

Saint Anne Catholic Parish

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Linda Canlas	Pastoral Council Facilitator

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.



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary
Time

August 28, 2010

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.*

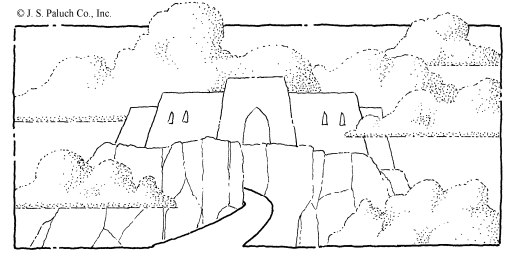
... to foster and preserve solidarity among God's people."

**Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 29, 2010**

**You have approached Mount Zion
and the city of the living God.**

— Hebrews 12:22a

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My dear friends in Christ,

You have heard me say many times in my homilies that I love being a priest but not being pastor. That's why I always ask God to strengthen me in my weakness and challenge. ***Being a priest involves serving the people in the spirit of compassion and social justice.*** It is about being there for the poor, the homeless, and hungry. It is about being there for the sick and those who are need. As a priest I love doing these things. ***I am very passionate about my priestly life. When I first came here five years ago, I made a point that I will be there for anyone whenever I am available and whenever the situation allows me to. That's why we have an emergency number that you can call for these situations.*** However, there are situations when I am out of town and that there is no way that I can be there for you or your love ones. ***But by having this emergency number you can have an access to me any minute and any time of the day. At least you can hear my voice for advice and for guidance. I have been to the hospital in the middle of the night and early mornings.***

Being there for you has always been my number goal in this parish. But my duties as your pastor sometimes derail those moments. ***I would say that eighty percent of my work has to do with the business of the parish.*** As your pastor ***I have the final say. This makes it more difficult for me to sometimes focus in my priestly life.*** There are always decisions that I have to make regarding the building, finances and other things. ***Trying to balance these things can be very difficult at times and can have an effect in my ministry here at St. Anne's. I ask for your prayers and understanding.***

I have always said many times that I don't have all the answers because we all know that all of us have our own limitations with weaknesses and strengths. I know my gifts and the things that I am very good at. ***I always believe that a good leader is someone who knows how to listen,*** someone who is humble, and someone who acknowledges his/her own weaknesses and strengths. ***So I am not going to pretend that I am capable of doing everything. I am not! When it is outside my knowledge, I seek counsel from the experts.***

My challenge to you, to the people of St. Anne is not to be an outsider, standing on the sideline. Many times we are quick to judge and to make negative comments and yet we are the ones who have not done anything for this community.

We are doing everything to make things happen for this wonderful community. We have done physical transformation in our property and we will continue to do more. ***Of course there are challenges and unforeseen problems that we have to deal with sometimes such as the problems with the trees along the Cabello Street and the ones along the bare parking lot.*** As we are quick to be critical about things I hope also that we can put ourselves in situations where we can be an invaluable member of the community. ***I know that it is a human habit to look for the negative even when we know that we have done so much already. I think that we are more productive when we are a people of gratitude.***

The things that we have planned for the next four months, gathering liturgical ministers and different ministries in a retreat form, is to highlight the need for us to find ***meaning*** in our service to the church. All of us are here to serve the church and we know that we have differences in so many aspects of faith life and the way we understand the church. ***But this should not stop us from giving ourselves a hundred percent for the glory of the kingdom. The whole community is part of this.***

We really need to find ways to be engaged and to be involved in our ministries and in our community. Coming to mass is a most beautiful thing. It is the ***"summit and the high point"*** of our Christian experience. ***But the church recognizes*** also that there are so many works to be done and to be accomplished. This cannot be done only by a handful of people. ***We need to increase our participation by being a "good steward" of the kingdom. We need to reflect and ask this question: what have I done for my community? To help us understand these things, I met with the Franciscan priests in San Damiano to put together retreats for the whole parish during Advent and Lent.***

