

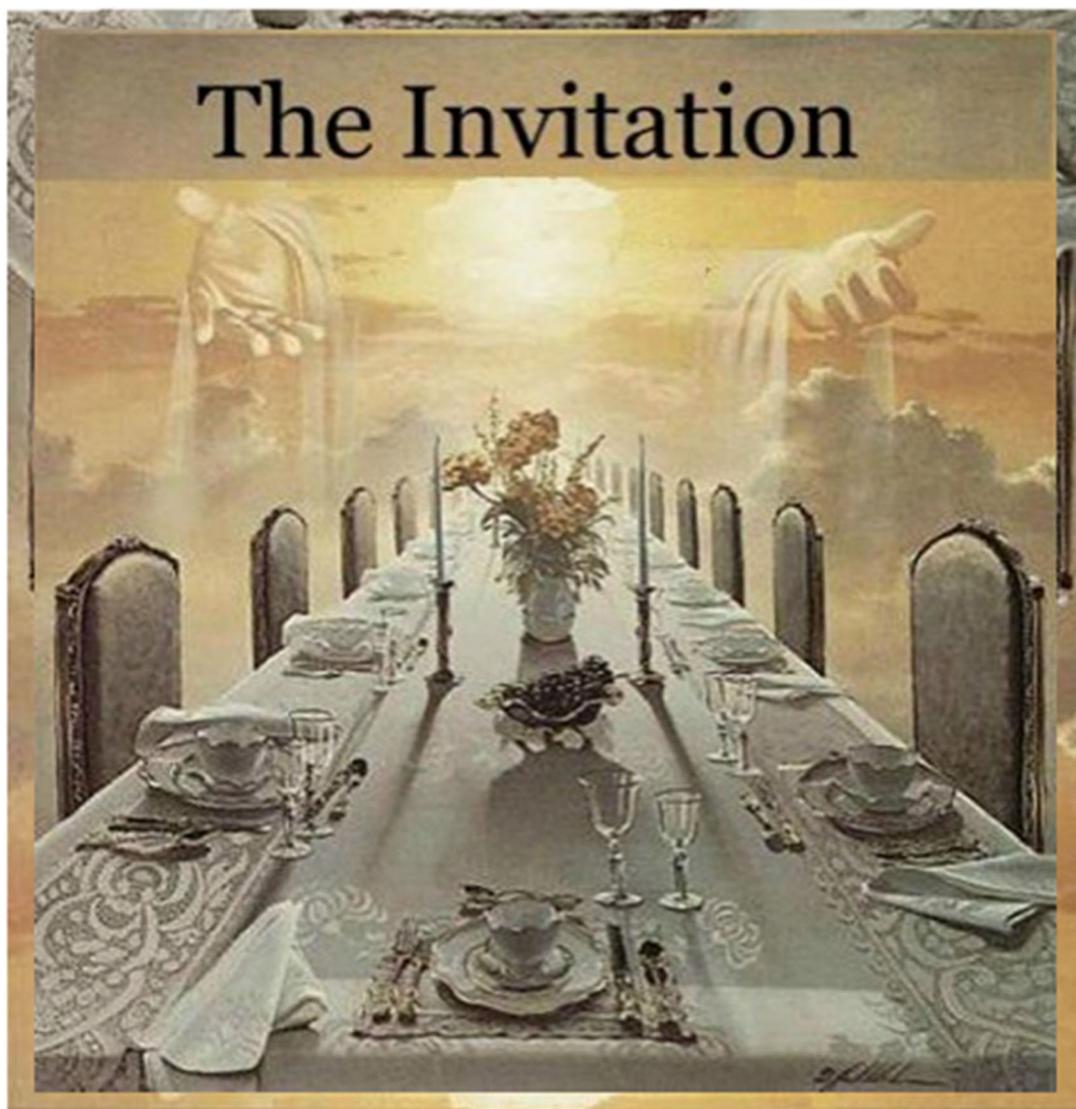
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October 11, 2020 ~ 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Behold, I have prepared my banquet...."

