

Celebrating 35 Years of Faith, Service & Joy 1973-2008

St. Anne Catholic Parish

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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."

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed November 2, 2008

ST. ANNE STAFF

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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, November 3

8:00 am - Mass, CH

9:00 am - Staff, CR #102

9:00 am - Legion of Mary, CR #103

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

6:00 pm - Youth Ministry, SH

7:30 pm - Lectors, CR #102

Tuesday, November 4

8:00 am - Mass, CH

6:00 pm - Faith Formation, CH

6:00 pm - Liturgy, LR

Wednesday, November 5

8:00 am - MASS, CH

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

5:30 pm - CYO, SH

6:00 pm - SPRED, LR

6:30 pm - Faith Formation, CH

7:30 pm - Grief Support Ministry, CR #102

Thursday, November 6

8:00 am - Mass, CH

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

7:30 pm - 10:00 AM Choir, CH

8:00 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

Friday, November 7

8:00 am & 7:30 pm - Mass, CH

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

7:00 pm - Baptism Class, SH

7:00 pm - Divine Mercy, CH

7:00 pm - Charismatics, CR #105

7:30 pm - First Friday Mass, CH

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

Saturday, November 8

8:00 am & 5:00 pm - Mass, CH

9:30 am - Faith Formation, CH

4:00 pm - Sacred Voices, CH

6:15 pm - Charismatics, CR #104

Sunday, November 9

8:00, 10:00 am, 12:00 & 6:00 pm - MASS, CH

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

3:00 pm - Confirmation, CR #102-106, SH

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading— The souls of the just are in the hands of God, and no torment shall touch them (Wisdom 3:1-9).

Psalm — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading— Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts (Romans 5:5-11) *or Romans 6:3-9*.

Gospel— This is the will of the Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes may have eternal life (John 6:37-40).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17 — 4:1; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Lk 16:9-15

Sunday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46;

1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

MASS INTENTIONS

November 1, 2008 - November 8, 2008

Saturday, November 1

5:00 pm + Melanie Pabalate-Europa

Sunday, November 2

8:00 am + All Orphan Souls

10:00 am + Pedro & Francisco Villanueva

12:00 pm For the People

6:00 pm + Dec. Mem. Legion of Mary

Monday, November 3

8:00 am All Souls

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Wednesday, November 5

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Thursday, November 6

8:00 am All Souls

Friday, November 7

8:00 am All Souls

7:30 pm All Souls

Saturday, November 8

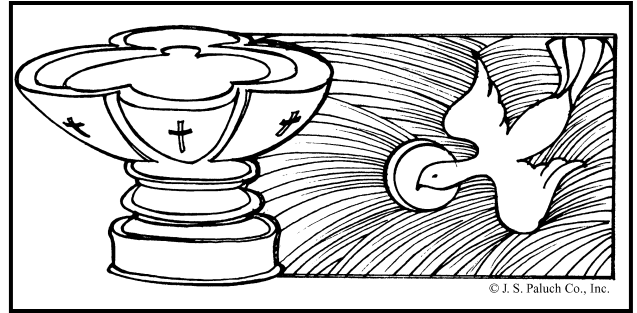
8:00 am All Souls

5:00 pm Spe. Int - Berting Leus



**The Commemoration of All
the Faithful Departed
November 2, 2008**

If, then, we have died with Christ,
we believe that we shall also live with him.
— Romans 6:8



My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

This month of November is thanksgiving month. I hope and pray that we will spend this time of the year reflecting on the many blessings that our God has given us. I would like to share with you this story--- that I hope can capture the spirit of what it means to give thanks. It is a story that I have shared with you in the past.

In a nursing home on Thanksgiving Day, a small resident population was gathered around their humble Thanksgiving table. After the dinner the director of the facility asked each and everyone to express one thing for which they were thankful. And of course thanks were expressed for a home in which to stay, families that continue to care for them, dogs for their unconditional love, friends, etc. One little old lady, in her very simple way said: "I thank the Lord for two perfectly good teeth, one in my upper jaw and one in my lower jaw that match so that I can chew my food." St Paul teaches us to "give thanks to the Lord for everything, for he is good."

