

St. Anne Catholic Parish

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Fourth Sunday of Advent December 24, 2017

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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.

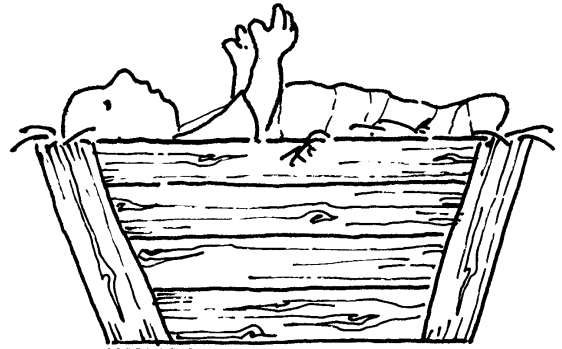
Holy Mass Schedule

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

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*The child to be born will be called holy,
the Son of God*

— Luke 1:35



A Message from Fr. Jun

My Beloved St. Anne Community,

My Salutations!

Christmas is a time when we venerate the event of the Eternal Word assuming our human nature. Because of the Blessed Virgin Mary's "fiat", God came to dwell in time.

Christmas season is a reason to be joyful. We are filled with joy because our great God has deigned to become one of us. Our hearts are filled with admiration and awe at the miracle that was born in the manger: vulnerable and yet great, human even so divine, helpless and powerful at the same time, giving himself in love to all of God's creations.

This is the miracle of the Incarnation of the Son of Man.

The wonder of Christmas, as the rebirth of Christ ought to show on our expressions; to ring out in our greetings the spirit of joy so that others may see that the Birthday of Jesus means miracle of life for all of us.

Let our joy infect and gladden all persons we meet; let it be a generous gift to all not only to someone we love; let this sacred season renew us in the Spirit of Christ, whose gifts are those of love, joy, peace and patience.

Allow me to take this significant season to express my deepest gratitude for all the support and assistance you have shared. Your stewardships of Time, love offerings, generosity and faithfulness to God help our parish, Saint Anne Church, continue her missions: to gather the flocks, feeding the hungry, giving shelter to the homeless and make our community vibrant, dynamic and Christ centered. Thank you so much for your selflessness and love.

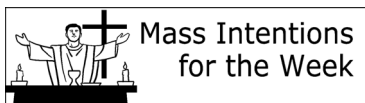
May the Lord, The Emmanuel, and His Blessed Mother smile on you not just only on Christmas season but in every moment in your lifetime.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!!!

Love and Blessings,

Fr. Jun Manalo, Jr.
Parochial Administrator





**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

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December 23, 2017 - December 30, 2017

Saturday, December 23

5:30am Simbang Gabi
5:00 pm Jason Cachola - Spe. Int.

Sunday, December 24

5:30 am Simbang Gabi
8:00 am † Catalina Gorospe
10:00 am † Rosalina Cabardo
12:00 pm Jesus Carpio - Spe. Int.
5:00 pm † Roberto Mariano
8:00 pm



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Monday, December 25

8:00 am
10:00 am
12:00 pm

Tuesday, December 26

8:00 am Sharish Mathew - Spe. Int.

Wednesday, December 27

8:00 am † Lucila Lopez
7:00pm † Lennert Von Clemm

Thursday, December 28

8:00 am † Maria Flores

Friday, December 29

8:00 am † Dominador Lostica

Saturday, December 30

8:00 am † Rene Sarmiento
5:00 pm † Michael Tang

Pray for the Sick, especially:

Ester Acda, Argentes Albano, Trajano Albano, Rachel Austria, Erlinda Asagra, Perla Brillantes, Alice Chien, Maricris Dologmandin, Isabelita Kayas, Manuel Gallardo, Lilian Gerardo, Ofelia Gonzales, Victorina Hernando, Marissa Magno, Josephine McNamara, Teresita Nacu, Cora Paiso, Mirian Pangilinan, Rupert Palacios, Madelyn Pasion, Teena Posas, Michael Seijo, Jess Suarez, Robert Tan, Stephanie Tongson, Jean Velayo, Arnie Zamora

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO ADD NAMES AND GIVE A CONTACT PHONE NO. SO OUR GRIEF MINISTRY CAN FOLLOW-UP.

