

# St. Anne Catholic Parish

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24th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
September 13, 2015

## Pastoral Staff

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Debbie Nunes Adult Faith Formation Coordinator  
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Zella Yanos Secretary  
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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:

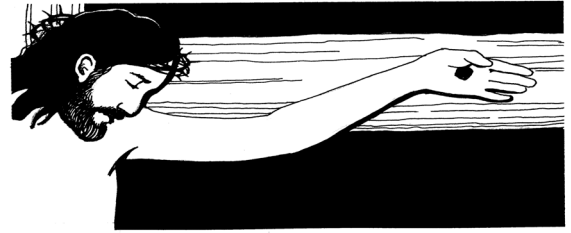
- by creating an environment that welcomes all;
- by being faithful stewards of our time, talent and treasure;
- by celebrating God's love committed to giving food to the hungry, water to the thirsty,
- clothing to the naked, shelter to the homeless and
- by being the sign of unity and peace in the kingdom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

**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2015**

The Lord GOD is my help,  
therefore I am not disgraced.  
— *Isaiah 50:7*



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*My dear in Christ,*

Lately, we have been hearing about the words **FORGIVENESS** and **MERCY** from Pope Francis. Last week, in preparation for the Holy Year of Mercy, our Pope calls on priests to forgive those who had abortion. And he is asking and challenging all of us to do the same: forgiving those who have wronged us and those who have hurt the body of Christ.

In the gospel of Matthew, Peter asked Jesus, “Lord, how many times must I forgive the offenses of my brother? Seven times?” Jesus said, “No, not seven times, but seventy-seven times!”

The words of our Lord sum up his view about mutual forgiveness. Moreover, it shows forgiveness as essential to mercy and compassion. Forgiveness is at the heart of Jesus’ ministry.

God is merciful because he forgives----totally and indefinitely----and we should to do the same with our brothers and sisters.

God relates to us as we relate to our neighbor. Our relationship to God passes through our relationship with our brothers and sisters. Jesus insists on this time and again. In the Sermon of the Mount, for instance: Do not judge others and you will not be judged; do not condemn and you will not be condemned....the measure you give will be the measure you receive. “Be merciful just as your Father is merciful!”

Forgiveness is a decision! It is to do away with revenge. It is trying to forget, to reintegrate the other in our prayer, in our communion. My spiritual director told me one time, “You forgive a person not because that person deserves forgiveness..... but because you deserve peace.” Forgive from the heart. It must be sincere. And when we do forgive, we release that person from bondage....and that person is YOU! Forgiveness is the heart of the cross. Jesus said in the gospel today, “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.”

May you be filled today and always with God’s love, peace and grace as you go forth from here. Be witnesses of his love and forgiveness. Be Christ for others!

*Your servant,  
Fr. Geoffrey*



**ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAM**

Are you a baptized, adult Catholic who has received First Communion but were never confirmed? Maybe now is the time! St. Anne’s is offering a preparation program for practicing Catholic adults, over 18 years of age, who are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings starting in October. Confirmation for adult Catholics will be celebrated on Saturday, January 15, 2016 at Christ the Light Cathedral. To register, please complete a registration form (available in the Parish Office) and submit by September 20. A copy of your baptismal certificate is also required. For more information, please contact Debbie Nunes, Adult Faith Formation Coordinator at 510-471-7766 or email [stanneadultfaithformation@gmail.com](mailto:stanneadultfaithformation@gmail.com).

**R.C.I.A.**

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



## Mass Intentions for the Week

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**September 12, 2015 - September 19, 2015**

### **Saturday, September 12**

5:00 pm + Lourdes Santos

### **Sunday, September 13**

8:00 am + Ramon Navarro

10 :00 am For the People

12:00 pm + Arsenio Hidalgo

6:00 pm + Amado Arana

### **Monday, September 14**

8:00 am + Hermie & Concordia Romero

### **Tuesday, September 15**

8:00 am + Carmen Vasquez

### **Wednesday, September 16**

8:00 am + Antonia Villamor

### **Thursday, September 17**

8:00 am + Danny Flores-Zink

### **Friday, September 18**

8:00 am Spe.Int. - Anicia Poblete

### **Saturday, September 19**

8:00 am Spe.Int. - Ascano Family

5:00 pm + Elpidio Dorotheo

### *Please pray for the sick...*

Melencio & Betty Abalos, Ping Balingit, Ben Banatao, Sean Bocato, Ed Carlos, Jesus Carpio, Juanita Castro, Jem Catapang, Delia Cera, Mary Cipriano, Devon De Vera, Genovevo Draculan, Mina Fernando, David Fournell, Annalyn Galasinao, Divina Galasinao, Rex Galasinao, Vendala Galasinao, Maria Gomez, Erlinda Hernandez, Jenny Jarasa, Gualberto Marchan, Jose Mendoza, Cora Paiso, Alfredo Reyes, Victoriano Reyes, Felix Rivas, Adoree Rivera, Angelita Rojas, Joseph Albert Sison, Marlise Schwedhelm, Kathryn Sunga, Cristina Tambunting, Lydia Villacorta.

