

Saint Anne Catholic Parish

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Feast of the Holy Family December 29, 2013

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Liturgical/Sacramental Information

+Sacrament of Matrimony

By appointment. Call Rectory at least 6 months ahead. Do not set any specific date without conferring with the Priest.

+Christian Funeral

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.

+Sacrament of Baptism

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.



Parish Mission

We, the St. Anne Catholic Community, a transformed body of Christ with many parts, empowered by the Holy Spirit, will proclaim and spread the word of God:

- by creating an environment that welcomes all;
- by being faithful stewards of our time, talent and treasure;
- by celebrating God's love committed to giving food to the hungry, water to the thirsty,
- clothing to the naked, shelter to the homeless and
- by being the sign of unity and peace in the kingdom of God.

Holy Mass Schedule

Weekdays	8:00 am
Saturdays	8:00 am 5:00pm (Vigil Mass)
Sundays	8:00 and 10:00 am 12:00 and 6:00 pm
First Fridays	8:00 am and 7:30 pm
Confessions	Saturdays @ 3:30 pm

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph December 29, 2013

Over all [other virtues] put on love,
that is, the bond of perfection.

— Colossians 3:14



My dear friends In Christ,

I hope that you had a wonderful and very meaningful Christmas celebration! In a few days we will usher into a new year. We will say good-bye to 2013 but optimistic that 2014 will bring in many moments of celebrations and growth and change not only for ourselves but for the world! Somehow 2013 was a year of so many natural disasters that destroyed many people's lives and cities! The earthquakes, the floods and of course the strongest typhoon that hit the Philippines. But we are hopeful because.....it is Christmas!

God's promise of salvation has been fulfilled. In Jesus, the Messiah, the world has been renewed with new spirit and new life. There is hope, peace, love, and joy!

Today we carry this spirit as we celebrate today the feast of the Holy Family. This is an important feast to remind us of our union with God. In Christ, we have become united with God. And because of this we are also holy. Perhaps this is the meaning of holiness. It is our union with God.

The Holy Family is God's gift to humanity. They are model Christian family life. It is about their love for each other *modeled in the love of God. It is a love that involves sacrifice, understanding, service, joy and forgiveness.* These are values that are very important and critical. To celebrate this feast, the Church obviously wants to emphasize the importance of the human family. *She wants to emphasize the importance of relationship that we have been ignoring as society. The individualistic tendencies of our society* have resulted in the breakdown and declined of our family values. *Society changed because we have changed as family. But there is HOPE because against the dark picture of our society stands the bright light of the Holy Family.*

The goal of this celebration is to remind us that *Christian happiness, love, and peace are blessings given by our God through the cooperation of good will built by family members. But this celebration also reminds us that like any family, all of us share in the many challenges and aspects of being human.*

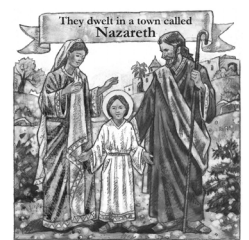
The family of Nazareth became a model of all Christians because even in the face of their struggles and difficulties, they remained steadfast in their faith. We know that they moved from one to another place and at one point, they were rejected. *In spite of their own experience of struggles and difficulties, they stayed faithfully to the end. In other words, they struggled but they remained a FAMILY.*

We are called to build a Holy Family. The new Catechism states: "The Christian family constitutes a domestic church. For it is a community of faith, hope and charity." The most visible of all these things is when we have mutual respect and care for each other. *When there is a loving relationship between parents and children, then we are part of this experience.* We are called to this profound human respect and Godly wisdom within the family. *The author from the wisdom of Sirach echoes this sentiment: the need of the children to care for their elderly parents, not to be abusive but considerate. What happened this year, with my father in the hospital and rehab, has given me great appreciation of the words from Sirach! To care for our parents is the greatest joy! Believe me! I know!*

We are celebrating today the kind of intimacy that brings people together in unity, love and respect. *The core of family does not lie on the structure but on the love of God rooted in Jesus Christ.* The love in which all qualities of compassion, kindness, patience, forgiveness and love evolve. *We must strive to imitate the HOLY FAMILY to the best of our ability through a life of compassion and love.*

JOY TO THE WORLD! May God bless you all!

*With joyful spirit,
Fr. Geoffrey*





MASS INTENTIONS

December 28, 2013 - January 4, 2014

Saturday, December 28

5:00 pm For the People

Sunday, December 29

8:00 am + David Cernadas

10:00 am Spe.Int. - Katrina Carpio

12:00 pm + Dedicacion Duya

6:00 pm + Tranlacion Posadas (Birth Ann.)

