

St. Anne Catholic Parish

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First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2016

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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

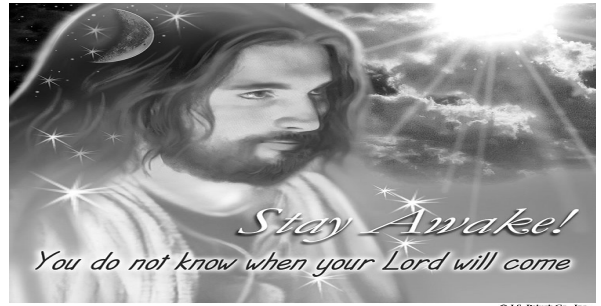
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| Weekdays | 8:00 am |
| Saturdays | 8:00 am 5:00pm (Vigil Mass) |
| Sundays | 8:00 and 10:00 am 12:00 and 6:00 pm |
| First Fridays | 8:00 am and 7:30 pm |
| Confessions | Saturdays @ 3:30 pm |

First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2016

*"You.....must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come."*

—Matthew 24:44



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Before the Second Vatican Council in the mid-1960s, Advent had a strong penitential tone, reminiscent of Lent. From as long ago as the fourth century, some Christians began a solemn fast on St. Martin's Day, November 11. This "Saint Martin's Lent" extended all the way to Christmas, and was widely followed in the dioceses of France and Germany, and in the Middle Ages in England. Fasting was required, and dancing and similar activities were banned for the duration. The fast had a social function, too, assuring that the winter food supplies would stretch into spring.

At the Second Vatican Council, some bishops argued that a revival of the long winter's fast would give the Church a chance to establish the message and themes of the Incarnation long before the holiday hubbub took hold. This proposal didn't pass, and Advent emerged as a four-week period of reflection, expectant waiting, and joyful preparation for the coming of the Lord. The season has two principal phases, with the first beginning this Sunday. The second phase commences on December 17, when the liturgy begins to unfold the story of the Savior's coming. Interestingly, the Eastern Church maintains a strongly penitential note in Advent, which is called "Winter Lent," "The Nativity Fast," or "Christmas Lent," and has laws forbidding people to absent themselves from liturgy from December 17 onward.

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

BE PREPARED

Be prepared. It's that simple. As this Advent season opens before us, the Lord Jesus summons us to stand ready for his coming. At this time of year much of our attention is focused on being prepared for the details that accompany the holiday season. We purchase gifts; we decorate our homes, inside and out; we prepare foods that we eat only during the holidays; we write and send Christmas cards; we attend holiday concerts; we prepare either to welcome family and friends into our homes or arrange for visits to their homes. We really can't escape the details that make up the season. Perhaps this Advent is a time to attend to all those details with a different spin. As we prepare to celebrate the feast of Christmas, why not be deliberate about acknowledging the presence of the Lord as we go about these tasks? The Lord often comes to us in wonderfully surprising ways. Let us be prepared.

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Mass Intentions
for the Week

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November 26, 2016 - December 3, 2016

Saturday, November 26

5:00 pm † Vincent & Maria Vinh-Ly

Sunday, November 27

8:00 am For the People

10:00 am † Angelo Gonzales
Barren, Hezle, Zachary Lomibao - Spe. Int.

12:00 pm † Rodolfo Agpasan
† Evelyn Vicman

6:00 pm † Dominic Thiep Vu

Monday, November 28

8:00 am † Ruben Javier
† Aderito Verceles

Tuesday, November 29

8:00 am † Mary Xuyen Nguyen
† Tom Kop

Wednesday, November 30

8:00 am † Mary & Vincent Nguyen
Daisy Bernardo - Spe. Int.

Thursday, December 1

8:00 am † Policarpio Fernandez
† Francisco Baraan, Sr.

Friday, December 2 (FIRST FRIDAY)

8:00 am † Virginia Wijangco
7:30 pm † Karen Mina - Spe. Int.

Saturday, December 3

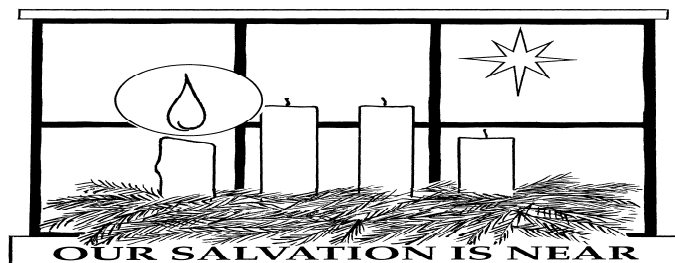
8:00 am † Felino R. Megino, Jr.
5:00 pm † Aurea Poblete
† Jaime Fanuncio

Please pray for the sick...

