

# Saint Anne Catholic Parish

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Fourth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
February 2, 2014

## Pastoral Staff

Rev. Geoffrey Baraan	Pastor
Benigno Calub	Deacon
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Jim Soltau	Youth Ministry Coordinator
Brandon Akiona	Liturgy & Music Coordinator
Helen Rojas	Children's 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

## 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.

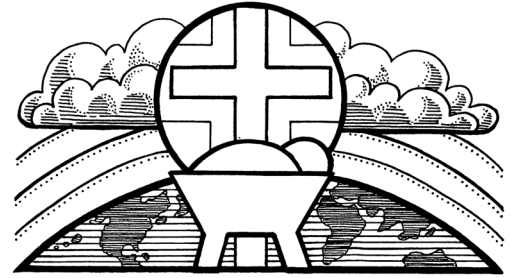
## Holy Mass Schedule

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 Presentation of the Lord February 2, 2014

He had to become like his brothers and sisters  
in every way.

— Hebrews 2:17a



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## A CHRISTMAS REPRISE

The Church's celebration three weeks ago of the Baptism of the Lord signaled the "official" end of the Christmas season. Today's feast of the Presentation of the Lord seems to extend the Incarnation celebration a bit longer. In fact, some have called this feast a "second Epiphany."

The first reading recalls the anticipation of Advent, as Malachi writes, "Lo, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me." The reading from Hebrews reminds us of the Incarnation, proclaiming that Jesus had a "share" in our own "blood and flesh." The Gospel finds the infant Jesus on his first visit to Jerusalem and his human parents once again surprised and in awe over the events surround his birth.

In the simplicity of the manger, in the grandeur of the temple, in the domesticity of Nazareth, Jesus comes. May we come to know him and so be filled with "wisdom" and the "favor of God."

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

By Candlemas, forty days after Christmas, February 2, the season of Christ's coming has depleted our candle supply. Soon, the parish will order a new paschal candle from a catalogue or candlemaker, or in some communities, wax will be collected to be melted and molded. Last year's paschal candle shows the wear and tear of summer heat, or many funerals or baptisms.

Paschal candles have been around since at least the fourth century, when Constantine's biographer Eusebius reported that the night of the sacred vigil was "transformed into the brilliancy of day, by lighting throughout the city pillars of wax, while burning lamps in every place so that the splendor of this night was brighter than the brightest daylight."

Light was a precious commodity in the ancient world, and this lavish use of precious beeswax was a sign of the Christian's call to bear Christ's light into the world's darkness. In a pre-electric age, a whole city aglow from the paschal flame must have been a glorious sight, and a reminder to every baptized Christian of our vocation to "be the light of the world."

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: The Presentation of the Lord;  
Blessing of Candles;  
World Day for Consecrated Life;  
Boy Scout Sunday; Groundhog Day
- Monday: Fourth Week in Ordinary Time;  
St. Blaise; St. Ansgar
- Wednesday: St. Agatha
- Thursday: St. Paul Miki and Companions
- Friday: First Friday
- Saturday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita; Blessed Virgin Mary



St. Blaise  
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**BLACK  
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MONTH**  
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## *Knights of Columbus*

*"Serving our church, community & country."*

**February 8 – 7:00 AM**, Casino Fund Raising Trip  
All Parishioners are invited to come.

**February 15** – Knights Choir sings at 5:00 pm Mass.

**February 26** – Regular Council Meeting

**March 1** – Ladies Appreciation dinner dance at the Parish Hall

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

## MASS INTENTIONS

February 1, 2014 - February 8, 2014

### Saturday, February 1

5:00 pm For the People

### Sunday, February 2

8:00 am + John Agraviador

10:00 am + Elipidio Pasion

12:00 pm + Valeriano & Fidela Salgado

6:00 pm + Don Thomas

### Monday, February 3

8:00 am + Aureliana Villanueva

### Tuesday, February 4

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

### Wednesday, February 5

10:00 am + Mike Dimayuga

### Thursday, February 6

8:00 am + Ted Boulard

### Friday, February 7 - FIRST FRIDAY

8:00 am + Mario & Dominga Ramos

7:30 pm + Mauro Marquez

### Saturday, February 8

8:00 am + Gonzalo Vergara, Jr.

