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February 21, 2016 ~ The 2nd Sunday of Lent



"The Transfiguration of Christ"

WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S

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*Second Sunday of Lent
February 21, 2016*

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?
— *Psalm 27:1*

Compassion for the Immigrant

As we continue our spiritual journey toward compassion during this holy Year of Mercy, it remains even more important to be compassionate toward the immigrant. Political rhetoric during the 2016 U.S. presidential campaign seems to suggest otherwise. Through inflammatory, stereotypical characterizations, immigrants are all broadly portrayed as either criminals, religious fanatics, or terrorists. Indeed, it has created a kind of social culture of the criminalization of the immigrant. Even the so-called evangelical block of voters have become vulnerable and persuaded by Islamophobia, xenophobia, and social intolerance. Nevertheless, Holy Scripture teaches otherwise. Consider with me Leviticus 19:34: **The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. I am the Lord your God.** In addition, consider the Parable of the Good Samaritan (*Luke 10:25-37*).

The following contains an extended excerpt of Pope Francis's papal address to the Joint Session of Congress recently:

I am most grateful for your invitation to address this Joint Session of Congress in "the land of the free and the home of the brave". We, the people of this continent, are not fearful of foreigners, because most of us were once foreigners. I say this to you as the son of immigrants, knowing that so many of you are also descended from immigrants. Tragically, the rights of those who were here long before us were not always respected. For those peoples and their nations, from the heart of American democracy, I wish to reaffirm my highest esteem and appreciation. Those first contacts were often turbulent and violent, but it is difficult to judge the past by the criteria of the present. Nonetheless, when the stranger in our midst appeals to us, we must not repeat the sins and the errors of the past. We must resolve now to live as nobly and as justly as possible, as we educate new generations not to turn their back on our "neighbors" and everything around us. Building a nation calls us to recognize that we must constantly relate to others, rejecting a mindset of hostility in order to adopt one of reciprocal subsidiarity, in a constant effort to do

our best. I am confident that we can do this. Our world is facing a refugee crisis of a magnitude not seen since the Second World War. This presents us with great challenges and many hard decisions. On this continent, too, thousands of persons are led to travel north in search of a better life for themselves and for their loved ones, in search of greater opportunities. Is this not what we want for our own children? We must not be taken aback by their numbers, but rather view them as persons, seeing their faces and listening to their stories, trying to respond as best we can to their situation. To respond in a way which is always humane, just, and fraternal. We need to avoid a common temptation nowadays: to discard whatever proves troublesome. Let us remember the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (*Mt 7:12*).

Yes, church, the Holy Father's words recorded above remind us that as disciples of Jesus Christ, we are called toward compassion to the immigrant.
Alleluia. Alleluia. Amen.

—*Rev. Mr. John Dupre*

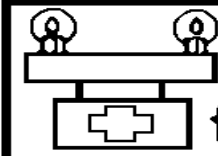
WE ARE TO BE TRANSFORMED

Today's showing forth of God's glory is filled with a light that astonishes and reveals. Jesus transfigured on Mount Tabor energizes even the sleepy apostles, who see but cannot get hold of it. They can be forgiven for not apprehending the full meaning of this extraordinary vision of a transfigured Jesus with Elijah and Moses. The whole of the Law and prophets is summed up here on this mountain.

The transfiguration on Mount Tabor is handed over to us this Sunday. As Paul reminds us, it is we who are to be transformed. The light and life of the Resurrection are set forth here so we do not lose heart and fall entirely asleep. This Sunday looks to Easter. It looks to transformation. It asks us to lift up our heads and acknowledge the risen Lord as our light and our salvation.

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Pilgrimage Retreat at St. Patrick's Seminary – Save the date: Saturday, March 12 is our Pilgrimage Retreat to St. Patrick's Seminary. The Archbishop has designated the Seminary as the site in the Peninsula where pilgrims can enter the Holy Doors and obtain an indulgence, which means that through the good works we perform, God in His mercy will not only forgive, but lessen the effects of our sinful actions. The theme of our pilgrimage retreat is *Journeys of Mercy*. We'll depart here at 9am and will return back at 3pm. Please plan on joining us.



Masses for the week

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February 21—27, 2016

Sunday, February 21	Presider
7:30 Leung Chau Wai (D)	Bishop Walsh
9:00 Nicandro Conge (D)	Fr. Nascimento
10:30 Parishioners of St. Anne	Fr. Nascimento
Noon Rev. Didacus Ma (D)	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Monday, February 22	
6:30 Intentions, Pat & Lorenzo del Rosario	Bishop Walsh
8:45 John Fox, Sr. (D)	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Tuesday, February 23	
6:30 Jerry Cregan (D)	Bishop Walsh
8:45 Marion Leahy (D)	Fr. Nascimento
Wednesday, February 24	
6:30 Margaret DeSilva (D)	Bishop Walsh
8:45 Jim Ferenz (D)	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Thursday, February 25	
6:30 Josephine Leen (D)	Fr. Nascimento
8:45 Jerry Maring (D)	Bishop Walsh
Friday, February 26	
6:30 Healing, Tom Leen & Family (D)	Bishop Walsh
8:45 Intentions, Diego & Miguel Morales	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Saturday, February 27	
8:45 Confraternity of St. Anne	Fr. Zhai, SVD
5 p.m. Lillian Lasola (D)	Bishop Walsh

Please keep in your prayers **Elaine Lovett**, our former rectory cook, who is recuperating from surgery.

