May 12, 2019 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter

Happy Mother's Day

Queen of Heaven, pray for us.

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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“I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth.”
— Acts 13:47b

SHEPHERDS LIKE JESUS
Each year this Fourth Sunday of Easter celebrates Jesus the Good Shepherd. Today’s Gospel seems especially timely, for as Christians worldwide suffer persecution like Paul and Barnabas, Jesus promises his sheep enduring, invincible safety: “They shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand.” But we who are free to live our faith peacefully sometimes take our membership in Jesus’ flock for granted, wandering astray to seek our own pleasure and prosperity. The simple cross that Pope Francis always wears seems to show us how Jesus responds to that. Francis’s cross features an image of Jesus, who has sought and found a lost sheep, then joyfully set it on his shoulders to carry it gently home. May Good Shepherd Sunday inspire us, so often lost and found ourselves, to assist Jesus in seeking, finding, and gently carrying home our fellow precious lambs. —Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
The reception of Holy Communion at Sunday Mass is such an expected feature of the Mass these days that it is surprising to realize that for many centuries, receiving Communion was a relatively rare event in the life of a faithful Christian. “Easter duty” means that Catholics must celebrate reconciliation if aware of serious sin, and receive Holy Communion during the Easter season. For a while, this was a requirement of Easter week, and later extended to the whole season of fifty days, and even beyond that by a few weeks. For the majority of people long ago, this meant Communion was a once-a-year moment. A rather complex bureaucracy grew up around this rule in the Middle Ages. Amazingly, people received a kind of token at confession admitting them to Communion in their home parish, which then kept careful records and reported them to the bishop.

Surviving records can tell us a great deal about our ancestors. In fact, people were encouraged to journey to the church of their baptism in order to fulfill their duty, and therefore the Easter duty includes in its origins a grateful pilgrimage to the font in which you were first embraced by Christ. If your “Holy Mother Church” is within a drive, why not make a pilgrimage to that font a feature of your Easter celebration of these fifty days?
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Pastor’s Column

Catholic Charities – On Holy Thursday when Jesus instituted the Eucharist, He also showed His disciples the importance of service by washing their feet. Because of that, the Eucharist and Service are permanently tied together, meaning that proper worship of God includes service to our neighbor. Catholic Charities is the service arm of the Church in San Francisco. Although it’s been here serving the Bay Area for over 160 years, many people, including me, do not know its history. Below is a brief summary and key dates of this agency’s history:

1855 - St. Vincent School for Boys, in San Rafael, was opened to house, clothe, feed, educate and care for orphans left during California’s Gold Rush.
1907 - After the earthquake and fire devastated San Francisco, leaving thousands homeless and hungry, Archbishop Riordan organized a group of women to help care for orphaned and homeless children and they came to be known as the Catholic Humane and Settlement Society.
1919 – This Society changed their name to Little Children’s Aid.
1920 - Due to a worldwide flu epidemic, the number of children under their care rose to 1,200.
1929 - Their work evolved toward a professional agency that we know today as Catholic Charities (CC) that served poverty-stricken families affected by the Great Depression. And the Little Children’s Aid continued their volunteer service as an Auxiliary to CC to help fundraise and support them.
1933 - Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) started in San Francisco.
1940 - CYO merged with Catholic Charities in order to expand its focus to older at-risk children and their families.
1970 – Catholic Charities adapted to the needs of the community and began treatment of substance abuse, involvement with housing and homeless, and immigrants, refugees and the elderly.
1985 - Catholic Charities is the first responder to the AIDS epidemic, meeting the needs of those affected.

Present day – Today Catholic Charities runs 35 programs that serve more than 35,000 children, families and individuals each year in San Francisco, Marin, and San Mateo counties. Their programs include 5 Aging Support Services, 11 Children & Youth Services, 15 Homelessness and Housing Services, and 4 Immigration Services. If you’d like to volunteer or support them financially, please visit their website www.catholiccharitiessf.org for more information.

This weekend’s 2nd collection will go towards supporting this service arm of our Catholic Church.