5:00 pm + Perpetua Mascardo

### *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, Alice Barba, Alice Beans, Franklin Calub, Jr., Gold Cantolino, Teofista Coloma, Maria Castro Cuadras, Aurea Dacanay, Ofelia de Guzman, Merly Jereza De Juan, Theresa De Rivera, Bert Dimaano, Donna Diner, Angeles Dingcong, Bernardo Dingcong, Roberto Dingcong, Theresa Diola, 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, Idalina La Rosa, Gregorio Lintao, Sr., Arthur Macapagal, Lisa Mananquil, Ruth Marquez, Theresa Martinez, Saturnina Mayo, Janet McCulley, Zeny Mesa, Victor Montoya, Florentina Morales, Roquita Padua, Esperanza Perez, Marlen, Peralta, Orlando Peralta, Benita Quintong, Cora Ragasa, Lita Raposas, Oliver Rasul, Elaine Resurreccion, Leo Reyes, Felix, Charmaine Rivera, Eufenia Rivera, Anita Sacdalan, Epifania Santos, Bill Sarati, Fe Segundo, Jose Segundo, Virginia Sosongco, Joseph Thompson, Leonard Torres, Emmeline Velayo, Pio Verdan, Lydia Villacorta, Delfin Villaflor, Paz Wijangco, Joe Yumang, Dianne Zamora, Milad Zayat

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

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — There will come to the temple the LORD whom you seek (Malachi 3:1-4).

**Psalms** — Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord! (Psalm 24).

**Second Reading** — Jesus had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way to help the descendants of Abraham (Hebrews 2:14-18).

**Gospel** — The just and pious Simeon proclaims the infant Jesus to be a revealing light to the Gentiles, the glory of the people Israel (Luke 2:22-40 [22-32]).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

## 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:

stanneadultfaithformation@gmail.com



### **St. Anne 'SOUPER' BOWL Drive**

More than 20 years ago, the 'Souper' Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

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

Since that day, over 98 million dollars has been raised for local charities across the country through the 'Souper' Bowl of Caring. This weekend, St. Anne Youth Ministry continues our tradition of participation for the 'Souper' Bowl of Caring to raise funds for St. Anthony Dining Room and St. Vincent de Paul ministry. Please support their efforts...enjoy the game...and remember those who don't have enough to eat! THANK YOU!

### **St. Anne Youth Ministry**

Saint Anne Youth Ministry will meet this Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. As we enter the month of February, we will focus on the area of Relationships for this month before we enter into Lent in March. This week our meeting will be “**Relationships Rock Our World.**” In this session, youth understand the various types of relationships they have, what they bring to these relationships, and how relationships provide an essential foundation for their lives.

### **THE ROAD TO GOD**

There is but one road to lead us to God—humility; all other ways would only lead astray, even were they fenced in with all virtues.

—Nicolas Boileau-Despreaux

### **ANNUAL STATEMENTS**

If you would like a statement of your contributions for 2013 for tax purposes, please call the parish office @510-471-7766 and leave your name, address and telephone number. Your statement then will be mailed to you.

## ST ANNE SCHOOL OF FAITH FORMATION

### **ST. ANNE SCHOOL OF FAITH FORMATION (GRADES 1- 8)**

#### **FIRST COMMUNION**

*For 149 First Communion students who are in their second year of faith formation and attend Tuesday First Communion classes. **We Belong*** - This week the young people of our parish preparing for Eucharist are reflecting on their Baptism. Through Baptism we are initiated into the life of Christ and his Body, the Church. We receive the Light of Christ to remind us that we are a light like Christ. How are we as a parish witnessing the Holy Spirit's presence to others?