Ester Acda, Amelia Agustin, Jose Albatana, James Angeles, Eliza Atienza, Michelle Boja, Jose Balingit, Anthony Bascones, Bernardo Dingcong, Pedro Dingcong, Albert Carino, Jesus Carpio, Rommel Caspellan, Devon De Vera, Eufrosina Doroquez, Lourdes Estacio, Paz Galaang, Milagros Galimba, Maria Hocke, Lita Kayas, Arthur Legaspi, Marvin Llavore, Randy Magaan, Rosa Martinez, Digna Mendoza, Jose Mendoza, Roquita Padua, Esperanza Paz

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

NAMES WILL BE REMOVED AT THE END OF EACH MONTH



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — All the peoples shall stream toward the LORD'S house (Isaiah 2:1-5).

Psalms — Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord (Psalm 122).

Second Reading — It is the hour to cast off the dark and clothe ourselves in the light (Romans 13:11-14).

Gospel — Stay awake! Be prepared! The Son of Man will come when you least expect (Matthew 24:37-44).

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6;
Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Advent

Wednesday: St. Andrew

Thursday: World AIDS Awareness Day

Friday: First Friday

Saturday: St. Francis Xavier; First Saturday

BIBLE SHARING CLASS

Three years ago, we started a Friday and a Saturday Bible Sharing Group here in St. Anne. We study the Gospel for the following Sunday in English and Tagalog. We have now added a Wednesday group that meets at 9:30 every Wednesday.

We invite you to join us.

Our Name: BEC or Basic Ecclesial Community or Bibliar-asal

Our Goal: We use the Bible to study, to pray in order to obey God's will. Ginagamit ang Biblia sa pagaaral, pagdarasal para mabago ang ating asal.

Wednesday 9:15am Home

Friday 10:15am Room 102

Saturday 9:15am Room 102

For more information, please call Liwayway- 510-207-1409 or Marlene- 510-759-5846.

MISA EN ESPANOL

ULTIMO DOMINGO DE CADA MES ALAS DOS DE LA TARDE (2:00 PM)

Saint Anne Youth Ministry 2016-2017

St. Anne Youth Ministry will meet on Monday, November 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall to begin the season of waiting with: **“Anticipation Advent--The Joy in Waiting.”** During our time together we will reflect on the anticipation and joy that comes through waiting, especially during the Advent Season. Youth Ministry students and Emmaus will create an Advent calendar that may be used at home with their families throughout the Advent season.

St. Anne Youth Ministry Winter Retreat

The first Youth Ministry retreat of the year is scheduled for December 2-4, 2016 at the Diocesan Youth Retreat Center in Lafayette... please pray for them next weekend!

St. Anne Confirmation

There will be a Parent/Candidate meeting for all **second year Confirmation candidates** next Sunday, December 4 at 3:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This is a mandatory meeting that is regarding information for the upcoming Confirmation retreat December 9-11, 2016 in Scotts Valley.

LA Youth Day 2017

Information packets are available now!! St. Anne Youth Ministry will be participating in the February 23, 2017 Archdiocese of Los Angeles Youth Day. The LA Youth Day trip is open to all high school students from St. Anne's and will be from after school February 22 and returning on Saturday, February 25. This is a unique chance to see the Young Church of Today in ACTION. If you are interested in signing up or finding out more information, please call or email the Youth Ministry Office at (510) 471-7766 ext. 22 or stayouthministry@sbcglobal.net.

TIME OF PREPARATION

This life is the time of our preparation for our future state. Our souls will continue for ever what we make them in this world.

—John Tillotson, Archbishop of Canterbury

FULFILL TODAY

If what you did yesterday still looks big to you, surely you have not done much today.

—Anonymous

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

All Classes resume this week – November 28-29-30, December 1

COMMUNION PREPARATION (CP)

For 118 Communion Preparation students who are in their first year of Formation and attend Monday classes.... **Reconciliation: Go, Seek, Find and Discover God's Treasure** – WE TRUST IN GOD'S MERCY: Children will reflect on the “Parable of the Lost Son”. This parable is a story not only about our human weaknesses but about God's loving-kindness or mercy, for all of his children. Continue to keep these children in your prayers.