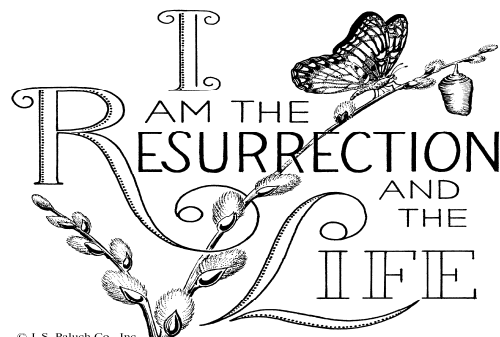
On THANKSGIVING DAY, which is four Thursdays from now we recall that moment in the life of the pilgrims almost 400 years ago in Plymouth Rock when they gathered together with their Native American friends in "thanksgiving" for the great harvest after a difficult year. We will gather with our friends and families. And some will spend their day serving the homeless and the poor. Whatever we will be doing on that day I hope that it will be---a moment of thanksgiving. I will be with you in the morning for the Thanksgiving Day mass. Then head to my sister Eppie's house in San Lorenzo to join my parents, my brother, Jerome, and the rest of my family. I am looking forward to spending a day with them. **Many of you know that I don't eat turkey,** but this will not minimize my spirit and my excitement in celebrating this special day of thanksgiving. I am hoping my sister will prepare a little bit of chicken. That will make my day.

What are you thankful for? I pray that we will spend that day reflecting on the many blessings that our good God has given us. I know that I will thank God for my family and friends that have been there for me in "good times" and in "bad times." I especially thank God for my mom's cooking. Her "chicken tinola" is the best. I thank God also for you, this community for your support and dedication---for your faithfulness. I thank God for the many babies I that met in the crying room. I thank God for the many children that have given me high-fives. I thank God for the youth for their lively and innocent spirit.

Take this moment, this day to thank God for what we have, and not grumble for what we don't have. Thank God for the moon and the stars in the sky. Thank God for the birds in the air. Thank God for the sunset, the flowers around your surroundings. Thank God for this community. It is not perfect but nevertheless you have a community of faith. But most of all thank God for the gift of the Son of Man, the Messiah for giving us the greatest view of the kingdom.

It is always nice to give thanks. **George Bernard Shaw** was asked by a woman, "**What denomination are you?**" **And he said, "I am an atheist, Madam, and I thank God every single day for it." God is good! Give thanks to him always!**

Your grateful servant,
Fr. Geoffrey



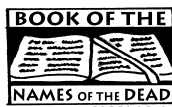


St. Anne Youth Ministry

St. Anne Youth Ministry will meet this Monday, November 3rd at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The topic of our meeting will be: **Dear Mr. President: Sharing Our Values in the Public Square.** On the occasion of the Presidential election, participants will get a chance to think about how they would like the world to be based on their own hopes and dreams and the values of our Catholic faith. At the end of the session, participants will have an opportunity to write the new President a letter sharing these hopes, dreams, and values.

St. Anne Confirmation

St. Anne Confirmation candidates will meet again on Sunday, November 9 at 3:30 p.m. Don't forget that BROWN BAG PROJECTS are due at class!



Catholics honor the memory of the faithful departed, beloved family members and friends during the month of November. You are invited to write their names in the "Book of Names of the Dead" or use the remembrance envelopes that can be found in the Church entryways.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls); Daylight Saving Time ends
- Monday: Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time; St. Martin de Porres
- Tuesday: St. Charles Borromeo; Election Day
- Friday: First Friday
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



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**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4
VOTE!**



IMPORTANT REMINDER to Parents: For the safety of our students, starting November 3, ORANGE CONES will be placed along the red zone area near the church. No cars will be allowed to park in this area before, during and after Faith Formation class sessions. Parents and guardians will help ensure the safety of our students by dropping off and picking up children at the classroom throughout the school year. Thank you for your cooperation.

November Virtues: Thankfulness is being grateful to God, not only for the things we have but also for the people in our lives. I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise of God while I live...Psalm 104:33. Patience is practicing self-control out for the love for others. Hot-tempered people cause arguments while patient people bring peace...Psalm 15:18

REMINDER: First Communion Parents & Students

One Parent/adult family member with FC student must attend at least one FAMILY GATHERING – **Topic: Reconciliation**

Tuesday, November 4, 6:00p – 7:00p, Church or Saturday, November 8, 9:30a – 10:30a, Church

CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES

- Jade Rivera.....Did community service, gave \$1.00.
- Gabriel Cruz.....Helped grandma cook dinner.
- Francisco Rabuy.....Did my homework.
- Hannah Garzota,,,,,.....Folded my blanket.
- Ivan Redondo.....Helped do the laundry.
- Anaelle..... Read the bible with my sister.
- Megan Caren.....Let my brother choose the movie to watch.
- Francisco Panopio.....Helped Mom clean her car.
- Julianne Roquez.....Prayed for my sister & husband
- Joaqun A.....Helped friend with homework.
- Mara Alagon.....Helped Mom with groceries.
- Juan Palomino.....Helped Dad clean the church.

