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June 19, 2016 ~ Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME TO ST. ANNE’S

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There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free person, there is not male and female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.
—Galatians 3:28

FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST
The great fifty-day celebration of Easter has concluded, as have the feasts honoring the Holy Trinity and the Body and Blood of Christ. Last week we began a long stretch of Ordinary Time that will bring us to late November. Saint Paul tells us today that those who are baptized “have clothed yourselves with Christ” (Galatians 3:27). This scripture is echoed in the Church’s baptism ritual when we sing, “You have put on Christ, in him you have been baptized.” This message is inspiring and sobering at the same time, for in today’s Gospel, we get to the heart of what it means to be clothed in Christ. The Lord tells us, “If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me” (Luke 9:23). For the next twenty-two weeks we are called to take up the cross and, with Saint Luke as our guide, follow in the footsteps of Christ.
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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
It’s almost midsummer day! One of the great hidden treasures of our liturgical calendar occurs this week. There are only three “nativity” feasts on our calendar: for the Lord, the Blessed Mother (September 8), and the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist on June 24. Friday’s date is anchored by the Annunciation (March 25), when Mary learns not only of her own child’s advent, but of Elizabeth’s child. We are exactly half a year away from Christmas Eve. There are strong traditions around this feast. Just as the winter solstice provides a rich vocabulary for Christmas, so does the abundance of light at midsummer inform this celebration. Just as at Christmas, a religious festival spills over into culture. As summer light reaches its peak, the sun-drenched zones of northern Europe see people staying up all night, kindling “St. John’s Fires” in the long summer twilight. Bonfires seem to be the unifying force in all these celebrations, kindled along the shores of the St. Lawrence in Quebec and Montreal, with harbor illuminations in France. You may be most interested in the custom in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the Baptist’s own city. People there will leap into the sea between midnight and dawn to honor John. Why not find your way to a pool, a lake, or a sandy beach this week and plunge in to recall your baptism? It’s a tradition!
—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.
July 13, 2016 Statement on Mass Shooting in Orlando

Another senseless act of violence leaves us all stunned and horrified. As people of faith we know the folly of responding in kind. A violent response of any kind would only further spread this spiritual disease which has infected our society like a cancer. Instead, we stand in solidarity with all those affected by this atrocity, for regardless of race, religion or personal lifestyle, we are all beloved children of God, called to respond to the mystery of iniquity with love and compassion. I ask all Catholics to join me in praying for the victims and their families struck by this cowardly act of terror in Orlando, and for the first responders attending to them in their time of suffering.

—Most Rev. Salvatore J. Cordileone
Archbishop of San Francisco

SAGES (St. Anne Growing, Exploring Seniors) will sponsor another Pilgrimage on Monday, June 27th, at 11:00am this time to Our Lady of Fatima Russian Byzantine Catholic Church on 5920 Geary St., between 23rd and 24th Avenue. Free parking will be available in St. Monica parking lot. (This Byzantine Church has occupied St. Monica Convent for some years.) Jesuits were the founders of the first Russian Catholic Church of the Byzantine Rite in San Francisco, established to address the spiritual and other needs of Russian (Diaspora) immigrants in the 1950's. SAGES' events are always open to all Parishioners and friends of St. Anne of the Sunset. Please make your check of $5.00 payable to Our Lady of Fatima Byzantine Church, memo line SAGES, att. Sr. Esther, and leave in the St. Anne Rectory mailbox.

Reservation Deadline: Mon., June 20, 2016
Thank you.
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ST. ANNE REGULAR SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass:
Sat: 5pm; Sun: 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am
& 12pm (Chinese)

Daily Mass:
Mon - Fri: 6:30am & 8:45am
Sat: 8:45am (Devotion to St. Anne)

Holy Days of Obligation:
6:30am, 8:45am, 12 noon, & 6pm

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament:
1st Friday following 8:45am Mass until 10am

Reconciliation: Sat: 4 - 4:55pm or by appointment

Baptism: 2nd Saturday @ 12:30pm
Baptismal Preparation Class:
2nd Sunday @ 1:30pm in Rectory

Office Hours:
Mon.—Fri., 9am—4:30 pm

Looking for Gifts? Our Gift Shop is open Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. and after the 5:00 p.m. Mass; and on Sundays at 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sr. Mary Francis and her helpers will be happy to assist you.
The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist
Friday, June 24, 2016

St. Anne Mission Statement

We, the people of Saint Anne, envision a Christ-centered community, enriched by the gifts of a diverse heritage. We remember the past and are open to the future; living out the Gospel values with enthusiasm, joy and celebration under the protection of Saint Anne.

We commit ourselves to sharing the mission belonging to all followers of Christ: caring for one another and reaching out to those in need.

We commit ourselves to revitalizing our parish community; to participating meaningfully in the celebration of the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, to developing a strong sense of stewardship; and to regularly evaluating our work and ministries.
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