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October 20, 2019 ~ 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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SATURDAY
10/26 10:30am-9pm
SUNDAY
10/27 10am-2pm

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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 20, 2019

I lift up my eyes
toward the mountains;
whence shall help
come to me?



My help is from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.
— Psalm 121:1-2

PERSISTENCE

Today's readings are about persistence, passionate persistence. Exodus tells of a battle won despite weariness because Moses, with help from Aaron and Hur, held his hands raised. Timothy asks that same persistence of his community and us. Luke tells of a court case won by a widow, despite the dishonesty of the judge, because she will not leave him alone. The psalm reminds us that God is everywhere, guarding us from harm day and night, coming and going, now and forever. The readings are about persistence, the relentless, unwavering pursuit of what must not be lost. The readings are about God's passionate persistence in pursuing us, seeking to win our hearts.
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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Although the hours of daylight are rapidly dwindling, many people would say that these October days bring the year's most splendid weather. Americans are riders and joggers, not strollers, and so the pleasures of the season are often lost on us. This is not the case with many Jewish people, who observe an ancient rule in walking to synagogue on the Sabbath. On city streets and suburban sidewalks in many cities, we may notice around sunset the nicely dressed families walking and chatting on Friday afternoon. After a short prayer at dusk, the families stroll home again for a relaxing and festive meal. They return to synagogue in the morning, and then spend an afternoon in family leisure until three stars appear in the night sky and Sabbath ends.

Catholics, on the other hand, pile into the car and drive even a short distance to Mass; some even divide the family to participate at different hours. For Jews, the leisurely walk marks a dividing line between hectic life commitments and a day of abundant joy and enrichment. Before we became an automobile culture, Catholics embraced a similar pace, and in most places walked to church. These lovely days of fall invite us to tap into an old and life-giving tradition. If you live within a mile of your church, walk next week. If you must drive, park at a good distance and walk the rest of the way. Talk about your life, greet strangers, notice the crunch of leaves under your shoes. You may be surprised at how different Sunday Mass feels when it is framed by leisure!

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Pastor's Corner

Why We Pray for the Dead – Padre Pio, a mystic and a saint, shared that the first time a soul approached him and asked for a mass to be offered for him, was in the middle of the night when the monastery was closed and locked up. The man, Pietro Di Mauro, explained that he had died 14 years before in the same monastery, when it was a poorhouse, but because no one was praying for him, he was still in purgatory. So Padre Pio assured the poor soul that he would offer the following morning's mass for him. After that incident, Padre Pio said he received many other midnight visitors making similar requests. Our Lady, when she appeared at Fatima, also taught the children to include after each decade of the Rosary, a prayer for the souls in purgatory: "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those who are in most need of Thy mercy."

Some might question that since Jesus had already paid for our sins on the cross, wouldn't we go straight to heaven? Why is there a purgatory? The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains it this way: "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven" (#1030). In the book of Revelation 21:27, it teaches that *nothing unclean will enter the presence of God in heaven*. St. Catherine of Genoa, who had a vision of purgatory, explains that although Jesus stands at the doorway of heaven beckoning us to enter, however, if the soul is not ready, not perfectly cleansed to stand before the throne of God, we do not approach. We will know when "we are perfect as our Father in Heaven is perfect." Only then do we unite fully with God. Pope Francis clarified that *purgatory* is already a part of Heaven. St. Francis de Sales explains that no one is forced into purgatory, just as no one is forced into hell. It is our choice, and when we see the holiness of God and our personal shortcomings, we desire to be cleansed before entering into the presence of God. So that's why we pray for our dearly departed, to help them in their journey to Heaven.

Annually, we remember especially on All Souls' Day to pray for all the departed. Each year at our parish, we offer a special mass for those who've died in the past year and we invite family members and friends to join us on that special day. They are invited to bring a picture and a flower for their loved one and place them on the Altar Rail. This year, our special **Mass of Remembrance will be on Sat., Nov 2 @ 9am, followed with a reception in the vestibule**. Our parish also offers a **Novena of masses for all the faithful departed from Nov 2 - 10**. If you wish to enroll your beloved deceased in the novena of masses, please use the All Souls envelopes and return them to the parish.

