

St. Anne Catholic Parish

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Feast of the Holy Family December 31, 2017

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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 5:30 pm (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

**The Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 31, 2017**

*My eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.
— Luke 2:30-31*



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BEARERS OF THE WORD

The Church has placed a number of notable feast days immediately after Christmas. The feasts of Stephen, John the Evangelist, and the Holy Innocents form a summary of the life lived in Christ, the Word made flesh. What do these have to do with the feast of the Holy Family, which crowns the Octave of Christmas? These feasts remind us that suffering will occur in fulfilling the mission of Christ, and that we are all called to be bearers of this Word whose birth we celebrate.

We also see this manifested in the lives of Joseph and Mary, both of whom took social and religious risks in obedience to the will of God, and both of whom were open to the word of God sent to them from on high. In these ways they prefigured the life of Jesus himself.

Most likely, few of us found ourselves at Mass this past Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, but the essence of these feasts and the essence of the holiness of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus remain central, a holiness we celebrate today.

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THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

***Jesus said: "I am the Way, and The Truth, and The Life
No one comes to the Father except through Me."
John 14:6***

Come and join us, you are welcome. every First Friday

Mass at the Church 7:30pm

Prayer Meeting/Novena 12:00pm, Rm #103

(Bringing lunch to share is appreciated though optional).

POC Fely Garcia @ 510-557-9739 or Dom Filardo @ 510-299-1293

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

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There's no more unusual setting to celebrate today's Feast of the Holy Family than Barcelona, Spain and the towering unfinished sandcastle known officially as the Temple Expiatori de la Sagrada Familia. In 1882, the plan was hatched to build a vast place of worship in reparation for the revolutionary and liberal leanings of the city. The modern artist Antoni Gaudi dedicated his life to the project, living in the building, attending Mass daily, and giving up his personal wealth. When people pressed him to pick up the pace, he responded, "My client is not in a hurry." (Gaudi's cause for beatification is moving along, and he could be the first professional artist and architect to be beatified.) The Spanish Civil War, a disaster for the Catholic Church in which thousands of priests, brothers, and nuns were murdered, halted work in 1935. In the 1950s work began anew, speeded up by computers in the 1980s. Still, the final stage of construction is not due to end until 2026. If the original methods had stayed in place, it would take several hundred more years to complete the plan. So far there are eight towers, with four to go. The highest steeple is three feet shorter than the nearest hill, since the architect didn't want his work to surpass God's artistry. The three faces of the basilica each have three doors, with the faces named Passion, Nativity, and Grace. The interior is crammed with geometric figures that almost seem to spin, crazy-quilt windows, spiral staircases, and jumbles of statues and figures. Although inspired by ancient Gothic cathedrals, the style is called Expressionist, and very little is left unexpressed by the masonry. If you can't afford a visit, Sagrada Familia maintains a web site, and virtual visits are free.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

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December 30, 2017 - January 6, 2018

Saturday, December 30

5:00 pm † Michael Tang

Sunday, December 31

8:00 am For the People

10:00 am † Bruno Solomon

12:00 pm Katrina Carpio - Spe. Int.

6:00 pm † Maximina Reyes

Monday, January 1

8:00 am New Year's Day

10:00 am New Year's Day

12:00 pm New Year's Day

Tuesday, January 2

8:00 am † Roy Renato Yap

Wednesday, January 3

8:00 am † Arturo Ramos

7:00pm Genoveva Bagaoisan - Spe. Int.

Thursday, January 4

8:00 am † Abelardo David

Friday, January 5

8:00 am † Adoree Rivera

7:30 pm † Wilfrida Hernandez

Saturday, January 6

8:00 am † Sergio Dioso

5:00 pm † Nicerata Olalia

Pray for the Sick, especially:

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

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

NAMES WILL BE REMOVED AT THE END OF EACH MONTH



Want to join a vibrant ministry? **SPRED** or Special Religious Education at St. Anne is growing and needs your help! Join us as we gather to work on fun activities, hear the Word of God proclaimed, and enjoy a beautiful meal from 9:00-11:30 am on Saturday mornings. It's easy- all it takes to is a willingness to make new friends! Call or text Inez Albores @ 510-695-8953 or email ialbores@live.com to get started!

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Those who honor their parents will be greatly blessed and will atone for sins

(Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14) or *Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3.*

Psalm — Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways (Psalm 128) or *Psalm 105.*

Second Reading — Be thankful; do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus (Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]) or *Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19.*

Gospel — The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom (Luke 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;
Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6;
Jn 1:29-34

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;
Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28
[23, 31-34, 36, 38]

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Monday: Mary, the Holy Mother of God;
The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord; World Day of Prayer for Peace;
New Year's Day

Tuesday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

Wednesday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

Thursday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Friday: St. John Neumann; First Friday

Saturday: St. André Bessette; First Saturday

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER (WWME)

As we celebrate Holy Family Sunday, let us remember that God's love for us is reflected in the love for each other in our family. Why not celebrate and encourage that love by giving your spouse the gift of 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



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

Although My greatness is beyond understanding, I commune only with those who are little. I demand of you a childlike spirit (Diary, 332). Lord Jesus, teach me humility and simplicity. May I be childlike in my willingness and openness to learn. May I have a childlike spirit to grasp Your greatness.

