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September 15, 2019 ~ 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOVENA AND FEAST DAY Masses
in honor of
SAN LORENZO RUIZ DE MANILA
and
COMPANION MARTYRS

Theme:
“Hallowed Be Your Name”

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SCHEDULE OF NOVENA Masses:
Monday to Friday
6:30PM Rosary/Novena
4:40PM Novena
10:10AM Novena
Saturday
4:00PM Holy Mass
Sunday
7:00PM Holy Mass
5:00PM Holy Mass
10:30AM Holy Mass

I am a Christian...
I shall die for God, and for Him I will give many thousands of lives if I had them.
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 15, 2019

A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me.
— Psalm 51:12

LOST AND FOUND
Welcome to “Lost and Found Sunday”! Just in case being in church makes us proudly consider ourselves especially religious, today’s Gospel suggests that we’d be wiser to admit that we’re sometimes lost. Then we’ll eventually be happily counted among Jesus’ “found,” because today Jesus focuses on a lost sheep, lost coin, lost son. Jesus does so because the Pharisees and scribes, proudly considering themselves especially religious, “began to complain” that Jesus “welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So Jesus warns them—and us—to stop judging others. Marvel instead that God’s amazing grace has found us! Indeed, we should become Jesus’ friends lovingly trying to find others. So Exodus asks, if God “relented in punishment” and pardoned us, shouldn’t we forgive fellow sinners graciously? Even Paul admits his “arrogance” as “foremost among sinners.” We too, happy at being “mercifully treated,” should share with everyone else Jesus’ unfailing patience.

Treasures from Our Tradition
Although New Year’s Day has been fixed firmly on January 1 for several hundred years, Labor Day has the feel of a great dividing line between leisure and routine. The pace of life has since picked up, and new schedules and commitments crowd us. In the background is God’s call to consider the third commandment, still life giving and binding, to make holy the Lord’s Day by worship and rest. Jews see the Sabbath, Saturday, not so much as a day of worship, but as a day of rest, a day of renewing friendship with God by delighting in the beauty of creation and the joy of family and friends. It is a day for contemplating the wonder of God’s creation, but not disturbing it.

For Christians in the first three centuries, the Lord’s Day, Sunday, was not for rest, but worship. It was a regular work day. People met before dawn, and after Eucharist hurried off to daily routines. Today we come to Mass, but many hurry off to essential work, not a day of rest. The Lord’s Day is not the Sabbath, but we can enhance Sunday’s ability to transform us if we consider embracing some Sabbath values: having a family meal, going for a walk in a beautiful place, making room in our lives to open ourselves more fully to holiness of life in Christ.

Pastor’s Corner
Being a Healthy Church — Last year, the Parish Council and I discussed how we can be a healthy Church. And just as there are things we need to do to keep our bodies healthy, like eating healthy and exercising regularly, so there are also things we need to do to keep our Churches healthy. Christian Schwarz studied 1,000 congregations and identified 8 essential elements in healthy churches. These essential qualities are:

1. Empowering Leadership — The leader empowers others for ministry.
2. Gift-oriented Ministry — People are able to recognize and use their God-given talents for ministry.
3. Passionate Spirituality — Members have a genuine relationship with God and are committed to their faith and are enthusiastic and joyful.
4. Functional Structures — The structures in the Church promote growth, and the person in each job has the appropriate Spiritual gift.
5. Inspiring Worship Service — Worship is Spirit-filled with the congregation thoroughly involved.
6. Holistic Small Groups — Groups go beyond study and discussion to living out their faith. It’s in small groups that real Christianity can be practiced, future leaders trained, and growth happens.
7. Need-Oriented Evangelism — Our faith is shared based on the other person’s needs or questions. All members are encouraged to individually share Christ with those they know.
8. and Loving Relationships — People care for one another, make time to be together, and serve together, being aware of each other’s struggles and celebrating each other’s joys.

From these essential qualities, the Parish Council and I formed a vision and a strategy for the Parish. Our vision is as follows:

St. Anne aspires to be a warm and loving community of disciples who use their gifts and talents to better our community and our world.

The strategy that we came up to help us develop and strengthen these essential qualities was by forming Small Faith Communities. We had groups of various interests from Baking, to Board Games, to Bible Study, Faith Sharing, Knitting, Pilates, and Walking. As we start off another academic year, we invite you to participate in a Small Group activity, or to use your gift and serve in one of the Parish’s ministries such as the Parish Council, or Parish Festival, or by being a Eucharistic Minister or Lector. And if you don’t see something you like, start your own Small Faith Community. Use your gifts and talents to serve God and you’ll discover, like me, that what we receive in return is so much more precious than what we gave.

Sign-up tables are available in the vestibule this weekend after masses.