Monday, December 30

8:00 am Spe.Int. - Frias Family

Tuesday, December 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE

8:00 am + Bruno Solomon

5:00 pm + Mary Nguyen

Wednesday, January 1 - NEW YEAR'S DAY

10:00 am Spe. Int. - Tony Ho

12:00 pm + Celia De Castro

Thursday, January 2

8:00 am + Aurea Poblete

Friday, January 3 - FIRST FRIDAY

8:00 am + Roy Renato Yap

7:30 pm + Luz Otico

Saturday, January 4

8:00 am + Nicasio Estacio

5:00 pm + Luis Rodrigo, Sr.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
- Monday: Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
- Tuesday: Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve
- Wednesday: The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Prayer for Peace; New Year's Day
- Thursday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
- Friday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus; First Friday
- Saturday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; First Saturday

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Those who honor and comfort their parents shall never be forgotten (Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14).

Psalm — Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — You are called into one body. Bear with one another; forgive one another; let Christ's peace control you (Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]).

Gospel — Joseph rose, took the child and his mother, and fled to Egypt (Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Friday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Please pray for the sick...

Ester Acda, Johnny Ang, Saturnino Angeles, Reynaldo Antonio, Susana Aquino, Alma Arreglado, Rachel Austria, Gay Badillo, Agapito Bagon, Cecilia Barrera, Francisco Barrera, Victoria Bantugan, Epifania Bundang, Franklin Calub, Jr., Gold Cantolino, Maria Castro, Cuadras, Aurea Dacanay, Ofelia de Guzman, Theresa De Rivera, Bert Dimaano, Angeles Dingcong, Bernardo Dingcong, Roberto Dingcong, Theresa Diola, Ramona Dizon, Alice De Loyola, Fely de Jesus, Albert Doble, Cezar Domingo, Elpidio Dorotheo, Edilberta Enriquez, Enrique Escalante, Juanita Estrellas, Mina Fernando, Emerita Fulinar, Leticia Garces, Lenie Gutierrez, Linda Hernandez, Rosario Ilustre, Reynaldo Joachico, Erlinda Kasilag, Francesca Kelsey, Tessie Lacandazon, Mori Lacson, Gregorio Lintao, Sr., Arthur Macapagal, Lisa Mananquil, Ruth Marquez, Theresa Martinez, Saturnina Mayo, Janet McCulley, Zeny Mesa, Victor Montoya, Florentina Morales, Roquita Padua, Esperanza Paz, Marlen, Peralta, Orlando Peralta, Benita Quintong, Cora Ragasa, Lita Raposas, Oliver Rasul, Elaine Resurreccion, Leo Reyes, Felix & Marcie Rivas, Charmaine Rivera, Eufenia Rivera, Anita Sacdalan, Epifania Santos, Bill Sarati, Fe Segundo, Jose Segundo, Virginia Sosongco, Joseph Thompson, Leonard Torres, Deity Trocino, Emmeline Velayo, Pio Verdán, Lydia Villacorta, Delfin Villaflor, Joe Yumang, Milad Zayat.

****Please call the parish office @510-471-7766, if you have someone to add or delete to the Sick List.***



**THE PARISH OFFICES
WILL BE CLOSED
JANUARY 1, 2014**



ST ANNE SCHOOL OF FAITH FORMATION

**St. Anne School of Faith Formation
(Grades 1- 8)**

RE M I N D E R

CHRISTMAS BREAK - December 23 to January 2
NO CLASSES – School is closed.
Classes resume Monday, January 6, 2014
*WE WISH ALL A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS
and BLESSED NEW YEAR 2014 !!*

St. Anne Youth Ministry

St. Anne Youth Ministry is on winter break for the remainder of the calendar year. The next Youth Ministry meeting will be Monday, January 13, 2014!

Los Angeles Catholic Youth Day

Payments are now being accepted for any high school student or young adult who would like to attend the annual Los Angeles Catholic Youth Rally scheduled March 12-15, 2014. This is an OUTSTANDING way to experience the Young Church of Today on a larger level...over 20,000 young people participate in Youth Day every year. We have 22 spots available. If you'd like more information about the trip, please email the Youth Ministry Office at stayouthministry@sbcglobal.net