TRUE VOCATION

The vocation of every man and woman is to serve other people.

—Leo Tolstoy

Sunday, November 2, 2008

Collections

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	Oct. 19, 2008	Oct. 26, 2008
Parish Collection	\$13,329.50	\$10,285.60
Building Fund	\$ 2,169.00	\$ 837.00
Mission Sunday (stewardship)		\$ 1,143.00

Catholic Funeral And Cemetery Services

No one wants to talk about death, no matter if they are planning their own funeral or that of a loved one. But doing so is a sensible way to make informed choices and decisions before the need arises. Waiting until a death occurs to attend to all the details of a funeral leaves many families unprepared, overwhelmed, and wondering if they are doing the right thing.

Updated information on services offered from the Diocese of Oakland is available in our office. There will be a Pre-Need Presentation on November 8 and 9 after each Mass in Room 102. For more information you may call Rico Monton at 586-9998 or e-mail him at ricom@catholiccemeteries.org

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Married Couples: Are your dreams for your life still visible?

Or are they buried somewhere in the laundry basket full of busy jobs, kids' activities, tiredness, bills, and no time? Would you like to pull your dreams out and give them new life? That can happen on a WWME Weekend being held in Pleasanton **November 21-23**. For more information call Terry/Angela Higgins, 510-303-9019 or Ray/Roberta Montes, 916-806-4601 or go to www.rekindleyourmarriage.org. Please register online by November 14th.

FLU VACCINATION CLINICS

Help prevent influenza. Get your flu vaccination at one of these free clinics offered by St. Rose Hospital. Offered free to adult members of your community:

Monday, November 3, 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Tuesday, November 4, 9:00 - 11:00 am

No appointment necessary. For more information contact the Education & Training Department at 510-264-4044.

“SPRED-ING THE GOOD NEWS”

One Sunday two years ago, my life changed as I opened up the weekly church bulletin. I read an ad calling for volunteer catechists for our parishioners and their families with developmental disabilities. Later that week I found myself in the church hall surrounded by faithful SPRED volunteers and Friends who each had a uniqueness and mystery about them. Joining their circle holding hands, I felt a kindling in my heart. I knew right at that moment, that I had begun a lifelong journey and commitment to serve.

The following year, I transferred to the session for children and adolescents with special needs. My new Friends were blessed with wonderful gifts like an engineering mind, an artist's eye, and a heart of boundless joy. No longer did I see their condition as a mystery – instead I saw truth in their eyes.

The truth is that regardless of their special needs, my Friends are children of God as are all children. The truth is that my Friends have a need for faith formation and receiving of the Holy Sacraments just as we all do. The truth is that I am answering and calling others to live and be witnesses to the words of our Lord Jesus as written in the Gospel of St. Mark, 10:13:

¹³ And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. ¹⁵ Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. ¹⁶ And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

The truth is, just as we are called to service, so are children called to teach us how to serve.

If you would like to know more about SPRED, are interested in registering a child, adolescent or adult with special needs in faith formation, or want to become a SPRED Catechist, please call: Inez Albores, 510-331-4657.

THE DIOCESE OF OAKLAND AND THE OAKLAND RAIDERS.....

Would like to invite you and your family to a game on December 12, 1:05 pm, (Oakland vs. Houston). The proceeds would go towards helping four Diocesan schools, three in Oakland and one in Richmond. Economic downturns in these areas, increasing tuition costs, and population shifts, among other factors are posing significant challenges to these schools. In an effort to help, the Raiders and Diocese have joined together to offer you a chance to purchase tickets for the Dec. 12th game. The ticket holder would save \$10.00 per ticket, receive a \$15.00 food voucher and a Raiders hat (valued at \$18.00). For more info contact sjewett@oakdiocese.org or 496-72-7232 or tamra at 800-RAIDERS, ext. 3228 or tappiano@raiders.com. There are flyers posted at Church entrances.

Morning Mass (Group) Celebrates

There was a gathering on Oct. 28,2008 at the social hall for the October birthday celebrants. As usual there was an abundance of food. The group played games, had a piñata with lots of candy. The best part was the celebrants and some of the group wore Halloween costumes. It was a fun morning for everyone.

Ramona Dizon, Lyn Drumm, Marissa Lopez & Lolita Galindo hosted the breakfas.

*“Happy Birthday “ to the Celebrants for October
“Ladies Month”*

*Clarita Calub ***Belita Yap****Narsing*

*Connie***** Rose Robles*

