

# St. Anne Catholic Parish

Second Sunday In Ordinary Time  
January 17, 2010



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## MASS SCHEDULE

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.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

CH:CHURCH, SH: SOCIAL HALL, CR: CLASS-ROOMS, PO: PARISH OFFICE, LO: LITURGY OFF.

Monday, January 19

**8:00 am - Mass, CH - Martin Luther King Day**

Tuesday, January 19

**8:00 am - Mass, CH**

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

6:00 pm - Deanery Meeting, SH

7:30 pm - Lectors, CR #102

7:30 pm - Sacred Voices, CH

Wednesday, January 20

**8:00 am - MASS, CH**

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

6:00 pm - SPRED Formation, SH

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

Thursday, January 21

**8:00 am - Mass, CH**

5:00 pm - Youth Choir, CH

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

6:00 pm - Faith Formation, SH

7:30 pm - Pinto Choir, CH

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

8:00 pm - Ukulele Choir, CR #105

Friday, January 22

**8:00 am - Mass, CH**

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

7:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CR #102

7:30 pm - Deacon Support Mtg., CR #103

7:30 pm - 8:00 am Choir, CR #106

Saturday, January 23

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

9:00 am - SPRED, CR #102

9:00 am - Ukulele Choir, CR #105

10:00 am - Sto. Nino Mass, CH

10:00 am - Sto. Nino Reception, SH

6:00 pm - Knights of Columbus, CH

7:30 pm - Charismatics, CR #104

Sunday, January 24

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

9:00 am - Ukulele Choir, CR #105

9:30 am - Faith Formation, SH

11:30 am - RCIA, CR #102

1:30 pm - Children's Choir, CR #106

2:00 pm - Baptisms, CH

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

5:30 pm - Faith Formation, SH

7:00 pm - Individual User, SH

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen Zion and Jerusalem (Isaiah 62:1-5).

**Psalm** — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).

**Second Reading** — All the varied gifts and talents found in the Christian community are products of the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

**Gospel** — Celebrating at a wedding festival in Cana, Jesus replenishes the wine supply by changing water into wine at his mother's request (John 2:1-11).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19, or any readings from the Mass "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

### MASS INTENTIONS

January 16, 2010 - January 23, 2010

Saturday, January 16

5:00 pm + Emily Noia Alexander

Sunday, January 17

8:00 am + Fred Lagaya

10:00 am + Elisa Ramilla

12:00 pm + Arnold De La Rosa

6:00 pm + For the People

Monday, January 18

8:00 am + Eriberto Hernandez

Tuesday, January 19

8:00 am + Leilani Crouch

Wednesday, January 20

8:00 am + Leonardo Fernando (Birth Ann.)

Thursday, January 21

8:00 am + Generoso Bunoan

Friday, January 22

8:00 am Spe.Int. - Zenaida Dario

Saturday, January 23

8:00 am + Arturo Mercado

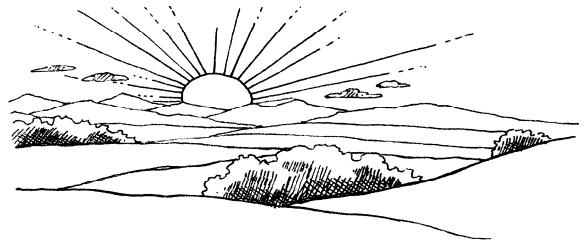
5:00 pm + For the People

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**Nations shall behold your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory.**

— *1saiah 62:2*

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### SURPRISES

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant, some not. The scriptures are filled with stories of God's surprises cropping up when they are least expected: younger children obtaining the inheritance; the lowliest being seated highest up; an itinerant preacher, killed like a criminal, exalted to eternal, heavenly glory.

Anybody who has planned a wedding or similar event knows that they are filled with opportunities for surprises. For the bridegroom in today's Gospel story, who has no direct contact with Jesus, the pleasant surprise came because somebody else paid attention and had faith in Jesus.

We may think that the point of today's familiar story of the wedding at Cana is that when we have faith in Jesus, our lives will be pleasantly changed. A Christian, however, needs to have a broader perspective and realize that to have faith in Christ means that somebody's life—not necessarily our own—will be surprised for the better.

