

# SAINT ANNE OF THE SUNSET

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

## Pastor's Column

**Honoring Mother Mary in May** – It's certainly appropriate to celebrate Mother Mary in the Season of Easter. She had accompanied her Son and suffered alongside Him, experiencing just as deeply the 5 wounds He experienced. Now that He has been raised from the dead, it's certainly appropriate to honor and crown her with our love and flowers. Devotion to Mother Mary began in the early Church. In medieval times, May became associated with Mary as it symbolized new life and renewal – qualities deeply connected to her role in salvation. The tradition gained momentum in the 18<sup>th</sup> century, when Jesuit Fr. Latomia of the Roman College dedicated the month of May to Mary, encouraging devotion among students. From there, the practice spread throughout the world. May is also rich in Marian feast days, including: Our Lady of Fatima (May 13), Mary, help of Christians (May 24), and the Visitation of Mary (May 31). By the 19<sup>th</sup> century, the tradition of May Crowning became widespread, with parishes and schools holding ceremonies to honor her. And she is honored in different ways worldwide:

- In the US and Western Europe we often have a procession led by children dressed in white, carrying flowers in a procession. The ceremony includes hymns like *Bring Flowers of the Rarest* and culminates by placing a floral crown on a statue of Mary.
- In Mexico and Brazil, it is celebrated with grand processions, where Marian statues are adorned with elaborate floral arrangements.
- In the Philippines, they celebrate Flores de Mayo, a month-long festival honoring Mary. The Santacruzán, a grand procession featuring young women dressed as biblical figures, is a highlight of the celebration. The event concludes with the crowning of Mary, symbolizing her role as Queen of Heaven.

We invite you to bring a flower and join in the opening procession at the 10am mass this Sunday. And I invite you also, to pray the Rosary during the month of May, a wonderful meditation tool to help us imitate the life of Jesus and Mary. *O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.*

- Fr. Dan



**Welcome Pope Leo XIV!**  
Cardinal Robert Prevost becomes 1<sup>st</sup> American pope. "God loves us. God loves everyone. Evil will not prevail. We are all in the hands of God. Therefore, without fear, and united, hand in hand with God and with one another, let us move forward together"

**Catholic Charities Sunday** - The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection this Sunday is an opportunity for parishioners in the Archdiocese of San Francisco to support families and individuals in San Francisco, San Mateo, and Marin counties. Every day, Catholic Charities serves the most vulnerable members of our community — our brothers and sisters in Christ — often through the most difficult times in their lives. Your gift provides hope and can keep families housed and off the streets, provide kids with opportunities to learn and grow, aid immigrants through the legal system, and help seniors to age with dignity. Help support the merciful works done by Catholic Charities this Mother's Day weekend (May 10-11) by placing a donation in the second collection basket or using the remit envelopes available in your pews. You can visit [www.CatholicCharitiesSF.org/CCSunday](http://www.CatholicCharitiesSF.org/CCSunday) to donate online. For more information, contact Bridget Mahoney at [BMahoney@CatholicCharitiesSF.org](mailto:BMahoney@CatholicCharitiesSF.org).

## Photo Corner – Smile!



Congratulations! Nathanael May, Evan Leu, Kiran Hixson, Henry Cronin, Dominic Cabacungan-Sharma, Jordan Wong, Keiandra Liu, Natalie Elliott, Eva Chen, Evelyn Bori-Chan

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Week of May 11 – May 17, 2025

### Sunday, May, 11 – Mother's Day

8:00AM Ramona Carrion, *Thanksgiving*  
10:00AM Lilia Maalin Bagos (D)  
12:00PM Parishioners of St. Anne

### Monday, May, 12

8:45AM Joseph Yen (D)

### Tuesday, May, 13

8:45AM Jessie Gomez, *Thanksgiving*

### Wednesday, May, 14

8:45AM Dr. James McIntyre (D)

### Thursday, May, 15

8:45AM Don Torres (D)

### Friday, May, 16

8:45AM Giovanni Alas, *Anniversary*

### Saturday, May, 17

8:45AM Confraternity of St. Anne  
5:00PM Paterno Liwanag (D)

## Thank You!

### Previous Week's Collection

Sunday Offertory - \$ 2,735.00

Second Collection - \$653.00

*This week's 2<sup>nd</sup> collection: School Earthquake Retrofit*



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## Zelle New Giving Option Venmo & Zelle!

