

St. Anne Catholic Parish



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**October 4, 2009
Twenty-seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

**Welcome to our new Hawaiian Choir
"Aloha Ke Akua Choir" (God is Love)**

The group made their debut on Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009. The group, seen here with Fr. Geoffrey, sang with collective, impressive voices and totally enhanced the liturgy.



MASS SCHEDULE

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| Weekdays | 8:00 am |
| Saturdays | 8:00 am; 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) |
| Sundays | 8:00 and 10:00 am 12:00 and 6:00 pm |
| First Fridays | 8:00 am and 7:30 pm |
| Saturday | 3:30 pm –Confessions |
| Holy Days | As announced |

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.

Baptisms

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

St. Anne Pastoral Staff

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| Fr. Geoffrey Baraan | Pastor |
| Fr. Richard Boyle, OSM | Parochial Vicar |
| Benigno Calub | Deacon |
| Carlos Rabuy | Deacon |
| Jim Soltau | Youth Ministry Coordinator |
| Rico Monton | Liturgy & Music Coordinator |
| Helen Rojas | Children's Faith Formation Coordinator |
| Christine Suarez | Middle School Faith Formation Coordinator |
| Sydney Gargan | Office Administrator |
| Zella Yanos | Secretary |
| Linda Canlas | Pastoral Council Facilitator |
| Helen Cabiles | Finance Council Chairperson |

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

CH:CHURCH, SH: SOCIAL HALL, CR: CLASSROOMS,
PO: PARISH OFFICE, LO: LITURGY OFF.

Monday, October 5

8:00 am - Mass, CH

9:00 am - Legion of Mary, CR #103
5:00 pm - Faith Formation, CH, CR #102-105
6:30 pm - Youth Ministry, SH
6:30 pm - Faith Formation, CH
7:00 pm - Lectors, CR #102
7:30 pm - St. Vincent de Paul, LO

Tuesday, October 6

8:00 am - Mass, CH

11:00 am - Funeral, CH
4:45 pm - Faith Formation, CH, CR #102-106, SH
5:00 pm - Youth Choir, CH
6:15 pm - Faith Formation, CH

Wednesday, October 7

8:00 am - MASS, CH

5:00 pm - Faith Formation, CH, CR#102-106
6:00 pm - SPRED, SH
6:30 pm - Faith Formation, CH
7:30 pm - Sacred Voices, CH
7:30 pm - Grief Ministry, CR #102

Thursday, October 8

8:00 am - Mass, CH

5:00 pm - Youth Choir, CH
5:00 pm - Faith Formation, CH, CR#102-106
6:00 pm - Faith Formation, SH
6:30 pm - Faith Formation, CH
7:30 pm - Lopez Choir, CH
7:30 pm - Marriage Encounter, CR #104
7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106
8:00 pm - Ukulele Choir, CR #105

Friday, October 9

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

6:00 pm - Legion of Mary, CR #103
7:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CR #102
7:30 pm - 8:00 am Choir, CR #106

Saturday, October 10

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

9:00 am - Seniors, CR #104
9:00 am - Ministries Workshop, CH & SH
9:00 am - SPRED, CR #106
9:30 am - Ukulele Choir, CR #105
4:00 pm - Sacred Voices, CH
6:00 pm - CYO, SH
6:15 pm - Charismatics, CR #104

Sunday, October 5

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

8:00 am - Flu Shots, SH
1:00 pm - Marriage Encounter, CR #104
1:30 pm - Children's Choir, CR #106
3:30 pm - Confirmation, CR #101-106, CH, SH

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The man said, "This one is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman' " (Genesis 2:18-24).

Psalm — May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin (Hebrews 2:9-11).

Gospel — Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it (Mark 10:2-16 [2-12]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90; Heb 4:12-13;
Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

MASS INTENTIONS

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October 3, 2009 - October 10, 2009

Saturday, October 3

5:00 pm + Emily Noia Alexander

Sunday, October 4

8:00 am Spe.Int. - Eduardo Evangelista

10:00 am + Felix Ammay

12:00 pm + Tagumpay & Marisa Rivera

6:00 pm + For the People

Monday, October 5

8:00 am + Amado Atienza

Tuesday, October 6

8:00 am Spe. Int.— Virginia Sousa

Wednesday, October 7

8:00 am + Dec.Mem. - Sousa Family

Thursday, October 8

8:00 am + Savino & Eleanzara Jacinto

Friday, October 9

8:00 am + Diana Santos

Saturday, October 10

8:00 am + Emily Smith

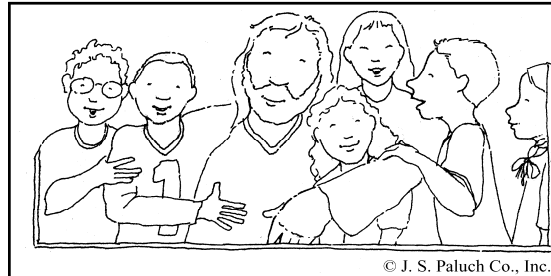
5:00 pm + For the People



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 4, 2009

Let the children come to me;
do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to
such as these.