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### SAINT AGNES (DIED 304)

Writing about Saint Agnes in the year 377, Saint Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, declared: "This is a virgin's birthday into heaven: let us imitate her chastity! And a martyr's heavenly birthday: let us offer ourselves in sacrifice!" Chastity: mastery of oneself in order to give of oneself whether in the priestly, religious, married, or single state. Sacrifice: "to make holy," to set someone or something apart for service. Ambrose knew these virtues indispensable for discipleship, but challenging to practice in his world—or our own. Barely a teenager, Agnes faced gruesome tortures bravely and, when ordered to worship pagan gods, boldly made the Sign of the Cross instead. Thus, her youthful courage strengthened adult believers who wavered under persecution or grew indifferent when persecutions passed. To bestow on Agnes its highest honor and keep her witness fresh in believers' hearts, the Church inscribed her name at the heart of the Eucharistic liturgy, in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I), until Vatican II the Roman Church's only Eucharistic Prayer.

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### Justice, the Art of Forgiving

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church: "Justice is a moral virtue that gives constant and firm will to give God and neighbor their due. Justice towards men disposes us to respect the rights of each person regardless of their stance in life. Harmony is thus promoted equally in regards to people and the common good".

Habitual right thinking and respect of his neighbor distinguish the just man at all times.

Special Religious Education ministry here at St. Anne's Parish continues Jesus' earthly ministry to be concerned for those who lived on the fringe of society. Jesus healed the blind, the lame to walk, cleansed the lepers, gave hearing to the deaf, and the poor had the Gospel taught to them. Jesus sought the company of the weak and hurting and promised them that the last would be first in His kingdom. Jesus treated all with Justice and comfort.

If persons with special needs are to become equal partners in our parish community injustice and ignorance must be eliminated and replaced by increased sensitivity and warm acceptance. Human tendency is to be self-absorbed. We look down on persons with disabilities because they take away from our self-importance of perfection. We sometimes already look down and shun parishioners who participate in the life of our community but do not speak our language, eat the same kind of foods, or pray as well as we do. "Jesus cannot love them like He loves me". It's the "human condition" thinking. We must learn to recognize our own lack of justice and charity towards others and try to create harmony in our community instead. Forgiveness is almost impossible unless we recognize the wrongs we do; admit to our own injustice and take steps to remedy it.

SPRED at St Anne's is actively engaged in giving dignity to the persons with special needs. The dedicated Catechists give the mentally challenged parishioner time and space to worship and express his/her love of God. Worshiping together we find out there is neither rancor nor dissension but a place of peace and harmony that sometimes is not found anywhere else. Justice and forgiveness is a free flowing stream from where we derive our spiritual strength.



**Saint Anne Youth Ministry Announcement!!**

St. Anne Youth Ministry will not meet on Monday, January 18 due to the Martin Luther King holiday. Our next gathering will be on January 25 and the theme will be: **The Dark Knight: Standing Strong through Challenging Times.**

**Confirmation 2009-2010**

Our next gathering will be on Sunday, January 24 at 3:30 p.m.

**“SOUPER” Bowl is Coming**

St. Anne Youth Ministry will once again be participating in the “Souper” Bowl of Caring project on February 6&7, 2010. More than 20 years ago the project started with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

*“Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat.”*

Since that day, the “Souper” Bowl of Caring has become a powerful movement that is transforming Super Bowl weekend into the nation’s largest youth-led weekend of giving and serving. Watch the bulletin next week for our goals and past history in the event...and check out the bulletin board for pictures and information.

**GIRLS BASKETBALL**

Registration for Girls Basketball is now open to CCD students, parishioners, and community members. There is limited space in some grade levels. We are looking specifically for 6th grade girls to form a team. Practice begins on Feb.2nd at the Alvarado Middle School gym. More information and all forms can be downloaded from the Saint Anne website: [www.saintannecatholic.org](http://www.saintannecatholic.org). For more information on girls basketball registration, please contact Girls Basketball Coordinator, Tracie Noriega at [tracie\\_noriega@yahoo.com](mailto:tracie_noriega@yahoo.com).

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day;  
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins
- Tuesday: Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)
- Wednesday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
- Thursday: St. Agnes
- Friday: St. Vincent; Day of Penance for Violations to the Dignity of the Human Person
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

**FAITH FORMATION**

**January 2010 Virtues:** **SINCERITY** is seeing things as they are. It means examining yourself, your motives, your goals and how you plan to become all you can be! A truly sincere person takes time to think before acting and reflects on the outcome of the decisions he will make. **PERSEVERANCE** is setting goals and achieving them. To persevere you must have a realistic goal, finish what you start, and have confidence that you can do what you set out to do. It means that when the going gets tough, the tough get going!