It is summer and in two weeks it is a new beginning. I hope that we begin this new season of journey ***with humility and thanksgiving.***

*In Christ's love,
Fr. Geoffrey*

SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT (540-604)

September 3

Imagine, fourteen hundred years after death, boasting a best-selling CD! Yet outside the Church and within, "Gregorian" chant is enjoying a renaissance. Still, the timeless sacred music that bears his name is but part of Gregory's legacy. Renouncing civic service for monastic life, Gregory's administrative and diplomatic skills prompted continual summons from the cloister. Papal ambassador and advisor, he was eventually elected pope himself, renowned as a wise steward of the Church's material possessions, generous benefactor of the poor, sponsor of missionaries, and promoter of monasticism. His liturgical enrichment of the Church endures not only in Gregorian chant, but in eloquent homilies still gracing the Liturgy of the Hours, the "Gregorian Canon" (Eucharistic Prayer I), and his spiritual classic, *Pastoral Care*, once presented to new bishops at ordination. Of countless impressive papal titles—Supreme Pontiff, Vicar of Christ, Successor of Saint Peter, Prince of the Apostles—the title still so cherished that it heads official documents is the one Gregory coined to describe his papal ideal: Servant of the Servants of God. Together with being designated "the Great," a fitting epitaph.

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HELP NEEDED....

St. Anne's St. Vincent de Paul needs people to help with the Alameda County Food Distribution on the 3rd Sunday of the month here at St. Anne's from 9 to 11 am. Help is also need to feed the hungry on the 2nd Sunday of the month from 11:30 am—2:00 pm. If you would like to help, call the parish office @510471-7766 and leave your name and number.

"SWING FOR ST. ANNE"

11th Annual Golf Tournament



You are cordially invited to participate and support our "SWING FOR ST. ANNE" - 11th Annual Golf Tournament fundraiser on Saturday, September 25, at the Skywest Golf Course, 8:00 am shotgun start, followed by the awards din at St. Anne's Social Hall at 2:00 pm. All proceeds will go to the replacement of our church flooring. This urgent carpet replacement will ensure the safety and beauty of St. Anne's facilities. For more information or to register contact Roy Quindoy @331-1934, Gene Lintao @475-1175

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Conduct your affairs with humility and God will favor you (Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29).

Psalm — God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor (Psalm 68).

Second Reading — You have approached Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant (Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a).

Gospel — When invited to dine, take the lowest place. Those who humble themselves will be exalted (Luke 14:1, 7-14).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33



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MASS INTENTIONS

August 28, 2010 - September 4, 2010

Saturday, August 28

5:00 pm + Albert B. Alonzo

Sunday, August 29

8:00 am + Jimmy Timbang

10:00 am + For the People

12:00 pm + Salud Felix

6:00 pm + Luz Ballelos

Monday, August 30

8:00 am + Wilfredo Ambrosio

Tuesday, August 31

8:00 am + Elena Quiogue

Wednesday, September 1

8:00 am + Maria Nguyen

Thursday, September 2

8:00 am + Elisa Ramilla

Friday, September 3 - FIRST FRIDAY

8:00 am + Lourdes Ambrosio

7:30 pm + Xerxes San Juan

Saturday, September 4

8:00 am + Francisco & Felisa Estacio

5:00 pm + Gwendolene Wadhvani

YOUTH NEWS

St. Anne Youth Ministry 2010-2011

If you haven't signed up yet...SIGN UP SOON!!!! St. Anne High School Youth Ministry will begin on Monday night, September 13 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. COME and SEE what this exciting ministry with high school students is all about! Youth Ministry is the first year of the two year Confirmation program...it includes Monday night meetings on topical subjects involving our faith and the teen world, youth rally, youth masses, community service opportunities, retreats, potlucks and so much more! Registration forms are available at the Parish Office, Youth Ministry Office and the parish website. Call or email the Youth Ministry office for more information at (510) 471-7766 ext. 22 or stayouthministry@sbcglobal.net

Confirmation 2010-2011

The Confirmation Staff had a wonderful and successful retreat last weekend and we are ready to start the year!! The first Confirmation session will be Sunday, September 12 at 3:30 p.m. SHARP in the Parish Hall. At least one parent per family is asked to attend. Please call the Youth Ministry Office if you have any questions at 471-7766 ext. 22.

