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Third Sunday of Lent ~ March 7, 2021



"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst..." John 4:14

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SAINT ANNE MASSES

Daily Masses: 8:45am Mon.—Sat.

Sunday Masses: Sat. Vigil at 5pm

and Sunday at 8am, 10am, and Noon (Chinese)

All Masses Livestreamed except Sunday 8am

Confessions: by appointment

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I, the LORD, am your God . . .

You shall not have other gods besides me.

— Exodus 20:2a, 3

Pastor's Column

Anti-Racism Reflections & Discussions – On Feb 25th, we began the 1st of our Lenten series reflecting upon the issue of race. Sixteen parishioners from Holy Name and St. Anne and a couple of their friends joined us in a conversation over a relevant topic for our times. Those present came to learn more about this topic and see what we can do individually or together. One of Pope Francis' themes is promoting "a culture of encounter" to help heal a divided world. He explains that *"It is neither a culture of confrontation nor a culture of conflict which builds harmony within and between peoples, but rather a culture of encounter and a culture of dialogue; this is the only way to peace."* So we watched a Ted Talk video by Verna Myers on *"How to Overcome Our Biases? Walk Boldly Toward Them."* As an African American woman who teaches about diversity, she openly shared a bias she carried once when she got on a plane. A woman pilot came over the intercom to welcome the passengers and she thought to herself, great! Women are breaking ceilings even in the stratosphere. But then when the flight became turbulent, she thought to herself, will this woman pilot know what to do? She admitted that if the pilot was a man she would not have given it a second thought, but because the pilot was a woman, she had her doubts. And she shares that all of us have also been formed from our youth with certain biases. Because we're more used to seeing male pilots, that can become our bias. And because young black men have been, through media and news, more associated with crime, we may have that as our bias. Her answer to how we can overcome our biases is not to be color blind. Instead she recommends that we stare at awesome black people and memorize them. Move towards them instead of away from them. Walk toward our discomfort, when it's reasonably safe, because in so doing, as we enter into an encounter and dialogue, we will get to know the other person and grow more comfortable. Lastly, she encouraged us that if we see an injustice, we need to speak up and not to shelter our children from the ugliness of racism, because black families don't have that option. If you're interested to discover your bias, here's a link to a confidential test: <https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/takeatest.html>. And to help us see great black men, here are a few famous ones.

—Fr. Dan



TOTAL ALLEGIANCE

In previous weeks we have seen how the theme of covenant—as a preparation for the baptismal covenant celebrated at Easter—occupies an important place in our cycle of Lenten readings. The notion of covenant as a relationship between two parties carries with it an expectation of mutual accountability and fidelity to the terms of the covenant. When God forged the covenant with the Jewish people on Mt. Sinai, it was a pledge of God's protection, and it would forever permit them familiar access as the Chosen People. For their part, the Jewish people were to observe the dictates of the law, summarized most succinctly here in the form of the Ten Commandments. To be in a covenantal relationship with the Lord God requires an exclusive relationship, just as discipleship with Jesus—ritualized in baptism—demands a total allegiance to him and none other.

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FEAST OF FAITH Postures of the Mass

In the Mass, we pray not only with our lips, but with our bodies as well. We stand when the ministers enter. In Western culture, standing is a sign of attention, a mark of respect: all stand when the judge enters the courtroom, for example. Standing is also an ancient posture of prayer, mentioned frequently in the Old Testament. When the readings begin, we sit down: a listening posture. Mary sat at Jesus' feet to listen to his teaching; the crowds sat on the hillside or the seashore to hear his words. Kneeling is another posture that is full of meaning. It expresses adoration and worship, but it can also express humility and contrition. We bow: a sign of honor and reverence, acknowledging the presence of God, especially when we receive the Eucharist. And there are other ritual gestures as well—striking the breast, genuflecting, and of course making the sign of the cross. The liturgy invites us to pray with our whole person—with heart and mind, voice and body.