**RE M I N D E R**  
**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. - HOLIDAY**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 18**

**CHILDREN’S STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES**

- Lawrence:** Helped Mom cook dinner & gave \$1.00
- Ivan Liongson:** Gave \$1.00
- Cory:** Gave \$.50 cents
- Luis Reyes:** Helped my baby cousin & gave \$1.00
- Matthew Morano:** Helped my baby sister read & gave \$5.00
- CJ Manoloto:** Gave &5.00
- Ariana:** Helping the Special Ed.
- Joaquin:** Gave \$1.00
- Samantha:** Helped my Mom wash my dog peanut.
- Jalen:** Helped throw out the garbage.
- Antoine Redondo:** Helped my brother clean his games.
- Ashley Paguirigan:** Helped my Mom go pickup something.
- Marinelle:** Gave \$3.00
- John Flores:** Gave \$1.00
- Ivan Redondo:** Helped clean my Auntie’s living room after the party.

**A GENTLE REMINDER...**

The driveway behind the parish hall and classrooms #105 & #106 is an **emergency driveway**. Please **do not park** in this driveway. You may use the driveway to drop items off to the parish hall or classrooms only. Please remember you can be **cited/towed** if you are remain parked in this driveway.

Sunday, January 17, 2010



MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY  
PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED  
MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2010

**FINANCE CORNER**

**Weekly Collection Goals**

Sunday, January 10, 2010	\$11,887.20
Budget	\$15,000.00
Over (Under)	\$ 3,112.80

Building Loan Pledge:

Sunday, January 10, 2010	\$ 809.00
Budget	\$ 961.53
Over (Under)	(\$ 152.53)

**OUTSTANDING LOAN \$296,491.47**

**ST. ANNE PASTORAL STAFF**

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
Helen Cabiles	Finance Council Chairperson
Linda Canlas	Pastoral Council Facilitator

**Walk for Life**

The Sixth Annual Walk for Life West Coast will be held on Saturday, January 23, 2010 in San Francisco. The Knights of Columbus need able-bodied persons that can walk the 2.5 miles to serve as peacekeepers making sure that the Walkers maintain good conduct and do not engage protesters verbally. Please call Al Visitation, 489-3342 or Chris Pagtakhan, 471-2424.

**SANTO NINO**

Everyone is invited to attend the **Feast of Santo Nino** on January 23, 2010 @ 10:00 am mass at St. Anne's Parish. Reception to follow after mass in the Parish Hall.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**  
(Serving the needs of the poor in our community.)

**For emergency resources for food and shelter  
call 211.**

**The 211 is a free, non-emergency, confidential, 3-digit phone number and service that provides easy access to housing information, and critical health and human services. 211 operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, you can email to:**

**Www.211alamedacounty.org**

**USDA FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

Offered to low income families on the 3rd Saturday of every month in classroom #106, 9 –11 am.

Easy to sign up, just bring proof of residency (i.e. PG&E or phone bill). Next distribution is January 16.

**FAMILY FURNITURE PROJECT**

Due to increasing calls from families in need of beds, tables/chairs, dressers, etc., the St. Vincent de Paul group will begin "buying" used or new furniture from the main SVDP facility in Oakland at reasonable prices. Donations toward this special needs project are greatly needed, appreciated and tax deductible. Please consider donating, checks can be made out to St. Vincent de Paul with a memo "Family Furniture Project" and dropped off at the parish office.


  
**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**FEBRUARY 13, 2010, SATURDAY**  
**6:30PM SOCIAL HALL**  
**CCD FUNDRAISING**  
**"LIGHT MY VALENTINE" DINNER**  
**\$15.00**  
**HELP OUR CATECHIST ATTEND THE**  
**L.A. EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS**  
**TO HELP THEM BECOME BETTER**  
**TEACHERS FOR OUR FAITH FORMATION CHILDREN.**  
**COME & EAT GOOD FOOD, ENJOY**  
**SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT AND**  
**DOOR PRIZES.**  
**FOR MORE INFO: PLS. CALL THE**  
**CCD OFFICE**  
**471-7766 CHRISTINE OR HELEN**

St. Joseph School in Fremont would like to announce an Open House on Sunday, January 31, from 10-11:00. Also the school will be open to visitors while in session on Tuesday and Thursday, February 2 and 4, from 8:30-10:00. St. Joseph has grades 1-8 and is closely associated with Dominican Kindergarten. For more information please call 656-6525 until 4:00, Monday -Friday.

## ST ANNE'S 2009 CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

No less than three choirs raised angelic voices to herald in the Christmas Air. The children of the Faith Formation school took center stage to dance and act the parts that would bring the words of the Nativity Story to life. Along with many adult volunteers, the night was a most memorable evening of song and dance and celebration.

As we stand at the doorstep of a new year,  
may we find our lives filled with  
the Hope and Light  
of the ...

# Christmas Star

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