

December 22, 2019 | Fourth Sunday of Advent



St. Anne Catholic Church



Liturgical Schedule

Morning Prayer-Rosary	7:00 am
Daily Mass	8:00 am
Saturdays	8:00 am
Sundays	5:00pm (Vigil Mass) 8:00 and 10:00 am 12:00 and 6:00 pm
OLPH Novena & Mass	6:30PM—WED
First Fridays	8:00 am and 7:30 pm
Confessions	24hr Adoration
Youth Mass	Saturdays @ 3:30 pm
Spanish Mass	2nd and 4th Sundays 6:00 pm
Indonesian Mass	2nd and Last Sundays @ 2PM
	3rd Sunday 3:00pm

Sacramental

Baptism

*Monthly
**No baptisms or classes
are held during Lent
Must be scheduled
with the Parish Office*

Funerals

*Arranged in
conjunction with the
Mortuary*

Matrimony

*By appointment. Call
Parish office at least 6
months ahead. Do not
set any specific date
without conferring
with the Priest.*

Anointing of the Sick

Contact Parish Office



Our 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.**

How can we live out our mission?

Pastoral Team

Rev. Rosendo Manalo, Jr.	Parochial Administrator
Rev. Augusto Acob	Parochial Vicar
	Adult Faith Formation Coordinator
Benigno Calub	Deacon
Carlos Rabuy	Deacon
Bernard Liwanag	Deacon
Jim Soltau	Youth Ministry Coordinator
Brandon Akiona	Director of Liturgy & Music
Helen Rojas	Children's Formation Coordinator
Zella Yanos	Office Manager
Bengil Ranillo	Bookkeeper

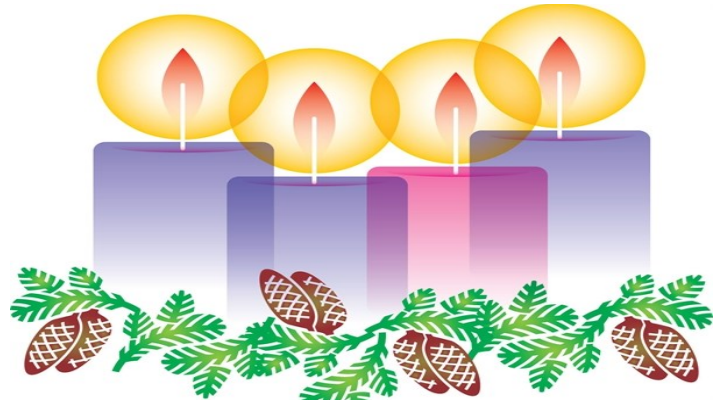
**We welcome your call and are here to serve you! Contact the Parish Office to speak with us or make an appointment.
We look forward to hearing from you!**

Volunteer Chairpersons
Helen Cabiles
Jessica Torres
Linda Canlas

Finance Council Chairperson
Facilities Committee Chairperson
Pastoral Council Chairperson

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 22, 2019

They shall name him Emmanuel,
which means "God is with us."
— *Matthew 1:23*



A Christmas Message from Fr. Jun

Dearest Brothers and Sister,

Peace!

Every Christmas we remember the best gift that we ever received! It is the gift of love from God. The Sacred Scripture which is the love letter of God has it: "God so loves the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life." (Jn. 3:16)

Christmas, which is literally meant as Christ's mass is nothing less than a God wanting to be with us. This is the time when we venerate the event of the Eternal Word assuming our human nature.

However, tragedies and death as war created by man or natural calamities are our constant companion. It exists in our midst. So persistent in challenging the strength of our faith and hope.

We see what went wrong during and after the crisis in life. We have been affected by the series of events in the past and we know that there are more to come.

However, I go into Christmas with the knowledge of Christian belief that in the greatest crisis of all, is the separation of human beings from God. "We have endurance and perseverance", because we also experience that the Lord's way is to make himself as vulnerable as a baby to come to us in human form, sharing our suffering and to bear the weight of our wrongdoing by offering to us the Hope of life.

Every Christmas season becomes a reason for us to hold on and be thankful to God: that there is a reason to be joyful. Because in Christ-the Emmanuel, we are transformed into hope and faith in the power of God.

