

St. Anne Catholic Parish

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Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
January 31, 2016



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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.

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

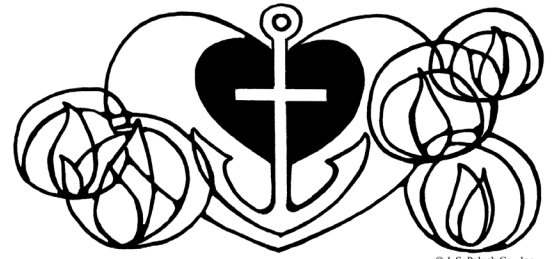
Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

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

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Faith, hope, and love remain, these three;
but the greatest of these is love.
— 1 Corinthians 13:13



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THE GREAT HYMN TO LOVE

It is doubtful that Saint Paul, when he sat down to write what we now know as the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians, knew that he was penning what was to become one of the keystones of Christian ethics. In this brief passage, he set down ideals about love that have held fast through the centuries. Sometimes we may think that because these are ideals to which we aspire, we are excused from them in our daily living.

But what Paul was writing was a letter to his friends, providing them with some sound advice about what it meant—and still means—to live in love, day by day, as a follower of Christ. We find in his words to his friends a broadening of the great commands of Jesus to love God and neighbor. Today we hear what this love must look like in our own actions, and how it ought to guide our relationships with others.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

For the first four centuries or so, there seems not to have been a sense of marriage as a church institution. Christians followed civil law, which kept the wedding in a family setting. Bishops wanted people to be good citizens insofar as possible, and so they recognized the government's role in marriage. In general, they expected Christians to know that marriage was good, that marriage to other Christians was best, and to take it easy on the wild wedding parties. They agreed that marriage was a divine institution, that Christ blessed it especially, and they loved referring to the miracle at the wedding feast of Cana. Still, even when Christianity became the official religion of the empire in 380, marriage remained a family matter.

On wedding days people gathered in the bride's house, where the father would "give her hand" to her husband, draping a garland of flowers over the couple. There were no official words to say, there was no blessing to be given. Everyone walked in procession to the bride's new home for the concluding rites and the feast. In the Eastern Empire, it soon became customary to invite a priest or bishop to give a blessing at the meal or the day before. It was a nice thing to do, completely optional, but had a "photo-op" feel to it that was widely emulated. Before long, at least in the East, it looked as if the priest were joining the couple in marriage and blessing the union.

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

MERCY CORNER

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life."

John 3:16

"I have proclaimed an *Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy* as a special time for the Church, a time when the witness of believers might grow stronger and more effective."

Pope Francis, *The Face of Mercy*, (No. 3), 2015

Focus Work of Mercy for the month: To instruct the Ignorant

It is an act of love to help others in one way or another to learn the truths they need to know to save their souls.

ACTION: Learn about our faith and be open to talking with others about our beliefs. There is always something more to discover about our faith.

Invite someone to go to mass with you this next weekend.

For further study and reflection:

Book: *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*, USCCB Publishing

Website: www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/ United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

App: *Laudate*, by Aycka Soft (download at iTunes or Google Play)

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: The Presentation of the Lord;
Groundhog Day

Wednesday: St. Blaise; St. Ansgar; Blessing of Throats

Friday: St. Agatha; First Friday

Saturday: St. Paul Miki and Companions;
First Saturday





Mass Intentions for the Week

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January 30, 2016 - February 6, 2016

Saturday, January 30

5:00 pm + Vicente Llamas

Sunday, January 31

8:00 am + Rigalina Velsos

10 :00 am + Hazel Woon

12:00 pm For the People

6:00 pm + Adela & Jesus Recto

Monday, February 1

8:00 am + Pete Magpayo

Tuesday, February 2

8:00 am + John Agraviador (Birth Anniversary)

Wednesday, February 3

8:00 am + Estela Bonifacio

Thursday, February 4

8:00 am + Bob Domingo

Friday, February 5—FIRST FRIDAY

8:00 am Spe.Int. - Kimberly Buhay

7:30 pm + Nomer Basilio

Saturday, February 6

8:00 am + Conrad, Sr. & Dolores Eulalia

5:00 pm + Anna Lee

Please pray for the sick...

Ester Acda, Ping Balingit, Sean Bocato, Wilma Canio, Ed Carlos, Jesus Carpio, Juanita Castro, Jem Catapang, Mary Cipriano, Eugene dela Cuesta, Devon De Vera, Bernardo Dingcong, Pedro Dingcong, Victor Franco, Maria B. Garcia, Robert Giovanni, Maria Gomez, Erlinda Hernandez, Maria Hocke, Gualberto Marchan, Jose Mendoza, Cora Paiso, Filomena Pinto, Turing Punsalan-Tenedora, Alfredo Reyes, Timoteo Reyes, Sr., Ernesto Reyes, Gwen Rezentes, Bob Rodriguez, Mildred Salmo, Joseph Albert Sison, Marlise Schwedhelm, Freddy Sullivan, Cristina Tambunting, Jane Valentin, Lydia Villacorta.

