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December 8, 2019 ~ 2nd Sunday of Advent

ALL ARE INVITED St. Anne Parish CHRISTMAS PARTY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

St. Anne's Moriarty Hall
following the 10:30AM Mass



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Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2019



The Kingdom of Heaven Is at Hand.

THE LONG-AWAITED ONE

As the Sundays of Advent unfold the scriptures shift focus from the final coming of the Lord to his historical birth. Today's scriptures blend the two. Isaiah's disillusionment with the kings of his own day led him to envision an ideal king who would rule with divine approval and be led by divine wisdom. For centuries the Jewish people anticipated the arrival of that Messiah, who would usher in a blessed age when the whole world would finally dwell in justice and peace.

After centuries of such growing expectation, the preaching of John the Baptist about the imminent arrival of the Messiah could not help but provoke intense interest. The Baptist's message about preparation for "the one who is coming" (*Matthew 3:11*) makes clear that Jesus is, in fact, the long-awaited one who is ushering in the new age foretold by Isaiah and all the prophets. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

FEAST OF FAITH — Watching for Christ's Coming

In the season of Advent, we look to the coming of Christ at the end of time, and we prepare ourselves to celebrate his first coming among us at Christmas. Remembrance of the past is combined with preparation for the future. Memory meets action.

In a certain sense, the Mass is an Advent prayer. At the Last Supper, Jesus did not tell his disciples, "Never forget what I did for you." Instead, he said, "Do this in remembrance of me." He calls us to remember by *doing*, to combine memory with action. In the celebration of the Eucharist, remembering and doing become one. Jesus is as present in our midst as he was in that upper room, breaking the bread and sharing the cup; but it is a new kind of presence, seen only with the eyes of faith. In the heavenly liturgy, there will be no need of sacraments, for there, "celebration is wholly communion and feast" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1136). Here, things are different. We have only glimpses and flashes of the beauty that is yet to be. And yet, in the liturgy, we truly participate in the heavenly liturgy. The Mass is our foretaste of the joys of heaven. —Corinna Laughlin, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

Pastor's Corner

Thank You Volunteers! — We love our volunteers. They are amazing not only because of their talents and abilities, but because of the greatness of their hearts. They help us with everything from: 1) running the office; to 2) organizing, planning and running the parish festival; to 3) advising me with the parish and her finances; to 4) helping in the mass with music, reading, and bringing communion to the sick; to 5) coaching; to 6) mentoring the scouts; to 7) leading small faith communities—and much, much more! In just about every aspect of parish life, a volunteer is there assisting me and serving the Church and our Lord. To acknowledge their service, I'd like to share the following poem, entitled, "Why Be a Volunteer?" by Author Unknown:

*It's not for money, it's not for fame.
It's not for any personal gain.
It's just for love of fellowman.
It's just to send a helping hand.
It's just to give a tithe of self.
That's something you can't buy with wealth.
It's not medals won with pride.
It's for that feeling deep inside.
It's that reward down in your heart.
It's that feeling that you've been a part.
Of helping others far and near,
That makes you be a Volunteer!*

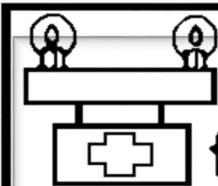
To celebrate the gift that they are to the parish, this Friday, Dec 13, from 3:30pm – 8:30pm, we have our Annual Christmas party for our Volunteers at the Rectory. All our volunteers are invited to attend and to bring their caroling voice.

Thank You Secret Santas! — To all of you who chose to be a Secret Santa, I'd like to thank you on behalf of our clients at Catholic Charities. Your gift goes to the following ministries of Catholic Charities:

- **Rita de Cascia Home** that serves women with HIV/AIDS and their children.
- **Treasure Island Child Development Center**, a preschool for low-income families.
- **Maureen & Craig Sullivan Youth Service**, which is an afterschool program for low-income families.
- **OMI Senior Center**, that serves Seniors in the Ocean/Merced/Ingleside neighborhoods.
- **SF Home**, which is an afterschool program for low-income families.
- **Unaccompanied Minors**. Supporting youth who immigrated to the US without their parent and are staying with host families.

Christmas Mass Schedule — Please note that this Christmas **we will not be having a 7:30am mass** because of low attendance at that morning mass. Join us instead for one of the other Christmas masses: 5pm Vigil, 12am Midnight, 9am & 10:30am. In addition, the Chinese masses will be at 8pm Vigil & 12pm Christmas Day. And we invite you to make use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent, in between Sunday masses.