Let our joy infect and gladden anyone 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 hope, joy, peace and love.

In my humble way, allow me to take this significant season to express my deepest gratitude to all the supports and assistance.

For the stewardships of Time, gifts and talent as our response to a call of gathering the flocks, feeding the hungry, giving shelter to the homeless and making our community vibrant, dynamic and Christ centered exemplified by our Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary.

May this feast encourage all of us to open our hearts to be the loving witnesses of God; to let love transform us and our world, to fill us with the unique joy of the feast and to share that joy with others.

Merry Christmas!!!!

Love and Blessings,

Fr. Rosendo R. Manalo, Jr.

**Merry
Christmas**

A stylized, decorative font for 'Merry Christmas' with holly leaves and berries.

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December 21, 2019 - December 28, 2019

Saturday, December 21

5:30 am Simbang Gabi
5:00 pm † Roy Quindoy

Sunday, December 22

5:30 am Simbang Gabi
8:00 am For the People
10:00 am † Bruno Solomon
12:00 pm † Michael Tang
6:00 pm † Jose Mendoza, Jr.

Monday, December 23

5:30 am Simbang Gabi
8:00 am † Catalina Gorospe

Tuesday, December 24

5:30 am Simbang Gabi
8:00 am
5:00 pm
8:00 pm
12:00 am



Wednesday, December 25

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

Thursday, December 26

8:00 am † Julita Ramos

Friday, December 27

8:00 am † Jansen Remorin Quiros

Saturday, December 28

8:00 am † Rosalina Cabardo
5:00 pm Rayven Mina - Spe. Int.



We lift up our sick and home bound in prayer:

Lita Abad	Reynaldo Marquez	Liberty Quirimit
Apollo Bernabe	Ernesto Moselina	Danny Sancho
Perla Brillantes	Nieyona Moselina	Enzo Soriano
Danny Cabardo	Manny Moya	Robert Tan
Maricris Dologmandin	Rodolfo Munoz	Stephanie Tongson
Maria Magat	Onofre Okialda	Diety Trocino
Melchor Magat	Pepito Palacios	James Villo
Marissa Magno	Siony Palacios	Richard Yu

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO INCLUDE NAMES AND PROVIDE A CONTACT SO OUR MINISTERS CAN FOLLOW-UP. NAMES WILL BE CLEARED AT THE END OF EACH MONTH



The Divine Mercy Cenacle/Prayer Meetings will reconvene weekly beginning January 6, 2020 at 6:30 pm in Room 104. We invite YOU to begin the NEW YEAR with us in prayer. Let us help each other to grow spiritually in words, deeds and prayers.

Dec 23 - Divine Mercy Breakfast Sponsor Simbang Gabi

POCs: Lou Castro 510-396-1162
Linda Avecilla 510-449-2788

SHE "Servants of the Holy Eucharist" 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.

CONTACT PERSON:

Melody Alejandro 510.427.9936
Faye Magpayo 510.676.2258

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.

Friday at 10:15 to 12:15pm

Saturday at 10:15am to 12:15am

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 510-507-5020

If you cant come, we can email you the Guide and we can teach you how to do it in your home.

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



St. Anne Youth Ministry

St. Anne Youth Ministry will be on Christmas break until Monday, January 6, 2020. Have a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

St. Anne Confirmation Program

St. Anne Confirmation classes are on Christmas break until Sunday, January 12, 2020. Have a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

LA Youth Day Trip February 19-22, 2020

LA Youth Day spots are filling up! To guarantee you a spot please submit your \$30 Registration fee to the Youth Ministry Office.

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

**RE M I N D E R
CHRISTMAS BREAK**

December 23 to January 2
NO CLASSES – Office is closed.
Classes resume Monday, January 6, 2020
**WE WISH ALL A BLESSED CHRISTMAS
and JOYFUL NEW YEAR 2020 !!**

St. Anne's Girls' Basketball



CYO registration for St. Anne's Girls Basketball is open from December 8, 2019 to January 5, 2020. To register, go to <https://bit.ly/33LKFrl>. Registration costs \$125 per player. Fees are due by January 20. Reach out to jgalangcyo@gmail.com for any questions.