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED... SPRED (SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION)**

SPRED (Special Religious Education) is in need of volunteer catechists here at St Anne's. We will be opening our 4th center of Catechesis for 6-10 year old children with special needs in the next few weeks. We have interviewed these children already and they seem eager to journey with us. Volunteers are being invited to join our SPRED community here in our parish to help make this faith setting a reality. We are blessed to have Deacon Bernard and his wife Jean active in this group.

We have an 11-16 group session meeting on Saturday mornings. There is also a 17-21 group that meets on Saturdays also. On Wednesday evening a 22+ group gathers together to share faith and liturgy in the social hall.

The reward of being a Spred Catechist is priceless. Training is provided and the only requirement needed is a desire to share and grow in faith with others. Sessions are held October thru May with an invitation to catechists to participate in a retreat in February and a Labor Weekend retreat with all members of Spred 22yrs of age and older. These retreats are awesome and fun!

### **Bookkeeper – Holy Spirit Parish, Fremont**

Holy Spirit parish is seeking someone to provide bookkeeping services to the parish. Responsibilities: maintain financial bookkeeping system including accounts payable, receivable, payroll and cash receipts; balance accounts, ledgers and reconcile bank statements; prepare financial statements and assist with budget and development program. This position is part-time (18-24 hrs./week) and does not include health benefits. This position is Non-Exempt, and classified S-5.

Sunday, February 2, 2014

### FINANCE CORNER

#### Weekly Collection Goals

<u>Sunday, January 26, 2014</u>	\$10,949.45
<b>Budget</b>	\$15,000.00
Over (Under)	(\$ 4,050.55)
Stewardship - Seminary	\$ 1,210.00

### WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

The fifth annual World Day of the Sick event will honor those who are ill and their caregivers at a special Mass in the Cathedral of Christ the Light in Oakland at 10 a.m. Feb. 8.

Persons living with any serious or acute illness and their families and caregivers are invited to participate. This World Day of the Sick will include Mass presided by Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ, the Sacrament of the Sick, a blessing of caregivers and health care providers, the distribution of holy water from the Marian shrine at Lourdes, France, and a reception. World Day of the Sick was initiated by Pope John Paul II in 1992 and is held annually worldwide on the date nearest the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, Feb. 11. The event is a ministry of the Diocese of Oakland and is supported by the Order of Malta. The Cathedral of Christ the Light is at 2121 Harrison St., Oakland. No RSVP is necessary. For more information: [www.oakdiocese.org/WDS](http://www.oakdiocese.org/WDS).

Please arrive at the cathedral by 9:30 a.m. to assure seating. Free parking will be available in the cathedral garage with a 3-hour limit. Beyond three hours, the charge will be the Saturday flat rate of \$5. There are also pay parking lots nearby and the 19th Street BART station is approximately three blocks from the cathedral.

The Order of Malta serves the sick, and assists with many charities, including a medical clinic in the cathedral center.

### TAIZE PRAYER

TAIZE PRAYER EVERY 3RD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH(8-9PM):

TAIZE Prayer is an ecumenical service, open to all faiths. This prayer and song around the Cross is held in the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose Chapel every 3rd Friday of each month from 8 to 9pm. In a spirit of peace and reconciliation, our TAIZE service is attended by people of all ages. Join us at 43326 Mission Blvd. (entrance is around the corner on Mission Tierra PI), Fremont, CA 94539. For more information, please contact Sister Marcia Krause, OP at 510-502-5797. Please help us spread the word about this prayer service.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