—Fr. Dan



Masses for the week

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December 8—December 14, 2019

Sunday, December 8

7:30 Lui Ming Tang (D)
9:00 Joseph Tsoty (D)
10:30 Parishioners of Saint Anne
Noon Anthony Nguyen (D)

Monday, December 9

6:30 Sheila Cory (D)
8:45 Rosaleen Flynn (D)

Tuesday, December 10

6:30 birthday, Roman Rey Pastor
8:45 Luciano & Violeta Amutan (D)

Wednesday, December 11

6:30 Deceased Members
of the McCue family

8:45 Margaret Carion (D)

Thursday, December 12

6:30 Anthony Chan (D)
8:45 Gloria Motak (D)

Friday, December 13

6:30 Harry Colen (D)
8:45 Antonio Do Nascimento (D)

Saturday, December 14

8:45 Confraternity of Saint Anne
5 p.m. Intention, Eden Niemela & family

Presider

Bishop Walsh
Fr. Tieng, LRMS
Fr. Nascimento
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Christmas Cards to Help Inmates Celebrate

The Restorative Justice Ministry of the Archdiocese ministers to those in prison and those affected by crime. At Christmas, everyone wants to send Christmas cards to family and friends. Can you join us in providing new, blank cards that incarcerated men and women can fill out and mail? Our annual Drive supplies cards to people in San Francisco and Marin County Jails, as well as juveniles in facilities in San Francisco and San Mateo. The cards can be commercial products or homemade, in English or Spanish, religious or secular. The goal this year is 2,000 cards. Cards should be brought or mailed to the Chancery at this address by December 13. (Any monetary donation enclosed will help cover costs for this ministry):

The Archdiocese of San Francisco
Attention: Restorative Justice Ministry
2019 Christmas Cards Drive
1 Peter Yorke Way
San Francisco, CA 94109

For more info, contact Julio Escobar, Restorative Justice Ministry 415-614-5572 escobarj@sfarch.org

Advent Resources on Archdiocesan Website

Advent is a time of preparation for the feast of Christmas and the incarnation of God in Christ. For a rich supply of Advent resources, visit the archdiocesan website sfarch.org/advent to find prayers, daily reflections, devotions, activities, projects, and traditions, for yourself, your family, and your community.

If you wish any donation to Saint Anne Church to be included in **this year's Tax Letter**, please be sure to get it to the rectory by **Sunday, December 29, 2019**. Any donation that is received after that date will be counted as a 2020 donation.

Today the annual collection for the **Retirement Fund for Religious** is being taken. The women and men Religious of the Archdiocese are appreciative of any help you can give and count on your assistance as they face retirement with limited resources. But more importantly, please remember in your prayers the more than 500 women and men religious living and serving in the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Thank you!

Christmas Novena Masses

Simbang Gabi

at St. Anne of the Sunset

Begin on
Sunday, December 15
And conclude on
Monday, December 23

Weekday Masses at 7pm
Weekend Masses at 5pm

Come join us! Prepare for His coming!



December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin, is normally a holy day of obligation except in years when December 8 falls on Sunday. Because in 2019, December 8 is a Sunday, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is moved forward a day and will be celebrated on Monday, December 9th, but this year it is **not** a holy day of obligation.

Last Weeks' Collections

1st Collection, November 23, 24— \$4,358.00
Catholic Campaign for Human Development— \$879.00
1st Collection, November 30, December 1— \$4,436.00
School Earthquake Retrofit Fund— \$786.00

This Week's 2nd Collection
Retired Religious Fund

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2019
Campaign Goal— \$50,289
Donations Received as of December 3— \$41,567

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

ST. ANNE STAFF

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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

Church Hours:

Mon—Fri: 8am-4pm

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

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 12:00 p.m.
Sr. Mary Francis and her assistants are always happy to assist you!

A Prayer for the 2nd Sunday of Advent

*God of timeless grace,
you fill us with joyful expectation.
Make us ready for the message that
prepares the way; that with uprightness
of heart and holy joy we may eagerly
await the kingdom of your Son,
Jesus Christ, who reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.*

Amen



St. Anne's Christmas Decorating & Church Cleaning Day

On Saturday

December 14, 2019

from 9:30 until Noon



**We need your
help to**



make our Church

look beautiful



for Christmas. An

"appreciation"

lunch will be served



in the Rectory at

Noon.



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