

# SAINT ANNE of the SUNSET CHURCH


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*20th Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 18, 2024*



I AM THE LIVING BREAD  
FROM HEAVEN,  
SAYS THE LORD;  
WHOEVER EATS  
THIS BREAD  
WILL LIVE FOR EVER.

JOHN 6:51-52

 daily prayer

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**Daily Mass: 8:45am Mon.—Sat.**

**Sunday Masses: Sat. Vigil at 5pm,  
Sundays at 8am, 10am, and Noon (Chinese)**

*All Masses Livestreamed except Sunday 8am*

**Confessions: 20 minutes before  
Saturday Vigil and each Sunday Mass**

**Office Hours: Mon.—Fri., 9am — 4:30pm**

**Baptisms: 2nd Sat. of month, 12:30pm  
(Registered Parishioners only)**

**Baptismal Prep: 3rd Sat. of month, 10:00am  
(Registered Parishioners only)**



*Saint Anne Parish*  
**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**WEEK of August 18, 2024**

**Sunday, August 18**

- 8:00am** Maryan Sinclair (D)
- 10:00am** People of the Parish
- Noon** Msgr. Thomas Merson (D)

**Monday, August 19**

- 8:45am** Luis & Raymond Rotor (D)

**Tuesday, August 20**

- 8:45am** Tom Fox (D)

**Wednesday, August 21**

- 8:45am** Thanksgiving, Catherine & Anthony Kunkel

**Thursday, August 22**

- 8:45am** Lynn Lee (D)

**Friday, August 23**

- 8:45am** Cristina Conge Sy (D)

**Saturday, August 24**

- 8:45am** Confraternity of Saint Anne
- 5:00pm** In Honor of Saint Bartholomew

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20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, the readings highlight the importance of choosing wisely. Proverbs speaks of a banquet prepared by wisdom, while Psalm 34 invites us to “taste and see the goodness of the Lord.” Ephesians encourages us to live wisely and seek the Spirit’s guidance. In the Gospel, Jesus reveals Himself as the Bread of Life, challenging us to see beyond the material world. These teachings call us to embrace God’s wisdom and live a life centered on Christ.

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*At The Table*

In today’s first reading, Wisdom is imagined as a woman rich in poise and grace. She moves smoothly and confidently about her temple-like home. She does not flutter about, nervous with worry. Wisdom sends her maidens to invite all to her open house. The guests do not possess any particular genius or insight. They need only be a people of good will and common sense. They are summoned to leave behind foolishness and to find for themselves a place at Wisdom’s table. There they may eat and drink deeply.

Today’s Gospel draws us back to the table of the Eucharist. Jesus addresses those who seek to understand his words and, sadly, those who seek to avoid them. As people born of God, we are called and equipped to seek God’s will and act on it.

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**Previous Week’s Collections**

1st Collection, August 11, 2024 — \$2,052.00

2nd Collection , Build. & Maint. Fund—\$717.00

***This Week’s 2nd Coll.*** - Property and Insurance Fund

**AAA Assessment 2024—\$51,889**

Total Received as of August 13—\$21,883

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

## *Treasures from our Tradition*

If the alb is the premier baptismal garment, then why are there so many styles of vesture in evidence in our parishes? In some places, altar servers and other ministers might wear a garment, usually black, called a cassock. Over that is usually worn a white garment called a “surplice”, reminiscent of the alb but much shorter, often of starched linen and trimmed with lace. The cassock is not a liturgical garment, but a clerical robe. Its origins lie in the religious habit of monks. By the late Middle Ages, diocesan priests and clerics increasingly were encouraged to emulate the religious priests. Very small boys were often apprenticed to monasteries, especially for music education, and would be vested with a cassock and sometimes even inducted into the ranks of clerics.

For centuries before the Reformation, it was required that all men entering higher education be clerics, and so the cassock and its variations became familiar academic garb. At the Reformation, many ministers retained a form of the cassock as ordinary dress, rejecting liturgical garments. In the seventeenth century, the English Civil War was in part provoked by the Archbishop of Canterbury’s insistence that ministers wear surplices. Although the Episcopal church now retains “cassock and surplice” as the normal dress for lay men and women assisting at liturgy, Catholics are increasingly attentive to the deeply traditional treasure of the alb, our baptismal robe, when special liturgical vesture is needed.

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### **ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2024**

Please help your parish contribute her financial share to the Archdiocese for the many programs that they sponsor and that a single parish would not be able to fund. Saint Anne’s assessment for 2024 is \$51,889. If you can donate 1% of that total— around \$520— you will be invited to a Champagne Brunch in the new year. You may make your contribution by writing a check to the Annual Archdiocesan Appeal 2024, and dropping it off in the collection basket, or at the rectory. You will find AAA 2024 envelopes at the pews or at church entrances.

Your commitment to this Annual Appeal enables the Archdiocese to provide vital services to our local community and our greater Church.

**THANK YOU!**

### **Today’s Readings**

First reading: Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding (Proverbs 9:1-6).

Psalm: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading: Live as wise persons trying to understand what is the will of the Lord, filled with the Spirit and giving thanks always (Ephesians 5:15-20).

Gospel: Jesus says, “I am the living bread . . . Whoever eats this bread (my flesh) will live forever” (John 6:51-58).