NAMES WILL BE REMOVED AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER (WWME)

Give your children the best gift possible: the abiding love between their parents. Learn how to encourage it by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend. The next weekends are held at **San Damiano Retreat Center**, Danville on January 12-14th or May 18-20th. Space is VERY limited! Early registration is highly recommended. For more information contact Ray & Roberta @ 916.806.4601 or Joe & Sue @ 925.680.7767 now or go to oaklandwwme.org

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I will fix a place for my people. I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance (2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16).

Psalm — For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 89).

Second Reading — To the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be glory forever and ever (Romans 16:25-27).

Gospel — Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word (Luke 1:26-38).

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Monday: **Vigil:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29;

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]

During the Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3,

11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12;

Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6;

Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59;

Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17;

Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;

Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8;

Mt 2:13-18

Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3;

Ps 128: 1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19;

Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent

Monday: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Tuesday: St. Stephen; Kwanzaa begins

Wednesday: St. John

Thursday: The Holy Innocents

Friday: Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket

Saturday: Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

2018 BIBLE DIARY

Volunteers of Claretian Missionaries are here selling 2018 Bible Diary as they do yearly. These are great for Christmas

MISA EN ESPANOL

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



St. Anne Youth Ministry 2017-2018

St. Anne Youth Ministry is now on Christmas break and will resume with our first meeting of 2018 on January 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

St. Anne Confirmation "Called To Mercy"

St. Anne Confirmation is now in Christmas break and will resume classes on Sunday, January 14 at 3:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

GIRL'S CYO BASKETBALL

Girl's CYO Basketball registration will be held at the following times:

St. Anne CCD students and parishioners only - may turn in completed registration packets on:

Monday, 12/11, Kitayama MPR, 7:00 to 8:30 PM

Returning players only- may turn in completed registration packets on

Monday, 12/18, Kitayama MPR, 7:00 to 8:30 PM

Open Registration – may turn in completed registration packets on:

Thursday 12/21, Kitayama MPR, 7:00 to 8:30 PM

Monday, 1/08, Kitayama MPR, 7:00 to 8:30 PM

Thursday 1/11, Kitayama MPR, 7:00 to 8:30 PM

Please bring with you:

If your child is attending/enrolled in our Saint Anne CCD program: All completed forms from above, Copy of birth certificate, and payment (Must have also been enrolled in CCD program/Faith Formation 2017-2018 also).

If your child is not in our CCD program, but resides within the Saint Anne Parish boundaries (see Boundaries Map): All completed forms from above, Copy of residential utility statement (PG&E, Home Phone, Garbage or Water statement only), Copy of Birth Certificate, and payment.

Fees: \$100 - Registration and \$75 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. Registration is done on a first come basis and incomplete applications will NOT be accepted. Failure to register on time or submit **ALL** required documents and fees may result in your child not being placed on a team. **Applicants will be placed on a waiting list once the grade level is full.**

Make sure to download the Informational Letter for more details, the required Girl's CYO Basketball Form, and all forms above required to participate in CYO sports. If you have any questions please contact Jonell Galang at jgalangcyo@gmail.com

ST. ANNE SCHOOL OF FAITH FORMATION

(Grades 1- 8)

RE M I N D E R

CHRISTMAS BREAK

December 18 to January 4

NO CLASSES

Classes resume Monday, January 8.

We wish All a Blessed Christmas

And a Joyous New Year 2018

DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE

St Anne Divine Mercy Apostolate wishes every at Spirit-filled Merry Christmas! May you and your love ones embrace the season filled with Hope, Peace, Joy & Love. As we celebrate the coming of Christ, let us PAY FORWARD a good deed to someone in need. May you be blessed a hundredfold for your kindness as we pray for all of YOU. May 2018 bring you good health and a deeper relationship with Christ through the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We invite you to come pray with us as we pray for one another, for our community and for the world. God Bless You all! Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

Lou Castro, DM Coordinator 510-396-1162

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GOD'S PROMISE

The lengthy passage from Samuel is a wonderful exposition of God's promise to the house of David: that his throne would forever be gloriously occupied by his descendants. Hidden in the mystery of the prophecy is the promise of the Savior, the Messiah, Son of God and Son of David. The prophet Nathan, speaking in God's name, poetically turns around David's plan to build a house for God, and announces God's plan to build a "house," that is, a dynasty for David. From this house of David will come the Messiah, the Christ, not in kingly splendor as David ruled, but as a humble man, destined to rule forever and over all. When God gives a gift, it's amazing what we are given—so different from what we ever could have imagined. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