— Mark 10:14



My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As a follow up of my article last Sunday about the importance of our Sunday celebration, I am re-writing this article that I published two or three years ago.

One of the most common questions I hear from people who are struggling with practicing their faith is, ***“Why do I need to go Church on Sunday?”*** This seems like a very simple question with a very obvious answer. You have to go to church because it is a sin not to!

To answer the question this way does not do justice to either the person who is struggling to understand more fully what Sunday worship is all about or to the Church’s understanding of Sunday and the community’s celebration of Eucharist. To appropriately answer the question, ***I think we need to reflect on three issues: what the Christian community believes about Sunday, why we gather on Sunday, and our personal attitudes toward Sunday and weekends.***

From the earliest days of Christianity, Sunday has been a day set apart. This is the day when the disciples experienced the Risen Christ. It was on Sunday morning that Christ appeared to the disciples and they knew that was not the final chapter in Jesus’ life. ***It was also through this Sunday experience that they came to understand that Jesus’ death was not the end of their experience of God through Jesus.*** Sunday became the day when they would gather in great expectation to meet the Lord. This was the day when they gather in prayer and wait for His coming again in glory. ***An integral part of this gathering was the sharing of scripture and the breaking of the bread.*** As their understanding of the experience grew, ***they came to realize that it was in the gathering of the community, the sharing of the Word, and the breaking of the bread that the Risen Christ was indeed present to them.***

Sunday continues to have this meaning for Catholics and (and other) Christians today. Through the same gathering, prayer, sharing of God’s word, and remembering the mystery of Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection in the breaking of the Bread we come to experience the Risen Christ. ***It is in this celebration that our lives are brought into the presence of God and are made whole. Through this celebration the community comes together and is healed, energized, remembered, and enlivened in the Spirit. When members of the community are missing, the celebration is lacking. It is not just that I need to go to Mass but rather that the community needs me to be at Mass so that it is complete, whole, and so that the Sunday celebration can be complete. The implications of this understanding are many. This implies that each one of us must not just “attend Mass” but that we must become part of a faith community, which means that not only does it matter where I go to Mass, but that it matters how I participate in the celebration as well.***

Finally, I think our attitudes regarding Sundays must also be challenged. Most of us view Sunday as a day of rest. This grows out of a Jewish understanding of Sabbath. ***Our Sunday, however, is not a Jewish Sabbath. Our Christian Sunday is a day when our Christianity reaches its climax.*** This climax not only includes worship but works of mercy, care for the poor, and concern for our brothers and sisters as well. ***To view Sunday as a day when we go to Mass and get it out of the way so that we relax the rest of the day does not express an accurate view of the day.*** Perhaps we need to examine how we view and celebrate Sundays.

I hope that if you have not reflected on this one before when you first read this, I pray that you do it this time.

God bless you always.

Fr. Geoffrey



FAITH FORMATION

Confirmation 2009-2010

Just a reminder for those who participated in the Incredible Edible fundraiser to please come and pick up your ordered items this Monday, October 5 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Saint Anne Youth Ministry Announcement!!

There is no Youth Ministry meeting on Monday, October 5th. All those who participated in the Incredible Edible fundraiser are reminded to please come and pick up your items this Monday, October 5 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

The next Youth Ministry meeting will be held on Monday, October 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS...SAVE THE DATE...NOVEMBER 7!!!

The annual South Alameda County CATHOLIC YOUTH RALLY is on November 7 at St. Bede's Church...Jesse Manibusan...Fr. Agustino Torres...Bishop Salvatore Cordileone....music...prayer...fun!!!!!! Check the bulletin board for more info!

Free Adult Seasonal Flu Vaccinations!

Flu season is here again, and it's time to schedule flu vaccination for you and your family members. Getting vaccinated for the flu is the most important thing you can do to protect yourself and your loved ones against influenza this season.

In observance of the National Influenza Vaccination Week, the Knights of Columbus, St. Anne Council # 8627 is sponsoring Free Adult Flu Vaccinations on Sunday, October 11, 2009 from 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM at the St. Anne Parish Hall. Flu shots are subject to availability of vaccines and on a first come first served basis.

Every year, more than 225,000 people are hospitalized and more than 35,000 die in the United States due to influenza and its complications. Please protect yourself from the flu and get immunized!

ENCOURAGEMENT

As vital as oxygen is to the body, so is encouragement to the soul.

—Anonymous

FIRST COMMUNION

As parish community, let us join our 165 candidates and their parents as they begin their journey preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this coming Advent season.