Matthew 22:4

WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S

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Pastor's Column

What Would Jesus Do? – Last Sunday after mass, a group of people who attended the first indoor mass since March at Holy Name got into a shouting match with neighbors or passersby. The reason this happened was because they displayed signs favoring a certain presidential candidate on their cars and they were parked in front of the church property. Those favoring another candidate found their signs offensive and proceeded into an ugly confrontation. Those with signs on their cars were meeting up with fellow supporters to do a driving rally escorted by the Police. To be clear, this driving rally was not organized by Holy Name parish. But it was within the rights of these mass goers to express their own political preferences outside of the church facility in a public sidewalk or street.

But what would Jesus do in this toxic climate our nation is experiencing between political leaders and parties? In Jesus' time, there were also Jews who were divided and on opposite sides. There were Jews who favored working with the Romans. These were the Sadducees who were put in charge of the Temple and who were open to the culture of the Romans and Greeks. Jews like Matthew, who collected taxes for the Romans, were on one side of this divide. On the other side were Pharisees who wanted to remain pure and apart from Roman secular culture. That's why they had many laws to keep a faithful Jew pure from their influence. And then there were also extremists like Simon the Zealot. The Zealots at the time was a Jewish political movement that sought to incite the people to rebel against the Roman Empire. So it's interesting that Jesus chose both Matthew and Simon, who were on totally different sides, to be His disciples.

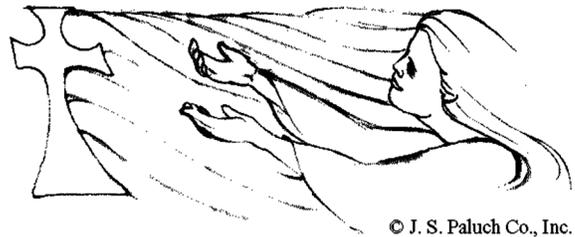
And Jesus came not to favor or take sides. When someone tried to see which side Jesus would take by asking whether it was right to pay taxes or not, Jesus did not play their game and answered instead to give whatever is due to Caesar but also to give whatever is due to God. Although it may appear that Jesus was playing both sides, Jesus was instead more interested in building the Kingdom of God. A Kingdom

- Where everyone would know that they are loved by our Heavenly Father and we are His sons and daughters;
- where we are brothers and sisters to one another;
- where we care for and support one another;
- where love is central and is displayed in mercy, forgiveness and unity of heart and mind.

If we as disciples of Christ take on the tone of the political parties, if we are divided and accuse one another of not being true Catholics for taking this stance or not supporting that issue, we play right into the hands of the devil who would like to see the Church divided and unable to build the Kingdom of God on earth. We need to rise above these divisions.

As the US Bishops have stated, no one political party

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I can do all things
in him who strengthens me.
—Philippians 4:13

COME TO THE FEAST

"On this mountain, the Lord of hosts / will provide for all peoples / a feast of the rich food and choice wines" (*Isaiah 25:6*). That's what Isaiah tells us today. God is putting together a huge party for "all peoples," to "wipe away / the tears from every face" (*Isaiah 25:8*).

And what does Jesus tell us? The reign of God, he says, "may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son" (*Matthew 22:2*). When the guests didn't come, the king had his servants go out "into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find" (*Matthew 22:9*). We are called to deliver that invitation.

One of the themes woven into today's liturgy is that of divine generosity. Asleep to reality, people often think they have "earned" what they have. In our better moments, though, we know that all our gifts—even the spiritual gifts—come through God's generosity. Our vocation is to invite people, to remind them the tickets aren't for sale. We can only show up and say thank you. *Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.*

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supports all of our Catholic values such as our consistent ethic of life, where all life from conception, to childhood, adulthood, and old age are valued. One political party may say they are pro-life but they're for capital punishment and against health care access for all. Another political party may be supportive of immigrants and favor the care of our Mother Earth, but is pro-choice. We have to remember that good people can disagree, and we should even love those who disagree with us and pray for their well-being. It is only in this way that we can build the Kingdom of God on earth. As we celebrated the Feast of St. Francis last week, it is certainly appropriate to ask his intercession to help us be God's instrument of peace in our divided world, our divided Church, and our divided families.

