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September 18, 2016
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship is...

...EVERYTHING we think, say, and do after we say “I believe”

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________

Telephone #__________ E-Mail____________________ Please put me on the mailing list_______
Stewardship: Decisiveness in Crisis


Our Gospel story records Jesus teaching through a parable. Generally, Biblical parables are complex and difficult to interpret. There are more than 72 different parables in the Gospels. The simplest way to describe the parable is that it is a story that illustrates the teachings of Christ. Luke’s Gospel records the largest number of parables. Furthermore, Luke often uses the parable to contrast the natural order and the spiritual order. This particular parable is no different. It recounts a parable about a shrewd and prudent steward accused by his master of squandering his property. When the steward knew that his master would expect him to give a full account of his stewardship, he shrewdly reduces the promissory notes of the debtors of his master. Even the master had become impressed with the shrewdness of his steward. He had been decisive in his crisis.

Jesus makes the observation that the children of this worldly generation are more prudent than the children of the light. The teachings of Jesus suggest that the good stewards of eternal dwelling in the Kingdom of God have much to learn from the shrewdness and prudence of the children of this worldly generation. Jesus concludes, “If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth? If you are not trustworthy with what belongs to another, who will give you what is yours? No one can serve two masters.”

Each one of us is called to be good, prudent and even shrewd stewards with our gifts whether worldly or spiritual. In either case, we are called to be decisive even in crisis. God calls us to place the things of His Kingdom above those of this world. Truly, no servant can serve two masters. Jesus said, “He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other.” God calls each of us to become His good and faithful servant.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

- Rev. Mr. John Dupre

Pastor’s Column

Being Good Stewards – About this time last year, our parish began a Stewardship campaign. The purpose was not to raise money although in the past stewardship was used for that purpose. The purpose instead is to remind us that all we have and are is God’s gift to us. Do you believe this? When I came to see and believe this, it led me to gratitude. My priesthood, comes partly in gratitude for God’s help in my life during times of trials, but also in response to all that God has given me. So our Stewardship campaign is simply the raising of the awareness of what God has done for us, and our response in gratitude to Him. Abraham, in the Old Testament, offered to God a portion of his “first fruits” from the harvest. It was the belief that their harvest, even though they had to do the hard work of tilling the soil, planting the seed and watering the crop, was ultimately a miracle. It was God who caused the growth and in gratitude, a portion of their “first fruits” were given back to God.

Similarly, in the coming weeks, I’ll lead in the reflection of how we might use the gift of our time, the gift of our talent and also the gift of our treasure. What portion of our time, talent and treasure can we joyfully offer back to Him? Many of you participated last year when we kicked off our Stewardship campaign. Was it helpful to your spiritual life? Did it help you draw closer to God? Did you make any new discoveries along the way, practicing the spirituality of stewardship? I’d be interested to hear from you your experiences and share it with others. Feel free to call me or email me at 415-665-1600x 24 or frdan@stanne-sf.org. As we reintroduce the Stewardship campaign again this year, I invite you to examine the many ways God has blessed you. Count your blessings and give thanks, for God has been good to us.

Catechetical Sunday - The word "catechetical" comes from the root word "catechesis" which means "to echo, or resound." Catechesis is the act of resounding or bringing the Church's teachings to the world. A catechist, then, is one who teaches in the name of the Church. So each year, on the 3rd Sunday of September, the U.S. Church celebrates a ritual to recognize and commission our catechists for service to God's church. At St. Anne, we'll celebrate this on 9/18, following their 9am Sunday School, at the 10:30am Mass. Thank you, Catechists!

- Fr. Dan
September 18 to September 24, 2016

Sunday, September 18
7:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne
9:00 Edna Dwyer (D)
10:30 thanksgiving, Flora L. Lucas, Flora Anne Quesada, & Flor de Lyz Yap Families
Noon Paula Chow (D)

Monday, September 19
6:30 thanksgiving, D. Colen
8:45 thanksgiving, Antonette Pastor

Tuesday, September 20
6:30 birthday, Eleanor Lasola
8:45 Antonia Lasola (D)

Wednesday, September 21
6:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne
8:45 Paul Chien (D)

Thursday, September 22
6:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne
8:45 Charlie Brust (D)

Friday, September 23
6:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne
8:45 Alice Liu (D)

Saturday, September 24
8:45 Confraternity of Saint Anne
5 p.m. Alfonso & Emma Massoni (D)

The Saint Anne Adult Club has resumed 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 do this. Thank you.

The 2016 Rosary Rally will take place on Saturday, October 8 beginning with 10am Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral, followed by procession to U.N. Plaza for the rally and finally Benediction at approximately 12:50pm. Archbishop Cordileone will celebrate the Mass and give a keynote address at the rally. For more info, please call 415 272-5837 or visit Rosaryrallysf.com

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 DelPonte at 415 665-1600 x 21 or email him at kdelponte@stanne-sf.org

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.

An unforgettable “break” for your marriage! Want something more lasting that a weekend vacation in Bahamas, Bermuda or the Mountains? Give your marriage the “best vacation break” by making the unique Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 11-13, 2016 at Vallambrosa Center, Menlo Park. For more information visit our website at: sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

Last Week’s Collection
1st Collection, Sept. 10, Sept. 11 - $4,874.00
Building and Maintenance Fund - $1,071.00

This Week’s Second Collection
Priests’ Retirement Fund

Next Week’s Second Collection
Louisiana Flood Relief

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2016—$40,952—75%
Assessment—$54,292

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

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God . . . wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth.

— 1 Timothy 2:4

OCTOBER 28–29
FRIDAY 3PM-9PM  SATURDAY 10AM-9PM
PANCAKE BREAKFAST • SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30th

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