



# St. Anne Catholic Parish

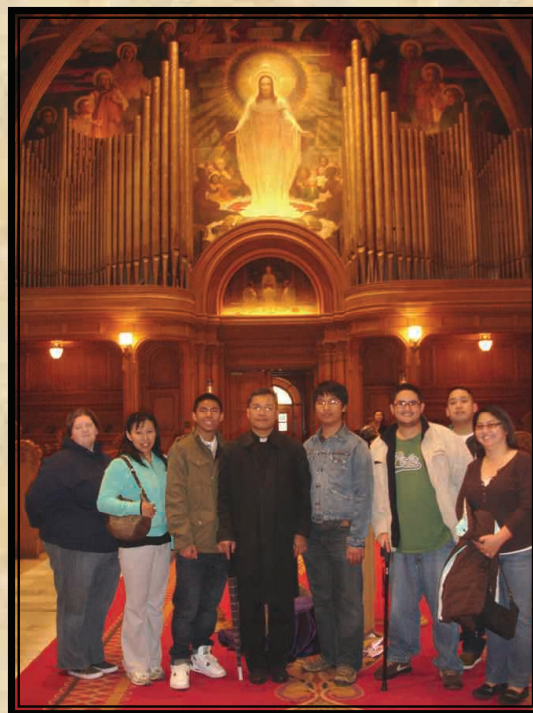
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## March 2, 2008 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

*RCIA Catechumen & Candidates* preparing to receive the Sacraments this coming Easter Vigil, shown here with Fr. Geoffrey during their retreat.



### PARISH MISSION . . .

*"We, the people of St. Anne will . . .*

*- seek unity in our diverse community*

*- establish a living Church where people practice their faith*

*- develop a compassionate communal Leadership.*

*. . . To foster and preserve solidarity among God's people."*

### St. Anne Staff

Fr. Geoffrey Baraan	Pastor
Fr. Rick Boyle, O.S.M.	Assistant Pastor
Benigno Calub	Deacon
Manny Moya	Deacon
Carlos Rabuy	Deacon
June Kirk	Pastoral Associate
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Jim Soltau	Youth Minister
Rico Monton	Liturgy & Music Coordinator
Helen Rojas	Children's Faith Formation Coordinator
Christine Suarez	Middle School Faith Formation Coordinator
Linda Canlas	Pastoral Council Facilitator
Helen Cabiles	Finance Council Chairperson

### MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays	8:00am
Saturdays	8:00am; 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)
Sundays	8:00 and 10:00 am 12:00 and 6:00 pm
1st Fridays	8:00 am and 7:30 pm
Holy Days	As announced

### Confessions

Saturday 3:30 pm

### Baptism

By Appointment

### Weddings

By Appointment. Call Rectory at least 6 months ahead.

Do not set any specific date without conferring with the Priest.

### Funeral Arrangements

Should be arranged by Family, church and Mortuary. Normal Christian Burial consists of Vigil Service, Holy Mass and Burial in a Catholic Cemetery. any other arrangements should FIRST be discussed with Parish Priests.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

CH:CHURCH, SH: SOCIAL HALL, CR: CLASS-ROOMS, PO: Parish Office, LO: Liturgy Office