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

WANTING

Our chief want in life is somebody who shall make us do what we can.

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God appoints Jeremiah as prophet to the nations (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19).

Psalm — I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71).

Second Reading — Love with its many facets is the most important of the virtues (1 Corinthians 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]).

Gospel — When Jesus claims his salvific mission is for all people, not just the Jews, he is expelled by the enraged members of the Nazarean synagogue (Luke 4:21-30).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

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 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]; Lk 5:1-11



A LENTEN PARISH MISSION

Mark your calendars!! A Lenten Parish Mission will be held at St. Anne's starting Monday, February 29 and ending Wednesday March 2 at 7:30 pm in the Church. June Kirk, a Board of Directors member for the Interfaith Peace Project will be conducting the mission. The theme is **Reflections On Care for Our Common Home: The Earth ~ The Parish ~ The Self**. This will be a great time to be renewed and reenergized in living out our faith.

"SHARING GOD'S MERCY"

Pope Francis has declared 2016 a "Holy Year of Mercy." This is why Bishop Michael C. Barber has chosen "Sharing God's Mercy" as the theme for the 2016 Bishop's Appeal. As Bishop Barber has written, "Sharing God's Mercy starts with God's love for us, which moves us to share His love with all our sisters and brothers, and is the cornerstone of Pope Francis' vision for our Church."

By sharing your time, talent and treasure with our sisters and brothers and our Church of the East Bay, you are making a sacrifice and returning to God a small portion of the many gifts he has given to you.

By "Sharing God's Mercy" through the 2016 Bishop's Appeal, you are contributing greatly to building up the Kingdom of God here in the Church of the East Bay.



St. Anne Youth Ministry

St. Anne Youth Ministry will not meet on Monday, February 1st due to a LA Youth Day meeting. The next meeting for Youth Ministry will be on Monday, February 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The topic of our meeting will be: **Leave the Past in Ashes: Return to God.** As we prepare to begin our Lenten season, there are times to rejoice in Christ's resurrection, but there are also times that we recognize how we have hurt others and been hurt by others. This session uses the symbol of ashes to demonstrate a season of forgiving and being forgiven.

"Souper" Bowl of Caring is Next Week!

Next Sunday February 7th, 2016, **140 million Americans** will tune in to the Super Bowl game... most of us will be watching for the entertaining commercials, unless you're a fan of the **Panthers or the Broncos!** There will be parties with abundant food, friendship and fellowship. At the same time, there will be people worrying about staying warm, finding shelter and a warm meal. Please join St. Anne's Youth as together we demonstrate God's love by loving our neighbors through the "Souper" Bowl of Caring. It's a simple, yet significant act of caring for others. **Whatever Mass you come to on Super Bowl weekend, please bring an additional dollar (or more) to drop in the donation pot as you leave Mass on February 6th or 7th.** We continue to develop hearts for giving that can last a lifetime. Please support this effort, as the money will be donated to St. Anthony Foundation and the Saint Vincent de Paul Society of Saint Anne.

Archdiocese of Los Angeles Youth Day

On February 24, nineteen members of St. Anne Youth Ministry will leave to participate in the 2016 LA Youth Day **#Hopebound.** **For the first time this year we will not be doing any on-site fundraising at St. Anne's.** If you would like to donate to help our young people cut their cost, please email the Youth Ministry Office at: stayouthministry@sbcglobal.net. Thank you!

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

COMMUNION PREPARATION (Monday CP)

For 122 students who are in their first year of Formation and attend Monday classes... RETURNING TO LOVE – Our children preparing for First Reconciliation will be learning about contrition and God's forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Let us join these children in spirit by praying and thinking about ways in which we all are called to sincere sorrow for our sins and to God's forgiveness through this sacrament of healing and mercy.

RE M I N D E R

CP student with One Parent/Guardian must attend at least ONE

RECONCILIATION FAMILY GATHERING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1

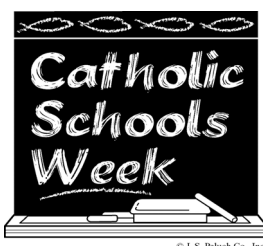
Topic: Reconciliation: a Sacrament of Contrition

4:45p–6:00p Church - Group 1

6:15p–7:30p Church - Group 2

DIVINE MERCY

February 2, 2016- Core Meeting- Sis. Lou house- 5199 Westport Way UC- time to be announced
February 5, 2016- First Friday Mass- Choir practice- 6:30 pm, Chaplet -7 pm, Mass - 7:30 pm
February 6, 2016- Valentines Dinner Dance- Social Hall- 6:30pm- 11:pm
Kindly turn your payments and return tickets if not sold to any Divine Mercy Members.
February 10- Ash Wednesday
February 12- Room 104- Cenacle -6:30pm
February 19- room 104- Fr. Solomon
February 26- room 104- Cenacle and B'day celebration
February 27- Mini retreat- To be announced
Thank you for your support.
"Mankind will not have Peace until it turns with Trust to My Mercy"(Sis. Faustina Diary 300)
If you have any questions please call: Lou Castro- 510-396-1162 Carmencita Draculan- 510-449-4447



A FORETASTE

Faith is the foretaste of that knowledge which hereafter will make us happy.

