

Saint Anne's Church
3545 Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City

Teachings of Vatican II

The Second Vatican Council opened on October 11, 1962. 2,000+ bishops from around the world attended its 4 sessions. By the time the council closed on December 8, 1965, it had produced 4 Constitutions, 3 Declarations and 9 Decrees. These documents were all promulgated by Pope Paul VI who succeeded John XXIII after his death during the council.

Although it is difficult to sum up the many teachings of the council, there are certain themes that permeate its documents. The council used new terms for the Church itself, calling it a "Sacrament" and the "Mystical Body of Christ." The documents defined the Church as the whole People of God and made it clear that all the baptized, not just the ordained and religious, are called to holiness. This expanded the call of ministry beyond the clergy and religious to be the mission of all the baptized.

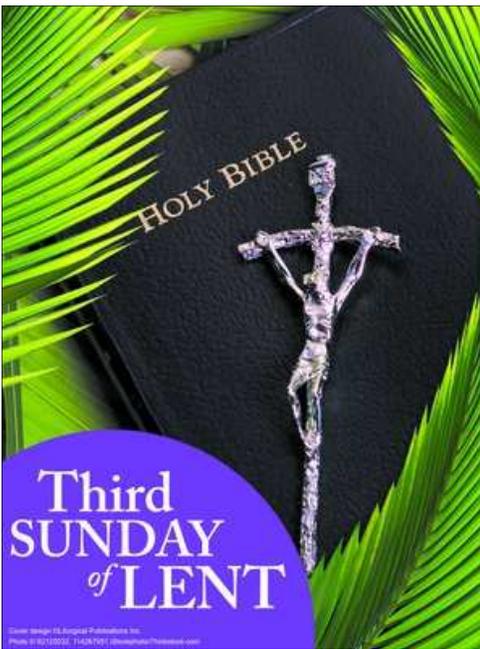
The liturgy constitution called for a deeper, more active, participation by the people in the Church's liturgies. This reflected the council's call to the laity's larger participatory role in the entire life of the Church. Vatican II's documents made clear that freedom of religion is necessary for each person as a means of finding his or her way to God. A universal regard for personal freedom of conscience and human dignity were held in high regard by the council.

The council greatly accentuated the role of Scripture in the Church's liturgical, theological and spiritual life. It made clear that God wills the salvation of all people, expressing respect for all religions and seeking dialogue with members of other faiths and non-believers. Vatican II recognized the importance of cooperation between religion and the secular sciences, and it optimistically called for humanity to share common goals related to peace and justice.

The door of faith is always open.

In the 50 years since Vatican II, popes such as John Paul II and Benedict XVI have continued to unfold and clarify the teachings of the council. Pope Benedict XVI has been particularly concerned that Vatican II be seen in terms of its continuity with previous councils and teachings of the Church.

Since the council, all significant Church documents have been written in a pastoral style with extensive references to Scripture and sensitivity toward other religions. It cannot be denied that both the content and the style of Vatican II have forever changed the Church's understanding of itself, its relationship to God, and to the world.



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Novena of Masses

FOR MONTH OF MARCH 2013

<i>Requested for</i>	<i>Requested by</i>
Sallie N. Donato in Thanksgiving on her birthday	The People of St. Anne's Parish
Pantaleon Sandal	Sandal Family
Patria Sandal	Sandal Family
Roberto Sandal	Sandal Family
Pedro Sandal	Sandal Family
Cirilo Sandal	Sandal Family
Sister Berard D'Amato	Sister Dominic Piscotta
(Liv) Mr. & Mrs. J. Long	Sister Dominic Piscotta
(Liv) Jennie D'Amato	Sister Dominic Piscotta
(Liv) Sister Alberta	Sister Dominic Piscotta