### Monday, March 3 - 8:00 am - Mass, CH

5:00 pm - Faith Formation, CR #102-106

6:30 pm - Youth Ministry, SH

7:30 pm - Lectors, CR #102

7:30 pm - Legion of Mary, CR #103

### Tuesday, March 4 - 8:00 am - Mass, CH

4:45 pm - Faith Formation, CR #102-106

6:00 pm - SPRED, SH

### 7:30 pm - Reconciliation Service, CH

7:30 pm - 8:00 am Choir, CR #105

### Wednesday, March 5 - 8:00 am - MASS, CH

5:00 pm - Faith Formation, CR #102-106

6:00 pm - CYO, SH

7:30 pm - Lectors, CR #103

7:30 pm - Grief Ministry

7:30 pm - Lopez Choir, CR #106

7:45 pm - Couples for Christ, CR #104

### Thursday, March 6 - 8:00 am - MASS, CH

5:00 pm - Faith Formation, CR #102-106,SH

7:30 pm - RCIA, CR #102

7:30 pm - Pinto Choir, CH

8:00 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

### Friday, March 7 - 8:00 am - MASS, CH

6:00 pm - Legion of Mary, CR #103

7:00 pm - Divine Mercy, CH

7:30 pm - Stations of the Cross, CH

8:00 pm - 8:00 am Choir, CR, #106

### Saturday, March 8 - 8:00 am & 5:00 pm- MASS, CH

9:00 am - Faith Formation, CR #102-106

9:30 am - Lectors, CH

10:15 am - SPRED, CR #106

11:00 am - 8th Grade Retreat, CR#102-106

4:00 pm - Sacred Voices, CH

5:00 pm - Confirmation, SH

6:15 pm - Charismatics, CR #104

### Sunday, March 9 - 8, 10 am, & 12, 6 pm- MASS, CH

11:30 am - RCIA, CR #105

1:00 pm - Children's Choir, CR #106

2:00 pm—Columbian Squires, CR #102

3:30 pm - Confirmation, CR #102-106, SH

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David and remained with him from that day forward (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

**Psalm** — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

**Second Reading** — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord. Live as children of light (Ephesians 5:8-14).

**Gospel** — The man who was blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me wash. When I washed, I was able to see! (John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

## MASS INTENTIONS

March 1, 2008—March 15, 2008

### Saturday, March 1

5:00 pm + Charles & Helen Young

### Sunday, March 2

8:00 am For the People

10:00 + Cenon Lansangan

12:00 pm + Eleuterio Tecson

6:00 + Roberto Asuncion

### Monday, March 3

8:00 am + Arsenio Tecson

### Tuesday, March 4

8:00 am + Sylvia De La Rosa

### Wednesday, March 5

8:00 am Spe.Int.—Wedding Anniversary  
Eduardo & Irene Evangelista

### Thursday, March 6

8:00 am + Haide Hidalgo

### Friday, March 7

8:00 am + Mariano Gamatero

Spe.Int.-Mario & Jovita Marquez

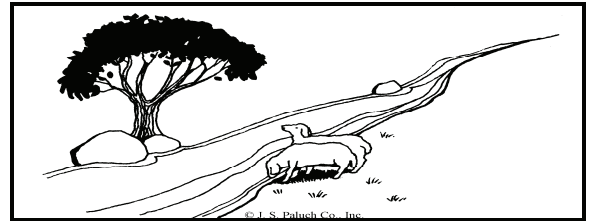
### Saturday, March 8

8:00 am + Francisco Souza

# Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 2, 2008

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
— Psalm 23:1



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## CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT

The future king, David, in today's first reading, is an example of a type of character present throughout the Hebrew scriptures. He is the child born out of place (not the eldest or most favored) who ends up receiving the promise of the covenant. The spirit of God's anointing rushes upon him. In this way, he is similar to the man born blind from today's Gospel. David's family and the blind man's community did not expect the miraculous grace of God's love to work through them. Perhaps they, too, were "blinded" by the expectations and assumptions of those around them. Yet, after being touched by God, they both came to "see" the presence of God's will for them. Both became messengers of God's will. That same Spirit of God's anointing rushed upon us at our baptism; we were given a candle as a sign of our membership in the Body of Christ, the Light from Light. Our vocation, then, is to fulfill that enlightenment, that anointing, as Ephesians tells us, by living as "children of the light."

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## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent; Laetare Sunday; Second Scrutiny
- Monday: St. Katharine Drexel
- Tuesday: St. Casimir
- Friday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity; First Friday; World Day of Prayer; Abstinence
- Saturday: St. John of God; International Women's Day



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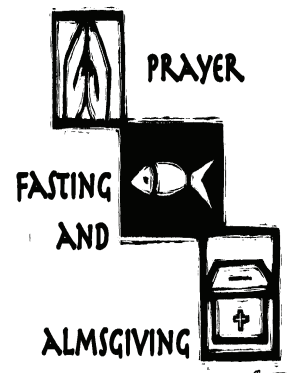
the Cross