*May the souls of the faithful departed
through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*

- Fr. Dan



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October 20—October 26, 2019

Sunday, October 20 7:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne 9:00 Rosenda Tamase (D) and Telesfora Gorospe (D) 10:30 David and Ruth Derus (D) Noon Parishioners of Saint Anne	Presider Fr. Nascimento Bishop Walsh Fr. Tieng, LRMS Fr. Zhai, SVD
Monday, October 21 6:30 Jean Lau (D) 8:45 Paciencia Encarnacion (D)	Bishop Walsh Fr. Zhai, SVD
Tuesday, October 22 6:30 Robert Evans (D) 8:45 Paul Tran (D)	Bishop Walsh Fr. Nascimento
Wednesday, October 23 6:30 Celso Urmeneta (D) 8:45 Natividad Camarao (D)	Bishop Walsh Fr. Tieng, LRMS
Thursday, October 24 6:30 Virginia Del Rosario (D) 8:45 Holy Souls in Purgatory	Fr. Nascimento Fr. Zhai, SVD
Friday, October 25 6:30 Elena Dacumos (D) 8:45 Mrs. Diane Bromann (D)	Fr. Tieng, LRMS Fr. Zhai, SVD
Saturday, October 26 8:45 Confraternity of Saint Anne 5 p.m. John Lam (d)	Fr. Nascimento Fr. Nascimento

The Community Living Campaign— the group that sponsors the popular senior exercise classes in Moriarty Hall on Mondays and Thursdays— **invites you to a series of 3 free workshops on avoiding Stroke.** By learning both the symptoms of a stroke and its warning signs, you just might save a life! These 3 workshops will help you better understand how you can lower your risk of stroke by understanding the risk factors you can control. Arete Nichols (RN, M.A. Geriatric Care Management and Consulting) will share details set by the American Stroke Association on **Wed., Oct. 23 at 6PM (Part 1)** and **Tues., Oct. 29th at 2:30pm** in Moriarty Hall at St Anne's. And on **Tues., Nov. 6th at 6PM**, also in Moriarty Hall, Dr. Sergio Lanata (UCSF) will discuss what happens in the brain and how you can work to prevent a stroke. **Don't let stroke separate you from the people who mean so much to you!** For more info, please contact Patti Spaniak at 415-821-1003 x 106 or patti@sfcommunityliving.org

Saint Anne's Knitting Group meets every Saturday in the Rectory (850 Judah St.) from 10am to Noon. Led by parishioner Ann Quinn. Contact the rectory office for more details.

Funeral Services for Cardinal William J. Levada will be held Wed.—Thurs., **Oct. 23—24 at St. Mary's Cathedral.** For more details, visit sfarch.org/cardinal-levada-memorial



Today's Second Collection for World Mission Sunday is an opportunity to help missions throughout the world by contributing generously to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. It is also a worldwide Eucharistic celebration for the Missions and missionaries within the Extraordinary Missionary Month of October, as called for by Pope Francis. Archbishop Cordileone has written, "Pope Francis invites all baptized Christians to a personal encounter with Jesus Christ through prayer, meditation on the Word of God, and pilgrimage.... I invite all of us in this Archdiocese to take this opportunity to revitalize our ardor, passion, and zeal for the faith with loving, missionary hearts."

Last Week's Collections
1st Collection, October 12, 13, 2019— \$4,076.00
Building and Maintenance Fund— \$889.00

This Week's 2nd Collection
World Mission Sunday

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2019
Campaign Goal— \$50,289
Donations Received as of October 8— \$32,904

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

Respect Life Essay Contest Ends October 31
Teachers, parents, and students: October is Respect Life Month. Students K thru 12 are encouraged to take part in the Respect Life Essay Contest. Deadline for the contest is October 31. Complete information is at the website: sfarchdiocese.org/essay-contest. Winners receive an Amazon gift card. Parishioners are encouraged to participate year-round with the various Respect Life activities organized by the Archdiocese. Learn more at sfarchdiocese.org/culture-of-life.