Lord, make me a channel of your peace, where there is hatred, let me sow love...

- Fr. Dan



Masses for the week

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October 11 to October 17, 2020

Sunday, October 11	Presider
8:00 Parishioners of Saint Anne	Bishop Walsh
10:00 healing, Augusto Quion Raymond & Susan Domenici (D)	Fr. Tieng, LRMS
Noon Sel Him Toy (D)	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Monday, October 12	
8:45 Rev. Frank Bagadiong (D) Mary O'Connor (D)	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Tuesday, October 13	
8:45 thanksgiving, Cely Zapanta thanksgiving, Freda Motak	Bishop Walsh
Wednesday, October 14	
8:45 thanksgiving, Butch & Ann Cuello thanksgiving, Herminia Sangalang	Fr. Tieng, LRMS
Thursday, October 15	
8:45 thanksgiving, Carol Bough Sylvia & Roque Navarro (D)	Fr. Zhai, SVD
Friday, October 16	
8:45 thanksgiving, Rita & Games Timur John & Marian Fox (D)	Fr. Tieng, LRMS
Saturday, October 17	
8:45 Confraternity of Saint Anne	Bishop Walsh
5 pm thanksgiving, Carol Bough Thanksgiving Erlinda Lopez	Fr. Tieng, LRMS

**All Masses are celebrated in church and open to the public.
All Masses are Livestreamed except 8am Sunday.**

Strong in the face of Tribulation the Church in Communion a sure support in time of Trial

The 113th Novena of Good Saint Anne is certainly one for the history books. While the novena has been celebrated during other pandemics, world wars, civil unrest, depressions, heat waves and wild fires, this is the first time that the Novena was completely Virtual. With the lockdowns and stay at home orders from our Governor we stayed safe in our homes but we still gathered to pray to our Patroness Good St. Anne. The Redemptorist Fathers were glad to join you for this novena but I am sure that I speak for all of them saying that we wish we were with you in San Francisco in your beautiful Church. Thank you for the prayers, donations and well wishes. The collection this year was \$4249.00, which will help us Redemptorist Missionaries as we continue to spread the Gospel message to the poor, and most abandoned. We look forward to seeing you next year for the 114th Novena to Good Saint Anne. Our fervent prayer is that it will be in person. Until then, May God Bless Us! Good Saint Anne Prayer for us! Thank you so much!

Frs. Patrick Keyes, Ted Dorcey, Ted Lawson, Kevin Zubel, John Schmit, Maurice Nutt and Aaron Meszaros

Honoring Retired Priests in Pandemic 2020

Although it is not possible this year to hold a Priests retirement Luncheon in the traditional sense, we are still eager to celebrate these three very special men for their lives of service to the Archdiocese of San Francisco. The week beginning Sunday, November 15, will be "retired Priests Week." There will be a formal collection for our retired priests on the weekend of November 14-15, and we will have a virtual celebration of Thursday, November 19. **This year's honorees are Msgr. Michael Harriman and Fr. John Greene.**

The November 19 celebration will consist of a 45-minute program, followed by Mass in the Archbishop's chapel for Msgr. Harriman, Fr. Greene and guests of their. The Mass will be livestreamed so that everyone may attend virtually. After the Mass, the Archbishop will host lunch in his residence for the honorees and their guests.