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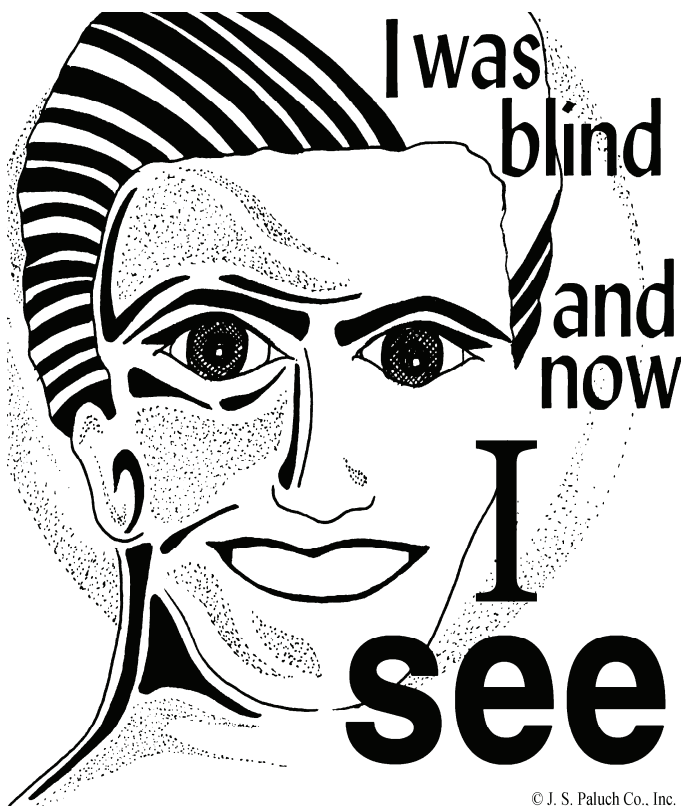
**ALL FRIDAYS DURING LENT  
STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
7:30 PM  
IN THE CHURCH**

## LENTEN OBSERVANCE:

All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat and meat products. This law obliges everyone who is fourteen years of age and older. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence (one full meal, two lesser meals, no meat, no eating between meals). The law on fasting obliges all persons who are between the ages of eighteen and fifty-nine.



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## EASTER VIGIL SERVICE 2008

All Choir members are invited to join the St. Anne's Choir for the Easter Vigil 2008 celebration. This year, the choir will be headed by Cantate Domine under the baton of Loren Pinto. Rehearsal starts on Thursday 01/31/2008 at 7:30PM in the Church. Let us join together and prepare for this important Church Celebration.



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE ON TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 7:30 PM IN THE CHURCH.**



The St. Vincent de Paul members will take volunteers to visit the sick on all Sundays of the month of March. If you are interested in coming, we will meet by the parking lot around 9:15 a.m. to go to Livermore Veteran Hospital and we will be back 1:00 p.m. Thank you.

**Rewarding Volunteer Service Opportunity:**

Casa Francisca, a transitional shelter for homeless refugees, has an opening for a board member who can assist as a Secretary. The role requires the following: attendance at six board meetings a year; recording & publishing minutes after each meeting; coordinating dates for future meetings. Work from your own home or office. Attend occasional board meetings. More information, telephone Jeanette Rebello, 510-894-0029 or email Jeanette.Rebello@gmail.com

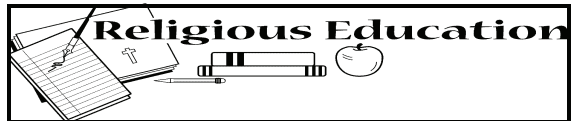
**HOLY SPIRIT PRESCHOOL**

Holy Spirit in Fremont, is currently accepting applications for the upcoming 2008-09 school year. We have various programs for children ages 3-5. We offer morning sessions for 3 & 4-year-olds and an afternoon Pre-K program for 4-year-olds. We also offer full day for both 3 & 4-year-olds. For more information, please contact 793-2013 or e-mail, hs.preschool@sbcglobal.net.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**

Experience a WWME weekend and you will understand the phrase—"A Weekend of Discovery; A Lifetime of Love!" For more information call Terry/Angela at 510-303-9019 or Ray/Roberta at 916-806-4601 or go to <http://oakland.lovemoredeeply.org>.

**PLEASE READ.....**  
**THE ONLY MASS FOR FIRST FRIDAY, MARCH 7 WILL BE AT:**  
**8:00 AM**  
**NO 7:30 PM MASS**



First Communion

*We Remember* – This week the young people of the parish preparing for Eucharist are reflecting on what Jesus celebrated at the Last Supper. The Eucharistic prayer is the Church’s great prayer of thanksgiving. At the Eucharist through the power of the Holy Spirit we join with the living Christ to give praise and glory to the Father. How are we as a parish gathering to remember and celebrate Jesus?