Thank you for your support.         - Fr. Dan
May 12 to May 18, 2019

Sunday, May 5
7:30  John and Marian Fox (D)  Rev. Nascimento
9:00  Joseph Tsay (D)  Rev. Nascimento
10:30  Parishioners of Saint Anne  Rev. Nascimento
Noon  Joseph Chen (D)  Rev. Zhai, SVD

Monday, May 13
6:30  Anthony Nguyen (D)  Rev. Nascimento
8:45  birthday, Precie Agaton  Rev. Zhai, SVD

Tuesday, May 14
6:30  Anthony Nguyen (D)  Rev. Nascimento
8:45  Douglas Paul Chan (D)  Rev. Nascimento

Wednesday, May 15
6:30  healing, Geraldine Dineen  Rev. Zhai, SVD
8:45  Andres and Leoncia Tapan (D)  Rev. Nascimento

Thursday, May 16
6:30  healing, Anna O'Connor  Bishop Walsh
8:45  David and Ruth Derus (D)  Rev. Zhai, SVD

Friday, May 17
6:30  Anthony Nguyen (D)  Bishop Walsh
8:45  Bishop Frank Quinn (D)  Rev. Zhai, SVD

Saturday, May 18
8:45  Confraternity of Saint Anne  Rev. Nascimento
5 p.m.  Intentions, Sheila O'Hara  Rev. Nascimento

Ordination of Three Priests on Saturday, May 18, at 10:00 am at the Cathedral of Saint Mary, 1111 Gough St., SF — Everyone is welcome to celebrate the Ordination to the Priesthood of Kyle Joseph Faller, Ernesto M. Jandonero, & Michael Pimentel Rocha, graduates of St. Patrick’s Seminary in Menlo Park. A reception follows. Please pray for these seminarians as they prepare for the sacrament. The entire Mass and rite of ordination will be livestreamed on the archdiocesan website sfarchdiocese.org/events/ordinations-2019

Disaster Preparedness – During a major disaster, most emergency services will be busy so the Mayor’s office began exploring how to help neighborhoods support and help each other. Over the past year, St. Anne has been working with the Mayor’s office and some neighborhood associations and businesses to plan how we can help each other. There will be a launch of Resilient Inner Sunset Tue, 5/14 from 6:30pm – 8pm @ St. Anne School Cafeteria. Come and find out more and see how you can help. Please RSVP @ http://www.empowersf.org/resilient-inner-sunset/

On Monday, May 20th, at 10:30 AM, SAGES will sponsor a Docent Tour of Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox Cathedral, located on 1520 Green Street, by Van Ness Avenue. The Cathedral was founded in 1857 as the episcopal headquarters of the Orthodox Bishop of San Francisco and the West – the oldest Orthodox Community in the US. The present Cathedral was built in 1909 to replace the earlier Church destroyed in the fire of 1906. The Cathedral is literally full of symbols of faith – icons, stained glass, and many other architectural elements. More than mere symbols, icons signify and present spiritual realities into which we may enter. As always, SAGES Tours are open to all parishioners and friends of St. Anne of the Sunset Church. By Monday, May 13th, please make a donation of $5, payable to Holy Trinity Cathedral, attn. Sr. Esther, and leave in Rectory mailbox. Parking availability given to those registering. Thank you.

Today Is Catholic Charities Sunday. This second collection is an invitation for you to invest in the lives of thousands of marginalized and vulnerable residents in San Francisco, San Mateo, and Marin counties. Your generous support keeps families together by preventing poverty and homelessness; enriches the lives of aging and disabled adults; welcomes and supports immigrants and unaccompanied minors; and nurtures the healthy development of children and youth. You may donate online at CatholicCharitiesSF.org. For more info, please contact Jane Ferguson Flout at 415-972-1227. Thank you for responding with an open and generous heart!

Last Week’s Collections
1st Collection, May 5, 2019—$4,963.00
School Earthquake Retrofit Fund—$997.00

This Week’s 2nd Collection
Catholic Charities

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:  3rd Saturday @ 10am in Rectory

**Office Hours:**  
- Mon - Fri:  9am - 4:30pm
- Sat.:  8am-6pm  Sun:  7am-1:30pm
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.