The **St. Anne's Growing Leaders in CYO Program** is an internship designed to foster leadership and community engagement through sports. This program aims to offer an environment that allows high school students to learn how to teach and inspire youth through organized activities, implement the greater lessons learned through sports, and demonstrate the importance of community involvement. **High school** interns will be provided with a minimum of 15 hours of signed community service hours and CYO coaches certification. Applications are open from now until January 3rd for the girls' basketball program. For more information and an application link, see <https://bit.ly/34r9TN7>.



ADULT CONFIRMATION 2019

Sessions resume as follows at 7PM in Rm 103
1/8: The New Evangelization
1/15: The New Evangelization (continued)
1/22: Retreat (Sponsors REQUIRED)
1/26 @ 12PM: Rite of Sending in Church

ADULT CONFIRMATION 2020

2020 Sessions begin as follows
1/8: Orientation
1/15: The Teachings of Jesus
1/22: Catholic Social Teaching—Corporal Works of Mercy

Registration closes on January 3. Please see the Parish Website or Parish office for details

RCIA

Do you know someone interested in becoming a Catholic? Contact us today!
See the Parish Website for full details.

adultfaithformation@saintannecatholic.org

MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

All 2020 schedules for the use of the parish facilities need to be in the Parish Office no later than **December 30, 2019**. The office staff does not automatically schedule for the new year unless we have a written schedule from each organizations or ministries. Thank you for your kind cooperation.



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

**ALL PARISH OFFICES
WILL BE CLOSED ON
CHRISTMAS EVE
DECEMBER 24, 2019 &
CHRISTMAS DAY,
DECEMBER 25, 2019
WISHING EVERYONE
A BLESSED
CHRISTMAS!!**

Sunday, December 22, 2019

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Weekly Collection Goals

Sunday, December 15, 2019	\$11,284.98
Online Giving	2,987.00
Total	\$14,271.98
Budget	\$15,000.00
Over (Under)	(\$ 728.02)



Online Giving

Try online giving for your weekly contribution. 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.



**Knights of Columbus
Saint Anne Council 8627**

Activities –December 2019

December 21, 2019 (Note: Choir Practice at 4PM, Room 105)
Simbang-Gabi Breakfast Preparation – from 1PM to 4PM, at the Parish Kitchen/Hall, Saturday, December 21, 2019
Simbang-Gabi Breakfast Serving by Council / Assembly – following the 5:30AM Mass, Sunday, December 22, 2019 at the Parish Hall

**For any inquiry, please call or text message
Manny Bernal, Grand Knight at (510) 386-8426**

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
Genoveva Bagaoisan @ 510-471-9128**



SPANISH MASS

We have increased our Spanish Mass to twice a month to better serve our Spanish speaking community.

**Our Mass in Spanish
will be held every Second and
Last Sunday of each month.**

Join us!

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANNE

Monday, December 23

5:30 am - Simbang Gabi, CH

8:00 am - MASS, CH

9:00 am - Art & Env., CH

6:30 pm - Divine Mercy, CR #104

7:30 pm - Lectors, CH

Tuesday, December 24

5:30 am - Simbang Gabi, CH

8:00 am - MASS, CH

9:00 am - Art & Env., CH

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

5:00 pm - MASS, CH

8:00 pm - MASS, CH

12:00 am - MASS, CH

Wednesday, December 25

8:00 am - MASS, CH

10:0 am - MASS, CH

12:00 am - MASS, CH

Thursday, December 26

8:00 am - MASS, CH

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

7:30 pm - Lopez Choir, CH

7:30 pm - Unity Choir, CR #106

Friday, December 27

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

9:00 am - Eucharistic Adoration, CH

10:15 am - Lectio Divina, CR #102

1:00 pm - Schola Cantorum Choir, CR #103

6:30 pm - Divine Mercy Choir, CR #105

6:30 pm - Legion of Mary, CR #103

7:00 pm - Spanish Choir, CR #102

Saturday, December 28

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

9:00 am - Knights of Columbus, SH

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

10:00 am - Funeral Mass, CH

10:15 am - Lectio Divina, CR #102

6:15 pm - Charismatics, CR #103

6:30 pm - El Shaddai, CH

Sunday, December 29

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

9:30 am - Schola Cantorum Choir, CR #103

10:00 am - Choir of Unity, CR #106

2:00 pm - Spanish Mass, CH

4:30 pm - Children's Choir, CH

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

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You will be given this sign: The virgin shall conceive and bear a son (Isaiah 7:10-14).

