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September 4, 2016 ~ 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Have a Happy Labor Day Weekend

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.

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Telephone # _____ E-Mail _____ Please put me on the mailing list _____

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Fill us at daybreak with your kindness
that we may shout for joy and gladness
all our days.

—Psalm 90:14

INVITED

The Good News is that we have all been invited—invited to the Kingdom, invited to be disciples. It's a life-changing invitation, and like so many other such invitations, it requires a great deal of deliberation and discernment. Whether we choose marriage, ordination, single life, or community life, we know the serious planning and consideration that accompany these profound decisions. Like the tower-builder in the Gospel, we have weighed both the monetary and emotional cost. We have pondered and planned our lives in the direction to which we believe God has called us. And while we pray for guidance and acceptance of God's will, we often fail to understand so much. Like Solomon, we turn to God for wisdom and counsel in our life-changing decisions.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes, this "Treasures" column can seem to be a species of crib-notes for Catholic *Jeopardy*. Indeed, you may never know when knowledge of our particular vocabulary may come in handy. Such is the case with papal bulls, which conjure up all sorts of images, but are actually not what you might expect. A bull is a papal letter on a matter of great consequence, such as a decision about a crisis in the Church, the declaration of a doctrine, the summoning of a council, or the canonization of a saint. It has a more solemn intention than a mere letter or even an encyclical, a teaching letter circulated through the whole Church. Its odd name comes from the Latin *bullā*, which is the stamp used to apply a signatorial design to the hot lead, or even molten silver or gold, that seals the decree.

The format for the bull is the name of the pope in Latin, followed by the title "servant of the servants of God," also in Latin, and then the text. The title of the bull is always the first two words of the text. Some famous papal bulls are *Exsurge Domine* (Arise, O Lord), written against Martin Luther's Ninety-five Theses in 1520; *Munificentissimus Deus* (The Most Bountiful God), the promulgation of the dogma of the Assumption in 1950 by Pope Pius XII; or *Humanae Salutis* (Human Salvation), by which Pope John XXIII convened the Second Vatican Council in 1962.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Pastor's Column

Back to School Theme: Community - In his book *Rediscover Catholicism*, Matthew Kelly speaks of the philosophies at work in our culture. They are: Individualism, Minimalism, Hedonism, and I would add Relativism. In the extreme, Individualism can simply be about taking care of oneself. Add Minimalism, the attitude of doing the least to get by, and Hedonism, the pursuit of pleasure or self-indulgence, and they become a recipe for a very self-centered and self-indulgent life. Add Relativism, when there is no Truth as to what's right and wrong, and life becomes about doing the least that's required in order to maximize my self-interest and self-indulgence. Imagine if these values were at work in a family relationship, with no Christ centered value to guide our conduct. Then everyone seeks only their self-interest and pleasure while doing the least for each other. These philosophies can become very destructive not only to the family but to society as well. But Jesus taught and modeled values that are very different than these. Jesus, instead of being self-centered, cared about others. Instead of doing the least, He gave His all, to the point of laying down His life for us. Instead of seeking personal pleasure, He sought what was good for others. And instead of teaching relativism, He taught The Way, the Truth, and the path that leads to Life. So this year, the School's theme for our students is Community. It's a challenge against our selfish nature and one that will help us to become our better and nobler selves. Please pray for our students, faculty, staff, and parish that all of us together may build a strong community from what Jesus taught and modeled for us.

Priests' Retirement - As the number of Americans reaching retirement age has increased, this is also true of priests reaching retirement age. Excluding Religious Order priests (e.g. Jesuits and Franciscans) of the approximately 184 diocesan priests in our Archdiocese, 83 are retired. Because of that, later this month on Sept. 17th and 18th, our parish will have a 2nd collection for them. And there will also be a special lunch to honor our retirees on Friday, Oct. 28, 2016 at 11:30am at St. Mary's Cathedral Hall. Please let me know if you'd like to attend or sponsor a retiree to this luncheon. Tickets are \$125 per person. And please hold our retirees in your prayers. Many, like Bishop Walsh, continue to serve generously in our Archdiocese.