—St. Thomas Aquinas

Sunday, January 31, 2016

FINANCE CORNER

Weekly Collection Goals

<u>Sunday, January 24, 2016</u>	\$ 9,406.00
On-line Giving	\$ 1,641.08
<u>Total</u>	\$11,047.08
Budget	\$15,000.00
Over (Under)	(\$ 3,952.92)

Bilingual Receptionist/Secretary—St. Patrick Parish, Oakland

Fr. George W. Quickley, SJ 510-444-1081

St. Patrick, Oakland is looking for a part-time bilingual (English/Spanish) Receptionist/Secretary who can, in addition to assisting and with general secretarial and receptionist duties, provide support to the pastor and parish staff as needed. Candidates must be able to speak, write, read, and translate in both English and Spanish. Candidates must have basic skills in internet and email usage and be adept in Microsoft Office 2000 or later, specifically the programs Publisher and Word. This position is 15 hours a week, 3 hours per day Tuesday – Saturday. A **full job description** is available online. Salary Classification is S-3.

To apply, please submit a resume and letter of intent to: Fr. George W. Quickley, S.J.

St. Patrick Church, 1023 Peralta Street
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Director of Human Resources—Chancery Office, Oakland

Bill Lewis, Lewis Partners LLC 925-318-113 recruiting@lewis-partners.com

Anne Hausler, Merit Resources Group 925-867-4400 anneh@merithr.com

The Diocese of Oakland seeks applicants for a full-time Director of Human Resources. The Director of Human Resources leads a dynamic, proactive HR function that includes employment, employee relations, education and training, compensation, benefits, policies and compliance. The director develops, administers and coordinates the HR systems for the Diocese and related organizations in support of achieving the mission of the Church. The director consults throughout the Diocese regarding HR policies, practices, and dispute resolution to ensure consistent, high quality HR management.

Over the next 18-24 months, an added focus on compensation and benefits is an important element to meet business objectives and goals. The Director of Human Resources effectively articulates diocesan HR perspectives and HR best practices to the bishop, pastors, parish administrators, school principals, and other managers and supervisors. A **full job description** can be found online. Interested applicants should submit his or her resume to one of the recruiting partners listed above.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

Monday, February 1

8:00 am - MASS, CH

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

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

6:00 pm - St. Vincent de Paul, CR #106

6:00 pm - Youth Ministry, SH

7:30 pm - Lectors, CH

Tuesday, February 2

8:00 am - MASS, CH

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

7:30 pm - RCIA, CR #105

7:30 pm - Fit Club, SH

Wednesday, February 3

8:00 am - MASS, CH

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

6:00 pm - SPRED, SH

7:00 pm - Perpetual Help, CH

7:15pm - Boy Scouts, CR #104

Thursday, February 4

8:00 am - MASS, CH

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

5:00 pm - Faith Based Committee, SH

7:30 pm - Lopez Choir, CH

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

7:30 pm - Fit Club, SH

Friday, February 5 - **FIRST FRIDAY**

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

4:00 pm - Divine Mercy, SH (set-up)

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

6:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CH, CR #104

7:30 pm - First Friday Mass, CH

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

Saturday, February 6

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

9:00 am - SPRED, CR #104, 105, 106

9:00 am - Divine Mercy, CR #102

6:15 pm - Charismatics, CR #103

6:30 pm - El Shaddai, CH

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

Sunday, February 7

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

12:00 pm - Individual User, SH

1:30 pm - Sacred Heart Prayer Group, CR #103

4:30 pm - Children's Choir, CH

7:00 pm - Community Prayer Group, CH

7:30 pm - Fit Club, SH

Lent



Ash Wednesday

(February 10 @ 8AM, 12PM, 5PM, 7:30PM)

Taize Stations of the Cross

(February 12 @ 7:30PM - Church)

Way of Mercy Stations

(February 19 @ 7:30PM - Church)

Friday Fish Fry with Faith Sharing and a Movie

(February 26 @ 6:30PM - Parish Hall)

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

(March 3 @ 7:30PM - Church)

Taize Prayer Service

(March 4 @ 7:30PM - Church)

Friday Fish Fry with Faith Sharing and a Movie

(March 11 @ 6:30PM - Parish Hall)

Taize Stations of the Cross

(March 18 @ 7:30PM - Church)

"Merciful like the Father"