For more information on the virtual celebration and collection, please contact Rose Marie Wong 415-614-5517 or wongr@sfarch.org

A Day for Children Worldwide to Pray the Rosary

Archbishop Cordileone is asking all Faith Formation Programs to support this project of praying the rosary on October 19. Aid To The Church in Need International is inviting Catholic children around the world, as it does annually, to pray the rosary for peace and healing. The hope is that many children in the U.S. will participate in this call of prayer particularly as we grapple with a global pandemic and cope with social upheaval. Catholic schools and religious education programs are encouraged to join in this international day of prayer. To learn more, visit the website; churchinneed.org/one-million-kids-praying-the-rosary/

Family Fun and Faith: A Weekly Invitation

Families are invited each week to join with Catholic families throughout California in prayer, song, and reflection on the Sunday Gospel. The Office of Faith Formation of the archdiocese, in cooperation with the Catholic Bishops of CA recommend this resource for all families: in 15 minutes your family can be renewed by the Sunday readings. Log on to:

<https://bit.ly/3imsnop>

Last Week's First Collection

October 3, 4— \$6,595.00

This Week's 2nd Collection

Building and Maintenance Fund

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2020 Assessment— \$54,584

As of 10/6— \$26,131 collected (48%)

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

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ST. ANNE Covid-19 SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass:

Sat. Vigil, 5pm;
Sun., 8:00am, 10:00am & 12pm (Chinese)

Daily Mass:

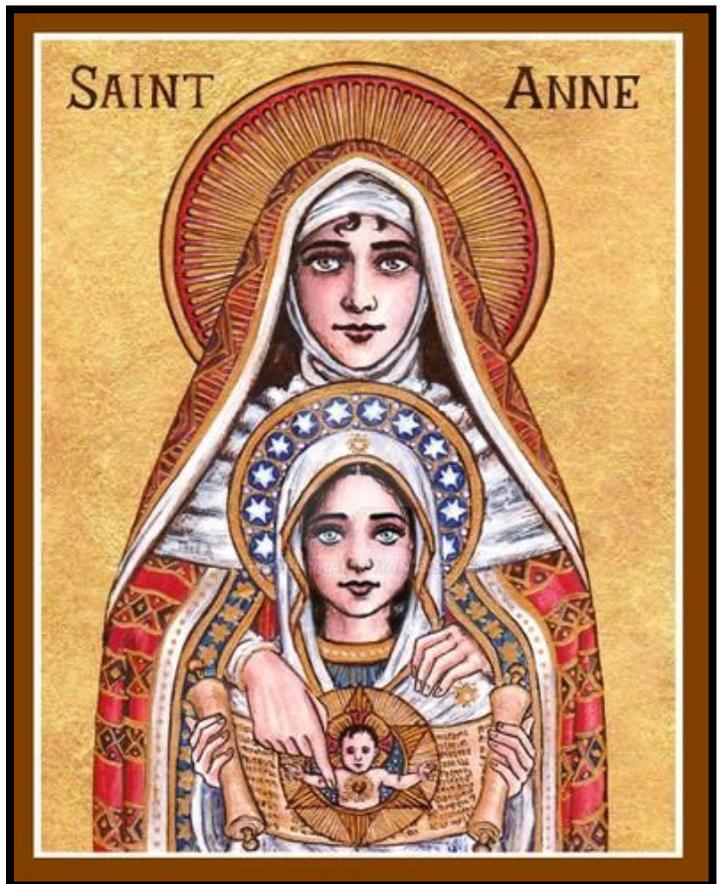
Mon - Fri.: 8:45am;
Sat., 8:45am (with Devotion to St. Anne)

Reconciliation: Sat. 4pm—5pm and by appointment

Baptism: 2nd Saturday @ 12:30pm
Preparation Class: 3rd Sat @ 10am in Rectory (Please Register)

Office Hours: By appointment

Church Hours: Mon—Fri., 8:30am—9:30am
Sat., 8:30am—10am, 4pm—6pm
Sun., 7:30am—1pm



If you are 18 or older and wish to learn more about God, ask questions, or explore and enrich your faith,



you are invited to join us in
**our weekly Wednesday
ALPHA meetings**

7pm–8:30pm (via Zoom)

These meetings are also for those considering becoming Catholic or for any adult Catholic who has not yet received **First Holy Communion** or the **Sacrament of Confirmation**.

*To register or to obtain more info,
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