“Friends of the Poor” Walkathon Sunday, Sept 26, 2010

Friends Of The Poor® Walk 2010 Walkathon September 26th at Moreau High School, Hayward 2:00 to 5:30 PM. Team St Anne 2010, will be walking to raise money for the poor of our community. Join the happy feet of our team with parishioners, family, friends and community...come sign up to be a walker on our ST ANNE TEAM you may contact our parish free sign up, free food for walkers and free tee shirts.....join the parade of St Anne Church. For more info contact: SVDP Roseann Cotter Coordinator 471-6545. To register or pledge:

1. Sign up to be a walker and you may pledge-donate money directly at church, make Checks out to St Vincent De Paul.
2. Safely pledge on line with credit card, go to the St Anne Site, be sure to designate to St Anne.
3. Register online to walk & add your name to St Anne, UC team.
4. <http://www.svdpusa.net/pledgathon/public/index.php> Go to "Community Teams".. scroll down for St Anne Church, UC, United Team for information on our team. **Our goal is to raise \$4200.00, hopefully \$1.00 or more donation from each registered 4200 St Anne Parishioners. You can begin right now today, this minute, write your check to St. Vincent de Paul Walkathon..Put in the donation basket at Mass Would also like all walkers to contact me ASAP (Roseann @510-471-6545.)**

FAITH FORMATION

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER...

2010-2011 FAITH FORMATION CLASSES for
NEW students (grades 1-8 First Year of Formation)
RETURNING students (grades 2-8 previously enrolled in CCD and students preparing for First Communion)

First day of Class begins on September 13-14-15-16

The Faith Formation office is now accepting registration for 2010-2011 CCD and First Communion Program. You may pick-up forms from the CCD office or Parish Office. You may also download forms from the Parish Website. Kindly mail or return completed forms & required documents to the CCD office or Parish Office. If you have any questions, please call the Faith Formation Office at 471-7766 ext. 20-21 or email: stafaithformation@sbcglobal.net.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The RCIA is the process by which adults join the Catholic Church. The RCIA takes place within the context of the parish community, and after a suitable period of formation, culminates in the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.

Formation includes several areas: Scripture: The stories of God's people; Teaching: What Catholics believe; Prayer: How we communicate with God; Liturgy: How the community worships; Mission: How we live out what we believe. The RCIA is also suitable for adults who were baptized Catholic, but have not yet received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

Inquiry sessions begin on Sunday, September 12 from 1:30 to 3:00 in classroom 103. These sessions provide an opportunity to explore the Catholic faith and have your questions answered. If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, please consider joining us. There is no need to make a commitment of any kind during this phase of the process. For more information, please call Debbie Nunes at 510-407-3736 or email dnunes7854@sbcglobal.net.

MAIL/KEY SLOT

THE PARISH OFFICE HAS A NEW MAIL/KEY SLOT LOCATED TO THE LEFT OF THE FRONT DOORS. PLEASE USE THE SLOT FOR RETURNING FACILITIES KEY AND FOR ANY MAIL(CORRESPONDANCE).

Sunday, August 29, 2010

FINANCE CORNER

Weekly Collection Goals

Sunday, Aug. 22, 2010	\$10,185.71
Budget	\$15,000.00
Over (Under)	(\$ 4,814.29)
Stewardship (Miss.Co-op)	\$ 5,829.00

Building Loan Pledge:

Sunday, August 22, 2010	\$ 646.00
Budget	\$ 961.53
Over (Under)	(\$ 315.53)
OUTSTANDING LOAN(7/9/10)	\$226,140.93
INTEREST PAID (7/9/10)	\$ 478.85

CHURCH FLOORING

Bidding is now open for new flooring for the church. Companies must be licensed & insured. End of the bidding is August 30. Please leave a contact name and number at the parish office (510-471-7766).