- Fr. Dan

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 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Drop by and Sr. Mary Francis and her associates will be happy to assist you.



Masses for the week

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September 4 to September 10, 2016

Sunday, September 4	Presider
7:30 William Kvaternick & Mary Zuppe (D)	Bishop Walsh
9:00 Joseph Tsoy (D)	Fr. Nascimento
10:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne	Fr. Nascimento
Noon Pius Chow (D)	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Monday, September 5 — LABOR DAY	
8:45 Paul Encarnacion (D) and John & Marian Fox (D)	Fr. Nascimento
Tuesday, September 6	
6:30 Paul Encarnacion (D)	Bishop Walsh
8:45 Lisa Antonia Nascimento (D)	Fr. Nascimento
Wednesday, September 7	
6:30 Nina Lucier (D)	Bishop Walsh
8:45 George Fox (D)	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Thursday, September 8	
6:30 Bea Ver (D)	Bishop Walsh
8:45 Bonifacio Camarao (D)	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Friday, September 9	
6:30 intentions, Sr. Patricia McDermott, RSM	Bishop Walsh
8:45 Felisa A. Nunez (D)	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Saturday, September 10	
8:45 Confraternity of Saint Anne	Bishop Walsh
5 p.m. Nicolas Lasola (D)	Fr. Nascimento

Are You Interested in Becoming Catholic? If you are an adult who would like to be baptized— or who has been baptized but would like to explore the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church— or if you have been baptized in the Catholic Church but have never received either First Communion and/or Confirmation, please contact RCIA Coordinator Ken DePonte at 415 665-1600 x 21 or email him at kdelponte@stanne-sf.org

Scripture Study will resume on **Wednesday, Sept. 7** at 7pm in the rectory conference room. and continue until the holidays. We'll begin with a reading of the "Book of Judith," a divinely inspired short story from the Second Century BC about a woman whose faith inspires her to an act of selfless courage. Bibles are provided or you may bring your own. For more info, please contact Ken at 415 902-2040.

Religious Education Program

We invite all parents to register their children for the 2016 –2017 School Year
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.

SAGES (*St. Anne Growing, Exploring Seniors*) will sponsor another **Docent Tour** on **Monday, September 26th**, this time to the **Marine Mammal Center** in the Marin headlands for a **1:00 PM** 45-minute tour of this one-of-a-kind Marine Mammal "Hospital." St. Anne Church has already paid the \$60 donation for a maximum of 12 attendees, so this time **please make your donation of \$5 payable to St. Anne Church**, memo line SAGES, attn. Sr. Esther, and leave in the Rectory mailbox. **Registration deadline: Monday, September 19.** If you cannot afford these fees, please contact Sr. Esther. Thank you.

On September 6th, **the Saint Anne Adult Club** resumes its meetings on **Tuesdays in the Cliff Heintz Room from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.** Come by for social activities and bring a lunch. Dessert, beverage, and conviviality provided. We need drivers to volunteer to pick up members to and from the meetings. Please call Pat McCue at (415)-731-3712 if you can. Thank you.

Last Week's Collection

1st Collection, August 27, August 28 - \$4,121.00
Saint Vincent de Paul Society - \$955.00
This Week's Second Collection
Church Accessibility Upgrade Fund

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2016—\$36,444—67%
Assessment—\$54,292

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



This Monday, September 5, **the Rectory Office will be closed** in observance of **Labor Day. Only one Mass will be celebrated that day at 8:45 am.**

St. Anne School, mindful of its mission to be witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded to or made available to students at this school. St. Anne School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin, age, sex or disability in administration of educational policies, and admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs. Likewise, our school does not discriminate against any applicant for employment on the basis of sex, age, handicap, race, color and national and/or ethnic origin.

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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



Saint Teresa of Calcutta
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