in session)
10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Thursday
(when classes are not in session)
10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Friday Closed



**2026-2027 REGISTRATION
BEGINS DURING THE WEEK OF
APRIL 12, 2026**
(Note: change in start date)

KINDERGARTEN THRU 12th GRADE
Sacramental & Non-Sacramental Prep classes

**SPECIFIC INFORMATION WILL BE POSTED
STARTING THE WEEKEND OF
JANUARY 17-18, 2026**

ST. ANN SAFETY TEAM



For your safety, and in accordance with Diocesan safety guidelines, beginning **January 31**, all side entrances will be locked **five minutes before Mass begins**. The front doors will be open.

All exits will remain open for anyone who wishes to leave during Mass.

If you attended our first meeting and already signed up as interested to be part of our **St. Ann Safety Team**, please join us for one of the following training meetings in the **church**:

English: January 20 - 6:00 PM
Led by Ed Phillip

Spanish: January 21 - 6:00 PM
Led by Mike Flores

LISTENING ASSISTANT APPLICATION



The "ListenWIFI App" is now available at our church to support those with hearing difficulties. Simply scan the barcode, download the app, and follow the on-screen instructions.

BRING OLD PALMS



FOLLOW ME EXPERIENCE



Follow Me invites you to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ. You will learn what it takes to follow him. You will experience the joy of divine friendship, and you will see how God—and only God—can satisfy the deepest desires of your heart.

Every Monday - 5:30 PM
Beginning: January 5, 2026
In the Fr. Carlos Bldg. or via Zoom.us
Meeting ID: 86096052349
Passcode: stannsm

Open to ALL. Catholics will deepen their faith. Non-Catholics will gain insight into what the church teaches.

"PSALMS: SCHOOL OF PRAYER"

We are blessed to offer a new opportunity for ongoing Catholic formation on different aspects of the foundation of our faith. These sessions will be taught by Bernard Byrne, a gifted teacher with a rich background in theology and pastoral ministry.



About the Instructor:

Bernard was born in Ireland and entered the seminary in Dublin. He studied philosophy and theology in Rome, where he was ordained to the priesthood. After several years of ministry in South America, Pope Benedict XVI granted him a dispensation from the law of celibacy. Today, Bernard is a faithful practicing Catholic, married for twenty-five years, and the father of two children. His knowledge, faith, and life experience bring a unique depth to his teaching.

Program Details:

Day: Every Wednesday
Times: 10:00 AM (after 9:00 AM Mass) and 5:00 PM
Location: Rooms 3 & 4, Fr. Carlos Bldg. (Religious Education)
Registration: Not required – everyone is welcome!
First Module: "Psalms: School of Prayer"
Resume Date: Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Come and be nourished by the Word of God as we deepen our understanding of the faith and grow together in prayer.

PARISH OFFICES WILL CLOSE

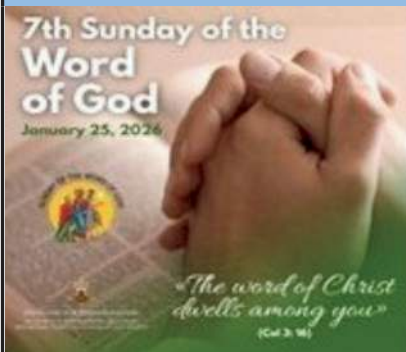
HONORING



In commemoration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the Parish Offices will be closed on:
January 19, 2026

Martin Luther King Jr.

CELEBRATE THE WORD OF GOD



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Come join us for Lectio Divina 30 minutes before Mass on the weekend of January 24-25, 2026, as we reflect on the weekend's readings.

We will prayerfully meditate on the great gift that is God's Holy and Inspired Word in our lives as a Christian Family.

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING UPDATES

December 13 & 14, 2025

Regular Offertory: \$13,002.50
Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$3,208
50/50: Winner has been notified - \$156
Faith Direct November 15-30: \$6,139.45
Miscellaneous: \$1,800

OCA 2025 Update:

Please consider supporting Our Catholic Appeal.