Monday, February 3

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

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

6:00 pm - Youth Ministry, SH

7:30 pm - Lectors, CH

Tuesday, February 4

**8:00 am - Mass**

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

6:00 pm - Deanery Meeting, SH

7:30 pm - RCIA, CR #106

Wednesday, February 5

**8:00 am - Mass**

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

6:00 pm - SPRED, SH

7:00 pm - Perpetual Devotion, CH

7:30 pm - Choir Directors Meeting, CR #103

Thursday, February 6

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

9:00 am - Individual User, SH

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

7:30 pm - Lopez Choir, CH

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

7:30 pm - Fit Club, SH

Friday, February 7 - FIRST FRIDAY

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

10:00 am - Lectio Divina, CR #103

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

6:00 pm - Divine Mercy Choir, CR #106

6:00 pm - Music Ministry, HS

7:00 pm - Divine Mercy, CR #104

7:30 pm - First Friday Mass, CH

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

Saturday, February 8

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

9:00 am - SPRED, CR #105 & 106

9:00 am - Polish Community, CR # 103 & 104

10:00 am - Lectio Divina, CR #102

6:00 pm - Music Ministry, SH

6:15 pm - Charismatics

6:30 pm - El Shaddai, CH

Sunday, February 9

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

11:00 am - Indonesian Community, CR #102

1:30 pm - Polish Community, CH

3:00 pm - Confirmation Classes - All Facilities

7:00 pm - Divine Mercy Prayer, CH

7:30 pm - Fit Club, SH



# ✠✠✠ Liturgy and Life

**A**t its heart, the Eucharist is a sacrament of communion, bringing us closer to God and to our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ. If we live the fruits of the Eucharist in our daily lives, we will fill our families and our communities with the life-giving qualities that the Liturgy brings: hospitality, concern for the poor and vulnerable, self-offering, and thanksgiving.

An ancient saying in the Church reads “*lex orandi, lex credendi*,” meaning that the law of prayer is the law of faith. More loosely, as we pray, so we believe. To that we might add *lex vivendi*, meaning that as we pray, so we believe, and so we live. In the third edition of the *Roman Missal*, the bishops and translators took great care to ensure that the prayers accurately and fully reflect the mysteries of our faith. Thus, the words that we pray in each liturgical celebration help to form and strengthen our understanding of the faith.

However, if the effects of the liturgy stop at the doors of the church, we have not made our prayer and our faith part of our law of living. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC) teaches that the Eucharist helps us to grow in union with Christ, avoid sin, increase in charity, strengthen communion with our brothers and sisters, and recognize Christ in the poorest and most vulnerable members of society (see CCC, nos. 1391-1397). But what does that mean in daily life?

## LIVING A LIFE OF PRAYER

Our prayer lives should not be limited to a single hour on Sunday mornings. In fact, the richer our prayer lives are throughout the week, the more fully we will be able to enter into the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist. Here are some ways to make your daily life more prayerful:

- ✦ Try attending daily Mass at least once a week. Your parish may have an early morning Mass, or a church near your job may offer a lunchtime Mass.
- ✦ Stop in a church before or after work or on your lunch hour for fifteen minutes of quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

- ✦ Make it a practice to say grace before every meal—even if you are eating in the car.
- ✦ Schedule time for family prayer at least once a week. This prayer can be as simple as saying the Our Father or a decade of the Rosary together.
- ✦ Take time during the week to read or listen to the readings for the upcoming Sunday. The readings are available online (in print and audio) at [www.usccb.org/bible](http://www.usccb.org/bible).
- ✦ Begin your day with a brief prayer of thanksgiving to God, offering your day to him.
- ✦ End your day with an examination of conscience, looking at your successes and failures in what you have done or what you have failed to do. If you are aware of serious sin, receive the Sacrament of Penance before you receive Holy Communion again.

## LIVING A LIFE OF LOVING SERVICE

Celebrating the eucharistic liturgy and receiving Holy Communion should strengthen us to conform our lives more closely to the example of Christ. As Jesus knelt before his Apostles to wash their feet (see Jn 13), giving them an example of humble service, so must we who bear the name Christian live our lives in service to our brother and sister.

To help us in this endeavor, Church Tradition has identified works of mercy. These fourteen practices demand great sacrifice and generosity, but they also draw us more deeply into conformity with the Lord. Focusing on one of these works each week may be a practical way to integrate them into our personal, family, and parish lives.

### Corporal Works of Mercy

- ✦ Feeding the hungry
- ✦ Sheltering the homeless
- ✦ Clothing the naked
- ✦ Visiting the sick
- ✦ Visiting the imprisoned
- ✦ Giving drink to the thirsty
- ✦ Burying the dead