CCD Children's Stewardship Envelopes

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| Ava Aquino: | I helped my cousin get a band age when she got hurt. |
| Sebastian: | Treasure Giving \$1.00. |
| Ailinh: | I helped clean the table. |
| Rorio del Rosario: | I helped my Mom clean the house. |
| Benjamin Cardozo: | Donated \$1.00. |
| Angelina Macaraeg: | Treasure giving \$5.00. |
| Aniela Harrison: | IDonated \$1.00. |
| Jhon dela Cruz | I was honest with my Mom & gave \$.50¢. |
| Adrian: | Donated \$.25¢. |
| Unno: | I washed the dishes. |
| Melissa Paisol: | I recycled, helped my Mom cook. |
| Annelise Adion: | I put the dishes away. |
| Andre Andres: | I prayed the rosary & gave \$.36¢. |
| Nathaniel: | Treasure giving \$3.00. |
| Jayden: | I helped my Dad build Legos & decorated the tree. |
| Naomi Mercado: | Donated \$1.00. |
| Dozz: | I helped wash the dishes. |

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

"SERVING OUR CHURCH, COMMUNITY & COUNTRY."

Happy New Year to all the Knights and St. Anne Parishioners.

January 12 – 1:30 PM. Third Degree Exemplification at Holy Spirit Church in Fremont.

January 18 – Knights Choir sings at 5:00 PM mass.

January 25 – 12:00 PM Walk for Life, San Francisco

For information contact: Roland Nimis, Grand Knight
RNimis@yahoo.com or 510-487-8232

Interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith?



Are you an adult who...
is interested in being baptized Catholic?

- was baptized in another Christian tradition and would like to explore what being Catholic is all about?
- was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

If you answered yes to any of the above, please consider joining our ongoing Inquiry sessions for chance to ask questions, learn more about us and about the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**, the process by which adults join the Church. No commitment required. For more information, call the parish office at 510-471-7766 or email: stantheadultfaithformation@gmail.com

Sunday, December 29, 2013

FINANCE CORNER

Weekly Collection Goals

Sunday, December 15, 2013	\$13,666.69
Budget	\$15,000.00
Over (Under)	(\$ 1,333.31)

Divine Mercy Apostolate

Divine Mercy will be hosting a live performance sponsored by St. Luke Productions presenting "Faustina, Messenger of Divine Mercy" on January 11, 2014 at 8 pm in St. Anne Church, Union City.

Tickets are \$20.00 and can be purchased through any St. Anne Divine Mercy member or at the Rectory during office hours. Checks should be made out to Divine Mercy Apostolate.

Everyone is invited!

POC: Lou Castro, 510-396-1162

"Because Women Deserve Better than Abortion:"

10TH ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE

SAN FRANCISCO

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2014

RALLY: 12:30 PM CIVIC CENTER PLAZA

Info Faire: 11:00 am

Rally starts at Civic Center Plaza, walking down Market Street (2 miles). Ends at Justin Herman Plaza/ Ferry Building. BART stations at both locations. To register, volunteer and further info:

415-658-1793

info@WalkforLifeWC.com

NEW YEAR'S EVE RETREAT: Dec. 31, 2013

(7pm to 12) at the Dominican Sisters of MSJ Chapel. An evening of Reflection, Mass, Potluck (bring a dish to share) and Eucharistic Adoration. At 43326 Mission Blvd, Fremont, CA 94539 (Entrance on Mission Tierra Pl) Free Will Offering appreciated; **RSVP by Thurs.**

Dec. 26 at blessings@msjdominicans.org or 510-933-6335

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

Monday, December 30

8:00 am - Mass, CH

9:30 am - Legion of Mary, CR #103

7:30 pm - Lectors, CH

Tuesday, December 31 - **NEW YEAR'S EVE**

8:00 am - Mass

5:00 pm - Mass

Wednesday, January 1 - **NEW YEAR'S DAY**

10:00 am - Mass

12:00 pm - Mass

Thursday, January 2

8:00 am - Mass, CH

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

7:30 pm - Pinto Choir, CH

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

Friday, January 3 - **FIRST FRIDAY**

8:00 am - Mass, CH

10:00 am - Lectio Divina, CR #103

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

7:00 pm - Divine Mercy, CR #104

7:30 pm - Mass

Saturday, January 4

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

9:00 am - Lectio Divina, CR #102

1:00 pm - Hand Maid of the Lord, CR #105

3:00 pm - Faith Formation, SH

6:15 pm - Charismatics, CR #104

7:00 pm - El Shaddai, CH

Sunday, January 5

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

11:00 am - Indonesian Community, CR #102

1:00 pm - Children's Choir, CR #103

1:30 pm - Polish Community, CH

7:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CH

7:30 pm - Fit Club, SH

REMINDER:

If your ministry or organize use the parish facilities, please send your 2014 dates, etc. to the Parish office as soon as possible.



Happy New Year!

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Happy New Year

Solemnity of Mary,

the Holy Mother of God

(HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

Wednesday, January 1, 2014

Mass @ 10AM and 12PM

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.