Jan 05 - First Friday, Adoration, 3:00-7:00 PM

Jan 05 First Friday Mass, 7:30 PM

Jan 08 - Cenacle Prayer, 6:30 PM, Room 104

Jan 15 - Cenacle Formation w/Fr Jun, 6:30 PM, Room 104

Jan 22 - Cenacle /Birthday Celebration, 6:30 PM, Room 104

Jan 29 - Cenacle Prayer, 6:30 PM, Room 104

POC: Lou Castro, 510-396-1162 or Emma Trias, 510-246-4541

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

TIME

Do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

—Benjamin Franklin

Sunday, December 31, 2017

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



Online Giving

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.

BIBLE SHARING CLASS

We invite you to join us.

Our Name: BEC or Basic Ecclesial Community or Bibliarasal

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.

Thursday at 11am to 1pm

Friday at 10:15 to 12:15pm

Saturday at 9:15am to 11:15am

Venue: Classroom 102 at St. Anne

Please bring your English or Tagalog Bible and Catechism of the Catholic Church

To register for the first time or to get more information, please contact: Marlene Balingit 510-759-5846

If you can't come, we can email you the Guide and we can teach you how to do it in your home.

THANK YOU!

On behalf of Knights of Columbus and the St. Vincent de Paul members would like to give thanks to all who donated food and gift cards for the less fortunate. May the Good Lord bless you and may you have a Happy New Year. Thank you once again for your generosity!!

A BIG THANK YOU!!!

Environment & Art would like also to extend our gratitude and a big thank you for all those who donated potted poinsettias, live Christmas trees and monetary donations towards flower arrangements. Thank you once again!!!! Have a blessed Happy New Year!!!

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

Monday, January 1

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

Tuesday, January 2

8:00 am - MASS, CH

7:30 pm - RCIA, CR# 106

Wednesday, January 3

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

7:30pm - Boy Scouts, CR #104

7:30 pm - Adult Formation, CR #106

Thursday, January 4

8:00 am - MASS, CH

7:30 pm - Pinto Choir, CH

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

Friday, January 5 (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 Choir, CR # 104

7:00 pm - Spanish Choir, CR # 102

Saturday, January 6

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

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

9:15 am - Lectio Divina, CR # 102

11:00 am - Wedding Anniversary, CH

1:00 pm - Funeral Mass, CH

6:15 pm - Charismatics, CR #103

6:30 pm - El Shaddai, CH

Sunday, January 7

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

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

MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

All 2018 schedules for the use of the parish facilities need to be in the parish office no later than **January 15, 2018**. The office staff does not automatically schedule for the new year unless we have a written schedule from each organizations or ministries. Thank you!

MISA EN ESPANOL

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

SERVANTS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST (SHE)

Servants of the Holy Eucharist (SHE) is inviting everyone to join us every Sunday after the 6pm mass for a community prayer in front of the **Blessed Sacrament** "we look forward to seeing and praying with you."

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A Message From Fr. Jun

My Beloved St. Anne Community,

Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails." (Proverbs 16:3)

At a definite time designated by our Father, the Almighty God and Creator, in a definite race prepared for thousands of years; from a definite time to eternity, a humble young lady- as the object of God's love was chosen to uplift the hopes of the whole humanity.

The Father prepared a certain human being to carry and become the living tabernacle of the Son. The Emmanuel was born of her that we might be reborn as children of God. It is no wonder that the first day of the year is dedicated to Mary, the Blessed Virgin – The THEOTOKOS-Mother of God.

Mary is the embodiment of the pilgrim church. We, as children are to follow the unwavering faith of our loving Mother, who is leading us to Jesus. It is through her wisdom of faithful obedience that we understand that the Lord's purpose should prevail.

Most of us have been subjected to a roller coaster kind of life. We have witnessed disasters and calamities affecting our brothers and sisters. We have been through some personal trials; like grieving for some members in our community who passed away. We have also been thankful to God for newborn babies being baptized here in our church. While we listen to the wisdoms of the elders, we also rejoice of the new possibilities and hopes reflected on by our children in the church and at homes. We heard grievances or disappointments as well as daily agreements and approvals. WE have offered prayers to our loved ones and those in need of our invocations and litanies. In the end, in spite of many challenges we have effectively accomplished the holy Mission of the church.

WE have done so many things together as One, Faithful and Active Family of Saint Anne. Although we know that to continue this purpose, a selfless act of kindness is always a requirement.

What better ways to start the coming New Year than to possess a perfect determination to live for Christ as Mary did in an ordinary day to day living. And in joys and sorrows; in works and recreations; in prayers and in sacrifices, our Mother is leading us constantly to her Son.

My deepest greetings to all! I am so humbled by the love and supports, accommodations and the prayers I have received.

We will say goodbye to 2017. As we say welcome 2018, we can only pray that our hopes and dreams be fulfilled; that our sacrifices and tears may turn into joy; our life may always be healthy, peaceful and jubilant.

Isaiah said "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not faint. "(Isaiah 40:31)

Happy New Year my beloved!

Blessings,

**Fr. Jun Manalo
Parochial Administrator**