



St. Anne of the Sunset Catholic Church

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September 11, 2022 ~ 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



This man welcomes sinners and eats with them (Luke 15:2).

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SAINT ANNE MASSES

Daily Masses: 8:45am Mon.—Sat.

Sunday Masses: Sat. Vigil at 5pm,

Sundays at 8am, 10am, and Noon (*Chinese*)

All Masses Livestreamed except Sunday 8am

Confessions: Saturday @ 4:30—4:55pm
and 20 minutes before each Sunday Mass

Office Hours: Mon.—Fri., 9a—4:30p

Baptisms: 2nd Sat. of month, 12:30pm

Baptismal Prep: 3rd Sat. of month, 10:00am

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*“Rejoice with me,
for I have found my lost sheep.”*

Relying on God’s Love

Imagine being among those who heard Jesus address the Pharisees and scribes in the encounter we hear in today’s Gospel: “What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it?”

Would you leave ninety-nine in the desert in order to find one lost sheep? In the parable, Jesus is showing us the depths of God’s love, the illogical, incredible love God has for each of us. Moses counted on this loving mercy as he spoke for the wandering people; Saint Paul acknowledges his reliance on it in his letter to Timothy. God desires to draw you close, seeking you when you are lost. Are you ready to be drawn into God’s loving embrace?

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Saint Anne of the Sunset Faith Formation
September—May 2022—2023

“To know Christ better and to make Christ better known”

*Religious Education in the Catholic Faith
for children in grades K—8.*

Classes are held on Sundays: 10-11am (Mass in the Church); 11a –12:15p Class (in St. Anne School)

Early Registration (until Sept. 18th) — \$75

Late Registration (Sept. 19—Oct. 2) — \$100

For further info on how to register, contact Rachel Gee

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Pastor’s Column

Being Lifelong Learners – Our School’s Student Creed reminds the students to *live their lives based on the teachings of Jesus, to be lifelong learners and to care for the worldwide family.* In a sense, that’s what discipleship is. The word disciple comes from the Latin word *discere* which means to *learn.* To be a disciple of Jesus means we learn from the Master, we learn about the Master and we learn to be like the Master. All this learning is not meant to be kept solely to ourselves, but meant to be shared with others. Jesus sent His disciples to share the fruit of what they’ve learned, and the core message is for everyone to know that they are not orphans, but beloved sons and daughters of God. And one day when we come before the Lord in Heaven, our Lord will not be a stranger but an old friend that we’ve gotten to know throughout our lives. **One way to learn more about our faith and our Lord is through the RCIA program.** RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It’s meant for adults who want to learn more about the Catholic faith and also for those who want to be baptized. All seminarians along with their academic work are also assigned to a parish for field work. First year Seminarians are assigned to a parish with a RCIA program. When I attended, although I had attended a Catholic elementary school, was Confirmed and had attended mass weekly most of my life, I learned so much from the program. Most of what we learned as children was limited because we had no life experience. **RCIA, however, presents the Catholic faith to adults who have experienced the ups and downs of life, who have questions, who seek meaning and purpose, who yearn for unconditional love and are troubled with pain and suffering that accompanies life.** So if you’d like to grow in your faith, we invite you to join us. And please invite others to attend with you, especially those who are not Catholics. Participation and questions by non-Catholics always enrich the conversation and help us to know and appreciate our tradition better. We aim to begin this program in early October. For more information or to register, please contact Ken DelPonte at kdelponte@stanne-sf.org or at 415-665-1600 x 21.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention – Pope Francis asked Catholics around the world to pray in September for an end to the Death Penalty. He explains:

- “The death penalty is morally inadmissible as it destroys the most important gift we have received: life.”
- “The commandment ‘thou shall not kill,’ refers to both the innocent and the guilty.”
- “Society can effectively repress crime without depriving the offenders of the possibility of redeeming themselves.”
- And “always, in every legal sentence, there must be a window of hope.”