Schedule of Masses March 4th-10th, 2013

<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Requested for</i>	<i>Requested by</i>
Mon <i>3/4</i>	7 AM	Novena	
	9 AM	Frank Rapka	Wife & Daughter
Tues <i>3/5</i>	7 AM	Novena	
	9 AM	Dolores Becker	Joy & Sadie Krieger
Wed <i>3/6</i>	7 AM	Alfred & Cora Bennett	Bequeath
	9 AM	Novena	
	7 PM	Special Intention	OL Perpetual Help Group
Thurs <i>3/7</i>	7 AM	(Liv) Alice & Donald Daly	Mildred Bombich
	9 AM	Novena	
Fri <i>3/8</i>	7 AM	Novena	
	9 AM	(Liv) Angela Aver-sano & Family	Shin Family
Sat <i>3/9</i>	9 AM	Novena	
	5:30 PM	Roseanne McAndrews	Steve & Fran Drennan
	7 PM	Richard Pardey	Jenny & Ally
Sun <i>3/10</i>	7:30 AM	Rose Yori	Joy & Sadie Krieger
	9 AM	Mary Mastro	Gen & Judi Reilly
	10:30 AM	(Liv) Joseph Paparella	Frances Spazian
	12 noon	Michael Maffei	Sr. Alberta Manzo

Sanctuary Gifts March 3rd-9th, 2013

<i>Gift</i>	<i>In Memory of</i>	<i>Requested By</i>
Altar Wine	Catherine V. Carlson	Barbara Lack
Altar Bread	Catherine V. Carlson	Barbara Lack
Sanctuary Lamp	Geraldine Kahse	Fusco Family
Altar Candles	Anna Fischer	Jim & Vincent

Celebration Of The Eucharist in Church

Saturday Evening: (anticipating Sunday) 5:30 PM (Eng)
7:00 PM (Misa Dominical)
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon

Celebration Of The Eucharist in Convent

Monday thru Friday 7:00 AM & 9:00 AM Mass;
Saturday 9:00 AM Mass; Wednesday 7:00 PM Mass-

Sacrament of Penance:

by Appointment or Saturdays 1:00-1:30 PM in Church

Our Parish is Served by:

Very Rev. Nigel R. Mohammed, VF - Pastor
Rev. John Ranieri - Pastoral Associate
Sr. Alberta Manzo - Parish Catechetical Leader
Ms. Begonia Jensen - Adult Education (RCIA)
Mrs. Cristina Pardo - Adult Education (RICA Spanish)
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Lt. James Carroll

Mrs. Judith Waddleton



Scriptural Reflections

From the burning bush, Moses is called by God to lead his people out of slavery into freedom. The parable of the fig tree speaks, on the one hand, of God's patience, but of the urgency of the call to conversion, on the other. Like the Hebrews of old, we too have failed to heed God's call, thinking ourselves to be self-righteous.



LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

People will remain on sick list for 2 weeks unless otherwise notified:

Roy Maglori, William Devon, Madeline Gerrity, Miyuki Campbell, Marie Carlson, Emilie Jaworowski, Dolores Del-Monte, Warren Lewis, Charles Kaufman, Bill Waddleton Sr., Dianne O'Sullivan, Sadie Krieger, Carl Carlson, Helen Ferris, Carol Jordan, Juanito Lagmay Sr., Jeffrey Mallari



The RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE is located in St. Anne's Convent, 246 Congress Street.

Office Hours are: Monday thru Wednesday 10:00 am to 2 pm, Sunday 10:00 am-12 noon; Please call before coming: 201-963-0998.

- * March 4,5,6 - 3:00-5:00 PM First Penance Practice in Church
- * March 9th - 11:00 AM First Reconciliation Day in Church; social to follow in Centennial Hall
- * March 10th - Teachers' Meeting
- * March 11 & 13 - Communion Parents Meeting Conference in Convent. (Last Supper Presentation canceled)

* March 16/17 - Irish Soda Bread Sale in Convent \$5.00 each.

* March 31st - NO CLASS; Easter Sunday

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Your gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is a part of your personal commitment to Christian Stewardship: Giving thanks to God by returning a portion of the blessings God has given you. Won't you please take a moment to fill out a pledge card? Your gift is a concrete example of being a good steward of God's gifts.

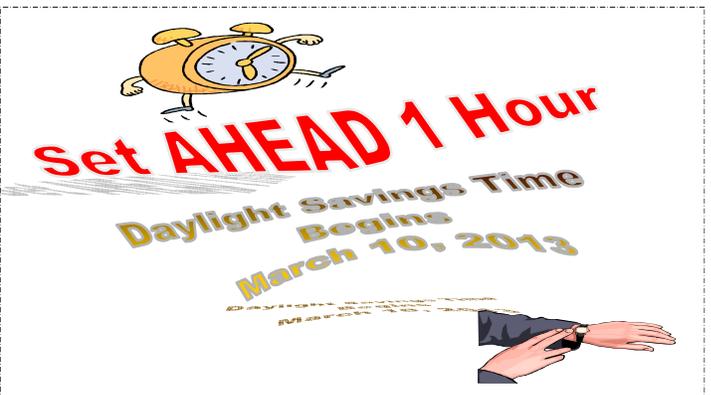


Catholic Women's Conference

In preparation for Lent, St. Anne's Parish is encouraging its parishioners to participate in this Archdiocesan sponsored event. Registration forms are located in church and the rectory.