Psalm — Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — God has called us to belong to Jesus Christ (Romans 1:1-7).

Gospel — The son born of Mary shall be called Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins (Matthew 1:18-24).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66
 Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79
 Wednesday: 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]
 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]
 Thursday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22
 Friday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
 Saturday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18
 Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-5; Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent
 Monday: St. John of Kanty; Hanukkah begins
 Tuesday: Vigil of Christmas
 Wednesday: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
 Thursday: St. Stephen; Kwanzaa begins; Boxing Day (Canada)
 Friday: St. John
 Saturday: The Holy Innocents

ILOCANDIA TOUR

Ilocandia Tour with Fr. Gus Acob on

August 8-16, 2020

For more information and brochure, please contact

gusacob@gmail.com or call 510-418-2750



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TRUST IN GOD

On this final Sunday of Advent our scriptures focus on the historical birth of Jesus, who is son of David and Son of God, child and king, Jesus and Emmanuel.

Isaiah the prophet begs Ahaz to ask for a sign, to allow God to offer him reassurance of the survival of the Davidic dynasty. The king hypocritically refuses to “tempt the LORD” in that way (Isaiah 7:12), but the prophet foretells the birth of a son, an heir to the throne, who will prove the Lord’s enduring protection of God’s chosen lineage on the throne of David. The child will be called Emmanuel.

Matthew’s reference to this history in his description of the birth of Jesus highlights the contrast between the faithless refusal of trust shown by Ahaz, and the complete trust in God shown by Mary and Joseph in bringing about the birth of Jesus Christ.
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SAINT STEPHEN (first century)

December 26

“A man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit” (Acts 6:5): thus Luke introduces Stephen, first of seven deacons chosen by the community for its ministry of charity, first to lay down his life in witness to Christ. As the church’s first martyr, Stephen’s life and death mirror the preaching and passion of Jesus, “the faithful witness” (Greek, martyr) (Revelation 1:5). Like Jesus, Stephen works “great signs and wonders among the people” (Acts 6:8). Like Jesus, when falsely accused, Stephen’s face radiates angelic serenity (Acts 6:15), though his tongue, like Jesus’, is a two-edged sword. As the dying Jesus forgave his executioners, even making excuses for them, then commended his spirit into his Father’s hands (Luke 23:34, 46), so Stephen intercedes for his murderers and begs Jesus to receive his spirit (Acts 7:60, 59). How fruitful both passions! The penitent thief inherits Paradise; Saul, who consented to Stephen’s killing, is transformed into the fearless preacher Paul. Thus Stephen challenges us to bear witness not in words only, but by Christ-like forgiveness toward all.

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CHRISTMAS

A young mother, her eyes shining with fatigue, who is arranging her hair; a father who finds himself alone with his pretty wife and baby, straightening the stable to make himself useful in some way; shepherds who bring cheese and perhaps also some curdled milk; sheep who look at their shepherds while bleating; a donkey who is eyeing his manger changed into a cradle; an adorable swaddled baby whom one calls Savior, Christ and Lord: This is the manifestation of the goodness and the tenderness of God. This is the most fantastic birth in the history of humanity, the one which changed the face of the world! This is how far God humbled and compromised himself with us! This is Emmanuel!

—From *God’s Word Is Our Joy*, Vol. 1 by Lucien Deiss, CSSp, copyright © 1998, World Library Publications. p. 73

Christmastide Mass Schedule

❖ Solemnity of the Nativity of our Lord (Vigil)

Tuesday, December 24 @ 5PM and 8PM

❖ Solemnity of the Nativity of our Lord (Midnight)

Wednesday, December 25 @ 12AM (MIDNIGHT)

❖ Solemnity of the Nativity of our Lord (Day)

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

❖ Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Wednesday, January 1 @ 10AM & 12PM

