



**St. Ann**  
*of the Dunes*

**Church: 433 East Golfwood Road**  
**Parish Office: 105 East Golfwood Road**  
**Postal Address: P.O. Box 727**  
**Beverly Shores, Indiana 46301-0727**  
**www.st-ann-of-the-dunes.org**

## 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.

### Contact Us

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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.  
**Sunday**..... 8:00 a.m.  
*(8:00 a.m. is every third Sunday of the month.)*  
**Lithuanian Mass**..... 1:00 p.m.  
*(1:00 p.m. is every third Sunday of the month.)*

### Other Sacraments

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

**Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick:** ... Upon request.

### Parish Staff

**Parish Administrator**..... Rev. Jon Plavcan

**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**..... Stephen Hughes

**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, February 11

6:00 PM In Memory of Katherine Kinney  
from Richard and Gosia Kinney

### Saturday, February 18

6:00 PM For the People of St. Ann

### Sunday, February 19

8:00 AM In Memory of Eleanor Juby  
from Terry and Nancy Kolasa

### Sunday, February 19 Lithuanian Mass

1:00 PM In Memory of  
Juozas Mintauckis and  
Valerija Mintauckis-Jodwalis  
from Joe Kapacinskas and  
Kestutis Jodwalis

### Wednesday, February 22 Ash Wed.

10:30 AM In Memory of John Kovalan  
from St. Ann's Parish Family

### Saturday, February 25

6:00 PM In Memory of Victor Palmer  
from St. Ann's Parish Family

## Ministry Schedule

### February 11, 2023

6:00 PM

Lector Gloria Bolduc  
Eucharistic Minister Annaliese  
McSweeney

### February 18, 2023

6:00 PM

Lector Frank Ambrosic  
Eucharistic Minister Sharon Ambrosic

### February 19, 2023

8:00 AM

Lector Brian McSweeney  
Eucharistic Minister Linda Sperling

### February 22, 2023

10:30 AM

Lector Frank Ambrosic  
Eucharistic Minister Cindy Hargarten

### February 25, 2023

6:00 PM

Lector Joan Crepeau  
Eucharistic Minister Robert Stanford

## Making Choices

You have probably said this before: "I had no choice." You may have said it about a decision you did not want to make, one that made you unpopular, or one that felt wrong. If you have no choice, you have no blame. We can more easily accept a difficult decision if we feel as though it were the only one.



However, we almost always have choices. Some of them are not very good. We reject them without much thinking about them. They are even worse than the choice we make. Or they are more difficult to enact. Our brains process some choices so quickly, that it feels right to say, "I had no choice." But we

usually do.

God gives us free will to make choices. "If you choose you can keep the commandments," says the Book of Sirach. "God has set before you fire and water; to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand." Many choices stand before us: "life and death, good and evil." We get whichever one we choose.

God does not command us to act unjustly. We are free. But our freedom is not a license to sin. Our freedom is the environment in which we make choices. And God is hoping—as each of us hopes—that we will only choose what is good. Some of our choices may not feel right, but if we pick the best choice, it is right.

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## Pray For,...

### *The Departed*

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

*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.



## Ash Wednesday Mass

Mass will be held here at St. Ann's on Wednesday, February 22nd at 10:30 AM. Another opportunity to attend mass will be available at St. Patrick's Church in Chesterton at 9:00 AM. Liturgy of the Word will be held at 6:30 AM and 12:00PM at St. Patrick's as well.

## Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

Knights of Columbus Council #5929 will hold a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 19th at the St. Patrick's Chapel Hall from 8:00 AM-12:30 PM. The cost is \$7.00 adults, \$5.00 for Seniors and Children Ages 6-12. Children 5 and under are free. The menu includes pancakes, sausage, egg souffle, orange juice, milk and coffee. St. Patrick's Church is located at 638 N Calumet Rd, Chesterton. Call Dwight Noble at 219-395-6822 if you have any questions.

## Share Foundation Spring Luncheon

The Service League of the Share Foundation with the Handicapped is planning a Spring Luncheon with broasted chicken, door prizes, a silent auction & entertainment on March 29th, in the Halls of St. George in Schererville from 10:30AM-2:00PM. The cost is \$50.00 per person.

Sharing Meadows is a residence and camp for developmentally disabled adults in Rolling Prairie. For more information: call Annette at the Share Foundation—219-778-2585. You can also check out their website at [www.sharefoundation.org](http://www.sharefoundation.org).

## Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus will meet on Wednesday, the 15th in the Chapel Hall at 7:00 PM at St. Patrick's Church. All interested parishioners are invited to attend. If you would like additional information contact Dwight Noble, at 219-395-6822 or email at [dwrightwnoble@gmail.co](mailto:dwrightwnoble@gmail.co).

## Northwest Indiana Catholic—Feb 12th

Have you seen the Northwest Indiana Catholic newspaper lately? A one-year \$30.00 subscription includes 24 bimonthly issues of the newspaper, access to an online digital edition, and special publications including the annual diocesan directory. Make checks payable to St. Ann of the Dunes or you can subscribe online at [dcgary.org/subscriptions](http://dcgary.org/subscriptions). Thank you for supporting diocesan communications. Subscription drive begins this weekend.

## Collection of Palms

We are collecting used palms. There is a basket on the back table to place your used palms. The last day to bring your palms is today, **Saturday, February 10th**. The palms will be burned and the ashes will be used for this years Ash Wednesday Masses.



## Stewardship

**February 4, 2023..... 6:00 PM**  
Mass Collection ..... \$2,278.00

*On behalf of the faithful of Saint Ann, I would like to sincerely thank you for your practice of stewardship to Saint Ann. Your contribution is appreciated. Thank you ..... Father Jon Plavcan*

## Second Collection

This weekend, the second collection will be for parish utilities and to subscribe to the Northwest Indiana Catholic newspaper.

## Do you know a Future Priest

Do you know a faithful young man high school age and older that may have a vocation to the priesthood? Please send his name and contact information to Jo Ann Rosenow at [jrosenow@dcgary.org](mailto:jrosenow@dcgary.org). Anyone you recommend will receive materials from the Diocese of Gary Vocations office about discernment retreats and college seminary visits.

***Please encourage the young people in your life-- children, grandchildren students, neighbors and friends to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.***

## Parish Sacramental Policies

**Baptism** - Those requesting Baptism (for their children) must be registered and attending the Parish for mass at least six months prior to the request. There is a formation meeting before a date can be scheduled for the Baptism.

**GodParents/Sponsors** - In order to serve in either of these roles one must be a practicing Catholic who has been Confirmed and if married, your marriage must have taken place before a Catholic Priest (or deacon). A Practicing Catholic is one who is registered in the Parish and attends Mass on a regular basis.

**Wedding** - Couples requesting a Wedding must be registered and practicing their Faith by attending Mass for at least a year before a date can be reserved. There are Pre-Cana classes as well as several appointments with the Pastor that are required. Please contact the Parish a year in advance.