St. Anne's Religious Education Catechists will host a whole day Lenten Retreat with Bishop Daniel Walsh as Guest Speaker on Sat., Feb. 27 at 10 am in the 1390 Room. Registration and coffee will be at 8:00 a.m. in the 1390 Room followed by the Novena Mass at 8:45.

40 Days for Life is a peaceful, law-abiding prayer vigil in front of an abortion business, for a total of 40 days straight. This campaign is world-wide and since its inception 10 years ago has saved over 10,000 babies from abortion when their mothers changed their minds because of the campaign; has convinced many people to stop working at the abortion businesses; has convinced many people who were pro-abortion, to change and become pro-life; and has also brought the closure of numerous abortion businesses.

Locally, the vigil will be held in two locations, in **San Mateo**, Planned Parenthood, 35 Baywood Ave. and in **San Francisco** at Planned Parenthood, 1650 Valencia St. The campaign began on Ash Wednesday and continues daily 12 hours a day through Palm Sunday, March 20th To ensure there are at least two people present at all times please sign up online at 40daysforlife.com.

Free Live Theatrical Event at Star of the Sea Church on Wednesday, February 24 at 7 p.m.

Thérèse: The Story of a Soul is a face-to-face encounter with Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, "The Little Flower," one of the most beloved saints of modern times. In this one-woman performance by actress Audrey Ahern, Thérèse speaks directly to the audience with humor, grace and humility. Thérèse's honest, direct spirituality speaks powerfully to our busy culture with the encouraging message that anyone can become a saint. The musical score is lyrical and inspiring, and was composed by Sister Clare Sokol, herself a Carmelite nun. Sister Clare and script-writer Patti Defilippis worked closely together to achieve an authenticity that would do justice to Saint Thérèse. *Thérèse: The Story of a Soul* is a delightful drama for all ages including young adult and teen audiences. Tickets are not required (free-will offering only).

*Star of the Sea Church,
Parish Hall, 4420 Geary Blvd., San Francisco
Office 415-751-0450 StarParish.com*

Saint Vincent de Paul Conference

*Saint Anne of the Sunset
January 1 — June 30, 2015*

Bank Balance December 31, 2014: \$1,049.09

Second Collections:

1/30/2015:	\$6,500.00
3/06/2015:	2,993.00
6/16/2015:	<u>1,518.00</u>

Collection Total: \$11,011.00

Grand Total: \$12,060.09

Expenditures:

Client Aid:	\$1,760.00
Twinning:	<u>925.00</u>
Total:	\$2,685.00

Bank Balance June 30, 2015: \$9,375.09

Submitted by
William Ceragioli
SVDP

Last Week's Collections

1st Collection, Feb. 13, 14—\$4,220.00
Building and Maintenance Fund —\$1,039.00

This Week's Second Collection:
Property and Insurance Fund

Next Week's Second Collection:
St. Vincent de Paul Society

Thank You All for Your Generosity!

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SAINT ANNE PARISH REGULAR SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. (English)
12:00 p.m. (Cantonese)

DAILY MASS

Monday thru Friday: 6:30 a.m. and 8:45 a.m.
Saturdays: 8:45 a.m.

MASSES—HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

6:30 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 12:00 noon, 6:00 p.m.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION

First Friday: 9:15 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

BAPTISM

2nd Saturday - 12:30 p.m.

BAPTISM CLASS

2nd Sun. - 1:30 p.m.

(No Baptisms scheduled during Lent.

No Baptism Classes on Mother's Day & Easter Sunday)

PENANCE

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.-4:55 p.m. or by appointment

SAINT ANNE DEVOTION

Saturdays at 8:45 a.m. Mass

Office Hours

Monday thru Friday, 9:00 A.M.—4:30 P.M.

Young Adult Retreat! "Seeking God's Dream for Me"

Tools for Christ-Centered Decision-Making

Saturday, March 5th — 10am –5pm

Includes 4pm Vigil Mass

Notre Dame de Namur Campus, Belmont, CA

\$10.00 (Lunch and Snacks) RSVP by Feb. 29

online registration <http://bit.ly/GodsDream> Sponsored by

Bay Area National Religious Vocation Conference

For more info: Sr. Lisa, DC, 650-949-8890

or srllaguna@doc1633.org

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Every Friday of Lent

Beginning February 12 to March 18

**Divine Mercy Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm
With Exposition & Benediction**



preceded by
a simple supper
of soup and bread
in the vestibule
at 6:00 PM

In order to help with planning, please RSVP to Tessie:
415-665-1600 x 22 or tessievellicario@stanne-sf.org

**Join Fr. Dan, Sr. Mary Peter
and Rev. John Dupre
for 5 weeks beginning on
February 16, 2016 for a
new Book Club**

Beautiful Mercy



**Tuesday, February 16 @ 10:00am
with Rev. John Dupre**

**Thursday, February 18 @ 7:00pm
with Fr. Dan**

**Saturday, February 20 @ 10:00am
with Sr. Mary Peter**

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