Goal: \$191,737.10
Pledged to Date: \$174,722.50
Cash received to Date: \$151,046.19
Still needed in Pledges: \$17,014.60

December 20 & 21, 2025

Regular Offertory: \$20,307
Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$1,915
50/50: Winner has been notified - \$146
Faith Direct December 1-15: \$6,334.05
Miscellaneous: \$3,701

OCA 2025 Update:

Please consider supporting Our Catholic Appeal.

Goal: \$191,737.10
Pledged to Date: \$176,372.50
Cash received to Date: \$154,839.94
Still needed in Pledges: \$15,364.60

December 27 & 28, 2025

Regular Offertory: \$32,627
Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$1,702
50/50: Winner has been notified - \$178
Faith Direct December 1-15: \$6,334.05
Miscellaneous: \$3,445.78

OCA 2025 Update:

Please consider supporting Our Catholic Appeal.

Goal: \$191,737.10
Pledged to Date: \$181,931.61
Cash received to Date: \$168,184.09
Still needed in Pledges: \$11,415.11

December 24 & 25, 2025

Christmas Eve	4:00 PM:	\$4,738
Christmas Eve	7:00 PM:	\$2,598
Christmas Eve	10:00 PM:	\$1,596
Christmas Day	8:00 AM:	\$2,457
Christmas Day	10:00 AM:	\$2,869
Christmas Day	12:00 PM:	\$2,949

December 31, 2025 & January 1, 2026

New Year's Eve	5:30 PM:	\$820
New Year's Eve	7:00 PM:	\$1,572
New Year's Day	9:00 AM:	\$1,515
New Year's Day	11:00 AM:	\$1,814

January 3 & 4, 2026

Regular Offertory: \$24,536.50
Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$4,292.50
50/50: Winner has been notified - \$142
Faith Direct December 16-31: \$6,236.75
Miscellaneous: \$2,025

OCA 2026 Update:

Will be coming up after a Diocesan kickoff on January 29

***While we have made a lot of progress in pledges,
there is an amount in pledges that needs to be covered.***

***Thank you for helping to spread the
good news of salvation!***

RECORDANDO NUESTRA IDENTIDAD



Hermanos y hermanas en Cristo, hoy celebramos la Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor, que pone un hermoso broche de oro a la temporada navideña. En el Evangelio escuchamos cómo Jesús, a pesar de no tener pecado, se acercó a Juan en el río Jordán para ser bautizado.

¿Por qué el Hijo de Dios, sin pecado, necesitaba el bautismo?

Jesús no necesitaba el bautismo para el perdón, sino que lo aceptó por solidaridad. Se unió a la humanidad, mostrándonos el camino. En ese momento, sucedió algo extraordinario: los cielos se abrieron, el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre Él como una paloma, y la voz del Padre resonó, diciendo: «Este es mi Hijo, el Amado, en quien me complazco». Esta es una manifestación de quién es Jesús: verdadero hombre y verdadero Dios.

Este acontecimiento no es solo una historia sobre Jesús; es un profundo recordatorio de quiénes somos.

En nuestro propio bautismo —ya sea de niños o de adultos— ese mismo misterio se realizó en nosotros. El agua nos purificó, el Espíritu Santo fue derramado sobre nosotros, y nosotros también fuimos nombrados y reconocidos por Dios. Cada uno de nosotros, por la gracia de ese sacramento, es un hijo amado, una hija amada de Dios.

Esta fiesta nos desafía a llevar esa identidad con nosotros cada día. A vivir no como personas perdidas o sin rumbo, sino como personas encontradas, perdonadas y favorecidas.

- Cuando enfrentes un desafío, recuerda la voz del Padre: «Tú eres mi amado».
- Cuando te sientas tentado a flaquear, recuerda el Espíritu que descendió: «El Espíritu Santo está contigo».
- Cuando busques dirección, recuerda a Jesús entrando en las aguas: «Sígueme».