Paid Saenz Iron Works \$560.00 for the new gates at the Rectory.

Paid J.T.S. Tree Service \$4,000.00 for the removal of the trees in the back corner of the property.

ST. ANNE CYO BASKETBALL

Boys basketball sign ups are here! Registration forms are available on the Saint Anne website. Please note that there will be no "drop offs" for registration forms. All forms will be checked for completeness including all documentation and payment attached to be considered complete. Application packets may be submitted during our Saint Anne Summer Basketball Camp located at the Alvarado Middle School Gym with priority registration for St. Anne CCD students and parishioners from August 10th-19th(Tu/Th). Open registration, both new and returning, will then begin on August 24th. For more information or if you have any questions please contact Ron Tria (triarfps@sbcglobal.net) or Tracie Noriega (tracie_noriega@yahoo.com).

JUST PUNISHMENT

The punishment of the wise who refuse to take part in government is to live under the rule of the foolish.

—Plato

NO SURPRISES

We are told by all spiritual writers that one important point to bear in mind, as we seek to attain humility, is not to be surprised by our own faults and failures.

—François Fénelon, archbishop of Cambrai

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

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

Monday, August 30

8:00 am - Mass, CH

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

6:00 pm - *EMMAUS*. SH, CR #104, 105, 106

6:30 pm - Faith Formation Planning, CR #103

7:30 pm - Lectors, CR #102

8:00 pm - Ukulele Choir, CR #105

Tuesday, August 31

8:00 am - Mass, CH

6:30 pm - Faith Formation Planning, CR #103

7:30 pm - Couples for Christ, CR #105

7:30 pm - Sacred Voices, CH

Wednesday, September 1

8:00 am - MASS, CH

7:30 pm - Ushers, CH

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

Thursday, September 2

8:00 am - Mass, CH

5:00 pm - Youth Choir, CH

7:30 pm - Pinto Choir, CH

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

8:00 pm - Golf Tournament, CR #104

Friday, September 3 - FIRST FRIDAY

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

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

7:00 pm - Hand Maids of the Lord, CR #105

7:30 pm - First Friday Mass, CH

7:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CR #102

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

Saturday, September 4

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

9:30 am - Ukulele Choir, CR #105

10:00 am - Ushers, CH

12:00 pm - CAPS, CH

6:15 pm - Charismatic's, CR #104

Sunday, September 5

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

9:00 am - Ukulele Choir, CR #105

11:00 am - Individual User, SH

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

2:00 pm - Marriage Encounter, CR #103

4:00 pm - Couples for Christ, CR #104



**PARISH OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED ON MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 6, 2010**



We are a truly welcoming parish!

*Welcome to our visiting priest,
Fr. Benigno "Ninoy" Vinluan*

Fr. Ninoy, who is also from Pangasinan, home province of Fr. Geoffrey, will be helping with masses during his stay here at St. Anne.

Ramil Urgelles, a Seminarian, who has been visiting at St. Anne this summer will be moving on to help St. Anthony's in Oakland. Wishing you luck on your endeavors in your ministry. Thanks for lending a hand at our liturgies when we needed help. We sure enjoyed your company and your wisdom.

Last week, we were also visited by Bishop Beltran from the Philippines who was on vacation here.

St. Anne is just so blessed with so many visiting priests.

Fr. Jeffrey Habado, who is from Bagiuo City, in the Philippines visited the Morning Social Group (while staying with Harry Wong) and shared his knowledge and experience from Rome where he is studying "Spiritual Theology" for a year. It is refreshing to know that quite a few of our young priest get the opportunity to further their studies in Theology. The group shared breakfast with Fr. as he shared topics in religion.