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First Sunday of Lent ~ February 21, 2021



Lenten Activities

Feb 18 - March 27, 2021



- **Anti-Racism & Social Justice Reflection & Discussion**
Thurs @ 7pm; For Info or to RSVP: Fr. Dan, frdan@stanne-sf.org
- **Book Club** (Faith Sharing)
Fratelli Tutti; Mon @ 2pm & 7pm; Sr. Cristina, crisfdcc2016@yahoo.com
Women's Group: Set Afire; Thurs @ 7pm; Rachel Gee, rachel.gee@stanne-sf.org
- **Chair Yoga**
Wed @ 10:30-11am, with Alice Ho Seher; aseher@holynamesf.com
- **Date Night** - Faith & Couple Relationship
Wed @ 7pm; Ken DelPonte, Kdelponte@stanne-sf.org
- **Individual Lenten Journey** - 46 Days of Spiritual Lenten Exercise
For more info or to sign-up, contact: Cecile Sabater at cecilesab16@gmail.com
- **Laudato Si - Caring for Our Common Home** by Pope Francis
Tues @ 7pm; Rachel Leluc, raleluc@stanne-sf.org
- **Stations of the Cross**
Fridays @ 7pm in Church; if Health Order does not permit indoor services, we will pray the Stations via Facebook
- **3 o'Clock Prayer** - Rosary
Daily @ 3pm; Sr. Mary Francis, sismfrancis@gmail.com



SAINT ANNE MASSES

Daily Masses: 8:45am Mon.—Sat. (in front of 1390 14th Ave.)

Sunday Masses (in Schoolyard): Sat. Vigil at 4pm
Sundays at 8am, 10am, and Noon (Chinese)

All Masses Livestreamed except Sunday 8am

Confessions: by Appointment or before Sat. Vigil Masses in Lent **Office Hours:** M-F by Appointment

Pastor's Column

Pope Francis' Lenten Message – The Pope's Lenten message reminds us that Lent is a time for renewing the 3 theological virtues of faith, hope and love. And the way to make this renewal possible, he said, is by living what Jesus taught us, to observe fasting, prayer and almsgiving. The Pope taught that:


- *“Fasting involves being freed from all that weighs us down – like consumerism or an excess of information, whether true or false – in order to open the doors of our hearts to the One who comes to us, poor in all things... He continues, “Fasting, experienced as a form of self-denial, helps those who undertake it in simplicity of heart to rediscover God's gift and to recognize that, created in his image and likeness, we find our fulfilment in him. In embracing the experience of poverty, those who fast make themselves poor with the poor and accumulate the treasure of a love both received and shared. In this way, fasting helps us to love God and our neighbor...” (cf. Fratelli Tutti, 93).*
- *Through the Lenten practice of prayer, the Pope said this “childlike dialogue with the Father (prayer) makes it possible for us to live lives of sincere faith” and through recollection and silent prayer “hope is given to us as inspiration and interior light, illuminating the challenges and choices we face in our mission. Hence the need to pray (cf. Mt 6:6) and, in secret, to encounter the Father of tender love.”*
- *Almsgiving is a concern and loving care for the*

poor. The gift of love gives meaning to our lives. It enables us to view those in need as members of our own family, as friends, brothers or sisters. A small amount, if given with love, never ends, but becomes a source of life and happiness. Such was the case with... the loaves blessed, broken and given by Jesus to the disciples to distribute to the crowd (cf. Mk 6:30-44). Such is the case too with our almsgiving, whether small or large, when offered with joy and simplicity. To experience Lent with love means caring for those who suffer or feel abandoned and fearful because of the Covid-19 pandemic. In these days of deep uncertainty about the future, let us keep in mind the Lord's word to his Servant, “Fear not, for I have redeemed you” (Is 43:1). In our charity, may we speak words of reassurance and help others to realize that God loves them as sons and daughters.”

The Pope ends his letter reminding us that “every moment of our lives is a time for believing, hoping and loving.” And “to experience Lent as a journey of conversion, prayer and sharing of our goods...”

Upcoming Lenten Activities – If you haven't signed up yet, we encourage you to do something for your Soul this Lent. Please check out the list of activities on the cover of this week's bulletin, and then please contact the facilitators for more information or to register:

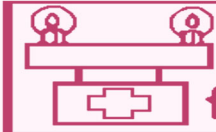
—Fr. Dan



*The Spirit drove Jesus out
into the desert, and he remained in
the desert for forty days,
tempted by Satan.*

Mark 1:12

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Masses for the week

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February 21 to February 27, 2021

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| Sunday, February 21 | Presider |
| 8:00 am Parishioners of Saint Anne | Rev. Nascimento |
| 10:00 am William Utterback (D) | Rev. Nascimento |
| Lorenzo Del Rosario (D) | |
| Paul Encarnacion (D) | |
| Eduardo Sunga (D) | |
| Noon Parishioners of Saint Anne | Rev. Zhai, SVD |
| Monday, February 22 | |
| 8:45 am Gerald Stenson (D) | Rev. Zhai, SVD |
| Rev. Didacus Ma (D) | |
| Tuesday, February 23 | |
| 8:45 am birthday, Evelyn Garcia | Rev. Nascimento |
| Jeremiah Quevedo (D) | |
| Wednesday, February 24 | |
| 8:45 am Jean Lau (D) | Rev. Nascimento |
| Gloria, Demetrio, | |
| & Raymond Rotor (D) | |
| Thursday, February 25 | |
| 8:45 am Amparo Villena (D) | Rev. Zhai, SVD |
| Luis, Laureano, and | |
| Julia Rotor & Family (D) | |
| Friday, February 26 | |
| 8:45 am Humphrey O'Leary (D) | Rev. Zhai, SVD |
| Jerry O'Leary (D) | |
| Saturday, February 27 | |
| 8:45 am Confraternity of St. Anne | Rev. Zhai, SVD |
| 4:00 pm George Kositzin (D) | Rev. Nascimento |
| Harry Colen (D) | |

Seasonal Changes for Liturgies of Lent

Today is the First Sunday of Lent. During this season of preparation for Easter, our churches, if we are inside them, look stark and simple—no flowers at the altar, no festive banners or decorations. And our liturgies feel different, too. The Gloria, our Sunday song of rejoicing, is not heard except on solemnities, and we will not sing the Alleluia, our joyful acclamation of praise, until the Easter Vigil. "Alleluia cannot always / Be our song while here below," says an eleventh-century hymn. "Alleluia our transgressions / Make us for a while forego; / For the solemn time is coming / When our tears for sins must flow" (*Alleluia dulce carmen*, J. M. Neale, trans.).

These changes in the liturgy will catch our attention, and make us eager for the festive outpouring of joy that will return with Easter. This year, may the stripped-away liturgies of Lent remind us to strip away what is not essential in our lives to make space for the crucified and risen One, and thus to be ready to sing "Alleluia" once again when Easter returns.
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REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL

Lent is the time of year we devote to scrutinizing our lives in the light of our baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus. Today's readings are a nice shorthand catechism of what our baptized lives mean. As Noah passed through the waters of the flood to a covenant with God, so did we enter into a covenant, a promised relationship with God through our baptism.

Peter's letter gives an explicit explanation of what our baptism means: it is an appeal we make to God for a clear conscience. How do we obtain this clear conscience? The words proclaimed by Jesus immediately following his temptation show us the way: "Repent, and believe in the gospel" (*Mark 1:15*). It might be a good spiritual exercise to keep these readings before us throughout the entire season of Lent, a means to help us return to a life lived by our baptismal promises.
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