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September 15—21, 2019

Sunday, September 15
7:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne  Bishop Walsh
9:00 Benito & Leonarda Hidalgo (D) Fr. Tieng, LRMS
10:30 Susan Domenici (D) Fr. Nascimento
Noon  Lee Fu Sheung (D)  Fr. Zhai, SVD

Monday, September 16
6:30 David & Ruth Derus (D)  Bishop Walsh
8:45 Diane Bromann (D)  Fr. Zhai, SVD

Tuesday, September 17
6:30 Paul Tran (D)  Bishop Walsh
8:45 Mary Lavin (D)  Fr. Nascimento

Wednesday, September 18
6:30 intentions, Katalina Peck  Bishop Walsh
8:45 Mary Ann Zamora (D)  Fr. Tieng, LRMS

Thursday, September 19
6:30 intentions, Avi Solemnidad  Fr. Nascimento
8:45 Paul Tran (D)  Fr. Zhai, SVD
7 p.m. San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass  Fr. Tieng, LRMS

Friday, September 20
6:30 intentions, Griffin Peck  Fr. Tieng, LRMS
8:45 thanksgiving, Eleanor Lasola  Bishop Walsh
7 p.m. San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass  Fr. Tieng, LRMS

Saturday, September 21
8:45 Confraternity of Saint Anne  Fr. Nascimento
5 p.m. Helen Morales (D)  Fr. Tieng, LRMS

There are two opportunities in the upcoming weeks to help support the Archdiocese’s retired priests.

First, there will be a special 2nd collection on September 21 and 22 in parishes.

Secondly, the St. John Vianney Luncheon for the Priests Retirement Fund takes place on Oct. 11. Lunch begins at 11:30 am, preceded by a social hour starting at 10:30 am, in the Cathedral Conference Center. This annual event is one of the highlights of the year in the Archdiocese, and as is customary over 500 guests are expected to attend.

Archdiocesan priests receive Social Security, but because of the modest amount they earn during their years of ministry, their monthly benefits are significantly smaller than what many lay people receive. This is compounded by the fact that, like the general population, our priests are living longer, and facing similar healthcare needs and rising healthcare costs. The Priests Retirement Luncheon was initiated in 2011 to help address this critical issue. Please assist the retired Priests by attending the Luncheon on Oct. 11 and/or donating to the Priests Retirement Collection. These men have dedicated their lives to serving others, and it is now our turn to care for them.

Blessing of the Animals at the Cathedral  Saturday, September 28, 12:00 noon  St. Mary’s Cathedral Plaza, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco  Deacon Christopher Sandoval  415-567-2020  All are invited to the Blessing of the Animals. Bring your pets for a blessing in the tradition of our city’s Patron Saint, St. Francis of Assisi. Dogs should be on leashes, and cats in carriers, and all others caged, please. There are free pet treats, while they last, and guests from the San Francisco Police Department Mounted Patrol, the San Francisco Fire Department Search and Rescue Dog Team, and San Francisco Animal Care and Control.

Workshop on Addressing Climate Change October 5, 9:00 – 12:00 noon  St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 1490 19th St., San Francisco  St. Teresa of Avila parish invites anyone who wants to work with others to save our planet for future generations to this free workshop, to learn how different people and groups are working in coalitions to respond to our climate challenge—globally, nationally, and locally—and how we can support and join in their efforts. Please see the flyer for details.  For more info, contact John Van Hagen  greenteam@stteresasf.org

40 Days for Life Fall Campaign is Coming Wednesday, September 25 - Sunday, November 3  sf40daysforlife@gmail.com  408-840-DAYS (3297) 40daysforlife.com/san-francisco
You are invited to participate in the first ever Fall campaign of the San Francisco chapter of 40 Days for Life, a period of peaceful witness that runs from September 25 to November 3 at the current Planned Parenthood location at 1650 Valencia Street and—new this year—the upcoming Planned Parenthood location at 1522 Bush Street. Sign up for vigil hours on the website above. For more information, please contact 40 Days for Life by email or phone, above.

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2019
Campaign Goal— $50,289
Donations Received as of August 27— $28,019
Thank You All for Your Generosity!
For on-line giving, visit:  www.stanne-sf.org

Last Week’s Collections
1st Collection, September 8, 2019— $5,365.00
Building and Maintenance Fund— $1,147.00
This Week’s 2nd Collection
Property and Insurance Fund

St. Anne Bible Study:
Every Wednesday at 7pm
every Friday at 9:30am.

Please note that because of the popularity of this event, the classes have been moved from the rectory to a larger space in the Convent at 1330-14th Avenue.
ST. ANNE REGULAR SCHEDULE

Pastoral Staff:
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ST. ANNE STAFF

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
- Church Hours: Mon—Fri: 8am-4pm
  Sat: 8am-6pm Sun: 7am-1:30pm
Draw near to God and
he will draw near to you.
—James 4:8

Anyone 18 or older
who wishes to learn more about Jesus
is warmly invited
to attend our weekly meetings

beginning Wednesday, October 2
6:30pm –8:30pm
in the Rectory (850 Judah St.)

These meetings are specifically designed
for adults who have not been baptized
or Christians who are curious about
the teachings of the Catholic Church
or Catholics who have not yet received
the Sacrament of Confirmation.

(It's actually lots of Fun!)

For more info,
please contact

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