Digital payments now available an additional *easy* option for Sunday donation! Checks, cash, credit card are still accepted. To donate use: Zelle to [stannesunset@gmail.com](mailto:stannesunset@gmail.com) & Venmo QR Code. We are SO grateful for your help!

*You can also use Venmo in our Gift Shop!*

## Treasures from our Tradition

The reception of Holy Communion at Sunday Mass is such an expected feature of the Mass these days that it is surprising to realize that for many centuries, receiving Communion was a relatively rare event in the life of a faithful Christian. "Easter duty" means that Catholics must celebrate reconciliation if aware of serious sin, and receive Holy Communion during the Easter season. For a while, this was a requirement of Easter week, and later extended to the whole season of fifty days, and even beyond that by a few weeks. For the majority of people long ago, this meant Communion was a once-a-year moment. A rather complex bureaucracy grew up around this rule in the Middle Ages. Amazingly, people received a kind of token at confession admitting them to Communion in their home parish, which then kept careful records and reported them to the bishop. Surviving records can tell us a great deal about our

ancestors. In fact, people were encouraged to journey to the church of their baptism in order to fulfill their duty, and therefore the Easter duty includes in its origins a grateful pilgrimage to the font in which you were first embraced by Christ. If your "Holy Mother Church" is within a drive, why not make a pilgrimage to that font be a feature of your Easter celebration of these fifty days?

## Upcoming Events

### At St. Anne:

- 5/11 Crowning of our Blessed Mother – 10am.  
Bring a flower and join in the procession to honor our Blessed Mother.
- 5/17 **Free Paper Shredding Event** - 9am – 12pm  
Organized by 2 Realtors as a community service  
Is in the St Anne School Yard  
Info/Contact: Pat Lee, LC@PatLeeTeam.com

### In the Archdiocese:

(Visit [www.sfarchdiocese.org/events](http://www.sfarchdiocese.org/events) for more info)

- 5/17 **Movie Screening: Sound of Freedom** – 2pm  
Discussion on Human Trafficking at Mission Dolores, 16<sup>th</sup> St. Info: ProLife@sfarch.org
- 5/30 **Life Giving Wounds Retreat** – 3:30pm  
For Adult children of divorced/separated parents  
Two days - May 30 @ 6pm - June 1 @ 3:30pm  
At Vallambrosa Retreat Center, Menlo Park, CA  
Info: Ed Hopfner, HopfnerE@sfarch.org ,  
415-614-5547

### At St. Anne School:

- 5/23 **Chalk to Heal** –

A non-profit supporting kid with cancer. Donations contribute to exposing kids to art and helps diminish the stress and trauma of cancer. Donate \$5 to participate in chalking up the school yard.

- St. Anne **Summer School** enrollment is open! The theme for this summer is **Fly Me to the Moon!** This is a great opportunity for your child to learn and have fun in a supportive environment.

**Program Dates:** June 9 – July 3, 2025

**Contact School Office at 415-664-7977**



## Contact Us!

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Office closed on Federal Holidays

**Daily Mass:** 8:45am

**Sunday Mass:** 5pm Vigil (Saturday), 8am, 10am and 12 pm in Chinese

**Confession:** 20 minutes before Saturday 5pm Vigil  
and before 8am & 10am Sunday Masses

**Pastoral Emergencies:** 415-866-6455



# THE SOUND OF FREEDOM

*Suggested donation \$3-\$5*

Saturday, May 17, 2:00 P.M.

Mission Dolores Basilica

3321 16th St, San Francisco, CA

*Short Discussion follows. Join us!*

**Register at:**

**[sfarch.org/event/soundoffreedom](http://sfarch.org/event/soundoffreedom)**



*After rescuing a boy from ruthless **child traffickers**, a federal agent learns the boy's sister is still captive and decides to embark on a dangerous mission to save her.*

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