

St. Anne Catholic Parish

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Second Sunday of Advent December 4, 2016

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Liturgical/Sacramental Information

+Sacrament of Matrimony

By appointment. Call Rectory at least 6 months ahead. Do not let 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

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

Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2016

*The earth shall be filled
with knowledge of the LORD,
as water covers the sea.*

—Isaiah 11:9



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Did St. Francis of Assisi invent the Christmas crib? Not exactly, but his devotion to the Incarnation and his love for the poverty of the Christ Child certainly popularized this beloved custom. Long before Francis, it was a custom at the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome to enshrine a rich image of Mary, gilded and bejewelled, embracing the child Jesus. This church was founded as a kind of home for the feast of Christmas in the fourth century. In 1223, Francis was ready to celebrate this feast in a new way. In the tiny city of Greccio, he asked friends to prepare a place where they could experience the poverty and suffering embraced by Christ in his birth. It was a living scene: an ox from the barn, an ass from the stable, and peasants standing in for shepherds and kings. The night of the celebration was beautiful, the weather was warm, and people came in crowds, bearing candles and singing hymns that echoed through the forest. Francis himself chanted the Gospel and preached. The custom spread quickly, and by the sixteenth century cribs were seasonal features not only in church, but in the home.

On December 17, the liturgy begins to unfold the Lord's birth before us, and it's the right time to follow this beautiful tradition. In Germany, each night throughout Advent children prepare a bedding for the manger. At bedtime prayer, a child places a single straw in the manger for each act of devotion or virtue performed during the day. If the children are good, then the Christ child will have plenty of soft bedding when he is placed in the manger on Christmas.

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PREPARE THE WAY

Saint John the Baptist appears on the scene today as Advent enters its second week. The mysterious consumer of locusts and wild honey, John echoes the words of the prophet Isaiah as he calls for repentance in the face of the nearness of the kingdom of heaven. The rhythms of the Christian life are often confounding. Each year we meet the Baptist and hear his calls for repentance. Each year we see him pointing to the one who is coming after him, the Lord Jesus. Yet each year the words and actions of John the Baptist echo anew in our hearts, because we have fallen into old sinful traps again and again. Advent gives us the opportunity once again to turn away from our sinful ways and embrace the gospel way of life. John the Baptist invites us to prepare the way for the Lord, in whom we place our hope

2017 CYO GIRLS BASKETBALL

Details are listed below about the registration for the upcoming 2017 CYO Girls Basketball season. You can download the forms at our parish website (<http://www.saintannecatholic.org/home/cyo/cyo-signups>)

Saint Anne CCD students and parishioners only:

Monday, 12/5, Delanie Eastin MPR, 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Tuesday, 12/6, Kitayama MPR, 6:30 to 8 PM

Open Registration (new and returning players) residing within our parish boundaries

Open Registration (new and returning) – may turn in completed registration packets on:

Tuesday, 12/13, Delanie Eastin MPR, 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Wednesday 12/14, IVCMS Gym, 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Additional Open registration dates:

Wednesday, 1/04, IVCMS Gym, 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Tuesday, 1/10, Kitayama MPR, 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Registration fees are \$125 and \$65 for uniform, if your child needs one. Please make checks payable to:

Saint Anne CYO

All forms must be filled out completely and all copies must be included before we can process your registration paperwork. Incomplete applications will **NOT** be accepted. Registration is done on a first come basis. **Once a grade level is full, applicants will be placed on a waiting list.** Please contact Jonnell Galang anytime if you have any questions.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is an association of Catholic men and women under the powerful leadership of Mary Immaculate Mediatrix of All Graces.

True devotion and consecration to Mary is a sure hidden path to holiness.

If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact the following for more information.