FIRST COMMUNION (FC)

For 117 First Communion students who are in their second year of faith formation and attend Tuesday First Communion classes.... **Eucharist: We Give Thanks & Praise** – LISTENING: Our children preparing for First Eucharist will be consider how listening to God's Word proclaimed at Mass can help them come closer to Jesus and how to respond to God's Word by helping others in their families and at school. *How does God's Word encourage you to help others?*

As we begin the First Week of Advent, a time of waiting for the Lord, may we always be watchful and alert. May we always fill our hearts with expectation so that, through the hope and tenderness of Christmas, we may shake off our indifference. *(This week let us pray for the renewal of our parish during this new liturgical year.)*

- Nov. 28, 2016 - Cenacle w/Fr Solomon - 6:30 PM, Rm 104
- Dec. 2, 2016 - First Friday/24 Hour Adoration
- Dec. 6, 2016 - Parish Advent Reconciliation Service - 7:30 PM, Church
- Dec. 9, 2016 - Simbang Gabi Mass @ Cathedral - 6 PM, Oakland (NO Cenacle)
- Dec. 10, 2016 - St Anne Tree Lighting
- Dec. 10, 2016 - Caroling
- Dec. 16, 2016 - First Day Simbang Gabi, St Anne, 5:30 AM



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Sunday, November 27, 2016

FINANCE CORNER

Weekly Collection Goals

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| Sunday, November 13, 2016 | \$ 13,642.84 |
| Online Giving | \$ 2,833.08 |
| Total | \$ 16,475.92 |
| Budget | \$15,000.00 |
| Over (Under) | \$1,475.92 |



ADVENT GIVING TREE

Take an angel from the Advent Giving Trees at the church entrances, and purchase a gift card. Attach the angel on the gift card and submit it to the Parish Office by December 14th. Experience the joy of giving this Holiday Season.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

The St. Vincent de Paul group and the Knights of Columbus are collecting non-perishable foods to make Christmas Baskets for the homeless and low income families in the community to be distributed on Saturday, December 17th. Please bring your donations and place them in the barrels at the entrances of the Church. If you know a family who would need a Christmas Basket, please call the parish office at 510 471-7766 and leave the families name and phone number.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is the process by which adults learn about and experience what it means to be Catholic. If you are someone who has expressed an interest in learning about becoming Catholic, was baptized Catholic as a child but has not celebrated First Communion, was baptized in another Christian tradition and would like to explore what being Catholic is all about, then this process may be for you. Inquiry sessions are ongoing so you are welcome to participate in the process at anytime with your questions, your insights and your faith story.

For more information please contact Debbie Nunes, RCIA Coordinator at 510 471-7766 or email stanneadultfaithformation@gmail.com

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

Monday, November 28

8:00 am - MASS, CH

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

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

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

6:30 pm - Youth Ministry, SH

7:30 pm - Lectors, CR # 102

Tuesday, November 29

8:00 am - MASS, CH

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

3:00 pm - Children's Choir, CR # 106

7:30 pm - RCIA, CR #105

Wednesday, November 30

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

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

6:30 pm - SPRED, SH

7:15 pm - Boy Scouts, CR #104

Thursday, December 1

8:00 am - MASS, CH

5:00 pm - Faith Formation, CR #103-106, SH

7:00 pm - Clergy Caroling, CH

7:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CR #104

7:30 pm - Pinto Choir, CR # 105

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

Friday, December 2 (FIRST FRIDAY)

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

9:00 am - Eucharistic Adoration, CH

10:15 am - Lectio Divina, CR # 102

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

6:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CR # 104

7:00 pm - Spanish Choir, CR # 105

Saturday, December 3

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

9:00 am - SPRED, CR # 106

9:15 am - Lectio Divina, CR # 102

6:15 pm - Charismatics, CR #103

6:30 pm - El Shaddai, CH

Sunday, December 4

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

9:00 am - Baptism Ministry, SH

10:00 am - St. Anne Seniors, CR #106

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

3:30 pm - Confirmation, All Facilities

4:30 pm - Children's Choir, CH

5:00 pm - Servants of the Holy Eucharist, CR #102

7:30 pm - Servants of the Holy Eucharist, CH





THE FILIPINO CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF OAKLAND

presents



Isang Gabing Kasiyahan

Christmas Edition



*An Evening of Christmas Carols
and Reflections with the
Filipino Clergy*

Thursday, December 1, 7PM
St. Anne's Church, Union City

Friday, December 2, 7PM
St. Joseph Church, Pinole

**Please contact Rev. Jun Manalo (510-4717766, St. Anne's Church)
and Rev. Geoff Baraan (510-9182140, St. Joseph Church) for more information.
Part of the proceeds will go to the Seminarians Fund of the Diocese.**