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March 7 to March 13, 2021

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| Sunday, March 7 | Presider |
| 8:00 thanksgiving, Mary Moylan Jean Lau (D) | Rev. Nascimento |
| 10:00 thanksgiving, Dolly & Jimmy Jimenez | Rev. Nascimento |
| Noon Parishioners of Saint Anne | Rev. Zhai, SVD |
| Monday, March 8 | |
| 8:45 Nina Lucier (D) Perfecto Lacuesta, Sr. (D) Richard Salmon (D) Olga Caruana (D) | Rev. Zhai, SVD |
| Tuesday, March 9 | |
| 8:45 thanksgiving, Freda Motak Perfecto Lacuesta, Sr. (D) Richard Salmon (D) | Rev. Nascimento |
| Wednesday, March 10 | |
| 8:45 thanksgiving, Aida Gomez thanksgiving, Amelia & Martin Austria birthday, Girlie Echave & Lance Balante Perfecto Lacuesta, Sr. (D) Richard Salmon (D) | Rev. Nascimento |
| Thursday, March 11 | |
| 8:45 thanksgiving, Elvie Bebing Perfecto Lacuesta, Sr. (D) Richard Salmon (D) | Rev. Zhai, SVD |
| Friday, March 12 | |
| 8:45 thanksgiving, Vera Roguisky Perfecto Lacuesta, Sr. (D) Richard Salmon (D) | Rev. Zhai, SVD |
| Saturday, March 13 | |
| 8:45 Confraternity of St. Anne | Rev. Nascimento |
| 5:00pm thanksgiving, Cora Intertas Richard Salmon (D) | Rev. Nascimento |

In commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Proclamation of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, **Pope Francis, in *Patris Corde*, invites us to honor, celebrate and pray to St. Joseph this year.** Celebrate St. Joseph with us! Join the **Office of Faith Formation of the Archdiocese of San Francisco** in praying to St. Joseph for the needs of our time. The Office has put together a **novena* to St. Joseph**, in English and Spanish, available online and in hard copy (booklet form). The novena features each day with a hymn to St. Joseph and a music video of the Litany of St. Joseph (also in English and Spanish) at the end of each novena day. The novena can be used individually or in groups, and can be prayed anytime of the day. **St. Joseph's Feast is March 19.** What a perfect time to begin the novena. The novena can be downloaded from our website: www.sfarch.org/ooff or send us an email at ooff@sfarch.org or call (415) 614-5650.

**A novena consists of nine (9) moments of prayer. It can be prayed daily, weekly, or hourly. A person can pray a novena for a specific reason/cause if there is something he/she specifically needs. The petition can also be generic.*

Series on Human Trafficking Continues

March 9, 6:30 pm via Zoom

"Become a Shepherd in your Parish"

This workshop will offer pragmatic, fresh, and creative responses to operationalize a growing Catholic hunger to effectively fight human trafficking. Diocesan and parish leaders will be equipped with an engaging three-pronged approach to transform empathy for victims into action that is effective and long-lasting.

Register at sfarch.org/seminars.

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Lenten Resources from EWTN The Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) offers several resources for Catholics this Lent. Visit their website ewtn.com/lent to find a variety of items including a comprehensive look at the Church's teaching about Lent, daily readings and reflections, special Lenten programming, popular devotions, video-on-demand and much more.

Last Week's Collection

February 28, 2021—\$3,271.12

Saint Vincent de Paul Society— \$747.00

This Week's 2nd Collection :
School Earthquake Retrofit Fund

Thank You All for Your Generosity!

Healing After Abortion Women's Retreat April 17, 2021 Confidential location. It's normal to that sometimes it seems nothing can fill the emptiness/grieve a pregnancy loss, including the loss of a child by abortion. It can form a hole in one's heart, a hole so deep s. You are not alone. The Archdiocese of San Francisco sponsors Project Rachel which helps women and men heal the pain of abortion and to find the path to peace and reconciliation. This retreat will be led by Father Vito Perrone, Contemplative of St. Joseph, in English & Spanish. Counseling, Mass and Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered. To sign up, contact staff at the projectrachel@sfarch.org 415-614-5567, or submit your information on the form found at sfarch.org/rachel. All inquiries confidential.

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