Cora Angeles @ 510-675-9771 or

Jean Agpasan @ 510-471-2499



Mass Intentions for the Week

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December 3, 2016 - December 10, 2016

Saturday, December 3

5:00 pm † Aurea Poblete
† Jaime Fanuncio

Sunday, December 4

8:00 am † Alegria Paquia
† Cesar Cantago
10:00 am For the People
12:00 pm † Rodolfo Agpasan
Moitoso Family - Spe. Int.
6:00 pm † Napoleon Gonzales

Monday, December 5

8:00 am Peter Hernal - Spe. Int.

Tuesday, December 6

8:00 am † Melchor Domingo

Wednesday, December 7

8:00 am † Matilde Franco
† Ponciano Raguindin, Jr.

Thursday, December 8

8:00 am † Dominga Calbonero
5:00 pm † Caroline Patterson
7:30 pm † Dec. Mem of Palacios Fa.

Friday, December 9

8:00 am † Filomena Razon

Saturday, December 10

8:00 am † Norberto Aquino
5:00 pm † Vicente Franco
† Ricardo Vales

Please pray for the sick...

Ester Acda, Amelia Agustin, Jose Albatana, James Angeles, Eliza Atienza, Michelle Boja, Jose Balingit, Anthony Bascones, Albert Carino, Jesus Carpio, Rommel Caspellan, Bernardo Dingcong, Pedro Dingcong, Eufrosina Doroquez, Lourdes Estacio, Paz Galaang, Milagros Galimba, Michael Rem Garcia, Maria Hocke, Lita Kayas, Arthur Legaspi, Marvin Llavore, Randy Magaan, Rosa Martinez, Jose Mendoza, Mario Munoz, Roquita Padua, Cora Paiso.

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

WORDS OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE TO JUAN DIEGO

"Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection? Am I not your health? Are you not happily within my fold? What else do you wish? Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything."

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD (Isaiah 11:1-10).

Psalm — Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).

Gospel — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3:1-12).

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 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;
Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13;
Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10;
Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6,
11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16,
18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10;
Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent

Tuesday: St. Nicholas

Wednesday: St. Ambrose;
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Thursday: The Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday: St. Juan Diego

Saturday: International Human Rights Day

GRIEF, THE UNINVITED GUEST THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.

"Tis the Season to be jolly," but not for everyone. "Merry Christmas," but not for me! The holidays you have dreaded are approaching at every turn. You may be experiencing heartache & loss, emptiness & despair. Please come join us and others to help explore ways to prepare to survive the holidays when your heart has been broken.

You and your family are welcome to join us, each 2nd Thursday, of the month. December 8th, 7:00 PM, at Sorensen Chapel, 1140 B St., Hayward, Dessert will be served for December at 6:30 PM. All are welcome regardless of religious faith. No registration necessary.

Saint Anne Youth Ministry 2016-2017

St. Anne Youth Ministry will meet on Monday, December 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall to continue the season of Advent with **“Mary and John The Baptist—The Disciples of Advent.”** Next week, December 12 will be our last Youth Ministry meeting of 2016 and we will be joined by the Confirmation candidates fresh off their Confirmation retreat for a wonderful potluck celebration!

St. Anne Confirmation

There will be a Parent/Candidate meeting for all **second year Confirmation candidates** this afternoon, 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.

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

ADVENT – December Canned Food Drive: As we begin a new liturgical year, Advent marks the beginning of our preparation for Christmas. Let us focus on kind acts by which we help our neighbors with material, physical & spiritual needs, and actions we can perform that extend God’s mercy to those in need by supporting our Canned Food Drive for the Annual Christmas baskets that will be distributed by St. Vincent De Paul to help families in need this Christmas Season, and praying for these families that God grant them Faith, Hope, Love & Peace.

CCD MASS (5:00 PM SATURDAY VIGIL every Second Sunday of the month): Our monthly celebration of CCD mass is on Saturday, **DECEMBER 10.** We would like to invite all CCD students, catechists and their families to attend. A gentle Reminder to Catechists, Students & Parents who have volunteered to participate in the CCD Mass, please arrive 30 minutes before Mass for final instructions.

DIVINE MERCY

There will be NO enacole formation in December due to our Caroling schedules.