Rediscover the Joy of Believing - A Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, March 9th at Seton Hall University in South Orange; day begins at 8:30 am and ends 5:15 pm. Mass will be celebrated by Most Reverend Archbishop John J. Myers.

Ticket price is \$25 for adults, \$20 for students and senior citizens and priests & religious free including breakfast and lunch. For registration please visit our website at www.rcanmenscommission.org or contact your Parish Conference Leader.



On
Premise
50/50
(sold ONLY at
Auction)



Call rectory
today to
reserve your
table for 8
or more!

St. Anne's Parish Family Auction

Sunday, March 3, 2013

Doors open @ 12:00 Noon

Admission Tickets:

ADULTS (12 yrs. +): \$12.00

CHILDREN (under 12 yrs.): \$6.00

Admission includes one auction bid-sheet
and one meal!

**(Admission ticket is needed to receive
meal)**

Please bring all donations (including Gift Cards and
Gift Certificates) to the rectory and label them
"Parish Auction".

Volunteers are always needed. If you are interested in
volunteering, please inquire with
Judy Waddleton 201-659-4641.



LENTEN FISH FRI

SAINT ANNE'S CHURCH

**Fridays during Lent at 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM in
Centennial Hall**

March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd

Price \$7.00 in advance; \$8.00 at the door

MENU

Fish, Fries, Cole Slaw, Tartar Sauce & Drink
Dine-in or Take-out

We look forward to enjoying the company of
our fellow parishioners and neighbors during
this most holy season.

If you are attending the Stations of the Cross,
please notify the kitchen staff BEFORE
ATTENDING STATIONS.

Thank you.

Tickets are on sale at the rectory.

A Nite At The Races

We're off
and
running....



St. Anne's Parish

3545 Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City

Being touted as a sure-fire bet for fast-paced
entertainment!! It's an odds-on favorite!!

Saturday, April 6th

Centennial Hall (Congress Street Entrance)

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Ticket price of \$10 Includes: Sandwiches,
Salad, Soda, Dessert, Coffee/Tea

Feel free to B.Y.O.B. and while you're at
it...bring your friends and neighbors, too!

No one under 21 years of age admitted

Come join the fun!

LET'S HONOR ST. JOSEPH!

Come celebrate with the *Padre Pio and St Joseph
Prayer Groups*, a prayer service in Honor of St Jo-
seph Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. **Tuesday,**
March 19th, at 7:00pm in church. Distribution of
blessed bread, with fellowship to follow in Centen-
nial Hall. Tickets are \$5 at the rectory or from Fran
Spazian.

Stations of the Cross



Every Friday During Lent

1:00 PM and 7:00 PM

SUNDAY BINGO

MARCH 17, APRIL 21, MAY 5, JUNE 23

(DOORS OPEN AT 12 NOON)

1:30 PM

St. Anne's Church
3545 Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City
Centennial Hall

Growing in FAITH™

Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

March 2013

One Minute Meditations

St. Katharine Drexel

The Year of Faith saint for March was a heiress from Philadelphia who gave up a fortune to serve God. Although surrounded by wealth, she was raised in a devout family with a deep sympathy for the poor. Nudged to become a missionary by Pope Leo XIII, she became a religious sister and founded schools in thirteen states for African Americans, forty mission centers and twenty-three rural schools. She also established fifty missions for Native Americans in sixteen different states.

"Expert" advice

When struggling with something difficult, don't give up because others say you should. Ask God to deepen your resolve. Almost every great idea faced experts who said it couldn't be done.

"Strengthen me, as you have promised" (Psalm 119:28).

Easter year round

"Sunday recalls the day of Christ's Resurrection. It is Easter which returns week by week, celebrating Christ's victory over sin and death." Pope John Paul II, *Dies Domini*



Can you trust your conscience?