It's Still Not Too Late!
Anyone 18 or older who wishes to learn more about Jesus is warmly invited to attend our weekly **Alpha / RCIA meetings**

Wednesdays 7:00pm – 8:30pm in the Rectory (850 Judah St.)

These meetings are designed for adults who have not been baptized or Christians curious about the Catholic Church or Catholic adults preparing for Confirmation.

For more info, contact Ken DePonte
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Draw near to God and he will draw near to you.
—James 4:8

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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

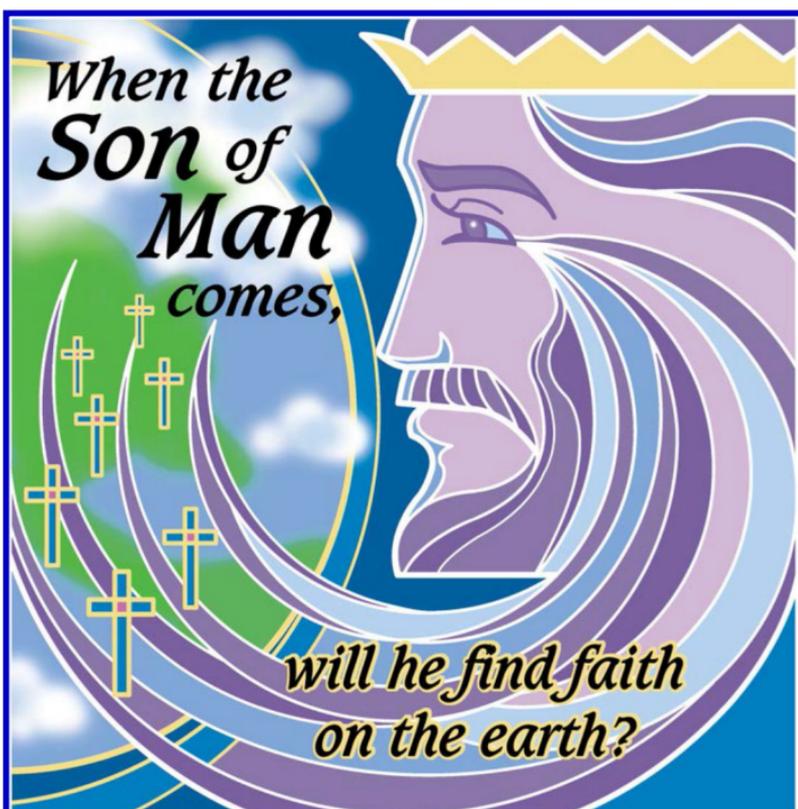
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Church Hours: Mon—Fri: 8am-4pm

Sat.: 8am-6pm Sun: 7am-1:30pm

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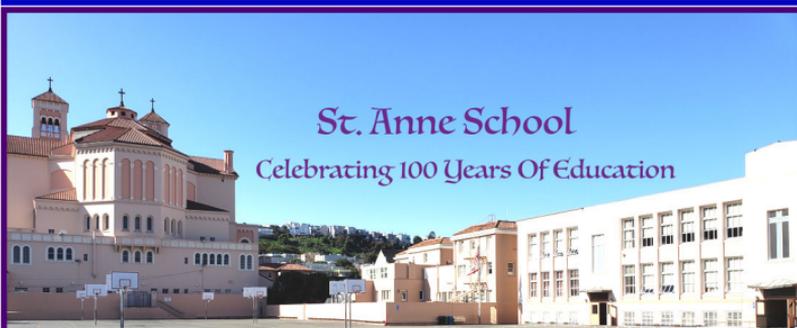
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**Proclaim the word; be persistent
whether it is convenient
or inconvenient; convince,
reprimand, encourage through
all patience and teaching.**

—2 Timothy 4:2



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