El Bautismo del Señor no es solo un acontecimiento histórico; es un mandato. Es una invitación a comenzar este nuevo año viviendo nuestra vocación bautismal: morir al pecado, resucitar a una vida nueva y dar testimonio de la verdad de que, gracias a Cristo, somos los amados de Dios.

Padre Alfonso Cely
Pastor

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

ACTUALIZACIÓN DE LA OFICINA DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

LUNES, MARTES, MIÉRCOLES

10:00 AM a 3:00 PM

JUEVES

(cuando hay clases)

10:00 AM a 6:00 PM

JUEVES

(cuando no hay clases)

10:00 AM a 5:00 PM

VIERNES CERRADO



**INSCRIPCIÓN 2026-2027
COMIENZA DURANTE LA SEMANA
DEL 12 DE ABRIL DE 2026**

(Se ha modificado la fecha de inicio)

DE KÍNDER A 12.º GRADO

Clases de preparación sacramental y no sacramental

**SE PUBLICARÁ INFORMACIÓN ESPECÍFICA A
PARTIR DEL FIN DE SEMANA DEL
17/18 DE ENERO DE 2026**

ST. ANN SAFETY TEAM



Por su seguridad, y conforme a las directrices de seguridad diocesanas, a partir del **31 de enero**, todas las entradas laterales se cerrarán **cinco minutos antes de que comience la misa**.

Las puertas principales estarán abiertas. Todas las salidas permanecerán abiertas para cualquiera que desee salir durante la misa.

Si asistió a nuestra primera reunión y ya se registró como interesado en formar parte de nuestro **St. Ann Safety Team**, únete a nosotros en una de las siguientes reuniones de entrenamiento en la iglesia:

Inglés: 20 de enero – 6:00 PM
Dirigida por Ed Phillipp

Español: 21 de enero – 6:00 PM
Dirigida por Mike Flores

APP PARA ASISTENTE DE AUDICIÓN



La "App ListenWiFi" ya está disponible en nuestra iglesia para apoyar a quienes tienen dificultades auditivas. Simplemente escanea el código de barras, descarga la app y sigue las instrucciones en pantalla.

TRAIGAN SUS PALMAS DE AÑOS ANTERIORES

Por favor traer las palmas de años anteriores para que sean quemadas y utilizadas el miércoles de ceniza.

Canastas en el Nartex

LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL ESTARÁ CERRADA

HONORING

En conmemoración del Día de Martin Luther King, Jr. las oficinas parroquiales estarán cerradas los: 19 de enero de 2026

Martin Luther King Jr.

CELEBRA LA PALABRA DE DIOS

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Únete a nosotros para la Lectio Divina 30 minutos antes de la misa del fin de semana del 24 al 25 de enero de 2026, mientras reflexionamos sobre las lecturas del fin de semana.

Meditaremos en oración sobre el gran don que es la Santa e Inspirada Palabra de Dios en nuestras vidas como Familia Cristiana.



¡GRACIAS ESPECIALES!

Queremos expresar nuestro más sincero agradecimiento a todos los voluntarios que, con gran generosidad y dedicación, ofrecieron su tiempo y talentos para organizar y participar en el hermoso Festival de los Tres Reyes Magos. Gracias a su esfuerzo, compromiso y espíritu de servicio, nuestra comunidad pudo disfrutar de un evento lleno de fe, alegría y tradición.

Un reconocimiento muy especial a nuestros Tres Reyes Magos: **Brian Muniz, Germán Rosa y Ramón Báez**, por su excelente y memorable participación. Su entusiasmo y entrega hicieron de esta celebración una experiencia verdaderamente especial para niños y adultos por igual.

Que Dios bendiga abundantemente a todos los que hicieron posible este maravilloso evento y continúe fortaleciendo nuestra comunidad parroquial.



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