We Belong to God - This week these candidates preparing for Reconciliation are reflecting on Baptism, which marks us as belonging to Jesus Christ, the Son of God. One of the central images the writers of Sacred Scripture used to describe God's love for his people was the image of God as the shepherd of his people. *How are we, as a parish, helping children grow in a deep love for God?*

October Virtue: TRUST is to have faith that God takes care of us and guides our lives. You can only trust someone whom you know loves you and cares for you. *Trust in the Lord with all your heart, on your own intelligent rely not...*Proverbs 3:5

CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES

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| Gerald: | Gave \$1.00 |
| Ivan Liongson: | Gave \$1.00 |
| Caitlin: | Make coffee for my Mom |
| Marjoset Catahan: | Gave \$5.00 |
| Reena P. | Cleaned my room |
| Laney Fong: | Gave flower and hug my bunker friends |
| Juan Diego: | Helped my Mom |
| Kailee Veridiano: | Helped do laundry and put away clothes. |
| Jhaline: | Cleaned my room. |
| Anhson: | Washed Dishes. |
| Brady Lim: | Helped my friend find his lunch bag. |

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES OUTREACH PROGRAM

Representatives from the Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services will be here on Sunday, October 11 for a brief (5 minute) presentation after each Mass on pre-planning your end of life needs. Please plan to attend.

For more information, please call 510-371-9985

Sunday October 4, 2009

FINANCE CORNER

Weekly Collection Goals

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| Sunday, September 27, 2009 | \$9,645.20 |
| Budget | \$15,000.00 |
| Over (Under) | (\$ 8,145.20) |

Building Loan Pledge:

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| Sunday, September 27, 2009 | \$ |
| Budget | \$ 961.53 |
| Over (Under) | \$ (961.53) |

OUTSTANDING LOAN **\$296,491.47**

Stewardship:

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| Catholic Voice | \$1,072.00 |
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Projects for Bid:

Landscape Improvement, Phase II

St. Anne Memorial

Currently accepting bids: Starting on October 1

Closing date, October 15

Project starting date: November 2

Target ending date: November 30

If interested, contact Peter Petit at 510-755-4960. Peter will furnish drawings and details of the projects.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary
Time; Respect Life Sunday

Tuesday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie-Rose Du
rocher

Wednesday: Our Lady of the Rosary

Friday: St. Denis and his companions;
St. John Leonardi

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary;
Simhat Torah (Jewish observance)
begins at sunset

HE EMBRACED THEM AND BLESSED THEM

Today Jesus stresses how children embody the reign of God. They are trusting and loving and have hearts that are open to love. They are joyful when they are made aware of God's love for them, and are eager to return that love. This is the model Jesus holds out to us if we want to welcome the reign of God. We need to have open, loving hearts. We must drop our defenses, however we came by them, and welcome Christ's love for us with joy. This is impossible for us on our own. Only the grace of God will enable us to do this, but that grace is freely and generously given. We have only to accept it.

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MINISTERS RETREAT: "ONE BODY IN CHRIST"

Date: October 10, 2009

Time: 9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Place: St. Anne's Parish Hall

All who are ministering / serving in our liturgical celebrations are invited to attend this retreat. This retreat will give us the time to slow down, reflect, and share the joys as well as the challenges of serving God in our parish ministries. Our special Speaker for the day is our friend, Fr. Dan Danielson. Please let your ministry directors / coordinators or chairpersons know that you are attending so we can prepare materials and nourishments accordingly. This retreat is for: Ushers, Servers, Sacristans, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Choirs, Hospitality Group. For all other ministers serving in other areas, you are most welcome to attend, please let us know. For more information or questions, please call Rico Monton, Liturgy Coordinator at (510) 586-9998 or e-mail:

ricomonton@yahoo.com

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH

NEW YEARS EVE

DINNER & DANCE

THURSDAY DECEMBER 31ST

6:00 PM – 12:30 AM

BIG BAND MUSIC BY:

MILLENIUM SOUNDS ORCHESTRA

\$75.00 PER PERSON

TO RESERVE TICKETS CALL: 510/792-0616

INTERNATIONAL ROSARY

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

The 2nd Annual International Marian Rosary and Candle Light Procession is on October 17 at 6:30 pm. We invite you to bring your statue or images of the Blessed Virgin Mary to display and to be blessed at this service. This year, during the service, we ask you to raise your rosary when the priest and deacon does the sprinkling of the holy water to bless your rosary and everyone. We are still looking for people to recite on Hail Mary in their cultural language. We plan to have the Hail Mary in 50 different languages. To participate, contact Sylvia (683-3998) or Easter (656-7384). New this year, will be an International Food Sampling experience at the end of the candle light procession in the DeSousa House. Contact Joanne (796-7121) if you are interested in sharing a sample of your cultural food. Save the date and mark you calendar! Everyone is invited to honor Mary.



The Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila (first Filipino saint) was celebrated last Sunday Sept.27,2009 (actual feast day is Sept. 28) The 12:00noon mass was packed to capacity. The liturgy was beautiful and the music, provided by the Choir of Unity under the direction of Alice Rancap, was both vibrant and solemn. As usual, the celebration at the social hall was well attended and food was abundant.

