



St. Ann
of the Dunes

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Mission Statement

We are a unique, caring, Christian family of the Catholic faith, co-creative of the Kingdom of God, worshipping and witnessing together in love and joy.

We are composed of People from diverse backgrounds who accept personal responsibility

for the stewardship of St. Ann's resources, people, and talents, and strive for full and equal participation among all of its community.

We, by interaction with and responsibility to a diverse community, are enriched through worship, education service, and living examples of Christ's teachings.

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Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday..... 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Mass Schedule

Saturday 6:00 p.m.
Lithuanian Mass..... 1:00 p.m.
(Every third Sunday of the month.)

Other Sacraments

Baptisms: After 6:00 pm Mass on Saturday. Contact the parish office for additional information.

Reconciliation: As listed in the bulletin and upon request.

Anointing of the Sick: Upon request.

Parish Staff

Parish Administrator..... Rev. Jon Plavcan

Clergy Assistant..... Rev. George Schopp

Pastoral care for the Lithuanian Community Rev. Gediminas Kersys

Director, R.C.I.A. & Adult Religious Formation Perry Cartwright

Director, Children's Faith Formation & Youth Ministry..... Adam Antone

Sacristan Coordinator Phil Farese

Liturgy & Music Director..... Marsha Jerome

Organist..... Karen Erminger

Maintenance Michael Opat

St. Ann Guild President..... Joseph Estep

Welcome to St. Ann of the Dunes

Whether you come from another part of the world or a nearby parish, we welcome you to St. Ann of the Dunes! We thank you for sharing in the celebration of the Eucharist with us and we appreciate your generosity. We invite you to join our parish family if you are looking for a spiritual home or a summer church home. Registration forms can be found on our website or you can contact the office at 219-879-7565. We look forward to getting to know you.

All parishioners are asked to keep us informed of change of address, phone number or email address. Should you need the Eucharist brought to you, please let one of the Greeters know and we'll be sure that someone will bring Communion to you at your seat.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 14

6:00 PM In Memory of
Thomas Skube II from
Jenny Gaff and
Jean Campbell Buchheit

Sunday, August 15 Lithuanian Mass

1:00 PM In Memory of
Ona Zukauskas from
Gediminas and Danute Plenys

Saturday, August 21

6:00 PM In Memory of
Patrick Opat from
Mike, Nancy and Alex Opat

Saturday, August 28

6:00 PM In Memory of Richard Runavich
from Mary Lanigan

Ministry Schedule

August 14, 2021

Lector Brian McSweeney
Eucharistic Minister Robert Stanford

August 21, 2021

Lector Joan Baruffi
Eucharistic Minister Linda Sperling

August 28, 2021

Lector Gloria Bolduc
Eucharistic Minister Joe Estep

Our Pattern and Promise



There is no story in the Bible about Mary's assumption into heaven. But it is the logical conclusion to her life. The assumption of Mary is an assumption, but a good one.

From the moment she spoke, "Let it be," when the Holy Spirit overshadowed her and she conceived the Savior of the world, she revealed herself to be the one chosen by God. She was the vessel of our salvation, the model of discipleship, and the first to enjoy the fruits of redemption through her assumption into heaven.

There is an image in the Book of Revelation that is often applied to Mary. It depicts a woman clothed with the sun, standing on the moon, and wearing a crown of twelve stars. This dynamic image of a woman reigning over the universe has become an icon of Mary as queen of heaven and earth. Artistic representations of Mary often depict her dressed as the woman in Revelation. They signify the belief that the scriptures symbolically verify Mary's place in heaven.

Today's celebration is meant to give all Christians hope. Throughout our lives we strive to keep Mary as our model, ever ready to accept whatever may happen as long as it is God's will. If we pattern our life on hers, her new life will become the pattern for ours.

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Pray For,...

The Departed

Please keep all of our departed family and friends in your prayers who recently passed away.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Our Military

St. Ann is honored to have members serving in both the Armed Services and the Peace Corps. As a community of Christ's people, we at St. Ann's honor their service and salute their dedication by offering prayers for their safety and welfare. Please remember all members of the U.S. military in your prayers.

Streaming of Saturday Mass

Due to the lifting of the general dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass, live streaming of the Saturday 6:00 pm Mass is suspended at this time.

Religious Education News

A message from Father Jon Plavcan-

I would like to extend to Cindy Hargarten a thank you for her 6 years as the Director of Faith Formation at St. Ann of the Dunes. Cindy has decided to retire from the volunteer position to attend to some family needs. I thank Cindy for her guidance over the last 6 years. I have known Cindy for many years and she is a very fine person and always willing to assist in the Formation of the Faith of the Church. Her husband Phil has also been instrumental in the Faith of the Church.

At one point in the history of Faith Formation, there were 60 or more students. The program currently has only 18 students. The decrease of students has dropped over the years as in most parishes for various reasons.

In speaking with Cindy, we came to the best possible solution in combining the learning portion of the program with the Faith Formation program at St. Patrick. The students will continue to receive First Communion at St. Ann and the other sacraments of Reconciliation and Confirmation will be held in combination with St. Patrick.

The current Faith Formation families have received notification via emails that we have on file. If you are needing to enroll your student in Faith Formation, please refer to the note below from Adam Antone, the Director of Faith Formation at St. Patrick.

Father Jon

Faith Formation Classes to Begin



Starting this fall, the Faith Formation program will be joining the St. Patrick program. Registrations are open for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year.

Please stop by the St. Patrick parish office (currently relocated in Building 3 of the school) or call the secretary

for Faith Formation, Alice Shipman, at **219-926-1282 extension. 5** for more information.

Our opening Mass will be held on September 15 at 5:15 pm at St. Patrick Church. Please submit registrations by **August 27th!**

Adam Antone
Director of Faith Formation

Mass and a Bonfire at QAS

The Queen of All Saints Fellowship Ministry invites those aged 20's-40's to Mass in Michigan City on Saturday, August 28th at 4:30 p.m. After worshipping together, we'll head to the parish courtyard. Bring something to grill or a side dish to share.

Questions? Email jessicar@qas.org or call Jessica at 219-872-9196

Stewardship

August 7, 2021

Mass Collection (6:00 p.m.).....\$2,298.00

Diocesan Savings as of 6/30/21.....\$79,167.72

Thank you for your practice of Stewardship to St. Ann. May God Bless you for your generosity.
..... *Father Jon Plavcan*

Online Giving

You may now opt to contribute to St. Ann electronically by using one of our online options. Access us on line at: www.st-ann-of-the-dunes.org.

Catholic Church and Cremation

The practice of cremation has grown and become more common place and it is presented as a more affordable alternative to traditional burial. What is often overlooked is the Church's teaching regarding respect and honor due to the human body. In the United States, cremations have taken on a highly personalized and commercial aspect which is contrary to the Catholic faith. Though the church prefers that the body is present at the Mass of Christian Burial before cremation takes place, the church does permit the presence of cremated remains at the Mass. In the next few weeks, there will be questions and answers to cremation in the Catholic Church.

As a Catholic, may I be cremated?

Yes, in May of 1963, the Vatican lifted the prohibition forbidding Catholics to choose cremation. The cremated remains of a body should be treated with the same respect given to the human body from which they come. This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, and the care and attention to appropriate placement and final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium.

The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, on the ground, or keeping cremated remains at the home of a relative or friend is not reverent dispositions that the Church requires. The cremated remains are not to be divided up among family members or friends either.

If cremation does take place, the cremated remains need to be present for any Funeral Service. One should not pretend that the remains are there. If the remains are not present, then a Memorial Mass is offered for the deceased member in Church.