"It felt just right." "I try to follow my conscience but it's not always right." A conscience helps us tell right from wrong. A well-formed conscience keeps us out of trouble but a poorly-formed conscience can lead us astray. More than a feeling, a conscience is the voice of God calling us to do what is good.

A firm foundation. It's possible to have an ill-formed conscience and not even know it especially if it looks like everyone else's. For example, did we learn right and wrong from TV, movies, and popular culture? Instead, a Catholic conscience is informed through Church teaching about truths revealed by God.

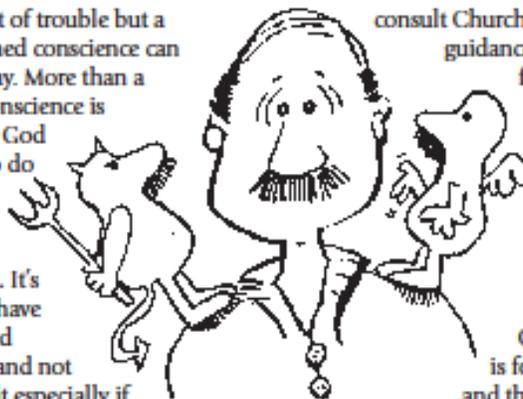
Feelings vs. conscience. Just because we don't feel like doing something bad

doesn't mean we follow our conscience. A conscience isn't based on feelings. Instead, following our conscience means using reason to consult Church teaching for guidance. We change our feelings to match our conscience.

Church teaching is not subject to the whims of any individual pope, bishop, or priest. Church teaching is found in the Bible and the Catechism.

Prudence helps, too.

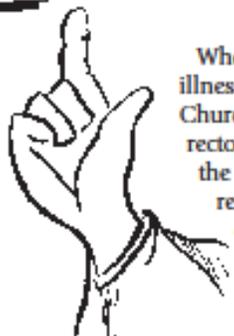
Prudence is a virtue that helps us choose our true good in each situation. At some point, prayer, study, and deliberation must give way to action. Prudence and our well-formed conscience combine to help us make the right choice.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

What is the Anointing of the Sick?

Once known as "Last Rites" this sacrament was given at the moment of death. So that we can access Christ's healing and comfort when we need it, the Church revised it as, "Anointing of the Sick."



When informed of a serious illness or necessary surgery, the Church encourages us to call our rector or local priest to ask for the Sacrament. It may be repeated for additional illnesses or surgeries. Don't delay needlessly. This Sacrament is only for the living.

Choose new life after Easter

When the Israelites were just about to enter the land that had taken so long to reach, Moses wanted them to understand what was at stake. If they were going to stay there with God's blessing, Moses wanted to put the choice facing the Israelites into the clearest possible terms: Choose to follow God's laws and accept his love or choose death (Deuteronomy 30:19-20).

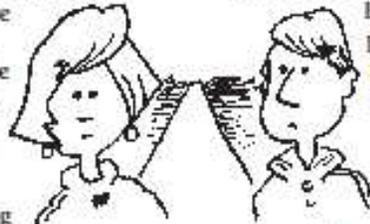
Life with God in love. The choice facing the Israelites was that simple and it's one we

face, too. We can choose to continue our good habits from Lent to live in God's friendship or lapse into life outside it.

Honesty over deceit. Self-control over sinful pleasure. Generosity over selfishness. One path means eternal life and the other results in misery.

The choice is ours. Isn't it amazing that the Creator of Heaven and Earth loves us so much that he lets us decide how we want to live?

While our choices lead to consequences, he respects our free will and leaves the choice to us.



from Scripture

John 20:1-9, The Resurrection of Jesus

John's love for Jesus helped him interpret the events of Easter morning. When Mary Magdalene told the apostles what she saw at the tomb, John and Peter raced there to see for themselves. When John saw the way the burial cloths were arranged, he instantly understood. No one had taken the body. Knowing the habits of his friend, he understood that Jesus was resurrected as he had promised.

On Easter morning, John recognized that Jesus is the Christ, the one anointed by God with the Holy Spirit, that he was sent to reconcile us

to God, and that Jesus was raised from the dead and is now judge of "the living and the dead." And John was there after the Resurrection when

Jesus created the Catholic Church and

commissioned her to preach and bear witness to Jesus and to God's love for us. The lesson for us is that our love for Jesus and our devotion to him will

eventually reveal the truths of many mysteries to us. The key is to love Jesus as intensely as his "beloved disciple."



