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August 14, 2016 ~ 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"I have come to set the earth on fire and how I wish it were already blazing!"
Luke 12:49

WELCOME TO ST. ANNE’S
If you haven’t registered or are changing information on your registration card, please complete this form and return it to the Rectory.

Name_________________________ Address ________________________________
New Parishioner________ Moving________ New Information_________ Send Envelopes________
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THE COSTS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Today’s responsorial psalm, Psalm 40, is more familiar to us with the refrain “Here am I, Lord.” This “Here am I” is Jeremiah’s great prophetic response to God’s call. But today’s story of Jeremiah and the refrain “Lord, come to my aid!” remind us that there are always two sides to following the call of God. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews knew this, too. He reminded his readers that even weighted down with burdens and sins, we can still persevere by keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, who himself knew the shame and pain of the cross, but saw beyond it to the joy of sitting at the right of the throne of God.

Jesus himself gave the disciples a “sneak preview” of a baptism that would not be as wondrous as the one in the Jordan that inaugurated his ministry, but would be one of fire and anguish. Today’s words from scripture may not be terribly soothing, but in their honesty and strength we can acknowledge the difficulties of daily discipleship, and take comfort in the assurance of our own salvation in Christ.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Long ago, a signet ring was an essential part of the wardrobe of influential people. A letter or document would be sealed with hot wax, and a signet ring pressed into the wax would affirm the origin of the document. In the case of the pope, at least from the thirteenth century, the ring was used to seal public documents with hot lead, saving the red wax for private letters. The public documents were called bullae after the Latin name for the lead stamp, and we still call them “papal bulls.”

It is not surprising, therefore, that a signet ring has long been bestowed as part of the inauguration of a pope. The ring is called the Pescatorio, or “Ring of the Fisherman.” It reminds the wearer of his link with Peter, and his responsibility to continue the apostolic ministry of “fishing for human beings.” Until 1842 it actually functioned as a signet ring. Now, each pope receives a new gold ring at the beginning of his ministry. It goes on the fourth finger of his right hand and bears some fisherman design, usually St. Peter casting nets from a boat, as well as the pope’s name in Latin. A custom that endures for the pope, but not so much for bishops, is for people being introduced to him to kiss the Pescatorio as a sign of respect for his teaching authority. Another enduring custom is for the ring to be smashed and defaced at the pope’s death, originally a way of preventing counterfeit deathbed documents.

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Masses for the Week

August 14 to August 20, 2016

Sunday, August 14
7:30 Maria & Santiago Ybarra (D)          Bishop Walsh
9:00 Telesfora & Arturo Gorospe (D)       Fr. Ng
10:30 Reynard Deleon Barzon (D) and     David Elwood Hawkins (D) Fr. Ng
Noon Parishioners of Saint Anne          Fr. Zhai, SVD

Monday, August 15
6:30 Lito Fernandez (D)                  Bishop Walsh
8:45 Eleanor Nepomuceno (D)              Fr. Zhai, SVD

Tuesday, August 16
6:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne          Bishop Walsh
8:45 Mrs. Choi Ngan Chan (D)             Bishop Walsh

Wednesday, August 17
6:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne          Bishop Walsh
8:45 Narcisa Cafirma (D)                  Fr. Zhai, SVD

Thursday, August 18
6:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne          Bishop Walsh
8:45 Fernando Lomparte (D)               Fr. Zhai, SVD

Friday, August 19
6:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne          Bishop Walsh
8:45 Rev. Francis Filice (D)             Fr. Zhai, SVD

Saturday, August 20
8:45 Confraternity of St. Anne          Fr. Nascimento
                                        and Elizabeth Stone (D)
5 p.m. Tom Fox (D)                      Fr. Nascimento

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, celebrated on Monday, August 15, is not observed as a Holy Day of Obligation in the U.S. in 2016 as it falls on a Monday.

Religious Education Program

We invite all parents to register their children for the 2016–2017 School Year
Early registration (until August 21st)
$50.00 one child
$100.00 two or more children
Regular registration (until September 25th)
$100.00 one child
$150.00 two or more children
Registration forms are available in the church website, www.stanne-sf.org
and in the side and front entrances to the church.

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2016: As of Aug. 5, 2016 we have reached $35,609 in contributions for this worthy cause. Please help us reach our goal of $54,292. We have already met 66% of this assessment! Thank you!

Last Week’s Collection
1st Collection, August 6, August 7—$4,847.00
Church Accessibility Upgrade Fund—$745.00

This Week’s Second Collection
Building and Maintenance Fund

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

Celebrate the Canonization of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta at St. Mary’s Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., SF. Blessed Mother Teresa will be canonized in Rome on Sunday, September 4. That same day, the Archdiocese of San Francisco will celebrate with Mass at 11:00am in the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, Archbishop Cordileone presiding. All are welcome to this Mass in gratitude for the gift of this new Saint. An exhibit on the life of Blessed Teresa will take place in the Cathedral’s event center, St. Francis Hall, as follows: August 27-28: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm • August 29 – September 2: 3:00 – 5:30 pm • September 3: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. Join in this remarkable event with your prayers and presence.

SAGES (St. Anne Growing, Exploring Seniors) will sponsor another Pilgrimage on Monday, August 22nd, 1:00 PM, this time to Grace Cathedral, located at 1100 California Street between Jones and Taylor Streets, for a Docent Tour of one of San Francisco’s magnificent landmarks. Grace is the Cathedral Church of the Episcopal Diocese of California. The tour will feature the cathedral’s beautiful mosaics and stained glass windows, two labyrinths, and much more.

Please make a check of $5.00 payable to Grace Cathedral, memo line: SAGES and leave in the Rectory mailbox, attn. Sr. Esther.

Reservation deadline is Monday, August 15th. (Parking availability will be provided to those who register.) SAGES’ events are always open to all Parishioners and friends of St. Anne of the Sunset. Thank you.

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Saint Vincent De Paul Conference
Saint Anne of the Sunset

January 1st to June 30th, 2016

Bank Balance: January 1st, 2016 $7,040.11

Expenditures:
Client Aid: $1,410.00
Twinning: 900.00
Bank Fees: 24.00
Total: $2,334.00

Bank Balance: June 30th, 2016 $4,706.11

Submitted by William Ceragioli, SVDP
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

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O GOOD SAINT ANNE, PRAY FOR US!

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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