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February 2, 2020

The Presentation of the Lord

St. Anne School
Celebrating 100 Years of Education

Centennial
1920-2020

CELEBRATE WITH US

Sunday 02-02-2020
Centennial Mass Celebration
Special Time 11am
(10:30am & 12pm mass combined)
School Open House to follow
**Pastor’s Corner**

**Feast of the Presentation of the Lord** – It’s very appropriate to celebrate the School’s Centennial today on the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord at the Temple. In obedience to the Torah, Joseph and Mary brought their child to the Temple 40 days after his birth and gave thanks to God. This feast is also known as Candlemas. Candles are usually blessed and used in today’s feast as a symbol of Christ who is the Light of the World. At our Centennial Mass celebration, candles will be used in procession to celebrate today’s feast of Christ entering the Temple, but also to symbolize the Light that the School has been shining, the past 100 years, in the life of their students. The Light that the school shines is not only the light of knowledge, but also the Light of faith. Over 100 years ago, the parishioners and priests of this parish wanted to teach more than just Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic to their children. They also wanted to teach them the values of faith, hope, love, and service to their families and to the community. So for 100 years, the school sought to help each child not only succeed individually in life, but also be a blessing to their families, their Church, and the wider human family. This is the Students’ Creed that they recite every morning: “As St. Anne students, we believe in living our lives based on the teachings of Jesus, learning new things every day for the rest of our lives, respecting all of God’s creation, and caring for our worldwide family.” We hope to instill in them a love for learning and a desire to live in harmony with God, with His creation, and with one another, helping one another in our common journey through life. May God bless our students, their parents, our alumni, and past and present educators! May the Light of Christ, the Light of faith, knowledge, love, hope, and service continue to shine for many years to come at St. Anne School! Good St. Anne, pray for us!!!

**Who are the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (PBVM)?** – This order of religious sisters was founded in Cork, Ireland in 1775 by Honora (Nona) Nagle, whose desire was to help the poor and needy in her city. But guided by the Holy Spirit, her community of sisters grew to care for people not only across Ireland but throughout the world in 24 countries. In 1854 the Sisters came to San Francisco at the invitation of Archbishop Alemany and by 1900 had established two convents and schools here. Msgr. William O’Mahoney, Pastor of St. Anne from 1911 to 1936, invited the sisters to administer our school, and they opened the doors in 1920 with 222 students. By 1945, 946 students were enrolled in the school. In 2004, when we celebrated the Centennial of the parish, we bid a fond farewell to the Sisters that had planted so many seeds of faith in this community. Today, more than 1,600 Sisters pursue work in education and relief of the poor on every continent. Thank you, Sisters, for your love, prayers, and dedication to all our children!

—Fr. Dan

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He had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way. —Hebrews 2:17a

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**A CHRISTMAS REPRISEx**

The Church’s celebration three weeks ago of the Baptism of the Lord signaled the “official” end of the Christmas season. Today’s feast of the Presentation of the Lord seems to extend the Incarnation celebration a bit longer. In fact, some have called this feast a “second Epiphany.”

The first reading recalls the anticipation of Advent, as Malachi writes, “Lo, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me.” The reading from Hebrews reminds us of the Incarnation, proclaiming that Jesus had a “share” in our own “blood and flesh.” The Gospel finds the infant Jesus on his first visit to Jerusalem and his human parents once again surprised and in awe over the events surround his birth.

In the simplicity of the manger, in the grandeur of the temple, in the domesticity of Nazareth, Jesus comes. May we come to know him and so be filled with “wisdom” and the “favor of God.”

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

By Candlemas, forty days after Christmas, February 2, the season of Christ’s coming has depleted our candle supply. Soon, the parish will order a new paschal candle from a catalogue or candlemaker, or in some communities, wax will be collected to be melted and molded. Last year’s paschal candle shows the wear and tear of summer heat, or many funerals or baptisms.

Paschal candles have been around since at least the fourth century, when Constantine’s biographer Eusebius reported that the night of the sacred vigil was “transformed into the brilliance of day, by lighting throughout the city pillars of wax, while burning lamps in every place so that the splendor of this night was brighter than the brightest daylight.”

Light was a precious commodity in the ancient world, and this lavish use of precious beeswax was a sign of the Christian’s call to bear Christ’s light into the world’s darkness. In a pre-electric age, a whole city aglow from the paschal flame must have been a glorious sight, and a reminder to every baptized Christian of our vocation to “be the light of the world.”

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Masses for the week

February 2—February 8, 2020

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First Friday Devotion

This Friday, February 7th, an Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament follows the 8:45am Mass. Adoration will conclude with Benediction at 10:00 a.m.

Mass for “God’s Special People” Sat., February 8, 11:00 am St. Mary’s Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., SF

Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone is the principal celebrant at a Mass celebrating World Day of the Sick. All are invited. The event is sponsored by the Order of Malta, who say: “This is a Celebration for God’s Special People. Catholic adults and children with disabilities are invited to participate in a Mass designed for them. Every parish has members with disabilities: This is a special day for us all to join the celebration of Mass as a community supporting inclusivity of our special needs family.” A reception follows in the hall of the Cathedral.

MARRIED COUPLES: HURRY HURRY HURRY! Time is running out to apply for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Let a cozy weekend for just the two of you keep you warm on these long winter nights. The next Marriage Encounter Weekends include: Feb 29—Mar 1, 2020 in San Francisco, CA and May 15-17, 2020 in San Jose, CA. For more information and/or to apply for a Weekend, visit our website at: sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413

U.S.–China Catholic Association Conference 2020

Friday – Sunday, March 13 – 15 Santa Clara University, 500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara

“China, Christianity, and the Dialogue of Civilizations” is the title of the 28th annual USCCA Conference, co-sponsored by the Santa Clara University Department of Sociology. Keynotes, academic sessions, workshops, and presentations lead conference participants to reflect on these questions and more: In light of the Vatican’s accord with Beijing and its intention to emphasize dialogue as a way forward, what have been the results? What to make of the disappointments? What are the signs of hope? On this side of the Pacific, how does China’s cultural heritage enrich our faith? How can Chinese Catholic communities, U.S. Church leaders, and educators and staff at our high schools and universities welcome and engage students and immigrants from China? For information and registration, visit the website uscatholicchina.org/conference-2020

Benefit Concert for Catholic Charities Immigrant Services Friday, February 7 @ 7:30 pm

Zion Lutheran Church, 495 9th Ave. (at Anza), SF

The Interfaith Refugee Welcome, a Bay Area interfaith group providing financial support for immigrants in transition, sponsors this concert featuring world-class chamber musicians Amy Foote (soprano) and Matt Linder (guitar). All are invited to come and hear this married couple perform music from the Renaissance to the present day while benefiting our immigrant community.

4 weeks left to Sign up for Retrouvaille - Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the April program beginning with a weekend on February 28th, call 415-893-1005 or email: SF@RetroCA.com or visit the web site www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Last Week’s Collections

January 25, 26—$4,283.00 Church in Latin America—$700.00

This Week’s 2nd Collection

School Earthquake Retrofit Fund

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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 (with 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 Sat @ 10am in Rectory (Please Register)

Office Hours:  Mon - Fri:  9am - 4:30pm

Church Hours:  Mon - Fri:  8am - 4pm
Mon-Fri: 8am - 4pm;  Sat: 8a - 6pm;  Sun: 7a - 1:30pm
Saint Anne Athletic Department

Crab Bash

Sunday, February 9
5:00pm  Moriarty Hall

$55 per person
$20 per child under 11

No Host Bar ($20 Corkage Fee)

Reservation forms at rectory
& church entrances

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