This week let us pray for our homeless family, especially as the weather turns wet and cold, that we as God’s people be moved to reach out to them. Open your hearts and let the Holy Spirit move you to make a difference. *For the month of December, we will be collecting the following which will be donated to St Anthony Foundation in San Francisco. We are asking parishioners to please donate a NEW pair of socks, gloves, scarf, or knitted hat.*

Do you have the gift of singing or playing an instrument? Join us to practice and sing Christmas carols to Carehomes this December. Please contact Lou Castro @ 510-396-1162 or any Divine Mercy member for more information.



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Everyone is invited to attend the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe (bilingual mass) at 8:00 am on December 12, 2016 followed by a reception at the Parish Hall.



There will be a **Confession Service for Vietnamese** on Sunday, December 18, 2016 from 2:00 pm –5:00 pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, Fremont, along Blacow Site

Sunday, December 4, 2016

FINANCE CORNER

Weekly Collection Goals

Sunday, November 27, 2016	\$ 11,535.50
Online Giving	\$ 2,076.68
Total	\$ 13,612.18
Budget	\$15,000.00
Over (Under)	(\$1,387.82)
<u>Thanksgiving Day</u> , November 24, 2106	\$4,034.50



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, December 5

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

7:00 pm - Reconciliation Retreat, CH

7:30 pm - Lectors, CR # 102

Tuesday, December 6

8:00 am - MASS, CH

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

7:30 pm - Advent Penance Service, CH

7:30 pm - RCIA, CR #105

Wednesday, December 7

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

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