**All names will be removed at the end of each month.**

**PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO ADD NAMES AND GIVE A CONTACT PHONE NUMBER SO OUR MINISTRY CAN FOLLOW-UP.**

### **MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

To experience the blessings in the Promises of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus for yourself and family, there is a need to be devoted to Him. The Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is being promoted in each home of interested people within Union City, Newark, Fremont, Hayward, and other cities all over Alameda County on Friday Evenings as sponsored by the Fil-Am Association of Alameda County of St. Anne Parish. For assistance, please contact:

Myrla @510-378-6376, Marina @510-862-1037 or 510-471-1556, Fely @510-557-9739 or Rorie @ 510-305-4109.

### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong? (Isaiah 50:5-9a).

**Psalms** — I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).

**Second Reading** — Faith, if it does not have works, is dead (James 2:14-18).

**Gospel** — Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" (Mark 8:27-35).

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### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16 — 4:3; Mk 9:30-37

### **ST. ANNE DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE**

Sep 18 - 6:30pm - Room 104 - Cenacle - Sis Norma

Sep 25 - 6:30pm - Room 104 - Cenacle - Sis Annette

This September, we will start with our Cenacle Formation Manual, Vol 1 and St. Faustina Diary in the interest of our new members and Spiritual Advisor. A bible and Catechism of the Catholic Church are highly recommended. New members are welcomed as we begin our new formation.

In preparation for the upcoming "Year of Mercy," we invite all Divine Mercy devotees to journey with us. Let us encounter a "Year of Mercy" outreach in prayer and action. For more information, contact any Divine Mercy member. POC: Lou Castro/510-296-1162

### **CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM (CLP)**

Couples for Christ (CFC) and its family ministries is currently holding a Christian Life Program (CLP) here at Saint Anne's Parish..

Everyone 18 years and older are invited, married couples, divorcees, widowers, widows, single moms, and singles. For more information, please call the following:

Bro. Deo or Sis. Marivic Guiao - (650) 438-0843, or (415) 420-1924,

Bro. Diomie or Sis. Elena Ramos – (510) 244-7050 or (510) 331-7266



**Confirmation & Youth Ministry Starting!!!**

**First-year Youth Ministry students** and parents will meet on Monday, September 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall...again it is mandatory for both students and parents.

**REGISTRATION is still available for Youth Ministry!**

Youth Ministry is the first year of the two-year Confirmation program. Registration forms are available at the Parish Office, the Faith Formation Office and the Youth Ministry Office. If you have any questions please call the Youth Ministry Office at 471-7766 ext. 22 or email at [stayouthministry@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stayouthministry@sbcglobal.net).

**St. Anne Battle of the Ministries Benefit Basketball Game**

Come join St. Anne Youth Ministry and St. Anne CYO as they play each other in a charity basketball game, enjoy a friendly shooting competition between Father Geoffrey and Jim Soltau, raffle, food, and prizes!

Saturday - September 19th, 2015

James Logan High School  
1800 H Street

Union City, CA 94587

Games Starts Promptly at 7:00pm

\*Doors open at 6:15 pm

(please come early to get your seats)

The money raised from the game will go towards the Youth Ministry Retreat Scholarship Fund and St. Anne CYO. In honor of the 5th Year for Battle of the Ministries, below are the prices for the event. General Admission: \$5

Children under the age of 12 & Seniors 60 and older: \$1

Tickets will be sold at futures masses and the first Youth Ministry Meeting and Confirmation Class. We hope to see you there!

**SAVE THE DATE—Catholic High School Youth Rally**

ALL high school youth are welcome! The date is Saturday, October 17 at St. Bede Church. The theme for this year's Youth Rally is: "**You've Been Served...Now It's Your Turn!**" **We will have a parent workshop this year as well...more info to come!**

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

**FIRST DAY OF CLASSES  
COMMUNION PREP (GRADES 1-8)**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**

**FIRST COMMUNION (GRADES 2-8)**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

As we begin our journey for the 2015-2016 Faith Formation year, come and join us as we called to grow in our faith. All CP & FC students and at least one parent/guardian are required to attend the Parent -Student ORIENTATION on the first day of class in CHURCH. Orientation will begin promptly at the beginning of each class session. Please arrive early.

**FIRST DAY OF CLASSES  
CONTINUING CCD GRADE 3-4-5**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

**CONTINUING CCD GRADES 6-7-8**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

LATE REGISTRATION - We will continue to accept registrations on a walk-in basis for selected classes that are still open. If you have any questions, please contact our Faith Formation office:

Phone: (510) 471-7766 ext. 20-21

email: [stafaithformation@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stafaithformation@sbcglobal.net)

**FAITH FORMATION**

**STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES**

Bailey: I made breakfast last week.  
Noah: I helped my brother fold his clothes.

Brandon Hansana: I helped grandma fix the bed.