REMINDER

As part of the Lenten journey to prepare us for the joy of Easter, our Lord invites us to “Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel”. This is a reminder for our students who have already received the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist to prepare and attend:

**LENT RECONCILIATION for Grade 8**

Thursday, March 6, 6:00p -7:30p

Reconciliation will be held in Church during class sessions.

ANNUAL GRADE 8 RETREAT

Saturday, March 8, 10:00am - 6:00pm

Retreat will start at the Parish Hall and will end after the 5:00p Mass at Church.



**FROM THE PARISH OFFICE**

2007 Contribution Statements—Please contact the parish office at 471-7766 if you would like a statement of your contributions made to the church. Leave your name, address and phone number and your statement will be mailed to you.

March 2, 2008

# Weekly Collections



	Feb. 17, 2008	Feb. 24, 2008
Parish Collection	\$7,529.34	\$9,573.65
Building Fund	\$2,981.00	\$1,327.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$2,000.00	
Facilities Maintenance		\$3,240.00

## FILL US

Open wide the windows of our spirits and fill us full of light; open wide the door of our hearts, that we may receive and entertain Thee with all our powers of adoration.

—Christina Rossetti

### CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

The St. Anne Charismatic Friday Prayer Group will not be meeting on Fridays during the Lenten season. Instead we will be participating in the Stations of the Cross at 7:30 pm in the Church. We will resume our regular prayer meetings, Friday nights (except First Fridays), 7:30 pm, classroom #105. Saturday meetings will continue as scheduled, 6:15 pm, classroom #104. For more information call Resty, 510-396-8552 (for Fridays) or Belinda, 510-471-8712 (for Saturdays).

### CALLING ALL CURSILLISTAS!!!

The St. Anne Cursillo Team (formerly Union City Cursillo Team), which is part of the Filipino Cursillo, Diocese of Oakland, is meeting regularly. If you are a Cursillista, we invite you to share with us once a month. The team is meeting at the home of Ray and Myrla Raymundo every last Friday of the month at 7 PM. For more info, contact Myrla at 378-6376.

### DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

St. Anne's Divine Mercy Apostolate would like to invite everyone to join them at their Novena in preparation for the Feast Day of Divine Mercy. The Novena is on March 21-March 30. The novena on March 21 starts right after the Good Friday service) and Holy Saturday at 3:00 pm, thereafter the novena will be at 7:30 pm. Flyers will be distributed after all the masses on March 8 & 9.

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent years, there has been a resurgence of interest in various forms of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Some people suggest that this recovers an ancient tradition in the church, when in fact the practice belongs to a later time. The custom of showing the consecrated host to the people, encased in a vessel called a monstrance, developed in a period of history when even very pious people received Communion only rarely. The opportunity to see the host raised high above the head of the priest at Mass, or to see the host exposed outside of Mass, was thought by many to be a form of spiritual Communion. Without question, our Catholic practice of reserving the consecrated host both for adoration and Communion of the sick and dying is a cherished tradition.

Over the next few weeks, we'll look at how these traditions developed and how the Church envisions reservation and adoration today. We do this by the light of the liturgical reforms that have restored a heightened appreciation for how receiving the Body and Blood of Christ is central to our worship. "Perpetual Adoration," "Reservation," "Benediction," and "Reposition" are all part of Catholic vocabulary. Often the terms are misused, and a tangled history—as well as widely varying practices in our parishes—adds to the confusion. Many Catholics today have never participated in Benediction, or even spent time in adoration on Holy Thursday night. There's plenty of interesting history, much of it surprising and challenging, and we will do our best to inform you along the way.

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## THE SCRUTINIES

[By means of the three scrutinies], first of all, the elect are instructed gradually about the mystery of sin, from which the whole world and every person longs to be delivered and thus saved from its present and future consequences. Second, their spirit is filled with Christ the Redeemer, who is the living water, . . . the light of the world, . . . [and] the resurrection and the life. . . . From the first to the final scrutiny the elect should progress in their perception of sin and their desire for salvation.



—Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, no. 143

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**2008**



**Retreat held at:  
St. Patrick's Seminary  
Menlo Park  
Feb. 23, 2008**