6:00 pm - Youth Lectors, CR #101

6:30 pm - SPRED, SH

7:15pm - Boy Scouts, CR #104

7:30 pm - Adult Formation, CR #106

Thursday, December 8

8:00 am, 5:00 pm & 7:30pm - MASS, CH

3:30 pm - Children's Choir, CR #106

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

7:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CR #104

7:30 pm - Lopez Choir, CR # 105

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

Friday, December 9

8:00 am - MASS, CH

10:15 am - Lectio Divina, CR # 102

500 pm - Boy Scouts, SH

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

6:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CR # 104

7:00 pm - Baptism Class, CH

7:00 pm - Spanish Choir, CR # 105

Saturday, December 10

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

9:00 am - Divine Mercy, CR # 106

9:00 am - Knights of Columbus, SH

9:15 am - Lectio Divina, CR # 102

1:00 pm - Servants of the Holy Eucharist, CR #105

3:30 pm - Children's Choir, CR #106

6:15 pm - Charismatics, CR #103

6:30 pm - El Shaddai, CH

Sunday, December 11

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

10:00 am - FAUCEB, CR #104

12:00 pm - Hand Maid of the Lord, CR #105

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

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

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

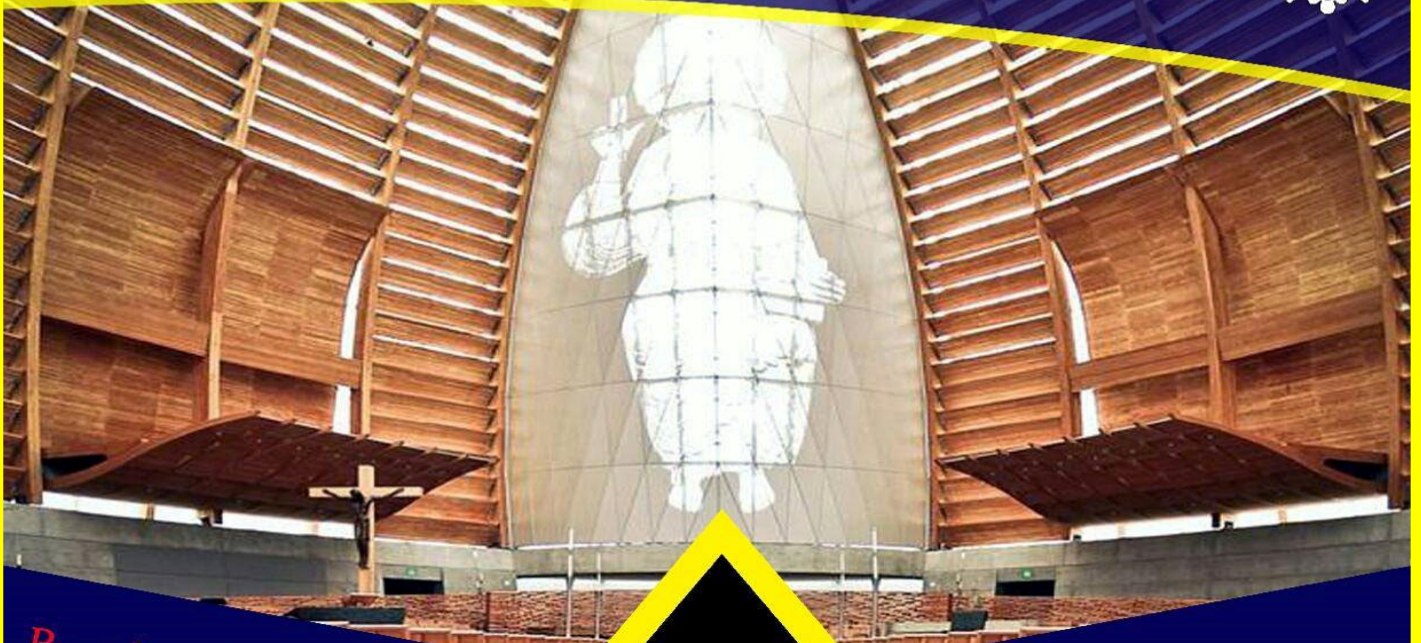


The Filipino Clergy joyfully invite you to

Simbang Gabi

MASS

5th Annual - Kick-Off



President: Most Reverend
Michael C. Barber, SJ

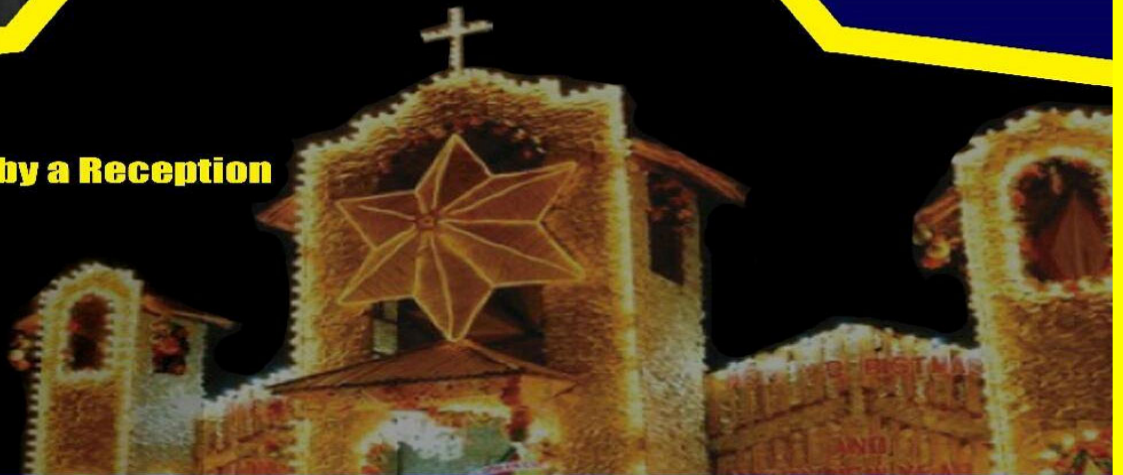


December 9
2016
6:00 PM ASSEMBLY

Contact:

Fr. Geoffrey Baraan
(510) 918 2140
Fr. Ken Sales
(925) 625 2077

Mass followed by a Reception



Cathedral of Christ the Light

2121 Harrison Street Oakland, CA