**Back 2 to school prayer**

Dear Lord, use my eyes to **see** new friends

Opens my ears to **hear** my teacher

Open my mind to **learn** new things about  
you

Let my heart **remember** you are near  
when I'm afraid

Help me to **love** others like you do

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**THE CROSS TO BEAR**

**If you bear the cross gladly, it will bear you.  
—Thomas à Kempis**

**Sunday, September 13, 2015**

**FINANCE CORNER**

**Weekly Collection Goals**

<u>Sunday, September 6, 2015</u>	\$11,400.35
<b>Budget</b>	\$15,000.00
Over (Under)	(\$ 3,599.65)

**PART-TIME BOOKKEEPER for ST. ANNE'S  
20 Hours per week - Monday-Friday**

Qualifications:

- A) Bachelor's degree with concentration in Accounting
- B) Minimum 2 years of bookkeeping to financial statements
- C) Computer literate
- D) Knowledge of Excel a plus
- E) Good oral & written communication

Please send resume to St. Anne, 32223 Cabello St., Union City, CA, 94587, attn.: Sydney Gargan or [www.stanne@sbcglobal.net](mailto:www.stanne@sbcglobal.net). Any questions contact Sydney Gargan @510-471-7766

**NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS**

The Mother of Sorrows Community, (*Order of the Secular Servants of Mary*) invites parishioners' to pray the Novena in honor of Our Lady of Sorrows starting Sept. 8, 2015 – Sept. 14, 2015.

*Note: Novena Prayer Dates are the same as below, immediately following Morning Prayer of Liturgy of the Hours. Morning Novena Prayer Time: 7:40 AM*

*Location: Church*

*Evening Novena Prayer Schedule as follows:*

<i>Novena Prayer Dates</i>	<i>Novena Prayer Time(s)</i>
<i>Location</i>	<i>Daily Intentions</i>
Sept. 13, 2015 (Sixth Day) Classroom #104	7:30PM – 8:30 PM The Sick & Dying
Sept. 14, 2015 (Seventh Day) Classroom #104	7:30PM – 8:30 PM World Peace

*Sept. 15, 2015 Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows – Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 8:00 AM*

*Presider: Fr. Geoffrey Baraan*

*Questions: Jane Relopez Telephone (510) 487-0417*

**Need Compassionate Ministers to Help Teens  
with Special Needs Grow in Faith.**

The Special Religious Education Department or SPRED reaches out to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the Diocese of Oakland. Often, people with special needs do not have a place in society. The Faith Community of St. Anne Parish recognizes this need and invites you to assist in welcoming special Friends into an environment where anyone can become aware of God's love. Become a SPRED Catechist; training is provided for interested volunteers. SPRED Catechists meet 24 times a year on Saturday mornings from October – May. Safe Environment compliance required. For more information about this beautiful ministry, contact Inez Albores at 510-695-8953, Maria Garcia at 510-468-6980

**THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE**

Monday, September 14

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

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

4:45 pm - Faith Formation, CR #103-106 & CH

6:00 pm - Youth Ministry, SH

7:30 pm - Lectors, CH

7:30 pm - Novena, CR #104

Tuesday, September 15

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

4:45 pm - Faith Formation, CR #103-106 & CH

7:30 pm - RCIA, CR #105

7:30 pm - Fit Club, SH

Wednesday, September 16

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

11:00 am - Memorial Mass, CH

4:45 pm - Faith Formation, CR #103-106 & CH

6:00 pm - SPRED, SH

6:30pm - Boy Scouts, CR #104

7:00 pm - Perpetual Help, CH

Thursday, September 17

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

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

5:00 pm - Faith Based Committee, SH

7:30 pm - Lopez Choir, CH

7:30 pm - Servites, CR #102

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR # 106

7:30 pm - Fit Club, SH

Friday, September 18

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

10:30 am - Lectio Divina, CR #103

4:00 pm - Hand Maid of the Lord, CR # 105

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

6:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CR #104

Saturday, September 19

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

9:00 am - Individual User, SH

9:00 am - St. Vincent de Paul, CR #106

9:00 am - Individual User, CR #105

9:30 am - Lectio Divina, CR # 103

12:00 pm - Individual User, SH

1:00 pm - Baptisms, CH

3:00 pm - Grief Support, CR #102

6:00 pm - Charismatic, CR #103

6:30 pm - El Shaddai, CH

7:00 pm - Ping Pong Club, CR # 105

Sunday, September 20

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

10:00 am - Children's Choir, CR # 106

3:00 pm - Indonesia Community, CH & SH

7:30 pm - Adult Formation, CH

7:30 pm - Fit Club, SH



# *Our Parish Mission*

## *Encountering God's Love and Mercy*

Conducted by  
Good News International  
A Catholic Lay Ministry



*Bill Wegner*

**Sunday, September 20  
Thru  
Wednesday, September 23  
7:30PM in the Church**

Special Sessions on Monday, Tuesday, and  
Wednesday (September 21-23) Following the  
8AM Morning Mass

For more information contact the parish office