- Fr Dan



Saint Anne Parish
MASS INTENTIONS
WEEK of September 11,

Sunday, September 11

8:00am People of the Parish
Lucy Kwok (D)

10:00am Kathy Gallagher (D)
Mario and Alice Asturias (D)

Noon Intentions, Gina Wong

Monday, September 12

8:45am Thanksgiving, Christine S. Eng
Joe Elliott (D)

Tuesday, September 13

8:45am Wenquan Wei (D)

Wednesday, September 14

8:45am Rev. Aloysius Pestun, SDB (D)
Stewart Flynn (D)

Thursday, September 15

8:45am Bento and Leonarda Hidalgo (D)
Joseph John Brady (D)
Birthday, Evan Kwong

Friday, September 16

8:45am Eutiquia Garcia (D)

Saturday, September 17

8:45am Confraternity of Saint Anne
5:00pm Stewart Flynn (D)

Previous Week's Collections

First Collection, September 3, 4— \$3,248.00
Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA— \$500.00

This Week's Second Collection

Building and Maintenance Fund

2022 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal GOAL: \$53,375
DONATIONS as of Sept. 5: \$17,898 (34% of Our Goal)

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

For on-line giving, visit: www.stanne-sf.org

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

Our 115th Annual Novena to Good St. Anne was a true time of blessing for St. Anne's and the Redemptorist community. The collection for the Redemptorist community during the Novena was **\$17,702.00**. Your generosity enables the Redemptorist community to continue our ministry here in the United States and in our missions of Brazil and Nigeria. It will enable us to continue to support our seminarians, care for our elderly, and preach the Gospel to the Poor. May God Bless your generosity. Be assured of our continuing prayers.

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSSR for the Redemptorist Missionaries.

Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone
on Praying for the Abolition of the Death Penalty
September 1, 2022

Pope Francis is inviting us throughout the month of September to pray especially for the abolition of the death penalty. I wish to personally encourage the faithful to add this intention to their prayers.

As I wrote in 2016 when I joined fellow California bishops in unanimously supporting voter initiatives to abolish the death penalty, the answer to a violent crime "is certainly not by inflicting more violence." It is well past time that the death penalty be stricken from the books. As Pope Francis wrote in his encyclical *Fratelli Tutti: On Fraternity and Social Friendship*: "Today we state clearly that 'the death penalty is inadmissible'[247] and the Church is firmly committed to calling for its abolition worldwide." (*Fratelli Tutti*, 263)

In 2019, Gov. Gavin Newsom imposed a moratorium on the death penalty and in January of this year ordered the dismantling of Death Row. Yet, the death penalty remains a penalty in the federal judicial system and in our state. In California, voters have twice rejected efforts to repeal the death penalty. Therefore, our prayers must turn to changing minds and hearts so that all of our fellow citizens will come to believe in the importance of preserving and nurturing all human life.

"The new evangelization calls for followers of Christ who are unconditionally pro-life: who will proclaim, celebrate and serve the Gospel of life in every situation," Pope St. John Paul said, (speaking during a 1999 visit to St. Louis), noting "...the dignity of human life must never be taken away, even in the case of someone who has done great evil. Modern society has the means of protecting itself, without definitively denying criminals the chance to reform." (cf. *Evangelium Vitae*, 27).

As we, the Catholic bishops of California, said in our statement reaffirming opposition to the death penalty in 2016: "Our support to end the use of the death penalty is also rooted in our unshakable resolve to accompany and support all victims of crime.... As we pray with them and mourn with them, we must also stress that the current use of the death penalty does not promote healing. It only brings more violence to a world that has too much violence already."

Our Archdiocese of San Francisco restorative justice ministries support crime victims and their families, men and women in prison and jail, and the formerly incarcerated. Thank you to those who carry out these ministries. Please pray for them and those they assist, for the abolition of the death penalty, and respect for all human life. *To learn more about the work of the Archdiocesan Restorative Justice Ministry, visit: <https://sfarch.org/rjministry/>.*

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