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July 17, 2016 ~ Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



***Celebrating our
109th Annual
Novena to
Good St. Anne***

Parables of Mercy

***Monday, July 18th
thru
Tuesday, July 26th***



WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S

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The Better Portion
Luke 10.38-42

Our Gospel story records Jesus and His companions meeting socially with Martha and Mary. Mary and Martha are not relatives of Jesus. This kind of meeting with women is contrary to the cultural Jewish norms of the time. Women servers are also contrary to the norm. Our story describes a universal parallel with the discipleship of men and women. Serving is symbolic of Christian service. Our narrative implies that both men and women are called to serve at the Christian banquet table of discipleship and fellowship.

Now, Martha had concerned herself with the hospitality of preparing and serving the food. Mary placed herself at the feet of Jesus. Mary, the sister of Martha, humbly, obediently, and attentively listened to the spiritual words of the Master. Mary expressed a prayerful disposition toward Jesus. Martha protested to Jesus. She wanted Him to encourage Mary to help her with her preparations and serving. Many of us can relate to Martha's complaint. Many may even consider it only fair that Martha and Mary should share the audience of Jesus and their serving duties equally.

Jesus asserts Himself with Martha and confronts her anxiety and worry about the hospitality of serving, which is one portion of ministry. However, the better portion is to choose to listen and abide by the spiritual Words of Jesus, the Son of God. Jesus must be central and primary to every Christian activity and gathering. For man does not live by bread alone but by every Word of God (*Luke 4.4/ Deuteronomy 8.3*). In the final analysis, prayerfully listening to Jesus and abiding with His commandment of love and mercy is the better portion. We are called to keep this first thing first, the better portion. Thus, it is all that is required for our lives and ministry.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

—*Rev. Mr. John Dupre*

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. During the Saint Anne Novena, the Gift Shop will be open before and after each Mass.

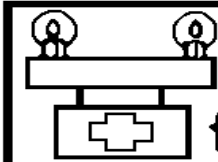
Pastor's Column **Why Novena?** – In an age

of fast food restaurants, microwavable meals, texting and Tweets, we're used to getting everything we want in an instant. However, life doesn't always happen that way. Consider the miracle story of a young child named Leo. His mother, Carolyne, shared the following story: "We had been trying to conceive since September 2008. I lost a little girl named Mary at 22 weeks in January 2010. It was devastating beyond words, but brought me closer to God. I went to daily mass and prayed the rosary every day. It was the only thing that was helping me deal with my grief. Then I joined RCIA. I was baptized and confirmed at the Easter Vigil in 2011. I had two more miscarriages since the loss of baby Mary. I was about to turn 42 and the clock was ticking. I was running out of time. My husband and I went to the Novena every day in 2011. Our intention was to have another baby. I became pregnant again a couple of months after the Novena. I had some complications during the pregnancy, and we didn't know if he was going to survive. We prayed every day. We never gave up hope. At the next Novena in 2012, I was 8 months pregnant. We thanked God every day and prayed for a healthy baby and safe birth. God finally gave us our little miracle. We had a healthy baby boy a month later. It was my easiest birth. Leo is a joy and makes us laugh every day. I keep his first sonogram image in a sparkling picture frame to remind me every day of the power of prayer. God hears us. Miracles really do happen!" The word "Novena" comes from the Latin *novem* which means "nine." It's nine days of prayer. It comes from the time Jesus asked His disciples to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit before He ascended to heaven. And after nine days of prayers, the apostles received the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. What special needs, worries, or concerns do you have? Don't suffer in silence. Come as Carolyne came and bring them to the Lord this Novena (July 18-26) and ask our Lord's grandmother, St. Anne, to pray with you and for you. Good St. Anne, pray for us!

Family Comedy Night – Don't forget to tell family members and friends about our Family Comedy night on Mon., 7/18 @ 7pm in our Church Hall (Moriarty Hall). Featured speaker is comedian and inspirational speaker **Michael Pritchard**, who will speak to us about Family, Faith, and Fun in this Year of Mercy.

Welcoming New Staff – We welcome **Mrs. Katrina Dilag** as our new Jr. High Youth Minister. She has worked as a Catechist, Confirmation teacher and Youth Minister since 2003. She's also a new mother. And working together with the parish and school staff, we aim to build a strong team to serve our teens and their families. Welcome Trina!

