

SAINT ANNE OF THE SUNSET

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 7, 2025

Pastor's Column

2 New Saints – This Sunday at 10am at the Vatican, Pope Leo is canonizing 2 new saints, **Carlo Acutis** and **Pier Giorgio Frassati**. **Pier** lived in the late 19th and early 20th centuries and was known for his athletic and social life. He enjoyed mountain climbing, getting together with friends and was known for his practical jokes. Yet beneath this vibrant personality, he had a deep spiritual life. He attended daily mass, spent hours in Eucharistic devotion, and was devoted to the Rosary and the poor. He joined the St Vincent de Paul Society and regularly visited the sick and the poor. He was also politically active advocating for workers' rights and opposed fascism. He died of polio at the young age of 24, contracting it likely from the sick people he served. His funeral was attended not by the elite, but by hundreds of the poor and sick whom he quietly served. His motto "To the heights," captures both his love of mountain climbing and his spiritual desire to reach holiness. **Carlo** lived in the late 20th and early 21st centuries and died at just 15-years-old from leukemia. In spite of his young age, he was proud to say that he didn't waste a minute of his life. His mother shared that ever since his youth, he was attracted by the church and would want to go in. Even the family caretaker, a Hindu man by the name of **Rajesh Mohur** and whose father was a Hindu priest, was impressed by his simplicity and love for God. He would want to go inside the church and pray, and would seriously spend quiet time before the Tabernacle like an adult. Through his influence, Rajesh and his mother became Catholics. Even Carlo's mother shared that through their son's influence, they grew deeper in their relationship with God (see their book "God's Influencer"). Another thing that Rajesh was impressed about Carlo was that in his early teens, he would do serious research about Eucharistic miracles and would share that information with others on the web. Carlo is quoted as saying "*if we get in front of the sun, we get sun tan... but when we get in front of Jesus in the Eucharist, we become saints.*" And "*The more Eucharist we receive, the more we will become like Jesus, so that on earth we will have a foretaste of heaven.*" These 2 young men remind us that sainthood is possible to young and old alike and as Carlo would say "*Our aim has to be the Infinite and not the finite. The Infinite is our Homeland. We have always been expected in Heaven.*"

Interested in Growing in Faith – The Archdiocese is offering an online course that lasts 6 weeks and will begin on Tuesday, Sep 9 from 6-7:30pm. The course covers the Patristic fathers. If you're interested to learn how the early Church grew after the passing of the apostles, studying these early Church Fathers, also known as the Patristic Fathers, is fascinating. How did they survive the early persecutions? And how did they survive threats from within. Justin Martyr, for example, used philosophy and theology to help explain the Christian faith to critics and believers alike. Tertullian coined the concept of "trinity" to help us understand the nature of God. They defended the church against heresies like Gnosticism and Arianism and canonized the New Testament of the Bible. They helped establish patterns for church organization and governance. If you've ever been interested in uncovering your own family history, studying the Patristic Fathers is an exciting way to learn the history of our early Church. Msgr. James Shea in his book "From Christendom to Apostolic Mission," points out that we no longer live in a Christian nation. We've become secularized. And it would benefit us to learn from the early fathers, how they lived and shared their faith. Their example of faith, courage, resourcefulness and dedication will inspire us in our own journey of faith and how to share the gospel in a secularized world.

- What: Online Course on the Patristic Fathers
- When: Weekly, from Sep 9 – Oct 14, 6-7:30pm
- Register: <https://sfarch.org/patristic-fathers-course/>
- Cost: Free (donations gratefully accepted)

Made for Mission – Interested in renewing the Church and reimagining our call to mission? The Dioceses of San Francisco and Oakland are offering a one-day workshop for parish leaders and interested parishioners to transform our churches from maintenance to mission. In collaboration with Alpha and Divine Renovation, they offer to bring clarity and confidence to our mission of sharing the Good News!

- When: Fri, 9/19 from 9am – 3:30pm
- Where: St. Anne Church Hall
- Contact: Fr Dan, frdan@stanne-sf.org

- Fr Dan

Mass Intentions for the Week

Week of September 7– September 13, 2025

Sunday, September 7

8:00AM John Murray (D)
10:00AM Lorraine, Claire & Ben Gotelli (D)
12:00PM Pius Chow (D)

Monday, September 8

8:45AM Nina Lucier (D)

Tuesday, September 9

8:45AM Jose Laguda - *Healing* (D)

Wednesday, September 10

8:45AM Chun Mui Chu (D)

Thursday, September 11

8:45AM Jose Lopez Sabedra (D)

Friday, September 12

8:45AM Genevieve Livman-Loftus (D)

Saturday, September 13

8:45AM Confraternity of St. Anne
5:00PM Corazon & Sotera Sunga –
78th Wedding Anniversary

Thank You!

Previous Week's Collection

Sunday Offertory - \$2,306

Second Collection – None

This week's second collection: Military Services, USA

Upcoming Events

At St. Anne Church:

9/7 1st Day of Sunday School

A school for public school students to learn the faith and prepare for the sacraments. Held every Sunday, except holidays, starting at 11:15am - 12:30pm. Contact: Carmen Perlas, cperlas@stanne-sf.org, 415-665-1600 x 22

9/8 1st Day, Neo-Catechumenal Journey of Faith

Be part of a faith community to learn and walk the journey of faith. Held on Mon & Thur. @ 7pm from Sept. 8 - Oct. 30 in the St. Anne Church Vestibule. Contact: Moises Estrada, moises.estrada1852@gmail.com

9/11 1st Day, Introduction to the Catholic Faith

For adults interested to learn more about the Catholic faith or to complete their Sacraments. Held every Thursday evening, except holidays, from 7 - 8:30pm. Meet at Holy Name Office, 1555-39th Avenue, SF. Contact: Carmen Perlas, cperlas@stanne-sf.org, 415-665-1600 x 22

In the Archdiocese:

(Visit www.sfarchdiocese.org/events for more info)

9/15 Interfaith Prayer Service: Suicide Prevention

Held at St. Dominic's Church from 7-8:30pm
Contact: Dcn Chuck McNeil, 415-567-7824

9/20 28th Annual Holy Spirit Conference

Theme: Fanning the Flame of Hope. Held at: St. Mary's Cathedral, at 8am (doors open) until 4pm. Contact: Danny Garza, 650-270-8065

In the News

Moriarty Hall shines with new LED lights!



Thanks Joe O'Leary, Ken Chin & Troop 15 families, we're taking steps to care for Mother Earth.



Join the movement. . . #Laudato Si' for Earth everyDay!

Contact Us!

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 10am – 4:30pm
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

Join the Parish: If you'd like to join our Parish and be part of our community, please go to our website <http://www.stanne-sf.org/> and follow the tabs – **Home** and **Join the parish** *Welcome!*

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YOU DO NOT KNOW WHY...

IF YOU CANNOT LOVE...

IF YOU CANNOT FORGIVE...

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7PM, starting Monday 09/8th

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Neocatechumenal Way - Beginning of Catechesis

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JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON
WITH THE SISTERS OF LIFE



Sept. 13, 2025, 1:30 PM- 3 PM

**St. Gregory's Worner Center
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