Q & A Do I have to know and believe everything the Church teaches?

The Catholic Church is like a well that offers life-giving water. You don't have to drink from it but it makes it

awfully hard to live forever if you don't.

What the Catholic Church offers us is truth and faith handed down from Christ. Our baptism as Catholics make us members of his Body,

with the expectation that we will do our best to learn what that entails and accept the responsibilities of being members of his Body. We aren't owners of the Body, but privileged and beloved parts.

All that the Church offers is too much to take in at once, which makes faith a marvelous, life-long journey. It's hard to understand everything the Church teaches and that Christ wants us to know, so we are asked to believe prior to being able to understand. That is called faith. We are given the gift of exploring why our beliefs are true, and don't have to worry if they are true. Jesus said they are and that's good enough for us.



Feasts & Celebrations

March 17 – St. Patrick (493). Born in Scotland, St. Patrick was kidnapped and brought to Ireland as a slave. He escaped but later returned to become the bishop of Ireland and is credited for having established the Church there.

March 19 – St. Joseph (1st century). Jesus' earthly father, devout Jew, and faithful husband to the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph is a model of fatherhood and a protector of families.

March 23 – St. Toribio de Mogrovejo (1606). A brilliant scholar, he was serving as professor of law at the University of Salamanca when he was

chosen to lead the archdiocese of Lima in Peru. He was ordained priest and bishop and worked with intense fervor to strengthen his diocese.

March 24 – Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. The Sunday before Easter is called Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion because it recalls Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem when he was greeted by crowds waving palms and cheering, and it marks the beginning of Holy Week.



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Weekly Planner



SUNDAY 3/3

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

1:00-5:00 PM Parish Spring Auction-Cent Hal

MONDAY 3/4

3:00 PM Legion of Mary-Rectory

3:30-5:00 PM First Penance Practice-Church

TUESDAY 3/5

12:15 Bingo-Cent Hall

3:00-4:00 PM Holy Hour for Priests-Convent

3:30-5:00 PM First Penance Practice-Church

7:00-8:00 PM Rosary Society Mtg-Cent Hall

WEDNESDAY 3/6

3:30-5:00 PM First Penance Practice-Church

7:30 PM Adult Choir Pract (Span)-Church

THURSDAY 3/7

6:30-8:30 PM Cub Scouts-Cent Hall

FRIDAY 3/8

12:15 PM Bingo-Cent Hall

1:00 & 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross-Church

3:30-5:30 PM (setup) First Pnnce Day-CentHall

5:00 PM-8:00 PM Lenten Fish Fri-Cent Hall

8:00 PM J&M Prayer Mtg/Bible Class-Annex

SATURDAY 3/9

11:00 AM-2:00 PM 1st Pnnce Day-Ch/Cent Hall

2:00-4:00 PM Padre Pio Mass/Mtg-Cent Hall

SUNDAY 3/10

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Daylight Savings Time Begins-set ahead 1 hour

10:30 AM-1:00 PM HNS Mass/Mtg-Ch/Cent Hall

1:00-3:00 PM Fil-Am Mtg-Cent Hall

MONDAY 3/11

1-4:00 PM St. Anne Seniors-Cent Hall

3:00 PM Legion of Mary-Rectory

6:00-8:00 PM Cadette Trp Mtg-Cent Hall

TUESDAY 3/12

12:15 Bingo-Cent Hall

3:00-4:00 PM Holy Hour for Priests-Convent

WEDNESDAY 3/13

7:30 PM Adult Choir Pract (Span)-Church

THURSDAY 3/14

7:00 PM OL Guadalupe Mtg-Cent Hall

FRIDAY 3/15

12:15 PM Bingo-Cent Hall

1:00 & 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross-Church

5:00 PM-8:00 PM Lenten Fish Fri-Cent Hall

8:00-9:00 PM J&M Prayer Meeting-Annex

SATURDAY 3/16

7:00 PM OL Guadalupe Social-Cent Hall

Irish Soda Bread Sale in Convent

Parish Membership: Our Parish Family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into the Parish is requested to register at the Rectory. Please notify the Rectory of any address change. **Please fill out form below to become a parishioner of Saint Anne's Parish:**

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Full Mailing Address _____

Phone: _____

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