—*Fr. Dan*



Masses for the week

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July 17—July 23, 2016

Sunday, July 17

7:30	Carmen Del Rosario, thanksgiving	Presider
9:00	Telesfora & Arturo Gorospe (D)	Redemptorist
10:30	Rev. Francis Filice (D)	Redemptorist
Noon	Parishioners of Saint Anne	Fr. Nascimento
		Fr. Zhai, SVD

Monday, July 18

8:45	Jerry O'Leary (D)	Redemptorist
2:30 p.m.	Mrs. Choi Ngan Chan (D)	Redemptorist
7:00 p.m.	healing, Ann O'Connor	Redemptorist

Tuesday, July 19

8:45	John Coen (D)	Redemptorist
2:30 p.m.	Cora Belay, intentions	Redemptorist
7:00 p.m.	Parishioners of Saint Anne	Redemptorist

Wednesday, July 20

8:45	Apollo Gorospe, intentions	Redemptorist
2:30 p.m.	Kathy & Kevin Coyle, healing	Redemptorist
7:00 p.m.	Mary Motak Leung (D)	Redemptorist

Thursday, July 21

8:45	Catalina Ceballos, death anniversary	Redemptorist
2:30 p.m.	Lorieta Moffatt, RSM & Tiffany Ghiselin, healing	Redemptorist
7:00 p.m.	Healing, Michael Coyle	Redemptorist

Friday, July 22

8:45	Jerry O'Leary (D)	Redemptorist
2:30 p.m.	Veronique Davern, healing	Redemptorist
7:00 p.m.	Parishioners of Saint Anne	Redemptorist

Saturday, July 23

10 a.m.	Confraternity of St. Anne	Bishop Walsh
5 p.m.	Alfonso & Emma Massoni (D)	Redemptorist

SAGES (Saint Anne Growing, Exploring Seniors)—

This July we will be joining our prayers with those of the parish to celebrate the Novena with our patron saint, presenting to the Lord the needs of our families, children, and grandchildren through the intercession of grandparents Saints Anne and Joachim. After the novena, our usual planned activity on the fourth Monday of each month will resume on **August 22nd**, this time to **Grace Cathedral** for a **Docent Tour** of this magnificent landmark, beginning at 1:00pm. Save that date!

NFP friends and family picnic. Come celebrate the US Bishops' National NFP Awareness week by joining us for a bilingual Mass and picnic on **July 30 at St Raymond's parish in Menlo Park** (1100 Santa Cruz Avenue). Mass is at 10am with Fr Francis Goode, and will be followed by a potluck picnic. The Archdiocese, will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, buns, condiments, plates, utensils... please bring drinks and a side dish or dessert to share. Please **RSVP** to Ed Hopfner at **HopfnerE@SFArch.org** or (415) 614-5547 so we know how much food to purchase.

Brothers and Sisters in Jesus,

We are almost there! The 109th St. Anne Novena is almost upon us. Months of preparation now give way to 9 days of prayer, 9 days to grow in the Love of the Lord. This year 2016 is the year that our Holy Father Francis asks us to reflect upon the Mercy of God, and during our Novena that is what we will be doing— we will bask in God's merciful love for each one of us.

To aid us in our reflection, we will use the parables of Mercy found in Luke's Gospel. Why? Why will we reflect upon the parables of Mercy? For those of us familiar with the Word of God, we know the parables of Mercy: the Lost Sheep, the lost coin, the prodigal Son, the two debtors and their creditors, the Good Samaritan, the rich man and Lazarus, the unjust judge and the persistent widow, and the Pharisee and publican praying in the temple. Jesus uses these parables to teach us a lesson, to teach us how to be merciful. How? As God is merciful. We learn mercy by doing what St. Anne did— we spend time with Jesus. Brothers and sisters, that is what we will be doing for the next 9 days— we will be spending time with the Grandson of Good St. Anne, Jesus.

We pray that this novena will be a time of blessing for us, a time of blessing for us as individuals, as a parish community, as a city and diocese, a time of blessing for us as believers. Let us pray together for the intercession of Good St. Anne that she may bring us closer to her grandson Jesus. May we know God's mercy and then in turn share it with others.

In Christ the Redeemer,

Rev. Patrick Keyes, C.Ss.R.

St. Cecilia Parish Centennial St. Cecilia will celebrate 100 years in San Francisco in January 2017. We have planned many celebrations over the upcoming year, and our first event will be **Mass on Sunday, August 28th at 9:30** to officially open our Centennial Year. We welcome all former parishioners, alumni, and friends from neighboring parishes to join us. For more info on Centennial events, please visit www.stcecilia100.com

Last Week's Collections

1st Collection, July 9, July 10— \$3,819.00
Building & Maintenance Fund— \$1,010.00

This Week's Second Collection:
Redemptorist Fathers

Thank You All for Your Generosity!
For On-line giving, visit: www.stanne-sf.org

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ST. ANNE REGULAR SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass

Sat., 5pm; Sun: 7:30, 9, 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

Preparation Class: 2nd Sunday @ 1:30pm in Rectory

Office Hours: Mon - Fri: 9am - 4:30pm

St. Anne Dance & Exercise Class
Dinner, Performances, Raffle,
Ballroom & Line Dancing

Sunday, July 24, 2016
3:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.
Saint Anne Gym

Attire: Semi-formal

Tickets: \$20 per person
(dinner included)

Free Parking available at
the Schoolyard at Funston

All proceeds
will be donated
to St. Anne's Church



PLEASE RSVP by July 17, 2016

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Michael Pritchard

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