FINANCE CORNER

Weekly Collection Goals

Sunday, December 17, 2017	\$9,178.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,352.00
Total	\$11,530.00
Budget	\$15,000.00
Over (Under)	(\$3,470.00)
Simbang Gabi 12-/16-12/18	\$3,908.00



Try online giving for your weekly contributions. Go to our website at saintannecatholic.org and click on the green **Online Giving** button. You will be launched to our portal where you can create your own account and select a secure payment method like credit card, checking or savings account. You can select your giving amount and how often you would like to give: weekly, quarterly, yearly, etc.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Children of the parish are somewhat focused on Santa Claus these days, who is keeping an eye on who's naughty and who's nice. Santa Claus, with his heavenly patron Saint Nicholas, has been more or less in charge of gift-giving to American children for a hundred years or so. In other places, perhaps more attentive to our Christian tradition, there are different gift-bearers. In Greece, Saint Basil delivers the presents on his feast day, December 31, and makes sure everyone is sprinkled with holy water. The Baby Jesus is in charge elsewhere, called the *Christkind* in Austria and Belgium, *El Niño Jesús* in Columbia, and *Le Petit Jesus* in France, where he shares his duties with *Père Noël*. In the Czech Republic almost everyone is atheist, but *Ježíšek*, the infant Jesus, brings gifts to one and all. In Poland the "Star Man" is said to bring the gifts, although often he turns out to be the village priest in disguise. Saint Nicholas, not his Americanized cousin, is the giver in Holland, where he wears a bishop's miter, and in Russia, where he wears a bishop's crown. Soviet Russia tried to dethrone Saint Nicholas and promote Grandfather Frost, but no one was much fooled by this attempt to squeeze religion out of Christ's birth. One country has a saintly woman in charge of the gifts, Saint Lucy, honored in Sweden on December 13, when children serve their parents breakfast in bed, and others awake to news that they have been nominated for a Nobel Prize. Some children have a second round of gifts on Epiphany, when the magi assume the gift-giving duties. In general, the gifts of Christmas are simple pleasures, not great heaps of treasures. Once upon a time, a new pair of socks or an orange was enough for us. No matter what gifts we receive, all of them are to point us to the true gift, and the true giver.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

Monday, December 25

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

Tuesday, December 26

8:00 am - MASS, CH

7:30 pm - RCIA , CR# 106

Wednesday, December 27

7:30pm - Boy Scouts, CR #104

7:30 pm - Adult Formation, CR #106

Thursday, December 28

8:00 am - MASS, CH

7:30 pm -Lopez Choir, CH

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

Friday, December 29

8:00 am - MASS, CH

10:15 am - Lectio Divina, CR # 102

5:00 pm - Hand Maid of the Lord, CR #105

5:00 pm - Wedding Anniversary, CH

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

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

7:00 pm - Spanish Choir, CR # 102

Saturday, December 30

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

9:15 am - Lectio Divina, CR # 102

6:15 pm - Charismatics, CR #103

6:30 pm - El Shaddai, CH

6:30 pm - Individual User, SH

Sunday, December 31

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

9:00 am - Individual User, SH

2:00 pm - Spanish Mass, CH

4:30 pm - Children's Choir, CR #106

7:30 pm - Servants of the Eucharist, CH



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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
THE PARISH
OFFICE WILL
BE CLOSED ON MONDAY,
DECEMBER 25 AND
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26
WISHING EVERYONE A
BLESSED CHRISTMAS
SEASON!

MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

All 2018 schedules for the use of the parish facilities need to be in the parish office no later than December 29, 2017. The office staff does not automatically schedule for the new year unless we have a written schedule from each organizations or ministries. Thank you!

Christmastide Mass Schedule

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 24 @ 8AM, 10AM and 12PM (NO 6PM)

Solemnity of the Nativity of our Lord (Vigil)

Sunday, December 24 @ 5PM and 8PM

Solemnity of the Nativity of our Lord (Midnight)

Monday, December 25 @ 12AM (MIDNIGHT)

Solemnity of the Nativity of our Lord (Day)

Monday, December 25 @ 8AM, 10AM and 12PM (NO 6PM)

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God (Day)

Monday, January 1 @ 8AM, 10AM and 12PM

